County of Los Angeles
City of Los Angeles
Homeless Strategies

Presentation to the Joint CSAC/LCC
Homelessness Task Force
November 28, 2016
Government Collaboration

- Homelessness is a regional, cross jurisdictional issue
- The solution requires the State, County, Cities and partners to commit to action
Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count

Total Homeless Population
(includes Glendale, Long Beach and Pasadena)

- 2013: 39,461
- 2015: 44,359
- 2016: 46,874

Total Homeless Population - Sheltered and Unsheltered

- **2015**
  - Sheltered (13,341)
  - Unsheltered (31,018)

- **2016**
  - Sheltered (12,347)
  - Unsheltered (34,527)

Data provided by Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority
# Homeless Housing Gap

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<th>Housing Type</th>
<th>LA City</th>
<th>Balance of County</th>
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<td>Permanent Supportive Housing</td>
<td>9,894</td>
<td>5,447</td>
<td>Provides intensive support services to chronically homeless persons</td>
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<td>Rapid Re-Housing</td>
<td>3,434</td>
<td>4,945</td>
<td>Provides short-term housing assistance. Each unit can potentially house 2 households per year</td>
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<td>Emergency Shelter</td>
<td>552</td>
<td>2,129</td>
<td>Provides crisis housing to unsheltered persons on the path to permanent housing</td>
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<td>Homeless Prevention</td>
<td>1,230</td>
<td>1,325</td>
<td>Provides stabilizing housing assistance that keeps people and families from falling out of housing and into the homeless system</td>
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$450 million per year* needed to fill the homeless housing gap (not counting construction costs)

*Homeless Housing Gaps in the County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, January 2016
The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) is a Joint Powers Authority formed by the City and County of Los Angeles.

LAHSA administers the HUD Continuum of Care on behalf of the County, the City of Los Angeles and 84 other Cities in the County.

Most City and County homeless shelter and emergency services programs are funded through LAHSA.
Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative

• Launched in August 2015

• Seizing the moment: Historic opportunity to combat homelessness throughout Los Angeles County

• Initial Goal: Develop a comprehensive set of recommended County strategies to combat homelessness, including strategies in which cities can participate

• Inclusive and collaborative planning process – 25 County departments, 30 cities, over 100 community organizations
County Community Engagement
City of Los Angeles Strategy Process

- City Council created the standing Homelessness and Poverty Committee to focus on homelessness
- The Committee
  - Held public meetings on specific topics related to homelessness
  - Instructed Staff to prepare a strategy for Council and Mayor consideration
- City of Los Angeles participated actively in the 18 policy summits convened by the County
- Strategies were developed through interdepartmental collaboration
Approved Strategies
(Approved by the Board of Supervisors and LA City Council on 2/9/2016)

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<td>47 strategies in six areas:</td>
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<td>- Prevent Homelessness</td>
<td>- No Wrong Door</td>
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<td>- Subsidize Housing</td>
<td>- Coordinated Entry System</td>
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<td>- Increase Income</td>
<td>- Governance</td>
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<td>- Land Use</td>
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City/County Shared Strategies

- County and City commitments to the same or complementary efforts
- Shared Strategies in a number of categories:
  - Prevention
  - Employment
  - Land Use
  - Coordinated Entry System (CES)
  - Housing
Coordinated Entry System

- City and County Jointly supporting (through LAHSA)
  - Strengthened technology, staffing and standardization
  - Increased support for case managers
  - Strengthened data sharing and tracking
  - Regional service coordination
  - Regional Homelessness Advisory Council
Housing: Immediate needs

- County and City jointly supporting:
  - Rapid Rehousing
  - Winter Shelter
  - Increase year-round emergency shelter capacity
    - More shelter beds
    - 24 hour shelter operations
  - Bridge Housing
  - Rental assistance for permanent supportive housing
  - Alignment of homeless rental subsidy programs
### Housing: Long-Term Solution

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<td>• Supportive Services for Permanent Supportive Housing</td>
<td>• Commitment to fund new permanent supportive housing construction</td>
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<td>• Affordable and Permanent Supportive Housing Construction</td>
<td>• Ongoing Affordable Housing Construction</td>
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<td>• Use of HUD subsidies for PSH</td>
<td>• Long-term rental subsidies</td>
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<td>• Potential linkage Fee</td>
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<td>• Second Dwelling Units</td>
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City and County intend to ensure permanent supportive housing is developed with essential support services and rental assistance.
Other Key County Strategies

- SSI and veterans benefits advocacy
- Leveraging Affordable Care Act opportunities
- Subsidized employment for CalWORKs homeless families
- Bridge housing for those exiting institutions/jail in-reach/discharge planning guidelines
- Increase Employment for Homeless Adults by Supporting Social Enterprise
Other Key City Strategies

- Diversion –
  - Interdisciplinary Homeless Outreach Partnership Endeavor Teams

- Facilities
  - Storage
  - Safe Parking
  - Mobile Showers

- Land Use – Ordinances in development to streamline the development process for permanent supportive housing

- Created Homeless Strategy Committee
- Hired Homeless Coordinator
Opportunities & Challenges

- Newly approved City $1.2 billion bond for supportive and affordable housing
- Proposed County ballot measure to raise $355 million annually to combat homelessness
- Need strategies and tools to gain community support for new homeless service and housing locations
- Work with State to develop legislation to facilitate funding for services and housing development
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