How To Quickly Ramp Up Shelter

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- Introduction to Los Angeles Homeless
 Services Authority
- A Bridge Home
 Driving Factors
 System Coordination and Design
 Approaching NIMBYism



Introduction to LAHSA

- Lead for the Los Angeles Continuum of Care
- To support, create, and sustain solutions to homelessness in Los Angeles County by providing leadership, advocacy, planning, and management of program funding.
- Administers over 400 Million dollars every year with the addition of Measure H and HHH.
- Administers the Homeless Point in Time Count



Introduction to Special Projects

- Project Manager team of 3
- Focus on various external projects
- Supports: A Bridge Home
 Safe Parking Programs
 Hygiene Programs
 Storage Programs
 ADA related projects



Driving Factors for A Bridge Home

- Data
- The Public Perspective
- Political Will
- Human Dignity
- Research
- Strong Outreach Desire







2018 0				Count - Data Sur	nmary	
Population ¹	Sheltered	Unsheltered	es Cou	Prevalence of Homeless Pop. (%)	Percent Change 2017 - 2018	Significa Differen 2017 - 20
All Persons						
All Persons	13,369	39,396	52,765	100%	-4%	Yes
Household Composition			44.435	84%		Yes
Individuals (Those not in family units) Chronically Homeless	6,830	37,605	44,435	84% 26%	-5%	Yes
Veterons Veterons	1.049	2,743	13,559	26%	-19%	Yes
Veterons Unaccompanied Minors (under 18)	1,049	2,743	3,792	0.1%	-20%	Yes
Family Members (Those in family units)	6.504	1.763	8.267	16%	-30%	No
Children in Families (Inder 18)	3,944	1,763	4,911	10%	-1%	No
Children in Families (under 18) Chronically Homeless	3,944	967 419	4,911	9%	-15	No
Veterons	25	419	516	0.2%	+88%	Yes
Veterans			34	0.478	100/0	4 10
All Veteraris	1 074	2 812	3.886	76	.19%	Yes
Chronically Homeless Veterans	57	1,464	1.521	3%	-28%	Yes
Gender			1,000			1
Male	7 348	28.088	35.436	62%	.5%	Yes
Female	5,894	10.330	16.224	31%	-5%	No
Transgender	116	813	929	2%	+94%	Yes
Gender Non-Conforming	11	165	176	0.3%	+25%	No
Age						
Under 18	3,979	995	4,974	9%	-2%	No
18 - 24	1,521	1,577	3,098	6%	-7%	No
25 and Over	7,869	36,824	44,693	85%	-4%	Yes
Chronically Homeless						
Individuals (Those not in family units)	882	12,677	13,559	26%	-19%	Yes
Family Members (Those in family units)	97	419	516	1%	-5%	No
Total Chronically Homeless Persons	979	13,096	14,075	27%	-18%	Yes
Health and Disability						
						Signific
				Prevalence in Over 18	Percent Change	Differe
Health/Disability Indicator ³	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total	Homeless Pop. (%)	2017 - 2018	2017 - 2
Substance Use Disorder	301	6,816	7,117	15%	-20%	Yes
HIV/AIDS	302	438	740	2%	-37%	Yes
Serious Mental Illness	1,353	11,395	12,748	27%	-17%	Yes
Domestic/Intimate Partner Violence						
	1			-		Signific
				Prevalence in Over 18	Percent Charm	Signific
Domestic/Intimate Partner Violence	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total		Percent Change 2017 - 2018	
	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total	Prevalence in Over 18 Homeless Pop. (%)	Percent Change 2017 - 2018 N/A ⁴	Differe





Homelessness remains visible on our streets

3 out of 4 people remain unsheltered







The number of

- Vehicles
- Tents
- Makeshift shelters

increased 5%* from last year and 32%* since 2016



Current Strategies:

- ✓ Doubled the amount of outreach workers to 500
- Implemented a holistic outreach strategy

LA's Plan Moving Forward:

- Launching Centralized Outreach Referral Portal
- □ Adding more outreach workers
- Adding 3,250 interim housing units
- Expanding use of technology and data

LAHSA

*LA CoC excludes Glendale, Pasadena, and Long Beach CoCs



A Bridge Home

- Modular/Tension/Membrane temporary Shelters
- El Puente 30-men 15-women / Hygiene trailers, case management





A Bridge Home

- April 2018, Mayor Garcetti and City Council declared an Emergency Shelter Crisis.
- May 2018, Mayor Garcetti signed an Executive Directive requiring City Departments to fast track bridge housing
- Structures can be built in as little as 32 weeks.
- CHAPTER 7.8. Shelter Crisis Law
- Joint funding partnership between the County and City



System Collaboration

- Multi-faceted approach from site development to program start. (LAHSA, City Departments, Mayors Office, Council Districts, County departments, Service Providers...)
- Regular meetings
 - Siting lot locations
 - Feasibility Studies
 - Design, Engineers, Vendors, Construction,
 - Provider service model, input and system integration
 - Funding, procurement, contracting
 - Coordinated Outreach strategies
- Strong leadership on all fronts



Design

A Bridge Home Housing

- Crisis and Case management and Mental Health/Health supports.
- Assessment and program connection to housing programs
- House up to 45 -150 participants depending on Lot size.
- Congregate sites can support individuals, couples, adults and youth.
- A hybrid between an outreach focused referral and first come first serve model.
- Encampment targets and connection to A Bridge Home



Design

- Bridge Housing
 - Trauma informed principles
 - ADA accessibility
 - Harm Reduction and Low Barrier model
 - Amnesty Boxes
 - No criteria for entrance
 - Assessed for safety
 - Lot size and shape
 - Incorporates: Pets

Hygiene : Showers and Bathrooms

Dining : 3 meals (2 hot)

Storage: Additional storage



Managing NIMBYism

- Early community engagement is CORE
- Open House VS Town Hall
- Incorporating all partners and various leadership (council district representatives...)
- Ensuring clear and accurate data and correcting misinformation.
- Have more than one.
- Preparation
- Monitor Media



Questions?

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