

CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

September 8, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Scott, City Manager

Submitted By: Beverly Johnson, Neighborhood Services Director

SUBJECT: ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY

MEASURE A FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY OF

POMONA LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDED PROGRAMS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

1) Adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-108 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$1,142,491 IN MEASURE A FUNDS FOR THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUNDED PROGRAMS AND AMENDMENT OF THE FY 2025-2026 OPERATING BUDGET

- 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the initial agreement dated retroactively as of July 1, 2025, covering the grant term from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, preventing a lapse in staffing and services.
- 3) Authorize the City Manager to execute all agreements, amendments, and any other documentation requested for acceptance of the award, distribution of the funding and operation of the Local Solutions Fund and H4H Interim Housing Programs, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Approval of this item will approve a new Agreement (Attachment No. 2) beginning July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2031 and \$1,142,491 in Los Angeles County Measure A Funds to support the City's projects for individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness,

including, move-in assistance, landlord supports, interim housing operating subsidies, legal assistance subsidies, mediation service subsidies, and administrative costs.

SB1439/GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLICABILITY:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Adoption of Resolution No. 2025-108 (Attachment No. 1) will authorize the acceptance of \$1,142,491 in Los Angeles County Measure A Funds, for the operation of the City's Local Solutions Funded programs distributing \$1,036,634 to 141-1791-XXXXX-588XX for program operations and \$105,857 to 141-1702-XXXXXX-588XX for administrative costs.

Revenue Account #	Change to 2025- 2026 Revenue Estimates	Expenditure Account #	Requested 2025-2026 Appropriations (\$)
141-1702-40906- 58815	+\$2,402	141-1702-5XXXX- 58815	+\$2,402
141-1791-40906- 58815	+\$45,539	141-1791-52285- 58815	+\$45,539
141-1702-40906- 58816	+\$1,250	141-1702-5XXXX- 58816	+\$1,250
141-1791-40906- 58816	+\$23,750	141-1791-52285- 58816	+\$23,750
141-1702-40906- 58820	+\$97,455	141-1702-5XXXX- 58820	+\$97,455
141-1791-40906- 58820	+\$877,095	141-1791-52285- 58820	+\$877,095
141-1702-40906- 58817	+\$3,000	141-1702-5XXXX- 58817	+\$3,000

Revenue Account #	Change to 2025- 2026 Revenue Estimates	Expenditure Account #	Requested 2025-2026 Appropriations (\$)
141-1791-40906- 58817	+\$57,000	141-1791-52285- 58817	+\$57,000
141-1702-40906- 58818	+\$1,027	141-1702-5XXXX- 58818	+\$1,027
141-1791-40906- 58818	+\$19,504	141-1791-52285- 58818	+\$19, 504
141-1702-40906- 58819	+\$723	141-1702-5XXXX- 58819	+\$723
141-1791-40906- 58819	+\$13,746	141-1791-52285- 58819	+\$13,746

DISCUSSION:

On November 4, 2024, the voters of Los Angeles County approved the Affordable Housing, Homelessness Solutions, and Prevention Now Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance ("Measure A"), a one-half cent sales tax countywide, to fund critical programs designed to reduce and prevent homelessness within the County of Los Angeles.

On December 6, 2024, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) released a request for proposal (RFP) for an Interim Housing contract to fund congregate and non-congregate shelters serving people experiencing homelessness. The City of Pomona responded to the RFP requesting funding for the Hope for Homeless Services Center (H4H). On April 21, 2025, LAHSA notified the City it would fund 109 beds at the \$89 bed rate for a total award of \$3,540,865 (109/beds x \$89/bed rate x 365/calendar days) for the term of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. City staff is requesting acceptance of the agreement for the retroactive date of July 1, 2025.

On March 25, 2025, the County Board of Supervisors ("Board"), in consultation with cities within the County, determined that Formula 4, based on 90% of the multi-year average point-in-time count and 10% of the American Community Survey proxy data, is the appropriate method for distributing Local Solutions Fund to cities, councils of government, and to the County on behalf of its unincorporated areas.

On August 1, 2025, the County of Los Angeles awarded the City of Pomona \$1,142,491 in Measure A Funds to support the City's projects for individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness, including, move-in assistance, landlord supports, interim housing operating subsidies, legal assistance subsidies, mediation services subsidies, and administrative costs.

Expedited Placements in Permanent Housing for People Experiencing Homelessness (PEH) – Move-in Assistance

The funds will support the City's Move-In Assistance Project. The project will assist PEH in establishing stable housing by providing essential home furnishings and appliances necessary for comfortable living such as beds, dining tables, stoves, and refrigerators. In addition, the project may also cover move-in related expenses, including security deposits, which will be leveraged with existing Continuum of Care Rapid Rehousing funding. This project will also support PEH and families who do not have tenant-based vouchers/certificates and are not eligible for the LACDA Homeless Incentive Program.

Expedited Placements in Permanent Housing for PEH - Landlord Supports, Landlord Incentives/Engagements, Financial Engagements

The funds will support landlord engagement efforts under the Pomona Landlord Engagement Program (PLEP). The project is designed to increase the number of available housing units for people experiencing homelessness by encouraging landlords to work with housing voucher holders and those receiving housing subsidies. The engagement efforts may include funds for hosting monthly luncheons, offering mitigation support, processing damage claims, and providing landlord incentives. These efforts aim to build trust, address concerns, and reduce barriers to landlord participation.

Interim Housing – Hope for Home Congregate Shelter Site

The funds will support a portion of the operating costs associated with the additional 30 beds at Hope for Home congregate interim housing site in the City. These additional beds are specifically dedicated to serving adults transitioning from homeless encampments. Operational services at the site will be provided by Volunteers of America of Los Angeles (VOALA), following the standard interim housing bed rate of \$89 per bed, per night. The funds are expected to cover approximately 90% of the operating costs for these additional beds.

Family Interim Housing Operating Subsidies – Pomona Family Sanctuary

The funds will support the continued operation of an existing City-owned non-congregate interim housing site dedicated to serving PEH families with children enrolled in school in Pomona. The site is co-led by the City and Volunteers of America of Los Angeles. The family members will be connected to case management services to increase income and temporary rental assistance programs until housing stabilization has occurred and /or they are connected to voucher/certificate programs, if eligible. Covered operational costs include security services, property maintenance, and general operating and upkeep expenses.

Legal Assistance – Eviction Legal Services (Bet Tzedek)

The funds will support attorney services that provide legal assistance and representation to support City tenants struggling with rent increases, evictions, and landlord harassments to stabilize tenants housing. These services aim to prevent homelessness and increase the successful impact of flexible evictions which generally refers to the varying legal requirements and procedures that landlords

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must follow to evict a tenant, which would provide some degree of flexibility within the process and homelessness prevention services for tenants in the City.

Legal Assistance – Eviction Mediation Services (Housing Rights Center)

The funds will support the City's Mediation Program, which offers neutral mediation services to resolve disputes between tenants and their landlords aimed to prevent eviction. The Mediation Program assigns a mediator who will be responsible for the entire mediation process, working toward a possible resolution. The primary objective of the mediation program will be to resolve tension between tenant and landlord; help stabilize tenants in their housing and prevent homelessness.

COUNCIL PRIORITIES & GOALS:

This item supports City Council Goal K: – to reduce the unsheltered homeless population by 10% annually and take actions to mitigate the impacts of homelessness on the community.

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ATTACHMENT(S):

Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2025-108 Attachment No. 2 – City of Pomona_ HI-25-027