FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND CITY OF POMONA

FOR

LOCAL SOLUTIONS FUND CONTRACT NUMBER: HI-25-027

The Funding Agreement is made and entered into by and between the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as "County" and City of Pomona hereinafter referred to as "Local Jurisdiction". The County and Local Jurisdiction shall collectively be referred to as "Parties".

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, 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" or the "Ordinance"), a one-half cent sales tax countywide, to fund critical programs designed to reduce and prevent homelessness within the County;

WHEREAS, the County has received a portion of the proceeds from the tax imposed by Measure A for Comprehensive Homelessness Services, the Local Solutions Fund, and Homelessness Solutions Innovations which it distributes to eligible programs and services in accordance with Measure A;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Measure A, the County shall allocate funds from the Local Solutions Fund to cities, councils of governments, and/or the County on behalf of its unincorporated areas;

WHEREAS, 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 governments, and to the County on behalf of its unincorporated areas;

WHEREAS, services and programs funded by the Local Solutions Fund shall support a variety of services and programs aimed at addressing homelessness, including but not limited to physical and mental health care, emergency housing, permanent housing, job counseling, substance use disorder treatment, short-term rental subsidies, and other related services, as well as the collection and analysis of data to assess the effectiveness of such services and programs;

WHEREAS, services and programs funded by Local Solutions Fund shall contribute to achieving the five outcome goals outlined in Measure A by demonstrating measurable progress from baseline metrics toward target metrics ("Metrics") as adopted by the Board on March 25, 2025;

WHEREAS, services and programs funded by the Local Solutions Fund must align with the purposes enumerated in Measure A and the Regional Plan adopted by the Board on March 25, 2025, which sets goals and objectives to reduce homelessness and expand affordable housing in accordance with Measure A:

WHEREAS, services and programs funded by the Local Solutions Fund shall adhere to best practices for the standardization of care, including but not limited to facilitating connections to behavioral and mental health services, medical care, and other services, and create connections to mainstream safety net programs supported by County, State, and federal funds,

including connections to medical and mental health care and other entitlement programs;

WHEREAS, the Local Jurisdiction agrees to perform its obligations under this Agreement in a manner consistent with and supportive of the goals and purposes outlined in Measure A, and the Metrics, Regional Plan, and best practices for the standardization of care; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this Agreement to formalize the allocation of Measure A funds, which is approved by the Board annually, establish accountability measures, and ensure the effective use of Measure A funds to achieve the stated goals in Measure A to prevent and reduce homelessness and increase access to affordable housing, subject to all the conditions required by Measure A.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the Parties agree to the following:

I. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

- A. Purpose of Affordable Housing, Homelessness Solutions, And Prevention Now Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance ("Measure A"): The allocation of Measure A funds from the Local Solutions Fund to the Local Jurisdiction is to be used solely for services and programs consistent with the purposes enumerated in the Ordinance or for the purposes set forth in Government Code section 64700 et seq., including but not limited to homelessness prevention, homelessness services, or affordable housing programs in Los Angeles County.
- B. Scope: Local Jurisdiction shall use Measure A funds for the purposes and goals specified in Measure A and the goals and objectives outlined in the Regional Plan adopted by the County Board on March 25, 2025, which aims to reduce homelessness and expand affordable housing. Local Jurisdiction shall use Measure A funds for the uses as set forth in Measure A, including, but not limited to:
 - 1. Preventing Homelessness;
 - 2. Mental Health;
 - 3. Outpatient and residential substance use treatment;
 - 4. Case management and outreach services;
 - 5. Employment services;
 - 6. Expedited placements in permanent housing;
 - 7. Enhanced emergency housing and interim housing;
 - 8. Enhanced services for transition-age youth and children; and
 - 9. Affordable housing for people experiencing, or at risk of homelessness.

II. TERM

The term of this Agreement shall commence upon execution by the Parties and shall remain in force through June 30, 2031, contingent upon available funding and program performance set forth in this Agreement, unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this Agreement.

III. FUNDING ALLOCATION

A. Amount of Funds: Local Jurisdiction shall receive a portion of County's Measure A allocation in an amount not to exceed **\$1,142,491** ("Funds") for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Funding amounts for subsequent fiscal years for the Term is contingent upon

the County's receipt of allocated Measure A funds and annual approval by the County Board. Funds are to implement programs and services aimed at preventing and reducing homelessness and increasing access to affordable housing (the "Project"), subject to Measure A, and as further described in this Agreement and Exhibit A, Project Description and Budget, which is attached and incorporated herein by reference. Local Jurisdiction agrees to use Funds as described in Exhibit A, Project Description and Budget. The County reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to adjust the Local Solutions Fund allocation based on actual Measure A tax revenues received by the County. The Local Jurisdiction shall have no claim against the County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any Project provided by the Local Jurisdiction after the expiration or other termination of this Agreement. Should the Local Jurisdiction receive any such payment, it shall immediately notify the County and shall immediately repay all such funds to the County. Payment by the County for Project rendered after the expiration and/or termination of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of the County's right to recover such payment from the Local Jurisdiction. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Agreement.

- B. Use of Funds: Local Jurisdiction agrees to use the allocated Funds as described in their approved budget, exclusively for Measure A eligible Project, and as further described in this Agreement and Exhibit A, Project Description and Budget, and the goals and metrics outlined in Section IV of this Agreement. Any misspent or disallowed Funds must be fully reimbursed to the County, upon County's request. All Parties agree to be bound by all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives as they pertain to the performance of this Agreement.
- C. Prohibited Uses of Funds: The Funds are intended to support best practices, policies, and programs implemented by departments, agencies, or organizations that are primarily formed to provide services to and support people who are experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness, or are low-income. Per Measure A, the Funds may not be used to fund investigations or prosecutions to pursue criminal, civil, or administrative penalties against people experiencing homelessness or other low-income people.
- D. Notification of Reaching Seventy-Five Percent (75%) of Total Agreement Sum or Individual Project Budgets: Local Jurisdiction must maintain a system of record keeping that will allow the Local Jurisdiction to determine when it has incurred seventy-five percent of either the total Agreement sum or the individual project budget specified in Exhibit A, Project Description and Budget, for each listed project, whichever is reached first. Upon occurrence of this event, the Local Jurisdiction must send written notification to County at the address herein provided in Section XV of this Agreement. If the seventy-five percent threshold for an individual project budget is reached, the notice must identify the specific Project(s) to which it applies.
- E. Supplanting of Funds: Local Jurisdiction shall not use the Funds to supplant or replace existing funding sources supporting Local Jurisdiction's programs, operations, or services, except as expressly permitted in this Section. The County may approve the use of the Funds to supplant existing funding sources only under the following limited circumstances, all of which must be justified in writing by the Local Jurisdiction and approved in writing by the County prior to the execution of this Agreement or any amendment authorizing such use:
 - 1. The Funds are allocated to advance the goals outlined in Section IV.A.1 and 3, specifically: to increase the number of people moving from encampments into permanent housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness, and increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness;
 - 2. The supplanting of funds is necessary to prevent the loss of interim or permanent housing or services for people experiencing homelessness;

- 3. The supplanting of funds maintains or increases the Local Jurisdiction's ability to achieve the goals stated above; and
- 4. Local Jurisdiction agrees to redirect the local funds being replaced by the Funds to another eligible use under this Agreement that advances one or more of the goals set forth in Section IV.A.

Local Jurisdiction shall submit an annual certification of compliance to the County no later than October 1 of each year. The certification shall be signed by an authorized representative of Local Jurisdiction and must affirm compliance with all requirements set forth in this Section. The County reserves the right to request supporting documentation, including documentation showing the eligible use of the redirected funds, to verify compliance with this Section. If Local Jurisdiction fails to comply, the County may exercise any remedies available under this Agreement, including withholding of Funds or terminating the Agreement.

IV. GOALS AND METRICS

- A. Goals: The Parties agree to work collaboratively to achieve the following goals:
 - 1. Increase the number of people moving from encampments into permanent housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness;
 - 2. Reduce the number of people with mental illness and/or substance use disorders who experience homelessness;
 - 3. Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness;
 - 4. Prevent people from falling into homelessness; and
 - 5. Increase the number of affordable housing units in Los Angeles County.
- B. Baseline Metrics, Target Metrics, Key Performance Indicators, and Key System Performance Metrics: Local Jurisdiction shall work towards achieving the metrics and key performance indicators as follows:
 - Demonstrating progress from the baseline metrics toward the target metrics as set forth in Exhibit B, Measure A Goals and Recommended Targets, which are attached and incorporated herein by reference. Project funded by the Funds shall contribute to achieving the goals in Section IV.A.
 - Project Specific Key Performance Indicators ("PS-KPIs") and Project Specific Target Outcomes related to the use of the Funds, as set forth in Exhibit A, Project Description and Budget. The Parties will amend this Agreement to incorporate any additional or revised key performance indicators approved by the County.
 - 3. Key system performance metrics related to the use of the Funds, including, but are not limited to:
 - a. Creating a standardization of basic services to bring people inside and ensure that people have access to social services, medical care, and behavioral/mental health care.
 - b. Establishing a homeless-service-delivery system more accessible to all communities;
 - c. Meeting regional housing needs for "Lower Income Households," which has the same meaning as defined in California Health and Safety Code section 50079.5;
 - d. Using an equity lens and reducing racial disparities and disproportionate impact of homelessness and housing insecurity for critical populations, including but not limited to veterans, seniors, transition-age youth, families with children, people with disabilities,

- people with animal companions, women, members of LGBTQIA+ communities, survivors of domestic violence, overrepresented racial groups, and others at risk of homelessness; and
- e. Increasing accountability and transparency in the use of public funds.
- 4. The Parties will amend this Agreement to incorporate any additional or revised metrics and key performance indicators approved by the County.

V. REGIONAL PLAN AND BEST PRACTICES

- A. Alignment with Regional Plan: Local Jurisdiction shall ensure that its Project funded by the Funds align with the County's adopted regional plan and contribute to the achievement of its stated goals and objectives. Local Jurisdiction shall coordinate with County's efforts to combat homelessness, including collection of data to build a more comprehensive and inclusive version of the Regional Plan and provide continual updates to create a "living" Regional Plan. The County's Regional Plan is attached as Exhibit C, Measure A Regional Plan, and incorporated herein by reference.
- B. Best Practices for Standardization of Care: Local Jurisdiction shall implement best practices for the standardization of care, including but not limited to connections to behavioral and mental health, medical care, and other programs and services. Project funded by the Funds should aim to create connections to mainstream safety net programs supported by other funds from the County, state, and federal governments, including connections to medical and mental health care supported by state and federal programs as well as other entitlement programs. Funding for Project shall be allocated according to need and equity, considering factors such as the point-in-time count or other similar measures of the population experiencing homelessness or housing instability. Local Jurisdiction shall also comply with any additional best practices for standardization of care, including guidance and key performance indicators approved by the County. The Parties will amend this Agreement as needed to incorporate such County-approved standards of care as an exhibit.

VI. CONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION WORK

- A. Prevailing Wages: Any construction or rehabilitation project receiving Funds or financed under Funds, including but not limited to a project of fewer than 40 units, shall constitute a public work for which prevailing wages shall be paid for purposes of Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1720) of Part 7 of Division 2 of the California Labor Code.
- B. Project Labor Agreement for Projects with 40 or More Units: A project of 40 or more units is eligible to receive Funds or financed under Funds only if all construction and rehabilitation is subject to the City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Project Labor Agreement 2020-2030 if the project is within the City of Los Angeles, or the Countywide Community Workforce Agreement, executed by the Chief Executive Officer on June 7, 2023, if the project is elsewhere or any successor to either agreement. For purposes of this Section, the number of units means the maximum number of units authorized in an entitlement granted by the land use permitting authority for a development project, regardless of whether construction or rehabilitation proceeds in phases or project ownership is divided.
- C. Alternative Project Labor Agreement: Notwithstanding Section VI.B, above, if a project labor agreement is agreed between Local Jurisdiction or its project developer, the Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council, and the Western States Regional Council of Carpenters, then a project with 40 or more units is eligible to receive funding or financing from Measure A if all

- construction and rehabilitation is subject to that project labor agreement.
- D. Designated Enforcement Agency (DEA): Local Jurisdiction acknowledges that the DEA has the authority to enforce Labor Code Sections 1720-1815, as amended from time to time, for projects funded by the Funds. Any developer, contractor, or subcontractor as to such projects shall be required to cooperate fully in any investigation the DEA initiates. For projects located in the City of Los Angeles, the DEA shall be the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Contract Administration. For projects located elsewhere, Local Jurisdiction shall act as or designate the DEA. The DEA shall be authorized to work with joint labor management committees established pursuant to the federal Labor Management Cooperation act of 1978 (29 U.S.C. section 175a) in order to carry out the enforcement/investigation duties under Measure A. A joint labor management committee may bring an action in any court of competent jurisdiction against an employer that fails to comply with the labor standards required by this Agreement and Measure A.
- E. Compliance and Cooperation: Local Jurisdiction, including Local Jurisdiction's developers, contractors, and subcontractors, shall comply with the prevailing wage requirements, project labor agreement requirements, and any other labor standards set forth in this section. Failure to comply may result in enforcement actions, including but not limited to withholding of funds, or termination of this Agreement per Section XIV.J. Termination.

VII. RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF HOMELESSNESS SERVICE AND PREVENTION WORKERS

- A. All Local Jurisdiction's contracts that use Funds to pay for social services positions, including but not limited to homelessness services and eviction prevention workers, must:
 - 1. Set sufficient payment rates to enable contractors to pay wages aligned with public and private market conditions;
 - 2. Allow amendments, as needed, to provide that incentives and wage increases for cost of living similar to those offered to County staff and/or Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) staff are also available to service provider and prevention worker staff;
 - 3. Allow annual adjustments to reflect cost-of-living adjustments, increases in administrative allowances, and operational cost changes due to inflation or other factors (such as supply shortages, insurance market changes, etc.);
 - 4. Be paid in a timely manner to prevent unnecessary cost increases borne by service providers; and
 - 5. Not result in displacement of public employees.
- B. The requirements under Section VII.A. shall be fully implemented and enforced by July 1, 2026, to allow for necessary administrative, budgetary, and contractual adjustments while ensuring compliance with Measure A. During the transition period, Local Jurisdiction shall coordinate with the County to align all Measure A-funded social services positions with the requirements set forth in this Section to the maximum extent feasible.

VIII. INVOICING AND PAYMENT

A. The Local Jurisdiction must invoice the County only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work specified in Exhibit A, Project Description and Budget, and elsewhere hereunder. The Local Jurisdiction's payments will be as provided in Exhibit A, and the Local Jurisdiction will be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the County. If the County does not approve work in writing, no payment for any services will be

- due to the Local Jurisdiction, including for work rendered.
- B. The Local Jurisdiction's invoices must contain the information set forth in Exhibit A, Project Description and Budget, describing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, work hours, and facility and/or other work for which payment is claimed. The Local Jurisdiction must prepare invoices, which will include the charges owed to the Local Jurisdiction by the County under the terms of this Agreement and in accordance with Exhibit A.
- C. The Local Jurisdiction must submit monthly invoices to the County by the 15th calendar day of the month following the month of service. All invoices under this Agreement must be submitted to the County's Project Manager. If County does not receive the invoices timely, then at the County's sole discretion, all work intended to be paid by such invoice may be considered gratuitous effort on the part of the Local Jurisdiction, for which Local Jurisdiction has no claim whatsoever against County.
- D. All invoices submitted by the Local Jurisdiction for payment must have the written approval of the County's Project Manager prior to any payment thereof. In no event will the County be liable or responsible for any payment prior to such written approval. Approval for payment will not be unreasonably withheld.
- E. Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer
 - i. The County, at its sole discretion, has determined that the most efficient and secure default form of payment for goods and/or services provided under the Agreement with the County shall be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).
 - ii. Local Jurisdiction shall submit a direct deposit authorization request via the website https://directdeposit.lacounty.gov with banking and vendor information, and any other information that the A-C determines is reasonably necessary to process the payment and comply with all accounting, record keeping, and tax reporting requirements.
 - iii. Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit shall supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.
 - iv. At any time during the duration of the Agreement, Local Jurisdiction may submit a written request for an exemption to this requirement. Such request must be based on specific legal, business, or operational needs and explain why the payment method designated by the A-C is not feasible and an alternative is necessary. The A-C, in consultation with the contracting County department(s), shall decide whether to approve exemption requests.

IX ACCOUNTABILITY AND REPORTING

Local Jurisdiction shall complete financial and status reports on the dates specified as follows:

A. Project Review and Evaluation: The County will monitor, evaluate, and provide guidance to the Local Jurisdiction in the performance of the Measure A Funds allocated to Local Jurisdiction. Reviews will focus on the extent to which the planned Measure A Funds have been implemented and measurable goals achieved, effectiveness of the Project management, and impact of the Project.

The Local Jurisdiction shall make available for inspection to authorized County and their agents, for the term of this Agreement and for a period of five (5) years from the expiration date of this Agreement, all records, including financial, pertaining to its performance under this Agreement, and allow said County personnel and agents to inspect and monitor the Local Jurisdiction Measure A funded Project, and interview the Local Jurisdiction's staff and Project participants, as required by the

County and in compliance with Measure A.

Failure of the Local Jurisdiction to comply with the requirements of this Section shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement upon which the County, through its Chief Executive Officer, or designee, may cancel, terminate this Agreement.

B. Reports and Records:

The Local Jurisdiction agrees to prepare and submit financial, Project progress, monitoring, evaluation, or other reports required by the County. The Local Jurisdiction shall maintain and permit onsite inspections of such property, personnel, financial, and other records and accounts as are considered necessary by the County to assure proper accounting for all Agreement Measure A Funds during the Term of this Agreement and for a total of five (5) years thereafter. The Local Jurisdiction will ensure that its employees, agents, City Council members, officers, and board members furnish such information, which in the judgment of County representatives, may be relevant to a question of compliance with contractual conditions, with the County directives, or with the effectiveness, legality, and achievements of the Local Solutions Fund.

- 1. Quarterly Reports: Local Jurisdiction shall submit a quarterly report using a County approved method that details the status of work performed, including project specific key performance indicators and target specific outcomes. All quarterly reports and supporting documents shall be submitted to County within 30 days after each quarter. A quarterly reporting template is attached and incorporated herein by reference as (Exhibit E).
- Annual Reports: Local Jurisdiction shall submit an annual report to the County by October 1st of each year detailing the use of the Funds, including:

 the amounts of Funds received and spent in the previous fiscal year, 2) the status of any projects or work funded by the Funds, and 3) any Funds carried over from previous years and to be carried over to future years.
- 3. Certification: Local Jurisdiction shall provide a certification, in a form provided by County, to be signed by its Executive Director, City Manager, or designee, with each report required under this Section IX that the statements contained in the report are, to the best of Local Jurisdiction's knowledge and understanding, true and accurate and that the expenditures described in the report comply with the uses permitted under Section III, Funding Allocation, Exhibit A, Project Description and Budget, and as authorized by the County Board.
- C. Public Availability: Local Jurisdiction shall make the annual reports and records publicly available, without charge, including by posting them on its website for at least five (5) years after they are completed, to ensure transparency and accountability in the use of public funds.
- D. Data Collection and Reporting: The Local Jurisdiction agrees to collect and report data as required by this Agreement to assess the effectiveness of funded Project, facilitate reporting, monitoring, and outcome analysis. This includes providing data on outcomes related to homelessness prevention, housing stability, mental health treatment, substance use disorder treatment, and other relevant indicators. To the extent feasible, the County will require the Local Jurisdiction to report expenditures and other key metrics in a uniform manner.
- E. Accounting: The Local Jurisdiction shall establish and maintain on a current basis an adequate accounting system in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") Standards, and the County Auditor-Controller Agreement Accounting and Administration Handbook. Regardless of the Local Jurisdiction's method of accounting, expenses must be reported in accordance with this Agreement.

F. Submission of Reports to County Project Manager: All completed reports described in this Section shall be submitted timely to the County's Project Manager.

X. FINANCIAL RECORDS AND AUDITING

A. Audits:

- 1. County shall monitor the progress of the Measure A funded Project through this Agreement and ensure Local Jurisdiction's compliance with the terms and objectives outlined herein. The Local Jurisdiction shall make available for inspection and audit to authorized County personnel and their agents, for the term of this Agreement and a period of five (5) years from the expiration date of this Agreement, and allow said County personnel and agents to inspect and audit all of its books and records relating to each Project operation or business activity which is Measure A funded in whole, or in part, in compliance with Measure A and this Agreement. Failure of the Local Jurisdiction to comply with the requirements of this Section shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may cancel or terminate this Agreement. Within ten (10) days of the County's written request, Local Jurisdiction shall allow the County access to financial and program records during regular business hours at any place Local Jurisdiction keeps those records.
- 2. Local Jurisdiction agrees to maintain accurate and complete financial accounts, documents, and records relating to this Agreement in accordance with general accepted accounting principles. Local Jurisdiction must maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Agreement. Local Jurisdiction shall make financial records available to the County for auditing at reasonable times. Local Jurisdiction agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, will have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Agreement. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, signin/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, will be kept and maintained by Local Jurisdiction and will be made available to the County during the term of this Agreement and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time.
- 3. Local Jurisdiction, within thirty (30) days of notification from the County of its audit findings, may dispute the audit findings in writing to the County and provide the County with records and/or documentation to support the expenditure claims. The County shall review this documentation and make a final determination as to the validity of the expenditures. The Local Jurisdiction agrees that in the event that the Measure A funded Project established hereunder is subject to audit exceptions by appropriate audit agencies, it shall be responsible for complying with such exceptions and paying the County the full amount of the County's liability to the funding agency resulting from such audit exceptions.
- 4. It is understood and agreed that any funds paid to Local Jurisdiction hereunder may only be used for the purposes specified in this Agreement and in accordance with Measure A. In furtherance of this understanding, it is agreed that should the County determine that any funds paid to Local Jurisdiction hereunder have been used for purposes other than those authorized by this Agreement, Local Jurisdiction is required to immediately refund any such improperly used funds to the County.
- B. Redirecting Funds for Unexpended Funds: Effective October 1, 2027, if Local

Jurisdiction reports unexpended funds equaling 30 percent or more of its allocated proceeds from the Local Solutions Fund in two consecutive annual reports, County shall reallocate the excess amount exceeding the 30 percent threshold ("Excess Amount") back to the County's Local Solutions Fund.

- i. The County shall, within 45 days of identifying the Excess Amount (or by November 15th), issue a written notice to Local Jurisdiction informing it that County will withhold from the next annual allocation the portion of funds exceeding 30 percent of that year's total allocation for reallocation to the County's Local Solutions Fund.
- ii. For the purposes of this provision, funds appropriated for permanent affordable housing construction by Local Jurisdiction shall be excluded from the calculation of unexpended funds and shall not be considered when determining whether the 30 percent threshold has been exceeded.
- C. Redirecting Funds for Failure to Meet Target Metrics: The County reserves the right to evaluate progress toward the target metrics established under Measure A and/or this Agreement. For each goal for which the target metric has not been achieved as of December 31, 2030, the County reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to redirect funds to or away from Local Jurisdiction's Project.

XI. INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

A. Indemnity: Local Jurisdiction agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers ("County Indemnitees") from and against any and all liability, actions, causes of action, or expense of any kind, including, but not limited to, defense costs and legal fees, and claims for damages of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, bodily injury, death, personal injury, or property damage arising from or related to this Agreement, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

Any legal defense pursuant to Local Jurisdiction's indemnification obligations under this Section will be conducted by Local Jurisdiction and performed by counsel selected by Local Jurisdiction and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County will have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Local Jurisdiction fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County will be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and to seek reimbursement from Local Jurisdiction for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Local Jurisdiction will not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

- B. Insurance: Local Jurisdiction shall provide and maintain at its own expense during the term of this Agreement the following program(s) of insurance or self-insurance covering its operations hereunder. Such insurance shall be provided by insurer(s) satisfactory to the County's Risk Manager and evidence of such programs satisfactory to the County shall be delivered to the County on or before the effective date of this Agreement. Such evidence shall specifically identify this Agreement and shall contain express conditions that County is to be given written notice at least thirty (30) days in advance of any modification or termination of any program of insurance. All such insurance, except for Workers' Compensation, shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance coverage maintained by County and shall name the County of Los Angeles as an additional insured.
 - i. <u>Commercial General Liability</u>: with limits of not less than \$1 million per occurrence.

- ii. <u>Automobile Liability insurance: (Providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Contract, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.</u>
- iii. Workers' Compensation: For every Contractor providing services, a program of Workers' Compensation Insurance in an amount and form to meet all applicable requirements of the Labor Code of the State of California, and which specifically covers all persons providing services by or on behalf of Local Jurisdiction and all risks to such persons under this Agreement, and including Employer's Liability coverage with a \$1 million per accident.
- iv. <u>Crime Insurance</u>: A comprehensive blanket crime insurance policy with each insuring agreement in an amount not less than \$1 million, insuring against loss of money, securities, or other property referred to hereunder which may result from:
 - 1. Dishonesty or fraudulent acts of officers, directors, or employees of Local Jurisdiction, or
 - Disappearance, destruction or wrongful abstraction inside or outside the premises or Local Jurisdiction, while in the care, custody or control of Local Jurisdiction, or
 - 3. Sustained through forgery or direction to pay a certain sum in money.
- v. <u>Property Coverage</u>: If, under the terms of this Agreement, Local Jurisdiction shall have possession of rented or leased or be loaned any County-owned real or personal property, Local Jurisdiction shall provide:
 - 1. For real property: insurance providing special form ("all risk") coverage for the full replacement value.
 - 2. For personal property: insurance providing special form ("all risk") coverage for the actual cash value.

XII. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- A. Local Jurisdiction covenants that neither Local Jurisdiction nor any of its agents, officers, employees, contractors, or sub-contractors who presently exercise any function of responsibility in connection with the Project has a personal interest, direct or indirect, in the Agreement, except to the extent he or she may receive compensation for his or her performance pursuant to this Agreement.
- B. Local Jurisdiction, its agents, officers, employees, contractors, and sub-contractors shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and County laws and regulations governing conflict of interest now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Agreement.

XIII. AUTHORITY

Local Jurisdiction warrants and certifies that it possesses the legal authority to execute this Agreement and to undertake the proposed Project, and that a resolution, motion, or similar action has been fully adopted or passed, as an official act of Local Jurisdiction 's governing body, and directing and designating the authorized representative(s) of Local Jurisdiction to act in connection with the Project specified and to provide such additional information as may be required by the County.

XIV. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. Amendments and Change Notices:
 - a. For any change which affects the scope of work, term, budget, payments, or any term or condition included under this Agreement, an amendment to

the Agreement will be prepared by the County and shall be executed by the Local Jurisdiction and an authorized designee of the County, and approved as to form by County Counsel.

- b. The County's Board or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Agreement during the term of this Agreement. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such changes, an Amendment to the Agreement will be prepared by the County and shall be executed by the Local Jurisdiction and by an authorized designee of the County.
- c. For any change which does not materially affect the scope of work, term, budget, payments, or any term or condition included under this Agreement, a Change Notice will be prepared and signed by the County's Project Manager or designee and Local Jurisdiction's Project Manager.
- B. Independent Contractor: This Agreement is by and between the County and Local Jurisdiction and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and Local Jurisdiction. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

Local Jurisdiction shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Agreement all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, worker's compensation benefits or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of Local Jurisdiction.

C. Assignments and Subcontracts:

- a. Local Jurisdiction shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this Section, the County's consent requires a written amendment to this Agreement that is formally approved and executed by Local Jurisdiction and the County.
- b. Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of Local Jurisdiction's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than Local Jurisdiction, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of this Agreement which may result in the termination of this Agreement.
- c. Local Jurisdiction shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.
- d. Any contractor or subcontractor of Local Jurisdiction are bound by the same obligations of this Agreement and shall comply with all Measure A requirements such as, but not limited to, Measure A allowable uses, purposes, Goals and Metrics (Exhibit B), Regional Plan (Exhibit C), and Best Practices (Exhibit D). Failure to comply may result in enforcement actions, including but not limited to withholding of funds, or termination of this Agreement per Section XIV.J. Termination.

- D. Fair Labor: Local Jurisdiction agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law violation including, but not limited to, Federal Fair Labor Standards Act for services performed by Local Jurisdiction's employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.
- E. Religious and Political Activities: Local Jurisdiction agrees that Measure A Funds under this Agreement will be used exclusively for the performance of the work required under this Agreement, and that no Measure A funds made available under this Agreement shall be used to promote religious or political activities. Further, Local Jurisdiction agrees that it will not perform, nor permit to be performed, any religious or political activities in connection with the performance of this Agreement.
- F. Nondiscrimination: Local Jurisdiction shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, age, religious belief, national origin, marital status, physical or mental handicap, medical condition, or place of residence in providing any services under this Agreement.
- G. County Lobbyists: Local Jurisdiction and each County lobbyist or County lobbying firm as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by Local Jurisdiction, shall fully comply with the County Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of Local Jurisdiction or any County lobbyist or County lobbying firm retained by Local Jurisdiction to fully comply with the County Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate this Agreement.
- H. Confidentiality: Local Jurisdiction must maintain the confidentiality of all records and information in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.
- I. Public Records Act: Any documents submitted by Local Jurisdiction to the County become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and will be regarded as public records. In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, and/or records, the Local Jurisdiction agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

J. Termination:

- Termination for Convenience: This Agreement may be terminated, in whole
 or in part, by either party for the convenience of that party. Termination of
 work hereunder shall be effected by written notice of termination specifying
 the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon
 which such termination becomes effective.
- 2. Termination for Default: The County may terminate this Agreement immediately by written notice to Local Jurisdiction upon Local Jurisdiction's failure to comply with the provisions of this Agreement. It is also understood and agreed that should the County determine that Local Jurisdiction's failure to perform relates to only part of the Project, the County, in its sole discretion, may elect to terminate only that part of the Agreement which shall in no way void or invalidate the rest of this Agreement.
- 3. Termination for Improper Consideration:
 - a. The County may, by written notice to Local Jurisdiction, immediately terminate the right of Local Jurisdiction to proceed under this

Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Local Jurisdiction, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, extension of this Agreement, or the making of any determinations with respect to Local Jurisdiction's performance pursuant to this Agreement. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue those same remedies against Local Jurisdiction as it could pursue in the event of default by Local Jurisdiction.

- b. Local Jurisdiction shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to a County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861 or https://fraud.lacounty.gov/.
- c. Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash; discounts; services; the provision of travel, entertainment, or tangible gifts.
- 4. In the event of termination, Local Jurisdiction will provide a detailed report of expenditures and funds that had not been expended, contracted, or encumbered by Local Jurisdiction for use in carrying out the purposes of the Agreement prior to Local Jurisdiction's receipt of County's notification of termination. Local Jurisdiction shall reimburse County within thirty (30) days of the termination, the full monetary value of all funds already disbursed under this Agreement that had not been expended, contracted, or encumbered by Local Jurisdiction.

XV. NOTICES, REPORTS, INVOICES, AND APPROVALS

A. All notices, reports, invoices, and approvals shall be directed to and made by the following representatives of the parties:

To the County Representative:

Name: Marco Santana, County Project Manager

Email: MSantana@ceo.lacounty.gov

And copy

hiadmin@ceo.lacounty.gov

To Local Jurisdiction Representative:

Name: Donyielle Holley, Housing Stabilization Division Manager

Email: <u>Donyielle.Holley@pomonaca.gov</u>

And copy

Name: Beverly Johnson, Neighborhood Services Director

Email: Beverly.Johnson@pomonaca.gov

B. Local Jurisdiction shall notify the County in writing within five (5) business days of any change in the names or email address above.

XVI. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof, is held to be invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Agreement that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of the Agreement are severable.

XVII. PHOTOGRAPHS, FOOTAGE, AND OTHER MEDIA MATERIALS.

The Local Jurisdiction represents and warrants that all photographs, videos, DVD's, footage, magazines, and other media materials provided to the County are either public record or have been legally procured without invading the copyright, ownership, or privacy rights of any individual. The Local Jurisdiction further agrees to defend, hold harmless, and indemnify the County Indemnitees from any and all liability arising from or related to the County's use of said photographs, videos, DVD's, footage, magazines, and other media materials.

XVIII. GOVERNING LAWS, JURISDICTION AND VENUE.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, Local Jurisdiction and the County agree and consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes concerning this Agreement and further agree and consent that venue of any action brought in connection with or arising out of this Agreement, shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

XIX. COMPLIANCE WITH FAIR CHANCE EMPLOYMENT HIRING PRACTICES.

The Local Jurisdiction, and its contractors/subcontractors, must comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952. Local Jurisdiction's violation of this paragraph of the Agreement may constitute a material breach of the Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Agreement.

XX. CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION PROHIBITION FOLLOWING FINAL DECISION IN CONTRACT PROCEEDING.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 84308, the Local Jurisdiction and its contractors/subcontractors, are prohibited from making a contribution of more than \$250 to a County officer for twelve (12) months after the date of the final decision in the proceeding involving this Agreement. Failure to comply with the provisions of Government Code Section 84308 and of this Section, may be a material breach of this Agreement as determined in the sole discretion of the County.

XXI. RIGHTS AND REMEDIES NOT EXCLUSIVE.

The rights and remedies of the County provided in any given paragraph, as well as throughout the Agreement, are not exclusive and are cumulative with any and all other rights and remedies under the Agreement, at law, or in equity.

XXII. EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENTS.

This Agreement and any amendments thereto may be executed in counterpart originals, utilizing wet and/or electronic signatures, each of which shall be deemed to constitute an original Agreement or amendment, and all of which shall constitute one Agreement or amendment. The execution of one counterpart by any Party shall have the same force and effect as if that Party had signed all other counterparts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Local Jurisdiction has executed this Agreement #HI-25-027 or caused it to be duly executed by its authorized representative, and the County of Los Angeles by order of its Board of Supervisors, has delegated the authority to execute this Agreement on its behalf by the Chief Executive Officer, or her designee, on the date and year written below.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By FESIA A. DAVENPORT Date Chief Executive Officer	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
DAWYN R. HARRISON County Counsel	
By Senior Deputy County Counsel	
	CITY OF POMONA
	Ву
	Print Name
	Title

EXHIBITS AND ATTACHMENTS

EXHIBITS

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- B. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MEASURE A GOALS
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BUDGET City of Pomona HI-25-027

I. Overview

This Agreement between the County of Los Angeles ("County") and City of Pomona ("City") allocates funds from the County's Local Solutions Fund, which are authorized under Measure A to support local homelessness solutions, including prevention efforts, services, and affordable housing. The funds will support the City's projects as outlined herein.

II. Project Description

Eligible Use Grouping 1: This project falls under the eligible uses of LSF, as outlined in the County's Measure A Local Solutions Fund Eligible Uses, Section 1.2. Activities under Eligible Use, Group 1 must directly contribute to achieving Measure A Goal 1 (reducing unsheltered homelessness) or Goal 3 (increasing permanent housing placements) and may include the following: homeless prevention; permanent housing for PEH; interim housing for PEH; expedited placements in permanent housing for PEH; employment services for PEH; or enhanced services for Transition-Age Youth and children experiencing or at-risk of homelessness.

1A: Eligible Use	Expedited Placements in Permanent Housing for People Experiencing Homelessness (PEH)
Project	Move-In Assistance
Project Description	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.
Project Specific Key Performance Indicators (PS-	PS-KPI: Number of PEH receiving move-in assistance • PS-TO: 23 unduplicated PEH
KPI) and Target Outcomes (PS-TO)	PS-KPI: Number of permanent housing placements • PS-TO: 23 unduplicated PEH
Measure A Goals and Target Metric	Alignment with Measure A Goal #3: Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness.
	Target Metric 3b: Increase by 101 percent the number of service participants who retain permanent housing, two years after they exit homelessness from a baseline of 10,501 in fiscal year 2023-24 to a target of 21,104 in 2030.

1B: Eligible Use	Expedited Placements in Permanent Housing for PEH	
Project	Landlord Supports, Landlord Incentives/Engagements, Financial Engagements	
Project Description	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.	
Project Specific Key Performance Indicators (PS- KPI) and Target Outcomes (PS-TO)	PS-KPI: Number of landlords engaged to offer permanent housing to PEH • PS-TO: 25 unduplicated Landlords	
	PS-KPI: Number of new permanent housing units secured • PS-TO: 15 new units	
Measure A Goals and Target Metric	Alignment with Measure A Goal #3: Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness.	
	Target Metric 3b: Increase by 101 percent the number of service participants who retain permanent housing, two years after they exit homelessness from a baseline of 10,501 in fiscal year 2023-24 to a target of 21,104 in 2030.	

1C: Eligible Use	Interim Housing for PEH	
Project	Operating Subsidies	
Project Description Project Specific Key	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-lead 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. PS-KPI: Number of PEH family members placed in interim housing	
Performance Indicators (PS-	PS-TO: 40 unduplicated PEH family members	
KPI) and Target Outcomes (PS-TO)	PS-KPI: Number of PEH family members moved from interim housing to permanent housing • PS-TO: 28 unduplicated PEH family members	
Measure A Goals and Target Metric	Alignment with Measure A Goal #1: Increase the number of people moving from encampments into permanent housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness.	
	Target Metric 1c: Increase by 32 percent the rate of people moving into interim housing from unsheltered settings from a baseline of 34 percent in fiscal year 2023-24 to a target of 45 percent in 2030.	

1D: Eligible Use	Interim Housing for PEH
Project	Congregate Shelter Site
Project Description	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 is expected to cover approximately 90% of the operating costs for these additional beds.
Project Specific Key Performance Indicators (PS- KPI) and Target Outcomes (PS-TO)	PS-KPI: Number of PEH placed in interim housing • PS-TO: 100 unduplicated PEH
	PS-KPI: Number of PEH moved from interim housing to permanent housing • PS-TO: 29 unduplicated PEH
Measure A Goals and Target Metric	Alignment with Measure A Goal #1: Increase the number of people moving from encampments into permanent housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness.

Target Metric 1c: Increase by 32 percent the rate of people moving into interim housing from unsheltered settings from a baseline of 34 percent in fiscal year 2023-24 to a target of 45
percent in 2030.

Eligible Use Grouping 3: Eligible Uses of Measure A LSF (LSF Funds) with Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHSA) Funding. Local Jurisdiction must braid or pair LSF Funds with eligible LACAHSA funding to support prevention efforts under this program/project. If LACAHSA funding is not yet available, Local Jurisdiction shall coordinate with the County during the transition period to align timelines, funding strategies, and program deliverables; and submit a written plan within six months of this Agreement's execution detailing steps to secure LACAHSA funding. The Local Jurisdiction shall make good faith efforts to secure and utilize such funding when it becomes available. LSF Funds may only be used after LACAHSA funding is exhausted; or during the transition period with prior written approval from the County.

3A: Eligible Use	Homeless Prevention
Project	Legal Assistance - Dispute Resolution
Project Description	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 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.
Group 3 Connection	The City will work to braid funding with available LACAHSA dollars once guidance is provided and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments has finalized programming. The City will coordinate and communicate with the County in the interim while a plan is developed to secure LACAHSA dollars.
Project Specific Key	PS-KPI: Number of individuals receiving eviction legal services • PS-TO: 10 unduplicated PEH
Performance Indicators (PS- KPI) and Target Outcomes (PS-TO)	PS-KPI: Number of individuals that retained their housing through homeless prevention • PS-TO: 7 unduplicated PEH
Measure A Goals and Target Metric	Alignment with Measure A Goal #4: Prevent people from falling into homelessness.
	Target Metric 4a: Reduce the number of people who become newly homeless by 20 percent from a baseline of 63,202 in fiscal year 2023-24 to a target of 50,561 in 2030.

3B: Eligible Use	Homeless Prevention	
Project	Legal Assistance - Mediation Services	
Project Description	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.	
Group 3 Connection	The City will work to braid funding with available LACAHSA dollars once guidance is provided and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments has finalized its programming. The City will coordinate and communicate with the County in the interim while a plan is developed to secure LACAHSA dollars.	
Project Specific Key Performance Indicators (PS- KPI) and Target Outcomes (PS-TO)	PS-KPI: Number of individuals receiving eviction mediation services • PS-TO: 15 unduplicated PEH PS-KPI: Number of individuals that retained their housing through homeless prevention without requiring court case. • PS-TO: 10 unduplicated PEH	
Measure A Goals and Target Metric	Alignment with Measure A Goal #4: Prevent people from falling into homelessness.	
	Target Metric 4a: Reduce the number of people who become newly-homeless by 20 percent from a baseline of 63,202 in fiscal year 2023-24 to a target of 50,561 in 2030.	

Project Administration

Administrative Cost	
Project 4A	Housing Analyst
Project Description	The funds will support a Housing Analyst (0.48 FTE) at the City to oversee project 1D (Congregate Shelter Site) the Interim Housing program where the operational day to day services will be provided by Volunteers of America of Los Angeles (VOALA).
Project 4B	Accountant
Project Description	The funds will support one accountant (0.42 FTE) for Volunteers of America of Los Angeles (VOALA) to review and track expenditures and cash flow related to project 1D (Congregate Shelter Site) Interim Housing program costs.

Project 4C	Indirect Administrative Costs
Project Description	The funds will support indirect administrative staffing costs, including grants management, accounting, and administrative expenses. These administrative positions will provide oversight and programmatic support for all indirect activities, including expenditure tracking and fiscal management.
Project 4D	Landlord Supports: Landlord Engagements: Coordinator
Project Description	The funds will support one Coordinator (0.15 FTE) and associated landlord engagement efforts under project 1B (Landlord Supports, Landlord Incentives/Engagements, Financial Engagements) through the Pomona Landlord Engagement Program (PLEP). PLEP is designed to increase the number of available housing units by encouraging landlords to work with housing voucher holders and those receiving housing subsidies. PLEP focuses on engaging, cultivating, retaining, and expanding the network of landlords who can help prevent and end homelessness. The City will support landlords by offering assistance such as damage claim reimbursements, incentive bonuses, inspection support, and holding fees.

III. Project Budget

Total Agreement Sum: \$1,142,491

The budget listed below represents the maximum Measure A funding that Local Jurisdiction may receive for the applicable fiscal year, subject to the County Board of Supervisors' ("Board") annual approval. Any increase in funding for a given fiscal year is at the sole discretion of the County and must be implemented through a written amendment to this Agreement. All allocations approved by the County Board are made available through the term of the agreement.

o Year One: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026, Total Agreement sum shall not exceed \$1,142,491

Total Agreement Sum: \$1,142,491

	BUDGET	
1A	Move-In Assistance (eligible housing-related costs such as household furnishings, kitchen appliances, security deposits)	\$45,539
1B	Landlord Supports, Landlord Incentives/Engagements, Financial Engagements	\$6,000
1C	Interim Housing Operating Subsidies (security, property maintenance, operating and upkeep costs)	\$57,000
1D	Congregate Shelter Site (30 beds, covering 90% of \$89 per bed per day rate for 12 months)	\$877,095
ЗА	Legal Assistance - Dispute Resolution (legal support and representation for tenants in the City)	\$19,504
3B	Legal Assistance - Mediation Services (supports neutral mediation to both tenant and landlord)	\$13,746
4A	Administrative Costs – Housing Analyst (0.48 FTE)	\$49,473
4B	Administrative Costs – Accountant (0.42 FTE)	\$47,982
4C	Indirect Administrative Costs	\$ 8,402
4D	Landlord Supports: Landlord Engagements: Coordinator (0.15 FTE)	\$17,750
	TOTAL AMOUNT	\$1,142,491

Recommendations for Measure A Goals

TO: Los Angeles County Executive Committee for Regional Homeless Alignment Los Angeles County Leadership Table for Regional Homeless Alignment,

with support from the National Alliance to End Homelessness and Community

Solutions

DATE: March 14, 2025

RE: Final Recommendations for Measure A Goals and Target Metrics As

Amended

Executive Summary

This memo provides recommendations developed by the subcommittees of the Leadership Table for Regional Homeless Alignment (LTRHA) and approved as amended by the LTRHA and Executive Committee on Regional Homeless Alignment (ECRHA) on goals, baselines, and target metrics to guide the regional homeless response, following the mandate of Measure A. This marks the final phase of a three-part process to develop draft metrics for each goal and align around key definitions of homelessness terminology, establish data points to use as the baseline from which to measure progress, and finally, to establish target metrics for the end of 2030 with annual milestones. While the creation of goals was mandated by Measure A, these goals and metrics are not restricted to Measure A-funded efforts and are meant to measure collective efforts of the Los Angeles region, including those funded outside of Measure A.

These subcommittee recommendations, with their attendant recommendations for policy changes and system adjustments, represent a roadmap to reach the goals and corresponding target metrics. Highlights of these target metrics include:

- Reducing by 30% the number of unsheltered people experiencing homelessness, from a baseline of 52,365 in the 2024 Point-in-Time Count to 36,656 people experiencing unsheltered homelessness by the end of 2030.
- Increasing by 57% the number of people placed into permanent housing, from a baseline of 19,127 in FY 23-24 to 30,000 people by the end of 2030.
- Decreasing the inflow of newly-homeless individuals by 20%, from a baseline of 66,302 in FY 23-24 to 50,501 by the end of 2030.

These target metrics, along with the other targets recommended in this report, will require unprecedented alignment between regional partners across Los Angeles County, system

changes that shift how existing homeless programs operate, and reforms and innovations within how Los Angeles addresses the development of affordable housing. In addition, the region must engage in strategic and unified advocacy to state and federal partners to achieve these goals. While there are a number of challenges ahead, the targets in this report and the conditions identified by subcommittees represent a user manual to achieving these goals and making major progress towards ending homelessness in Los Angeles.

Introduction

This memo provides provides a set of recommendations for the numeric target metrics that correspond to the five high-level goals within the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing, Homeless Solutions, and Prevention Now Transactions and Use Tax Ordinance (Measure A), including target metrics to measure progress by the end of 2030 with annual milestones. This work is in alignment with the goals and processes established in the text of Measure A, which was approved by Los Angeles County voters in November 2024.

In addition, this memo lays out the key conditions for success and assumptions that subcommittees are factoring in as necessary to reach the proposed targets. The draft goals and target metrics presented by the subcommittees are ambitious, and these conditions for success and assumptions are major components of ensuring goals are met and may in some cases necessitate changes to existing systems and policies. The creation of goals was mandated by Measure A, but these goals and metrics are not restricted to Measure A-funded efforts and are meant to guide and measure the collective efforts of all homeless programs and funding in the Los Angeles region, whether those efforts are funded by Measure A or another funding source.

Within each goal section, a rationale is provided to how each LTRHA subcommittee arrived at the respective recommendations for target metrics within their goal areas. Furthermore, this memo provides a timeline for finalizing the goals in advance of the April 1, 2025 deadline established by the text of Measure A. Finally, this memo recommends equity subgoals that correspond with each of the five high-level Measure A goals.

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¹ The metrics developed here seek to align with the more common fiscal year budgeting and reporting utilized by jurisdictions across the region, running from July 1 through June 30, while the text of Measure A requires evaluation of progress through December 31, 2030. To reconcile this, the subcommittees adjusted metrics annual milestones to reflect fiscal years, starting with FY 25-26 representing Year 1, running through FY 29-30, with an additional six month period of evaluation running from July 1, 2030 to December 2030, in alignment with Measure A. This results in a 5.5 year timeline, with the final year of data being evaluated spanning two fiscal years, with data from the final six months of FY 29-30 and the first six months of FY 30-31, running from January 1, 2030 until December 31, 2030...

² The text of Measure A directs that "The Executive Committee shall evaluate progress toward goals and no later than April 1, 2025, the Executive Committee and Housing Agency shall each formulate baseline and target metrics based on input and recommendations from the Leadership Table; relevant county staff; and stakeholders, including service providers contracted to provide services like those to be funded by the tax imposed by the Ordinance, affordable housing developers, and renter protection organizations."

Current Point in Process

In order to establish goals, the subcommittees have engaged in a three-phase process over the last several months. These three distinct phases are:

- Phase 1 (Summer and Fall 2024): The subcommittees met and established shared
 definitions of key terms, decided on data sources, created recommended structures of
 baseline data point(s) for each goal, and crafted placeholder metric(s). This phase
 concluded with the presentation of recommended metrics (without target numbers) and
 definitions in October 2024.³
- Phase 2 (November 2024-January 2025): The data subcommittee⁴ developed the structure of the annual report, tested data sources, and established baseline data points to serve as the basis for developing target metrics. This phase concluded with the presentation of a baseline data report in January 2025.⁵
- Phase 3 (January 2025-April 2025): This phase, currently underway, entails the
 subcommittees working to establish target numbers within each metric to measure
 progress on each of the 2030 goals, with accompanying annual milestones. The
 subcommittees brought forward preliminary recommendations to the ECRHA in midFebruary, final recommendations to the LTRHA in early March, with complete
 recommendations provided in this report.

Phase 1: Subcommittee Formation and Metric Development

In 2024, subcommittees of the LTRHA⁶ were formed, bringing together LTRHA members and additional subject matter experts to begin the process of creating numerical targets for each of the five Measure A goals. Three subcommittees were created: 1) the homelessness response subcommittee, 2) the homelessness prevention subcommittee, and 3) the affordable and supportive housing subcommittee.

The Measure A goals, and their corresponding subcommittees developing metrics and targets for those goals. They are:

 Increase the number of people moving from encampments into permanent housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness

(Corresponding Subcommittee: Homelessness Response)

³ A midpoint progress report, which details the results of Phase 1, can be found here: https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/196813.pdf.

⁴ In October 2024, a memo from the County Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to the Executive Steering Committee for Data and IT Governance (ESC) memorialized the creation of a Data Subcommittee, establish its members, and charge it with providing needed baseline and supporting data to the LTRHA for Measure A Goals 1-4.

⁵ The baseline data report can be found here: https://file.lacountv.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/199257.pdf.

⁶ Subcommittees and their rosters can be found in Appendix A.

2. Reduce the number of people with mental illness and/or substance use disorders who experience homelessness

(Corresponding Subcommittee: Homelessness Response)

- 3. Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness (Corresponding Subcommittee: Homelessness Response)
- Prevent people from falling into homelessness (Corresponding Subcommittee: Homelessness Prevention)
- Increase the number of affordable housing units in Los Angeles County (Corresponding Subcommittee: Affordable and Supportive Housing)

The first task of the subcommittees was to establish shared definitions of key terms, such as "mental illness" or "homeless prevention," an essential step to ward off lengthy derailments later in the goal-setting process. The subcommittees also established which data sources would be utilized to measure progress, in recognition that an array of data sources inform a fulsome picture of homelessness, but each of these data sources can tell a slightly different story. Finally, the subcommittee defined at least one target metric for each of the goals, which added specificity for how progress could be measured on each of the goals.

Phase 2: Baseline Data

Following the establishment of defined metrics, the CEO and the Executive Steering Committee for Homelessness Information Technology and Data Governance established a data subcommittee, formalized its membership, and tasked it to support the LTRHA. The data subcommittee began work to ensure that the metrics established by the subcommittees could be feasibly reported on a regular basis. The data subcommittee recommended slight refinements to the measures, based on available data. In addition, the data subcommittee produced baseline numbers to serve as a Year 1 figure against which to measure future year progress. This work was presented to the ECRHA and the LTRHA in late January 2025.

The work of the data subcommittee was centered around Goals 1-4, which required expertise and experience working with administrative data from within the homeless system. Goal 5, however, required a range of other data from the larger housing sector. As such, the affordable and supportive housing subcommittee partnered with the USC Lusk Center for Real Estate to develop its baseline measures.⁷

Phase 3: Goal Setting Process

Armed with shared definitions of key terms, agreements on data sources, defined metrics, and baseline data, the subcommittees embarked on setting defined target metrics for each of the

⁷ The USC Lusk Center's baseline data presentation from January 31, 2025 meeting of the LTRHA can be found here: https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/199858.pdf

goals. A report to the ECRHA in February⁸ provided preliminary target metrics within each of the five Measure A goals, along with the rationale for their targets, and the conditions that must be met in order for the targets to be reached and the goals to be achieved. With feedback from the ECRHA and recognition of a changing funding landscape on both the state and federal levels, the Leadership Table made adjustments to several goals. These were discussed and approved as amended by the full Leadership Table on March 6th. The goals were then approved and amended by ECRHA on March 14th.

With this report, the ECRHA approves as amended the LTRHA's final recommendations to the ECRHA. These amended goals are recommended by ECRHA for adoption by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in advance of Measure A's April 1 deadline.

Equity

This section of the report summarizes a more extensive report on the recommendations of the equity subcommittee, which is provided as a supplemental memo.

Context

The equity subcommittee of the LTRHA, co-chaired by representatives from the Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office Anti-Racism, Diversity and Inclusion (ARDI) Initiative and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), was tasked with recommending an equity framework and drafting a set of equity metrics to be included in the Measure A Goals the Responsive Regional Homelessness Plan (RHP). In the sections below, the Equity Subcommittee defines equity, highlights the racial and ethnic disparities contributing to homelessness in the County, outlines the equity subcommittee's data findings and equity priorities, and lays out next steps.

Definitions, Values, and Conditions for Success

In order to set metrics, the equity Subcommittee determined how to define equity, and the values and conditions for success necessary to achieve the equity metrics. The subcommittee defined equity as both a process and practice that ensures that one's outcomes in various domains, including health, housing, education, and economic outcomes, are not determined by social and/or physical characteristics. The equity subcommittee proposes adopting equity principles that emphasize fairness and justice, ensuring that all strategies and interventions are

⁸ The February report to ECRHA providing preliminary recommendations can be found here:https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/200392.pdf

designed to address the unique needs of those most affected by systemic inequities. These principles prioritize the participation of communities with lived experience in shaping policies, advocate for culturally responsive practices, and commit to dismantling structural barriers through accountable, inclusive, and sustainable approaches to homelessness.

The Equity Subcommittee identified the following overarching conditions for success:

- To reduce homelessness and its disproportionate impact, it is necessary to engage
 multiple systems beyond Measure A, addressing the root causes and the systemic
 barriers contributing to housing instability. Holistic prevention is essential to reducing
 homelessness and reducing disparities
- Improved data collection practices, standardized reporting structures, and incorporating a mixed methods approach to data collection are vital.
- Stakeholders must be fully and authentically engaged, including lived experts and smaller agencies.
- LA County's homeless response system must be balanced and efficient at helping people exit permanent housing fast; inefficiency and imbalance impacts marginalized groups more than others.
- Providers and direct service staff are essential to addressing and reducing homelessness: a well-resourced and well-supported workforce in homeless services is crucial for long-term success. New measures and metrics should be restorative and not punitive to protect.

Data Analysis

Caveats and Considerations: The LTRHA equity subcommittee received disaggregated baseline data for Measure A goals from the data subcommittee of ECRHA on February 21, broken down by race/ethnicity, gender, age, and veteran status. Data showed discrete characteristics (i.e., total population served by race or gender, but not by race and gender); given the short timeframe, the equity subcommittee started with an analysis of race/ethnicity data. The Equity Subcommittee found that Measure A baseline data combines families, transition aged youth, and single adults, which means that raw numbers and percentages count family members as individuals within the dataset. When data are further disaggregated by other demographic variables, and divided by families, single adults, and transition aged youth, there will be a better understanding of population-specific baselines and needs and will enable the LTHRA to set population-specific metrics. Additional analysis and metric refinement will be necessary once we further collect and disaggregate data.

Data Analysis: The equity subcommittee reviewed and analyzed data from two main sources: (1) LAHSA point-in-time count (PIT Count) data and (2) administrative data pulled from County databases. The PIT count data were pulled from the LAHSA website and the administrative

data were provided by the data subcommittee in February 2024. The administrative data included several data tables with racially disaggregated baseline data on participants accessing the homeless services system over five-years (more detail is provided later in this report on the sources of administrative data.

Findings: After reviewing and analyzing these data, the equity subcommittee concluded the following:

- Although Black people are served at rates roughly proportional or higher rates (36% of all service participants in FY 23-24) signifying that the homeless system is serving Black people comparable to their proportion of the homeless count (33%); yet the PIT continues to show roughly the same overrepresentation of Black people experiencing homelessness.
- While Black people make up the largest share of people who exit to permanent housing (42%), they remain housed (i.e., retained) at lower rates (77%) than the overall population in the system (79%) and other racial/ethnic groups, such as Asian (84%) and Hispanic (82%) people who have exited to permanent housing. Like other groups, just 20% of Black people who accessed services exited to permanent housing in FY 23-24, which may relate to the rise of homelessness and continued overrepresentation of Black people in the PIT Count.
- Latinx people are the fastest growing in the PIT population (23,005 in 2020 to 30,948 (43%) in 2024), still below their overall percentage of LA population (48%), and are mostly part of the newly homeless services group (58%)
- Latinx are overall accessing services at lower rates (36%) than their proportion of the homeless population (43%)
- Unsheltered Latinx people are accessing interim housing or permanent housing at a lower rate than their proportion of the homeless population (37% 1b unsheltered to interim housing, 36% 1c to permanent housing) and had among the lowest percentage throughput from unsheltered to permanent housing (only 8%).
- AIAN people are growing in the homeless count (686 in 2020 to 2369 in 2024), though
 definition has also changed to be more accurate/ inclusive; their share of the homeless
 population (3%) is roughly proportional to their population in LA County (3%)
- AIAN people are underrepresented in accessing services (2% of accessing services vs. 3% of population), though unsheltered AIAN people are accessing interim housing (2.25%) and permanent housing (2.27%) at slightly lower rates than their proportion of the homeless count (3%).
- Only 73% of AIAN people who enter permanent housing remain in housing within the 2year period, the lowest percentage amongst groups.

Based on the definitions and values agreed upon, the subcommittee proposed a targeted universalism approach, which asserts that groups experiencing homelessness may require

different strategies to improve overall outcomes and to meet universal goals. To put this framework into practice, the LTRHA equity subcommittee asked, "how do we ensure that all groups meet the universal goals and metrics (set by Measure A and other subcommittees)? How far are different groups from meeting the universal goals and metrics?" The analysis found that the greatest disparities are experienced by particular groups. To meet our universal goals, Measure A implementation must remove or reduce disparities across three areas: population increase (rate of growth), representation in homelessness (rate of homelessness), and differences in access and outcomes in services. These disparities are compounding factors on inequities, meaning when one group experiences higher rate of growth, overrepresentation, and poorer outcomes in the homeless service system, impact is amplified driving an increase in overall homelessness numbers. Thus, looking at all three dimensions to understand disparities and conditions for success for each group is critical.

Equity Subgoals

Given the findings above, in order achieve the universal goals and a more equitable system, the Equity Subcommittee has applied the following equity criteria:

- Equity Criteria A: Reduce overrepresentation in the homelessness population by 10% by 2030;
- Equity Criteria B: Reduce growth in homelessness for critical populations by 2030;
 and;
- Equity Criteria C: Reduce disparities in access, experience, and outcomes by 2030.

With further analysis of the baseline data disaggregated by race/ ethnicity, it became clear that each goal and population has unique differences. However, the equity subcommittee focused on identifying the greatest disparities, and saw that those differences were concentrated for certain groups more than others. It was clear that to meet our universal goals, the subcommittee would need to focus efforts on removing disparities across the three above criteria. Using the equity criteria, the equity subcommittee set equity subgoals recommended for each metric identified by the other LTHRA subcommittees. The equity subcommittee recommended the equity subgoals as additional benchmarks to ensure that impacted groups at the very least meet the universal metrics, and that overall disparities are reduced.

The equity metrics included in the table below, reflects an effort to address the specific disparities identified amongst populations within the goal, contextualize data where disproportionality was identified, mitigate the rapid rate of growth, and set metrics to reduce the disparities. If the homeless services system does not meet the goals for these critical populations, it is less likely to meet the universal goals. The equity subgoals ensure that impacted groups at the very least meet the universal metrics and make progress toward the overall equity criteria.

For Goal 5, the equity subcommittee is offering strategies to be refined into metrics as the work continues to identify baseline equity data for goal 5 and collaborate with LACAHSA. The LTRHA recommends that equity and the above strategies for goal 5 are considered by LACAHSA in setting their targets and allocating resources.

Next Steps

The Leadership Table recommends the adoption of the proposed equity metrics and targets, represented in the chart below, which will be followed by additional efforts to develop a robust data collection, reporting and analysis infrastructure to track progress. This will involve standardizing demographic data workflows and integrating equity analyses into program evaluations. The subcommittee also recommends the LTRHA and the ECRHA establish a research agenda to address remaining gaps in understanding and responding to the unique needs of disproportionately represented groups. The equity-focused metrics and strategies outlined will guide future efforts to reduce homelessness while addressing the systemic inequities contributing to the problem. Through targeted universalism, a commitment to cultural humility, and sustained investments in community-driven solutions, we can work toward a more equitable and effective homelessness system in Los Angeles County.

Structure and Conditions for Goal Setting

While the subcommittees are each addressing different parts of the response to homelessness, they are all setting goals under a consistent directive to create ambitious goals; this direction is encouraged even if it necessitates significant changes to the homeless system to reach the target metrics within the goals. A December 11 letter from ECRHA Chair Kathryn Barger to the LTRHA articulates this task and encourages the LTRHA "to be bold and propose ambitious goals that aim towards significant system improvements for demonstrable progress for those who are homeless in Los Angeles County."

This letter also directs subcommittees to report on the rationale for their goals. As such, each goal contains an explanation for how and why the subcommittee arrived at the draft numerical target. Additionally, for each goal, the subcommittee details the conditions and assumptions for success. Without large increases in funding resources, ambitious goals require changes to existing homeless systems in order to be achieved. In some cases, these conditions and assumptions may necessitate advocacy to external partners at the state and federal levels.

Unified Federal and State Advocacy Strategy

Among the conditions and assumptions for success, a unified advocacy strategy is a critical component of reaching these goals to ensure state and federal resources are secured for the region. These funding streams are in a moment of unprecedented uncertainty. State resources for homelessness are a major component of the local homeless response, but these funds largely consist of one-time funding over the last several years. With California facing likely deficits in future years, these funds are far from secure.

Meanwhile at the federal level, the new Administration and Congress have promised to pursue major spending cuts, as well as policy changes that are likely to function as funding cuts for Los Angeles. In late January, the Administration pursued an unprecedented "pause" across a broad range of federal funding, including homelessness funding. While funding was restored, the possibility of future "pauses" must be considered. Maintaining the status quo of state and federal funding will require major coordinated and continuous advocacy between all the entities in the region and should be considered one of the main conditions of reaching the goals set forth in this report.

January Wildfires

The challenges Los Angeles faces will be magnified by the wildfires that devastated Los Angeles County in January and destroyed at least 12,000 structures. Comparable disasters, such as the Maui wildfires in August 2023, led to an 87% increase in homelessness in the subsequent point-in-time count. The wildfires can create a number of pressures that contribute to rising homelessness: 1) More households that have lost their homes and in the immediate aftermath, seek the assistance of the homeless services system; 2) An influx of households seeking short-term accommodations in the rental market, placing downward pressure on an already-constrained housing market, and 3) Pressure to utilize scarce public funds for homelessness to support higher-income households that have tragically lost their homes but may not otherwise face the risk of homelessness.

⁹ Hennighausen, H, & James, A. (2024). "Catastrophic fires, human displacement, and real estate prices in California." *Journal of Housing Economics*, 66: December 2024.

Measure A Goals and Recommended Targets

The table on the following page summarizes the metrics and targets developed by the subcommittees for each of the goals-this table is then followed by an additional table which outlines the proposed equity metrics that align with the Measure A goals.

It is important to note that at the LTRHA meeting in early March the membership voted to amend each goal statement to deepen the region's collective commitment to equity. To do this, the LTRHA recommends that each goal as stated include, "with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities". This proposal is outlined for each goal in the chart below.

Measure A Goal 2030 Metrics with Numerical Targets Goal 1: Metric 1a. Decrease by 30% the number of people experiencing unsheltered Measure A text: Increase the number of people homelessness from a baseline of 52,365 in moving from encampments into permanent 2024 to a target of 36,656 in 2030. housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness Metric 1b. Increase by 80% the number Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment: of people moving into permanent housing from unsheltered settings from a baseline Increase the number of people moving from of 5,937 in FY 23-24 to a target of 10,687 encampments into permanent housing to in 2030. reduce unsheltered homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial Metric 1c. Increase by 32% the rate of disproportionality, disparities and inequities. people moving into interim housing from unsheltered settings from a baseline of 34% in FY 23-24 to a target of 45% in 2030. Goal 2: Metric 2a: Reduce by 15% the number of people with SMI alone experiencing Measure A: Reduce the number of people with homelessness from a baseline of 14,056 in mental illness and/or substance use disorders FY 23-24 to a target of 11,978 in 2030. who experience homelessness Metric 2b: Reduce by 10% the number of Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment: people with SUD alone experiencing Reduce the number of people with mental homelessness from a baseline of 8,697 in illness and/or substance use disorders who FY 23-24 to a target of 7,827 in 2030. experience homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial

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 Metric 2c: Reduce by 10% the number of people with co-occurring SMI and SUD experiencing homelessness from a baseline of 20,446 in FY 23-24 to a target of 18,401 in 2030.

Goal 3:

Measure A: Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness

Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment:

Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities.

- Metric 3a: Increase by 57% the number of service participants who exit homelessness to permanent housing from a baseline of 19,127 in FY 23-24 to a target of 30,000 in 2030.
- Metric 3b: Increase by 101% the number of service participants who retain permanent housing, two years after they exit homelessness from a baseline of 10,501 in FY 23-24 to a target of 21,104 in 2030.

Goal 4:

Measure A: Prevent people from falling into homelessness

Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment:

Prevent people from falling into homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities.

 Metric 4a: Reduce the number of people who become newly-homeless by 20% from a baseline of 63,202 in FY 23-24 to a target of 50,561 in 2030

Goal 5:

Measure A: Increase the number of affordable housing units in Los Angeles County

Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment:

Increase the number of affordable housing units in Los Angeles County with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities.

- Metric 5a: Increase by 41%-53% the current level of affordable housing production, from a baseline of 1,700 units in FY 23-24 to a target of 2,400-2,600 units in 2030.
- Metric 5b: Increase by the current level of affordable housing units being preserved, to a total of 420 at-risk units preserved annually.

The table below summarizes equity metrics for each of the goals and submetrics:

Measure A Goal and Subcommittee Metrics

Goal 1:

Measure A text: Increase the number of people moving from encampments into permanent housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness

Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment:

Increase the number of people moving from encampments into permanent housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities.

- Metric 1a. Decrease by 30% the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness from a baseline of 52,365 in 2024 to a target of 36,656 in 2030.
- Metric 1b. Increase by 80% the number of people moving into permanent housing from unsheltered settings from a baseline of 5,937 in FY 23-24 to a target of 10,687 in 2030.
- Metric 1c. Increase by 32% the rate of people moving into interim housing from unsheltered settings from a baseline of 34% in FY 23-24 to a target of 45% in 2030.

Corresponding Equity Metrics

- Equity Metric 1a. Decrease the rate of growth of Latinx people experiencing unsheltered homelessness from a baseline of 30% by 10 percentage points to 20% in the service data (and reduce rate of growth in Latinx unsheltered point-in-time (32%) also by 10 percentage points).
- Equity Metric 1a. Decrease unsheltered point-in-time by 10 percentage points for Black, Latinx, and AIAN people.
- Equity Metric 1b. Reduce disparities in access to permanent housing for Black, Latinx, and AIAN people experiencing unsheltered homelessness by 10 percentage points from baselines 11% (Black), 8% (Latinx), 11% (AIAN).
- Equity Metric 1c. Reduce disparities in access to interim housing for AIAN people from unsheltered settings by 10 percentage points from baseline of 42% to 52% and for Latinx people from baseline 34% to 44%.

Goal 2:

Measure A: Reduce the number of people with mental illness and/or substance use disorders who experience homelessness

Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment:

Reduce the number of people with mental illness and/or substance use disorders who experience homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities.

 Metric 2a: Reduce by 15% the number of people with SMI alone experiencing homelessness from a baseline of 14,056 in FY

- Equity Metric 2a: To reduce disparities, decrease the rate of SMI or SUD (49%), SUD (8%), and co-occurring disorders (26%) by 20% for the American Indian/ Alaska Natives.
- Equity Metric 2b: Reduce rate of growth of Latinx people with SUD or SMI (54%) by 10 percentage points, and percentage of Latinx people with co-occurring disorders (17%).
- Equity Metric 2c: To reduce inequities, decrease the rate of co-occurring disorders by 5 percentage points from

23-24 to a target of 11,978 in 2030.

- Metric 2b: Reduce by 10% the number of people with SUD alone experiencing homelessness from a baseline of 8,697 in FY 23-24 to a target of 7,827 in 2030.
- Metric 2c: Reduce by 10% the number of people with co-occurring SMI and SUD experiencing homelessness from a baseline of 20,446 in FY 23-24 to a target of 18,401 in 2030.

baseline of 18% to 13% for Black people.

 Equity Metric (applies across a, b, and c): Reduce the share of people who experience homelessness and report having these conditions within the point in time demographic surveys for Black, Latinx and AIAN people.

Goal 3:

Measure A: Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness

Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment:

Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities.

- Metric 3a: Increase by 57% the number of service participants who exit homelessness to permanent housing from a baseline of 19,127 in FY 23-24 to a target of 30,000 in 2030.
- Metric 3b: Increase by 101% the number of service participants who retain permanent housing, two years after they exit homelessness from a baseline of 10,501 in FY 23-24 to a target of 21,104 in 2030.

- Equity Metric 3a: Reduce rate of growth of Latinx people experiencing homelessness by increasing permanent housing exits by at least 57%.
- Equity Metric 3a: Reduce disproportionality of Black and AIAN people experiencing homelessness by increasing permanent housing exits by 65% for each group.
- Equity Metric 3a: Reduce disparities in outcomes by increasing the percentage of Black and AIAN people who are permanently housed and do not return to homelessness by 10 percentage points, from 73% for AIAN and 77% for Black or African American.
- Equity Metric 3b: Reduce disparities in outcomes by increasing by 91% the number of service participants who retain permanent housing, 5- and 10- years after they exit homelessness for Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, and American Indian Alaska Native by 2030.

Goal 4:

Measure A: Prevent people from falling into homelessness

Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment:

Prevent people from falling into homelessness

- Equity Metric 4a: Decrease disproportionality of newly-homeless Black or African American individuals by 30% from a baseline of 35% by 2030.
- Equity Metric 4a: Decrease the disparity in the rate of growth of newly homeless

with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities.

 Metric 4a: Reduce the number of people who become newly-homeless by 20% from a baseline of 63,202 in FY 23-24 to a target of 50,561 in 2030 Black (9%) and Latinx (21%) people by 7 percentage points each.

 Equity Metric 4a: Reduce the overall share of homelessness within in the pointin-time count by 20% for Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, and American Indian Alaska Native by 2030.

Goal 5:

Measure A: Increase the number of affordable housing units in Los Angeles County

Proposed Goal Statement Adjustment:

Increase the number of affordable housing units in Los Angeles County with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities.

- Metric 5a: Increase by 41%-53% the current level of affordable housing production, from a baseline of 1,700 units in FY 23-24 to a target of 2,400-2,600 units in 2030.
- Metric 5b: Increase by the current level of affordable housing units being preserved, to a total of 420 at-risk units preserved annually.

- Equity Strategies (see equity section for more information on why ''strategies'' are provided here:
- Increase outreach to people experiencing homelessness earning 30% or below the Area Median Income (AMI) and severely cost burdened renter households in LA County for affordable units.
- Increase retention of Black people in Permanent Supportive Housing by targeting legacy permanent supportive buildings for preservation.
- Reduce disparities in access to high opportunity neighborhoods and increasing investment into under-resourced communities through affordable housing development.
- Increase enforcement of source of income protections to reduce discrimination in the housing market.
- Increase Flexible Housing Subsidy Pool vouchers to increase access for undocumented and documented households.
- Explore small area Fair Market Rate (FMR) to increase equity in voucher amounts.
- Use master leasing strategy to reduce challenges for people with criminal background or poor credit.

 Conduct outreach to groups with the highest rates of homelessness to access vouchers.
 Reduce disparities in homeownership by using vouchers for homeownership through the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

Goal 1: Increase the Number of People Moving from Encampments into Permanent Housing to Reduce Unsheltered Homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities

Metric Established by Subcommittee

As detailed in the October midpoint report, the subcommittee established the following metric:

- Metric 1a. Decrease by xx% the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness.
- Metric 1b. Increase by xx% the number of people moving into permanent housing from unsheltered settings.
- Metric 1c. Increase by xx% the rate of people moving into interim housing from unsheltered settings.

This metric is intended to be measured using a combination of point-in-time (PIT) count data, as well as administrative data from the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), administered by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), as well as the Comprehensive Health Accompaniment and Management Platform (CHAMP), administered by the Department of Health Services.

Baseline Data

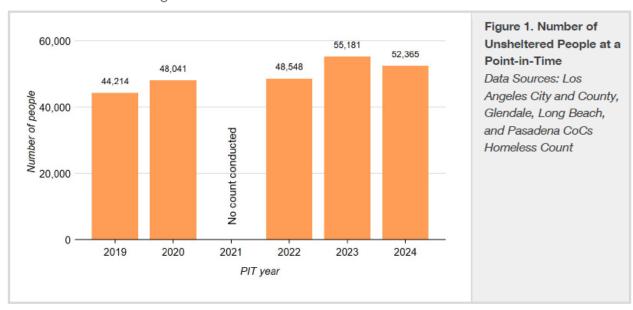
To develop goal numbers, the Data Subcommittee established three baseline numbers for this goal:

- Baseline 1a. Number of unsheltered people at a point-in-time, and count of service participants who experienced unsheltered homelessness during the 2023-2024 fiscal year: 52,365 people and 66,918 people, respectively
- Baseline 1b. The number of unsheltered service participants who exited to permanent housing: 5,937 people
- Baseline 1c. The number and rate of unsheltered service participants who accessed interim housing: 34% of participants

Baseline 1a.

Count of Persons Who Experienced Unsheltered Homelessness During the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year

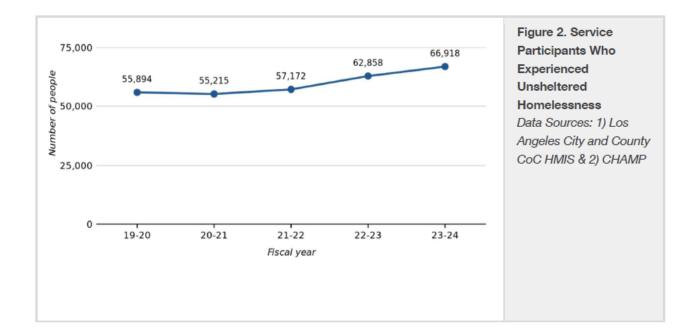
For baseline 1a., the Data Subcommittee established two separate numbers to measure unsheltered homelessness—one through the Point-in-Time (PIT) Count, which counted 52,365 people living unsheltered in Los Angeles County, according to the 2024 Greater Los Angeles Homelessness Count. This number is intended to serve as a baseline for measuring the visibility and presence of unsheltered homelessness at a single point in time. See figure 1 below¹⁰ for PIT Count figures for unsheltered homelessness.



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¹⁰ Figures and charts for Goals 1-4 are drawn from the Data Subcommittee's January 24th report to the ECRHA. Figures and charts for Goal 5 are drawn from the USC Lusk Center for Real Estate's January 31st report to the LTRHA.

The data subcommittee also established a separate figure of 66,918 service participants who experienced unsheltered homelessness over the course of FY 23-24. This number does not reflect a single point in time, but rather a dynamic population changing over the course of the year. See below for Figure 2, which shows this number over the last five years; the data subcommittee found this number rose by 5% on average year-over-year. This baseline is rooted in measuring the delivery of services to people experiencing homelessness and serves as a critical connection to Metrics 1b and 1c, which measure how effective Los Angeles' systems are at serving people who are experiencing unsheltered homelessness over the course of the year.



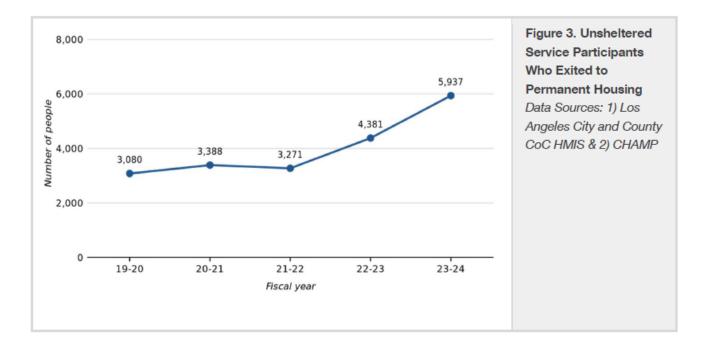
It is critical to note that the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness does not represent the entire population of people experiencing homelessness, as thousands more people continue to reside in interim settings. According to administrative data, approximately112,026 people experiencing homelessness accessed services over the course of FY 23-24, including both sheltered and unsheltered people.

The number of 66,918 unsheltered people accessing services represented only about 60% of the total number of people experiencing homelessness accessing services over the course of the entire fiscal year. These numbers do not account for those that experience homelessness and do not access services or resolve their homelessness without accessing any services, meaning the true number of people who experienced homelessness for any period of time during FY 23-24 was in excess of 112,026 people.

Baseline 1b.

The Number of Unsheltered Service Participants Who Exited to Permanent Housing

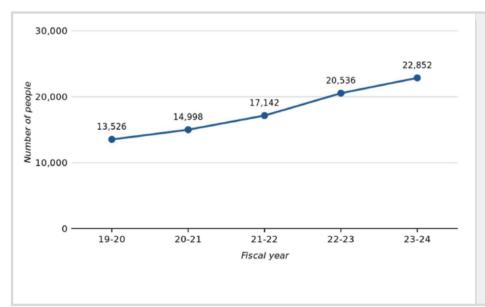
For Baseline 1b., the data subcommittee established that there were 5,937 service participants who were unsheltered that exited homelessness to permanent housing in FY 23-24. See Figure 3 below.



Baseline 1c.

The Number and Rate of Unsheltered Service Participants Who Accessed Interim Housing

For Baseline 1c., the data subcommittee established that 22,852 service participants who were unsheltered accessed interim housing in FY 23-24 (see Figure 4 on the following page). This represents 34% of all unsheltered service participants—this number has increased by 69% over the last five years, reflecting increased alignment and urgency to add new interim settings to address unsheltered homelessness:



Service Participants
Who Accessed Interim
Housing
Data Sources: 1) Los
Angeles City and County
CoC HMIS & 2) CHAMP

Figure 4. Unsheltered

Target Metrics and Milestones Summary

Goal 1: Increase the number of people moving from encampments into permanent housing to reduce unsheltered homelessness

End of 2030 Metrics

- Metric 1a. Decrease by 30% the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness from a baseline of 52,365 in 2024 to a target of 36,656 in FY 23-24.
- Metric 1b. Increase by 80% the number of people moving into permanent housing from unsheltered settings from a baseline of 5,937 in FY 23-24 to a target of 10,687 in 2030.
- Metric 1c. Increase by 32% the rate of people moving into interim housing from unsheltered settings from a baseline of 34% of unsheltered people in FY 23-24 to a target of 45% in 2030.

Annual Milestones

Metric 1a: Reduce the Number of Unsheltered People by 30%

Year	% Change from Baseline	Annual Unsheltered Number
Baseline	0%	52,365
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	-6%	49,609

July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	-11%	46,652
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	-16%	43,796
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	-22%	40,939
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	-27%	38,084
Full Year Ending December 31, 2030	-30%	36,656

Metric 1b: Increase the Number of Unsheltered People Placed in Permanent Housing by 80%

Year	% Change from Baseline	Annual Unsheltered People Placed in PH
Baseline	0%	5,937
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	+15%	6,801
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	+29%	7,664
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	+44%	8,528
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	+58%	9,391
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	+73%	10,255
Full Year Ending December 31, 2030	+80%	10,687

Metric 1c: Increase the Rate of Interim Housing Placements of Unsheltered People by 32%

Year	% Change from Baseline	Annual Rate of Unsheltered Placed in IH
Baseline	0%	34%
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	+6%	36%
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	+12%	38%
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	+17%	40%
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	+23%	42%
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	+29%	44%

+32%

Rationale

The homeless response subcommittee developed the above target metrics with three primary factors driving their rationale. First, the subcommittee noted the region has seen unprecedented alignment across the homeless system and across regional partners around addressing unsheltered homelessness—should this alignment continue, it may contribute to continued rapid growth in the number of people moving out of unsheltered homelessness and into both interim and permanent housing. The second major factor informing their rationale is that, because this alignment around unsheltered homelessness is a recent phenomena, the number of people moving from unsheltered homelessness into housing is relatively low, with only 9% of unsheltered service participants moving into permanent housing—this leaves considerable room for growth as system alignment efforts continue.

Finally, these goals were also informed by Goals 2, 3, 4, and 5, all of which lend component parts to an overall reduction in unsheltered homelessness. With Goal 2 reflecting a proposed 57% increase in housing placements (informed by the housing production goals in Goal 5) and Goal 4 reflecting a 20% decrease in inflow, the homeless response subcommittee believes a 30% reduction in unsheltered homelessness is attainable.

Conditions and Assumptions for Success

For the targets in Goal 1 to be reached, the subcommittee identified four conditions that are vital components of success for this particular goal, although they noted the conditions across Goals 1, 2, and 3 are all interrelated to each of the goals. These conditions are:

- Significant Progress Must Be Made on Other Goals: Unlike other goals, an overall reduction in unsheltered homelessness represents a cumulative goal that would reflect progress in other goals that make up component parts of understanding overall homeless numbers, namely, inflow into homelessness and outflow into permanent housing. To reach goals on reducing unsheltered homelessness, the region must increase permanent housing placements as well as significantly curtail inflow into homelessness. In recent years, while permanent housing placements have scaled up significantly, inflow has also accelerated, meaning these gains have not resulted in reductions in overall unsheltered homelessness.
- Reconfiguration of Pathways into Permanent Housing: In examining goals 1, 2, and 3 working in concert with each other, Los Angeles will need to significantly reconfigure

current pathways into permanent housing to achieve these goals. Two potential pathways into permanent housing must increase significantly, with far greater movement needed from interim housing into permanent housing, or far greater movement from unsheltered settings into permanent housing than is currently the case in the region. Significant system realignments may be needed to realize these changing pathways into permanent housing.

- The Region Must Produce More Housing, and it Must Be Accessible to Unsheltered People: The Los Angeles region must continue to increase the production of affordable housing, in alignment with the targets laid out in Goal 5. In addition, a significant portion of these affordable units must be available to people experiencing unsheltered homelessness. In general, people experiencing homelessness have incomes below 30% of Area Median Income (AMI). Alignment between the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LACAHSA) will be critical, therefore, to reach goals around moving more individuals out of unsheltered homelessness and into permanent housing,
- Increasing Interim Housing Must Continue Beyond Emergencies: In order to continue making progress moving people from unsheltered homelessness into interim housing, the region must continue to secure additional resources to fund further expansion of interim housing. This is all the more critical given the possibility of increasing bed rates paid to service providers to match the true cost of providing services. Without additional funding for interim housing, rising bed rates will reduce the overall number of beds.
- Advocacy to Maintain Federal Funding Must Continue: As demonstrated by a
 temporary freeze in federal funding resulting from the White House Office of
 Management and Budget's (OMB) Memo M-25-13 in late January, federal funding for
 homelessness and housing programs is far from assured. The Los Angeles region must
 advocate to federal partners both to continue funding for key programs, as well as
 forestall federal policy changes that would effectively function as cuts for communities
 like Los Angeles.
- New Data Tools Should Be Used to Track Outcomes: New data tools, such as the Encampment Module available through HMIS, will allow new insight into unsheltered homelessness. These insights must be applied to more effectively move people out of unsheltered homelessness.

Goal 2: Reduce the number of people with mental illness and/or substance use disorders who experience homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities

Metric Established by Subcommittee

The subcommittee spent significant time defining the data sources and definitions of serious mental illness and substance use disorder¹¹ during phase 1. Moreover, the subcommittee agreed to split goal 2 into separate metrics for serious mental illness (SMI) and long-term substance use disorder (SUD), in recognition that while a significant portion of the population may experience both of these conditions, many experience only one, and these conditions necessitate different interventions and services. As such, the subcommittee proposed the following metrics:

- Metric 2a: Reduce by xx% the number of people with SMI alone experiencing homelessness.
- Metric 2b: Reduce by xx% the number of people with SUD alone experiencing homelessness.
- Metric 2c: Reduce by xx% the number of people with co-occurring SMI and SUD experiencing homelessness.

Baseline Data

The data subcommittee established the following baselines:

Baseline 2a: Number of people experiencing homelessness with SMI only in FY 23-24:
 14,056 people

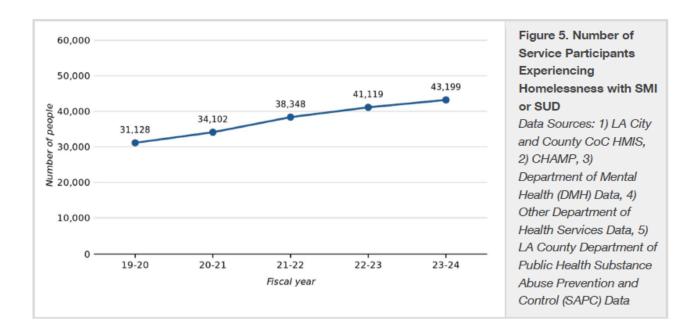
¹¹ The following definitions were agreed upon by the subcommittee:

Substance use disorder (SUD): Mental and behavioral disorders due to psychoactive substance use (excluding nicotine dependence).

Serious mental illness (SMI): A person with bipolar disorder, episodic mood disorder, major depressive disorder, manic
episode, other psychotic or delusional, schizophrenic disorder. Note that PTSD is not included in the SMI metric, but is
reported separately.

- Baseline 2b: Number of people experiencing homelessness with SUD only in FY 23-24: 8,697 people
- Baseline 2c: Number of people experiencing homelessness with both SMI and SUD in FY 23-24: 20,446 people
- Baseline 2d: Number of people experiencing homelessness with SMI or SUD in FY 23-24: 43,199 people

Figure 5 below displays the number of people with either SMI or SUD (the most inclusive measure) from FY 19-20 to FY 23-24, which reached a total of 43,199 individuals in FY 23-24. This number increased annually by 9% on average over the five-year period, closely mirroring the overall increases in the homeless population.



The figure below disaggregates this data by individuals in service data with only one of the conditions, as well as those reporting both conditions:

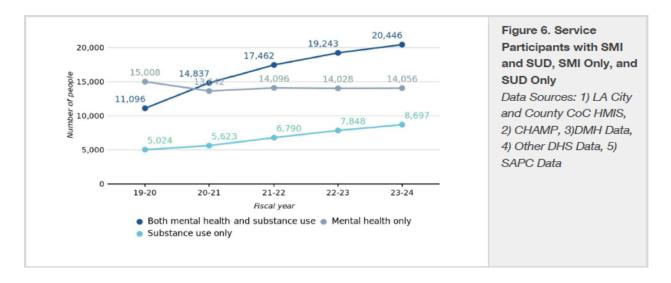


Figure 6 above also demonstrates that increases in SUD reporting are generating the rise in the overall population reporting one or both conditions. While this could be a result of increasing prevalence of substance use disorders, it requires further investigation; this may be a result of a number of other factors, including changes in reporting related to Medicaid billing, better survey instruments and increasing data quality, and other factors.

Target Metrics and Milestones Summary

Goal 2: Reduce the number of people with mental illness and/or substance use disorders who experience homelessness

End of 2030 Metrics

- Metric 2a. Reduce by 15% the number of people with SMI only experiencing homelessness, from a baseline of 14,056 in FY 23-24 to a target of 11,978 people in 2030.
- Metric 2b. Reduce by 10% the number of people with SUD only experiencing homelessness, from a baseline of 8,697 in FY 23-24 to a target of 7,827 people in 2030.
- Metric 2c. Reduce by 10% the number of people with co-occurring SMI and SUD experiencing homelessness, from a baseline of 20,446 in FY 23-24 to a target of 18,401 people in 2030.

Annual Milestones

Metric 2a: Reduce the Number of People with SMI Only by 15%

Year % Change from Baseline Annual Number of People with
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		SMI Only
Baseline	0%	14,056
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	-3%	13,673
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	-5%	13,289
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	-8%	12,906
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	-11%	12,523
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	-14%	12,139
Full Year Ending December 31, 2030	-15%	11,948

Metric 2b: Reduce the Number of People with SUD Only by 10%

Year	% Change from Baseline	Annual Number of People with SUD Only
Baseline	0%	8,697
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	-2%	8,539
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	-4%	8,381
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	-5%	8,223
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	-7%	8,064
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	-9%	7,906
Full Year Ending December 31, 2030	-10%	7,827

Metric 2c: Reduce the Number of People with Co-Occurring SMI and SUD by 10%

Year	% Change from Baseline	Annual Number of People with Co- Occurring SMI/SUD
Baseline	0%	20,446
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	-2%	20,074
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	-4%	19,703
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	-5%	19,331
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	-7%	18,959
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	-9%	18,587
Full Year Ending December 31, 2030	-10%	18,401

Conditions and Assumptions for Success

- Effective and Robust Services Must Be Available: As more efforts are made to move unsheltered and sheltered people with SMI and/or SUD into both permanent and interim housing, these sites will be hosting a highly-vulnerable population with complex service needs, including the whole range of behavioral health services. The availability of robust services will be essential both to moving this population into housing and keeping them housed.
- The Region Must Maximize Leveraging MediCal: The Los Angeles region's homeless system has increasingly tapped into MediCal to fund key services for people experiencing homelessness including people with behavioral health needs. This funding stream is available through the state's California Advancing and Innovating MediCal (CalAIM) waiver with the federal government. While CalAIM has provided new resources, it is insufficiently accessible to many service providers and the people they serve. The Los Angeles region must lower remaining barriers to accessing CalAIM, and must advocate to the state for changes to reduce administrative complexity for service providers so as to ensure the region is leveraging more MediCal funds.
- Maximize Utilization of Existing Housing and Shelter: To reach this goal, the system must continue to make progress on swiftly accessing units at existing PSH and other sites that house and shelter people experiencing homelessness with SMI and SUD, including board and care homes. The system must ensure units and beds in these sites do not remain vacant for long periods of time. While adding new PSH units is critical, Los Angeles must keep a focus on maximizing the utilization of units, along with leveraging board and care facilities, skilled nursing facilities, and other sites.
- Advocacy to Maintain Federal Funding, Including MediCal Waiver, Must Continue: As noted in the conditions and assumptions for all goals, federal funding for mental health and substance use disorder treatment services is at risk. The Los Angeles region must advocate to federal partners to continue funding for programs that serve people with SMI and/or SUD, as well as push back on potential federal policy changes that would disincentivize providing these services in an evidence-based manner. Moreover, the region must advocate for the renewal of California's aforementioned Medicaid waiver, which is set to expire at the conclusion of 2026.

Goal 3: Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities

Metric Established by Subcommittee

The subcommittee spent time deliberating how to both capture exits to permanent housing, but also how to capture housing retention, reflecting the importance of ensuring people experiencing homelessness stay housed after exiting homelessness. This is especially critical from an equity perspective, given prior findings that Black people experiencing homelessness fall back into homelessness at disproportionate rates, including from permanent supportive housing.^{12, 13} Given these dynamics, the subcommittee established the following metrics:

- Metric 3a: Increase by xx% the number of service participants who exited homelessness to permanent housing during FY 23-24.
- **Metric 3b:** Increase by xx% the number of service participants who retain permanent housing, two years after they exit homelessness.

Baseline Data

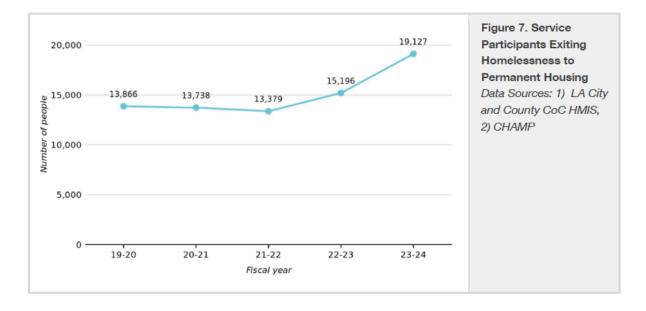
The Ad Hoc Committee on data established two baseline measures:

- Baseline 3a: Number of service participants who exited homelessness to permanent housing in FY 23-24: 19,127 people
- Baseline 3b: Number of service participants who exited homelessness in FY 21-22 to permanent housing and did not return to homelessness over subsequent 24 months:
 10,501 people retained housing (from 13,379 placements in FY 21-22, a 78% retention rate).

¹² Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority. (2018). "Report and Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Black People Experiencing Homelessness." Report found at https://www.lahsa.org/documents?id=2823-report-and-recommendations-of-the-ad-hoc-committee-on-black-people-experiencing-homelessness.pdf

¹³ Milburn, N., Edwards, E., Obermark, D., & Rountree, J. California Policy Lab. (2021). "Inequity in the Permanent Supportive Housing System in Los Angeles: Scale, Scope and Reasons for Black Residents' Returns to Homelessness. Report found at https://capolicylab.org/inequity-in-the-psh-system-in-los-angeles/

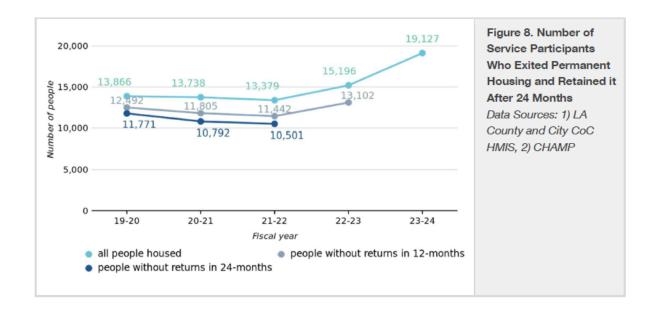
The first baseline number is 19,127 permanent housing placements in FY 23-24. This reflects a variety of housing placements, including placements into supportive housing, placements into market rate housing supported by rental subsidies, reconnection with family and friends, and a range of other interventions. See Figure 7 below, which reflects the FY 23-24 permanent housing placements, along with a five-year trend reflecting a 9% annual average increase in housing placements including a 26% jump from FY 22-23 to FY 23-24.



Why is this number different from what I'm used to seeing?

This number differs from the oft-cited figures of over 20,000 annual permanent housing placements that accompany annual homeless count data releases. Those numbers that exceed 20,000 housing placements include other data sources that were not accessed for the purposes of this baseline, such as data reflecting housing placements from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Additionally, that larger number includes some types of housing placements that are not included here, such as transfers between different types of housing programs.

The next baseline number captures housing placements and how many have been retained one and two years after the initial placement. For example, for FY 21-22, the figure measures how many placements were made in that year (the top line), how many FY 21-22 placements were still in housing in FY 22-23 (the middle line), and how many FY 21-22 placements retained housing two years later, into FY 23-24 (the bottom line). FY 21-22 is the most recent year for which all three figures are available. Figure 8 on the following page charts that while there were 13,379 permanent housing exits in FY 21-22, a total of 10,501 of those people retained permanent housing 24 months later (78%).



Target Metrics and Milestones Summary

Goal 3: Increase the number of people permanently leaving homelessness

End of 2030 Metrics

- Metric 3a. Increase by 57% the number of people exiting homelessness to permanent housing, from a baseline of 19,127 in FY 23-24 to a target of 30,000 people in 2030.
- Metric 3b. Increase by 101% the number of people retaining permanent housing after 24 months, from a baseline of 10,501 and 78% retention in FY 23-24 to a target of 21,104 people and a 78% retention rate in 2030.

Annual Milestones

Metric 3a: Increase the Number of Permanent Housing Placements by 57%

Year	% Change from Baseline	Annual Permanent Housing Placements
Baseline	0%	19,127
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	+10%	21,109
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	+21%	23,092

July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	+31%	25,074
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	+41%	27,056
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	+52%	29,038
Full Year Ending December 31, 2030	+57%	30,000

Metric 3b: Increase the Number of People Who Retain Housing Two Years After Placement by 101%

Year	% Change from Baseline	Number Retaining Housing from Two Years Prior
Baseline	0%	10,501
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	+42%	14,919
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	+42%	14,919
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	+57%	16,465
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	+72%	18,011
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	+86%	19,558
Full Year Ending December 31, 2030	+101%	21,104

Rationale

While a 57% increase in housing placements over the evaluation represents an extremely ambitious goal, the subcommittee noted that recent years have seen increases in housing placements as high as 26% between FY 22-23 and FY 23-24. This has coincided with the availability of housing resources, including new HHH buildings opening their doors, greater availability of time-limited subsidies, and other resources. As these resources continue and more housing comes through the pipeline as a result of new funding sources such as the City of Los Angeles' Measure ULA, Measure A's affordable housing funding administered by LACAHSA, and other regional sources such as the San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust fund, more affordable units will be available to leverage.

While these resources must be aligned and in coordination with the goals of the regional homeless response to continue the sharp upward trajectory of housing placements, they gave the subcommittee cause for optimism even as uncertainty remains.

In addition, for housing retention, the committee sought to maintain the two-year retention rate for the last year for which data is available, FY 21-22. Increases in housing retention are assuming the homeless system continues to make the investments needed to maintain a 78% retention rate even as housing placements increase.

Overall, reaching these goals would represent a major shift from the functioning of the existing homeless services system. At present, housing placements are equal to approximately 40% of the unsheltered point-in-time count numbers, which, when taken into account with inflow continuing to exceed housing placements, accounts for the lack of major reductions in homelessness. Under goal 3's targets in concert with goal 4, housing placements would be approximately equivalent to the inflow into homelessness, and would exceed the overall unsheltered point-in-time count. This increase in rehousing capacity, coupled with lower inflow, would represent a major seachange for the Los Angeles system. How to achieve that seachange is articulated below.

Conditions and Assumptions for Success

- The Region Must Produce More Housing, and it Must Be Accessible to
 Unsheltered People: As noted in Goal 1, a significant portion of new affordable units
 must be available to people experiencing homelessness with the lowest incomes.
 Continuing work to align LACAHSA and ECRHA is essential to reaching goals on
 placements into permanent housing.
- Maximize Occupancy in PSH Sites: As noted in goal 2, to reach this goal, the system
 must continue to make progress on ensuring units at PSH sites do not remain vacant
 for long periods of time. While adding new PSH units is critical, Los Angeles must keep
 a focus on maximizing the utilization of these units.
- State Funding Must Continue: State funding serves as a significant buttress to the Los Angeles region's response. Approximately \$380 million was allocated to seven grantees through the most recent round of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD); other allocations from programs such as Homekey, Encampment Resolution Funds (ERF), and a number of population-specific programs administered by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) make up a significant portion of the region's homelessness budget. However, nearly all of these programs are one-time allocations of funding. The Los Angeles region must advocate forcefully to California policymakers for these investments to continue in future years, and ideally seek to convert programs like HHAP into stable, ongoing investments.
- Advocacy to Maintain Federal Funding Must Continue: As with goals 1, 2, 4, and 5, significant federal funding cuts have the potential to curtail both efforts to increase placements into permanent housing by removing sources of funding for that housing.

Federal cuts also have the potential to disrupt efforts to increase retention, as key supportive services are funded through federal Medicaid funds, Continuum of Care (CoC) program funds, and other federal sources. The Los Angeles region must advocate to federal partners both to continue funding for key programs, as well as forestall federal policy changes that would effectively function as cuts for communities like Los Angeles.

Alignment with Prevention: Los Angeles must align its homeless prevention strategies
with efforts to increase housing placements. This includes ensuring services are
available for older adults who move from unsheltered homelessness back into housing,
but may be at risk of returning to homelessness if adequate housing retention and
prevention services are not available.

Goal 4: Prevent People from Falling into Homelessness with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities

Metric Established by Subcommittee

The prevention subcommittee formalized the following metric for goal 4:

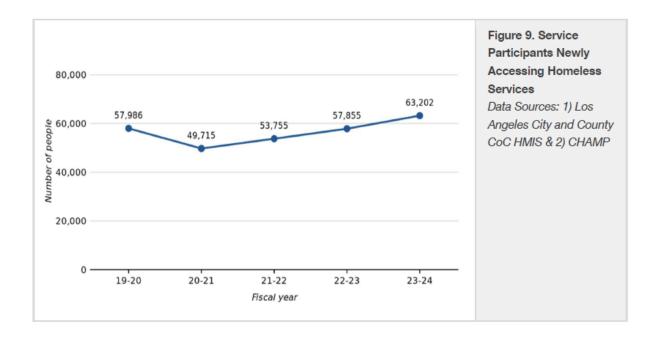
• **Metric 4a:** Reduce the number of people who become newly-homeless by xx%.

This metric intends to use administrative data from HMIS and CHAMP to measure the number of service participants who are "newly" accessing services, with evidence that this is the first time they have been homeless in 24 months or more.

Baseline Data

The subcommittee established one baseline measure, using the above definition:

 Baseline 4a: Number of service participants newly-accessing services in FY 23-24 with evidence that this first time homeless in 24 months or more: 63,202 people See Figure 9 below for the five-year trend of this data, which shows a modest 3% year-over-year average increase over the last five years.



For this baseline figure, it is worth noting that over half of all service participants in HMIS and CHAMP are considered "newly homeless," suggesting a staggering level of inflow to the homeless services system. Moreover, should the trend of a 3% average increase in new enrollees continue year-over-year, the number of new enrollees in five years would be 73,300.

Metrics and Milestones Summary

Goal 4: Prevent People from Falling into Homelessness

End of 2030 Metrics

- Metric 4a: Decrease by 20% by the end of 2030 the Number of Service Participants
 Who Become Newly Homeless (as measured in administrative data), from a Baseline of
 63,202 in FY 23-24 to a target of 50,561 people in 2030.
 - The system's efforts to achieve this goal must be guided by the overarching equity principle to reduce the disproportionate number of Black and American Indian Alaska Native and the increasing number of Latino/x people experiencing homelessness. Effective prevention that reduces inflow into homelessness services is a key strategy to counteract the systemic and structural injustices that drive people into homelessness and disparately affect people in these groups. By reducing inflow by 20%, we also aim to actively promote equitable

access to prevention programs and to reduce the number of Black, American Indian Alaska Native and Latino/x people who fall into homelessness.

Annual Milestones

Metric 4a: Decrease by 20% by the end of 2030 the Number of Service Participants Who Become Newly Homeless (as measured in administrative data), from a Baseline of 63,202 in FY 23-24

Year	% Change from Baseline	Annual Inflow Number
Baseline	+0%	63.202
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	+5%	66,302
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	+2%	64,466
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	-11%	56,313
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	-15%	54,038
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	-18%	51,712
Full Year Ending December 31, 2030	-20%	50,561

Rationale

The subcommittee had a number of considerations that informed the target of a 20% reduction in newly homeless enrollees over the evaluation period, from a baseline of 63,202 to 50,561. One of these is recognition that a 20% reduction is an even more ambitious goal when considering the upward trajectory of these numbers. Were the current trajectory to continue on a track of 3% annual growth, the number of newly-homeless enrollees would reach 73,300 in five years; the target of 50,561 represents a 31% reduction from this number.

Conditions and Assumptions for Success

The subcommittee established a number of conditions and assumptions that must hold in order for the target in goal 4 to be met. The top tier conditions and assumptions were identified as:

 Prevention Funding and Programs Must Be Targeted and Cater to Those at Greatest Risk, Or They Will Not Reduce Inflow: A number of assessments of homeless prevention programs have found that targeting using key risk factors to identify those most likely to fall into homelessness has demonstrable impacts on inflow. Otherwise, funding goes predominantly to households that, though vulnerable, may not have fallen into homelessness without the prevention assistance provided. Evidence-based eligibility criteria include households at 50% Area Median Income (AMI) or below, with one or more additional risk factors (such as a prior history of homelessness, recent discharge from an institution, veteran status, older age, personal trauma, or other factors). If funding is not targeted in this way, or if eligibility criteria limits access to one particular vulnerable group (such as transition-aged youth or older adults, who together make up 12% of people experiencing homeless in Los Angeles) and not the broader at-risk population, homeless prevention dollars are unlikely to reduce inflow into homelessness, as they will not be serving people that would have otherwise become homeless.

Moreover, traditional prevention programs that serve broader swaths of the population often focus on eviction prevention services and rental assistance for leaseholders. A narrow focus only on services for leaseholders, however, leaves out the bulk of people who fall into homelessness; new statewide findings show that only a third of people entering homelessness came from a leaseholding situation, with the majority of people entering homelessness either coming from an informal living arrangement or an institution. ¹⁵ Services such as flexible financial assistance that can assist leaseholders and non-leaseholders alike should complement eviction prevention, tenant education, rental assistance, and other services.

As new programs and policies are considered or existing policies are evaluated, people with lived experience of homelessness must be included and centered in program and policy design for homeless prevention efforts to be successful.

• Prevention Funding Must Align with Equity Goals: To ensure that prevention programs are reaching those who most need them, these programs must advance and align with shared equity goals, including setting a target for reducing the overrepresentation of groups disproportionately needing homelessness services. This must include active monitoring of who does and does not have access to prevention programs and whether programs remain effective and accessible for the most marginalized groups. This may also include ensuring that prevention funding is accessible to those who are most disproportionately represented among the population experiencing homelessness, such as adults between the ages of 25 to 64, who make up nearly 80% of the population experiencing homelessness in Los Angeles.

¹⁴ Till von Wachter et al., "Evaluation of LA County Prevention Targeting Tool" (California Policy Lab, 2021).

¹⁵ Benioff Homelessness and Housing Initiative, 2023. California Statewide Study of People Experiencing Homelessness.

• The Region Needs A Prevention System with an Appointed Executive Manager: Currently, the Los Angeles region deploys a range of prevention strategies across departments and jurisdictions which do not work in concert with each other. The region must appoint an executive level policy leader or manager to align the region's systems and investments to centralize a "homeless prevention system" across Los Angeles County. This manager would provide operating standards and best practices to ensure consistency, quality, accessibility, and equity across the region.

Six additional conditions and assumptions for success were identified. These include:

- Eligibility for homelessness service workers: Many frontline workers and case managers in our homelessness services system are themselves at risk of homelessness. Yet they are often unable to access prevention programs at their employer due to public contract terms that do not allow employees to access funds for clients. System administrators should ensure that employees of service providers who meet the eligibility criteria can access prevention resources from other sources. This will help support a vulnerable population, help retain workers, and strengthen our capacity to provide the high-quality services required for all Measure A goals. Ultimately, the system should address the pay structure for homeless services workers such that compensation reflects liveable wage standards for Los Angeles.
- Augment Funding: The 20% inflow reduction goal is dependent both on better
 alignment of existing resources from cities, the county, state, and federal sources, but
 also on new resources for targeted homeless prevention. New inflow into the system
 exceeds available funding to the system, and additional advocacy is needed to obtain
 the funding needed to scale up prevention resources to meet growing demand.
- Data: All Measure A-funded prevention programs must enter program data into HMIS, which is an essential component of knowing whether prevention service participants eventually become homeless in the future. This, in turn, is a prerequisite to effective program evaluation and assessment of whether prevention programs are reaching the right target population.
- Accessibility: Prevention programs must be easy to access and visible to the public, in
 addition to person-centered. Nearly two-thirds of people that were newly-homeless had
 not sought assistance from public agencies or providers, 16 relying instead on friends
 and family, highlighting the need for interventions to be highly visible to people who are
 at risk.
- Evaluation: The region must continue to evaluate the impact of prevention programs.
 The lessons from program evaluation must be applied to scale what works to use prevention dollars as effectively as possible.

¹⁶ Ibid.

Service History: For prevention to be effective and reach its goals, more data should
be marshalled to better understand the service history of those who are newly-enrolling
in homeless services. This should include a better understanding of other history such
as history of incarceration, contact with the child welfare system, and other risk factors.

Goal 5: Increase the number of affordable housing units in Los Angeles County with a focus on addressing gender, ethnic and racial disproportionality, disparities and inequities

Metric Established by Subcommittee

The subcommittee working on this goal established two metrics, each relating to a key component of making housing affordable for people at the lowest incomes. The subcommittee established metrics for production of affordable housing units and preservation of affordable housing. The metrics established are:

- Metric 5a: Increase by xx% the production of affordable housing.
- Metric 5b: Increase by xx% the preservation of affordable housing units.

Baseline Data

In order to develop goals for affordable housing, the subcommittee worked with the USC Lusk Center for Real Estate to develop estimates of the need for affordable housing in Los Angeles County, along with estimates of the baseline of affordable housing production and access across Los Angeles County.

For the purposes of developing a measure of Los Angeles County's need for affordable housing, the subcommittee developed a measure based on the shortage of housing that is affordable¹⁷ for low-, very-low, extremely-low, and people experiencing homelessness. Taken together, these groups collectively have a shortage of 375,622 units. See table 1 below for this data disaggregated by income levels.

While the overall shortage number continues to be staggering at 375,622, it is worth considering that this topline number may still underemphasize the severity of shortage for

¹⁷ For the purposes of this exercise, the subcommittee defined affordability as meaning a household would pay 30% of their income or less, which aligns with criteria from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

those households at 50% AMI and below, for which there is a 578,775 unit shortage. While there is a surplus of units for low-income households at 50-80% AMI, these units are not available or affordable to households that are homeless, extremely low-, or very low-income.

Table 1. Available and Affordable Housing Unit Shortage by Income Levels in Los Angeles County, 2023

Data Source: 2018-2023 American Communities Survey Five-Year Estimates

Household Type	Number of Households	Number of Available and Affordable Units	Shortage/Surplus
Homeless Households	68,297	0	-68,297
Extremely Low Income (0-30% AMI)	499,688	112,219	-387,469
Very Low Income (30- 50% AMI)	301,432	178,423	-123,009
Low Income (50-80% AMI)	400,571	603,723	+203,152
Total	1,269,988	894,365	-375,622

Using this data to measure the overall picture of housing affordability in Los Angeles, USC Lusk also provided baseline data on the production of affordable housing across Los Angeles County:

• Baseline 5a: Average number of affordable housing units produced annually across Los Angeles County from FY 19-20 to FY 23-24: 1,700 affordable housing units.

Table 2 below details the number of affordable units produced¹⁸ each of the last five years Countywide.

Table 2. Number of Affordable Housing Units Completed in Los Angeles County, 2019-2023

Data Source: California Department of Housing and Community Development Annual Progress Reports

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
ELI/VLI (0-50% AMI)	346	137	659	669	1,653
LI (50-80% AMI)	275	470	938	660	3,583
Total Units, 80% AMI and Below	621	607	1,597	1,329	5,236

Baseline 5b: Number of units that are at risk and in need of preservation assistance:
 9,126 affordable units

In order to determine the number of affordable housing units that are at highest risk of being lost, either due to expiring affordability covenants or due other financial, operational, or physical risks to the units, the subcommittee looked at the universe of affordable units greater than 10 years old.

The subcommittee used data from the City of Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) and the Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA) to determine that there are over 38,000 affordable units, 25% of which are Permanent Supportive Housing, which are over 10 years old. The subcommittee assumed that 50% of this older PSH (4,803 units) and 15% of the affordable housing units that are not PSH (4,323 units) will need some form of preservation assistance over the next decade, for a total of 9,126 units in need of assistance. The subcommittee estimated that the cost of preservation is an average of \$125,000 per unit.

 Baseline 5c: Number of units that are currently affordable as a result of "access" strategies such as rental assistance: 86,376 leased housing choice vouchers.

As a baseline for access, the subcommittee established that there 86,376 leased housing choice vouchers across a range of public housing authorities (PHAs) throughout the region. It is worth noting that the region's PHAs have over 101,151 units *allocated* through the federal voucher program. However, because PHAs in Los Angeles often must pay above fair-market rent (FMR) to secure landlords to lease units to their tenants in a very competitive housing

¹⁸ Production of a housing unit is counted based on the issuance of a certificate of occupancy.

market, PHAs often do not have sufficient federal funding to lease their entire allocated share of vouchers. Despite the 14,775 unit gap between the number of allocated units (101,151) and the number of units that are leased (86,376), most PHAs in the County have spent 100% of their voucher budgets, meaning they cannot fully lease their allotted units without more funding from the federal government to fully utilize their allocation. While the LTRHA and ECRHA are not recommending a performance metric around access to affordable housing using rental subsidies due to the major uncertainty in the federal funding landscape, advocating for continued and even increased rental subsidies will be essential to meeting goals identified throughout this report.

Target Metrics and Milestones Summary

Goal 5: Increase the number of affordable housing units within Los Angeles County

End of 2030 Metrics

- Metric 5a. Increase by 41%-53% the current level of affordable housing production from a baseline of 1,700 units in FY 23-24 to a target of 2,400-2,600 in 2030.
- Metric 5b: Increase the current level of affordable housing units being preserved to 420
 units preserved annually to assure net gains of affordable housing as new production
 ramps up.

Annual Milestones

Metric 5a: Increase by 41%-53% the current level of affordable housing production from an average baseline figure of 1,700 units per year.

Year	% Change from Baseline	Annual Number of Affordable Units Produced
Baseline	0%	1,700
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026	+12%	1,900
July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027	+24%-47%	2,100-2,500
July 1, 2027-June 30, 2028	+6%-39%	1,800-2,500
July 1, 2028-June 30, 2029	+11%-28%	2,000-2,300
July 1, 2029-June 30, 2030	+22%-39%	2,200-2,500

Full Year Ending December 31,	+41%-53%	2,400-2,600
2030		

Rationale

The subcommittee had several factors inform their recommendations on goals, with five different avenues of housing production making up the overall production goal:

- Current Production: The subcommittee assumed that current local resources would continue to make up a portion of affordable housing production
- Gap Fill: The subcommittee assumed and recommends that a portion of Measure A
 dollars be made available through a "Fast Track Housing Fund" to provide financial
 support to projects already in construction that have a funding gap.
- Accelerate: The subcommittee noted a significant number of projects that are currently
 far along in the development pipeline and "shovel ready" but have not yet begun
 construction, where a small Measure A investment could move them into the
 construction phase and accelerate their progress.
- Acquisition: As another lower-cost mechanism to accelerate production, the subcommittee recommends that a portion of Measure A funds be utilized for acquiring and converting existing buildings into affordable housing, and has projected a portion of these units as part of their production goal.
- Innovation: Finally, the subcommittee's recommended goal for production includes a
 portion of units stemming from investments that produce housing units at greater
 speeds and lower costs.

On the preservation side, the subcommittee also discussed a growing number of affordable and supportive housing projects that have significant deferred maintenance and are at risk of being lost. The subcommittee estimated that \$52 million annually would be sufficient preservation investment to ensure that any losses of units do not slow progress of adding net new affordable units.

Finally, on rental subsidies in the housing system, the subcommittee noted that while adding thousands of new vouchers will be politically challenging, there may be other ways to increase the number of vouchers available by advocating for funding to increase PHAs budget authority, which is discussed further in the section below. This work remains essential to meeting goals throughout the homeless system and strong advocacy here must continue despite the federal budget uncertainty.

Conditions and Assumptions for Success

The subcommittee identified 11 key conditions and assumptions that should be considered as critical factors in Los Angeles hitting the targets proposed here:

- Resources from Federal, State, and Local Sources Must Stay Steady: The goals outlined in this section assume that resources from the federal, state, and other local governments remain steady in future years. However, as the recent "freeze" of federal grants demonstrated, this outcome is far from certain and threatens to derail these goals, both by removing key sources of funding for affordable housing, while also adding to the level of need for low-income people that rely on federal support for nutrition assistance, rental assistance, healthcare, and other safety net programs.
- Innovation Must Play a Role in Bringing Down Costs, Diversifying Financing: With
 costs of developing affordable and supportive housing continuing to rise, the region
 must seek ways to control and lower costs, including exploring innovations in
 construction and financing projects. Innovations such as bulk purchasing of
 construction materials, more use of acquisition as a strategy to add units, and other
 considerations should be explored. Other innovations can help reduce reliance on
 federal tax credit funding for housing production.
- Increasing Federal Budget Authority Can Increase Vouchers in Circulation: As noted above, a number of PHAs across the region have vouchers that go unused not because they cannot find landlords to accept them, but because they have insufficient funding allocated from the federal government to support their full allocation of vouchers. In a competitive market such as Los Angeles, the full cost of providing rents and landlord incentives, along with the cost of providing rental subsidies to people experiencing homelessness, who often have deeply low incomes at or below 15% AMI, means that PHAs are spending more than than their allotted per voucher amount from the federal government. This allows PHAs to lease up their vouchers, but ultimately shrinks the overall number of vouchers they can utilize. Advocacy to the federal government should include a concerted effort to increase PHA's budget authority, which could effectively add 15,000 vouchers across the region.
- Housing Funding Should Be Allocated According to Gaps in Production: In order
 for new affordable housing to reduce homelessness and reduce the number of people
 in acute crisis, new housing must target the income levels with the greatest production
 gaps. For example, USC data shows an excess of units being produced for people at
 50-80% AMI and 80-120% AMI, while there is a severe shortage of housing for people
 at 30% AMI and below. To make immediate impacts in the lowest income populations,
 housing must be targeted at that income level.
- Measure A Can Be Sole Source or Leveraged: Traditional affordable housing
 development requires a range of financing sources to be cobbled together, which can
 add time (and overall cost) to a project. Measure A can be used this way, which allows
 leveraging of other federal and state sources. But it may be appropriate at times for
 Measure A to make larger investments in an affordable housing project as the sole
 source of financing-thus reducing complexity and time and delivering units faster.

- LACAHSA Can Issue Bonds, and Increase Leverage: As an entity that can issue bonds, LACAHSA can use Measure A funds to issue bonds, and leverage further dollars to increase production.
- Production Alone Will Not Close the Gap: With an overall shortfall of 375,000 units, housing production alone will not meet the need. The region must consider other lowercost strategies to complement production, including rental subsidies, master leasing, and acquisition, among others.
- Focus on Shovel Ready Projects: Building new affordable housing can be a lengthy
 process, including as new programs for new funding sources such as Measure A take
 additional time to seek input from the community, develop funding guidelines, and
 issue requests for proposals (RFP). A focus on funding projects that are "shovel ready"
 and further along in the development process will allow Los Angeles to see new
 affordable units become available faster.

Key System and Policy Changes for Regional Leadership to Move Forward

As noted in the goal sections above, there are a number of conditions that must be met in order to ensure the targets recommended in this report are reached. Some of these depend on external actors, like state and federal government partners. However, a number of these conditions entail actions that regional partners can take. The ECRHA and the LTRHA members should utilize the Measure A Regional Homeless plan and move forward all local actions identified in this report, including:

- Ensure new affordable housing can be accessed by the homeless response system: All three policy subcommittees identified this as a need-to align eligibility in the Los Angeles region's increasing investments in affordable housing with the targets and populations that need to be served to reduce homelessness and increase housing placements from the homeless system.
- Invest in robust services for those with behavioral health conditions: As the region seeks to house more people with SMI and/or SUD, more supportive services will need to be available to support these individuals in housing and to ensure they do not fall back into homelessness at high rates.
- Appoint a homeless prevention lead to align systems and resources: As noted in Goal 4, a range of different systems have small homeless prevention programs, but they lack coordination. In some cases, these programs also do not target people with the greatest risk of entering homelessness. Regional leaders should appoint a

- prevention system lead to align these programs and ensure targeted homeless prevention contributes to the goal of reducing inflow.
- Focus on affordable housing innovations: As the section on Goal 5 notes, high costs
 of producing affordable housing are a barrier to reaching these goals. Regional leaders
 should move forward with innovations like bulk purchasing of construction materials,
 innovative financing models, acquisition strategies, and other ways to bring down costs
 and deliver more units.
- Align on advocacy: A number of factors are outside the control of local actors. What
 local actors can do, however, is move in lockstep and align around a coordinated,
 tightly-focused advocacy strategy to state and federal partners.

Appendixes

Appendix A. Leadership Table Subcommittee Rosters

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Amendment Read-In at the Executive Committee for Regional Homeless Alignment ("ECRHA") Meeting on March 14, 2025 on <u>Agenda</u> Item # 3: Recommendation to approve the proposed Leadership Table for Regional Homeless Alignment (LTRHA) Baseline Data and Targets Metrics for Submission to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

At the ECRHA meeting on March 14, 2025, the Committee members approved the baseline data and target metrics for presentation to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (ECHRA Agenda Item #3) with the following read-in amendment:

Amendment by vice-chair Nithya Raman: The ECRHA moves to approve these goals
and metrics with the recommendation that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
not approve the proposed budget without clear connections between the homelessness
funding and the goals and metrics.

EXHIBIT C

MEASURE A REGIONAL PLAN (Insert Upon Execution)

EXHIBIT D

BEST PRACTICES (Insert Upon Execution)

EXHIBIT E

QUARTERY REPORTING TEMPLATE (Insert Upon Execution)