Homelessness
Task Force Report

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Homelessness in California

- California accounted for nearly half of all unsheltered people in the country in 2017 (49%).
- Half of all people experiencing homelessness did so in one of five states: California (25% or 134,278 people); New York (16% or 89,503 people); Florida (6% or 32,190 people); Texas (4% or 23,548 people); or Washington (4% or 21,112 people).

Department of Housing and Urban Development 2017 Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress
Joint League/CSAC Homelessness Task Force

- Mission Statement: “to provide needed education, identify resources and develop policy that cities and counties need to prevent, assist and reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness in our communities.”
- Co-Chairs: Grass Valley Councilwoman Jan Arbuckle and Yolo County Supervisor Oscar Villegas
Joint League/CSAC
Homelessness Task Force

- Examine homelessness in CA
- Discuss collaborative local solutions
- Provide education and resources
Task Force Report

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Introduction

State of Homelessness

• From 2016 to 2017, homelessness in California increased 13.7%

• 134,278 Californians counted as homeless

• Experts agree that the number of people without housing is 3 to 4 times higher than recorded

Causes of Homelessness

• Lack of affordable housing

• Poverty

• Lack of affordable health care

• Domestic violence

• Mental illness

• Addiction
Assessing the Cost of Homelessness

Data Collection and Sharing
• Allows cities and counties to understand the demographics and needs of their homeless populations as well as track the associated costs.

Preventative Services and Cost Savings
• Addressing homelessness early on and implementing preventative services and strategies can save jurisdictions resources and revenue in the long run.

Examples:

- Silicon Valley Triage Tool
- San Diego County’s Project 25

Cost Distribution for Top 1,000 Probability Scores
Funding Options

See Page 16 for Federal, State, and Local Sources of Funding.

Examples:
• San Jose - Streamlined Temporary and Incidental Shelter Program
• Marin County Landlord Partnership Program
• LA County Landlord Incentive Programs
Existing and Emerging Approaches

Housing
Veterans
Health and Social Services
Families
Law Enforcement

Local Examples:
- Yolo County, Bridge to Housing
- Yuba County, 14 Forward
- City of Fresno, Poverello House
- City of San Diego, Housing Our Heroes
- Alameda County, Care Connect
- Marin County, Homeless Outreach Team
- San Mateo County, LifeMoves
- St. John’s Program for Real Change
- City of Bakersfield Homeless Center
- Downtown Streets Team
- City of Citrus Heights Navigator Program
- City of Anaheim Homeless Outreach Team

St John’s Program For Real Change
Creating a Homelessness Plan

### Homelessness Plans: Template for Strategies

**CATEGORY**
For organizational purposes, identify which category best describes the strategy:

- Prevention
- Coordinated Entry System
- Housing
- Management and Services
- Income
- Other

**RECOMMENDATION**
One or two sentences describing the recommendation or action item.

**DESCRIPTION**
More in-depth description of recommendation and strategy overall. May include additional information on the challenges the strategy is addressing.

**POPULATION(S) TARGETED**
A description of the jurisdiction's population and specifically the homeless population:

- All
- Chronically Homeless Adult
- Family
- Homeless Pet Owner
- LGBTQ Community
- Single Adult
- Transitional Age Youth (TAY)
- Veteran
- Victims of Domestic Abuse
- Women
- Youth

**POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCE**
Identification of current funding available or possible funding the agency will pursue.

**IMPLEMENTATION TIME-FRAME**
When is the strategy expected to be accomplished?

**LEAD AGENCY**
Who is the lead responsible agency? This may be a department within the jurisdiction or a community partner.
Partnering for Greater Impact

More efficient use of resources
Increased effectiveness in the community

Examples:
• LA Home for Good
• Sacramento Steps Forward
• San Leandro Homeless Compact
• LA Interfaith Summit on Homelessness

LA Home for Good – Walk
Building Support for the Spectrum of Housing in the Community

- Engaging the Public in Planning for Housing
- Building Healthy and Vibrant Communities: Achieving Results through Community Engagement
- TIERS Public Engagement Framework
- Beyond the Usuals: Ideas to Encourage Broader Public Engagement in Community Decision Making
- Partnering with Community-Based Organizations for More Broad-Based Public Engagement
- Dealing with Deeply Held Concerns and other Challenges to Public Engagement Processes
- Effective Public Engagement through Strategic Communication
- Planning Public Engagement: Key Questions for Local Officials

To access these resources and more, visit the ILG’s website at www.ca-ilg.org/engagement.
Share Your Story

Share Your Agency’s Story

We know there are many more examples of innovative and successful programs throughout the state, and we welcome you to share your agency’s story with us.

Please share lessons learned and examples of homelessness programs, partnerships or initiatives by contacting the Institute at 916-658-8202 or mkuehne@ca-ilg.org.
Opportunities to Learn More

Visit [www.ca-ilg.org/homelessness](www.ca-ilg.org/homelessness) to access the report, case stories and powerpoints and recordings from the presentations listed below.

**Recent Presentations:**
- LCC Annual Conference – September
- CSAC Annual Conference - December
- City Managers Conference – January
- Housing Economic and Community Development and Community Services Policy Committees - February
- Hope for Homelessness Webinar - March
- CSAC Health and Human Services Policy Committee - March
- ILG Board Meeting - March

**Upcoming Presentations:**
- CalRecycle – April 19th
- California Civic Leadership Institute – April 20th
- ILG Webinar – May TBD
- League/CSAC Homelessness Summits - TBD