Sacramento County Homeless Plan

Continuum of Care Advisory Board Update
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Sacramento County Homeless Plan

• Sacramento County is preparing a plan to address homelessness

• A plan is required to apply for State No Place Like Home (NPLH) funding and may be needed for additional State resources

• The plan will leverage critical resources: NPLH funding = new permanent supportive housing developments for persons with serious mental illness who are also experiencing homelessness
Elements of the Plan

• Describe magnitude and characteristics of homelessness, chronic homelessness and the NPLH target population

• Inventory existing efforts underway and partners in ending homelessness

• Describe current resources and identify critical gaps

• Lay out County and stakeholder plans to address unmet needs in key focus areas
Timeline

• Data collection and stakeholder input, July – September 2018

• Selection of key strategies and plan drafting, October – November

• Plan adoption and send to State – December 2018
Data Collected

• Special HMIS data request from SFF on populations, subpopulations, disabilities, etc. including annual program data and current coordinated entry *(Thank you!!!)*

• 2018 Housing Inventory Count

• 2017 Point In Time Count

• FY 17-18 program utilization information from County programs including mental health, alcohol and drug, probation and others

• 2017 CAPER
Who we’ve talked to so far

• Cities in Sacramento, including the City of Sacramento
• Sacramento County
• Sacramento Steps Forward
• Continuum of Care
• Medi-Cal Managed Care
• Criminal Justice Cabinet

• ACT – Area Congregations Together
• SHRA – Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency
• Human Services Coordinating Council
• Provider Focus Groups (2)
• Consumer Focus Group
• Housing Developer Focus Group
• Property Business Improvement Districts (PBIDs)
Key needs we’re hearing most about:

• Strengthening outreach including building on current strong collaborations with law enforcement, and tying outreach to resources such as shelter and housing

• Addressing the crisis on the streets with expanded navigation, addressing safety and hygiene concerns, and impact of drug epidemic

• Ensuring that issues are addressed throughout the county – crisis is at different levels but is having impacts everywhere

• Building effective shelter practices and resources and increasing access to housing for those staying in shelter including by adding additional flexible subsidy resources
Key needs we’re hearing most about:

• Expanding Permanent Housing resources:
  • Flexible subsidy funds especially for newly homeless
  • Permanent supportive housing for those with high service needs

• Increasing and building stronger connections to mainstream services and employment opportunities

• Attention to criminal justice/homelessness overlap and joint approaches to addressing re-entry needs

• Coordinating leadership to align approaches and work toward creating and measuring joint impact; expand and improve data and shared measurement
Next Steps

• Analyze all data received and prepare summary of population
• Prepare detailed and high level summary of current activities/initiatives underway
• Develop list of opportunities and gaps and areas for building upon; Create recommendations for focus areas, shorter and longer term strategies to engage in
• Build on current work being done for new State resources and with current initiatives
• Gather additional community feedback and input on strategies to include in Plan
QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION