

# City of South Pasadena Homelessness Plan

*Presentation for Women Involved in South Pasadena  
Political Action (WISPPA)*

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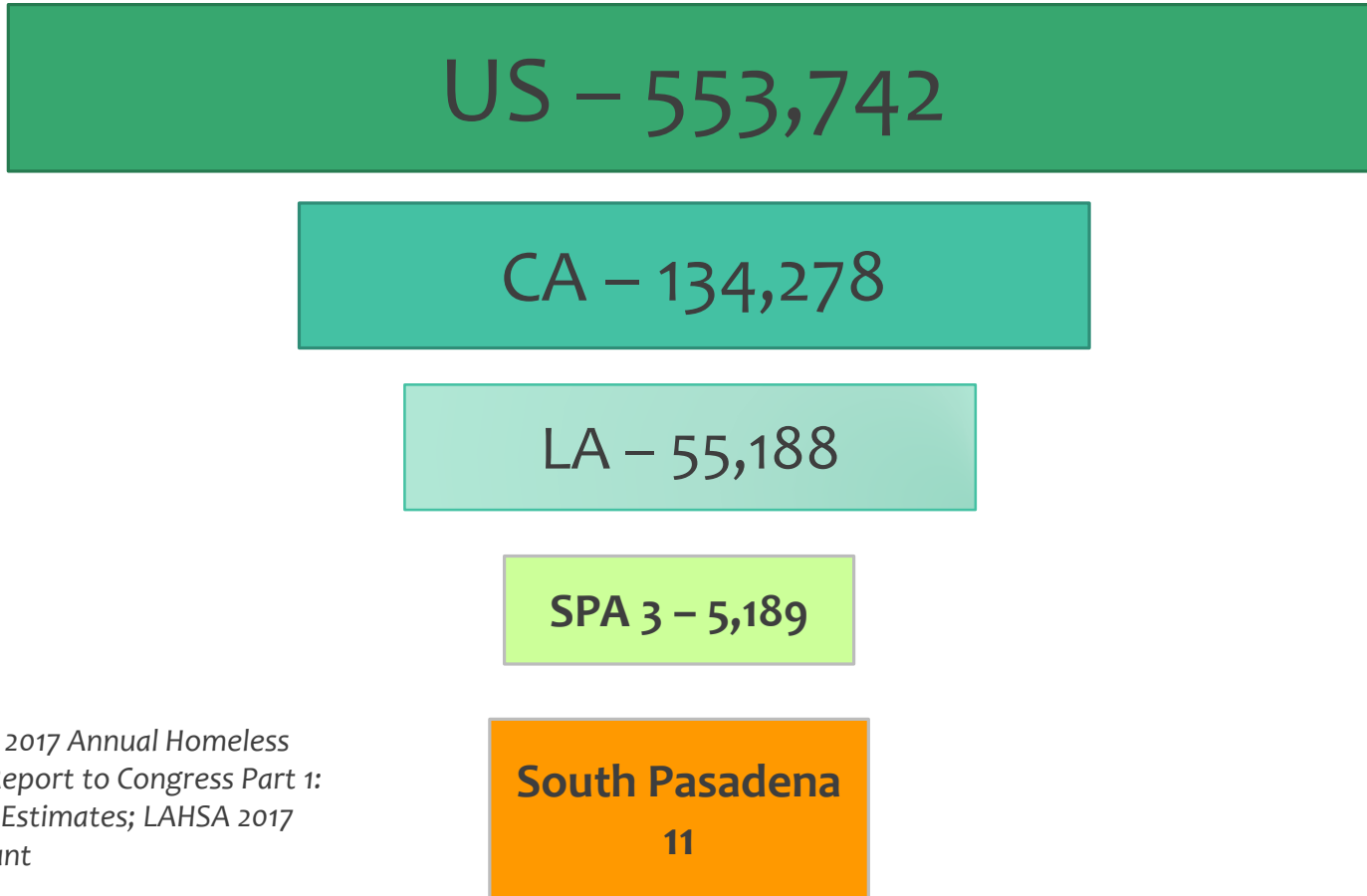
# Agenda

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1. Homelessness Overview
2. LA County Homeless Action Plan and Measure H
3. City of South Pasadena Homelessness Plan
4. WISPPA Panel Discussion

# Number of Homeless Persons 2017

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Sources: HUD 2017 Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress Part 1: Point In Time Estimates; LAHSA 2017 Homeless Count

**Los Angeles Continuum of Care**  
**Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count**  
**By City/Community**

Select a City/Community

South Pasadena

Select Year

- 2016
- 2017

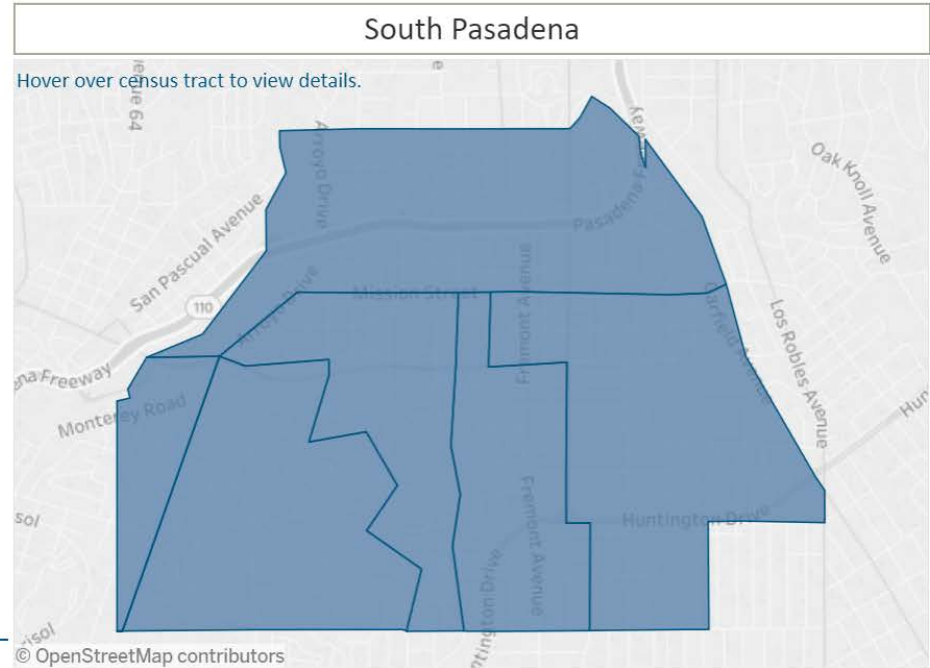
**Total**  
**11**

Unsheltered  
(w/o Youth Count)

**11**

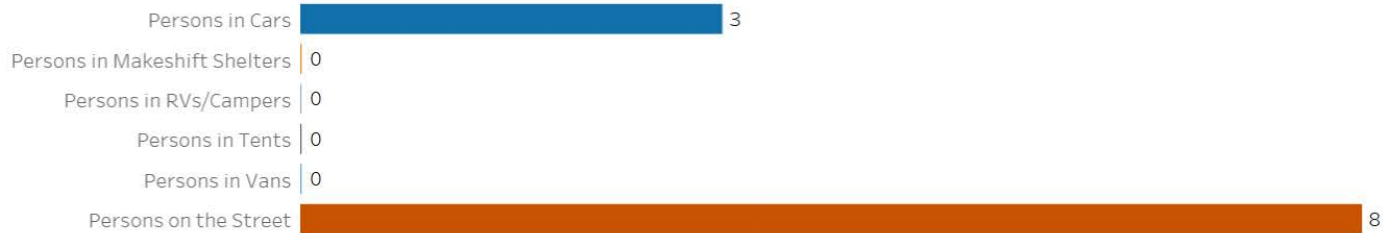
Sheltered

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The data excludes the cities of Glendale, Long Beach, and Pasadena.

**Unsheltered Persons 100%**



**Sheltered Persons 0%**



# Causes of Homelessness

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## Families

- Lack of affordable housing
- Unemployment
- Poverty
- Low wages



## Single Adult Individuals

- Lack of affordable housing
- Unemployment
- Poverty
- Mental illness
- Substance abuse



# Homelessness Categories

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## Temporary

Those who experienced a life-altering event (e.g., job loss, medical condition, domestic violence survivor)

Individuals and families who earn barely enough to pay for their housing costs and other necessities (e.g., as food, health care, and day care).

People living on fixed incomes (e.g., elderly, persons with disabilities that are living on SSI).

## Chronic

Persons often experience long-term homelessness, frequently rotating through and among a community's various shelter facilities and the streets.

They typically have health or substance abuse problems in addition to extreme poverty.

This population is best served by permanent supportive housing, which combines housing with intensive rehabilitation, treatment, and other social services.

*Source: American Planning Association*

# Ending Homelessness

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An end to homelessness means that every community will have a systematic response in place that ensures homelessness is **prevented** whenever possible or is otherwise a **rare, brief, and non-recurring experience**.

*Source: National Coalition for Homeless Veterans*

# Housing First Approach

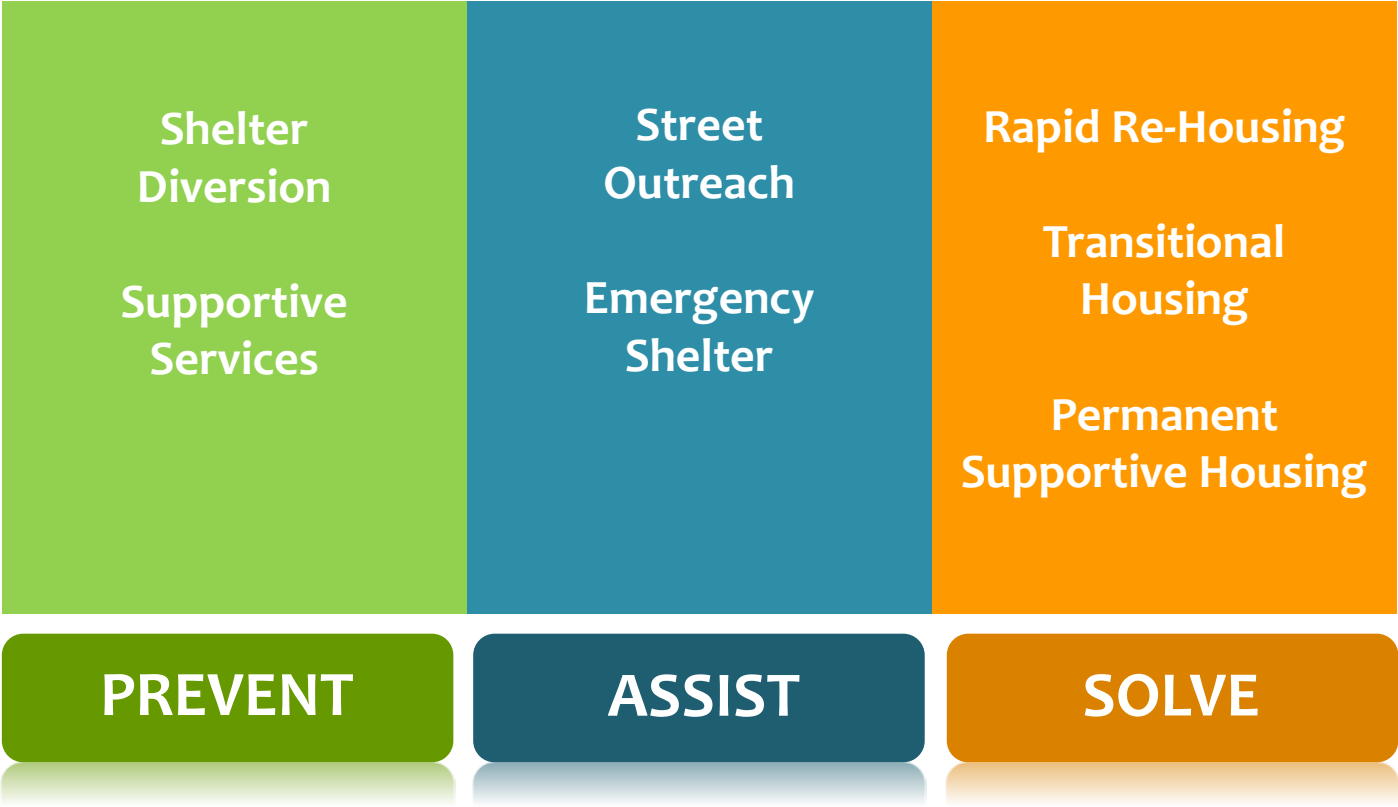
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- Everyone is “housing ready”
- Housing leads to improved quality of life, health, mental health
- Housing/services based on individual needs and preference
- Safe and affordable
- Right to determination, dignity, and respect
- All people can achieve housing stability in permanent housing



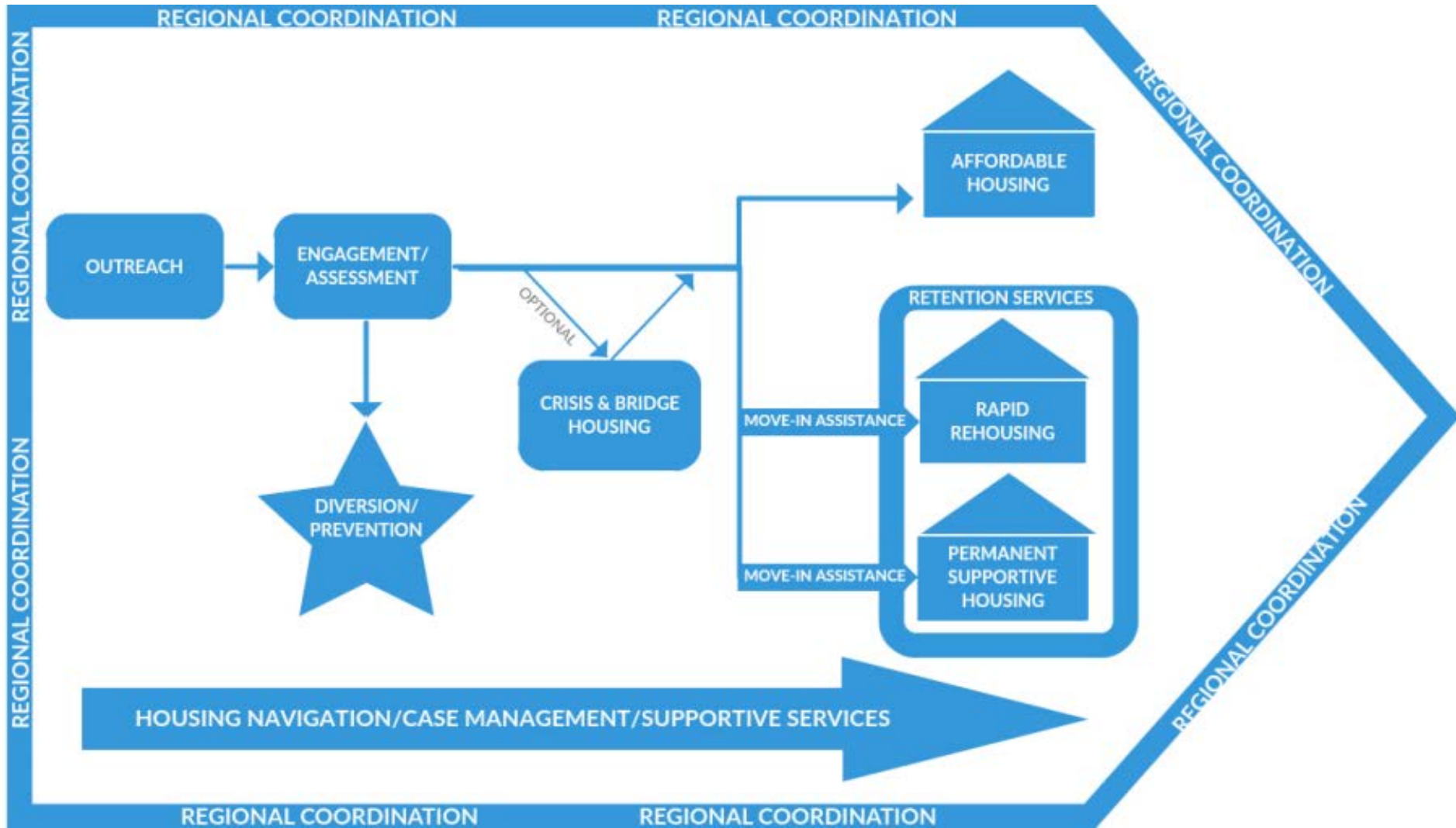
# Solutions to Homelessness

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<https://www.strategiestoendhomelessness.org/>

# Coordinated Entry System (CES)



LAHSA CES Single Adults  
(System looks similar for Families and Youth)

# LA County Homeless Action Plan (2016)

LA County approved an action plan of **47 interlocking strategies** to combat homelessness:

1. Prevention
2. Subsidized Housing
3. Increase Income
4. Case Management & Services
5. Coordinated Entry System
6. Affordable Housing

E. CREATE A COORDINATED SYSTEM		
<b>E1</b> Advocate with Relevant Federal and State Agencies to Streamline Applicable Administrative Processes for SSI and Veterans Benefits	<b>E5</b> Decriminalization Policy	<b>E12</b> Enhanced Data Sharing and Tracking
<b>E2</b> Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System for Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services	<b>E6</b> Countywide Outreach System	<b>E13</b> Coordination of Funding for Supportive Housing
<b>E3</b> Creating Partnerships for Effective Access and Utilization of ACA Services by Persons Experiencing Homelessness	<b>E7</b> Strengthen the Coordinated Entry System	<b>E14</b> Enhanced Services for Transition Age Youth
<b>E4</b> First Responders Training	<b>E8</b> Enhance the Emergency Shelter System	<b>E15</b> Homeless Voter Registration and Access to Vital Records
	<b>E9</b> Discharge Data Tracking System	<b>E16</b> Affordable Care Act Opportunities
	<b>E10</b> Regional Coordination of Los Angeles County Housing Authorities	<b>E17</b> Regional Homelessness Advisory Council and Implementation Coordination
	<b>E11</b> County Specialist Support Team	

B. SUBSIDIZE HOUSING	A. PREVENT HOMELESSNESS	C. INCREASE INCOME
<b>B1</b> Provide Subsidized Housing to Homeless Disabled Individuals Pursuing SSI	<b>A1</b> Homeless Prevention Program for Families	<b>C1</b> Enhance the CalWORKs Subsidized Employment Program for Homeless Families
<b>B2</b> Expand Interim Assistance Reimbursement to additional County Departments and LAHSA	<b>A2</b> Discharge Planning Guidelines	<b>C2</b> Increase Employment for Homeless Adults by Supporting Social Enterprise
<b>B3</b> Partner with Cities to Expand Rapid Re-Housing	<b>A3</b> Housing Authority Family Reunification Program	<b>C3</b> Expand Targeted Recruitment and Hiring Process to Homeless/Recently Homeless People to Increase Access to County Jobs
<b>B4</b> Facilitate Utilization of Federal Housing Subsidies	<b>A4</b> Discharges From Foster Care and Juvenile Probation	<b>C4</b> Establish a Countywide SSI Advocacy Program for People Experiencing Homeless or At Risk of Homelessness
<b>B5</b> Expand General Relief Housing Subsidies	<b>D. PROVIDE CASE MANAGEMENT AND SERVICES</b>	<b>C5</b> Establish a Countywide Veterans Benefits Advocacy Program for Veterans Experiencing Homelessness or At Risk of Homelessness
<b>B6</b> Family Reunification Housing Subsidy	<b>D1</b> Model Employment Retention Support Program	<b>C6</b> Targeted SSI Advocacy for Inmates
<b>B7</b> Interim/Bridge Housing for those Exiting Institutions	<b>D2</b> Expand Jail In Reach	
<b>B8</b> Housing Choice Vouchers for Permanent Supportive Housing	<b>D3</b> Supportive Services Standards for Subsidized Housing	
	<b>D4</b> Regional Integrated Re-entry Networks - Homeless Focus	
	<b>D5</b> Support for Homeless Case Managers	
	<b>D6</b> Criminal Record Clearing Project	

F. INCREASE AFFORDABLE/HOMELESS HOUSING		
<b>F1</b> Promote Regional SB 2 Compliance and Implementation	<b>F3</b> Support Inclusionary Zoning for Affordable Housing Rental Units	<b>F5</b> Incentive Zoning/Value Capture Strategies
<b>F2</b> Linkage Fee Nexus Study	<b>F4</b> Development of Second Dwelling Units Pilot Program	<b>F6</b> Using Public Land for Homeless Housing

# Measure H (2017)

- Authorizes a quarter-cent sales increase for 10 years
- Expected to generate an estimated \$355 million annually for *services* to combat homelessness

Funding Categories	FY 2017-2018*	FY 2018-2019*	FY 2019-2020*
Preventing Homelessness	\$8.5	\$17.0	\$17.0
Increase Income	\$81.534	\$115.17	\$132.216
Provide Case Management and Services	\$25.273	\$51.550	\$77.180
Create a Coordinated System	\$106.0	\$151.385	\$164.393
Increase Affordable/ Homeless Housing	\$15.0	\$15.0	\$15.0
Administration	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$1.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$258.937</b>	<b>\$374.435</b>	<b>\$431.589</b>

\*Funding in millions

# Putting Measure H to Work (July 2017-December 2017)

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**658** families received homeless prevention services through the Family Solutions Centers

**483** homeless, disabled persons pursuing Supplemental Security Income (SSI) were housed

**811** individuals who were discharged from institutions were provided interim housing through the Dept. of Health Services (DHS)

**1,037** people placed in rapid re-housing programs moved on to permanent housing

**4,261** disabled individuals completed applications for SSI or Veterans Disability Benefits

**1,064** individuals who exited shelters to go into permanent housing

<http://homeless.lacounty.gov/>

# City Planning Grant to Prevent and Combat Homelessness

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Serve as a road map for the city's participation in preventing and combating homelessness locally and regionally. Components of the plan includes:

1. Goals
2. Supporting Actions
3. Associated policy changes
4. Goal Measurement
5. Goal Ownership
6. Leveraged City Resources
7. Timeline

# Next Steps - Plan Process

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Community  
Input Sessions,  
Assess Existing  
Activities /  
Resources

Drafting of Plan  
with City Team  
using County  
Plan Template

City Council  
Reviews Plan  
Draft – Updates  
Made

City Council  
Adopts Plan  
and Submits to  
County

By June 30,  
2018

# Panel Discussion

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1. What is being done to address homelessness in South Pasadena and surrounding communities
2. What plans to address homelessness in the community are in the works
3. What residents can do to help address homelessness in our community



# What Should the City Do?

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1. Are there activities that the city is doing that you would like to see expanded/enhanced?
2. Are there new ideas/strategies that you would like to see the city consider?

# Sample Strategies

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- Services linkages via CES (outreach activities, family shelter)
- Expanding, better coordinating local homelessness prevention efforts
- Engage faith-based, business communities for services, jobs
- Public engagement/education, landlord outreach, staff training
- Affordable and/or supportive housing development – partnering with county for case management/services
- Rapid rehousing (Measure H funding)
  - RRH – short-term rental assistance to help individual/family stabilize; includes access to services; city contributes \$500 for first nine months, county pays the rest and then county takes over the city’s contribution for duration