



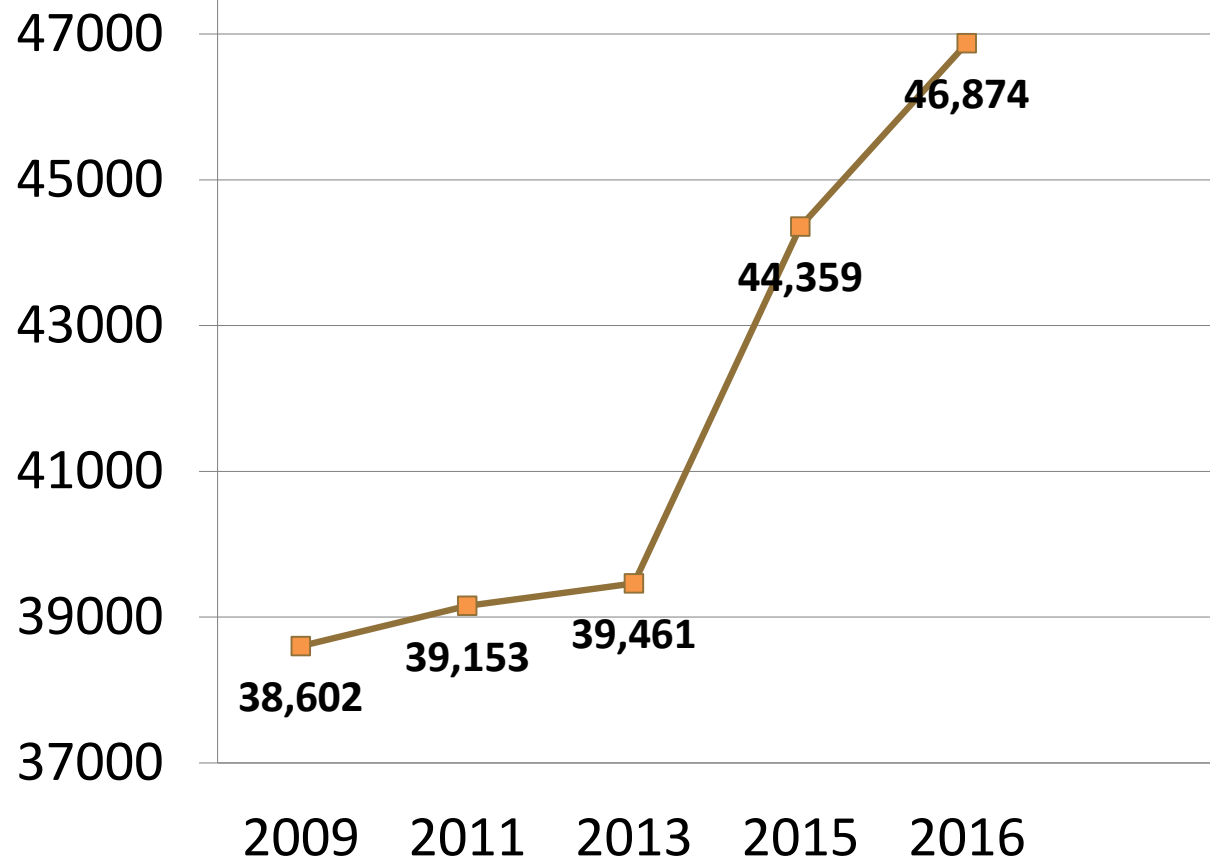
Securing Dedicated Revenue to Combat Homelessness Across Los Angeles County

March 2017 Special Ballot Measure H



County's Current Homeless Population

Homeless Count Daily Homeless Population* (in Los Angeles County)

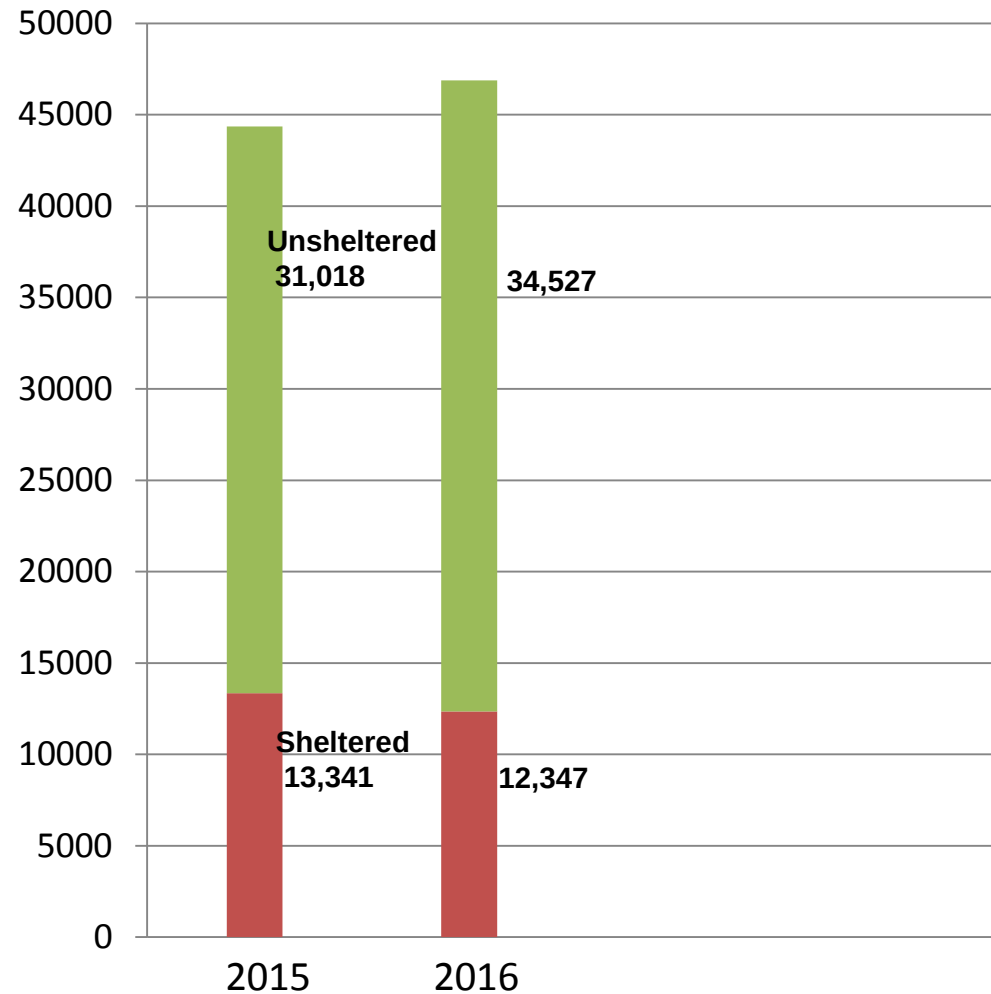


*Homeless Count Data provided by Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority



Sheltered vs. Unsheltered

Total Homeless Population - Sheltered and Unsheltered





Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative (HI)

- In February 2016, Los Angeles County adopted a **coordinated set of 47 strategies** to combat homelessness, including strategies in which cities, businesses and faith leaders can participate.
- Inclusive and collaborative planning process involving over 1100 experts and community members focused on what works.





What the Plan Does

- 47 strategies covering six areas:
 - Prevent Homelessness
 - Subsidize Housing
 - Increase Income
 - Provide Case Management and Services
 - Create a Coordinated System
 - Increase Affordable/Homeless Housing



Homeless Housing/Services Gap

<u>Housing Type</u>	<u>Total Gap (units)*</u>	<u>Description</u>
 Permanent Supportive Housing	15,341	Provides intensive support services to chronically homeless persons
 Rapid Re-Housing	8,376	Provides short-term housing assistance. Each unit can potentially house 2 households per year
 Emergency Shelter	2,279	Provides crisis housing to unsheltered persons on the path to permanent housing
 Homeless Prevention	2,555	Provides stabilizing housing assistance that keeps people and families from falling out of housing and into the homeless system



Ongoing Funding Needed

- Unmet need for homeless housing/services
 - **\$450 million per year***
(not counting construction costs)
- Current funding
 - \$100 million one-time funds



Proposed March 7 Measure

- $\frac{1}{4}$ percent increase to the County's sales tax commencing after July 1, 2017, to fund services, rental subsidies and housing
- Tax revenue estimate: \$355 Million annually for ten years (solely to be used to combat homelessness)



Legal Requirements

- Citizens' Oversight Advisory Board would monitor and evaluate spending of tax revenue
- Requires an independent auditor to report on the amount of tax revenues collected and expended and the status of projects and services funded
- Tax revenue dedicated to funding support services intended to complement "Brick and Mortar" Initiatives to build housing



Strategies Eligible for Funding

Preventing Homelessness

- Homeless Prevention Program for Families (Strategy A1)
- Homeless Prevention Program for Individuals* (Strategy A5)

* New strategy



Strategies Eligible for Funding

continued

Subsidizing Housing and Related Housing Services

- Provide Subsidized Housing to Homeless Disabled Individuals Pursuing SSI (Strategy B1)
- Partner with Cities to Expand Rapid Re-Housing (Strategy B3)
- Facilitate Utilization of Federal Housing Subsidies (Strategy B4)
- Family Reunification Housing Subsidies (Strategy B6)
- Interim/Bridge Housing for those Exiting Institutions (Strategy B7)



Strategies Eligible for Funding

continued

Employment Assistance

- Increase Employment for Homeless Adults by Supporting Social Enterprise (Strategy C2)
- Countywide SSI/SSDI and Veterans Benefits Advocacy (Strategies C4, C5 and C6)
- Subsidized Employment for Homeless Adults* (Strategy C7)



Strategies Eligible for Funding

continued

Providing Case Management and Services

- Jail In-Reach (Strategy D2)
- Regional Integrated Re-Entry Network (Strategy D4)
- Criminal Record Clearing Project (Strategy D6)
- Provide Mental Health, Substance Use, Counseling Services and Rental Subsidies for Permanent Supportive Housing* (Strategy D7)



Strategies Eligible for Funding

continued

Creating a Coordinated System

- Countywide Outreach System (Strategy E6)
- Strengthen the Coordinated Entry System (Strategy E7)
- Enhance the Emergency Shelter System (Strategy E8)
- Enhanced Services for Transition Age Youth (Strategy E14)



Strategies Eligible for Funding

continued

Increasing Affordable Homeless Housing

- Preserve current homeless housing and promote the development of affordable housing for homeless families and individuals* (Strategy F7)



Planning Process

Recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding the distribution of the revenue from the March 2017 ballot measure will be developed through an inclusive planning process which will bring together:

- County
- Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority
- United Way - Home for Good
- Cities and Councils of Government
- Homeless service providers and technical advisors
- People with lived homeless experience



Planning Timeline - 2017

- **Mid March:** Review process and eligible strategies (current and new)
- **April:** Discuss and develop recommendations for funding
- **April/May:** Seek community input on the recommendations (Web Meeting, Lived Experience Advisory Group and On-line Comments)
- **Early May:** Discuss community feedback and reach consensus
- **Late May:** Homeless Policy Deputies Meeting to review and discuss recommendations to the Board
- **June:** Board meeting to review/deliberate on recommendations

Office of Homeless Initiative

Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

County of Los Angeles

500 West Temple Street, Room 493

Los Angeles, CA 90012

(213) 974 - 2326

homelessinitiative@lacounty.gov

