

HOMELESSNESS IN RIVERSIDE WORKSHOP

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Available City Programs & Services

Housing

Since 2008, the City has operated 16 permanent supportive housing units. Continual case management is provided to participants to ensure housing stability, connection to services and achievement of self-sufficiency. These units follow the Housing First principle where housing is provided with no preconditions and wrap-around services are provided after the individual moves into their housing unit. The City partners with Riverside Housing Development Corporation to provide property management services.

Homeless Service Campus

Since 2003, the City has dedicated resources to address homelessness. The Homeless Services Campus was implemented to provide individuals with coordinated assistance from multiple service providers at a single-location. The Campus includes:

1. *City of Riverside Access Center operated by the Homeless Outreach Team*

This team of four staff members conducts daily mobile outreach and client service engagement for homeless individuals and families. They respond to the issues and concerns of people in need of assistance, as well as requests for services by residents and businesses. The team operates Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm.

2. *Health to Hope Medical Clinic,*

This clinic provides health care to the homeless population through a model of care that integrates primary care, behavioral health care, dental care and case management services. The services are accessible, continuous, comprehensive, family-centered, coordinated, compassionate and culturally effective. Health to Hope strongly believes that low-income and homeless individuals have the right to health and social services. In addition to treatment and care, Health to Hope focuses on empowerment and enhancing each individual's capacity to understand and manage their health needs.

3. *The Place Drop-In Day Center and Permanent Supportive Housing Units for individuals with mental health conditions, operated by Riverside University Health System-Behavioral Health, and*

A safe haven drop-in and 25 permanent housing beds that seeks to engage the chronic homeless with mental health disorders. Provided services include a highly supportive environment where residents can feel rested, safe without immediate service demands. The first goal is to re-establish trust and engage these individuals into accepting services.

4. *Community Shelter operated by Path of Life Ministries, and*

The Community Shelter serves homeless adults by providing temporary housing along

with case managers and housing navigation to help clients move into permanent housing throughout the County of Riverside. The shelter operates 64 emergency beds annually and an additional 65 beds from December to April. The shelter provides daily meals, showers, sleeping facilities, counseling, hygiene supplies, a series of 12 rotating workshops and linkage to employment, mainstream benefits, and other social services.