

**By June 2022, the Housing & Homelessness (H&H) Committee will support the development of a  
Five-Year Plan to Reduce Homelessness**

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**The plan’s proposed objectives will be to:**

- 1) Prevent homelessness;
- 2) Increase availability and effectiveness of shelter beds;
- 3) Increase housing production with a focus on affordability;
- 4) Build a coordinated regional infrastructure;
- 5) Increase the availability of services, with a focus on physical and mental health;
- 6) Expand public awareness and education about Homelessness and Housing.

**Over the next 10 months, the Council Committees will support the build-out of the plan by<sup>1</sup>:**

<b>Objective</b>	<b>Committee<sup>2</sup> Work Plan</b>	<b>Possible Deliverables</b>
<b>Prevent homelessness</b>	<p>Exploring options for permanent affordability and wealth-building;</p> <p>Analyzing landlord incentives and rental assistant programs;</p> <p>Exploring workforce development resources;</p> <p>Understand post-release procedure</p> <p><i>Examining current legislation and funding to identify challenges and advocacy opportunities</i></p>	<p>Community Land Trust</p> <p>Renewed affordability covenants for those expiring this decade</p>
<b>Increase housing production with a focus on affordability</b>	<p>Receiving updates on the Housing Element;</p> <p>Working with the consultant on Inclusionary Housing engagement;</p> <p>Reviewing effectiveness of Riverside’s current voucher system;</p> <p>Reviewing effectiveness of Riverside’s Housing First Plan;</p> <p><i>Examining current legislation and funding to identify challenges and advocacy opportunities</i></p>	<p>Inclusionary Housing Policy</p> <p>City of Riverside Housing Authority</p> <p># of new housing units -Market Rate -Affordable</p> <p>Updated Housing First Plan</p>

<sup>1</sup> This objectives, workplans, and possible deliverables in this table may be modified based on input from Council and Committees.

<sup>2</sup> Items in the work plan might fall within the purview of the Housing & Homelessness Committee or the Public Safety Committee. Staff will work with each committee chair to ensure that all topics are addressed at the appropriate committee as the Five-Year Plan to Reduce Homelessness is prepared.

<p><b>Increase availability and effectiveness of shelter beds</b></p>	<p>Analyzing existing beds/reviewing AB 2553 Shelter Crisis Plan;</p> <p>Performing future shelter site analysis;</p> <p>Completing a Riverside-specific point-in-time count;</p> <p>Analyzing specific needs of the hardest-to-reach populations, such as youth, seniors, LGBTQ folks, veterans, and those struggling with mental illness and addiction;</p> <p><i>Examining current legislation and funding to identify challenges and advocacy opportunities</i></p>	<p># of new shelter beds</p> <p>Current data on the unsheltered population that is Riverside-specific</p> <p>Emergency resources tailored to hard-to-reach populations with the goal of reaching homelessness functional zero</p>
<p><b>Build a coordinated regional infrastructure</b></p>	<p>Receiving presentations from surrounding cities to understand current landscape/gaps;</p> <p>Analyzing effectiveness of the Continuum of Care;</p> <p>Hearing directly from County Supervisors and the County Housing, Homelessness Prevention, and Workforce Service about plans/needs/gaps;</p> <p><i>Examining current legislation and funding to identify challenges and advocacy opportunities</i></p>	<p>River bottom Plan/MOU</p> <p>Regional commitments to action</p> <p>Riverside MOU with County of Riverside for coordinated actions</p>
<p><b>Increase the availability of services, with a focus on physical and mental health</b></p>	<p>Analyzing services &amp; partnership with County Behavioral Health;</p> <p>Analyzing hours of greatest need (ex: overnight, early morning) and corresponding resources;</p> <p>Analyzing gaps and opportunities by reviewing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-PSET/PANS/Street Nurse Program</li> <li>-Office of Homelessness Solutions outcomes and data</li> <li>-Existing community organizations/programs (LYNC, Salvation Army First Impressions, Path of Life Ministries, etc.)</li> <li>-Riverside Police Department and Riverside Fire Department response to homelessness;</li> <li>-The Be Well model</li> </ul>	<p>Formalized partnerships with effective community organizations</p> <p>Formalized partnership with Riverside County Department of Mental Health on initiatives such as the Be Well model</p> <p>Updated operational plan to target current response services when and where they are needed</p> <p>Updated data dashboard</p>

<p><i>Increase the availability of services, with a focus on physical and mental health (Continued)</i></p>	<p><i>Examining current legislation and funding to identify challenges and advocacy opportunities</i></p>	
<p><b>Expand public awareness and education about Homelessness and Housing</b></p>	<p>Sharing updates and stories to highlight needs, gaps, and successes</p>	<p>Updated Office of Homeless Solutions webpage</p> <p>Workshops at City Council</p> <p>Updated “Who to Call” Guide for residents &amp; businesses</p>