



Proposed 5-Year Plan to Reduce Homelessness

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BACKGROUND

- A City-wide action plan is needed:
 - Eligibility requirement for HHAP 3 (\$8.4M)
 - July 2021 **California Comeback Plan**
 - Reduce homelessness
 - Reduce first-time homelessness
 - Increase permanent housing placements
 - Reduce duration of homelessness
 - Reduce returns to homelessness
 - Increase successful placements from street outreach



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PROPOSED 5-YEAR PLAN TO REDUCE HOMELESSNESS

- 6 objectives with workplan and deliverables;
- Robust community outreach;
- Plan to be submitted by June 2022.



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WHAT COULD THE PLAN LOOK LIKE?

1. **Prevent** homelessness;
2. Increase **housing production** with a focus on affordability;
3. Increase availability and effectiveness of **shelter beds**;
4. Build a coordinated **regional infrastructure**;
5. Increase availability of services, with a focus on **physical & mental health and substance abuse treatment**;
6. Expand **public awareness & education** about homelessness & housing.



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Action and Accountability

- Framing research, discussion, engagement, and policy over the next year
- Accountability in the short and long term



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