



SANTA ANA RIVER BOTTOM ENCAMPMENT RESPONSE PLAN UPDATE

Office of Homeless Solutions

Housing & Homelessness Committee
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SANTA ANA RIVER BOTTOM

- One of the largest concentrations of homeless encampments in Riverside County.
- Present unique challenges and opportunities to launch a coordinated response effort which addresses homelessness, restores habitat and prevents future encampments.



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SAR PLAN GOALS

1. Rehouse existing encampment residents living in the Santa Ana River Bottom Area.
2. Remove and mitigate physical encampments.
3. Conduct clean-up and habitat restoration.
4. Establish effective tools to prevent the reoccurrence of encampments.



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SAR PLAN OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS

- Placements into housing, referrals to services.
- Reduction of environmental impacts, fire incidents.
- Trail accessibility.
- Trash/debris removed.
- Recidivism.



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COUNTY SCOPE OF WORK & TIMELINES

ACTIVITY	TIMELINE
Coordination, Initial Planning and Community Strategy	April 2021 – May 2021
Assessment and Mapping	May 2021 – June 2021
Initial Outreach and Service Assessment	July 2021 – August 2021



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COUNTY SCOPE OF WORK & TIMELINES

ACTIVITY	TIMELINE
Service Provision, Sheltering and Housing Connections, Resource Events, Placement of Low-Acuity Residents and Medical Care	August 2021 – October 2021
Intensive Resident Engagement, Identification of Medium-Long Term Housing	November 2021 – March 2022
Clean-up Efforts	Last quarter of 2021



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CITY SCOPE OF WORK & TIMELINES

ACTIVITY	TIMELINE
Assessment and Mapping	November 2021
Initial Outreach and Service Assessment	December 2021
Service Provision, Sheltering and Housing Connections, Resource Events, Placement of Low-Acuity Residents and Medical Care	January 2022 – February 2022



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CITY SCOPE OF WORK & TIMELINES

ACTIVITY	TIMELINE
Intensive Resident Engagement, Identification of Medium-Long Term Housing	March 2022 – May 2022
Clean-up Efforts	April 2022 – May 2022



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CITY SAR ENCAMPMENT RESPONSE BUDGET

ACTIVITY	FUNDING ALLOCATION
Outreach (HHAP 1)	\$478,468.78
Rapid Re-Housing, including rental subsidies and incentives to landlords, such as security deposits and holding fees (HHAP 2)	\$773,447.15
Clean-up efforts (American Rescue Act Plan - ARPA) -Contingent upon City Council approval	\$1,000,000.00
TOTAL PROJECT FUNDING	\$2,251,915.93



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STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Envision Riverside 2025 Strategic Plan Priorities



#2 Community Well-Being

Cross-Cutting Threads



Community Trust



Fiscal Responsibility



Sustainability & Resiliency



Equity



Innovation



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Housing and Homelessness Committee:

1. Receive an update on the Santa Ana River Bottom Encampment Response Plan; and
2. Conceptually approve the City's Santa Ana River Bottom Encampment Response scope of work and timeline.



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