

QUARTERLY UPDATE ON HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES

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HOMELESS COUNT – MANHATTAN BEACH

The unofficial breakdown of the homelessness count in Manhattan Beach for 2024 is summarized below.

UNSHELTERED PERSONS COUNTED		VEHICLES AND DWELLINGS COUNTED	
Persons on the Street	2	Cars	2
Persons in Cars	0	Vans	0
Persons in Vans	0	Campers/RV's	0
Persons in RV's or Campers	0	Makeshift Shelters	0
Persons in Tents	0	Tents	0
Persons in Makeshift Shelters	0		
TOTALS	2	TOTALS	2

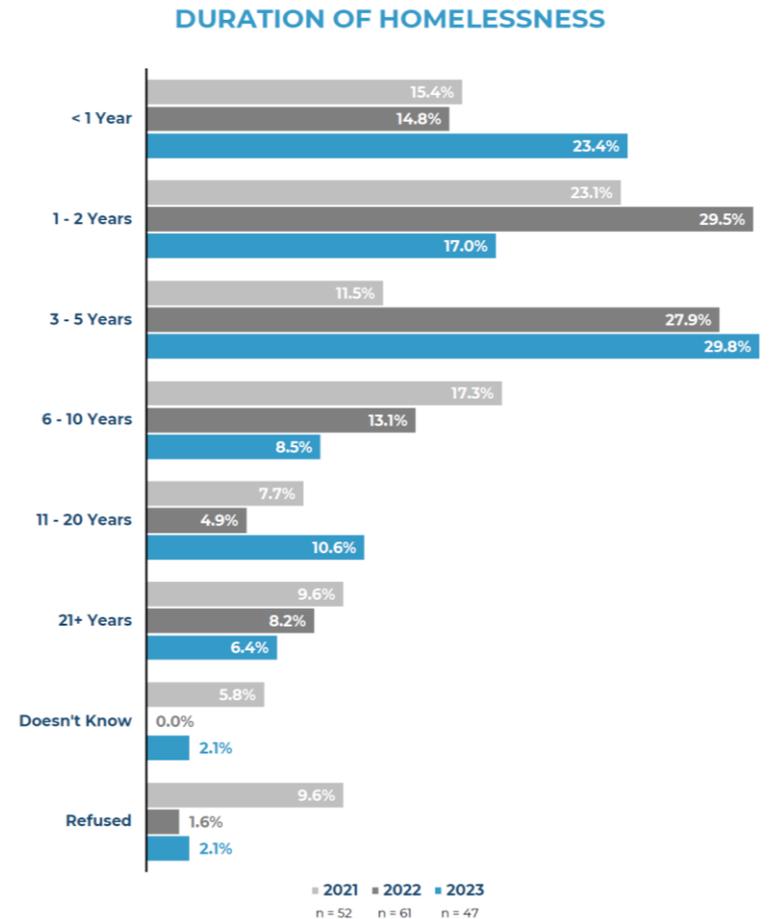


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HOMELESS CENSUS

- SBCCOG is currently exploring contracting with the City of Redondo Beach's contractor, CityNet, to provide a regional homeless count that provides accurate and detailed data on the homeless population.



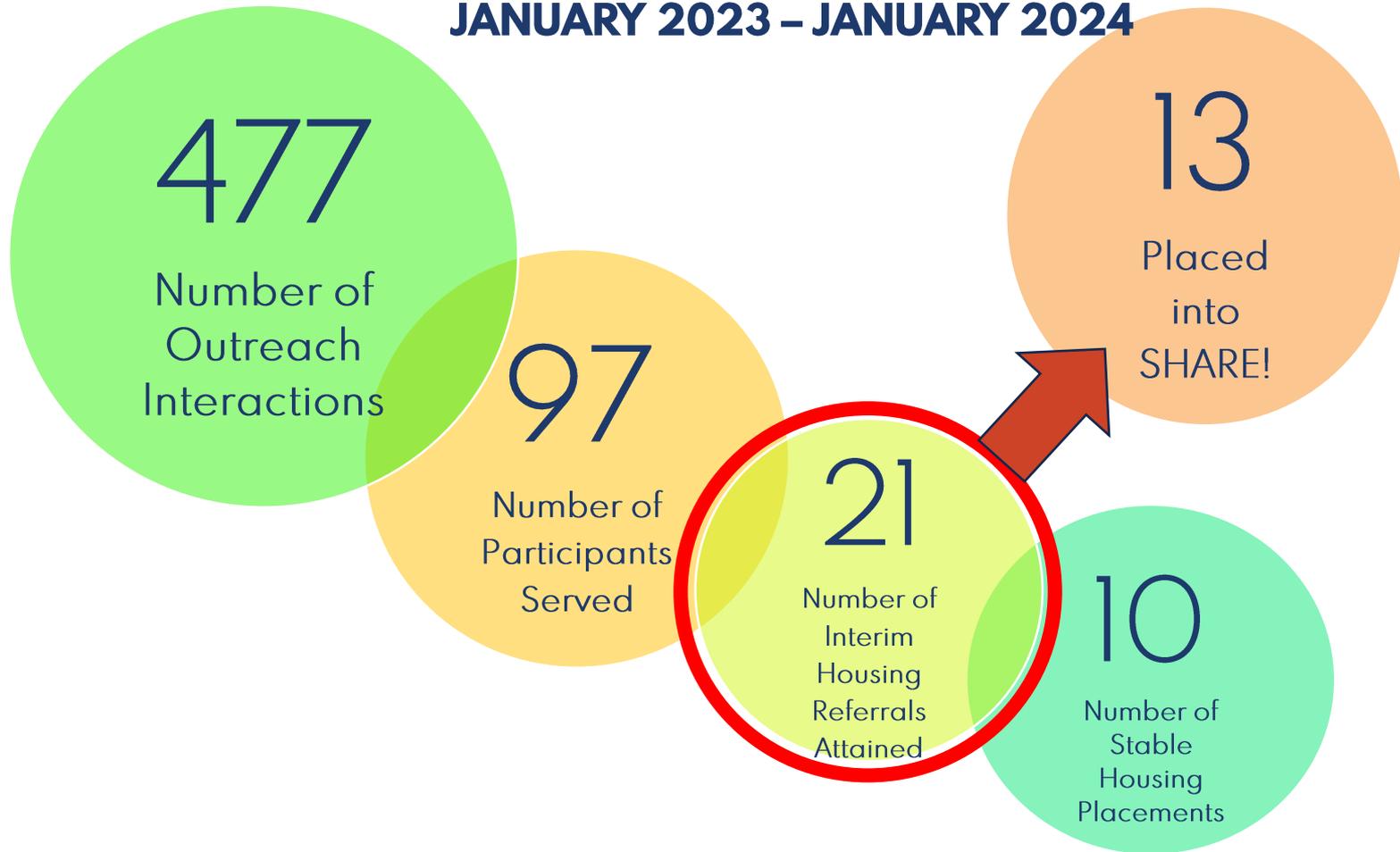
HOMELESS CENSUS

- Based on costs provided in December 2023, census services were quoted for:
 - Proposal #1 - \$176,753 for Gardena, Hawthorne, Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach; and
 - Proposal #2 - \$387,943 for Gardena, Hawthorne, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Carson, El Segundo, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita, and Torrance.
- The SBCCOG continues to explore this service and is looking to identify funding.



OUTREACH STATISTICS – MANHATTAN BEACH

JANUARY 2023 – JANUARY 2024



SHARE! HOUSING TRANSITION TO SBCCOG

- Smooth transition to SBCCOG services.
- SBCCOG, has funded interim housing for nine new individuals since September 2023.
 - Amounted to approximately \$13,200 in cost savings to the City.
- Flexibility with housing more than the allotted five individuals, thereby increasing the City's housing capacity.



FUTURE OF MEASURE H

- Los Angeles County voters approved a countywide ballot measure on the March 7, 2017, ballot which imposed a 10-year, ¼ cent sales tax to help fund housing and support services for the homeless population throughout the County.
- Efforts underway to place a measure on the November 5, 2024, ballot to extend the 10-year, ¼ cent sales tax to help fund housing and support services for the County's homeless population.
- Circulating for signatures but not officially qualified.



FUTURE OF MEASURE H

Important provisions:

1. Currently, Measure H is scheduled to expire in March 2027. Measure H 2.0 does not have a sunset clause and can only be repealed by the voters.
2. Measure H 2.0 does not impact the sales tax limit imposed by the State.
3. Measure H 2.0 does not have a direct allocation for cities to cover costs of homeless services.



HOMELESS COURT/CARE COURT

- Work Plan item aimed at creating a homeless court diversion program.
- City amended the agreement with RWG to add prosecution services.
- Beginning in December 2023, qualifying individuals or entities can now petition the Superior Court of Los Angeles County to help connect eligible individuals to a broad array of services, including mental health and housing services.



CARE COURT

- Staff has not identified an individual that could qualify for a petition and participate in a CARE Court opportunity.
- Homeless Liaison, City Prosecutor, Outreach Worker and Police Department Staff participated in the SBCCOG Homeless Services Task Force meeting on February 11, 2024, where a presentation on “Care Court Logistics,” was provided by Jennifer Hunt, Acting Senior Deputy Director of Reentry Services, from the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health.



CARE COURT

Respondents must meet all the criteria to be eligible for CARE Court:

- 18 years of age or older.
- Diagnosed within the "schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders" class and currently experiencing symptoms.
- Not clinically stabilized in ongoing treatment.
- The individual's mental health is substantially deteriorating.
- The person is unlikely to survive safely in the community without support AND/OR needs services to prevent relapse and deterioration.
- Participation in a CARE Plan is the least restrictive alternative and the individual is likely to benefit from participation in a CARE Plan.



CARE COURT



How to Begin

A family member, roommate, clinician, or other eligible person may [file a petition](#), referring an individual that needs help to the CARE program.

Please learn about the [CARE Court eligibility requirements](#) BEFORE moving forward with the petition process. Not everyone is eligible to receive CARE services.



Assessment

If the petition is accepted, a hearing is scheduled within 14 days to determine if the individual qualifies for the CARE program

Once a petition is accepted, a judge appoints a legal representative for the individual and will ask to include a client-chosen supporter. An assessment is conducted to determine if the individual qualifies to take part in the CARE program.



CARE Plan

If the individual is accepted, a clinical team of experts, which can include clinicians, case managers, people with lived experience, and others, meets with them in the community to create a personalized treatment plan tailored to their needs. It may include housing, stabilization medications, counseling, wellness and recovery support, and other services.

The plan provides participants with up to a year of services and support, which can be renewed for an additional year.



Support

CARE Court will have periodic check-ins with the participant.

These check-ins evaluate the individual's progress and allow for changes to the CARE Plan and its services and resources to support healing and recovery.



Completion

At 11 months, CARE Court holds a one-year status hearing to determine whether the plan's services and supports should be extended for up to 12 more months.



Next Steps

The participant can continue with treatment, supportive services, and housing options in the community to support their long-term recovery.



REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE

The addition of an **Alternative Crisis Response (ACR)** Team serving those experiencing mental illness



REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE

- PHASE 1: HERMOSA BEACH – FEDERALLY FUNDED
- PHASE 2: REDONDO BEACH ROLLOUT
- PHASE 3: MANHATTAN BEACH & EL SEGUNDO / FLOATER TEAM ROLLOUT
- PHASE 4: PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER SOUTH BAY CITIES INDEPENDENT POLICE DEPARTMENTS



REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE

Beach Cities ACR Team Budget Proposal

Expense Type	FTE	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3
		Hermosa Beach	Redondo Beach	Beach Cities Floater
Project Manager	0.50	\$52,666		
Project Supervisor	0.25	\$46,332		
Case Manager 1	1.00	\$63,627		
Mental Health Clinician Weekday	1.00	\$102,960		
Mental Health Clinician Weekend	1.00	\$108,108		
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LPHA 1	1.00	\$73,216		
LPHA 2	0.50		\$36,608	
Peer Support Specialist / EMT Weekday	1.00	\$54,080		
Peer Support Specialist / EMT Weekend	1.00	\$56,784		
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Quality Control	1.00	\$46,332		
Admin Fee		\$101,190	\$61,072	\$55,449
Employee Benefits		\$169,149	\$100,391	\$90,141
Office Expenses		\$10,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Maintenance		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Utilities		\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,000
Insurance		\$15,000		
Vehicle Leases		\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000
Gas		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Grand Total		\$944,445	\$570,003	\$517,522



CONTRACT AMENDMENTS

- Staff is recommending amending the MOU and associated subcontract with HIS to address a fiscal authority shortfall.
- Currently, both the MOU and HIS agreement have fiscal authority to expend up to \$216,000 until November 2024.
- In anticipation of a funding shortfall, staff is amending both agreements to increase the fiscal expenditures and revenues authority by \$27,832 to ensure there is funding until November 2024.



CONCLUSION

Staff recommends that the City Council:

1. Receive the report detailing various efforts and initiatives staff is undertaking regarding homelessness;
2. Adopt Resolution No. 24-0020 approving Amendment No. 5 with Harbor Interfaith Services for Measure H grant funded homeless case management and housing navigation services which modifies the fee schedule and increases the not-to-exceed amount by \$27,832;
3. Adopt Resolution No. 24-0021 approving Amendment No. 2 to the Memorandum of Understanding with the South Bay Cities Council of Governments for Measure H grant funding to provide homelessness case management services to the Cities of Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, El Segundo and Redondo Beach and modifies the fee schedule and increases the not-to-exceed amount by \$27,832;
4. Appropriate \$27,832 from the unreserved General Fund Balance and adjust revenues by the same amount; and
5. Authorize the City Manager or his designee to negotiate and execute both contract amendments.



