



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS  
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

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			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
Set Matter 1.		<b>Oppose</b>	Adrienne Spires-Sar	\$5 million is cut to Housing Navigation and fails to fund survivors specifically.
			S J	<p>To the Los Angeles City Council,</p> <p>I am submitting this comment to express my deep concerns about the treatment of unhoused individuals in city-funded shelters, particularly organizations like the Downtown Women’s Center, Soul Housing, and Exodus. These organizations receive funding under the premise of helping the most vulnerable members of our society, yet in practice, they are failing to provide even the most basic levels of care, often inflicting more harm than the streets themselves.</p> <p>One of the most alarming issues is the inaccessibility of essential medication due to chronic understaffing. Many shelters have strict dispensing schedules, yet when nurses or staff fail to show up, residents are left without critical medication for days. This is not only dangerous but also exacerbates the distress and frustration of those already struggling with medical and mental health conditions. When residents attempt to advocate for themselves—understandably upset and desperate for the medication they need—they are often met with threats of expulsion rather than solutions. Shelters should be places of stability, yet they instead force residents into a vicious cycle where their suffering is ignored, their frustrations are criminalized, and they are left to navigate an untrained staff that lacks both compassion and crisis-management skills.</p> <p>Beyond medication access, basic hygiene and sanitation are also neglected. In facilities like Soul Housing, residents have reported running out of toilet paper, only to be publicly shamed by staff who accuse them of hoarding. Rather than ensuring a consistent supply of necessities, these shelters punish people for needing them. Withholding toilet paper forces residents to resort to unsanitary alternatives, creating a serious public health risk. Worse, this practice fosters an environment where residents fear retaliation for making any request, knowing that speaking up could result in being targeted or even expelled back onto the streets.</p> <p>Many of these facilities seem to be removing more people by the day rather than providing stable housing and care. The constant turnover—fueled by rigid and arbitrary rules, slow or nonexistent case management, and an overall disregard for human dignity—suggests that these organizations are more invested in maintaining a revolving door of funding than in actually solving homelessness. The 90-day shelter model is not a sustainable solution, especially when residents spend most of their time waiting for services that are inconsistently provided or outright denied.</p> <p>I understand that city programs rely on taxpayer dollars to operate, but I</p>



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			<p>cannot, in good conscience, support continued funding to organizations that inflict harm under the guise of assistance. If the city is serious about addressing homelessness, it must demand accountability from these organizations, implement oversight measures to ensure humane treatment, and prioritize funding for programs that truly work toward long-term stability rather than temporary warehousing.</p> <p>I urge the City Council to investigate these practices, to listen to the voices of those directly impacted, and to take immediate action to prevent further harm. The unhoused community deserves more than empty promises and neglect. They deserve real solutions, real compassion, and real change.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Stephanie</p>
	<b>Other</b>	Lavena Lewis	
		Robert Gozales	
		Stephanie Cruz	<p>In light of this months dedication to honor women, I am once again seeking to address the serious crimes against women by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department and Peace Officers. Per Ordinance No. 2024-0016, "Government Code section 7071 requires a law enforcement agency to obtain approval of the governing body before engaging in certain activities relating to certain military equipment." This is followed by provisions stating no other possible alternatives and the safeguarding of the public's welfare, safety, civil rights, and civil liberties.</p> <p>I am well aware that some measures are necessary and required, especially in relation to public safety and crime prevention, but in the midst of that, there are cases where programs and measures are being exploited to harm people in the name of justice.</p> <p>It would be a disappointment to honor women this month and not address this issue concerning the safety, wellbeing, and empowerment of women. These are women who may be labeled as justice impacted or they might have a language barrier, some have children who depend on their wellbeing for their own future. They are women that are important and significant within the context of their lives.</p>
		Vic Tim	<p>as you know homelessness is out of control and there will be a record number of 90,000 homeless this year</p> <p>theres a corrupt organization that doesn't allow poor people to file grievances;</p>

			<p>lahsa.org/support/contact-us?t=2-grievances</p> <p>their website hasn't worked in over 1 YEAR (see error below)</p> <p>they never pick up the phone so i cannot report it</p> <p>i email them and they lie and say its working. they are lying.</p> <p>they are sitting on alot of funding. they are stealing that money and just giving themselves raises. they do not distribute the money to the poor people to prevent them from becoming homeless</p> <p>having no common sense is why homelessness is going to reach a record number this year</p> <p>it is embarrassing living in the corrupt county of los angeles</p> <p>it is waste of time to write this as the los angeles govt profits off of homelessness increasing. los angeles govt knows how LAHSA operates and lets them do so.</p> <p>my name is 90,001</p>
		Yvonne Sun	
		<b>Item Total</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>7</b>



March 20, 2025

Board of Supervisors  
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via [publiccomment.bos.lacounty.gov](http://publiccomment.bos.lacounty.gov)

**RE: Measure A Funding Recommendations**

Honorable Board of Supervisors,

On January 16, 2025, the County of Los Angeles Homeless Initiative (CEO-HI) released the County’s draft spending plan for FY 2025-26 to fund the County’s response to the ongoing homeless emergency. The County’s draft funding plan allocates \$637.3 million for “comprehensive homelessness services”, \$13.8 million for accountability, data, and research activities, and \$10.6 million and “Homelessness Solutions Innovations”.

Measure A requires at least 15% (**or \$96.3 million**) of the Comprehensive Homelessness Services funds to be allocated to the Local Solutions Fund (LSF) to support cities, Council of Governments, and unincorporated areas. The LSF distribution will use a formula based on the point-in-time count required by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and/or similar measures of people experiencing homelessness, as the Board of Supervisors determines. Under the proposed plan, the entire San Gabriel Valley is estimated to receive under **\$8 million for 31 cities: the City of Azusa at-best to receive up to \$300,000.**

**Azusa taxpayers** are projected to generate **\$5 million annually** once Measure A is implemented. However, the City is expected to **receive less than 6%** of that revenue. The minimal return is deeply disappointing, especially when a significant portion (**\$535 million**) of the over **\$1 billion** to be generated annually by Measure A, is earmarked to augment County departments.

It is essential for cities to receive direct local return funds from Measure A to effectively support ongoing programs and services within their jurisdiction. The City of Azusa has proactively addressed homelessness by establishing 25 interim housing units that provide comprehensive services to people experiencing homelessness, alongside outreach and case management initiatives. With an **initial investment of \$2 million** for the construction of the interim housing center, the ongoing costs for these programs are projected to exceed **\$1.5 million annually.**

It is crucial that cities receive a fair return to continue providing necessary services to their communities. The City of Azusa respectfully requests that the formula be revisited, and that a much higher, more equitable, local return be established.

Sincerely,



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cc: City Council, City of Azusa  
City Manager, City of Azusa

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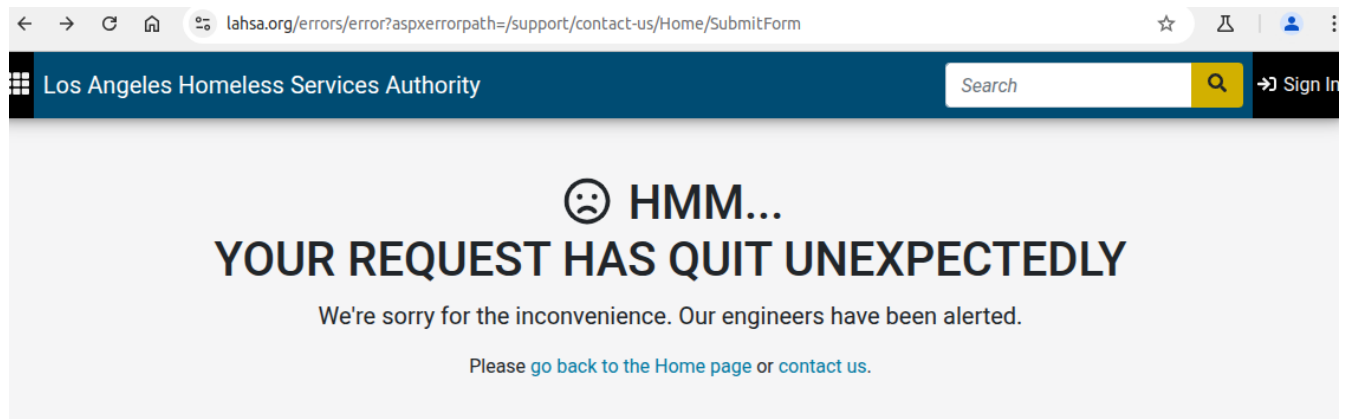
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March 24, 2025

Dear Board of Supervisors,

The Domestic Violence and Homeless Services Coalition (“DVHSC”) urges you to prioritize survivors of domestic violence in the Homeless Initiative budget. Since 2016, DVHSC has grown to include over 800 individuals representing 244 community-based organizations, government officials, philanthropic circles, and individuals with lived experience of homelessness and domestic violence. We have become the largest coalition of our kind across the nation creating a client-centered system that increases access to safe housing and supportive services for survivors of domestic violence and their families.

With the number of people experiencing homelessness due to fleeing domestic violence increasing 54% in the past year, we know the need for services, shelter, and housing for survivors is skyrocketing. In the Los Angeles Continuum of Care, 43% of the adult homeless population has experienced domestic violence, or intimate partner violence. Echoing the Point In Time Count, the 2022 Los Angeles County Women’s Needs Assessment found that 48.4% of women experiencing homelessness had experienced intimate partner violence in their lifetime, and within this group, nearly half cited this experience as a cause of their homelessness.

We understand the challenges the Board faces during this difficult budget year. While the future of funding for survivors remains precarious at every level, with persistent cuts to the VOCA fund federally, we urge the Board of Supervisors to prioritize survivors in the Homeless Initiative budget. Under a Housing First model, we ask that Measure A funds continue supporting Rapid Re-Housing and Housing Navigation for survivors. Notably, Housing Navigation in these budget recommendations is facing a \$5 million cut. We strongly encourage the Board to continue funding the five Rapid Re-Housing programs and four Housing Navigation programs for survivors across the County that have been previously funded by Measure H. Ensuring this critical support remains available is vital for the safety and stability of survivors.

We appreciate your continued dedication to ending homelessness in Los Angeles and hope to continue to collaborate in supporting survivors.

Sincerely,  
Adrienne N. Spires