

**Presentation to the Executive Committee for
Regional Homeless Alignment**

Annual Evaluation Agenda Version 1.0

February 13, 2026





Today's goals and recap

Why we're here today

- In July 2025, we sought your feedback on the development process for the evaluation agenda
- Today, we will present how we implemented that process and the resulting draft agenda
- There are 16 shortlisted evaluations, prioritized to enable phased implementation as internal and external capacity becomes clearer
- We are seeking your feedback on that list

Feedback we're seeking

- Do you agree with how we prioritized?
- Are the topics clear and relevant?
- Did we miss anything?

Next steps

FEBRUARY – MAY 2026

- AEA revised in line with recommendations from governance partners; version 1.0 officially released
- First RFPs in at least pre-release stage
- Continuing resource identification and matching, including external fundraising and partnerships with academia & philanthropy

What does Measure A require?

After considering recommendations from ECRHA and...

after consultation with appropriate County agencies and departments, the county shall...

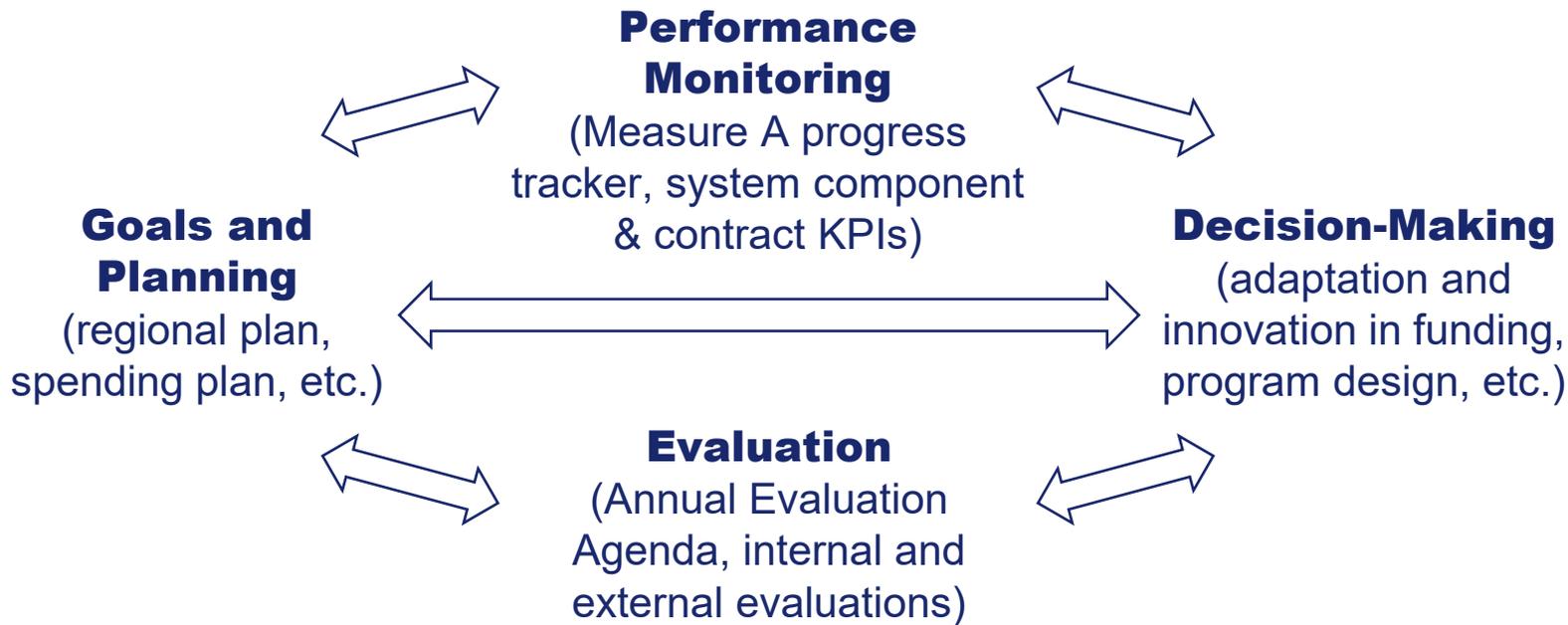
Establish and manage an annual evaluation agenda to spur innovation and improvement

The agenda should prioritize internal and external evaluations that test the causal impact of investments on the desired outcomes.

Evaluations must additionally include a third-party evaluator selected through a request for proposals.

Evaluations must include voices with relevant lived experience.

Relationship to other Measure A components





Development process

How we addressed your feedback

YOUR FEEDBACK

Prioritize understanding basic question of how investments impacted outcomes

Balance need for investment in evaluation against need for investments in system capacity

Don't get held up by process

Include qualitative measurement

STEPS WE TOOK

➤ Top priority evaluation focuses on systemwide causal impact of investments

➤ Accountability, Data, and Research budget invests bulk of funds in regional data assets, not evaluation

➤ Kept pace with timeline, drafting first RFP

➤ Qualitative methods included in 7/16 of evaluations on shortlist and in evaluation principles

Partners we engaged

- **Governance Partners:** ECRHA & subcommittees, LTRHA & subcommittees, county agencies & departments, BOS staff & deputies
- **Co-Design Partners:** People with lived experience, providers, academic & research partners, Continuums of Care (COCs) / Cities / Councils of Government (COGs), program administrators and funders
- **Advising Partners:** Community- & faith-based organizations, advocacy groups, other members of the public

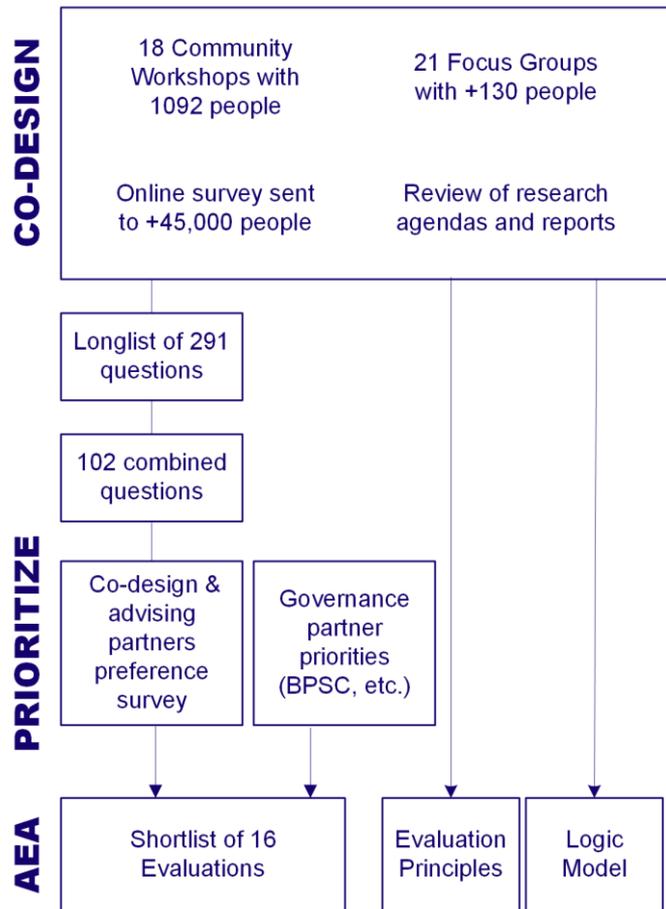
Building the agenda

Co-design

- 26% of questions from people with lived experience
- 31% of questions from providers

Prioritize

- Agenda shortlist includes 9/10 most popular evaluations among co-design partners
- Equity Subcommittee of LTRHA: 5/5 recommendations from report and 5/7 from focus group included on agenda shortlist
- BPSC of ECRHA: 5/8 recommendations included on shortlist





Draft Evaluation Agenda

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HOW AEA WILL BE IMPLEMENTED

Evaluations will be implemented in order of priority, based on available resources

Resources include ADR budget for RFPs, internal capacity (where appropriate), and academic & philanthropic collaborations

Best guess of FY26 & FY27 capacity: 4-6 new evaluations

PROPOSED TOP 6 EVALUATION PRIORITIES

1. Increasing systemwide impact
2. Testing coordination and connection pilots
3. Improving and tracking referral pathways
4. Improving permanent housing retention and graduation
5. Reducing administrative burden in data entry
6. Strengthening the provider workforce

Evaluation priorities 7-16

7. Reducing returns to homelessness
8. Improving coordinated entry
9. Improving outreach engagement
10. Extending local resources through federal funds
11. Reducing negative exits from interim housing
12. Leveraging service bundles
13. Improving case manager effectiveness
14. Increasing impact of needs assessments
15. Improving client health outcomes
16. Leveraging culturally and trauma informed care



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