

HOMELESS POLICY DEPUTIES MEETING AGENDA

MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE IN PERSON WITH A VIRTUAL OPTION

Date: Thursday, July 25, 2024
Time: 2:00 PM
Location: Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple St.,
Room 374-A
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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	AGENDA ITEM	LEAD
I.	Welcome and Introductions	Amy Perkins, Third District
II.	Grants Pass v. Johnson	Cheri Todoroff, Executive Director, CEO-Homeless Initiative Lakesha Williams, Deputy Chief Sr. Advisor, and Sally Malone, Director of Government Affairs, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority Geoffrey R. Deedrick, Captain, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Ana Lai, Principal Deputy, County Counsel of Los Angeles County
III.	Active System Management Dashboards	Bevin Kuhn, Deputy Chief Analytics Officer, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority
IV.	Items Recommended for Future Discussion	
V.	Public Comment*	

* Public Comment is limited to one minute. Those joining virtually interested in speaking should raise their hand on Microsoft Teams and unmute once called upon by the Chair. Those on their phones should press *5 to raise their hand and *6 to unmute.

NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 8, 2024

July 25, 2024

Grants Pass v. Johnson

The Decision, Implications, & Recommendations

LA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HOMELESS POLICY DEPUTIES' MEETING

Cheri Todoroff, CEO-HI

Lakesha Williams and Sally Malone, LAHSA

Ana Lai, County Counsel

Captain Geoffrey Deedrick, LASD



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AGENDA

- 1. BACKGROUND** (County Counsel)
- 2. Review of Grants Pass Decision** (County Counsel)
- 3. Implications of the Decision** (LAHSA)
- 4. Recommendations** (LAHSA, CEO-HI & LASD)
- 5. Q&A** (All)



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BACKGROUND



Timeline

2018:

- In *Martin v Boise*, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals held that the Cruel and Unusual Punishment Clause of the 8th Amendment prohibits local governments from prosecuting people for involuntarily sitting, sleeping, or lying outside in public when there are no available shelter beds in a jurisdiction.

2022:

- In *Johnson v. Grants Pass*, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that civil ordinances that prohibited sleeping and camping in public and provided for civil fines, which later become criminal offenses, were inconsistent with the Cruel and Unusual Punishment Clause of the 8th Amendment.

2023:

- The City of Grants Pass appealed the 9th Circuit's decision to the U.S. Supreme Court.

2024:

- **January:** The U.S. Supreme Court agreed to hear the case
- **March:** LA County filed an Amicus brief in support of neither party
- **April:** Oral Arguments
- **June:** The U.S. Supreme Court issued a ruling in favor of Grants Pass.

County Counsel

Grants Pass Opinion:

The question presented to the Court was whether the enforcement of generally applicable laws regulating camping on public property constitutes "cruel and unusual punishment" prohibited by the Eighth Amendment.

The Court, by a 6-3 vote, ruled in favor of Grants Pass and held that **enforcing generally applicable laws regulating camping on public property do not violate the Eighth Amendment's protection against "cruel and unusual punishment."**

County Counsel

What *Grants Pass* Opinion does:

The potential implication of this opinion is that cities can now enforce local laws that criminalize sleeping or camping in public areas, even for homeless individuals.

What *Grants Pass* Opinion does NOT do:

The opinion does not mandate any specific actions by the County or cities to enact or enforce their anti-camping laws.

The Court did not address whether enforcement could violate the rights of homeless individuals beyond the issue of “cruel and unusual” punishment under the Eighth Amendment.

County Counsel

Grants Pass Opinion:

Both the majority and dissent acknowledged the narrow scope of the Opinion. Other constitutional protections remain in place. For example:

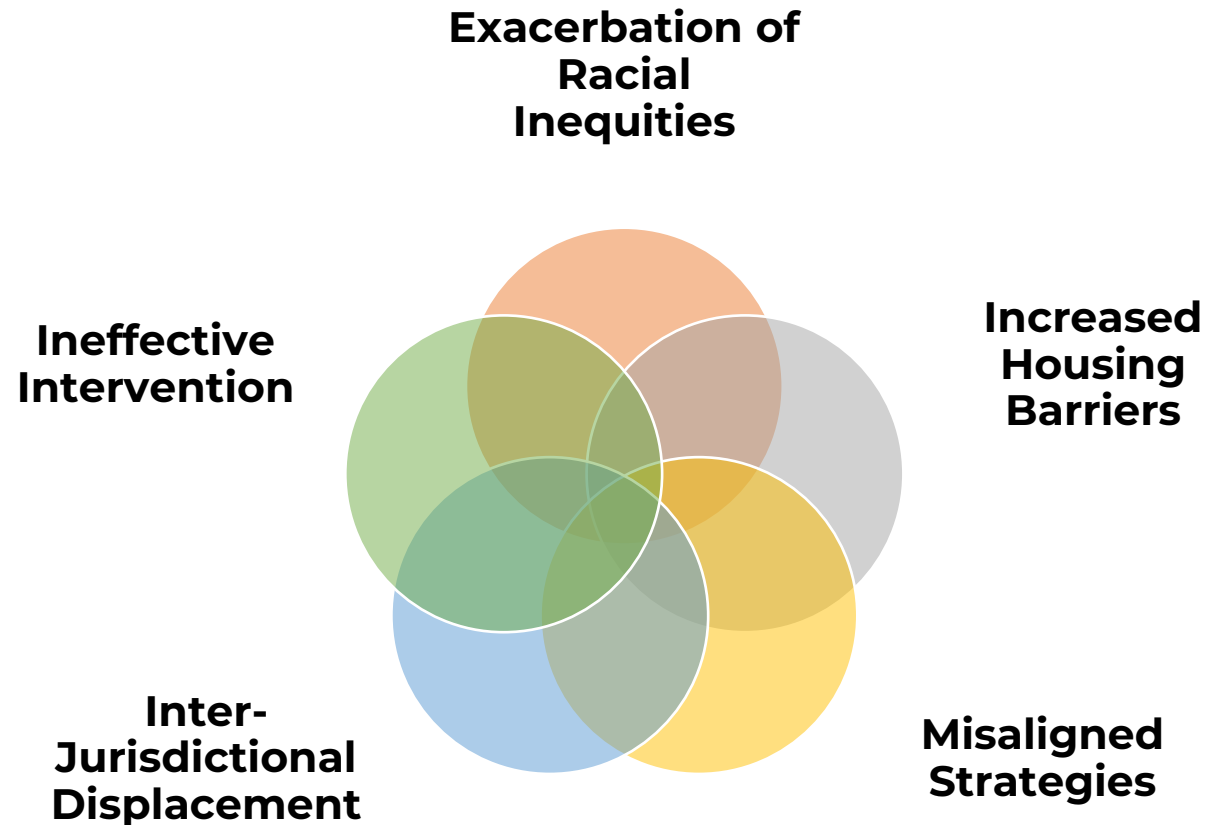
- The Fourth Amendment still limits property seizure by the government. This includes homeless individuals' personal belongings. Authorities are required to provide notice and an opportunity to reclaim belongings before disposal.
- The Eighth Amendment's Excessive Fines Clause continues to prohibit unreasonably harsh fines. Even for offenses like camping, fines cannot be so excessive that they become a form of punishment beyond the scope of the offense.

IMPLICATIONS OF INCREASED CRIMINALIZATION

Shifts toward criminalization would be out of alignment with LA County's Framework to End Homelessness, which directs the County to work with LAHSA and our municipal partners to:

- Coordinate with all impacted partners to prevent homelessness and connect unsheltered people with shelter and services;
- Provide people with housing they can afford; and,
- Work with the County, State, and Federal government to deliver stabilizing benefits and care.
- All while advancing racial equity.

Criminalization is intentionally NOT part of the County's framework



RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Continue doing what works.**
- 2. Partner with municipalities on evidence-based solutions.**
- 3. Publicly acknowledge homelessness as a Regional Crisis.**
- 4. Leverage public safety partners for their expertise and skills, not just their authority.**
- 5. Level set on the resource implications of increasing law enforcement involvement in homelessness.**



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Thank you. Q&A



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LAHSA

Active System Management Update

LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY

Bevin Kuhn - Acting Deputy Chief Analytics Officer

Kim Farnham - Associate Director, Systems & Planning

July 25, 2024

**Active System Management is focused on a central goal:
Reducing unsheltered homelessness in LA County.**



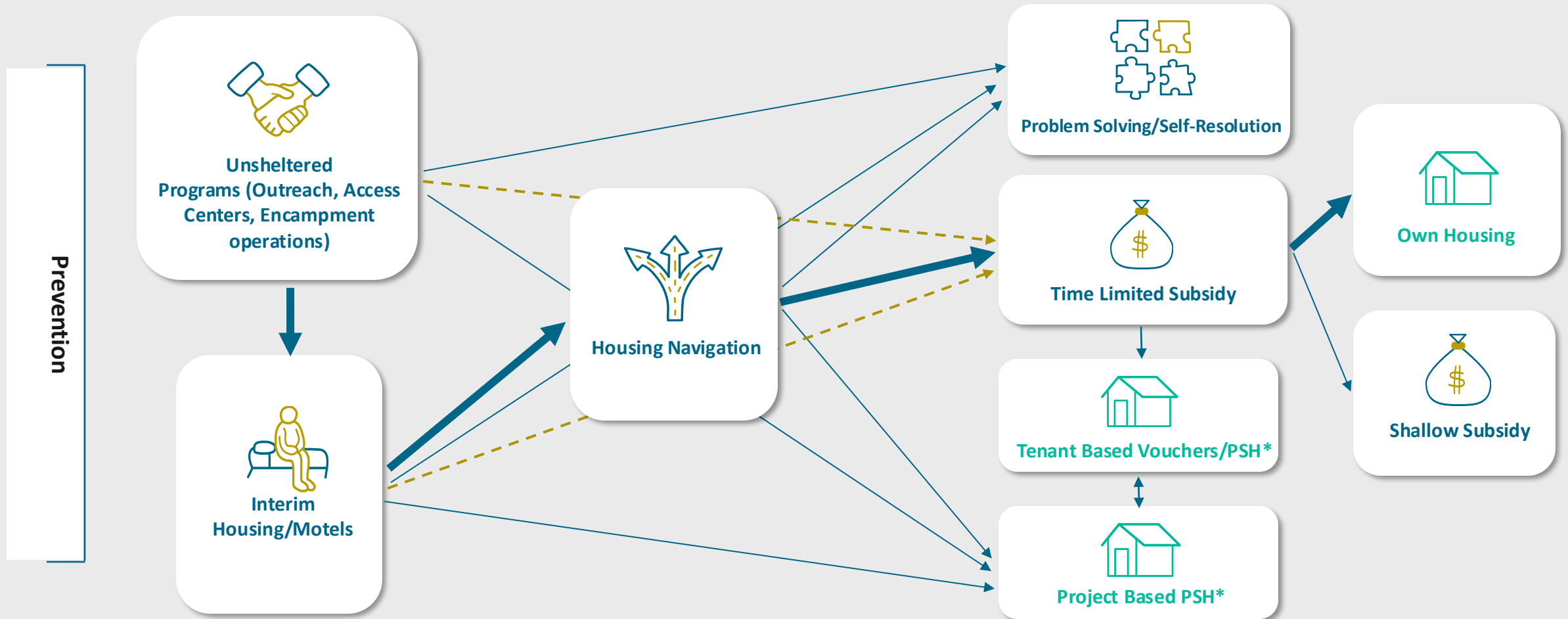
Priorities of Active System Management Meetings

- Drive behaviors needed to move forward in the housing process
- Create a culture of urgency around permanent housing
- Create a culture of shared responsibility
- Support peer learning and real time problem solving
- Identify system level barriers

How Active System Management Works

Ensures each component of the homeless system response is performing as effectively as possible to support maximum utilization of resources and participant throughput to permanent housing.

Adult Rehousing System:



Lanes and Behaviors



Outreach

BEHAVIORS

- Get into Shelter



Interim Housing

BEHAVIORS

- Get ID
- Ready for/Refer to Navigation

PERFORMANCE

- 90 Day Average



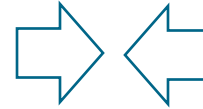
Navigation

BEHAVIORS

- Enroll
- Find a Unit
- Refer to TLS
- Lease Up

PERFORMANCE

- 120 Day Average



Match

BEHAVIORS

- Slot Utilization
- Push Referrals
- Monitor Acceptance

PERFORMANCE

- 100% Slots Matched
- Accepted in 7 Days



TLS Move In

BEHAVIORS

- Accept Referral
- Execute HAP & Deposit
- Move-In

PERFORMANCE

- 7 Days Enrollment to Move-In

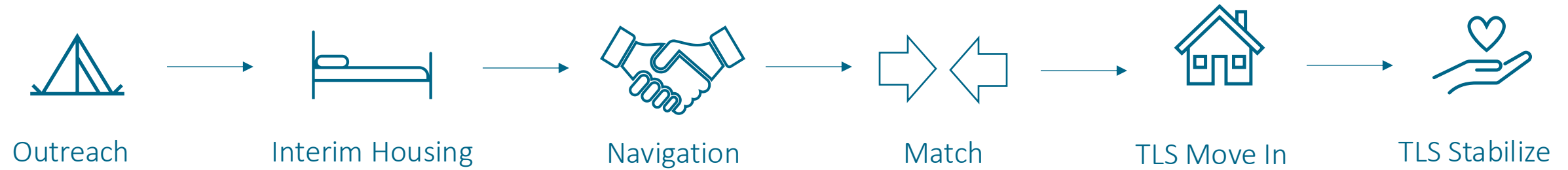


TLS Stabilize

BEHAVIORS

- Transition Plan

Lanes and New Behaviors



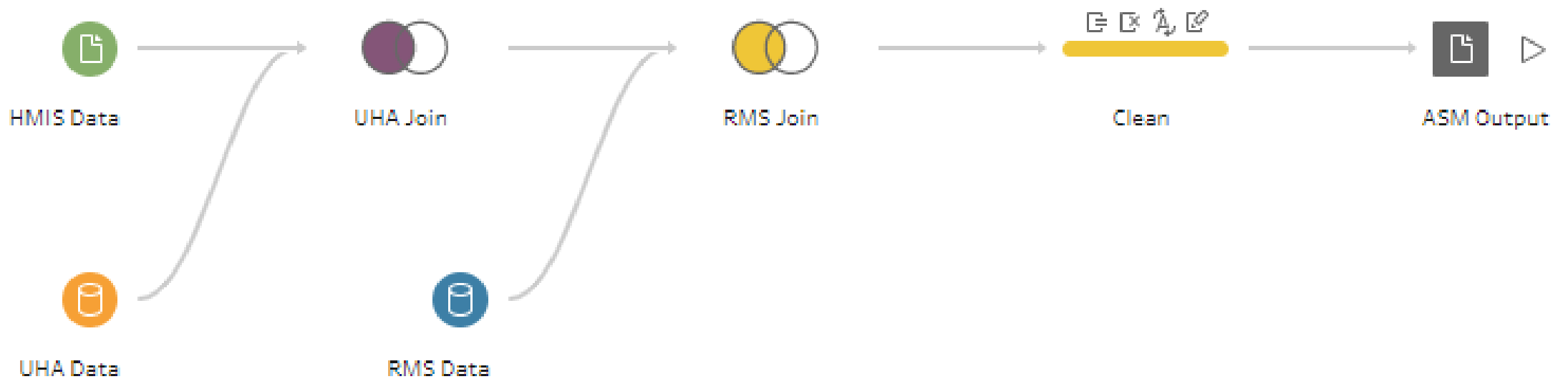
Universal Program Behaviors

- Slot Utilization up to staffed capacity at all times
- Always working toward Doc Readiness
- Assessment at 90 days in program if not already done
- UHA Completion within 7 days of PSH Match being initiated

Dashboards

Data Capture & Visualization

- Each Dashboard was designed to specifically align with the behaviors associated with each component.
- Each Behavior activity is captured by providers in a database (HMIS, RMS, UHA)
- Tableau brings together information from each database to help us see the full picture.



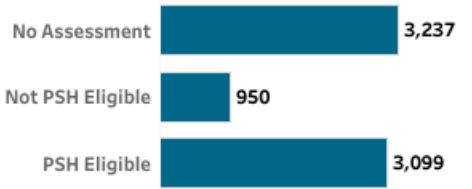
Housing Navigation

Base Population: Enrolled in Housing Navigation

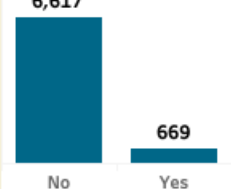
Encampment Resolution Initiati..
All

7,286
Participants

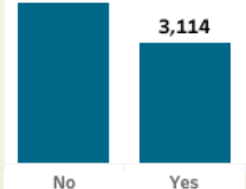
Assessment Score
Shows participants that are PSH Eligible based on assessment score.



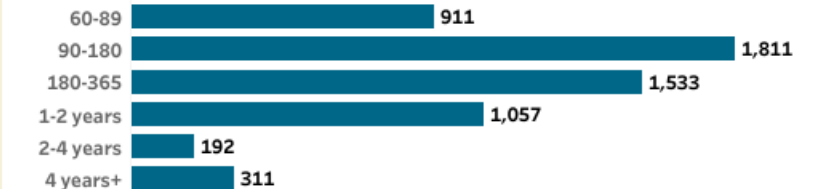
Disability Certification



Doc Ready
Has SSN & ID



Days Enrolled

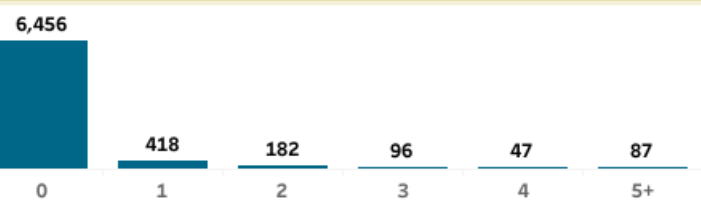


Program SPA
All

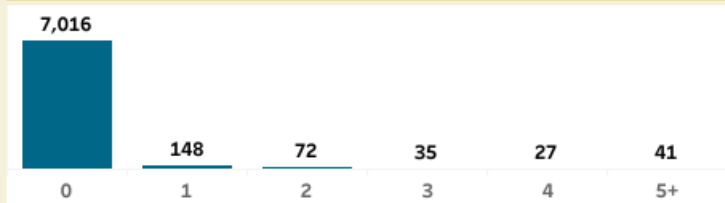
5,324
Heads of Households

Program CD
All

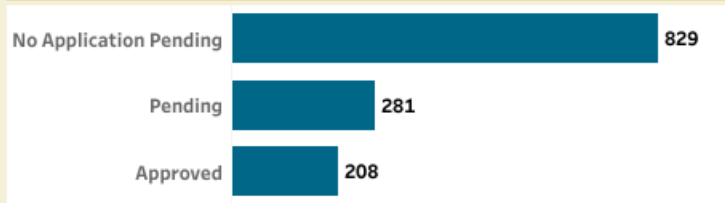
of Move-In Trackers
Shows # of clients with 1, 2, 3, etc. Move-In Trackers completed.



of Move-In Trackers in the Last 30 Days
Shows the # Move-In Trackers completed in the last 30 days.



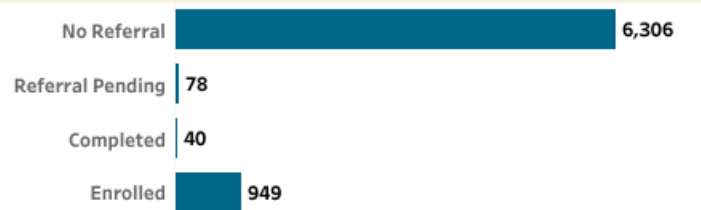
Most Recent Application Status
For participants with a Move-In Tracker completed.



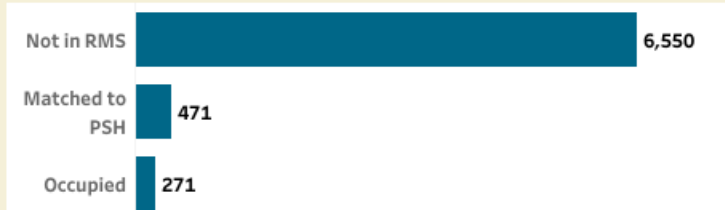
Program Agency Name
All

HN Program Name
All

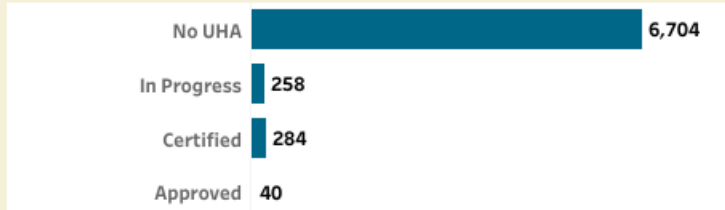
TLS Referral Status
Shows the TLS Referral Status per client.



PSH Match Status
Shows the RMS Match Status per client.



UHA Status
Shows the UHA Status per client.



Head of Household (Yes / No)
All

Housing Navigation Roster

Unit Viewing Roster

Household ID- Enrollm..	Unique Identifier	Client Full Name	Age	Head of Household (..	ID	SSN	Birth Certificate	Dis Cer

Unique Identifier	Client Full Name	Age	HN Program Name	Program SPA	Move-In Tracker Date	# of Move-In..	Unit Viewing Full Address	Unit Appli

Household With Children (Y/N)
All

In Development

We are still working on creating dashboards for these components of the system

- HN Matching
- TLS Matching
- TLS Stabilization
- PSH Community Queue
- PSH Active Lease Up Tracker
- Skid Row Action Plan

