

FACT SHEET

Measuring Measure H's Impact

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Overview

Measure H, passed by 69.34% of LA County voters in March 2017, has been a vital resource in building up the region's housing and services system to more effectively respond to the homelessness crisis and the extreme shortage of affordable housing in LA County. Working together, this regional system achieved the first decline in homelessness in 5 years and has the capacity to continue making progress if sustained funding is available.

Funding has been distributed among 200 non-profit agencies, 15 County departments, 15 cities, five councils of governments, and four continuum of care systems that provide ongoing, coordinated wrap-around services to people experiencing homelessness. When woven together with other funding streams, Measure H is the foundational infrastructure required to continue to make progress in solving this long-running crisis.

Measure H Impact to Date

- The homeless response system has placed 119,433 people into permanent housing since 2017—and 36.9% (44,129) were housed with Measure H funding.
- The homeless response system has placed **157,141 into interim housing** since 2017—**52.8% (82,966)** housed with Measure H funding.
- Since 2017, 37,920 people were prevented from falling into homelessness, including 26.7% (10,651) who were kept in their housing with Measure H funding.
- With help from Measure H funding, our rehousing system permanently ended homelessness for **27,417 people** in 2023. If we sustained this emergency response, and prevented any more inflows into homelessness, then we could end homelessness in less than three years.

Other Measure H-Funded Initiatives and Impacts:

- Housing for Health impacts in 2023 (the most recent full year of data available):
 - 20,529 individuals received intensive case management services.
 - o **3,152 individuals** were newly housed in permanent supportive housing and received intensive case management services.
 - 92% of permanent supportive housing participants retained their housing for 1 year.

- o **85**% of permanent supportive housing participants retained their housing for 2 years.
- 32 Homekey properties purchased, bringing 2,055 interim and permanent housing units online.

Pathway Home (first year of operations beginning August 2023)

- 21 encampment resolutions.
- 824 individuals moved into interim housing.
- 145 individuals permanently housed.
- 538 unsafe RVs removed from communities.
- In FY 2024-25, LA County plans to conduct 38 Measure H-funded Pathway Home operations projected to serve 1,800 people and remove at least 300 unsafe RVs from roadways.

Service Connection Events

• **2,441** Pathway Home and <u>Inside Safe</u> participants attended 35 service connection events at interim housing sites.

What would happen today if Measure H funding disappeared?

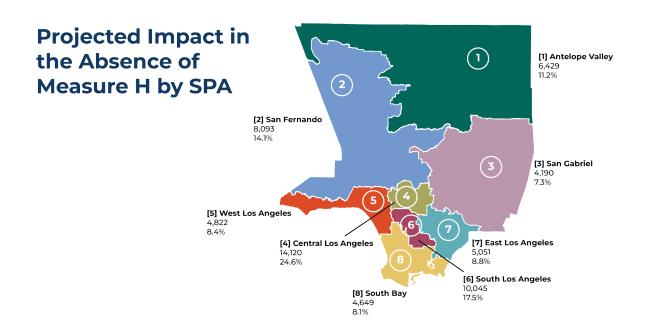
If all Measure H funded interim housing and housing subsidies lost their funding today, unsheltered homelessness could **increase 28%** based on the 2024 LAHSA Point in Time count data. This is based on the number of Measure H funded interim housing beds and housing subsidies which support over 14,500 individuals and families. With the loss of these beds and subsidies we could expect that anyone using these resources would likely fall into homelessness.

Loss of Measure H-Funded Interim Housing & Housing Subsidies				
SPA	Unsheltered Homeless Individuals			
	Actual, Per 2024 PIT Count	Estimated Addition in the Absence of Measure H	Estimated Total in the Absence of Measure H	
Antelope Valley (1)	5,858	1,650	7,508	

TOTAL	52,365	14,756	67,121
South Bay (8)	4,222	1,190	5,412
East LA (7)	4,593	1,294	5,887
South LA (6)	9,183	2,588	11,771
West LA (5)	4,382	1,235	5,617
Central LA (4)	12,888	3,631	16,519
San Gabriel Valley (3)	3,838	1,082	4,920
San Fernando Valley (2)	7,401	2,086	9,487

How about when Measure H expires in 2027? What would happen if there is not a replacement funding source?

Using trend and demographic analysis, LA County projects that within the year of its expiration in 2027, more than **57,400** people, will be actively supported in their interim or permanent housing with subsidies and services funded by Measure H and would be at risk of becoming homeless without such support.



How is Measure H funding being used in the current fiscal year?

- Engage 21,000 people experiencing homelessness annually through outreach efforts by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), County Multidisciplinary Teams, and provider outreach staff.
- Provide more than 4,000 individuals with Housing Navigation support.
- Support for 27,500 clients with wrap around supportive services in permanent housing.
- Disseminate 8,332 locally funded rental subsidies.
- Fund 6,266 interim housing beds.
- Provide training and technical assistance for over 30,000 provider staff.
- Support mediation, negotiation, and cash assistance for 660 households.
- Fund homeless prevention services and financial assistance for 4,400 individuals and families.
- Support family reconnection for 450 youth.
- Provide rent, utility and grocery assistance for 300 families.
- Fund public health clinical services for 300 individuals and more than 400 facilities and interim housing sites.
- Provide mobile vaccine and testing for 4,800 individuals.
- Resource housing navigation for 5,000 households.
- Fund substance use disorder counselors serving 3,500 clients living in 258 permanent supportive housing sites.
- Support more than **2,100 applications** and appeals for benefits.
- Ensure legal services for 820 clients.
- Support record expungement for 1,200 individuals.
- Fund employment services for 1,723 clients.