

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I support the use of a portion of the State HHAPP funds for a low income senior pilot project. Santa Monica has shown that an effectively administered rental assistance pilot project is worthy of permanent funding because it keeps low income seniors housed. The last two homeless counts have shown that seniors are increasingly becoming homeless in the City and County of L.A. Research at both the national and local level(USC) have shown that the numbers of homeless elderly will continue to rise until 2025 unless more prevention programs specifically target seniors. Rents continue to rise at a greater rate than income. This reality disproportionately affects simply seniors because they depend on a fixed income and do not have the option of working. Even the recently passed 5% cap plus inflation statewide will increase the cost of rental housing beyond the ability of many seniors to psy