CITY OF LOS ANGELES

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

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Office of the City Administrative Officer

Subject: HOMELESSNESS EMERGENCY DECLARATION - TENTH QUARTERLY

REPORT - JULY 2025 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2025 (COUNCIL FILE NO.

23-0652)

SUMMARY

On December 12, 2022, the Mayor declared a local emergency on homelessness with a sunset of six months subject to renewal by the City Council. On July 7, 2023, the Mayor reissued the local emergency declaration pursuant to the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 8.33 Local Housing and/or Homelessness Emergency. The City Administrative Officer, the Los Angeles Housing Department, the Department of City Planning, and other relevant departments are to report to the City Council on the status and the progress of the emergency declaration. The City Council will then review the reports and determine if the emergency continues to exist. This report provides highlights on the metrics as reported by various agencies and attached memos from the Department of City Planning and the Los Angeles Housing Department on the status of shelter interventions relative to the Declaration. Lastly, this report provides an overview and status of the nine key performance indicators established by the Mayor in addressing the emergency for the performance period from July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025. This is the tenth status report on the status of the emergency declaration.

RECOMMENDATION

Note and file.

BACKGROUND

The Mayor declared a local emergency on homelessness on December 12, 2022. The City Council continued to renew the declaration at least every 30 days for six months. On July 7, 2023, the Mayor reissued the housing and homelessness declaration under the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 8.33 Local Housing and/or Homelessness Emergency, which authorizes the expedition of processes and procedures to address the crisis (C.F. 23-0652), to mobilize local resources, coordinate inter-agency response, accelerate procurement of housing units with the assistance of the City Administrative Office (CAO), Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), and the Department of City Planning (DCP). The Mayor is authorized to declare a Section 8.33 emergency on housing and homelessness if any one of the following three criteria are present:

- 1. Housing supply is projected to be at least 40 percent below the annual housing production goals as established in the City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment;
- 2. There exists more than twice the number of unhoused people in the City of Los Angeles than the number of interim beds; or
- 3. A citywide increase in unhoused individuals by more than 20 percent in a single year as reported in the annual point in time count (PIT).

Additionally, the LAAC Section 8.33 instructs the CAO, DCP, and LAHD to provide a status report on the homelessness emergency declaration on a quarterly basis. On January 18, 2023, the City Council and Mayor approved the motion (C.F. 23-0033) to establish the Homelessness Emergency Account (HEA) to address the City's homelessness crisis. The CAO is responsible for coordinating with the Mayor's Office for monthly reporting on the status of the HEA and the Inside Safe Initiative. The CAO's Office continues to provide monthly reports to the City Council and Mayor on the status of the funds and program.

As part of the homelessness emergency declaration, the Mayor also issued Executive Directive No. 1 (ED 1) Expedition of Permits and Clearances for Temporary Shelters and Affordable Housing Types. The homelessness emergency declaration, along with ED 1, allows housing projects to be reviewed and expedited. The Mayor established nine key performance indicators to provide metrics relative to addressing the emergency in the Mayor's Declaration of Local Housing and Homelessness Emergency dated July 7, 2023. This report further discusses these for the performance period from July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025.

DISCUSSION

The Mayor is authorized to declare a Section 8.33 emergency on housing and homelessness if any one of three criteria are present in the City. At present, two of the three criteria are met.

- Criteria 1: Housing supply versus annual housing production goals.

 The required threshold for this criteria is at least 40 percent below the annual production goal. According to the Department of City Planning (DCP), the City is 65 percent below the annual production goal for the current eight-year Regional Housing Need Allocation cycle of 2021-2029.
- Criteria 2: Number of unhoused people versus number of interim beds

 There exists more than twice the number of unhoused people in the City of Los
 Angeles than the number of interim beds. The Los Angeles Homeless Services
 Authority (LAHSA) reports that 15,385 interim beds are open and occupiable and
 the 2025 Point-In-Time count reported that 43,699 unhoused individuals reside
 within the City.

The Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN), Department of City Planning (DCP), Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA), Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) have provided information in this report to measure the progress made by the emergency declaration; nine key performance indicators are further discussed below. Additionally, DCP

has submitted a detailed status and progress report relative to its homelessness efforts, which is attached to this report for reference.

In addition, the Mayor's Office of Housing and Homeless Solutions (MOHHS) has provided an appendix (Attachment 1) on the Administration's efforts to address the homelessness emergency, which includes streamlining affordable housing by City departments, coordinating with the County to provide additional support for homelessness services, and partnering with State and Federal agencies to provide additional support to the City's homelessness efforts.

Key Performance Indicators

1. Decrease in the number and size of encampments

Inside Safe Initiative

From July 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025, there were seven Inside Safe operations and 23 repopulation efforts, for a total of 30 operations/response efforts that were completed. These 30 operations/response efforts were conducted in Council Districts 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, and 15. In some cases, multiple operations may have taken place in the same Council District over the reporting period. Since the inception of Inside Safe, from December 20, 2022, to September 30, 2025, LAHSA reports a total of 5,179 participants have been connected with interim housing and supportive services through a total of 114 Inside Safe operations (Attachment 3). Additional details regarding Inside Safe program metrics through September 30, 2025, will be provided in future Homelessness Emergency Account Status Reports (C.F. 22-1545).

CARE and CARE+ Operations

The Bureau of Sanitation (LASAN) was provided funding in the 2025-26 Adopted Budget to continue the Comprehensive Cleaning and Rapid Engagement Program (CARE) Comprehensive Cleaning and Rapid Engagement Plus Program (CARE+). The CARE program ensures the City's sidewalks and other public areas are safe, clean, sanitary, and accessible for public use. The CARE+ program is responsible for removing abandoned waste from the public right of way and cleaning encampments. LASAN has reported 555 CARE operations and 1,849 CARE+ operations from July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025. The reported data are operations relative to homelessness efforts in the City. The estimated quarterly breakdown of the operations are shown in Table 1 below:

Table 1: LASAN CARE+ and CARE Operations (July 1, 2025 - September 30, 2025)

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Program	May 2025 - June 2025	July 2025 - September 2025	Change
CARE+	1,607	1,849	242
CARE	416	555	139
Total Operations	2,023	2,404	381

Citywide Vehicle Dwelling Operations

In response to the lifting of the City's Parking Enforcement Moratorium, the CAO along with City Departments and other relevant partners, worked to create a comprehensive approach to address Vehicle Dwellings, connect people experiencing vehicular homelessness to appropriate resources, and to ensure the health and safety of our public streets. Table 2 provides the total operations from May 1, 2022, through September 30, 2025.

Table 2: Citywide Vehicle Dwelling Operations (May 1, 2022 - September 30, 2025)

Vehicle Dwelling Operations	May 2022 - June 2025	May 2022 - September 2025	Change
Number of Operations Completed	666	725	59
Number of Vehicle Dwellings Assessed for Intervention	5,518	5,900	382
Number of Environmental Citation Issued	168	168	0
Number of Vehicles Impounded ¹	1,380	1,486	106
Solid Wastes Collected (t)	1,431	1,554	123
Hazardous Waste Collected (t)	39	43	4
Instances of Storage Service Used	68	68	0
Number of People Experiencing Homelessness Housed	368	408	40

¹ During July 2025, there was a period where the Department of Transportation's ability to impound was impacted and the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) had to step in as the leading impounding authority. LAPD impounds were tracked but are not reflected in this data.

2. Regulatory relief from other jurisdictions and within Los Angeles City agencies to create flexibility to address the crisis

Expedited Approvals

Under Executive Directive 1, which aims to streamline the approval of all affordable housing development, the Department of City Planning (DCP) reports (Attachment 2) that between January 1, 2023 to October 6, 2025, a total of 490 cases have been opened for 40,834 proposed affordable housing units. Of the 490 cases, 432 cases have completed processing for a total of 30,932 units approved. The average processing time for the cases has decreased from 35 days to 25 days.

Table 3: DCP Affordable Housing Cases (January 1, 2023 - September 30, 2025)

DCP Affordable Housing					
Affordable Housing Units January 2023 - June 2025 January 2023 - October 6, 2025 Chan					
Open Cases	435	490	55		
Number of Units (Open Cases)	35,282	40,834	5,552		
Completed Cases	387	432	45		
Number of Units (Completed Cases)	28,706	30,932	2,226		
Average Number of Completion Days	35	25	-10		

LAHD reports processing times for Replacement Unit Determinations (RUDs) and affordability covenants for projects related to ED 1 from July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025. During the reporting period, LAHD notes a total of 76 RUDs were issued resulting in the requirement for 64 affordable housing replacement units, with an average processing time of 78 days, excluding outliers. Relative to affordability covenants, a total of 47 applications were received and 61 applications were completed during the reporting period. The average time to process an affordability covenant from the date the application was submitted to its completion was 149 business days.

Housing Production

Based on monthly permit data provided by the Los Angeles Building and Safety (LADBS), the DCP reports (Attachment 2) that 5,225 housing units have been permitted from July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025. A total of 13,554 dwelling units were permitted in the calendar year 2025. According to the Regional Housing Need Assessment, as established in the City's 2021-2029 Housing Element, the annualized housing production goal is 57,080 units per year. Based on the first three full years of the eight-year Housing Element, the current annual housing production averages 19,757 units per year. This production amounts to 35 percent of the annualized Housing Element goal of 57,080 units. The average production is approximately 65 percent below the annual goal, which is greater than the 40 percent threshold established under the Homelessness Emergency Declaration.

Table 4: DBS Dwelling Units Permitted (January 1, 2023 - September 30, 2025)

DBS Dwelling Units			
Calendar Year	alendar Year Reporting Period Units		
2023	January 1, 2023 - March 31, 2023	4,462	
	April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023	7,126	
	July 1, 2023 - September 30, 2023	5,344	
	October 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023	4,224	
	2023 Subtotal	21,156	

	DBS Dwelling Units	
Calendar Year	Reporting Period	Units
	January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024	5,522
	April 1, 2024 - May 31, 2024	3,917
2024	June 1, 2024 - August 31, 2024	4,024
	September 1, 2024 - October 31, 2024	3,233
	November 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024	3,260
	2024 Subtotal	19,956
	January 1, 2025 - January 31, 2025	994
2025	February 1, 2025 - April 30, 2025	3,934
	May 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025	3,401
	2025 Subtotal	8,329
	Grand Total	49,441

Sole Source Contracts

Per the Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 8.33, the Mayor may suspend competitive bidding restrictions for contracts entered into by City departments and offices in response to the emergency. As of September 30, 2025, the City has entered into 26 booking agreements and 16 occupancy agreements with various motels to provide interim housing for Inside Safe participants. A booking agreement is executed with a hotel that confirms a fixed nightly rate, but hotel rooms may fluctuate given the number of participants at a location and room availability at a given time. An occupancy agreement includes a fixed nightly rate as well as a guaranteed number of rooms.

3. Relaxation in the restraints that limit the ability of the City's proprietary departments to create flexibility to address the crisis

In order to support the implementation of ED 1, the Department of Water and Power (LADWP) launched Project Powerhouse to reduce the time and cost to deliver power to affordable housing projects. Project Powerhouse expedites the engineering and construction process, and fully covers the cost of electrical line extension.

From July 2025 to September 2025, LADWP reports that 32 projects that provide 2,193 affordable housing units have benefitted from expedited approvals for power connection and are benefitting from LADWP covering costs of public right-of-way power improvements.

Table 5: DWP Project Powerhouse (March 1, 2023 - September 30, 2025)

DWP Project Power House	March 2023 - June 2025	March 2023 - September 2025	Change
Projects	84	116	32
Affordable Housing Units	4,393	6,586	2,193

4. Increased housing placements

On a Citywide basis, LAHSA has provided a quarterly breakdown on the number of unduplicated participants in outreach programs and placements. LAHSA reports that due to data clean up, such as merging and removal of duplicative client profiles, data from prior quarters may have changed from what was in previous reports.

Under the number of unhoused clients contacted, the data set includes participants who had an initial contact with an outreach team, and may have or may not have been enrolled in a care management plan. Participants that are engaged are participants that have agreed to enroll in a care management plan. Additionally, the data set includes categories on the number of participants that transitioned from an outreach program to permanent housing, emergency shelter, temporary housing, and transitional housing. A summary of the Citywide outreach data is included in Table 6.

Table 6: Citywide Outreach and Engagement (July 1, 2022 - September 30, 2025)

Categories	FY 2022-23 Total	FY 2023-24 Total	FY 2024-25 Total	July 2025 - Sept 2025
Number of Persons Contacted	39,390	41,670	40,621	11,348
Number of Persons Engaged	22,434	24,489	25,121	6,778
Number of Exits to Permanent Housing	480	899	807	153
Number of Exits to Emergency Shelters	4,153	6,300	5,746	978
Number of Exits Temporary Destinations	343	589	1,132	259

Emergency Housing Vouchers

HACLA reports that since December 2022, the agency has executed 15,618 new leases across all Section 8 voucher programs, housing a total of 25,245 individuals. For the period of July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025, the agency has utilized 568 vouchers. HACLA previously reported that they have been awarded 250 new tenant-based U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing Program (HUD-VASH) vouchers.

Table 7: HACLA Vouchers Utilized (December 1, 2022 - September 30, 2025)

HACLA Vouchers	December 2022 - June 2025	December 2022 - September 2025	Change
Number of Vouchers	15,050	15,618	568

5. Increased starts on new affordable housing options

The DCP and LAHD collaborated on the City of Los Angeles 2024 Annual Housing Element Progress Report (C.F. 22-0403-S3), which was submitted to the California Department of Housing and Community Development in May 2025. The reporting period is from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024. As reported to the State, 3,578 affordable units were permitted, including 553 units for very low income households, 2,508 for low income households, and 517 for moderate income households. The next report will be submitted to the State in April 2026 for the reporting period of January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

Increased Lease-ups on Supportive Housing

For the reporting period of July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025, LAHD reports that seven supportive housing projects with 825 affordable units, of which 693 were supportive housing units were brought online for a total of 11,957 supportive housing units. Of the 6,571 HHH-funded housing units ready for occupancy, 6,191 units are in service as of October 1, 2025.

6. An increase in temporary and permanent housing units

Interim Housing

LAHSA transitioned from a Housing Inventory Count (HIC)-basis to an Inventory Module-basis for the tracking of the City's interim housing count, which allows LAHSA to track up-to-date information for all programs' capacities. For sites that are not included in the module yet, LAHSA relies on the latest HIC capacity as of February 19, 2025, or the program's setup data in HMIS for programs that have come online since the HIC and are not using inventory.

LAHSA reports that the interim housing bed inventory decreased from 17,091 that was previously reported in June 2025 to 15,385. Below is a breakdown of the 1,706 decrease in beds.

- Decrease of 221 beds due to program consolidations, or re-procurements, with a new service provider taking over the program.
- Decrease of 450 beds/spaces due to program closures. This includes 25 Safe Parking spaces.
- Decrease of 591 beds in programs that were not reprocured, consolidated, or in any other way changed at an overall program level but saw changes to their bed capacities due to improvements such as
 - Ongoing, routine work with service providers to ensure that HMIS accurately reflects the number of beds and units they have operating.

- Addressing an issue where some Pathway Home motels located outside of the City of Los Angeles were incorrectly identified as being located at their administrative addresses within the City.
- Decrease of 444 beds due to addressing an issue where nine Pathway Home motels located outside of the City of Los Angeles were incorrectly identified as being located at their administrative addresses within the City.

Table 8: Housing Inventory Count Breakdown

Category	Beds as of June 2025	Beds as of September 2025	Change
HMIS Inventory Module	13,515	11,923	-1,592
2025 HIC Adult, Youth, and			
Families	3,282	3,053	-229
New Programs since HIC	0	140	140
Safe Parking (Spaces)	294	269	-25
TOTAL City of LA Capacity	17,091	15,385	-1,706

Permanent Supportive Housing

LAHD reports that, in the City of Los Angeles, 202 supportive housing projects with 13,898 units are in the pipeline or ready to occupy. Of these, LAHD is currently funding the development of 50 supportive housing projects amounting to 3,867 units, of which 2,852 are supportive housing units. Since December 12, 2022, 90 supportive housing projects with 6,476 units were completed and ready to occupy by people experiencing homelessness.

7. Increased outside aid through access to mental health and substance use beds

The Mayor's Office reports that the Collaborative, a pilot using opioid/tobacco settlement funding, continues to operate five contracts with treatment centers. The Collaborative screens both Inside Safe encampment residents, clients of Crisis and Incident Response through Community-Led Engagement (CIRCLE) teams, and City interim housing participants for SUD, assess their readiness for care options (e.g., safe use, outpatient, and inpatient care). Those interested in the option of inpatient care can choose from five state-certified providers offering a continuum of services including withdrawal management, residential treatment, and recovery housing.

The Mayor's Office has partnered with LAHSA to integrate The Collaborative screening tool into HMIS, streamlining data collection of screening and referrals for interim housing service providers. The tool was launched in March 2025 and was followed by provider training in July 2025. A second training is planned for October 2025.

8. A decrease in the number of persons being evicted from existing housing units

Measure ULA Income Support Program

In February, LAHD and project partners launched the United to House Los Angeles Interim Income Support for Rent-Burdened At-Risk Seniors and Persons with Disabilities Program (ULA ISP). The program will issue \$20,000 one-time cash assistance payments directly to renter households for seniors and/or persons with disabilities that are at-risk of experiencing homelessness. Eligible participants were identified from the existing pool of applications submitted for the United to House LA Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ULA ERAP). All available ULA ERAP funds were issued in 2024 and the program has closed.

LAHD reports that all funds have been distributed as of June 2025. The City has issued over \$9.88 million in payments to 494 very low-income disabled and senior households. LAHD and the Community Investment for Families Department (CIFD) are currently working in partnership with the ULA Citizen Oversight Committee to develop a recommended framework for the next round of funding for the ULA ISP Program.

Eviction Warning Notices Received and Eviction Defense Work

LAHD received 17,626 eviction warning notices from July 1, 2025, through September 30, 2025, with the top two causes cited as non-payment of rent and violation of the rental agreement or lease. The filed eviction warning notices claim a total of \$69.05 million in unpaid rent.

Table 9: Status of Eviction Warning Notices

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Eviction Warning Notices	January 2024 - June 2025	January 2024 - September 2025	Change
Number of Eviction Warning Notices	109,482	127,108	17,626
Number of Notices due to Non-Payment of Rent	101,496	117,389	15,893
Number of Notices due to Violation of Rental Agreement or Lease	5,139	6,258	1,119
Total Unpaid Rent Claims	\$466,956,392	\$536,001,508	\$69,045,116

LAHD reports that as of August 2025, the Eviction Defense Program provided full scope legal representation to 187 households facing eviction, while an additional 1,286 households received limited scope services. In addition, rental assistance was provided to 71 households under an Unlawful Detainer (UD) filing, totaling \$987,019. From the start of the SHLA program through August 2025, the City has provided legal assistance to 22,345 cases, rental assistance to 1,373 households, and disbursed \$12.3 million in emergency rental assistance. The program has reached 830,037 tenants in person, hosted 883 education events, and provided tenant navigation services to 57,598 people. Data for September was not available prior to the release of this report.

9. A decrease in the number of persons falling into homelessness

The 2025 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count reported that 43,699 unhoused individuals reside within the City. This number is a decrease of 1,553 from the 2024 PIT Count.

cc: The Honorable Karen Bass, Mayor

Attachments:

- 1. Appendix from Mayor's Office of Housing & Homelessness Solutions
- 2. Department of City Planning Quarterly Housing Production Report and Addressing the Local Housing and Homelessness Emergency
- 3. Inside Safe Program Metrics as of September 30, 2025

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DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

The City has made significant progress addressing housing insecurity and homelessness since Mayor Bass and the City Council first declared the homelessness emergency in December of 2022. Thousands more Angelenos have accepted housing offers than during the previous year – that increase includes more than 5,179 people who have come inside through Inside Safe operations in every Council District. Affordable housing production has accelerated through emergency actions with 41,996 units of 100% affordable housing expedited as we lock arms with the City Council and both public and private partnerships. These successes have only been possible because we worked together with urgency and declared a state of emergency to confront this crisis with the momentum it requires. We must sustain our focus, build on our progress, and extend the emergency declaration to continue bringing more people inside and continue addressing the critical shortage of housing.

The homelessness crisis that Los Angeles is experiencing is the result of decades of underinvestment in building housing affordable to Angelenos on fixed incomes, essential workers, and everyday families. As a result, we also need stronger coordination and collaboration between government agencies and housing and service providers to address gaps in access to care and services. Regardless of the current financial constraints and logistical challenges, urgently bringing Angelenos inside from the street, connecting them to the care and services they need, and meaningfully expanding affordable housing options across our City demands our full attention.

Our City Administrative Officer, in this quarterly report, provides the benchmarks that allow for this emergency declaration to continue, and the efforts Citywide that are supported by the declaration, but there is also an intangible effect that weighs just as importantly on our work.

This declaration of emergency on homelessness has created a historic system shift across the greater Los Angeles area:

- Our City departments have heeded our call and asked their staff to respond with urgency to support the streamlining of new affordable housing and expand our ability to safely bring unhoused Angelenos inside with dignity.
- Our colleagues at the Board of Supervisors immediately issued their own declaration of emergency that continues today and relationships with County partners at the CEO-Homeless Initiative and various departments continue to grow and bring new avenues to support.

- Our all-of-government approach has seen State and Federal officials rise to stand beside us, issuing funding and support, like the historic presumptive eligibility housing waivers provided to Los Angeles by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Our State partners have awarded Los Angeles with funding for the creation of 500 new interim housing beds as well as all seven City of Los Angeles Project Homekey 3 projects with a total of 401 units, including two adult interim housing projects with funding leveraged from the Homelessness Emergency Account.

The Mayor's Office of Housing and Homelessness Solutions is working closely with Council to develop strategies that serve all Angelenos, housed and unhoused, and implement solutions that are cost effective, sustainable, and will continue to save lives with urgency.

Renewing this emergency declaration is an imperative and decisive response to the work we have been tasked with and is necessary to continue to mobilize resources, save lives, and provide for the public health, welfare, and safety of all.

To supplement the CAO's HED Report, below is a summary of key activities in the City's work to address, prevent, and implement long-term homelessness solutions under the emergency declaration:

EXECUTIVE ACTIONS

Executive Directive 1

On September 30, 2025, the Department of City Planning reported that, since being issued, the Mayor's Executive Directive 1 (ED1) has accelerated the review of over 40,834 affordable housing units. Permits that previously took six to nine months to secure now only take an average of 25 days. In total, 490 affordable housing projects have applied for ED1 with the Department of City Planning, and 432 project cases have been successfully completed.

Executive Directive 2 - Inside Safe

Inside Safe was launched under Executive Directive 2 (ED2) in December 2022 to house Angelenos living in encampments, connect them to services and housing, and prevent their return to the street. Inside Safe operations have been completed in every Council District. During the reporting period of July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025, seven Inside Safe operations and 23 repopulation resolution efforts were conducted,

bringing unhoused Angelenos inside to housing and services.

As of LAHSA's September 30, 2025 data dashboard, 5,179 Inside Safe participants have been served since the program's inception. LAHSA's September 30 Inside Safe dashboard also denotes a retention rate of 57%, and that a total of 1,243 Inside Safe participants have transitioned to permanent housing solutions from the start of the Inside Safe Program through September 30, 2025.

Inside Safe will continue working to support unhoused Angelenos across all 15 City Council Districts.

Executive Directive 3

Executive Directive 3 (ED3) was issued in February 2023 to maximize the use of city-owned property for temporary and permanent housing. In this directive, departments were tasked with identifying vacant or underutilized land, forming working groups to develop procedures for developing housing on city-owned land, and instructed to streamline, expedite, and prioritize approvals of housing projects on city-owned land similar to ED1. In March 2024, we <u>expanded ED3</u> to include HACLA, LA Community College District, and Metro land, in addition to land owned by the City of Los Angeles. Since its declaration, ED3 has:

- Allowed the City to identify sites that may be utilized for up to 500 interim housing beds through a \$33 million State Emergency Stabilization Bed (ESB) grant
- Allowed the City to identify sites that may be utilized for Recreational Vehicle storage or parking
- Moved the long-awaited Go For Broke and First Street North Project to fruition after more than 20 years of predevelopment on city-owned land
- Launched interdepartmental working groups to reimagine how city-owned land can facilitate more cost efficient and accelerated production of affordable housing

The Mayor's Office is continuing to coordinate with relevant city departments to draft ED3 implementation guidelines for streamlining affordable housing development on qualified publicly-owned land.

The Mayor's Office is currently working with LAHD and cityLAB, an interdisciplinary research institute at UCLA, to develop a competition for housing on small city-owned sites. This competition aims to generate novel housing typologies on small parcels of land that would generally be overlooked for housing development. cityLAB released the design competition in March 2025. The team has completed site selection of 12 sites

across nine council districts for the forthcoming RFQ. The motion to introduce this initiative will likely be introduced in fall of 2025, and the RFQ will be released in early 2026. .

Executive Directive 7

In November 2023, Mayor Bass signed Executive Directive 7 (ED7) to streamline housing production at all income levels and meet the housing needs of all Angelenos. ED7 will achieve this goal in several ways. Following the direction of ED7, City Planning has amended Site Plan Review Regulations in the Zoning Code, through the Housing Element Rezoning Program adopted in February 2025 by City Council. This will allow more projects to move directly to Building and Safety for permits and get built more quickly while still ensuring quality design, environmental quality, and affordability.

Additionally, City Planning has adopted new construction noise thresholds, reflecting Los Angeles' urbanized context, which will allow many more projects to proceed without needing to complete a full EIR. ED7 also makes strides towards facilitating adaptive reuse of vacant or unutilized office buildings into housing and explores ways to facilitate more home ownership citywide. Lastly, ED7 builds on the cross-department collaboration we have seen under ED1, to bring the City's development services departments together to find ways to reduce permitting times for mixed-income projects. As of September 30, 2025, over 56 mixed-income housing projects are receiving streamlined permit review under ED7.

<u>UPDATES ON MAYORAL ACTIONS</u>

State Funded Interim Housing Beds

With assistance from the Mayor's Office, the City has secured up to \$33,241,866 from the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) Emergency Stabilization Bed Grant Funding to support the development of 500 beds of interim housing citywide.

On May 28, 2024, Project Management Plans were submitted with potential site layouts, unit types, utility needs, cost estimates, timelines, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pathways, and a community engagement plan. On August 13, 2024, 5 sites (with a now combined total of 465 beds) received full Council and CEQA approval, including the previously approved Midvale/Pico site, and in December, the final site with an additional 51 beds received full Council and CEQA approval, and its PMP was submitted to the state. This is a combined total of 516 interim beds across all sites.

These sites are each located in a separate council district, and have been funded through state funding and leveraged philanthropic dollars. The Mayor's Office continues to coordinate with council offices, BOE, and CAO staff to expedite delivery of all six sites. The first of these sites, Midvale Pico in Council District 5, opened in June 2025. Three of the remaining five sites are in active construction, one site has moved into the design phase, and the last site will begin construction once the lease has been executed.

RV Solutions

In order to increase the City's capacity to resolve RV encampments, the Mayor's Office worked to lease and successfully convert a Metro-owned lot in Council District 9 into storage for RVs relinquished during City encampment resolutions. The City Of Los Angeles Police Commission - Commission Investigation Division (CID) identified a third party administrator to administer the lot. The lot, which received its first RV on April 17, 2025, is an Oversized Vehicle Impound Lot that functions similarly to an Official Police Garage, but is used specifically for targeted RV resolution efforts led by City entities.

The Balboa RV Storage Lot will be located in CD6 on a Metro owned site at 16800 Victory Blvd and will have the capacity for 125 RVs. Design is at 99% and BOE is obtaining building permits. Lease negotiations are in the final phase with City Council approval of the Municipal Facilities Report with the term sheet scheduled for October 28, 2025. If the lease execution payment proceeds as planned, construction will begin on December 1st.

Increasing Permanent Housing Placements

HACLA reports that since December 2022, the agency has executed 15,618 new leases across all Section 8 voucher programs housing a total of 25,245 low-income Angelenos. In March, HACLA suspended over 3,000 Housing Choice Voucher applications due to insufficient funds provided by the federal government in the 2025 budget. HUD has authorized HACLA to only lease CoC, VASH, and PBV. For the period of July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025, the agency has distributed 568 new unit vouchers through the CoC, VASH and PBV programs.

The Collaborative for Substance Use Care

The Collaborative, officially launched in March 2024, was designed with input from all 15 Council District offices, community-based treatment centers, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health's Bureau of Substance Abuse Prevention and Control, and through site visits to roughly 90 City interim housing sites operated by 13

LAHSA-contracted service providers. The program consists of several partners: interim-housing participants (PEH), Mayor's Office - Inside Safe Field Intervention Team (FIT) and Crisis and Incident Response through Community-Led Engagement team (CIRCLE), LAHSA-contracted service providers operating at interim housing sites, and the five contracted treatment centers.

Individuals experiencing homelessness are voluntarily screened for substance use by Inside Safe FIT or CIRCLE in the field, and by LAHSA-contracted service providers in interim housing. Those opting for inpatient care through The Collaborative can choose from five state-certified providers offering a full continuum of services – from withdrawal management to residential treatment and recovery housing. Care is funded through eligible benefits (e.g., Drug Medi-Cal) however, if benefits lapse and the participant still needs care, the City's opioid/tobacco settlement funds cover costs.

MOHHS partnered with LAHSA to integrate The Collaborative screening tool into HMIS, streamlining data collection of screening and referrals for interim housing service providers. The tool launched in March 2025, followed by provider training in July 2025, with a second training planned for October 2025.

House Our Veterans Campaign

Between January 1, 2025 and April 1, 2025, the Mayor's Office, in collaboration with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), executed a multi-pronged campaign to house veterans experiencing homelessness. The campaign was in response to the number of unused HUD-VASH vouchers (rental subsidies) that could be serving homeless veterans.

The campaign resulted in significant increases in both referrals from the VA to the Public Housing Authorities (PHAs), with a total of 419 referrals during the campaign period. In addition, the PHAs received 294 Requests for Tenancy Approvals (RFTAs) for veterans with HUD-VASH vouchers; this is the final step prior to landlords executing contracts with the PHAs. Although the campaign period has ended, the VA, HACLA, and the Mayor's Office are building on the momentum and success of the campaign to continue to support increased utilization of HUD-VASH vouchers, with the ultimate goal of linking all unhoused veterans in Los Angeles to permanent housing. Between January 1st and October 1st, HACLA has housed 369 veterans.

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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: October 16, 2025

TO: Matthew Szabo

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Director

Los Angeles City Planning

RE: QUARTERLY HOUSING PRODUCTION REPORT AND ADDRESSING THE

LOCAL HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS EMERGENCY

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information on the City's housing production as it relates to the annual production goals as established in the Housing Element. Additionally, it seeks to assess the progress in addressing the Local Housing and Homelessness Emergency pursuant to Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) Section 8.33.

LAAC Section 8.33(b)(i) allows the Mayor to declare a Local Housing and Homelessness Emergency when the City's housing production is projected to fall short by at least 40 percent of its annual goals as established in the Housing Element. For the eight-year Housing Element planning period, the City's total housing production goal, or Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) Allocation, as established in the City's 2021-2029 Housing Element, is 456,543 units. On an annualized basis, the housing production goal is 57,080 units per year. To meet the 40 percent criterion, the City must produce a total of 34,248 units per year.

According to City's annual progress reports, housing production during the first three full years of the current eight-year Housing Element planning period is as follows:

2022	2023	2024	Annual
(January 1 - December	(January 1 - December	(January 1 - December	Average
31)	31)	31)	(2022-2024)
23,422 units	18,618 units	17,231	19,757 units

Considering total RHNA progress to-date, current annual housing production averages 19,757 units per year. This production amount is 65 percent below the City's annual goals established by the Housing Element and satisfies the 40 percent threshold minimum that would allow the Mayor to continue to declare a Local Housing and Homelessness Emergency.

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The Department has also received updated monthly permit data for 2025 from the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS). According to the provided data, there were a total of 5,225 housing units permitted in the prior quarter period from July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025. When considering the 8,329 new units already permitted from January 2025 to June 2025, this brings the calendar year total to 13,554 units. It is projected using these figures that about 18,072 units will be permitted in the 2025 calendar year.

These figures suggest a modest increase in housing production this 2025 calendar year compared to the prior 2024 calendar year. However, housing production is still projected to remain below the 2022-2024 annual average. Consequently, it is evident that the City is not on track to meet the housing production goals set forth by the LAAC and Executive Order.

With regards to the progress in addressing the emergency, City Planning is implementing the Mayor's Executive Directive 1 (ED 1) to streamline approvals of 100% affordable housing developments. The ED 1 has been effective in facilitating the processing of affordable housing. As of October 6, 2025, the planning case activity for ED 1 can be summarized as follows:

- There have been a total of 40,834 proposed affordable housing units, of which 30,932 have been approved. It is not known at this time which of these have received building permits and therefore counted above.
- There have been 490 cases filed, out of which 432 have been successfully completed, leaving 58 cases pending.
- The average total processing time for these cases is 25 days.

The Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) did not have any additional information to report at this time.

For any questions regarding this matter, please contact Matt Glesne, Senior City Planner, at matthew.glesne@lacity.org.

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Inside Safe

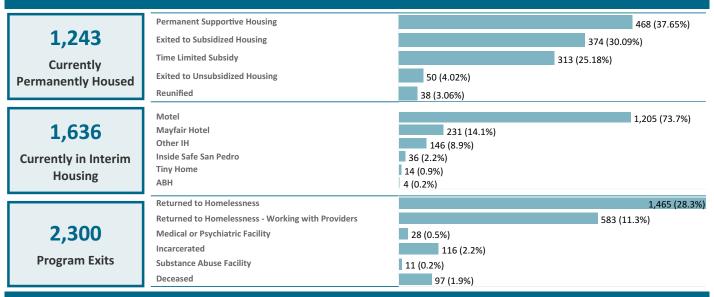
Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority Report

Data through September 30 2025. Published October 21 2025. Please disregard all previous reports.

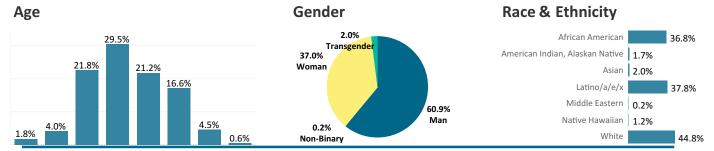
114 5,179 **57% Encampment Operations Entered Interim Housing Housing Retention**

Current Status of Clients Who Entered Interim Housing

*Due to ongoing data quality work, please note that for this report current statuses reflect the client statuses as of the update date and not the report end date.



Demographics



Individuals included in report: Includes clients who were engaged on the day of the encampment resolution and in repopulations efforts. Inside Safe also includes clients who were living in other ad hoc encampments throughout the city since January 2023 and clients that were living in the LA Grand on Feb 1, 2023, when transition from a PRK site. It also include clients in the ERF LA Grand Program. The nonspecific encampment-based clients comprise 1151 individuals.

Housing Retention: The percentage is calculated by dividing the sum of people who are Currently Permanently Housed and Currently in Interim Housing by the number of people who entered Interim Housing. This figure excludes clients that have passed away as they did not voluntarily exit the programs

Returned to Homelessness- Working with Providers: This includes clients who have left interim or permanent housing, but who are currently still engaging with outreach and housing programs.

Returned to Homelessness: Clients who have left the program and are not active in any other homeless services program in HMIS.

Data Quality: Report includes only data that providers have entered into HMIS. Providers have up to 72 hours after an interaction with, or a change in status of, a client to make a record in HMIS. Due to the dynamic nature of the program and its participants, the process may take longer than 72 hours. There may also be additional activities that have vet to be captured in HMIS. LAHSA and service providers strive for complete, accurate. and timely data in HMIS. The Data Management team at LAHSA is actively collaborating with providers to resolve any data discrepancies. Additionally, routine ongoing client reconciliation processes can result in fluctuations in client counts, including the possible ..

Entered Interim Housing: Includes only clients who entered interim housing. This cohort is the basis for

Percentage Permanently Housed: Calculated from all clients who entered interim housing who have not exited from program.

Duplicative Clients: As a note there have been 284 clients who have been involved in more than one resolution. They are deduplicated in the total count

Demographics: Blanks in demographics (race, age, gender, etc.) are not calculated in these data sets (and the main toplines), and people who self-report multiple races/ethnicities are double-counted in the race categories, but the grand totals are deduplicated numbers.