

# VALLEY ALLIANCE OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS (VANC)

NOTES FROM MEETING: OCTOBER 16, 2016

PRNC Board Vice President Susan Gorman-Chang attended this meeting. For agenda of meeting, see [Attachment 1](#).

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HERB WESSON, LA CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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Herb Wesson, the LA City Council President, will be caretaker of City District (CD) 7 now that Felipe Fuentes has stepped down as City Council Representative for CD-7. Mr. Wesson stepped in because CD-7 stakeholders would have been without a representative for 10 months as well as losing their district's funding. In CD-7, Mr. Wesson has worked with stakeholders to try and reopen an abandoned animal shelter by partnering with a volunteer rescue organization, and is addressing other concerns in the District as well

Mr. Wesson spoke about his support for Council File (CF) 16-0298, which is a city council motion regarding shared space, and is currently in the Entertainment & Faculties Committee of the LA City Council. Mr. Wesson explained this CF calls for an inventory of current city facilities neighborhood councils can use for office space and for meeting space. The CF calls for a report listing spaces available and the feasibility of allowing neighborhood councils (NC) priority in the use of these spaces. Some NC spend a lot of their annual budgets renting space to meet in, because nothing else is available in their area.

Mr. Wesson then took questions & comments, and VANC Chair Jill Banks Barad asked why VANC, being made up of a solely NC members and stakeholders, is not allowed to speak to the LA City Council for the 5 minutes afforded all individual neighborhood councils. Mr. Wesson explained that if VANC were allowed 5 minutes then other organizations such as non-profits and others would demand the same, and the process would bog down. The 5 minutes was designed solely for NC to utilize, as they are the voice of their community in front of the LA City Council. Mr. Wesson suggested that when VANC has a position on a CF, that VANC partner with a NC, since a NC can file a CIS and NC do have 5 minutes to speak before the LA City Council. A question came up in regards to the accounting for NC being moved out of DONE and into the LA City Clerk office. A NC representative stated they have some qualms about the move, since it appears the same employees that handle the funding were also simply shifted to LA City Clerk office so this may not solve the problem. Mr. Wesson stated that too often government is afraid to fail, so they don't try anything new, which

means a problem does not get solved. In this case, the system was not working well under DONE, so we are actually trying something new, and that we have to be willing to risk failure to try different options and figure out what works. Mr. Wesson stated we also need to have a conversation about elections and outreach money. They are also working on a mechanism to allow for carryover of funds from one fiscal year to the next for NC. That way, there is not the mad scramble to use funds at fiscal year end. Another NC representative brought up the fact that her NC is made up of about 100,000 people, yet she gets the same funding as everyone else with smaller NC areas. Mr. Wesson brought up the possibility of the NCs getting more funds allocated to them later in the fiscal year. Mr Wesson was asked about the White Paper on NC Budget Advocates and Mr. Wesson said he will review it.

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#### PROPOSITION HHH

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Proposition HHH is the Homeless Reduction and Prevention, Housing and Facilities Bond and is a \$1.2 billion measure that will provide the funding and infrastructure necessary to end and prevent chronic homelessness in the city of Los Angeles. (See [Attachment 2](#)).

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson was scheduled to speak on this but was unable to attend tonight, so Councilmember Jose Huizar 14th District was here on his behalf. First Jose introduced Brian Morgantienee, a 22 year old young man, who is currently an advocate for foster care children. He was a foster child himself, starting at age 4, and was in 32 different homes. Once a foster child turns 18, they age out of the foster care system and are entirely on their own! This is what happened to Brian, and he ended up homeless, and in a homeless shelter in Inglewood. Brian stated that 50% of youth that are homeless were children of the foster care system. This is a real problem. He wanted to talk to us tonight to communicate the need for, and to share his support of, Proposition HHH.

Jose then introduced Jerry Neuman, the Co-Chair of the Business Leaders Task Force on Homelessness. Jerry stated that Proposition HHH will provide at least 10,000 units for supportive housing for homeless individuals. In the past year and a half, homeless numbers have increased by 13% and the San Fernando Valley has seen the largest spike. There are 5,000 homeless on Skid Row, but 85% of homeless are outside of Skid Row. Jerry explained that the city formed a committee and created a comprehensive strategic plan. (See the whole Comprehensive Homeless Strategy for City of Los Angeles that can be found at: [http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2015/15-1138-S1\\_misc\\_1-7-16.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2015/15-1138-S1_misc_1-7-16.pdf)). Los Angeles used to just react, driven by the latest court case decisions, to the homeless issues and to homeless individuals. That was reactionary, and very inefficient. In January 2016 the city of Los Angeles adopted the Comprehensive Homeless Strategy and we need funding to execute this plan. They spoke to many experts and every possible funding idea was put on the table. They

decided a \$1.2 billion bond for funding the permanent supportive housing with wrap around services for job training, drug addiction, mental health, etc. was the best option.

For every \$100,000 of property value, an increase in property tax of \$10 a year will be assessed. The average assessment will be about \$30 a year for homeowners. A VANC officer pointed out that due to the high average house values in the San Fernando Valley, that the \$30 average assessment estimate is probably low. Apartment complex properties will also be assessed this additional property tax but the costs will not be allowed to be passed onto renters. These assessments are only made as funds are needed for construction. Currently Los Angeles is providing 300 units a year of affordable housing.

There are currently 11-12 city owned properties, on which the city can build permanent supportive housing. It is 40% more efficient to provide permanent housing for homeless than to react, year after year, and pay for the costs including LAPD, medical, legal and other services.

Jerry stated he has worked with United Way, Home For Good, and the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and has a strong business perspective on this issue. He used the example of homeless Veterans, and how by providing them with permanent housing, there are now 60% less homeless Veterans in the city of Los Angeles.

In the city of Los Angeles, there are approximately 26,000 homeless, and we are housing only about 700-850 right now. Taking the current number of turnover units plus conversion units such as motels and adding that number to the 10,000 units that Proposition HHH will provide, we should just about house most of the homeless in the city of Los Angeles. The city of Los Angeles owns properties all over the city including some in the San Fernando Valley. LA County helps with services such as mental health management and addiction treatment. LA County does have funds for these services, and non-profit organizations also provide this type of support.

Proposition HHH will utilize a Coordinated Entry System, which means each and every homeless individual is first interviewed and their needs are assessed and then permanent housing with wrap around services to meet those needs will be provided to them. In the interim, before the 10,000 units are built, since construction takes time, funds will be used to retrofit and convert units and to provide storage units for homeless people's possessions.

Oversight will be achieved and maintained from sources including a special committee, LA City Council, the Mayor's office, a Citizen Oversight Committee plus independent auditors to account for all expenditures of funds.

The housing will be constructed by contractors, and the city of Los Angeles will select the contractors based on competitive bids.

A NC member asked how the housing units themselves will be managed, citing past failures of public type housing such as the infamous Cabrini -Green in Chicago. Jerry answered that the city will find operators who maintain buildings, typically a non-profit organization, and they have accumulated best practices which will be utilized, such as those practiced by Home For Good, the organization that has tackled the homeless Veterans situation successfully. There will be a 55 year covenant lease for these properties.

Supportive Housing is permanent housing with on-site wraparound services that result in local success rates of 94%, meaning of those housed in the last 6 years, 94% have stayed housed (and not become homeless again) for 3 years to date. The permanent housing is key, because a homeless person cannot focus and make progress on tackling their issues until they are in a stable environment and not having to focus on where they will be sleeping that night or where they will get their next meal, while being in "survival mode." There will be some transitional housing, but most will be permanent housing.

A NC member asked Jerry about how long it takes to get buildings constructed in Los Angeles and won't it take a long time to build these 10,000 units? Jerry answered the city has agreed to streamline much of the procedures to get the units built quicker. A NC member asked if the drug addiction treatment programs or mental health treatments provided as part of the wrap around care will be mandatory, and Jerry answered no, but their experience has shown that once a homeless person is in permanent housing, and starts to feel safe and moves out of survival mode, then they are in a place where they eventually agree to treatment.

Then, Jack Humpreyville, Mid-Wilshire NC, gave a presentation in opposition to Proposition HHH. He blamed the LA City Council for not making homelessness a priority, and said they are responsible for letting the situation get so bad and so out of hand. He spoke of numerous expenditures made by the LA City Council that he felt were inappropriate and ill advised, and that he felt should have been used for the homeless situation. He spoke of how all of the Propositions on the November ballot, added together, would be too large a burden for the average Los Angeles taxpayer. He pointed out that for a \$1.2 billion bond, the state will have to pay interest on this bond, too. One NC member stated that the property tax assessment increase could put individuals like her 90 year old mother into the realm of the homeless, thus making the homeless situation worse. See [Attachment 3](#) for Jack's documents opposing Proposition HHH.

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CODE OF CIVILITY POLICY AND CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

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Gracie Liu could not attend, so Layla attended in her stead. Layla explained that the Code of Conduct was a policy by the commission, and must be read and signed by each NC member, while the Code of Civility was an agreement for how to treat each other at board meetings.

A recent change implemented by Board of Neighborhood Councils (BONC) regarding the Code of Conduct is that now every 2 years it must be renewed (along with the Code of Ethics) by every NC board member. If you sign the Code of Conduct by November 1, 2016, you must now resign every 2 years after that. If you are an ongoing and reelected or appointed NC board member, you must sign the Code of Conduct by November 1, 2016. A newly elected NC board member will of course read and sign the Code of Conduct, because they are directed and reminded to do so. BONC was trying to get the Code of Ethics and the Code of Conduct on the same schedule.

There was some discussion of how this change was not well publicized by BONC and it caught many NC off guard, finding out that many of their members were in jeopardy of losing their councilmember status because their Code of Conduct was not updated per the new rules. Bottom line, check that all NC members have, in 2016, signed a Code of Conduct and if not do so immediately before the November 1, 2016 deadline.

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VANC NOV 10 PLANNING FORUM & MARCH 2017 MIXER

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This planning event takes place at CBS Studios in Studio City from 5:30 – 9:30 pm on Thursday, November 10, 2016. See [Attachment 4](#) for flyer. The Forum Sponsors printed on the flier are their NC that have already paid. It is not too late to pay.

The November 10 Planning Forum is entitled “**The Future of Development in LA—Pros and Cons of the Neighborhood Integrity Initiative**” and will feature Moderator Dan Schnur, Director of Planning in the city of Los Angeles, and Jesse M Unruh, Director of the Institute of Politics at USC. There will be two breakout sessions from which attendees can select to attend covering: Planning 101, Overlay Districts (CDOs), Community Plans Revisions & HPOZ, Small Lot Subdivisions, Navigation LA City Planning Websites and Conditional Use & Zone Variance Applications. These are very educational and informative sessions and any person for any NC attending will learn a lot by attending.

There will be more information about the March mixers in the months to come. To attend both of these events is \$500, though NC can decide to send less

money to VANC for this if they choose. The amount of money collected drives the amount/type of food & beverages purchased from the vendor. VANC suggests you put this in your NC budget if you want to send someone. This will entail presenting the motion and passing the motion to spend the \$500 (or a lesser figure) to send one or more Board Members to these two events. The NC would write ONE check for the Planning Forum a Mixer for \$500. Check is made out to JCS Catering Company. Contact Vic Viereck, VANC Treasurer at [VicViereck@sbcglobal.net](mailto:VicViereck@sbcglobal.net) for more information. This represents an advanced payment, but this is an exception approved by DONE. These two events are very important in that every city official seems to attend, so you get a lot of face time with them that you would not get under most other circumstances.

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IMPORTANT COUNCIL FILES (CF)

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Glenn Bailey pointed out some important CF our NC may be interested in and for which a NC may want to do a Community Impact Statement (CIS).

The first which has unfortunately already passed, but is still worth discussing, was New Sub-Division Ordinance **CF-12-1681**. This motion allows for a section of a NC area to break away and request that they become their own, new NC district. This is problematic because some areas with special interests may want to break away and form their own NC and get their own money. For instance, Glenn stated there is a strictly commercial area of Northridge/Reseda that is asking to break away and form their own NC. That would be more like a Chamber of Commerce than a NC! Also, what if a Homeowner's Association (HOA) wanted to break away and make their own NC? This brings up a lot of issues and may work to fragment, rather than bring together, communities. Also, where will the money come from for these new NC to be funded? Layla, from the city, stated that the requests must go through her office and be considered and be approved. The minimum for a NC is 20,000 individuals population wise.

Glenn then spoke about **CF-16-0298**, which is the shared space motion Herb Wesson spoke about earlier. It is important for those NC who want to secure shared space to share their stories and needs in the form of a CIS and to take their 5 minutes at the LA City Council meetings.

**CF-15-1022-S2** is about online voting and **CF-04-1935-S1** is about poll worker training. Again, Glenn suggests reading through these and creating a CIS if they are of interest to your NC.

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## HANDOUTS

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- LA Parks Survey: Brief sheet on request for people to fill out this online survey which can be found on : <http://www.surveymonkey.co/r/LAPARKS16>. This is to let the city of LA know your thoughts about our parks, what is working, what needs improvement, what's missing and what you want to see more of in our community parks. Due date is October 31, 2106 for responses. **Attachment 5**
- Preserve LA: Valley Town Hall: Neighborhood Integrity Initiative flyer. Event is at Sportsman's Lodge, 12825 Ventura Blvd, Studio City on Saturday, October 22, 2016 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. **Attachment 6**
- Vote Yes On M map, showing existing and new transit lines and projects as well as future highway projects. **Attachment 7**
- One page listing & brief description of all City and County measure on our November ballots **Attachment 8**

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## ITEMS ON AGENDA TABLED

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- Report of NC Congress, held Sept 24, 2016- Cindy Cleghorn, Congress Chair

# Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

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VANC

Thursday, October 13, 2016

6:30 p.m. Promptly

Sherman Oaks Hospital, 4929 Van Nuys Blvd., Doctor's Conference Room.  
(Validated parking in the structure)



## \*LA City Council President Herb Wesson

announced he will be the caretaker for CD7. What are his plans? How will he involve the Neighborhood Councils in CD7?

Good news for Sunland-Tujunga NC- back to their original office?

*Your Neighborhood Council concerns will be addressed.*

\*Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson will discuss Proposition HHH- the Homelessness City ballot measure. (Note: his presentation will be EARLY.)

## AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions Jill Banks Barad, Founder and Chair
- Another look at Proposition HHH- Jack Humpreville (*City Watch & Mid-Wilshire NC*)
- **DONE Update: Funding transition to City Clerk's office.**  
*Does a new Ordinance put DONE out of the picture? (CF-11-1020-S2) ,  
New Sub-Division Ordinance (CF-12-1681)*  
(Councilmember Herb Wesson, Grayce Liu, DONE GM).
- **BONC Update: New Code of Civility Policy, oh no, not another policy!**  
Separate meetings for No.and So.Valley (Len Shaffer, So. Valley BONC commissioner)
- **VANC Planning Forum** November 10: Program and opportunities to SPONSOR.
- Important Council Files for your NC to consider (Glenn Bailey, Northridge East/ Encino NCs)
- Report on NC Congress, held September 24 (Cindy Cleghorn, Congress Chair)
- Items from the floor

### Mark your calendar:

- **VANC Planning Forum**, Thursday, November 10, 5:30- 9:30 p.m., CBS Studios, Studio City. Reservations REQUIRED.  
Vince Bertoni, new Director of Planning, City of LA, **Panel-** "The Future of Development in LA... the Pros and Cons of the Neighborhood Integrity Initiative".
- **NC Congress**, September 16, 2017

Attachment 1





## What is Proposition HHH?

Prop HHH, The “Homelessness Reduction and Prevention, Housing, and Facilities Bond” is a **\$1.2 billion** bond measure that will provide the funding and infrastructure necessary to end and prevent chronic homelessness in the City of Los Angeles.

## What will it pay for?

Prop HHH will help finance a significant increase in L.A.’s Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), a proven strategy to end chronic homelessness already in place in cities across the country. L.A. needs an additional 10,000 units of Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) are needed in order to house all of the City’s chronically homeless residents, including women and children, veterans, seniors, foster youth, and the disabled.

Without the bond, the City is only able to finance 3,000 units over the next 10 years. With Proposition HHH, the City will be able to finance 8,000-10,000 units to end chronic homelessness in LA.

In addition to permanent supportive housing, Prop HHH provides funding to construct facilities that provide emergency relief for those experiencing homelessness and affordable housing for those at risk of it. Proceeds of the bond allows for the following uses:

- Supportive housing specifically designed for homeless and chronically homeless households
- Affordable housing for very low-income Angelenos at risk of homelessness
- Temporary shelters, storage, and shower facilities
- Associated infrastructure for constructed facilities such as sidewalks and utilities

## What’s Permanent Supportive Housing?

PSH is a proven intervention for those experiencing long-term homelessness and suffering from a disabling condition (mental/physical health or substance use disorder). It offers a permanent unit of safe, clean housing with on-site, wraparound services that have resulted in local success rates surpassing 90% while being 43% cheaper than leaving those same residents on the street.

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[YesOnHHH.com](http://YesOnHHH.com)

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Attachment 2

## What is the plan, to implement Prop HHH?

Prop HHH is only part of a comprehensive plan to end chronic homelessness. For every \$1 of Prop HHH investment, it will leverage \$3 from private, state, and federal sources.

- 1. Comprehensive Plan:** Under the direction of the Mayor and Council, the City of Los Angeles worked with the County of Los Angeles and leading community partners to produce a historic Comprehensive Homeless Strategy, formally adopting the plan on February 9, 2016.
- 2. Private Partnerships:** The City provides the proceeds of the bond to local housing developers through a competitive process to construct and operate these facilities. All housing units financed will remain affordable for 55 years.
- 3. Supportive Services:** Entry into these units will be streamlined through a network of street and community outreach teams and homeless programs in the Coordinated Entry System. Once in the units, intensive case management services will be provided to residents by nonprofit agencies.
- 4. Shared Cost:** Bond proceeds will only pay a portion of the construction costs for each unit. For every \$1 of City investment, the City leverages about \$3 from private, state, and federal sources.
- 5. Accountability:** Proposition HHH will create a seven-member Citizens' Oversight Committee, an Administrative Oversight Committee, annual allocation plans, and audits on use of funds. Home For Good, an initiative of the United Way of Greater Los Angeles and the LA Area Chamber of Commerce, also intends to track progress of PSH construction.

## What will it take to pass?

A general obligation bond requires approval by **67%** of the electorate.

## Who supports Prop HHH?

- Eric Garcetti, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
- Herb Wesson, Council President, City of Los Angeles
- Marqueece Harris-Dawson, Councilmember, City of Los Angeles
- Jose Huizar, Councilmember, City of Los Angeles
- Mike Bonin, Councilmember, City of Los Angeles
- Paul Koretz, Councilmember, City of Los Angeles
- Curren Price, Councilmember, City of Los Angeles
- Elise Buik, United Way of Greater Los Angeles
- Gary Toebben, LA Area Chamber of Commerce
- Michael Alvidrez, Skid Row Housing Trust
- Charles E. Blake, Sr., West Angeles Church of God in Christ
- Richard Close, Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association
- Antonia Hernandez, California Community Foundation
- Rusty Hicks, LA County Federation of Labor
- Dr. Mitch Katz, LA County Department of Health Services
- Faye Washington, YWCA of Greater Los Angeles
- Zev Yaroslavsky, Former LA County Supervisor

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# VOTE NO on HHH

27000 City Homeless- 1000 beds in 10 years proposed

No Plan

No real oversight

No Buildings (Other than the City 15)

No Money For Service Providers

No Beds for 3 years !!!!!

Fact sheet - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fact\\_sheet](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fact_sheet)

Wikipedia

A **fact sheet**, **factsheet** or (in some industries) **one-sheet** is a presentation of data in a format which emphasizes key points concisely. The layout is simple and often standardized, e.g. using a table, bullet points and/or headings, and is usually on a single printed page.

**Ask the question:**

**Where is the 2.1 Billion Dollars set aside by Prop 30 For Supportive Homeless Housing?**

**Demand The Governor Declare a "Homeless State of Emergency"**

**This will bring \$500,000,000.00 Immediately with no bonds, taxes..**

Attachment 3

# What a PLAN could look like!

## Short-term Plan

### Oversight:

1) Appoint a Citizens' Committee for oversight. This committee MUST have authority to implement the plan and not just advisory to City Council.

### Use of funds:

1) Identify every available city, county, state and federal property. Use the existing funds dedicated for the homeless crisis to convert these properties into supportive housing. If the property does not have a building on it, use the property to house FEMA- style trailers for immediate housing. Some of the funds could be used to have DWP install water and power to the property.

2) Identify large, vacant unused buildings in the city (Warehouses, vacant retail stores) that have high ceilings. Rent them and build in offices for supportive services, common areas for dining and work space, bunk beds, and showers/rest rooms. Paying rent helps landlords, and using the vacant space for temporary supportive housing gets people off the streets immediately and provides supportive services they need immediately, not in 3-5 years. Three million square feet of building space would house 30,000 beds. Build out would be much less expensive and you would have an immediate effect on reducing the homeless population. At \$3.00 per sq. ft., it would cost \$108,000,000.00 in rent. Add the build out. (go to <http://www.http/podshare.cowww.http://podshare.co>) to visualize the space and see an example for the build out.

3) Partner with social service providers for the services. (Have the County/State pay this portion.)  
4) Do a pro forma statement of costs for each component of the above including build out and ongoing expenses to operate.

## Long-term Plan

1) Identify the buildings/land as mentioned in the #1 Short-term above. Price out retrofitting them or demo and re-build.  
2) Partner with developers at a fixed rate of profit to build out vacant land properties.  
3) Partner with social service providers for the services. (Have the County/State pay this portion.)  
4) Propose to reduce or eliminate building fees for projects that are built for the homeless and expedite the process.

### Any and all plans should include:

1) Identify the property  
2) Identify how many beds/units the property will hold  
3) Identify the cost to convert/retrofit/build  
4) Identify the timeline for completion  
5) Identify the service providers and their costs  
6) Do a pro forma statement of costs for each component of the above including build out and ongoing expenses to operate.



Note that the above proposed timeline will involve pertinent future due diligence to address utility infrastructure issues, environmental and historic preservation analysis, and involve timing issues regarding the selected housing developers to obtain non-VA monetary capital needs

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## Transitional Youth Co-Living

with the support of

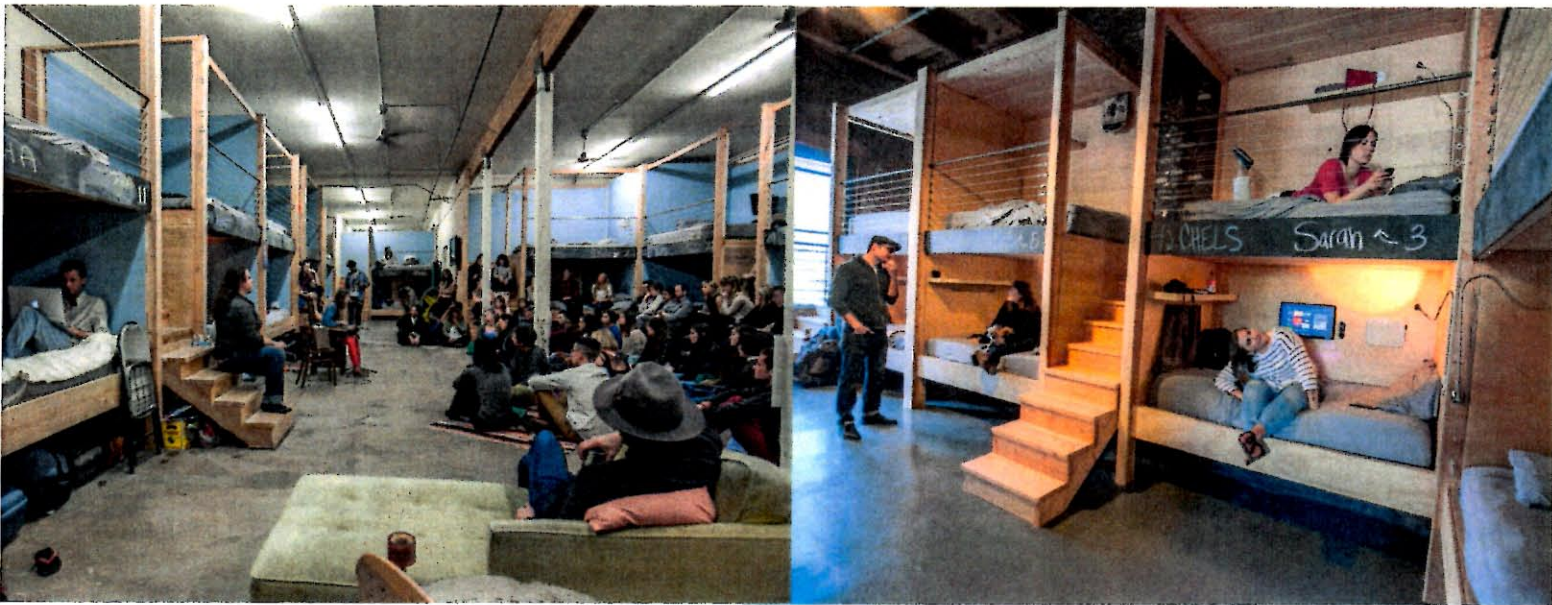


Covenant House California  
Opening Doors for Homeless Youth

LOS ANGELES  
LGBT  
CENTER

Children's Hospital  
LOS ANGELES

In 2012, PodShare began co-living with a redesign of the shared dormitory: "bunk beds are for kids, 'pods' are for adults."



Millennials from across the world reviewed, snapped and instagrammed our community. Our model is affordable, comfortable, and accessible as "you get your own pod, and we share everything else".

"[PodShare] establishes 'co-living' as an affordable way to travel or settle into a new city" – LA BUSINESS JOURNAL

"[and allows] people more freedom to spend their money on experiences, not housing." – BUSINESS INSIDER

Angelinos began asking if our model could be applied to solve a real problem

# homelessness.

YES. We believe it can. Pods utilize vertical height and cubic airspace to comfortably host up to 4X more people than traditional bedrooms. We're a "**community without walls**" – designed for optimal sociability, safety, and transparency. Our floor plan explores the power of community and builds trust, introducing individuals to fast friendships and a place where they feel like they belong.

# 6000 - 8000 youth are homeless in Hollywood

**"To fix  
homelessness,  
we need  
homes."**

*- Miguel A. Santana  
Chief Administrative Officer*

**18%** of homeless in CD13 are youth  
the highest concentration in the city

**>40%** self-identify as LGBTQ  
more likely to be victims of crimes

**42%** are Black /African American  
which is disproportionately high

## CO-LIVING - the solution for transitional housing

PodShare in collaboration with members of the Hollywood Homeless Youth Partnership is submitting an action plan to the LA2050 Grant Challenge.

**Our goal is to build a tangible and innovative solution to get homeless youth off the streets and into stable housing and work environments.**



This pilot program would host 40 youths, selected by partner organizations, for a period of up to six months while they seek long term housing. The community environment will teach the youth life skills, while offering the opportunity to participate in a hospitality training and job placement.

**Seeking Support:**

In finding a suitable location with 12ft+ ceilings  
To assist with permitting & city permissions

## Will Prop. HHH be administered effectively?

Yes. The foundational elements for effective and efficient administration of this Bond are in place:

1. **Comprehensive Plan:** Under the direction of the Mayor and Council, the City of Los Angeles worked with the County of Los Angeles and leading community partners to produce a historic Comprehensive Homeless Strategy, formally adopting the plan on February 9, 2016.
2. **Private Partnerships:** The City provides the proceeds of the bond to local housing developers through a competitive process to construct and operate these facilities. All housing units financed will remain affordable for 55 years. *Who picks? Council Friends*
3. **Supportive Services:** Entry into these units will be streamlined through a network of street and community outreach teams and homeless programs in the Coordinated Entry System. Once in the units, intensive case management services will be provided to residents by nonprofit agencies. *Packet Profits.*
4. **Shared Cost:** Bond proceeds will only pay a portion of the construction costs for each unit. For every \$1 of City investment, the City leverages about \$3 from private, state, and federal sources.
5. **Accountability:** Proposition HHH will create a seven-member Citizens' Oversight Committee, an Administrative Oversight Committee, annual allocation plans, and audits on use of funds. Home For Good, an initiative of the United Way of Greater Los Angeles and the LA Area Chamber of Commerce, also intends to track progress of PSH construction.

## How do Bonds work?

Bond proceeds will go into a special fund, not into the City's General Fund. Bonds will be issued once a year, based on selected projects that are ready to break ground. General obligation bonds are sold in the public market through a competitive sales method, with the sale going to the lowest bidder.

## What will it take to pass?

A general obligation bond requires approval by 66% of the electorate.

## Who supports Prop. HHH?\*

- Elise Buik, United Way of Greater Los Angeles
- Gary Toebben, LA Area Chamber of Commerce
- Michael Alvidrez, Skid Row Housing Trust
- Charles E. Blake, Sr., West Angeles Church of God in Christ
- Richard Close, Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association
- Antonia Hernandez, California Community Foundation
- Rusty Hicks, LA County Federation of Labor
- Dr. Mitch Katz, LA County Department of Health Services
- Faye Washington, YWCA of Greater Los Angeles
- Zev Yaroslavsky, Former LA County Supervisor

## How will this appear on my ballot?

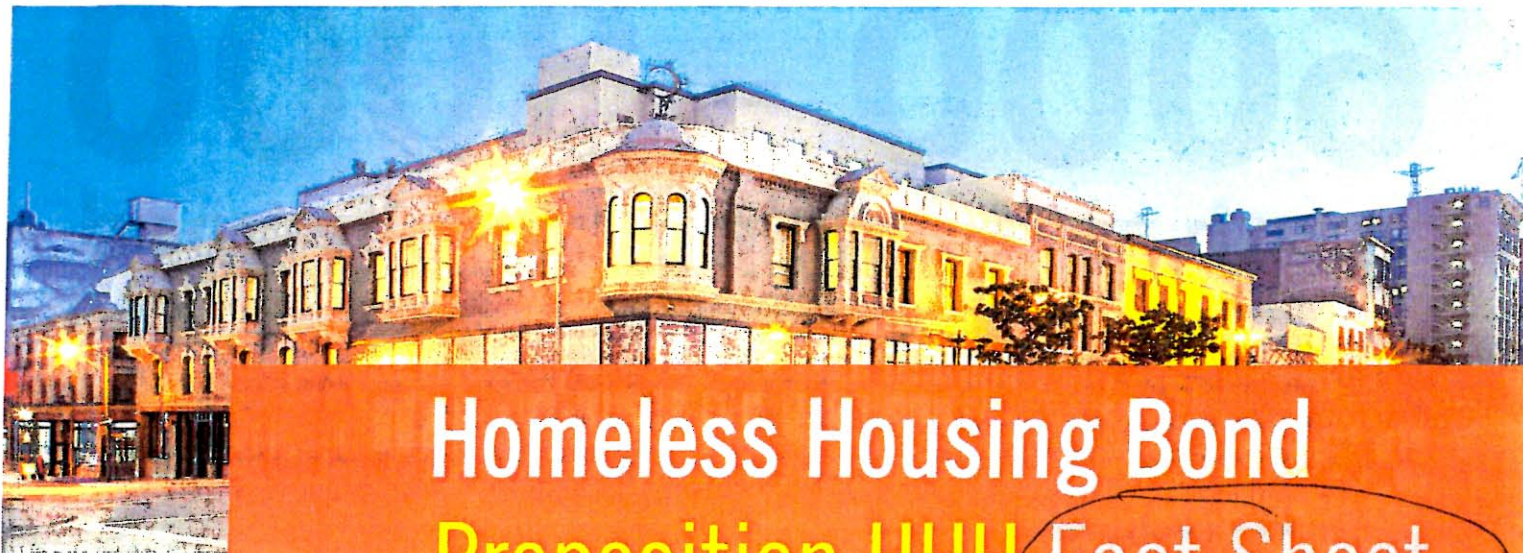
Proposition HHH will appear first on the City of Los Angeles section of the November election ballot:

### HOMELESSNESS REDUCTION & PREVENTION, HOUSING, AND FACILITIES BOND

To provide safe, clean affordable housing for the homeless and for those in danger of becoming homeless, such as battered women and their children, veterans, seniors, foster youth, and the disabled; and provide facilities to increase access to mental health care, drug and alcohol treatment, and other services; shall the City of Los Angeles issue \$1,200,000,000 in general obligation bonds, with citizen oversight and annual financial audits?

\*organizations listed for identifications purposes only





# Homeless Housing Bond Proposition HHH Fact Sheet

*Really!!!*

## What is Proposition HHH?

The "Homelessness Reduction and Prevention, Housing, and Facilities Bond" is a \$1.2 billion general obligation bond designed to end and prevent chronic homelessness in the City of Los Angeles.

## What will it pay for?

*not included!*

Presently, an additional 10,000 units of **Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)** are needed in order to house all of the City's chronically homeless residents, including women and children, veterans, seniors, foster youth, and the disabled. Without the bond, the City would only be able to finance 3,000 units over the next 10 years. With Proposition HHH, the City will be able to finance 8,000-10,000 units, *27000 IN L.A.?* depending on the leveraging sources available, to end chronic homelessness in LA.

In addition to permanent supportive housing, Prop. HHH provides funding to construct facilities that provide emergency relief for those experiencing homelessness and affordable housing for those at risk of it. Proceeds of the bond allows for the following uses:

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- Supportive housing specifically designed for homeless and chronically homeless households
- Affordable housing for very low-income Angelenos at risk of homelessness
- Temporary shelters, storage, and shower facilities
- Associated infrastructure for constructed facilities such as sidewalks and utilities

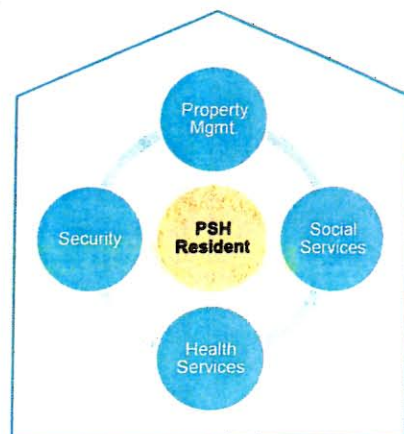
## How will it be paid?

The bonds from Proposition HHH will be paid back through a tax based on the assessed value of residential and commercial properties within the City, estimated at \$9.64 annually per \$100,000 of assessed value. This will cost the average homeowner \$32.87 per year for 29 years.

## What's Permanent Supportive Housing?

PSH is a proven intervention for those experiencing long-term homelessness and suffering from a disabling condition (mental/physical health or substance use disorder). It offers a permanent unit of safe, clean housing with on-site, wraparound services that have resulted in local success rates surpassing 90% while being 43% cheaper than leaving those same residents on the street.

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## Will Prop. HHH be administered effectively?

Yes. The foundational elements for effective and efficient administration of this Bond are in place:

1. **Comprehensive Plan:** Under the direction of the Mayor and Council, the City of Los Angeles worked with the County of Los Angeles and leading community partners to produce a historic Comprehensive Homeless Strategy, formally adopting the plan on February 9, 2016.
2. **Private Partnerships:** The City provides the proceeds of the bond to local housing developers through a competitive process to construct and operate these facilities. All housing units financed will remain affordable for 55 years. *Who picks? Council Friends*
3. **Supportive Services:** Entry into these units will be streamlined through a network of street and community outreach teams and homeless programs in the Coordinated Entry System. Once in the units, intensive case management services will be provided to residents by nonprofit agencies. *Packet Profits.*
4. **Shared Cost:** Bond proceeds will only pay a portion of the construction costs for each unit. For every \$1 of City investment, the City leverages about \$3 from private, state, and federal sources.
5. **Accountability:** Proposition HHH will create a seven-member Citizens' Oversight Committee, an Administrative Oversight Committee, annual allocation plans, and audits on use of funds. Home For Good, an initiative of the United Way of Greater Los Angeles and the LA Area Chamber of Commerce, also intends to track progress of PSH construction.

## How do Bonds work?

Bond proceeds will go into a special fund, not into the City's General Fund. Bonds will be issued once a year, based on selected projects that are ready to break ground. General obligation bonds are sold in the public market through a competitive sales method, with the sale going to the lowest bidder.

## What will it take to pass?

A general obligation bond requires approval by 66% of the electorate.

## Who supports Prop. HHH?\*

- Elise Buik, United Way of Greater Los Angeles
- Gary Toebben, LA Area Chamber of Commerce
- Michael Alvidrez, Skid Row Housing Trust
- Charles E. Blake, Sr., West Angeles Church of God in Christ
- Richard Close, Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association
- Antonia Hernandez, California Community Foundation
- Rusty Hicks, LA County Federation of Labor
- Dr. Mitch Katz, LA County Department of Health Services
- Faye Washington, YWCA of Greater Los Angeles
- Zev Yaroslavsky, Former LA County Supervisor

## How will this appear on my ballot?

Proposition HHH will appear first on the City of Los Angeles section of the November election ballot:

### HOMELESSNESS REDUCTION & PREVENTION, HOUSING, AND FACILITIES BOND

To provide safe, clean affordable housing for the homeless and for those in danger of becoming homeless, such as battered women and their children, veterans, seniors, foster youth, and the disabled; and provide facilities to increase access to mental health care, drug and alcohol treatment, and other services; shall the City of Los Angeles issue \$1,200,000,000 in general obligation bonds, with citizen oversight and annual financial audits?

\*organizations listed for identifications purposes only

**West LA – Sawtelle Neighborhood Council  
Proposal Plan for Outreach Services  
FY 2016-2017**

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St. Joseph Center (“the Center”) proposes to provide street outreach, assessment, case management, linkage and ongoing supportive services to homeless individuals encountered within the borders of the West LA – Sawtelle Neighborhood Council jurisdiction four days per week. When available, the Center will provide the Neighborhood Council with demographic data and activity reports on all homeless individuals engaged by outreach workers. The Center will use data garnered from assessments to inform treatment planning and linkages to resources. The Center will also track the provision of services to those homeless individuals who enroll in case management and provide information regarding outcomes associated with these interventions.

The recent LA County Homeless Count indicated that 35% of homeless individuals in West LA Service Area 5 suffer from mental illness and 27% struggle with substance use. In addition, an estimated 40% of homeless individuals in West LA Service Area 5 meet the HUD definition of chronic homelessness. Given this information, the Center believes that the most appropriate approach to engage and support program participants is assertive outreach based on the principles of harm reduction. Harm reduction is a best practice approach which attempts to reduce the adverse consequences of drug use among persons who continue to use drugs. The Center will employ intervention-focused case management with a strong application of the Housing First model when housing vouchers are available. Housing First involves providing people experiencing homelessness with housing as quickly as possible and then once housed providing services as needed.

Since 40% of the homeless encountered in the area are expected to be chronically homeless with medical, mental health and substance abuse histories, it is expected that many of these individuals will meet the criteria for being most likely to die on the streets without assertive housing interventions. The proposed services take these and other important factors into consideration.

#### Proposed Services

- **Outreach and Engagement:** Staff will begin to provide homeless street outreach in West LA-Sawtelle Neighborhood four days per week, including responses to requests by Councilman Bonin’s office, the Neighborhood Council and the Los Angeles Police Department. At the initial client contact, staff will obtain basic demographic data as well as information on their physical and mental health status through the administration of a standardized assessment (currently the VI-SPDAT). If a homeless individual is unable or unwilling to engage on the first encounter, staff will visit repeatedly and continue to encourage engagement. Once the assessment is completed, individuals will be entered into the SPA 5 Coordinated Entry System (CES), which St. Joseph Center leads. Entering individuals into the CES will help facilitate matching of clients with appropriate housing resources for which they are eligible. In addition to ensuring that clients have access to a wide variety of housing resources and supportive services, the CES will allow St. Joseph Center to keep a by-name list of those individuals who are high utilizers of police and paramedic services. This by-name list will enable staff to begin focusing efforts more intensely on those most likely to die on the streets.

In cases where the outreach team receives a referral regarding an individual posing a serious public health or safety risk, the Center will coordinate with the LAPD, the Department of Public Health or Adult Protective Services to provide the best outcome possible.

- **Vehicle Outreach and Freeway Underpasses:** St. Joseph Center will provide intensive outreach services in the West LA- Sawtelle area to homeless clients residing in their vehicles and under freeway underpasses on the neighborhood's borders.

- **Intake and Assessment:** Once engaged, clients will be assessed further to determine their medical, mental health, psychosocial and substance abuse history. Information obtained will provide the basis for determining appropriate service linkage. Readiness for various housing options, including legal and financial needs will inform the housing plan. The housing plan will include how the client will secure a sustainable source of income, apply for an appropriate housing subsidy, save money for housing costs and conduct a housing search.

- **Case Management:** The Center, provides intervention-focused case management to chronically homeless clients. Intervention-focused case management is an approach by which the case manager actively works with an individual to move them out of a crisis situation. This client-centered approach maximizes the individual's physical, social, and economic well-being, and assists with independent living. Within this pro-active model case managers do not wait until the person is ready to accept an intervention. At times, interventions are put into place without the client's acceptance or knowledge. The case manager recognizes that because of underlying mental health issues, homeless individuals are not always capable of making good decisions regarding their well-being. Therefore, the case manager directs the case management in two ways. First, they identify barriers and work with the individual to eliminate those barriers by engaging other service providers as part of the intervention team. The second component focuses on the case manager-client relationship. Attempts are made to establish a connection with the client quickly by providing him/her with immediate resolutions to treatment goals that are easily obtainable. Subsequent meetings focus on more complicated goals. The intervention-focused case management practice adheres to a harm reduction philosophy. To the greatest extent possible, the Housing First model is also part of this approach as previously mentioned. This approach is intensive, time consuming, and requires that the case manager be in constant contact with the individual to ensure that he/she, whenever possible, is focused on the goal of transitioning to stable, long-term housing.

- **Referrals and Program Coordination:** When the Center is unable to directly meet the needs of clients, SJC staff provide assertive wrap-around support in collaboration with other community-based providers which offer mental health, substance abuse and health care services. If the Center's clinical staff suspects that an individual is gravely disabled or at risk of harm to self or others, SJC staff will request follow up by the County Department of Mental Health's (DMH) Psychiatric Emergency Team or the Los Angeles Police Department. When individuals are hospitalized (voluntarily or involuntarily) the Center's staff will work closely with DMH and hospital staff to ensure that they are released from the hospital only after effective treatment and discharge planning. Without this, individuals will likely reappear and return to homelessness in the community. When indicated, staff will be involved in systems coordination that may result in conservatorship. In other cases, staff will identify an appropriate residential treatment or living situation such as a Board and Care or Sober Living program.

If the individual's status does not indicate a need for psychiatric hospitalization, the outreach team may ask for the individual to be transported to Edelman Mental Health Center for further evaluation. Minimally, the team will continue to be in contact with the individual with a goal of getting the person to accept services. Our experience has shown that, in many instances, acceptance of an appropriate medication regimen often comes before an individual expresses a willingness to move indoors. In these cases, education, the building of trust, and the introduction of the individual to mental health services (by assisting with scheduling and transporting) are essential.

- **Emergency Shelter, Bridge and Permanent Housing Placement:** The SJC Outreach Worker/Case Manager will always urge clients to transition off the streets. When vouchers are available clients are often moved directly into permanent housing. This is an approach known as Housing First. When vouchers are not available, which unfortunately is often the case, clients are strongly encouraged to go into a shelter or to access bridge (transitional) housing. Large group shelters are sometimes inappropriate for individuals who suffer from severe mental illness. They often find the shelter environment overwhelming. Zero tolerance environments may not work for some individuals who are continuing to self-medicate with alcohol or drugs. Research suggests that low barrier environments which do not require sobriety, acceptance of mental health treatment or medication for housing eligibility are most effective with this population. Placement in high-tolerance shelters such as Safe Havens, the use of short and longer term motel vouchers or the identification of independent housing units supported by intensive case management (Supportive Housing) have been found to be more suitable housing options for many.

Once an individual does obtain a housing voucher, the case manager helps the individual identify a unit and complete the lease up process. The Center's staff has been successful in helping hundreds of clients secure housing by developing positive relationships with landlords and property managers, and by educating clients on how to best present themselves to landlords.

- **Post Placement/Retention Services:** Once a client is placed in permanent housing, the Center's staff maintains contact with the client to ensure continued housing stability. At least one initial home visit will be conducted with additional visits as needed. Regular contact with the client provides the Case Manager with the opportunity to check-in with clients, as well as identify and address any problems that could threaten their housing stability.

#### Program Objectives (2016-17)

- Develop cooperative relationships with LAPD in West LA – Sawtelle Neighborhood, business owners and residents. Attend West LA – Sawtelle Neighborhood Council Homeless Committee meetings on quarterly basis to update community on progress of project.
- Through a field outreach team, provide ongoing outreach to homeless persons, including veterans within the West LA – Sawtelle Neighborhood Council boundaries. Outreach efforts will include persons living in their vehicles (the specific number will be added once the funding level and local census information is obtained).

- Collect base line data on at least 75% of homeless individuals encountered. Data (coded for confidentiality) will include general information such as gender and racial/ethnic identity. It may also include age, family status, length of homelessness, veteran status, amount and source of income if any and disability(s). The team will also collect information about physical health, mental health and substance abuse history as well as prior emergency room stays and hospitalizations.
- Provide intervention focused case management to homeless West LA – Sawtelle Neighborhood residents who are considered the most vulnerable and/or highest utilizers of services (the specific number will be added once the funding level and local census information is obtained).
- Provide treatment referrals and ongoing support to chronically homeless clients found in the area (the specific number will be added once the funding level and local census information is obtained).
- Provide quarterly program reports that include program statistics, complaint descriptions and summary of outreach activities.
- Provide quarterly reports to the Homeless Committee, Council and/or other organizations as requested by City staff.

**West LA-Sawtelle Outreach  
Culver City  
Budget Proposal as of May 26, 2016**

<b>PERSONNEL</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Program Manager @.05 FTE	55000	2,750
Case Manager @ 1 FTE	36000	36,000
Case Manager @ 1 FTE	36000	36,000
Fringe Benefits	22%	16,445
<b>TOTAL PERSONNEL &amp; FRINGE:</b>		<b>91,195</b>
<b>OPERATING:</b>		
Audit/Payroll Fees		1,008
Advertising/Recruiting		-
Automobile - Agency Vehicles/Staff Mileage		1,736
Bank Fees		-
Dues & Subscriptions		-
Insurance - Agency Vehicles		-
Insurance - Property/Liability		1,815
Interest Expense		-
Lease Exp - Equipment		-
Legal Fees		-
Maint & Repairs - Buildings		-
Maint & Repairs - Equipment		-
Meetings & Conferences		-
Operating Supplies		1,524
Outside Services - IT		712
Outside Services - Security		3,140
Outside Services - Other		1,640
Postage		-
Printing & Copying		-
Rent - Leased Facility Expense		7,805
Small Equipment Purchases		-
Staff Development/Training		1,009
Start Up Costs		-
Storage Fees		-
Taxes, Fees, Licences		-
Telephone		1,200
Utilities		1,386
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>		<b>22,976</b>
Additional Reimbursable Costs		
Motel vouchers		
Bus tokens		
<b>TOTAL REIMBURSABLE COSTS</b>		
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET:</b>		<b>114,171</b>
<b>INDIRECT/ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS :</b>	15%	17,126
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>131,297</b>



**Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils**

**2016 Planning Forum**

**Thursday, November 10, 2016 5:30-9:30 p.m.**

**CBS Studios: Carla's Café — 4024 Radford, Studio City**  
*Light Supper Buffet & Cash Bar*

**5:30 p.m. Registration and Mix & Mingle**

**6:00 p.m. Introductions**

**Opening Remarks — Vince Bertoni**, *Director of Planning, City of LA*

**Panel — “The Future of Development in LA...  
Pros & Cons of the Neighborhood Integrity Initiative”**

**Moderator — Dan Schnur**, *Director, Jesse M. Unruh Institute of Politics, USC*

**7:45 p.m. Breakout Session A**

- **Planning 101** — *Overview: Zone variances, conditional use permits, “By-Right”, SB 1818, etc. What you need to know and how to bring common sense to planning.*
- **Overlay Districts (CDOs), Community Plans Revisions & HPOZs** — *What should NCs do to begin the process ... How can they prepare a Vision for their community.*
- **Small Lot Subdivisions** — *Revisiting this Ordinance ... what changes have been made ... Are they for the better?*
- **Navigating LA City Planning Websites** — *What planning and land use information is available to help NCs be proactive & how they can disseminate this information to stakeholders.*
- **Conditional Use & Zone Variance Applications** — *How to write effective conditions for CUPs & Zone Variances for better enforcement.*

**8:30 p.m. Breakout Session B**

*Repeat of above listed breakouts*

**9:15 p.m. Closing Comments**



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Executive Committee**

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*founder & chair*

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Cindy Cleghorn

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Kathy Delle Donne

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**RESERVATIONS are required      RSVP by Thursday, November 3      Names will be at the Gate**

Names (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

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Neighborhood Council \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please email RESERVATION to: [VANC@empowerLA.org](mailto:VANC@empowerLA.org)

*Attachment 4*



## LA Parks Survey - Due Date October 31, 2016

**Don't miss the opportunity to make your thoughts and concerns known.**

Our parks are important to our communities. This survey is a great opportunity to let the City of Los Angeles know your thoughts about our parks. What is working? What needs improvement? What's missing? What would you love to see more of in your community park?

Your feedback is valuable. It will be part of a series of LA PARKS Report Cards that the Office of the City Controller is developing of our community parks in collaboration with KH Consulting Group (KH) and its team members from RAND Corporation and the Office of the Designed Landscape. KH will treat your individual responses confidentially, but will use your concerns to hone recommendations to make our parks even better!

Here is the link to the questionnaire (English and Spanish):

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LAPARKS16>

***We encourage you to share the link with others – friends, family members, neighbors, park users, constituents... anyone who cares about our parks and their future.***

The deadline is October 31<sup>st</sup> for responding. We want to hear from you!

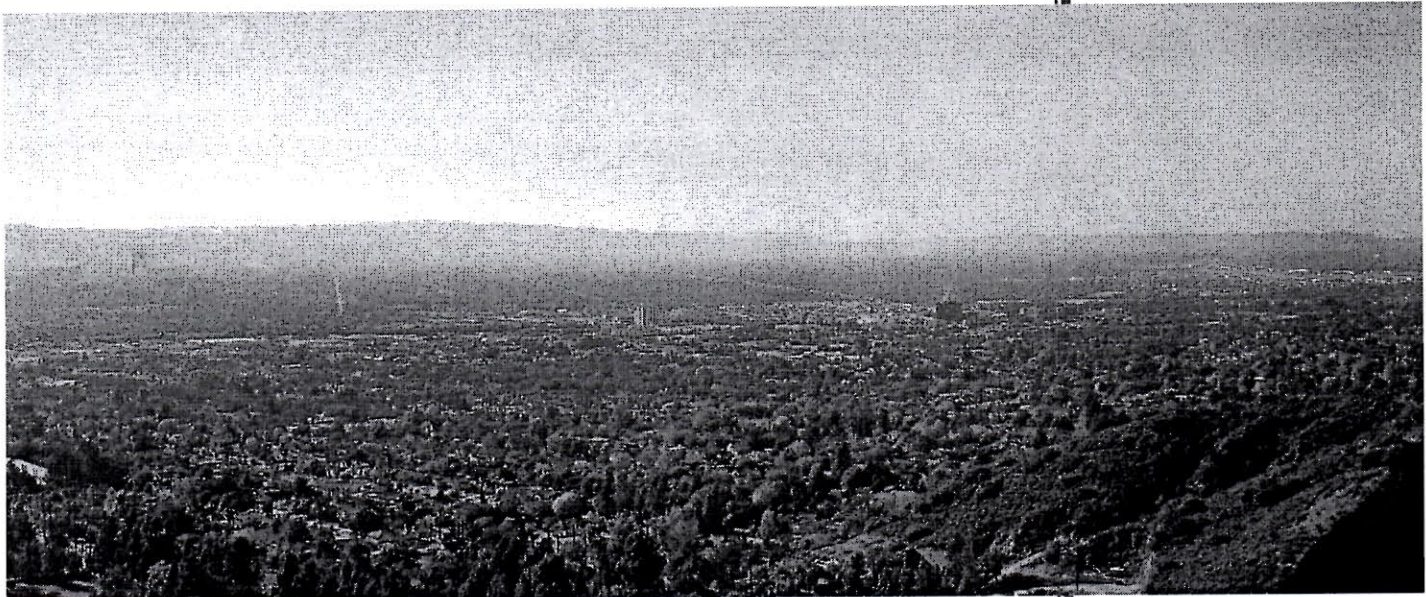
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# VALLEY TOWN HALL

NEIGHBORHOOD INTEGRITY INITIATIVE



## SPORTSMEN'S LODGE

**OCTOBER 22, 2016**

**11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**12825 Ventura Blvd., Studio City, CA 91604**

**FEATURING • Jill Stewart & Jay Beeber, Campaign Leaders,  
Coalition to Preserve LA • Richard Close, President, Sherman  
Oaks Homeowners Assn. • Damlen Goodmon, Executive  
Director, Crenshaw Subway Coalition**

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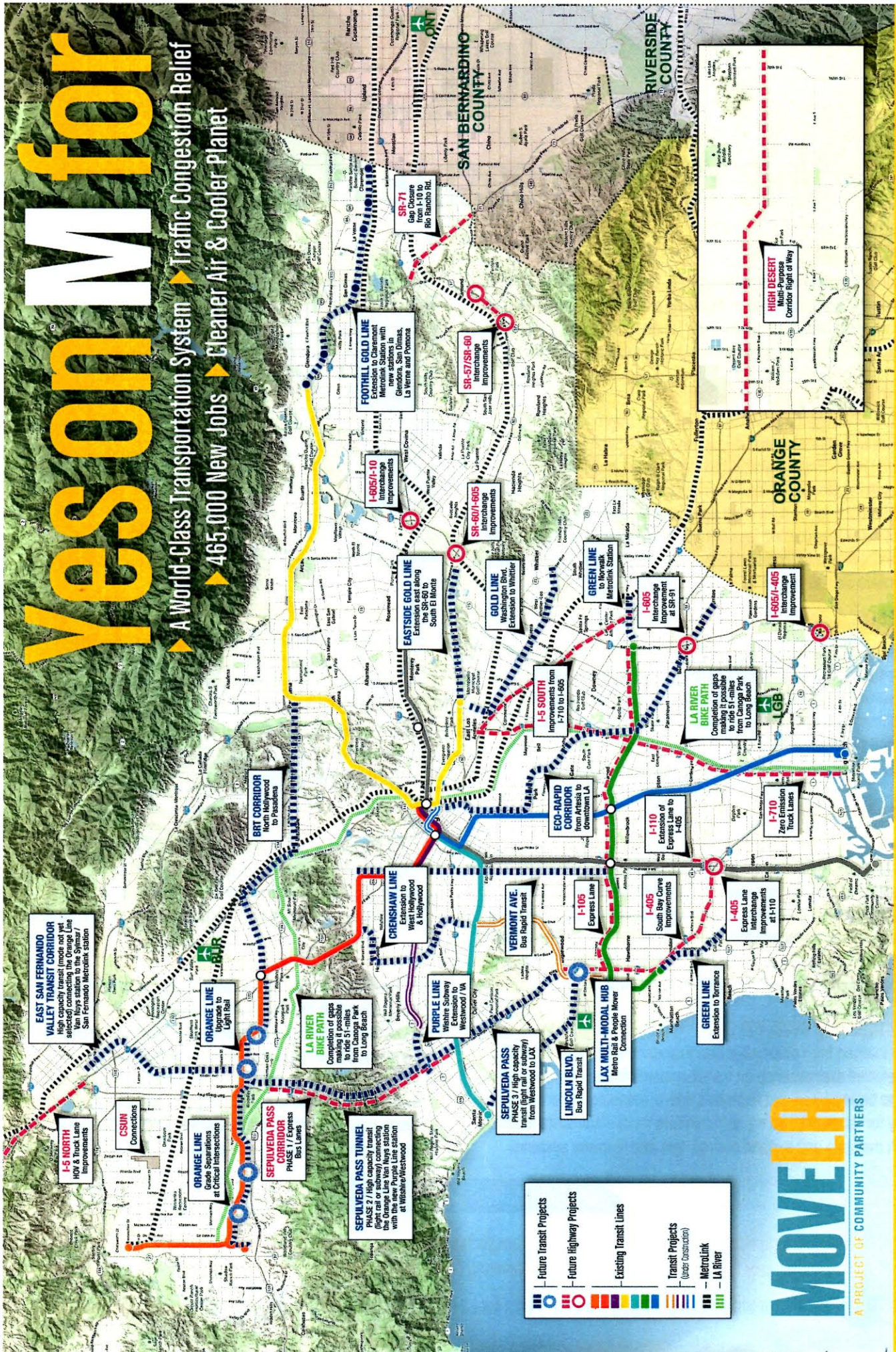
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Park at Sportsmen's Lodge: Enter off  
Ventura Blvd., drive to back lot near fence

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# Yes on M for

A World-Class Transportation System ▶ Traffic Congestion Relief  
 ▶ 465,000 New Jobs ▶ Cleaner Air & Cooler Planet



**MOVE LA**  
 A PROJECT OF COMMUNITY PARTNERS

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# Vote Yes on Measure M on Nov. 8!

## ■ Traffic relief!

Measure M would dramatically improve our transportation system and redefine commutes for residents in every corner of LA County to get all of us where we want to go, when we want to get there, however we choose to travel—train, bus, car, bike or on foot!

## ■ Better transit service & connections

Measure M would fund “LA County’s Traffic Improvement Plan,” significantly expanding and supporting the rail and bus transit systems, improving freeways and local roads, building bike paths and repairing sidewalks, and providing first-last-mile connections to transit stations for people of all ages and abilities. Measure M is a ½-cent sales tax—costing less than 9 cents/person/day that would raise \$120 billion for transportation over 40 years. It would continue until voters decide to end it.

## ■ Inclusive, “bottom-up” planning

The projects in Measure M were selected through a three-year process involving LA County’s 88 cities, six sub-regional Councils of Governments, stakeholder groups from the business, labor and environmental communities, as well as other interested organizations and individuals. Nearly 48,000 people participated in Metro’s telephone town halls and in-person meetings in May 2016.

## ■ How much money would be spent on construction compared to operations and administration?

More than half all funding would be spent on new construction—37% for transit and 17% for highways. 25% would be spent on transit operations, mostly on buses, to help keep fares low. 17% would go to cities for local transportation projects, and 0.5% would go to Metro administration. The whole county will benefit from 465,000 created in building and operating our transportation system.

## ■ Maintaining what we build

We’ve learned from places like San Francisco and Washington D.C. that deferred maintenance on transit systems for lack of funding leads to breakdowns and frustrated riders. Measure M dedicated money for “state of good repair” to ensure there’s adequate funding to both maintain and expand our rail, bus and highway systems.



## ■ Making streets safer for biking and walking

Not only will there be more rail and bus lines and connections between them, there will also be more connections that make it easier to get to stations on bike and on foot. And gaps will be closed to create a 51-mile bike path all along the LA River. Some bike and walk advocates estimate 6% of Measure M will go for active transportation.

## ■ Strong, independent oversight

An “Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee” with expertise will review Metro’s spending and progress and make recommendations to the Metro board, and conduct annual audits that will be available to the public.

## ■ Funding for local transportation priorities

All 88 cities and the unincorporated areas in LA County will get funding for local transportation priorities such as street and sidewalk repair, local transit, paratransit services, and bike paths. Measure M has about \$144 million/year in new funding for cities and unincorporated area. When added to local funding in previous Metro measures, local cities will have over \$600 million/year for local transportation infrastructure.

More Information: [theplan.metro.net](http://theplan.metro.net)

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# *Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils, October 13, 2016*

## **2016 Los Angeles City and County Ballot Measures**

### **County Measure A – Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks and Beaches**

Pays for upkeep and building of county parks and other public spaces. Replaces an existing property tax with a 1.5 cent per square foot parcel tax that does not have an expiration date. For an average home size of 3,520 square feet, the cost would be about \$50 per year. Passage would net the county about \$94.5 million a year.

### **County Measure M – Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan**

Increases the sales tax in Los Angeles County by a half cent to pay for some major public transit projects, including extending light rail to LAX. Revenue would also fund street and sidewalk repairs throughout the county, new bike paths, and earthquake retrofits for bridges. Has no expiration date and limited projects in the San Fernando Valley.

### **City Measure HHH – Homelessness Reduction and Prevention, Housing and Facilities**

This \$1.2-billion bond will be used to build 10,000 housing units for the city's chronically homeless. Bonds will be paid through property taxes that will cost homeowners an estimated \$10 per \$100,000 in property value.

### **City Planning Initiative JJJ – Affordable Housing and Labor Standards**

Requires developers to add affordable units to new residential buildings and to hire local construction workers. Would apply to all residential projects with 10 or more units needing special approval from the city because they're taller and/or bigger than what zoning codes allow.

### **City Charter Amendment RRR – Department of Water and Power**

Makes changes to the DWP commission. Also changes some DWP budgeting, contracting, rate-setting, billing and hiring practices.

### **City Charter Amendment SSS – Fire and Police Pensions; Airport Peace Officers**

Lets airport police recruits enter the same pension plan used by LAPD and LAFD while allowing current airport police to pay to enter the plan. Adds a small increase to the city's pension burden.

Sources: LA County Registrar-Recorder, League of Women Voters of LA, Los Angeles Magazine, Curbed LA

***Remember to Vote on November 8, 2016***

*Attachments*