



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: May 18, 2023

TO: Honorable Council President Pro Tem Monica Montgomery-Steppe, Budget Review Committee Chair, and Honorable Budget Review Committee Members

FROM: Rolando Charvel, Department of Finance Director and City Comptroller

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Review Committee Referral Responses for May 9, 2023

This memorandum provides responses and/or follow up information to unanswered questions asked at the Budget Review Committee meeting held on May 9, 2023. The responses are listed by department in the order they were reviewed by the Committee.

Homelessness Strategies and Solutions (HSSD)

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION:

How many unhoused individuals leaving institutions, such as jail or hospitals, return to being unhoused? What can be done to prevent this?

RESPONSE:

The Department is fully aware unhoused individuals leaving institutions return to being unhoused; however, HSSD does not collect data to account for how many. HSSD seeks to learn from partnering agencies (e.g., hospitals, jails) what data they might collect on unsheltered individuals discharging from institutions. For the region, the Homelessness Management Information System keeps record of the prior living situation, current living situation, and exit destination. Discharge planning from institutions is a known practice to prevent individuals leaving institutions to unhoused circumstances; notwithstanding, the region has limited capacity to meet the needs of these individuals. As the City works to enhance collaboration with other agencies and partners, there are opportunities to advocate for expanded capacity of long-term care facilities, substance abuse treatment facilities, and/or other appropriate residential settings as an alternative to discharges to the street. HSSD will work with the Regional Task Force to quantify this number.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

QUESTION:

Please provide an organizational chart of the outreach network. Is the City expanding the network or maintaining current service levels in the Fiscal Year 2024 budget?

RESPONSE:

FY2024 MAYOR'S PROPOSED CITY-WIDE STREET OUTREACH COVERAGE	
Street Outreach Providers	FY2024 Positions (FTE)
Alpha Project*	5.00
City Net	5.00
Downtown San Diego Partnership	10.50
Father Joe's Villages*	5.00
People Assisting the Homeless (PATH)	26.00
LGBT SafeTAY*	1.00
TOTAL FTE	52.50

*Funded out of Bridge Shelter Operations Budget- administered by SDHC.

In addition to the City-wide Street Outreach listed above, the City of San Diego Street Outreach Program also includes additional outreach initiatives with scopes of work (1) modified to intentionally focus on clients with higher acuity and medical disparities and (2) not assigned to a specific neighborhood within the city-wide coverage plan. These specialized teams prioritize individuals whose needs have not been met through traditional outreach efforts and whose barriers require a medical and targeted housing-focused approach. Assessing current outreach efforts, at both the program and system levels, opportunities were identified to strengthen the service delivery with these specialized teams to enhance outreach efforts. These teams include the Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT), HealthCare In Action (HIA), Encampment Resolution Funding – National Alliance on Mental Illness (ERF-NAMI) and Encampment Resolution Funding – HIA (ERF-HIA)

San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC)

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

QUESTION:

Does the San Diego Housing Commission track exits from permanent supportive housing? How many evictions have taken place?

RESPONSE:

SDHC participates in permanent supportive housing (PSH) through multiple programs, such as Continuum of Care-funded PSH, rental housing vouchers committed to PSH (tenant-based and project-based vouchers), and affordable rental housing properties that SDHC, including its nonprofit affiliate, Housing Development Partners, owns or manages. For each type of PSH, data are available related to people exiting PSH; however, data specifically about evictions from PSH are not readily available for rental housing voucher households or Continuum of Care-funded PSH. For PSH properties SDHC owns and/or manages, eviction data are available.

SDCERS

COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

QUESTION:

Does the investment of \$9 Billion include fossil fuel companies?

RESPONSE:

Yes. SDCERS will research the investment exposure to fossil fuel companies and report the results to Mr. LaCava within 30 days.

Government Affairs

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

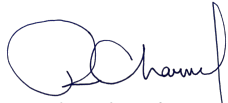
QUESTION:

Does the City of Los Angeles have a dedicated staff member in Sacramento?

RESPONSE:

The City of Los Angeles does not currently have City staff in Sacramento but are looking at that model as Mayor Bass builds out her administration. She does have one staff member in Washington, DC on federal issues and may expand the number of staff there.

Sincerely,



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