GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION

A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS

MAY 28, 2019

Garden Grove Homeless Population

Point In Time (PIT):



- 2017 194 subjects identified
- 2019 225 subjects identified
 - 163 Unsheltered
 - 62 Sheltered (<90 Days)

Current Services Offered:

Special Resources Team (SRT)

- Enforcement
- Connection to services

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

- Street Outreach
- Shelter Operation & Services
- Homeless Prevention
- Rapid Rehousing

City's Direct Costs Related to Addressing Homelessness (2018):

Department	Calls For Service	Avg. Calls For Service Per Day	Estimated Staff Hours	Estimated Staff Costs
Police	6,200	17	6,200	\$480,190
Fire	431	1.2	431	\$165,935
Public Works	95	.26	190	\$4,750
Community Services (Parks)	700	1.9	350	\$4,991
Emergency Services Grant (ESG)	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$170,000
TOTALS	7,426	20.35	7,171	\$825,866

Typical Housing Continuum:



Homeless Housing Continuum:

Streets/ Vehicle

Crisis Stabilization Units (CSUs)

Emergency Shelter

Typical Housing Continuum

Permanent

Supportive Housing

1. Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU)

Emergency psychiatric and crisis stabilization services including intervention, medication administration, as well as linkage to follow-up care and community resources.







"Be Well Orange County"
Regional Wellness Hub - County
approved \$16.6M facility in Orange

1. Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU cont.)

Zoning:

- Commercial (Medical) Centers w/ CUP

Facility Needs:

- 5k to 7k sq ft building = 12 bed facility

Operation:

- \$3M a year

Funding:

- 70-75% reimbursed via MediCal
- Requires partnership with County and/or MediCal certified operator

A long-term, referral-based shelter for the homeless that connects clients to vital services, with the ultimate goal of placing participants into a permanent housing solution by the end of their stay.



12,000 sf/**100-bed Shelter in Anaheim** operated by Illumination Foundation (max 90-day stay)



10,000 sf/**56-bed Shelter in Orange** operated by Mercy House (max 45-day stay)

External Pressure:

- Martin v Boise Humans have the inalienable right to rest (Anti-Camping Laws)
- Judge Carter Fair share production of shelter beds = 60% of PIT Count or 135 beds
- Opportunity for collaboration

Impediments to Production:

- SB2 Ordinance ("By-Right")

Zoning:

- Allowed "By-Right" in the M1 Zone
 - 238 parcels 1 for sale, 2 for lease, 1 vacant land
- Amend SB2 Ordinance

Facility Needs:

- 7k-10k sf building = 50 bed facility

Construction:

- ≈\$2M to acquire, rehab cost depends on condition

Operation:

- \$50/person/day = \$912,500/yr

Funding Options:

- Construction:
 - Private Purchase with CDBG repayment over time
 - Federal Loan (Section 108)
 - General Fund
- Operations (\$912,500k/yr):
 - Successor Agency Set-Aside Funds (\$250k/yr)
 - Federal ESG Funds (\$50k/yr)
 - SB2 Year 2+ Funds (\$700k/yr)
 - Partnerships with Service Providers
 - General Fund

3. Permanent Supportive Housing

Affordable housing with voluntary support services for the chronically homeless. Services can include independent living and tenancy skills, connecting people with health care, medical/psychological treatment, and employment services.



The Orchard in Santa Ana - \$19M, 71-bed, PSH Project operated by Mercy House, with on-site meals provided by No One Left Behind



3. Permanent Supportive Housing (cont.)

External Pressure:

- OC Grand Jury Report
 - County-wide = 2700 beds
 - Garden Grove fair share = 154 beds

Impediments to Production:

Permanent financing due to decreased rent revenue (Project Based Vouchers)

3. Permanent Supportive Housing (cont.)

Zoning:

- Allowed in Multi-Family Residential Zones

Needs:

- Existing apartment complex for acquisition/rehabilitation
- Vacant land for new construction

Acquisition/ Construction:

- Amount based on developer's financing gap

Operation:

- Included in developer's costs

3. Permanent Supportive Housing

Funding Options:

- Construction/ Operation:
 - Federal HOME Funds
 - Successor Agency Set-Aside Funds (LMIHTF)
 - Orange County Housing Finance Trust (OCHFT)
 - All other local, State, Federal grant funds
 - Project Based Vouchers

4. Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)

Program Description:

- A 12-month **rental assistance program** for literally homeless households that provides for:
 - Case management services, with the ultimate goal of participants achieving self-sustainability upon program completion.
 - Rental assistance includes security and utility deposits
- Program administered by qualified 3rd party service providers

4. Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA cont.)

Eligible Participants must meet HUD's definition of "literally homeless":

- Individual or family lacking fixed, regular, adequate nighttime residence, meaning:
 - Sleeping in a place not meant for human habitation
 - Sleeping in a shelter
 - Living in an institution for 90 days or less, and who was literally homeless prior to entering

4. Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA cont)

Program Administration:

- > Selection of two qualified service providers
 - Perform an intake interview and complete a needs assessment
 - Assist participant to locate and secure permanent housing
 - Assist participant and landlord to complete necessary paper work and pay security/utility deposits.
- > Service provider will offer **ongoing support** to insure participant achieves self-sustainability.
- > Pilot Program for a **12-month period**.

4. Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)

Funding: Total proposed budget = \$600,000/annual

- \$250,000/annual HOME funds to cover the cost of rental subsidy, including security and utility deposits
- + \$50,000/annual LMIHTF funds to cover the cost of ongoing case management
- = \$300,000/year/ service provider to administer the program



UNITED TO END HOMELESSNESS

A collaborative approach to addressing homelessness in Garden Grove by uniting the five major sectors of the population as one voice, with one goal.

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

RESIDENTS

NON-PROFIT

PHILANTHROPIC

FAITH - BASED

BUSINESSES

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Council Discussion

Council thoughts about:

- 1. Crisis Stabilization Units (CSUs)
- Emergency Shelter/Navigation Center
- Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)
- 5. Community Engagement