

Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count

2018 Results

May 31, 2018



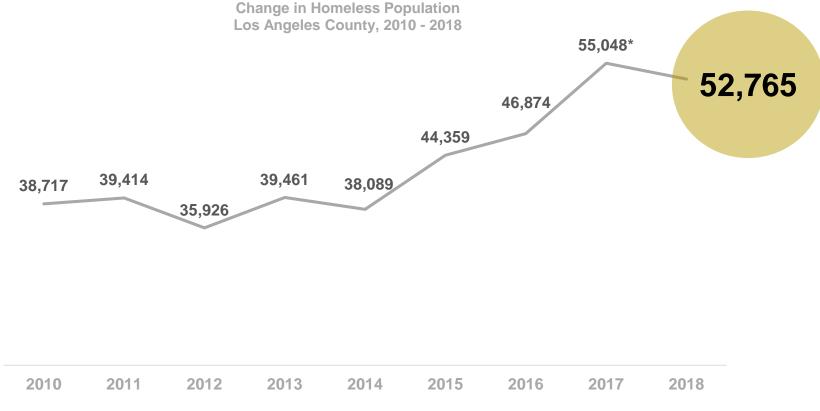
Behind these numbers are our neighbors. That's why we count.

THANK YOU to the over 8,500 volunteers, partners, and community service providers who make the Homeless Count possible





For the first time in 4 years homelessness decreased



WHY?

- More people are being placed into housing than ever before
- Strategies have been developed, more resources deployed, and we're starting to see results







The LA CoC total number was 49,955, a 5% decrease from 2017. The LA CoC is Los Angeles County excluding Glendale, Pasadena, & Long Beach CoCs. 4

Strategic efforts to address homelessness are beginning to make an impact



2018 HOMELESS COUN

More people are moving into homes

2017 was the highest year to date



Housing Placements



What's Working:

- Created new supportive and rapid re-housing resources
- Expanded landlord incentive programs
- ✓ Expanded move-in financial assistance

LA's Plan Moving Forward:

- □ Adding housing location services
- Linking affordable housing to the **Coordinated Entry System**
- □ Launching Shallow Subsidy program
- □ Implementing Year 2 of Proposition HHH and Measure H to create more housing

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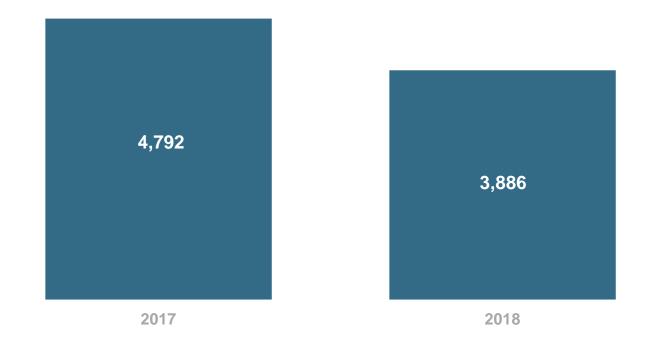


**The HMIS data system transition caused a temporary disruption in data collection during 2017, resulting in fewer housing placements recorded in the data system. Researchers Dennis Culhane and Stephen Metraux used an historical statistical model to estimate that the total number of housing placements was 18,223

Veteran homelessness decreased 19%

Dedicated resources, continued hard work, local leadership

Veteran Homeless Persons Los Angeles County, 2017 & 2018





What's Working:

- Established a Countywide Veterans Benefit Advocacy Program
- Redesigned VA programs to target chronically homeless Veterans
- Enhanced direct-service staff collaboration
- Coordinated VA housing resources through the Coordinated Entry System

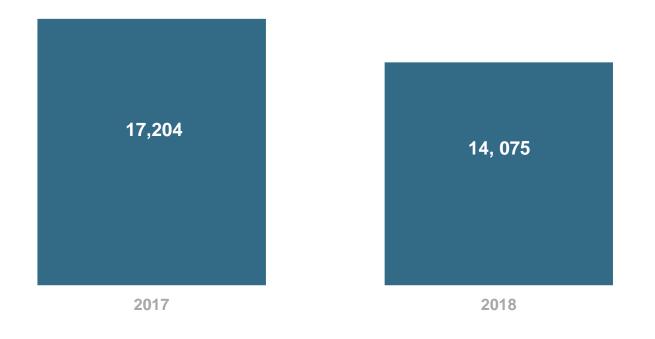
LA's Plan Moving Forward:

- Continuing to strengthen system collaboration between VA and the Coordinated Entry System
- Adding 800+ Veteran-specific supportive housing units
- Allocating \$20 million countywide to house Veterans experiencing mental health issues
- Creating countywide Veteran Peer Support Network

Chronic homelessness decreased 18%

Prioritizing our most vulnerable

Chronically Homeless Persons Los Angeles County, 2017 & 2018





What's Working:

- Focused Coordinated Entry System services for chronic/highneed population
- Dedicated half of all HACoLA turnover housing choice vouchers
- Streamlined supportive housing process

LA's Plan Moving Forward:

- Strengthening linkages to medical services
- Reducing housing barriers through legal assistance services
- Implementing Proposition HHH and Measure H resources to create new supportive housing units

Youth housing placements increased 43%

The number of sheltered youth increased 20%

Youth Placed into Housing



**Adjusted estimates resubmitted to HUD

Total Homeless Youth Population



What's Working:

- Created 276 new youth interim housing beds
- ✓ Launched youth family reconnection program
- ✓ Added 196 rapid re-housing slots dedicated for youth

LA's Plan Moving Forward:

- □ Enhancing youth drop-in centers
- □ Adding 350 new interim housing beds dedicated for youth
- □ Adding 129 supportive housing units dedicated for youth

However, the

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driving people into homelessness persist



Los Angeles has a growing affordable housing crisis



Los Angeles County needs over 565,000 new affordable housing units for low income renters—16,000 more than the previous year



Since 2000, median rent in Los Angeles County has increased 32% while median renter household income has decreased 3%* ~~~

Los Angeles County has the highest poverty rate across all counties in the state at nearly 25%**

When accounting for housing costs and cost-of-living, California has the highest poverty rate in the country at over 20%***

**California Poverty Measure (CPM), a measure developed by the Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) and the Stanford Center on Poverty and Inequality, average poverty rates from 2013-2015

***US Census Bureau Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM), average poverty rates from 2014-2016



Source: California Housing Partnership Corporation. (May 2018). Los Angeles County's Housing Emergency and Proposed Solutions.

2018 HOMELESS COUNT RESULTS

*Adjusted for inflation

Source: California Housing Partnership Corporation (May 2017). Los Angeles County Renters in Crisis: A Call for Action.

More people are falling into homelessness for the first time

46% of the 9,205 people experiencing homelessness for the first time said it was due to a loss of employment or other financial reasons

First Time Experiencing Homelessness Within the Last Year Unsheltered Adults 25+ & Children in Adult Families LA CoC*, 2017 & 2018





Current Strategies:

- Expanded family homelessness prevention services
- Launched youth and adult prevention services
- Targeted services to people exiting jails, foster care, and hospitals who would otherwise become homeless
- Supporting the development and preservation of affordable housing

LA's Plan Moving Forward:

- Launching prevention pilot in a higheviction neighborhood
- Expanding services for people at-risk of experiencing homelessness
- Creating new affordable housing

Homelessness remains visible on our streets

3 out of 4 people remain unsheltered







The number of

- Vehicles
- Tents
- Makeshift shelters

increased 5%* from last year and 32%* since 2016



Current Strategies:

- ✓ Doubled the amount of outreach workers to 500
- Implemented a holistic outreach strategy

LA's Plan Moving Forward:

- Launching Centralized Outreach Referral Portal
- Adding more outreach workers
- Adding 3,250 interim housing units
- Expanding use of technology and data



Demographic snapshot

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2018 HOMELESS COUNT RESULTS

10% report both

substance use

disorder and

serious mental

Health Conditions (LA County):

> 26% report a serious mental illness

15% report a substance use disorder

Domestic Violence (LA CoC*):

6% of people report

experiencing homelessness because they are fleeing domestic/intimate partner violence



Household Types

80% of households are single adults only

Age (LA CoC*):

22%

increase in people aged 62 and older

There was a decrease in all other age groups

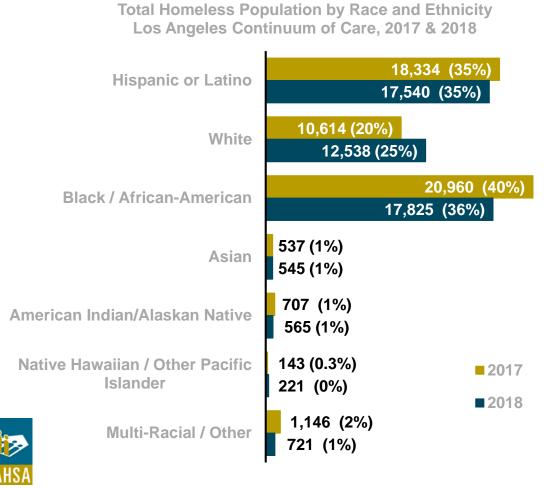
Gender (LA County):



of people experiencing homelessness identify as male

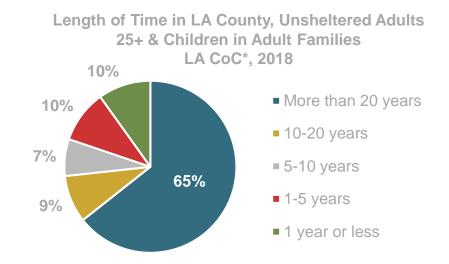
Race/Ethnicity: (LA CoC*)

While the Black/African-American population experiencing homelessness decreased 15%, they continue to be overrepresented. Black/African-Americans make up 35% of the homeless population while only making up 9% of the general population in the county.

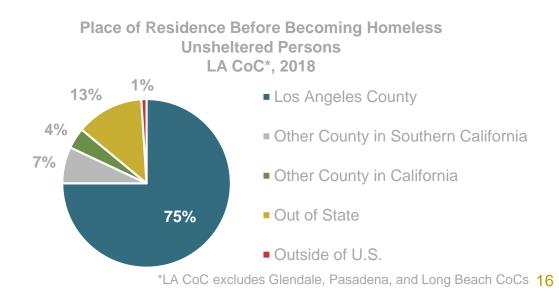


Origin: (LA CoC*)

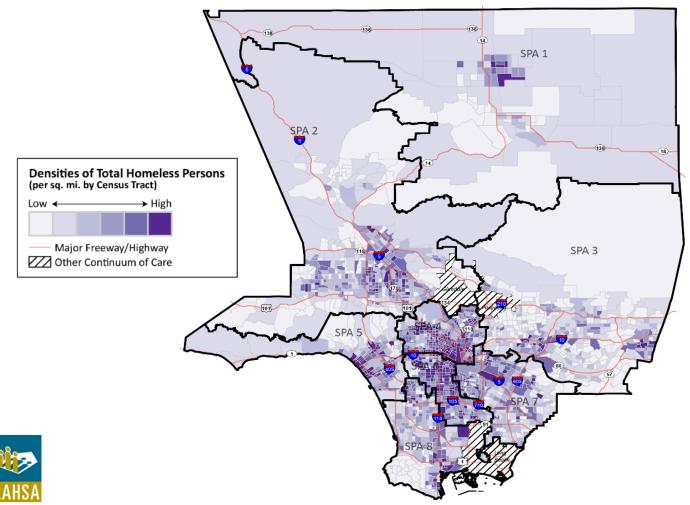
65% have been in LA County for more than 20 years



75% lived in Los Angeles before becoming homeless



A snapshot of where our homeless neighbors were found 3 days in January

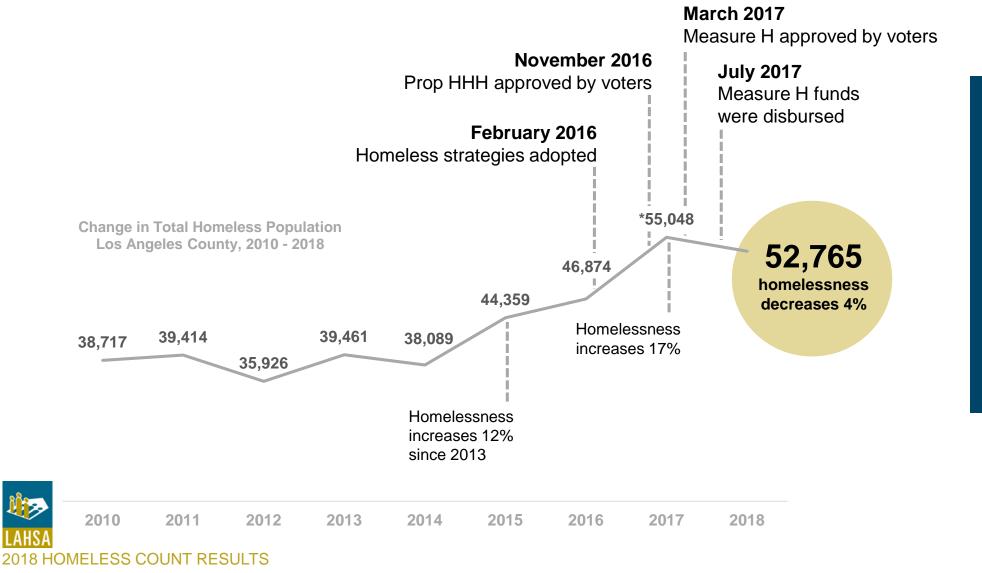


Service Planning Area (SPA)	2017	2018	% Change
1- Antelope Valley	3,825	3,203	-16%*
2- San Fernando Valley	7,341	7,738	+5%*
3- San Gabriel Valley	4,094	4,282	+5%*
4- Metro LA	14,844	14,218	-4%
5- West LA	5,411	4,401	-19%*
6- South LA	9,036	8,343	-8%*
7- East LA County	4,533	4,569	+1%
8- South Bay	5,964	6,011	+1%*
Totals	55,048	52,765	-4%

Los Angeles is investing, responding, and working together



Our work is making a difference



WHERE WE ARE GOING:

\$3.5 billion in LA County Measure H funds and \$1.2 billion in LA City Proposition HHH dollars will be invested to address homelessness over the next 10 years

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GET INVOLVED

- 1. Support more interim and supportive housing in your local community
- 2. Advocate for expanded state and federal funding for affordable housing and homeless services
- 3. Join the Everyone In Campaign at everyoneinla.org
- 4. Volunteer at your local homeless service agency and for the 2019 Street Count



2019 Street Count January 22, 23 & 24







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