



GET THE FACTS: Temporary Homeless Housing Facility

During his annual State of the City address, Mayor Eric Garcetti announced a series of incentives for council districts to build temporary homeless housing facilities across the city. With Koreatown experiencing some of the highest levels of homelessness in Council District 10, L.A. City Council President Herb Wesson determined the first of these sites be located on a city-owned lot at Vermont Ave. and 7th St.

Following the site's announcement, misinformation about the selection, administration and intent spread quickly. We hope to shed light on these areas, as well as address many of the concerns articulated to us by the community. It has always been Council President Wesson's intention and purpose to involve the community in a public process and provide this important feedback.

Myth	Fact
The location for this facility was picked at random.	The site was selected based on data showing the highest concentration of homeless individuals living in Koreatown. According to the Los Angeles Homeless Authority (LAHSA), there are approximately 400 individuals living unsheltered in Koreatown. Our office is committed to bringing resources to areas that need them most.
This facility will be up indefinitely.	All temporary homeless housing facilities will be open for a maximum of 3 years.
This site will disrupt the surrounding community and businesses.	This temporary housing location will have 24/7 Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) personnel onsite. Additionally, we are working closely with all stakeholders to ensure the facility is administered without disruption to the surrounding area.
There is no legal basis for building this facility.	Nearly 80% of Angelenos supported Measure HHH, which authorized the construction of temporary housing citywide. Building temporary housing facilities is a result of this mandate from the voters.
The public will have no opportunities to provide feedback and input.	While the site has been selected, our office will work with the community to determine the specifics of its operation. The public is encouraged to speak at the Homeless and Poverty Committee meeting tentatively scheduled for May 22nd.

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A rendering of the site. We are hopeful residents will see an immediate improvement in their communities due to the construction of new bridge housing.

**Some of the Koreatown homeless encampments we are working to remove through the temporary housing facility.
Photos taken May 8th, 2018.**



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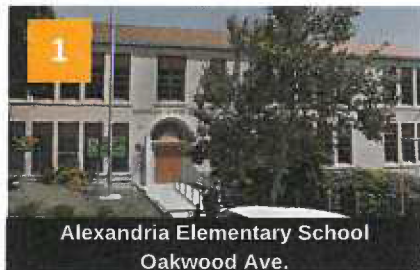


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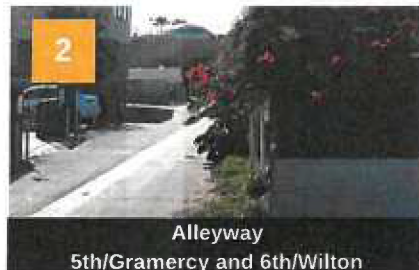
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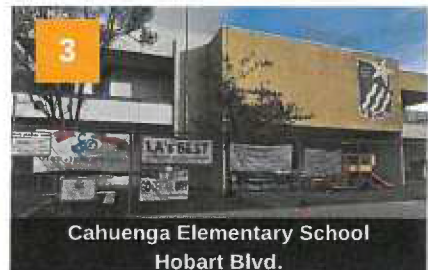
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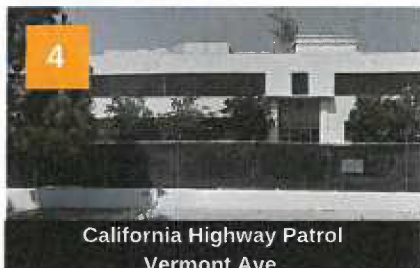
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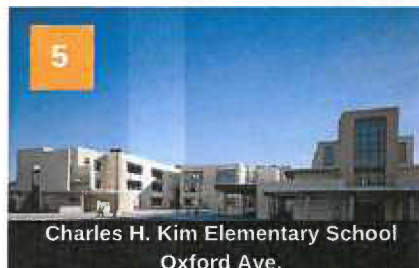
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California Highway Patrol
Vermont Ave.



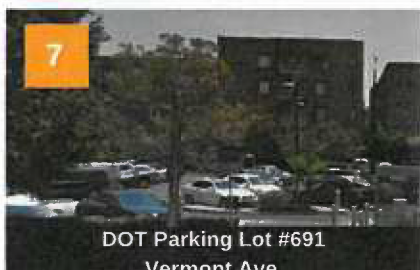
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Charles H. Kim Elementary School
Oxford Ave.



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L.A. County Dept. of Parks and Rec.
Vermont Ave.



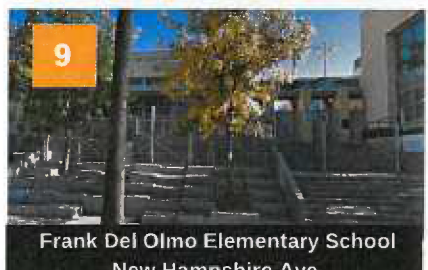
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DOT Parking Lot #691
Vermont Ave.



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DOT Parking Lot #692
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Frank Del Olmo Elementary School
New Hampshire Ave.



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Hobart Blvd. Elementary School
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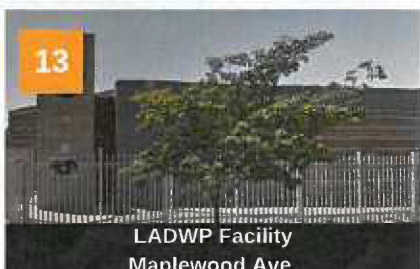
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Hoover St. Elementary School
Francis Ave.



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LADWP Distributing Station #17
11th St.



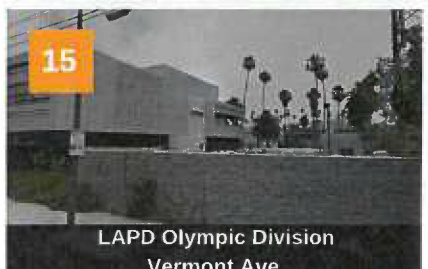
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LADWP Facility
Maplewood Ave.



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Lafayette Park
Lafayette Park Pl.



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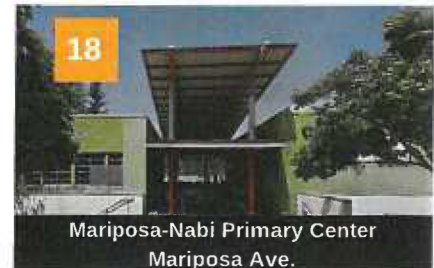
LAPD Olympic Division
Vermont Ave.

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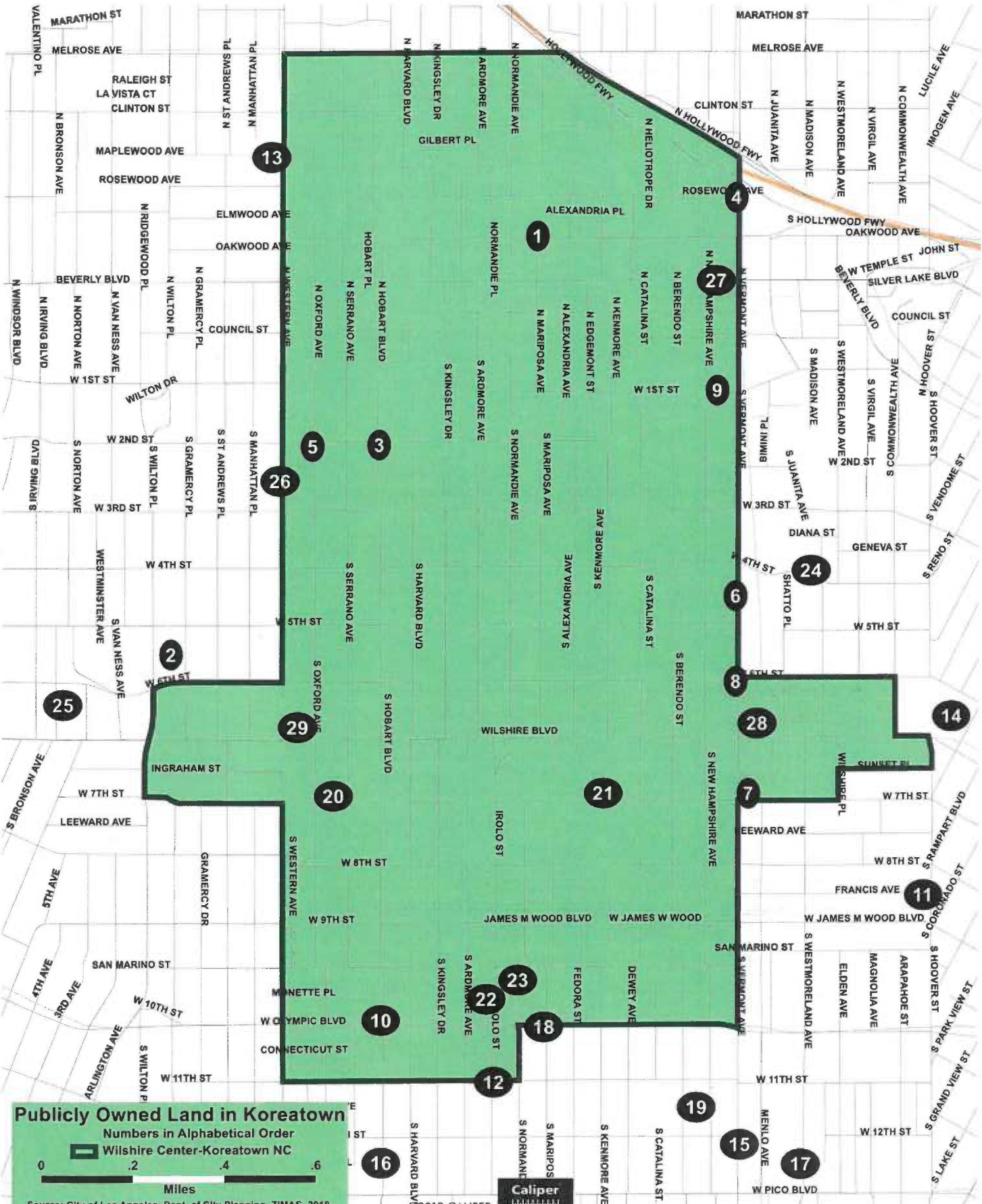
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Los Angeles Continuum of Care
Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count
By City/Community

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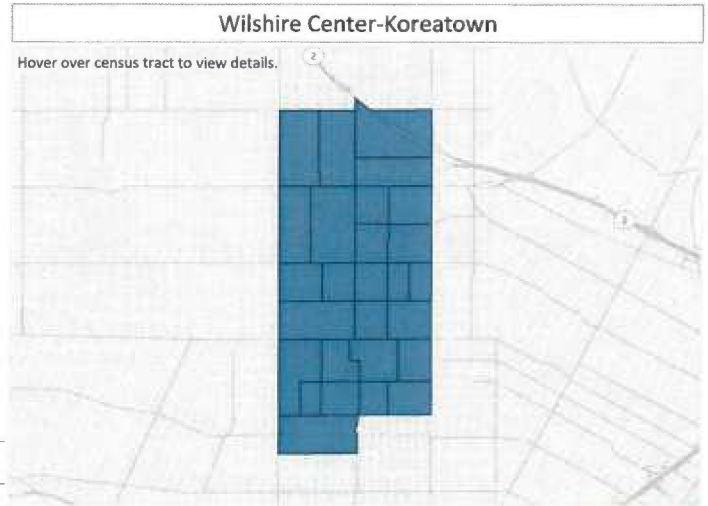
Wilshire Center-Koreatown

Select Year

- 2016
- 2017

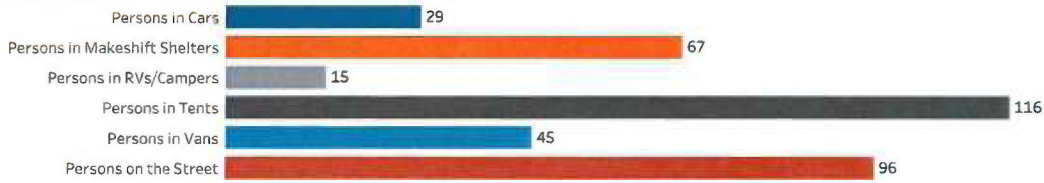
Total
368

Unsheltered (w/o Youth Count)	Sheltered
368	0



The data excludes the cities of Glendale, Long Beach, and Pasadena.

Unsheltered Persons 100%



Sheltered Persons 0%



The census tracts above were mutually agreed upon by the above jurisdiction and LAHSA. LA Continuum of Care excludes Glendale, Pasadena, and Long Beach COCs

Opt In data may not equal the total for the city council districts, supervisorial districts, service planning areas, or the total Los Angeles Continuum of Care. The totals for these regions are statistical estimates.

*Unsheltered data combines homeless persons found outside with the estimate of persons residing in cars, vans, campers/RVs, tents and other encampments. Demographic survey interviews conducted with 4,946 homeless persons from January to February 2016 determined these estimates. Count does not include persons in domestic violence shelters. The data does not include unaccompanied minors, transitional age youth, and young families experiencing unsheltered homelessness.

**Sheltered homeless persons includes individuals, families, and unaccompanied minors sleeping in emergency shelter, transitional housing, or safe havens that are located within the boundaries of the community on the night of the Homeless Count. Any programs located within this area, including those in using vouchers to stay in motels and hotels will be reflected in the total.

Street Count data includes homeless persons found outside, including persons found residing in cars, vans, campers/RVs, tents and makeshift shelters. The following conversion factors were used to estimate the number of persons living in cars, vans, campers/RVs, tents and makeshift shelters if enumerators encountered homeless persons living in these environments. Individuals: Cars = 1.52, Vans = 1.77, RV's = 2.05, Tents = 1.69 and Makeshift Shelters = 1.92. Family Members: Cars = 2.96, Vans = 3.46, RV's = 3.52, Tents = 3.78 and Makeshift Shelters = 3.69. Demographic survey interviews conducted with 4,808 homeless persons from February to March 2017 determined these conversion factors for the average number of homeless persons in cars, vans, campers/RVs, tents and makeshift shelters.

References: <https://www.hudexchange.info/hdx/guides/pit-hic/>

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A Bridge Home

Emergency Temporary Housing

Los Angeles is uniting to end the greatest moral and humanitarian crisis of our time: homelessness. Homelessness will not be solved overnight – but the City and County of L.A. are working more closely together than ever to bring unsheltered Angelenos back inside with homes, healing, and hope.

We have already come a long way. Since 2014, Los Angeles has connected 30,000 homeless Angelenos to housing. Four years ago, less than \$20 million was included in the City budget for homelessness; today, the Mayor's budget includes \$430 million to help end the crisis.



“A Bridge Home puts Angelenos on a path out of homelessness and into supportive housing”

- Mayor Eric Garcetti

The voters of Los Angeles have radically reshaped our future – giving us a mandate to end street homelessness over the next decade – by voting for Measure H and Proposition HHH, which will deploy unprecedented resources towards outreach and support services to those in need, and build new affordable and supportive housing.

People sleeping on the streets tonight can't wait for new housing to come online, but existing shelter beds in Los Angeles simply do not meet the growing need. More than 25,000 of our homeless neighbors – from the streets of Koreatown to the banks of the L.A. River – will not have access to a bed tonight.

That's why, this year, Mayor Garcetti launched his plan, A Bridge Home – to give homeless Angelenos a refuge in the community they already know and love, as quickly as possible, until they can be connected with a permanent home.



Homeless Ends One Interaction at a Time

In the months leading up to these new shelters opening, the County will direct unprecedented outreach, mental health, career, and addiction support services to encampments to help prepare homeless Angelenos to move indoors.

Keeping Our Neighborhoods Clean

Once Council Districts stand up their shelters and homeless Angelenos move into them, the City's Sanitation department will work to restore spaces that were previously encampment sites into safe, clean, public passageways.

On a Path to Permanent Home

These emergency shelters will remain standing for three years – enough time for the City to construct supportive housing for the Angelenos living in them. The supportive housing will be furnished with on-site security, mental health, employment, addiction, housing placement services, and wellness resources.

To learn more about Mayor Garcetti's plan to end homelessness, visit:

www.lamayor.org/bridge-home



FAQs

Why was my community selected for a shelter?

Homelessness touches every part of Los Angeles. If we're going to end homelessness, we need to create solutions in every community – which is why the Mayor's budget funds shelters in all 15 Council Districts. These shelters are specifically designed to serve the homeless population that already lives in your community, and will help clean up encampments in your neighborhood. Every Council District that builds an emergency shelter will receive additional sanitation funds to restore spaces that were previously encampment sites into safe, clean, public passageways.

Will our neighborhood be less safe with this emergency shelter?

No. All of the shelters will be fully staffed with 24/7 on-site security, and the Mayor's Office will closely monitor each site to help ensure safety and cleanliness. Our County partners are ramping up the deployment of outreach workers and supportive services to local homeless residents, to help them transition into the emergency shelter, and later into a permanent home. With the city's additional funding for sanitation services, existing encampments will be converted into clean, safe public spaces for all residents to enjoy.

How else can I help my homeless neighbors?

No one can do everything to solve homelessness, but everyone can do something. The most important thing you can do is say "yes" to supportive housing and emergency shelter in your community, and help educate your neighbors about the critical importance of this work. You can also sign up for volunteer opportunities at:

www.lamayor.org/volunteer

or www.everyoneinla.org/how-you-can-help

The logo for "A Bridge Home" features the text "A Bridge Home" in a blue, sans-serif font. Above the text, there are two stylized blue shapes: a semi-circle above "Bridge" and a house-like shape above "Home".

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