

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to jail in-reach programs in connection with people experiencing homelessness (PEH); and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Hernandez – Yaroslavsky):

1. REQUEST the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), with requested input from the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative, the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, the Gender Responsive Advisory Committee, the Los Angeles County Justice, Care, and Opportunities Department, the Los Angeles County Office of Diversion and Reentry, the TransLatin@ Coalition, HOPICS-SSG, A New Way of Life, and the Los Angeles Regional Reentry Partnership, to report within 120 days on:
  - a. The status of jail in-reach programs.
  - b. The level of engagement and service connection with PEH as they move through the justice and carceral systems.
  - c. The degree of coordination between law enforcement and homeless services when PEH exit carceral settings.
  - d. Recommendations for how to increase coordination.
  - e. The rate of warm hand-offs.
2. REQUEST the LAPD to report to Council within 120 days on annual data since 2018 concerning:
  - a. The number of PEH held within the LAPD's custody.
  - b. The number of arrests of PEH, with a breakdown by type of crime, average length of time held by type of crime, and average amount of fees associated with the crime.
  - c. The number of crimes committed against PEH.
  - d. Starting in 2024, for this data to be published annually.
3. REQUEST the City Attorney to report to Council within 120 days on annual statistics since 2018 on the number of PEH served and what metrics are used in serving PEH for each of the following programs: Homeless Engagement and Response Team, Clean Slate, LA DOOR, and Project Lead, an analysis of whether there are any significant PEH subpopulations that are not currently being served by programs administered by the office of the City Attorney, and recommendations on the coordination necessary with law enforcement entities to engage and divert PEH towards community based solutions and programs earlier on or before their systems involvement.
4. DIRECT the Los Angeles Housing Department, with requested input from the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, to report to Council within 120 days on the criminal background requirements, if any, tied to the major federal, state, and regional funding sources for affordable and supportive housing development.
5. REQUEST the LAHSA to report to Council within 120 days on the role criminal background checks play in the supportive housing tenant matching and lease up process, and to provide recommendations on improving integration of record clearing/expungement programs earlier in the process.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on January 17, 2024, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered a Motion (Hernandez – Yaroslavsky) relative to jail in-reach programs in connection with people experiencing homelessness; and related matters.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the Motion, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RAMAN:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	ABSENT
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
LEE:	ABSENT

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