# Metro's Ongoing Homeless Outreach Efforts

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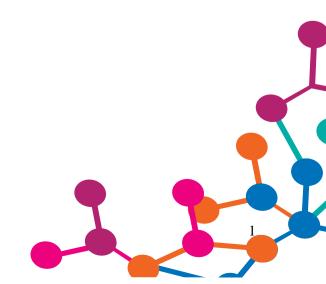


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## **Metro Homeless Task Force**

#### **Formation of Homeless Task Force:**

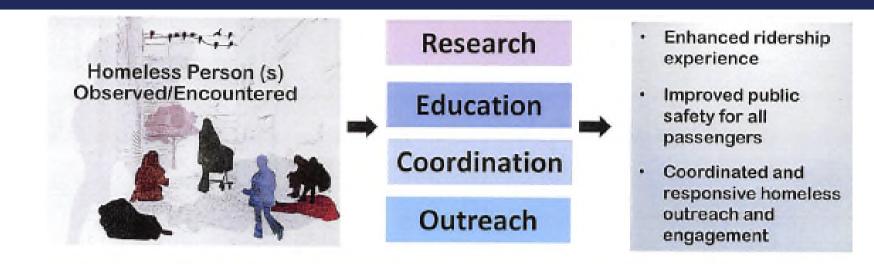
- Spring 2016: Task Force formation at request of Metro CEO
  - Address growing homeless presence on Metro system and properties
  - 57,794 Homeless individuals in LA County (42,828 Unsheltered)\*

#### **Task Force Composition:**

- Meet quarterly with stakeholders to coordinate and collaborate:
  - <u>Partners include</u>: Metro staff, Los Angeles Homeless Services Agency (LAHSA), Department of Health Services (DHS), LA City, LA County CEO's Office, Law Enforcement, City Prosecutors, homeless outreach providers, elected official offices, faith based community etc.
- **October 2017 Motion:** Directors Ridley-Thomas, Fasana, Bonin and Dupont-Walker motion to develop one year pilot program with City, County and Community (C3)
- Metro's Transit Homeless Action Plan created and presented to the Board in February 2017, earning Metro American Public Transportation Association (APTA) 2017 Gold Award in Rail Safety & Security



## **Metro Transit Homeless Action Plan**



I. RESEARCH A. Conduct *demographic surveys* of homeless individuals and families

- B. Collect and analyze data from outreach teams
- C. Conduct a cost-benefit analysis of Metro's current investment in clearing homeless encampments on Metro properties
- D. Review and analyze data specific to Metro from the Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count and Metro Customer Surveys

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#### **II. EDUCATION**

- A. Develop materials and information for Metro staff and passengers on reporting transit homelessness and how they should respond or assist
- B. Develop curriculum and implement *formalized training* for Metro staff and law enforcement
- C. Formalize the "Transit Homelessness" concept and integrate it into implementation plans

#### **III. COORDINATION**

- A. Work with the County and City of Los Angeles to align and integrate with adopted homeless strategies
- B. Participate in committees and workgroups related to the homeless system
- C. Partner and collaborate with partners on encompment protocols
- D. Partner with the County and City of Los Angeles on critical initiatives related to homelessness

#### IV. OUTREACH

- A. Implement and integrate the C3 Outreach Teams
- B. Develop uniform outreach standards
- C. Implement specialized outreach teams
- D. Lead and *coordinate* homeless outreach and law enforcement teams
- E. Partner with agencies on homeless connect days
- F. Work with Veteran outreach teams
- G. Align Metro workforce development efforts

## Homeless Outreach: C3 Teams

### **C3 Team Composition and Outreach**

- May 2017- Start of one year pilot program
  - Contract with Department of Health Services, sub contract with People Assisting the Homeless (P.A.T.H.)
- Two C3 Outreach Teams
  - **5 members-** nurse, substance abuse counselor, mental health clinician, outreach worker and formerly homeless
  - **Red Line-** 7a.m-4p.m Monday through Friday
    - Recommendation by Department of Health Services (DHS) due to demand and functionality of C3 model
  - Additional Outreach and Coordination with C3 Teams: Lead By Metro Staff
    - Sheriff Mental Evaluation Teams (MET) and LAPD Homeless Outreach Protective Engagement (HOPE) Teams
      - Non C3 Locations- Other Metro lines and encampments
      - Off peak hours on Red Line
      - MET and HOPE Teams are a limited resource





## Homeless Outreach: C3 Teams

#### **C3 Team Outreach Numbers for August 2017**

| Performance Measure  | Monthly<br>Number<br>Served | Fiscal<br>Year to<br>Date<br>Number<br>Served |
|--|-----------------------------|---|
| Number of unduplicated individuals' initiated contact (pre-engagement phase)   | 218                         | 1468  |
| Number of unduplicated individuals engaged (engagement phase)  | 180                         | 1105  |
| Number of unduplicated individuals who are provided services or who<br>successfully attained referrals   | 94                          | 403   |
| Number of unduplicated individuals engaged who successfully attained an<br>interim housing resource (this includes crisis and/or bridge housing) | 17                          | 57  |
| Number of unduplicated individuals engaged who are successfully linked to a<br>permanent housing program   | 27                          | 129   |
| Number of unduplicated individuals engaged who are permanently housed  | 1                           | 4   |

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## Homeless Hot Spot Summary-Rail & BRT

| Stop/Sections                              | SPA | Sup.<br>District | City<br>Jurisdiction  | Notes  |  |
|--|-----|------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Blue Line                                  |     |                  |                       |  |  |
| 103rd/ Watts Towers                        | 6   | 2                | City of L.A.          |  |  |
| Willow (Willow Street or<br>WillowBrook? ) | 8   | 4                | Compton               | In other stops and<br>sections,<br>particularly through<br>South L.A., crime is<br>a larger problem. |  |
| Artesia                                    | 7   | 1                | Artesia               |  |  |
| Wardlow                                    | 8   | 4                | Long Beach            |  |  |
|  |     | Expo Line        |                       |  |  |
| Expo/Bundy                                 | 5   | 3                | City of L.A.          |  |  |
| Downtown Santa Monica                      | 5   | 3                | Santa Monica          |  |  |
| Gold Line                                  |     |                  |                       |  |  |
| South Pasadena                             | 3   | 5                |                       |  |  |
| Fillmore                                   | 3   | 5                |                       |  |  |
| Del Mar                                    | 3   | 5                | Pasadena              |  |  |
| Memorial Park                              | 3   | 5                |                       |  |  |
| Lake                                       | 3   | 5                | 7                     |  |  |
| Allen                                      | 3   | 5                | 7                     |  |  |
| Irwindale                                  | 3   | 1                | Irwindale             |  |  |
| Azusa Downtown                             | 3   | 1                | Azusa                 |  |  |
| APU/Citrus College                         | 3   | 1                | APU/Citrus<br>College |  |  |
| Green Line                                 |     |                  |                       |  |  |
| Norwalk                                    | 7   | 4                | Norwalk               |  |  |
| Redondo Beach                              | 8   | 4                | Redondo Beach         |  |  |

| Stop/Sections                   | SPA         | Sup.<br>District | City<br>Jurisdiction      | Notes  |  |
|---------------------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
|                                 |             | Orange Lin       | e                         |  |  |
| North Hollywood Station         | 2           | 3                |                           |  |  |
| Woodman Station                 | 2           | 3                | 1                         | Van Nuys to  |  |
| Van Nuys                        | 2           | 3                | 1                         | Woodley is clustered<br>near the reserve<br>where there have<br>been large homeless  |  |
| Sepulveda                       | 2           | 3                | 1                         |  |  |
| Woodley                         | 2           | 3                | City of L.A.              | encampments.   |  |
| Balboa                          | 2           | 3                | 1                         |  |  |
| Pierce                          | 2           | 3                | 1                         |  |  |
| Reseda                          | 2           | 3                | 1                         |  |  |
| Chatsworth                      | 2           | 5                | 1                         | Metrolink connection<br>at this station  |  |
| Purple - All stops that cross t | he Red Line | ?                |                           | 1.   |  |
| Red Line                        |             |                  |                           |  |  |
| Union Station*                  | 4           | 1                |                           |  |  |
| Pershing Square*                | 4           | 1                | 1                         | Most of the Red<br>Line stops have<br>high concentrations<br>of homeless<br>persons, but the<br>asterisks indicate<br>the most impact<br>stations within the |  |
| 7th Street Metro                | 4           | 1                | 1                         |  |  |
| Westlake Macarthur              | 4           | 1                | City of L.A.              |  |  |
| Wilshire/Vermont                | 4           | 2                | 1                         |  |  |
| Vermont/Santa Monica            | 4           | 3                | ]                         |  |  |
| Hollywood/ Vine*                | 4           | 3                | ]                         | Red Line.  |  |
| North Hollywood*                | 2           | 3                |                           |  |  |
| Metrolink Corridor              | 1 and<br>3  | 1 and 5          | Multiple<br>Jurisdictions | Antelope, Ventura<br>and San<br>Bernardino borders<br>impacted.  |  |



Bernardino borders impacted.

## Homeless Hot Spot Summary- Bus & Assets

| Stop/Sections   | SPA         | Supervisorial<br>District | City<br>Jurisdiction           | Notes |
|-----------------|-------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|
| Silver Line     |             |                           |                                |       |
| Harbor Gateway  | 8           | 2                         | Unincorporated                 |       |
| Manchester      | 6           | 2                         | City Los Angeles               |       |
| Other Bus Lines |             |                           |                                |       |
| Line 2          | 4,5         | 1, 3                      | Echo Park to Pacific Palisades |       |
| Line 4          | 4,5         | 1, 3                      | Downtown to Santa Monica       |       |
| Line 20         | 4,5         | 1, 3                      | Downtown to Santa Monica       |       |
| Line 30         | 4,5,6       | 1,2,3                     | East L.A. to Beverly Hills     |       |
| Line 33         | 4,5         | 1, 3                      | Downtown to Santa Monica       |       |
| Line 60         | 4,6,7 and 8 | 1,2 and 4                 | Downtown to Long Beach         |       |

| Line Location      |  | SPA | Sup.<br>District | Impacted Cities                     |  |
|--------------------|--|-----|------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| EXPO               | East side of Nevin, west of Long<br>Beach Ave  | 6   | 2                | City of L.A.                        |  |
| HARBOR SUB         | Torrance, behind Plaza del Amo<br>between Carson & Washington                                      | 8   | 4                | Torrance                            |  |
| HARBOR SUB         | Harbor City between Normandie<br>& Vermont   | 8   | 4                | City of L.A.<br>Unincorporated      |  |
| Green /Blue        | Underneath Imperial Hwy<br>adjacent to the<br>Imperial/Wilmington Station                          | 6   | 2                | City of L.A.<br>Unincorporated      |  |
| Green /Blue        | Rosa Parks Station – (On and Off<br>transfer point)  | 6   | 2                | Compton                             |  |
| Orange             | Vesper Ave. to Cedros Ave. (Bike<br>path / Metro )   | 2   | 3                | City of L.A.                        |  |
| Orange             | Kester Ave. to Sepulveda Blvd.<br>(Bike path / Metro)  | 2   | 3                | City of L.A.                        |  |
| Orange             | Hazeltine Ave. to Tyrone Ave.<br>(Bike Path/ Metro)  | 2   | 3                | City of L.A.                        |  |
| Orange             | Woodley to Balboa stations<br>(south of the busway down by the<br>ridge)                           | 2   | 3                | City of L.A.                        |  |
| Orange             | Balboa station east (underneath<br>the flood control bridge)                                       | 2   | 3                | City of L.A.                        |  |
| Orange             | South of Nordhoff station along<br>Canoga Ave. (underneath the<br>flood control bridge)            |     | 5                | City of L.A.                        |  |
| Gold               | Irwindale Station  | 3   | 1                | Irwindale/Baldwin<br>Park           |  |
| Gold               | Sierra Madre Station   | 3   | 5                | Pasadena                            |  |
| Gold               | Fillmore Station   | 3   | 5                | Pasadena                            |  |
| Gold               | Atlantic Street  | 3   | 1                | East L.A.                           |  |
| Red                | Wilshire / Vermont   | 4   | 2                | City of L.A.                        |  |
| San Gabriel<br>Sub | Within railroad corridor between<br>Lone Hill Ave and West of the 57<br>Freeway, North side of r/w |     | 1                | Multiple<br>Metrolink<br>Connection |  |



## **Additional Efforts For Homeless Response**

### **Hiring Additional Outreach Teams :**

- Metro is working with Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (DHS) to
  - Hire at least 2-3 additional outreach teams
    - Outreach exclusively on Metro service area

### **Encampment and Property Outreach :**

- Continue to coordinate with Sheriff MET and LAPD HOPE teams for homeless outreach
- Ongoing collaboration with Los Angeles County Measure H Strategies
  - Commitment of forty (40) additional homeless outreach staff for government properties
    - Staff shared between Metro, parks, libraries, beaches and harbors throughout LA County

