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As homelessness in Los Angeles has grown, we have repeatedly been faced with a harsh reality: shelter and housing are the only solutions to street homelessness, and yet our city does not have either in sufficient numbers to confront the crisis before us. However, when these resources have been funded and made available to people experiencing homelessness—especially when combined with intensive outreach—the results have been transformative.

This summer, we saw the results of a location-based outreach and housing operation in Venice, where the Encampment to Home Program on Ocean Front Walk helped place almost 200 people experiencing homelessness into non-congregate shelter. Since then, more than 180 of these individuals have been matched with permanent housing subsidies.

Working with The People Concern, one of Los Angeles County's largest social services agencies and a leading provider of evidence-based solutions to homelessness, Council District 4 staff have developed a budget and plan for an encampment to home program modeled on the Ocean Front Walk program that will navigate as many as 150 individuals—many of them chronically homeless—into shelter and connect them to permanent housing options.

Mayor Garcetti and this Council have made significant investments in homelessness solutions in the FY 2021-22 budget, including \$80 million in the General City Purposes Fund for Homeless Services. Approximately \$3.86 million of this budget allocation will adequately fund this multi-site encampment to home program, focusing on the following high-priority locations:

- Coldwater Canyon Ave and the 101 Freeway;
- Van Nuys Blvd and Hazeltine Ave;
- Ventura Blvd and Stern Ave;
- Los Angeles River bike path between Los Feliz Blvd and Chevy Chase Dr;
- Riverside Drive under Hyperion Blvd;
- Hollywood Boulevard and Rodney Dr/Lyman Pl;
- Sunset Blvd and La Brea Blvd/Sycamore Ave;
- Sunset Blvd and Detroit St (Durant Branch Library);
- Sunset Blvd and Martel Ave/Fuller Ave;
- Franklin Ave and Highland Ave;
- Cahuenga Blvd and the 101 Freeway/Bella Vista Way;
- 10th St and Gramercy Pl;
- Pan Pacific Park;
- Moorpark St and the 101 Freeway;
- Vineland Ave and the 101/134 Freeway; and
- 10610 Bluffside Dr.

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**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the City Council APPROVE \$3,861,565 from the Additional Homeless Services General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000931 for a Council District 4 Encampment to Home Program;

**I FURTHER MOVE** that the City Council INSTRUCT the Controller to establish a new account in Los Angeles Housing Department Fund No. 10A/43, 43VXXX, titled "CD 4 Encampment to Home" and to transfer \$3,861,565 from the Additional Homeless Services General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, Account No. 000931 to the new account established in 10A/43 for this purpose;

**I FURTHER MOVE** that the City Council INSTRUCT the General Manager of the Los Angeles Housing Department, or designee, to amend the City's 2021-22 General Fund contract with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, C-138630, to increase funding by \$3,861,565 for a "Council District 4 Encampment to Home Program"; and

**I FURTHER MOVE** that the City Council REQUEST that the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority execute a new or amend an existing sole source subcontract with The People Concern for an amount of \$3,861,565 for the term of October 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 to implement the Council District 4 Encampment to Home Program.

PRESENTED BY:



NITHYA RAMAN

Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY:

