HOMELESSNESS STRATEGIES & INITIATIVES DIVISION FACT SHEET

(i) About Homelessness Strategies & Initiatives Division

The Homelessness Strategies and Initiatives Division leads and evaluates the Countywide strategic plan to address homelessness. It fosters inter-departmental and interjurisdictional coordination, aligns policies, manages systems integration, and promotes and manages collaboration among public agencies, non-profits, advocacy groups, educational institutions, businesses, community groups, and County departments.

Events & Outreach

The County sponsors the annual Lead Me Home Summit on Homelessness, which draws over **300 community members** each year. This event serves as a vital platform for educating attendees about homelessness efforts at local, state, and federal levels. Through these outreach efforts, the County continues to engage the community and promote awareness on effective strategies and solutions for homelessness.

Current Projects

The County is advancing key projects, including **\$20 million** in Encampment Resolution Funding, planning a Post-Hospitalization and Recuperative Care facility, and developing a strategic plan, all aimed at enhancing support and resources for individuals in need.

Encampment Resolution Projects



The encampment resolution projects are aimed at serving people in the **three largest encampments** in unincorporated areas of the county where services are not otherwise offered.

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Funding & Development Initiatives

The County secured **\$8 million** for a 34-unit navigation center with the County of Santa Cruz, serving up to **70 individuals** annually, and **\$4.7 million** for supporting encampment occupants along the Salinas River. Additionally, **\$6.4 million** is designated for a supportive housing project in King City.



Coordination & Collaboration

A **\$500,000 grant** was awarded to enhance collaboration among County offices, including the County Administrative Office, Behavioral Health Bureau, Probation, Superior Court, Sheriff's Office, Public Defender, and District Attorney, to reduce recidivism for individuals with mental illness. A **\$2 million grant** was also secured for permanent housing for parenting youth in South County, demonstrating the County's commitment to effective service integration.



Committee Formation and Oversight

The Monterey County Interdepartmental Committee on Homelessness has been set up to enhance service coordination among County departments. Complementing this, the Board of Supervisor's Homelessness Committee was also established to provide oversight and strategic direction.

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