Los Angeles CoC
Veteran Systems Updates

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Veteran Resources in LA

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Funding
• ~$20.6 million
• This award is shared with a couple other Continuums of Care (CoCs) but the majority goes to LA

HUD-VASH
• Over 300 hundred VASH vouchers for the GLA VA catchment area

Prop HHH Funding
• ~17% of the units being built through Prop HHH are dedicated Veteran units
• Includes both HUD-VASH and non-HUD-VASH units.

Transitional Living Beds (Grant Per Diem & Healthcare for Homeless Veterans)
• ~1147 bed in the GLA VA catchment area (includes Santa Barbara & San Luis Obispo)
• The majority of the beds are in LA
Veteran Homeless Count Numbers

Veteran homelessness slightly decreased

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Increased Coordination between Veteran and non-Veteran providers
- Outreach teams (VA, SSVF, E-6, LAHSA, etc.)
- Relationship Development (DMH, VA, SSVF)
- Meetings & Training Crossover

HUD-VASH targeted most vulnerable Veteran population
- Chronically homeless Veterans
- Female Veterans
- Older Adults
- Families

Creation of VA CES Specialist Position
- Increased coordination between the VA and CES
- Identification of system gaps
Innovative Interventions

Rapid Resolution
• Led by Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)
• Similar to LAHSA’s Problem-Solving
• Empowers Veteran Households to identify & utilize their natural supports as housing opportunities

Veteran Peer Access Network
• Led by DMH
• Effective end of 2019
• Peers that will assist Veterans navigate various systems (housing, mental health, education, employment, integration, re-entry, etc.)

Shallow Subsidy
• Led by SSVF
• Effective October 1, 2019
• Provides a long-term subsidy for Veteran households
• Allows for opportunity to stabilize in housing and prevent re-entry to the homeless crisis response system

Changes to VA Grant Per Diem (GPD)

What is GPD?
• Time-limited Veteran transitional housing
• Funded by the VA & operated by a community partner

GPD Changes
• New GPD Program Models
• Permanent Housing as a Primary Program Outcome
• Homelessness Should Be Brief and Nonrecurring
• Data-Driven Program Decisions
**GPD- New Program Models**

**Bridge Housing**
- Emphasizes short stays, quick connection to permanent housing & necessary supportive services & benefits

**Service Intensive Transitional Housing (SITH)**
- Emphasizes slightly longer stays paired with intensive services & supports to address a Veteran’s barriers to achieving permanent housing

**Clinical Treatment**
- Emphasized treatment for individuals who may have substance use disorders and/or mental health diagnosis and are seeking treatment

**Low Demand**
- Targeted towards Veterans who are chronically homeless and have substance use disorders and/or mental health diagnosis

**Hospital to Housing (H2H)**
- Targeted towards Veterans that would otherwise be discharged to the streets, shelter or have a longer inpatient stay

**Transition in Place**
- Time-limited transitional housing assistance where the Veteran takes over the lease as their permanent housing

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**Questions??**

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