LAPD Homeless Symposium
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Homeless Population Data & Profiles

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Definition of Homelessness

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, all Continua of Care use a "literal homeless" definition.

Sleeping in places not meant for human habitation

- o Street
- o Parks
- o Along rivers, in backyards
- o Unconverted garages
- o Cars and vans
- o Along freeways or under overpasses
- o Others

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Sleeping in emergency shelters, safe havens, or transitional housing programs and were homeless upon entry into the program
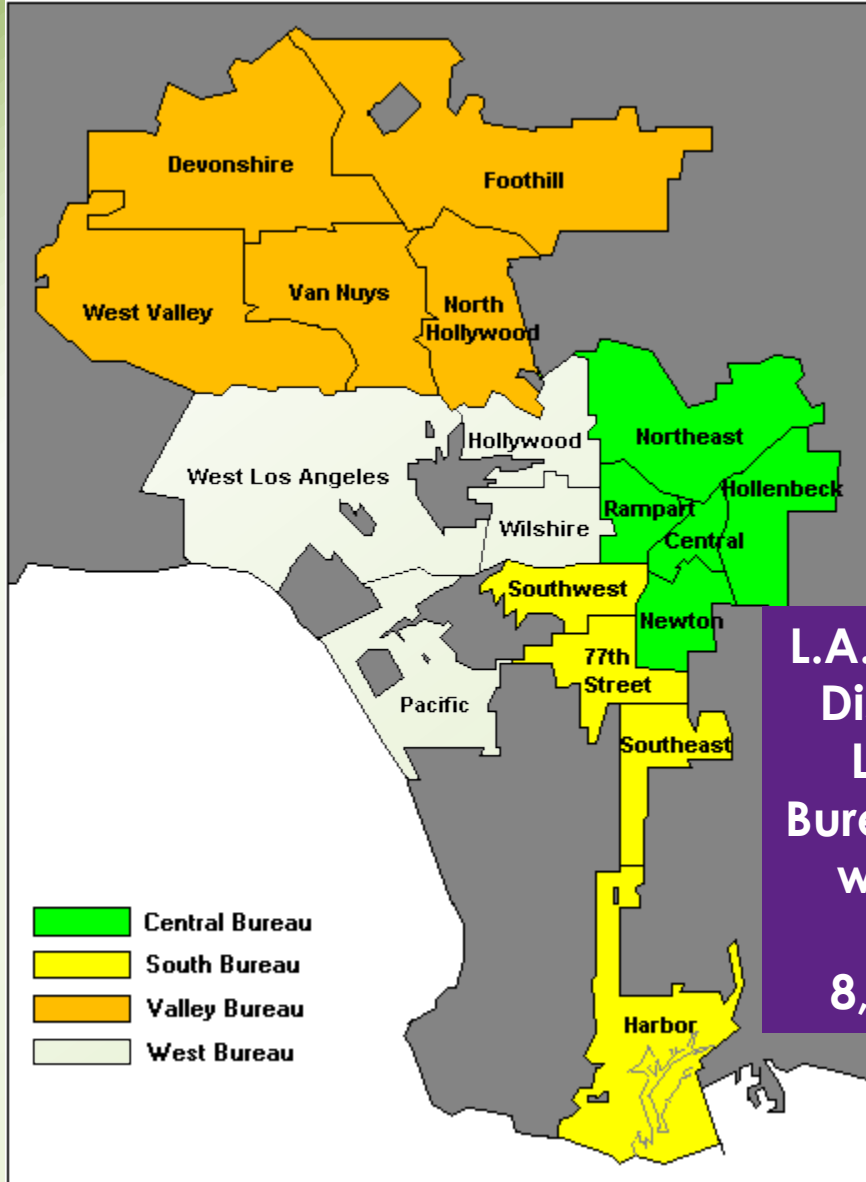
Data and Information Background

- The 2013 count, conducted across the Los Angeles Continuum of Care.
- More data and statistics at Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA). **www.lahsa.org**.
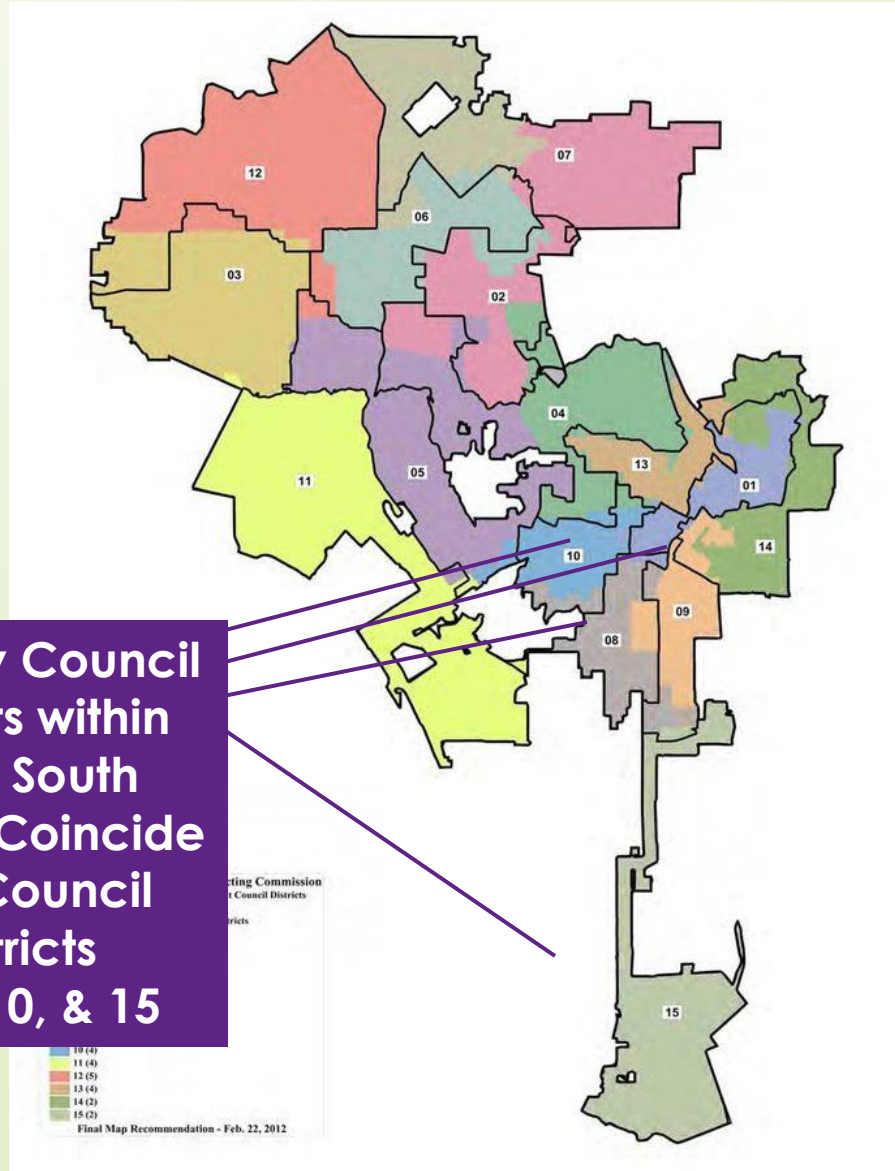
Data and Information Background

- Service Planning Area (SPA) data will be used.

- Some City Council District information will be presented.

- SPA 6 is all within LAPD South Bureau's region.

- Parts of SPA 8 (San Pedro, Harbor Gateway, Harbor City, Wilimington) are in the LAPD South Bureau region.
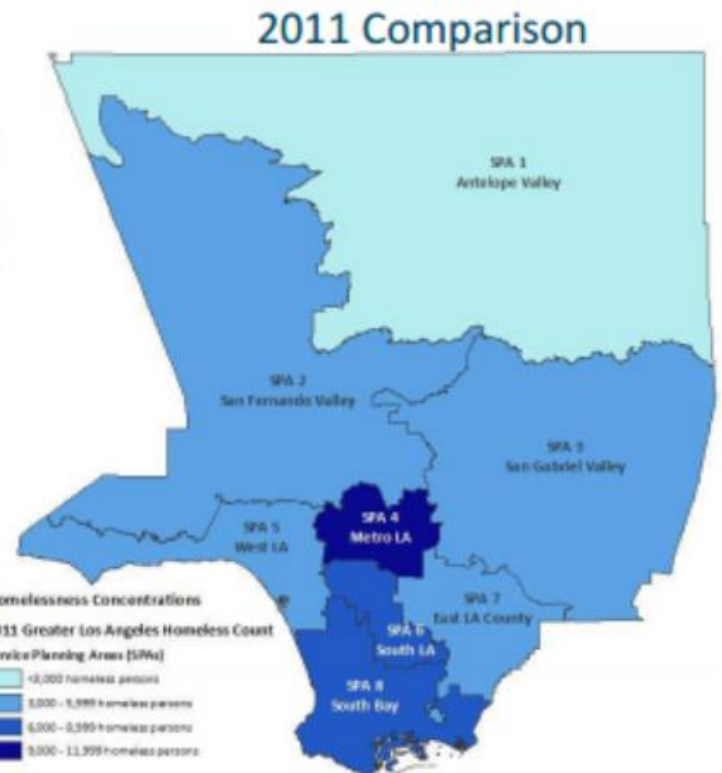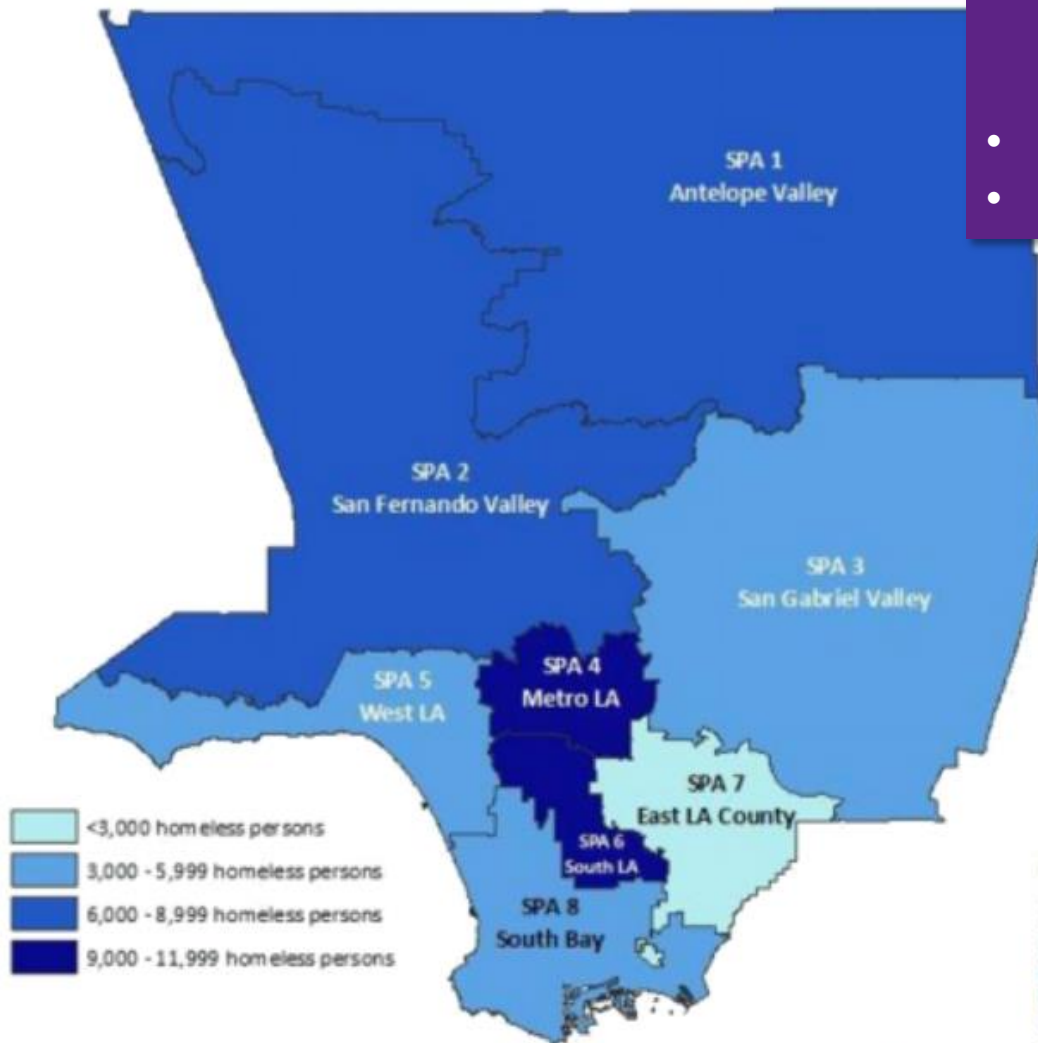
LAPD Bureau Map

L.A. City Council Districts

L.A. City Council Districts within LAPD South Bureau Coincide with Council Districts 8, 9, 10, & 15

2013 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count
Key Findings – Service Planning Areas
Homelessness Population Totals

- **53,798 homeless people in 2013 versus 45,422 in 2011 across L.A. County.**
  (includes hidden homeless)
- **18.4% increase since 2011**
- **5 out of 8 SPAs saw increases**

SPA 1
Antelope Valley

SPA 2
San Fernando Valley

SPA 3
San Gabriel Valley

SPA 5
West LA

SPA 4
Metro LA

SPA 7
East LA County

SPA 6
South LA

SPA 8
South Bay

- <3,000 homeless persons
- 3,000 - 5,999 homeless persons
- 6,000 - 8,999 homeless persons
- 9,000 - 11,999 homeless persons

2011 Comparison

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Homelessness Concentrations
2011 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count
Service Planning Areas (SPAs)
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Excludes cities of Long Beach, Pasadena and Glendale

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2013 LAHSA Point in Time Count

Comparison of Service Planning Area (SPA) Homelessness Age Totals, 2011 vs. 2013

| | 2013 | | | | | | | | | 2011 | | | | | | | | |
	LA CoC Overall	SPA 1 Antelope Valley	SPA 2 San Fernando Valley	SPA 3 San Gabriel Valley	SPA 4 Metro LA	SPA 5 West LA	SPA 6 South LA	SPA 7 East LA County	SPA 8 South Bay	LA CoC Overall	SPA 1 Antelope Valley	SPA 2 San Fernando Valley	SPA 3 San Gabriel Valley	SPA 4 Metro LA	SPA 5 West LA	SPA 6 South LA	SPA 7 East LA County	SPA 8 South Bay
Under 18	4,667	256	624	308	1,204	439	1,209	305	322	6,112	339	553	363	1,230	427	2,053	540	607
18-24	5,737	602	802	485	1,347	541	1,130	306	524	3,708	60	89	321	1,303	358	568	467	542
25-54	31,004	4,307	4,531	2,615	5,730	2,646	6,343	1,312	3,520	25,585	902	2,787	2,374	7,033	1,881	4,324	2,818	3,466
55-61	7,808	1,114	1,150	657	1,400	658	1,603	323	903	6,468	66	765	383	1,391	527	1,192	701	1,443
62 & Older	4,582	678	683	379	789	378	949	184	542	3,549	45	533	477	614	319	598	233	730
Total	53,798	6,957	7,790	4,444	10,470	4,662	11,234	2,430	5,811	45,422	1,412	4,727	3,918	11,571	3,512	8,735	4,759	6,788

Comparison of Service Planning Area (SPA) Homelessness by Age Prevalence Rates, 2011 vs. 2013

	LA CoC Overall		SPA 1 Antelope Valley		SPA 2 San Fernando Valley		SPA 3 San Gabriel Valley		SPA 4 Metro LA		SPA 5 West LA		SPA 6 South LA		SPA 7 East LA County		SPA 8 South Bay	
	2011	2013	2011	2013	2011	2013	2011	2013	2011	2013	2011	2013	2011	2013	2011	2013	2011	2013
Under 18	14%	9%	24%	4%	12%	8%	9%	7%	11%	11%	12%	9%	23%	11%	11%	12%	9%	6%
18-24	8%	11%	4%	8%	2%	10%	8%	11%	11%	13%	10%	12%	7%	10%	10%	13%	8%	9%
25-54	56%	58%	64%	62%	59%	58%	61%	59%	61%	55%	54%	57%	49%	57%	59%	54%	51%	61%
55-61	14%	14%	5%	16%	16%	15%	10%	15%	12%	13%	15%	14%	14%	14%	15%	13%	21%	15%
62 & Older	8%	8%	3%	10%	11%	9%	12%	8%	5%	8%	9%	8%	7%	8%	5%	8%	11%	9%

- SPA 6 had big increases in every age group except for those under 18
- SPA 8 had decreases in every age group except for those aged 25-54.

2013 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count
Key Findings – City of Los Angeles
Homelessness by Household Type

LAHSA

Comparison of Homeless Households by Los Angeles City Council District, 2011 vs. 2013

	2011								2013							
	Total		Single Adults		Family Members		Unaccompanied Youth (<18)		Total		Single Adults		Family Members		Unaccompanied Youth (<18)	
LA City Overall	23,539	100%	17,944	76%	5,284	23%	311	1%	29,682	100%	24,863	84%	4,142	14%	677	2%
Hidden Homeless	2,492	100%	2,492	100%	0	0%	0	0%	6,690	100%	6,690	100%	0	0%	0	0%
LA City Subtotal	21,047	100%	15,452	73%	5,284	25%	311	2%	22,992	100%	18,173	79%	4,142	18%	677	3%
Council District 1	909	100%	434	48%	466	51%	9	1%	1,150	100%	833	72%	262	23%	55	5%
Council District 2	290	100%	221	76%	69	24%	0	0%	1,024	100%	886	86%	132	13%	6	1%
Council District 3	206	100%	142	69%	56	27%	8	4%	352	100%	265	75%	85	24%	2	1%
Council District 4	704	100%	600	85%	83	12%	21	3%	1,090	100%	855	78%	83	8%	152	14%
Council District 5	689	100%	365	53%	319	46%	5	1%	456	100%	229	50%	227	50%	0	0%
Council District 6	1,356	100%	1,003	74%	343	25%	10	1%	1,413	100%	974	69%	422	30%	17	1%
Council District 7	743	100%	617	83%	110	15%	16	2%	847	100%	774	92%	62	7%	11	1%
Council District 8	2,362	100%	997	42%	1,351	57%	14	1%	2,307	100%	1,674	72%	547	24%	86	4%
Council District 9	5,810	100%	4,872	84%	865	15%	73	1%	2,564	100%	2,097	82%	324	13%	143	5%
Council District 10	998	100%	763	77%	234	23%	1	<1%	1,168	100%	924	79%	240	21%	4	<1%
Council District 11	1,258	100%	1,060	84%	179	14%	19	2%	1,389	100%	1,126	81%	181	13%	82	6%
Council District 12	140	100%	88	63%	46	33%	6	4%	251	100%	199	80%	52	20%	0	0%
Council District 13	1,918	100%	1,582	83%	270	14%	66	3%	2,255	100%	1,688	75%	526	23%	41	2%
Council District 14	2,207	100%	1,900	86%	285	13%	22	1%	5,500	100%	4,907	89%	575	11%	18	<1%
Council District 15	1,457	100%	808	55%	608	42%	41	3%	1,226	100%	742	60%	424	35%	60	5%

- Single Adults still comprise the largest share of the Homeless population

- Family Members now represent 14% of the Homeless population, down from 22% in 2011

- CD 5 has near-equal Single Adult and Family Member populations

Homeless Data Summaries

- There were a total of **7,268 homeless people** counted in 2013 through the LAHSA PIT count within the geographic boundaries of the **LAPD South Bureau region**.
- Over **31%** of L.A. City's homeless population is in LAPD's South Bureau region.
- **Council District 15** in 2013 had over **56% of SPA 8's** homeless population

City Council District 8
Total Homeless: 2,307
Single Adults: 1,674
Family Members: 547
Unaccompanied Youth: 86

City Council District 9
Total Homeless: 2,564
Single Adults: 2,097
Family Members: 324
Unaccompanied Youth: 143

City Council District 10
Total Homeless: 1,168
Single Adults: 924
Family Members: 240
Unaccompanied Youth: 4

City Council District 15
Total Homeless: 1,226
Single Adults: 742
Family Members: 424
Unaccompanied Youth: 60

Homeless Subpopulation Profiles

- Chronically Homeless
- Veterans
- Families
- Transition Age Youth

Chronically Homeless

Chronic homelessness is the most familiar face of homelessness.

- Long-term and/or repeated bouts of homelessness coupled with disability (physical or mental).

- Often end up living in shelters

- Utilizing and eligible for many homeless assistance and resources

Chronically Homeless
Most Effective Solutions

- Provide Permanent Supportive Housing
- Reduce Financial Vulnerability
- Improve Health and Housing Stability

Veterans

- Veterans often become homeless due to war-related disabilities.
  - physical disability,
  - mental anguish
  - post-traumatic stress
- Difficulties readjusting can lead to dangerous behaviors,
  - Addiction
  - abuse
  - violence,

Veterans

Most Effective Solutions
According to the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

- Providing Affordable Housing
- Providing Permanent Supportive Housing
- Increasing Opportunities for Meaningful and Sustainable Employment
- Reducing Financial Vulnerability
- Improving Homeless Crisis Response Systems

Families

- Homeless families are similar to poor families.
    - Unforeseen financial crisis
    - Medical emergency
    - Car accident
    - A death in the family.

Families

Most Effective Solutions
According to the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

- Provide resources that enable families to safely reenter permanent housing as quickly as possible.

- Link families to the benefits, supports, and services they need.

- Identify and implement prevention methods to help families avoid homelessness.

Transition Age Youth

- Homelessness due to family conflict, including divorce, neglect, or abuse.
- Risk factors
  - Child Protective Services
  - Juvenile/Criminal History
  - Mental Health/Trauma Due to Abuse
  - Violence & Abuse
  - Access to basic needs such as food and shelter
  - Lack of education and educational resources
  - Substance Abuse
  - Unemployment
  - Poverty
- Experiences and Patterns Unique to African American and Latino Youth need to be considered.

Transition Age Youth

Most Effective Solutions
According to the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

- Stable housing
- Permanent connections
- Education
- Employment
- Social-emotional well-being

Current Community Efforts/Programs to Address Homelessness

- SPA 6 and SPA 8 Homeless Coalition
- South L.A. Homeless TAY and Foster Care Collaborative
- Coordinated Entry for Chronically Homeless/Single Adults
- Family Solutions System

Questions

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