

## Human Services Homelessness

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## Alameda County Homeless Status

- Alameda County, 2019 Point-in-Time Count
  - 43% increase in homelessness since 2017
  - 8,022 individuals in were homeless
  - 1,710 individuals are sheltered
  - 6,312 individuals are unsheltered



## Causes of Homelessness in County

- 13% Lost Job
- 12% Mental Health Issues
- 10% substance Abuse Issues
- 9% Eviction/Foreclosure
- 9% Rent Increase
- 8% Incarceration





### Number of Homeless in Livermore

#### 2019 Point-in-Time Count:

- 264 individuals in Livermore were homeless
- 85 individuals are sheltered
- 179 individuals are unsheltered





## Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District

## LVJUSD currently has a count of 137 vulnerable students of which:

83 live in over crowded/doubled up housing

32 live in temporary shelters

20 live in hotel/motels

2 are unsheltered



### Strategies to address LVJUSD vulnerable/homeless families:

- Work with LVJUSD administrators, teachers, social workers to identify homeless families
- Work with service providers to assist with available resources and support services



## Segments of Homelessness

Homelessness has varying segments and sub-populations that require a tailored approach.





#### Segments:

- Families
- Veterans
- Youth
- Seniors
- Working poor
- Mental/physical health barriers
- Domestic Violence
- Housing insecurity
- Bad credit/eviction
- Alcohol/substance abuse



## Livermore Housing First Strategy

The City Council recognized homelessness as a priority and committed local funds and dedicated staff to develop and implement strategies that address the growing number of homeless families and individuals.



#### Identified strategies:

- A need to create, acquire and secure new permanent supportive units targeted for the unsheltered homeless population
- A focus on veterans, families with children, chronically homeless with disabilities



### Homeless Housing Strategy

- 9 new housing projects in the pipeline
- 437 new affordable rental units
- Estimated 61 units for homeless
- Deeply affordable = 30% of Area Median Income (AMI) or rent that shall not exceed 30% of the annual income





## 2019 Low to Moderate Income Limits

Household size	Extremely Low (30%)	Very Low (50%)	Low income (80%)	Moderate (120%)
1	\$26,050	\$43,400	\$69,000	\$104,100
2	\$29,750	\$49,600	\$78,850	\$118,950
3	\$33,450	\$55,800	\$88,700	\$133,800
4	\$37,150	\$61,950	\$98,550	\$148,700



### **Homeless Online Portal**

http://cityoflivermore.net/citygov/cdd/hhs/report\_homeless\_activity.htm



Livermore Police Department at 925-371-4987



### Homeless Taskforce









- Development of strategies to improve or enhance supportive services
- Welfare checks on the most at risk individuals
- Review of data captured from online portal
- Promotes and maintains a strong and congruent working group



# City of Livermore Police Department Homeless Liaison & Policing Team

- Two full time officers
- Engage homeless community
- Work closely with homeless providers, District Attorneys office, Zone 7, Caltrans, LARPD
- Visit other jurisdictions to assess outreach and program models
- Coordinate appropriate encampment clean ups



## Local Approach

The City of Livermore Council implemented a Subcommittee on homelessness to develop a strategic framework.

- **Short-Term:** Provide dignity to unhoused neighbors, establish policy and programs with an immediate impact, maximize local, county, state and federal resources.
- **Medium Term:** Address the increase in homelessness and options for transitional/ temporary housing.
- Long Term: Build dedicated permanent affordable housing for homeless with wrap around support services and long-term sustainability.



## Community Meeting Topics

**Short-Term Strategies/Solutions** 

Crisis Intervention, Safe-Parking, Bio-hazard Cleanup

Restrooms/Showers, Storage and Trash

Medium-Term Strategies/Solutions (Coming Soon September/October)

**Homeless Prevention** 

Mental Health

Temporary/Interim Housing



## Homeless Emergency Aid Program Funds (HEAP)

- Alameda County received HEAP funds from the State of California, Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) under Senate Bill 850
- One time funds to address immediate homelessness challenge
- Must be expended by March 31, 2021
- Each city must provide a 30% funding match
- Eligible use for services: direct services, rental assistance or subsidies, and capital improvements



## Homeless Emergency Aid Program Funds (HEAP) Tri-Valley Allocation

City	Allocation Amount	
Dublin	\$	107,620
Pleasanton	\$	92,246
Livermore	\$	931,800
Total Tri-Valley Allocation	\$	1,131,666



## **Tri-Valley HEAP Funds Allocation**

HEAP Jurisdiction Allocation	Allocation Amount	
Regional Pool	\$ 494,870	
Livermore Only	\$ 608,505	
Administration	\$ 28,291	
Total Heap Funds	\$ 1,131,666	



## **Council Approved Pilot Programs**

Programs	Estimated Cost
Administration	\$28,291
Crisis Intervention (Regional Pool)	\$494,870
Safe Parking	\$243,297
Shower/Laundry	\$144,330
Trash Service	\$24,278
Storage	\$54,000
Bio-Hazard Clean Up	\$142,600
Grand Total	\$1,131,666



### How can you get involved?

Visit our website Homeless Information Page

**Cityoflivermore.net/homelessness** 

Sign up for updates and upcoming community meeting dates

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