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Rapid Rehousing Study

Study Finds Rapid Re-Housing Produces Lasting Reductions in Homelessness

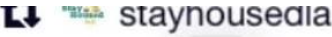
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Santa Monica Renter Aid



Santa Monica Renter Aid

FACING A HOUSING CRISIS?

The Santa Monica Renter Aid program provides short-term financial assistance and case management services to Santa Monica renters who are at risk of losing their housing to keep individuals and families safely housed and out of homelessness.

This city of Santa Monica program is operated by The People Concern.



Eligibility Requirements

- Santa Monica resident
- Experiencing a housing crisis
- Meet income eligibility requirements (at or below 120% AMI)
- Prioritization for low-income households, older adults, people with disabilities and families with minor children
- All eligible households can apply regardless of citizenship status



Types of Assistance

- Financial assistance to stabilize housing
- Short-term case management
- Referrals to other supportive services



Examples of Crises

- Rent increase
- Job loss
- Temporary financial hardship
- Unexpected expenses
- Medical emergency costs

Scan for more information and online application



In-Person Application Support

Tuesdays | 3 - 7 p.m.
Virginia Avenue Park
Park Center Building
2200 Virginia Ave.

Thursdays | 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Santa Monica Public Library
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Language and accessibility accommodations, including paper applications, are available.

First round of applications accepted July 20 - August 20, 2026.

Assistance is not guaranteed and depends on eligibility, priority criteria and funding availability.



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Marine Accepts Housing After 2 Years

Marine Veteran 🇺🇸 & his wife lived in this van & refused to even talk to any homeless outreach workers for 2 years 😭



They are now in their own Veteran Housing Apartment! 🙌

7/17/2026

211 and AirBNB Free Housing Warehouse Fire



211 LA County is in Boyle Heights, Los Angeles, California.



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211 LA and [Airbnb.org](https://www.airbnb.org) are expanding free temporary housing for residents still dealing with the effects of the Lineage warehouse fire cleanup.

More than 1,000 nights of free housing have already gone to local residents, including many with medical conditions who couldn't safely stay home during cleanup.

211 LA is identifying eligible residents in the impacted area and booking Airbnb stays on their behalf, close to work, school, family, or their support network.

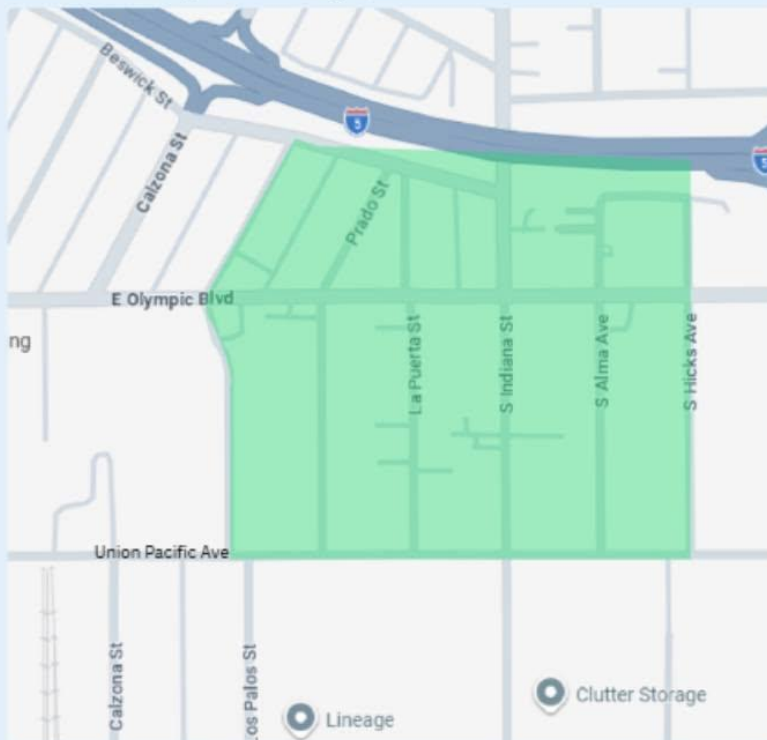
If you live in the eligible area near the warehouse, call 211 LA at 626-406-2786, 7 days a week, 9am to 5pm, for help with eligibility and booking.

Want to help? Donate at 211la.org or reach out about partnering at partnerships@211la.org.

MAP OF ELIGIBLE AREA

NEED TEMPORARY HOUSING?

211 LA is available to help determine eligibility for free temporary housing, guide you with setting up an Airbnb account, and booking a placement.



Zone eligible for free temporary housing.

Contact 211 LA:
626-406-2786

Hours:
7 days a week
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Between:
Los Palos St to S Hicks Ave
Beswick St to Union Pacific Ave



HOW IT WORKS

Through this response, 211 LA is identifying eligible Boyle Heights and East Los Angeles residents in the immediate area near the warehouse and booking stays through Airbnb.org on their behalf.

Displaced residents will be provided with an Airbnb stay that meets their needs, including staying near their workplace, school, family, or support network.

**BOYLE HEIGHTS AND EAST LOS ANGELES
RESIDENTS IN THE IMPACTED AREA CAN CALL
626-406-2786 TO GET HELP NAVIGATING
AVAILABLE RESOURCES, INCLUDING
AIRBNB.ORG TEMPORARY HOUSING
ENROLLMENT.**



AB1997 Time Requirements for Low Income Housing Developments

Within the next several years, according to the state, 642,151 very-low-income units should be built, but only 5.3 percent have been constructed so far; 384,113 low-income units should be constructed, but only 14.9 percent have been built; and 419,977 moderate-income units should be constructed, but only 10 percent have been built. Above-moderate-income units have done better, but could use improvement: out of the RHNA goal of 1,049,216 units, 338,238 have been built, or 32.2 percent.

As one can see, very-low-income and low-income units, as well as moderate income, are lagging way behind luxury-housing apartments. That's where AB 1997 comes in.

Introduced by Assemblymember Alex Lee and sponsored by AIDS Healthcare Foundation (the parent organization of Housing Is A Human Right), AB 1997 dramatically decreases the time period that local governments must give permits to lower-income housing developers.

That's important.

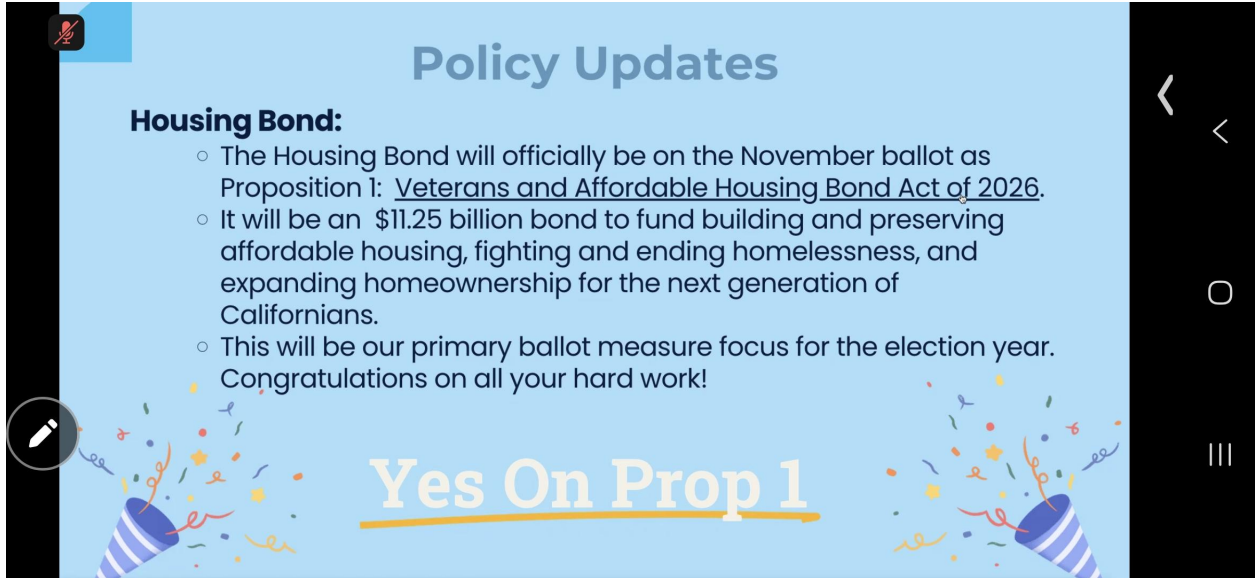
The Southern California Association of Governments noted in a **report** that “speeding up approvals and permit processing... can expedite the production of housing in a community, and can incentivize infill development and affordable housing.”

So AB 1997 reduces the permitting timeline to 30 days for very-low-income and extremely-low-income units – and developers can more quickly build affordable housing for the poor and working class, who are getting hit the hardest by the housing affordability crisis.

AB 1997 is part of a **multi-pronged approach** to address the housing affordability and homelessness crises that includes protecting tenants through renter rights, including rent control; preserving existing affordable housing, not demolishing it for luxury housing; and quickly producing new moderate- and lower-income housing.

7/16/2026

Yes on Prop 1, RUN LA Residents United



The screenshot shows a mobile application interface with a light blue background. At the top, the title "Policy Updates" is displayed in a bold, dark blue font. Below the title, the section "Housing Bond:" is highlighted in bold. A list of three bullet points follows, detailing the Housing Bond's placement on the November ballot, its \$11.25 billion value, and its focus on affordable housing and homeownership. The text concludes with "Congratulations on all your hard work!". At the bottom, the phrase "Yes On Prop 1" is written in a large, white, sans-serif font, underlined with a thick yellow line. The background is decorated with colorful confetti and two blue and white striped party horns. The interface includes a black sidebar on the left with a red mute icon and a white pencil icon, and a black sidebar on the right with navigation icons: a back arrow, a forward arrow, a home circle, and a menu hamburger icon.

Policy Updates

Housing Bond:

- The Housing Bond will officially be on the November ballot as Proposition 1: Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026.
- It will be an \$11.25 billion bond to fund building and preserving affordable housing, fighting and ending homelessness, and expanding homeownership for the next generation of Californians.
- This will be our primary ballot measure focus for the election year. Congratulations on all your hard work!

Yes On Prop 1

6/23/2026

New Tiny Home Village in Van Nuys



Spectrum News 1 SoCal is at **Van Nuys, Calif.**

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A new Tiny Home Village has opened in Van Nuys. Mayor Bass joined Councilmember Nazarian and Hope the Mission to celebrate the site, which adds 50 tiny homes and 100 beds for homeless San Fernando Valley residents.

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6/15/26

Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026, RUN LA Residents United

Talking Points

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- California has nearly **45,000 shovel-ready affordable housing units** across the state waiting **only on funding** to move into construction.
- Resources from the state's last housing bond have run out and there are limited state funds available to get projects built.
- With budget deficits expected over the next several years, bond funding is the only way to keep affordable housing construction from grinding to a halt.
- The bond would:
 - Produce more than 40,000 affordable homes for lower income households
 - Preserve more than 5,500 existing housing units
 - Create more than 53,000 construction jobs
 - Generate \$1.3 billion in state and local tax revenue
- The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026 is supported by a growing coalition of more than 100 affordable housing advocates, local governments, labor and business groups, and environmental organizations. Join us!

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LA CITY CONTROLLER

TRANSPARENCY & ACCOUNTABILITY

June 12, 2026

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2026-06-11/feds-suspend-lahsa-from-receiving-federal-money-citing-financial-mismanagement>

Yesterday, HUD announced that they're suspending LAHSA from receiving federal funds.

We share concerns about the need for stronger accountability, transparency, and effective use of public resources. Our office has long worked towards stronger oversight over homelessness, conducting two homelessness audits, releasing the City's first homelessness spending tracker, pushing to audit Inside Safe, and investigating a homeless service provider for fraud that led to his arrest.

While we support stronger oversight, withholding critical funding will cause significant harm to the very people LAHSA's programs are intended to serve. The people most affected by this decision will not be those at LAHSA, they will be people experiencing homelessness who rely on LAHSA's programs to survive. Any effort to improve oversight and accountability should be carried out in a way that does not jeopardize the wellbeing of vulnerable community members.

We want to note that in HUD's letter announcing LAHSA's suspension, HUD misconstrued our findings, stating that "in November 2024, the City Controller's Office found that LAHSA failed to spend \$513 million in public funds that were budgeted during fiscal year 2024." This is incorrect. Our analysis of homelessness underspending applied to the City, not LAHSA.

We urge the Mayor and City Council to empower the City Controller's Office to provide the robust and independent oversight over homelessness spending that the people of LA expect and federal agencies demand.

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6/3/26

100% Affordable Housing 93 Unit in Hawthorne



The South Bay Regional Housing Trust has officially approved its first funding agreement to create affordable housing, with Hawthorne set to receive a \$6 million loan to build an apartment complex where all units are deemed affordable.

“This project brings public and private partners together to build affordable housing in Hawthorne,” said Hawthorne City Councilmember Alex Monteiro, “something our community hasn’t had since the 1990s.”

The 93-unit building, dubbed the Cordary Avenue Apartments, will be developed on underutilized, city-owned land at 14115 Cordary Ave. and will feature a central courtyard, play area, community room, on-site resident services, on-site property management, laundry facilities, secured bike parking and 54 parking spaces. Sixty-nine of the units will have one bedrooms and 24 will be two-bedroom units.

All of the proposed rental units will be restricted to households with 30-70% of the area’s median income. Per the rules of the South Bay Regional Housing Trust, 25% of trust-funded units must be restricted to households earning at or below 30% AMI and another 25% must be restricted to households earning at or below 50% AMI.

This means that 22 one-bedroom units will have a monthly rent of \$852, 13 will be \$1,420 per month, 21 will be \$1,404 per month and 13 will be \$1,988 per month. Seven two-bedroom units will have a monthly rent of \$1,022, four will be \$1,703 per month, four will be \$2,044 per month and eight will be \$2,214 per month.

“Our data shows that seniors and small working-class families are experiencing an increase in housing insecurity, especially families in our school districts,” Jacki Bacharach, interim director of the South Bay Regional Housing Trust, said in a written statement. “These units could help prevent future households from being displaced.”

The South Bay Regional Housing Trust formed in April with the mission of creating affordable housing in the South Bay.

So far, 11 cities in the region have joined the trust: El Segundo, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills Estates, Redondo Beach and Torrance. The coalition will utilize recently obtained funding from Los Angeles County's Measure A to help create affordable housing in the South Bay.

“By joining the South Bay Regional Housing Trust,” Lawndale Councilmember Bernadette Suarez, chair of the South Bay Cities Council of Governments, said in a written statement, “our cities, including my City of Lawndale, can benefit from a coordinated, regional approach to housing production and homeless services, while explicitly maintaining full control over local land-use decisions.”

Housing, for the most part, is only affordable in the South Bay for a household that makes six figures, according to a presentation by the

“They’ll build a 200-unit building with only 10 affordable units,” she said, “and that creates new density with a very little affordable component.”

That’s why it is significant that Cordary Avenue Apartments will be filled with 100% affordable units.

“We have an opportunity to really kick off this housing trust and do exactly what we’re all here to do, which is to find ways to build affordable housing in the way that local jurisdictions want,” Nina Tarnay, an SBRHT board member from Manhattan Beach, said just prior to the vote to approve the Hawthorne loan. “This is what they want; they’ve (Hawthorne) put skin in the game as well. So I think these are the types of projects I would be happy to support.”

In addition to the trust’s \$6 million loan, the developers, Adobe Communities, will receive \$7 million from Hawthorne, \$10 million from the Los Angeles County Development Authority and additional funding from other loan servicers.

The trust’s \$6 million loan will have a 3%

CA Rental Law Appliance Requirement



New Rental Law

Appliance Requirements for Rental Units

Effective Date: January 1, 2026

New California Rental Law AB628 states landlords must provide a working stove and refrigerator in most residential rental units to meet basic habitability standards.

What's Required In Each Unit:

- A working refrigerator
- A working stove
- If recalled, appliances must be repaired or replaced within 30 days of notice

When It Applies:

- New leases starting on or after **Jan. 1, 2026**
- Lease renewals, extensions, or amendments on or after Jan. 1, 2026

Tenant Rights:

- Landlords **cannot require** tenants to bring their own stove
- Refrigerators may only be tenant-provided with written agreement

Exemptions:

- AB 628 does not apply to:
 - Permanent supportive housing
 - Units with shared kitchens

Questions? Contact the Housing Authority of the City of Long Beach

Phone: 562.570.5372 | **Email:** ha-owners@longbeach.gov

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6/2/26

Housing Incentive Program, 30k Units

LA reports Nearly 30,000 Homes Advancing Under Housing Incentive Program

by YO VENICE STAFF



Officials said the initiative also expands development capacity that could allow for the construction of nearly 500,000 homes in the coming years.

Nearly 30,000 housing units are moving forward across Los Angeles through a city housing development program launched a year ago, Mayor Karen Bass announced

The report found that approximately 40% of the proposed units would be income-restricted for 99 years. City officials also said more than half of the proposed housing units are located in neighborhoods identified as higher-opportunity areas, with access to schools, jobs, transit and other amenities.

In addition, about 90% of projects submitted through CHIP are using a streamlined approval process designed to reduce permitting delays and accelerate construction timelines, according to the report.

5/29/26

Coalition Housing and Homeless Budget Ask

Coalition Budget Ask

- Our coalition respectfully urges the Administration and the Legislature to invest a minimum of \$3.3 billion in essential affordable housing and homelessness programs (see letter below). \$3.3 billion in essential affordable housing and homelessness programs is only about 1 percent of the Governor's proposed spending plan.
- Link to [Coalition Budget Letter](#)
- The link to the Call To Action can be found [here.](#)

May Revise Recap

- [The Governor's May Revise](#) was released on May 14th, which does not include any new funding for affordable housing and homelessness. This includes not allocating funding for the:
 - State Low-Income Housing Tax Credits
 - Multifamily Housing Program
 - Homelessness Housing Assistance and Prevention Program (beyond \$500 million that was previously allocated)
 - Joe Serna Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program
 - CalHome Program

5/27/26

Santa Monica Approves \$6 Million Rent Aid

The Santa Monica City Council has approved a program to provide \$6 million in financial aid to vulnerable renters, city officials said Wednesday.

The council approved the Santa Monica Renter Aid program on Tuesday, the first major funding allocation from Measure GS. It will be administered in partnership with The People Concern.

The program is expected to launch this summer and will provide targeted financial assistance and housing stabilization services to eligible renter households facing housing instability or at risk of homelessness. It is expected to assist approximately 150 households each year.

“Santa Monica renters are the backbone of our community, and this program is about making sure they can stay here,” Mayor Caroline Torosis said. “Santa Monica Renter Aid puts Measure GS dollars to work exactly as voters intended, keeping working families housed before a crisis becomes a catastrophe. This is homelessness prevention that is a smart investment for our city.”

Households earning at or below 120% of the area median income, or about \$126,000 annually for a one-person household and \$180,000 for a four-person household in Los Angeles County, will be eligible. Households experiencing significant housing instability or those at greatest risk of homelessness will be prioritized.

Santa Monica Renter Aid will feature multiple access points for residents, including an online application through the city's website, multilingual application materials and outreach, paper applications, in-person office hours at Virginia Avenue Park, and housing navigation support through community partners.

Measure GS was approved by Santa Monica voters in November 2022, creating a dedicated funding source for homelessness prevention, affordable housing production and renter support programs.

The People Concern, a longstanding partner with the city in addressing homelessness, will regularly report

5/25/26

Tiny Homes with 51 Beds Hollywood

Los Angeles

California's stalled tiny-home push finally breaks ground in LA with 51 beds

By Ray Brennan, 54 mins ago



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California's long-delayed tiny-home effort may finally be gaining traction in Los Angeles.

According to the Post, the East Hollywood development is being built by Hope the Mission, Built On Site Systems, Lehrer Architects, the Zegar Family Foundation, and the California Department of Housing and Community Development — a partnership that could provide a model for other cities still working to turn tiny-home plans into real places for people to live.

5/23/26

CA \$760 Million Homeless Funding Deployed



California is deploying \$760 million in homelessness funding to local governments and regional agencies across the state, with Gov. Gavin Newsom's administration saying the investment is aimed at expanding shelter, housing, and prevention services in all eligible regions.

The funding is being distributed through the state's Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program, which supports coordinated regional responses to homelessness. Officials said 11 regions are receiving new allocations under the latest round, which continues a statewide effort to reduce unsheltered homelessness and expand long-term housing solutions.

The administration said more than 100,000 Californians have transitioned from homelessness into permanent housing through HHAP-supported programs and related initiatives in recent years. Officials also reported a 9% decline in unsheltered homelessness statewide, which they described as the first notable drop in more than a decade.

HHAP is a multi-year grant program that provides funding to California counties, large cities, and Continuums of Care. The program supports a range of interventions, including emergency shelters, street outreach, rapid rehousing, rental assistance, and permanent supportive housing.

Officials said most participating regions are dedicating roughly 90% of their HHAP funds to permanent and interim housing solutions, reflecting a state push to prioritize long-term exits from homelessness over short-term interventions.

State officials said recipients will be required to demonstrate measurable progress in reducing homelessness, with performance tracked through standardized state metrics. Funds must be fully spent by June 2029.

The announcement comes as California prepares for a seventh round of HHAP funding, which is expected to total \$500 million and expand accountability requirements tied to housing outcomes and local policy implementation.

Officials said the combined investments reflect a broader statewide strategy focused on increasing housing supply, strengthening behavioral health services, and accelerating efforts to move people out of encampments and into stable housing.

Article By: Bo Tefu, **CBM**

Pasadena 133-Unit Affordable Housing



Hollywood 30 units of interim housing for youth



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Grand Opening: Hollywood Downtowner

30 new units of interim
housing for young
people in LA.



5/21/26

WHERE L.A.'S STREET HOMELESS ARE FROM

SOURCE: CITY JOURNAL



- ▶ 38% - OTHER STATES
- ▶ 36% - CITY OF LA
- ▶ 11% - OTHER LA COUNTY CITIES
- ▶ 8% - OTHER CA COUNTIES
- ▶ 7% - OTHER COUNTRIES

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5/20/26

Long Beach Affordable Housing Solutions Agency \$255 Million Funding

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As Chair of the Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency, we announced more than \$255 million in coordinated housing and renter protection investments across Los Angeles County.

And Long Beach is leading the way.

🏠 A \$39.8 million investment will help build a new 109-unit affordable housing community for working families right here in Long Beach.

🏠 Long Beach will also receive \$10.7 million annually to strengthen renter protections and emergency assistance programs that help residents stay housed.

💰 An additional \$1 million investment with Interval House will support emergency rental and flexible financial assistance for families facing housing instability.

This is why regional collaboration matters. Housing and homelessness don't stop at city boundaries — and neither can the solutions. By working together across Los Angeles County, we're bringing more resources home to support Long Beach families and strengthen the safety net our community depends on.

Berkeley Graduate Medalist Formerly Incarcerated Homeless



**Formerly incarcerated,
homeless, at 43, UC Berkeley
senior graduates with top
honor as University Medalist**

Housing Bonds and Bill Updates



Policy Updates

Housing Bond:

- **Both SB 417 and AB 736** passed the Appropriations Committee! They are both headed to the full floor for a vote and if they pass, they will head to the Governor's desk for signature. Then, off to the ballot.





Policy Updates

Advocacy Day Priority Bills

- **AB 2146 (Stefani): Reducing homelessness verification requirements**
 - Passed Assembly Appropriations Committee, headed to the full floor!
- **SB 1091 (Caballero): The Community Anti-Displacement and Preservation Program (CAPP)**
 - Passed Senate Appropriations Committee, headed to the full floor!

Measure ULA:

- Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association and the California Business Roundtable (CBRT) are running an anti-transfer tax bill, the "Taxpayer Deception Act" that would challenge Measure ULA. The measure seeks to limit transfer taxes to no more than 0.11%. This would threaten Measure ULA's progress.

5/16/26

Safe Parking Funding Restored



SAFE PARKING FUNDING RESTORED

Full Council vote pending

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**This happened because
people showed up.**

@safeparking_la

5/13/26 Metro Station and Little Tokyo Service Center Affordable Housing

MAY 13, 2026

Large affordable housing complex opens above Metro station



The Santa Monica Vermont Apartments include 185 affordable units above a subway station in East Hollywood. (photo by Edwin Folven)

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority joined nonprofit developer Little Tokyo Service Center on April 30 to celebrate the Santa Monica Vermont Apartments, a transit-oriented mixed-use housing development for low-income households adjacent to the Metro B Line's Vermont/Santa

Santa Monica Vermont Apartments includes two buildings with 185 income-restricted affordable apartments and two property managers' units, above 20,000 square feet of community-serving commercial space. Residential units consist of studio, one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments.

The project's 185 units are affordable for low-income households, with half of the units reserved as permanent supportive housing for formerly unhoused individuals. Amenities include on-site supportive services, community space and a planned federally qualified health center providing dental and vision services to the East Hollywood community. The project also includes improvements to the plaza and station area with new lighting and landscaping, as well as pedestrian improvements.

Metro's Vision 2028 Strategic Plan encourages the development of affordable housing near transit to give more people, especially those in low-income communities, better access to transit. In 2021, the Metro Board established a goal of expanding Metro's housing portfolio

Metro's Vision 2028 Strategic Plan encourages the development of affordable housing near transit to give more people, especially those in low-income communities, better access to transit. In 2021, the Metro Board established a goal of expanding Metro's housing portfolio through the joint development program to 10,000 homes by 2031, with at least 5,000 of the apartments to be restricted at affordable rents for lower and moderate-income households. To meet the goal, Metro has partnered with local developers such as LTSC to increase the supply of high-quality housing on Metro properties

For information, visit [metro.net /jd](https://metro.net/jd).

Inside Safe Motel Spending

Raman and Miller took aim at Inside Safe.

"Right now we have Inside Safe having a lot of people who are in there for a year or more,"

Raman said. "That's like having someone in an emergency room for a year."

Miller added that he would take a totally different approach. "We're spending \$85,000 a year on motel rooms for unhoused people.

That's equivalent to giving a homeless person rent for 7,500 a month," he said.

Long Beach Habitat for Humanity



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From blueprint to reality, Erin Grove is coming to life in Long Beach—36 new homes, built for families ready to step into stability, opportunity, and a future of their own.

This isn't just a development nearing completion. It's 36 new beginnings.

36 front doors.

36 stories about to unfold.

We can't wait to welcome families home. 

**#HabitatLA #BuildLA #HomeStartsHere
#AffordableHousing #LongBeach #AlmostHome**



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5/12/2026 Prop 1 Homekey + Housing

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LOS ANGELES — Gov. Gavin Newsom on Tuesday announced \$111 million in Proposition 1 funding for six supportive housing developments across California, including projects in Los Angeles County aimed at helping veterans, youth and people experiencing homelessness with behavioral health challenges.

The funding, awarded through the state's Homekey+ program, will create 307 permanent supportive housing units statewide for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness and living with behavioral health conditions, according to the governor's office.

The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles was awarded more than \$12.5 million to acquire two newly constructed buildings with 33 units for youth experiencing or at risk of homelessness with behavioral health challenges. All units will include kitchens and private bathrooms, according to the governor's office.

The city of Los Angeles separately received \$15.6 million to rehabilitate a motel into Huntington Villas, a 52-unit supportive housing development for people experiencing homelessness and behavioral health issues.

Among the Los Angeles County projects, the city of Cudahy will receive nearly \$8 million to help complete Amanda Villas, a 140-unit affordable housing development. The project will reserve 18 units for people facing behavioral health challenges and chronic homelessness. Los Angeles County Development Authority rental subsidies totaling \$33.1 million have also been committed to the project.

State officials said Homekey+ has funded 50 supportive housing projects creating 2,471 affordable homes statewide, including 620 units reserved for veterans.

(Whittier, Calif.) — Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda L. Solis, First District, announced a \$500,000 investment to the Río Hondo College Foundation to expand housing stability and basic needs support services for Río Hondo College students experiencing housing insecurity and food instability.

- **Housing Stability Initiatives** — including emergency housing assistance, housing subsidies and move-in support for students facing housing insecurity.
- **Food Security and Basic Needs Support** — including expanded food pantry services, meal support and additional resources for students experiencing food insecurity.



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- **Student Success and Wellness Support** — including continued support for the College’s nationally recognized Hope Scholars Program, which provides trauma-informed services for students experiencing homelessness and housing instability.



“No student should be forced to sleep in their car, skip meals or risk dropping out because they cannot afford basic necessities,” said Board Chair Solis. “Access to dignity, stability and support should be a given, not a barrier to education. That is why I am

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U.S. Navy Veteran David Eveld camps outside the West LA VA campus. (Spectrum News/Anna Albaryan)

HOMELESSNESS

'This isn't living. It's surviving': Homeless veterans await promised housing at West LA VA

BY ANNA ALBARYAN | WEST LOS ANGELES
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Black Californian Barriers

According to an April 2024 report by the Greenlining Institute, low-income Black Californians are **struggling with affordability** due to a combination of historical systemic barriers and modern economic pressures. The Greenlining Institute is a California-based policy, research, and advocacy nonprofit founded in 1993 to fight systemic racism and economic injustice.

Black households in California experience the highest levels of rent burden; approximately 65% of Black renters, according to the Greenlining report. Historical “redlining” and ongoing discrimination have restricted homeownership. Black families also pay 43% more for energy than White households, partly because they are more likely to live in older, less energy-efficient rentals.

In addition, roughly 1 in 3 Black adults (36.5%) reported household food insecurity in late 2025, more than double the rate for White adults. This is often exacerbated by “food deserts” in predominantly Black neighborhoods.

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Mansion Tax Affordable Housing Project



Los Angeles 'mansion tax' delivers first affordable housing project

East Hollywood complex marks initial ground-up development funded by levy to open



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Friday's hearing was called by U.S. District Judge David O. Carter, who has been overseeing the settlement in a lawsuit brought against the city by the L.A.

Alliance for Human Rights, a group of downtown business and property owners.

Here are some key takeaways of the new agreement, which is detailed in 24 pages of [court documents](#):

- The city will create a total of 14,000 housing and shelter opportunities by the end of June 2027, an increase from the 2022 settlement.
- L.A. will keep open at least 12,915 housing or shelter opportunities until the end of June 2029. The original agreement ended June 2027.
- The city will make sure that 19,600 people experiencing homelessness are moved into housing or shelter beds rather than being obligated to clear thousands of encampments.
- Reports will be filed with the court detailing L.A.'s housing and shelter, including the total number of people experiencing homelessness served.
- The court can appoint a monitor to help oversee and enforce the agreement, which the judge also approved Friday.

Bhatia Family Village, The Cornerstone Village

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The Bhatia Family Village Newsletter

Frame the Future Together

The Village is more than just a place – it's a movement that creates independence and connection for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. With shops, restaurants, and community events on the way, we're building a space where everyone truly belongs.



The Bhatia Family Village will soon be a place where you'll be able to explore unique local shops, enjoy community events, and me ...More



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IN BLOOM AT CHC

Here's what's blossoming
at CHC this season...



COMMUNITY SUPPORT HAS EMPOWERED CHC TO:



- Add 30 transitional beds in Hollywood
- Add 20 shelter beds in Oakland
- Expand our LA kitchen & dining space, serving 100+ youth daily
- Add 30 beds + a wellness center/access point in Hayward
- Provide thousands of meals, safe nights, and wellness visits to youth!

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LA World Trade Center into Apartments



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Long Beach ADU Assistance

Long Beach offers the Backyard Builders Program, which provides comprehensive assistance for financing, designing, permitting, and constructing Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). The program is administered by the Long Beach Community Investment Company (LBCIC) and funded by a \$4.8 million award from the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

Applications for the second round of the Backyard Builders program are scheduled to open in Summer 2026. This round is specifically designed to support lower-income homeowners who own and occupy a single-family home in the designated program area.

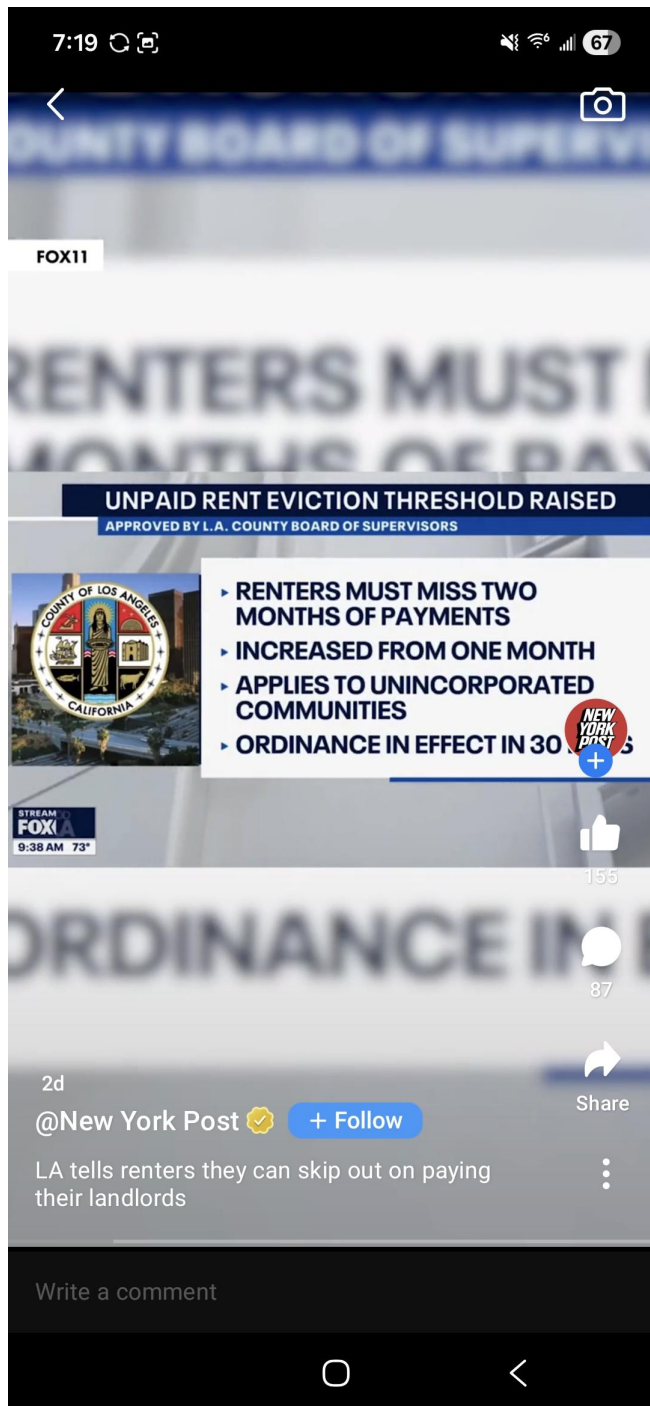
Key features of the assistance include:

- **Loan Amount:** Eligible participants can receive a 30-year loan of up to \$250,000.
- **Interest Rate:** The loan carries a 2% below-market interest rate with deferred payments for the 30-year term, or until the property is sold.
- **Project Management:** The city provides free project management assistance at no cost to guide homeowners through the entire ADU process.

- Eligibility: Applicants must meet the state's definition of lower-income and satisfy credit, debt-to-income, and property loan-to-value requirements.
- Lottery Selection: If qualified applicants exceed the number of available loans (aiming to finance at least 16 ADUs), recipients will be selected via a randomized lottery.

Homeowners who have already begun the design or construction process may apply prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, though the city does not reimburse costs incurred before the loan is executed. For more details, residents can visit longbeach.gov/aduloan to sign up for program updates and information session dates

Unpaid Rent Eviction Threshold Raised



DMH and Little Tokyo Center Housing Unit, Dean's Place



LACDMH Celebrates Grand Opening of Dean's Place in South Los Angeles

On March 27, LACDMH joined L.A. County's 2nd District Supervisor Holly Mitchell, Los Angeles County Development Authority, Coalition for Responsible Community Development, and Little Tokyo Service Center (LTSC) to celebrate the grand opening of Dean's Place, a 57-unit permanent housing community in South Los Angeles. Named after late LTSC executive director Dean Matsubayashi, Dean's Place will provide housing and supportive services for people experiencing homelessness and serious mental illness so they can heal, recover, and thrive in a community setting.

[Watch this video](#) to check out that day's festivities, including remarks from our Service Area 8 District Chief Jennifer Bailey Hernandez. Learn more about Dean's Place on this **[LTSC webpage](#)**.

New Mental Health Village Construction

LA County investing \$100 million for mental health services by leasing empty state facilities



By [Sid Garcia](#) 

Saturday, March 7, 2026



Local leaders have broken ground on a project to turn vacant state buildings at the Metropolitan State Hospital



LACDMH and Partners Break Ground to Create LA County Care Community in Norwalk

On March 6, LACDMH joined Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, State Senator Bob Archuleta and our state, local and community partners, to break ground on Metropolitan State Hospital in Norwalk to transform its vacant buildings into the LA County Care Community that will provide housing and mental health services. Once completed, this project will provide 162 beds across multiple levels of care for people experiencing serious mental illness and homelessness.

The LA County Care Community is made possible by Senate Bill 1336, authored by Senator Archuleta, which allows California to lease the State-owned site and buildings to L.A. County to renovate and repurpose for this first-of-its-kind coordinated care setting. The project is also made possible with \$65 million in funding from Proposition 1, which finances behavioral health treatment infrastructure, including housing facilities. Additional State and County funds finance an additional \$41 million for this project.

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The average rent for a one bedroom is \$1,700.

That means you need over \$4,600 a month to qualify for a starter apartment.

About 840,000 U.S. workers are paid at or below the federal minimum wage. If they're working full time, they make about \$1,257 per month before taxes.

Where are we supposed to live???



 DAILY CALLER 

**FIRST WEEK OF IRAN WAR COST \$11
BILLION – ENOUGH TO HOUSE EVERY
HOMELESS VETERAN FOR OVER A DECADE**

(KEREM YUCELI/AFP via Getty Images)

Policy Updates

Advocacy Day Priority Bills

- **AB 2146 (Stefani): Reducing homelessness verification requirements**
 - **The problem:** Documentation requirements for people experiencing homelessness delay moving into affordable housing after an open unit has been identified.
 - **The solution:** People experiencing homelessness who have gone through the Coordinated Entry System (local homelessness response system that places people in housing) no longer have to provide documents proving that they are homeless and with previous addresses and landlord references to state agencies.
- **SB 1091 (Caballero): The Community Anti-Displacement and Preservation Program (CAPP)**
 - **The problem:** In California, tens of thousands of homes that used to be affordable to low-income people become unaffordable every year. When rents rise, people are often forced to leave their homes, disrupting their housing stability and forcing them to leave their school, friends, and family.
 - **The solution:** A new funding program that would help non-profit developers preserve low-rent market-rate housing as affordable in the long term

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COSTCO IS DEVELOPING RESIDENTIAL APARTMENTS ABOVE SOME OF ITS RETAIL LOCATIONS AS PART OF AN EFFORT TO HELP EASE THE GROWING AFFORDABLE HOUSING SHORTAGE.

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Costco is experimenting with a new approach to urban housing by combining large-scale retail with residential development. In Los Angeles, the company is working with the real estate developer Thrive Living to... [See more](#)

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Queen Latifah Rise Living Affordable Housing



Queen Latifah is developing RISE Living, a significant affordable housing project in her hometown of Newark, NJ, through her BlueSugar Corp. The 76-unit, \$14M mixed-use project, named in honor of her late mother through the acronym “Rita Is Still Everywhere,” aims to improve housing stability with affordable and market-rate homes.



CA Bill Homeless Shelters and Pets



