



DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELESSNESS AND
SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Behested Payment Waiver: Shelter and Homeless Services

Homelessness and Behavioral Health Select Committee | October 13, 2023



Proposed Legislation Details

- Authorize the **Office of the Mayor and Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing** to solicit donations from various private entities and organizations to support **the expansion of temporary shelter and other homeless services**.
- In the past, HSH and the Office of the Mayor have established successful and innovative **public-private partnerships** to meet **critical needs of people experiencing homelessness**.
- The **Mayor's Fund for the Homeless** is a category eight fund established to receive donations for homeless services, with existing reporting to Homeless Oversight Commission and Annual Reporting to the Board of Supervisors.

Shelter Crisis

- According to the 2022 Point-in-Time Count, there were **~7,750** people experiencing homelessness, **56%** of whom were unsheltered.
- As of September 2023, HSH had **2,952** temporary shelter or crisis intervention slots, with a **91% occupancy rate**.
- Home by the Bay: A Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness in San Francisco, calls for an investment of resources including **1,075 new shelter beds** to meet the Plan's goals, including a **50% reduction of unsheltered homelessness** in 5 years.
 - FY 2023-25 budget funded **~594** new shelter beds, **55% toward strategic plan goal**.



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Questions?

Thank you!