



Update on the New Department of Homeless Services

Informing the New Department



New Department on Homelessness: Goals

Through the provision of coordinated, compassionate, and high-quality services the Department will work toward the goal of making homelessness in San Francisco rare, brief, and onetime. Benchmarks toward this goal include:

Move 8,000 people into housing in the next 4 years Reducing the number of people who become homeless

Reducing the length of time people spend homeless

Reducing street homelessness

New Department Priorities

Housing First—a system focused on permanent housing & a rapid re-housing model

Building on the culture of **customer service** within the City's system of care & housing

Continuing to move toward a **fully coordinated system** with **transparency in the housing placement** process

Focus on ending homelessness for people who have been homeless the longest

Engage in **strategic planning process** to maximize the impact of our system of services and resources

Homeless Services Spending in the City's Budget (in millions)

FY11-12	FY12-13	FY13-14	FY14-15	FY 15-16	% Change
\$157	\$181	\$189	\$213	\$242	55%

- The vast majority of operating expenditures occur in the Human Services Agency (55%) or Department of Public Health (34%)
- Approximately three-quarters of the funding comes from the City's General Fund



Spending by Service Category FY 2015-16



Programs of the New Department



Programs will Serve a Diverse Community



System Gaps: Focus Areas for New Department

Coordinated Entry

- For all subpopulations
- For all placements
- To identify system gaps
- Consistent and transparent
 - housing placement

Expand Rapid Re-Housing

- Successful for many families
- In pilot phase for single individuals
- In pilot phase for transitional age youth

Community-Wide Database

- Consistent data standards
- Real time access to data
- Using data more extensively for system & program planning

Housing Ladder

- Pilot strategies for people to move on from supportive housing, as appropriate
- Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD)

Department Timeline

Transition and System Stakeholder Transition Identify Department New Announceme Mapping and Strategic Department Planning: Engagement: Department nt of Involved Announcement: Planning: Planning: Director: Established: February – Programs: April – July December 2015 December – July 2016-March 2016 July 2016 Spring 2016 2016 May 2016 February 2016 early 2017