6. Increasing Development of Affordable and Homeless Housing (Rooms 6 and 7)
Facilitator: Dora Gallo, A Community of Friends | Discussants: Helmi Hisserich, HCID; Monique King-Viehland, Community Development Commission; Amy Anderson, PATH Ventures; and Ann Sewill, California Community Foundation
The development of affordable and permanent supportive housing in Los Angeles is critical in combating and preventing homelessness.
Land use regulations, funding, NIMBYism, and bureaucracy are key challenges in developing an adequate supply of affordable and permanent supportive housing for the regions low- and very-low income families and individuals.
Collaboration among the County, cities, non- and for-profit housing developers, other funders, and community stakeholders is especially critical at this time with new funding from the State’s No Place Like Home Initiative, City of Los Angeles’ Measure HHH, and the County Affordable Housing Fund coming online in the near future.

7. Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Treatment (Room 8)
Facilitator: Mark Ghaly, MD, Health Agency | Discussants: Elena Farías, Dept. of Mental Health; John Connolly, Dept. of Public Health SAPC; Amber Roth, Homeless Health Care LA; and David Snell, Dept. of Mental Health
Vulnerable individuals who have the greatest health, behavioral health, and social service needs have difficulty navigating systems that have different structures and practices, programmatic goals and financial incentives. Clinical support is vital in the Housing First model in order to overcome mental health and substance use disorder barriers to secure and retain housing.

8. Collaboration with the Cities (Rooms 4 and 5)
Facilitator: Phil Ansell, County Homeless Initiative | Discussants: Meg Barclay, City of Los Angeles; Benita DeFrank, City of Pomona; and Corri Planck, City of West Hollywood
Homelessness is not confined by jurisdictional boundaries, and the County and cities have complementary roles in combating homelessness. Establishing strong, on-going partnerships between the County and cities throughout the region continues to be critical to successfully combating homelessness.

9. Expanding Providers’ Capacity to Maximize New Opportunities (Ballroom)
Facilitator: Peter Lynn, LAHSA | Discussants: Andrea Itoulian, Conrad N. Hilton Foundation; Shari Weaver, Harbor Interfaith; and Katie Hill, PATH
Deliberate expansion of homeless service provider capacity is critical to maximize the effective utilization of both current and new resources and demonstrate good fiscal stewardship that will ultimately result in stronger systems of care and improved client outcomes.

10. Contracting (Rooms 2 and 3)
Facilitator: Stephanie Klasky-Gamer, LAFH | Discussants: Deon Arline, Dept. of Public Social Services; Cheri Todoroff, Dept. of Health Services; Maria Funk, Dept. of Mental Health; and Chris Callandrillo, LAHSA
A wide array of community providers contract with various government entities to provide homeless services. Particularly with the increase in available funding, there is a need to streamline contracting processes to reduce the burden on providers, while ensuring compliance with applicable statutory and regulatory requirements. This could involve increased alignment in the contracting processes of various government funders.

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MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS

1. Connection and Collaboration (Systems Level) (Ballroom)
Facilitator: Phil Ansell, Homeless Initiative | Discussants: Veronica Lewis, SSG/HOPICS and Peter Lynn, LAHSA
In February 2016, the Board of Supervisors approved 47 coordinated strategies to combat homelessness, which are interconnected and go beyond traditional silos. At the same time, effective synergy among the strategies – and between the strategies and other key homeless and mainstream services - will not occur automatically. This session will explore what we can do together to maximize effective synergy.

2. Housing Placement/Stabilization (Room 8)
Facilitator: Emilio Salas, HACoLA | Discussants: Corrin Buchanan, Office of Diversion & Reentry; Kris Freed, LA Family Housing; and Celina Alvarez, Housing Works CA
Many families and individuals in Los Angeles County have a coveted housing voucher and cannot secure a rental unit. For formerly homeless families and individuals who do secure a rental unit, they face great personal challenges in maintaining housing stability. Therefore, developing and implementing successful placement and stabilization strategies and programs are critical to combating homelessness.

3. Justice Population (Rooms 2 and 3)
Facilitator: Peter Espinoza, Office of Diversion and Re-entry | Discussants: Doug Bond, Amity; Danielle Wildkress, CSH; Reaver Bingham, Probation; Paula Tokar, Sheriff’s Dept.; and Lowell Jones, CSH
A significant portion of the homeless population has involvement with the criminal justice system, and several of the Homeless Initiative strategies, specifically target this population. The work of the County’s Office of Diversion and Re-entry directly complements these strategies.

4. Outreach and Engagement (Rooms 4 and 5)
Facilitator: Maria Funk, Dept. of Mental Health | Discussants: Marina Flores, LAHSA; Libby Boyce, Dept. of Health Services; Maribel Marin, 211 LA; and Dorothy Edwards, CSH
A coordinated outreach and engagement system is vital to a coordinated service delivery system because contact with people living on the street is generally with outreach workers. When outreach and engagement efforts are coordinated effectively, with multidisciplinary outreach teams as needed, it facilitates getting people off the streets and into services and housing.

5. Community Mobilization & Communication (Rooms 6 and 7)
Facilitator: Chris Ko, United Way – Home for Good | Discussants: Kerry Morrison, Hollywood Property Owners Alliance; Rabbi Noah Farkas, Valley Beth Shalom; and Zondre Johnson, CSH
Homelessness affects everyone in Los Angeles County - community residents, business owners, community providers, government entities, and homeless families and individuals themselves. As a result, community perceptions of homelessness can have a significant impact – both positive and negative – on efforts to combat homelessness. Community mobilization and other intentional actions can positively impact community perceptions.

Remarks
County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, SD3
Mayor Ted Winterer, City of Santa Monica

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