Measure H FY 2020-21 Funding Recommendations Process

Update

December 18, 2019

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Measure H Funding Recommendation
Process Overview

• Measure H, a ¼ cent tax to fund homeless services in LA County, was approved by voters in March 2017. Implementation of efforts funded by Measure H began in July 2017.

• Prior to implementation – and then for each subsequent Fiscal Year (FY) – the HI conducted extensive stakeholder engagement to inform recommendations to the LA County Board of Supervisors for the allocation of Measure H funding.
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• In 2017, the Board approved final recommendations for FY 2017-18 and tentative recommendations for FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20 (which were subsequently finalized); there are no tentative recommendations for the years following the current FY.

• In August 2019, the LA County Board of Supervisors directed the Homeless Initiative (HI) to implement a process to develop final funding recommendations for Measure H funded HI strategies for FY 2020-21 and tentative recommendations for FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23.
Changes to Measure H Funding Recommendation Process

• The HI is now recommending that the Board direct the HI to develop Measure H funding recommendations for FY 20-21 only, and wait to develop FY 21-22 and FY 22-23 funding recommendations until a later date. A draft Board letter containing this recommendation was discussed by the Board’s Homeless Policy Deputies on December 12, 2019; the Board of Supervisors will consider this recommendation in January 2020.
Potential Additional Homeless Services Funding

- The HI is anticipating that additional State and/or Federal homeless services funding may be available in FY 21-22 and FY 22-23. Possible sources include:
  - Additional State funding similar to the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) approved in the FY 2019-20 State Budget.
  - California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM), which will reform Medi-Cal program, potentially yielding additional resources for people experiencing homelessness.
  - Other yet-to-be determined sources.
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Process So Far

The following steps in the funding recommendations process have already taken place:

- **Policy Summits:** HI hosted 8 policy summits to engage key stakeholders and policy experts on a range of topics affecting the homeless services system. Notes from the summits can be found at [https://homeless.lacounty.gov/funding/](https://homeless.lacounty.gov/funding/)

- **Community Input Sessions:** Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) hosted 8 community input sessions in partnership with the HI (one in each Service Planning Area).

- **Public Comments:** HI accepted public comments online (over 100 comments submitted).