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*Welcome to **The Way Home**, your guide to how LA County is helping people and communities affected by homelessness.*

A special message from Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority Interim Executive Director Heidi Marston

Are you looking for a way to be a part of the critical effort to address the homelessness crisis in Los Angeles County? Join us next week as a volunteer for the [Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count 2020](#).

Every January members of the Los Angeles County community fan out across the County to find out who our homelessness neighbors are and where they reside. This annual count helps provide a critical picture of the trends, progress and scope of community members experiencing homelessness within Los Angeles County and helps local, state and federal policymakers understand where funding and services are needed. Without the information from the Count, the homeless services system would not be as effective at helping the people who need it the most.

The 2020 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count will occur, mostly at night, on the following dates and in the following areas:

January 21, 2020

Counting in the San Fernando Valley, Santa Clarita, and San Gabriel Valley
(Service Planning Areas 2 & 3)

January 22, 2020

Counting in West Los Angeles, Southeast Los Angeles, & the South Bay (Service
Planning Areas 5, 7, & 8)

January 23, 2020

Counting in the Antelope Valley (morning), Metro Los Angeles, & South Los
Angeles (Service Planning Areas 1, 4, & 6)

Thousands of our neighbors will come out to be a part of the Count. I would be
grateful if you joined us and signed up to volunteer at [TheyCountWillYou.org](https://www.TheyCountWillYou.org).



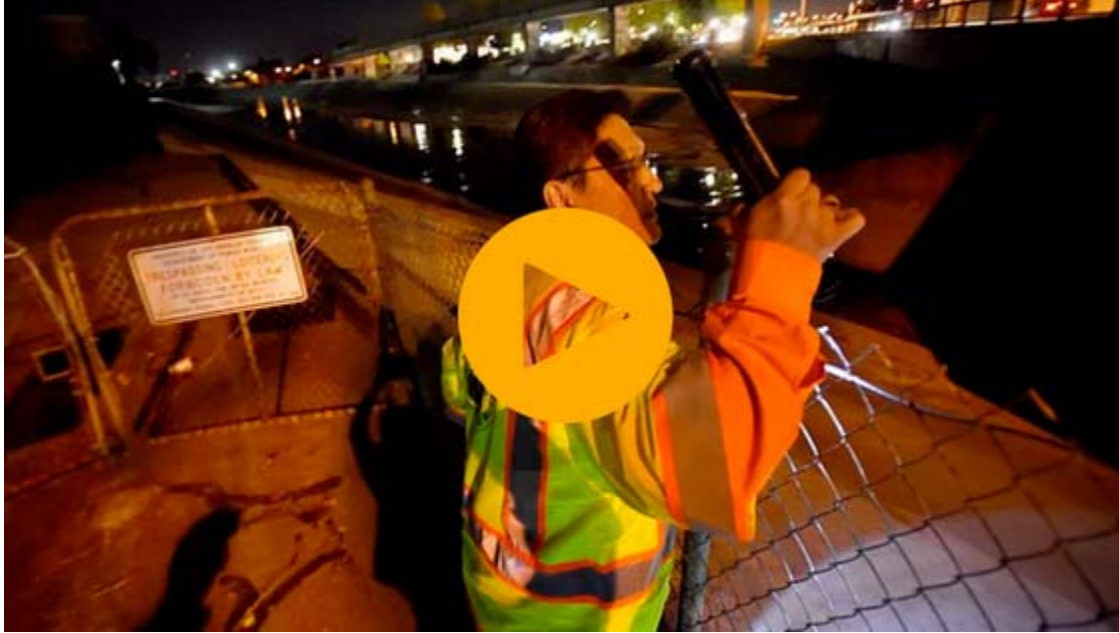
Thanks to you...



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... volunteers signed up for last year's homeless count. [Join](#) us this year and contribute to the critical efforts to help people experiencing homelessness.

People helping people



VIDEO: Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority staff and volunteers are preparing for the 2020 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count.

In case you missed it

- The Governor's Council of Regional Homeless Advisors [released](#) its statewide recommendations. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors [responded](#) with a motion to develop a framework for implementing priority elements of the Council's 40 recommendations across Los Angeles County.
- A temporary emergency homeless shelter in San Pedro was [approved](#) by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. The shelter will be housed in a now vacant Los Angeles County building.
- The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has [approved](#) funding for 10 affordable multi-family rental housing developments. The more than \$100 million investment will fund more than 800 units of affordable housing.

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