

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

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TO: Homeless Strategy Committee

FROM: JIMMY KIM, Department of Recreation and Parks, Comprehensive Homeless Strategy Coordinator

SUBJECT: Comprehensive Homeless Strategy (CHS) 6F Status Update

6F: Expand Access to Public Restrooms

CHS 6F directs the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP), and General Services Department (GSD) to identify a Citywide inventory of existing public restrooms, including those in City parks facilities, that can be made available to homeless individuals on a 24-hour basis. RAP serves as the co-lead with LAHSA on this strategy.

Status of Activities

RAP, LAHSA, and GSD is collaborating on the implementation of the CHS 6F. General Services has reviewed all facilities and determined that LAPD stations lobby areas are open to the public and they have restroom facilities within them. GSD has identified one LAPD station for each council district that can be used to provide restroom access. RAP is currently working with the City Attorney's Office to make revisions on LAMC 63.44 which will allow 24-hour access to specific identified restrooms. RAP sites have been determined to be the most suitable for the implementation of CHS 6F based on the requirements of the strategy.

Gladys Park Maintenance: The Department of Recreation and Parks provides maintenance for the park daily in the morning between 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and spot cleanings throughout the day. The program expenditures are as follows: \$55,000 for salaries, \$94,000 for contractual services, and \$9,000 for maintenance supplies totaling \$158,000.

Park Restroom Enhancement Program (PREP): Under the Prep Program the Department of Recreation and Parks has increased the frequency of restroom cleaning by one additional time per day at an additional 15 sites throughout the City, increasing the number of PREP facilities to 50. In general, restrooms are cleaned once per day, PREP sites receive an extra cleaning per day between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. \$435,900 out of the \$1,131,400 is being utilized for this program. (PREP is not a part of the homeless strategy)

Additional Maintenance Program: The Department of Recreation and Parks in coordination with each Council District has identified 15 parks with high density of homelessness and provided these facilities with dedicated maintenance services between the hours of 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. which began in November 2017. 30 part-time Special Program Assistants II have been hired to support this program. The remainder of the \$1,131,400, \$695,540 is being utilized for this program.

Park Restroom Infrastructure Improvements: The Department of Recreation and Parks is proposing to utilize the \$340,000 for the installation of new pre-fabricated restroom at San Julian Park in Skid Row. The restroom structure will provide two unisex stalls at the park. The site has been evaluated and in the process of refining the design.

24-Hour Public Restroom Access – Venice Beach: The Venice Beach 24-Hour Public Restroom Access is on hold due to pending City Attorney revision and approval of the LAMC 63.44 ordinance,

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which if approved will allow 24 hour access to one specific restroom building. Venice Beach currently is open from 5:00 a.m. to Midnight, 365 days per year. The start of the program expenditures of \$234,000 for this program are dependent on the approval of the revised LAMC 63.44.

Hiring Practices: The Department of Recreation and Parks employment practices does not exclude the hiring of homeless individuals, as a matter of fact, the Department has employed homeless individuals in the past. We recently attempted to hire two homeless individuals for maintenance positions. One of those individuals is currently in the hiring process while the other was disqualified due to background issues. We are continuing to actively seeking out and interviewing potential candidates.

Homelessness Restroom Analysis - GSD

Location	Address	Council District
Rampart PD Station	1401 W. 6th St	1
North Hollywood PD Station	11640 Burbank Blvd.	2
West Valley PD Station	19020 Vanowen St.	3
Hollywood PD Station	1358 N. Wilcox	4
West LA PD Station	1663 Butler Ave.	11
Van Nuys PD Station	6240 Sylmar Ave.	6
Mission PD Station	11121 Sepulveda	7
Southwest PD Station	1546 W. ML King Blvd.	8
Newton PD Station	3400 S. Central	9
Wilshire Station	4861 Venice	10
Devonshire PD Station	10250 Etiwanda	12
Northeast PD Station	3353 San Fernando Rd.	13
Hollenbeck PD Station	2111 E. First St.	14
Harbor PD Station	2175 S. John Gibson Bl.	15

**Department of Recreation and Parks
Park Restroom Enhancement Program (PREP) Facilities
Fiscal Year 2016-17**

Council District	Facility	Region
1	Glassell Recreation Center	Griffith/Metro
1	Highland Recreation Center	Griffith/Metro
1	Lincoln Park	Griffith/Metro
1	Rio de los Angeles	Griffith/Metro
2	North Hollywood Recreation Center	Valley
2	Victory-Vineland Recreation Center	Valley
2	Sunland Recreation Center	Valley
3	Lanark Recreation Center	Valley
3	Reseda Recreation Center	Valley
3	Warner Park	Valley
4	Griffith Park	Griffith/Metro
4	Van Nuys/Sherman Oaks Recreation Center	Valley
4	Pan Pacific	Pacific
5	Cheviot Hills Recreation Center	Pacific
5	Poinsettia Recreation Center	Griffith/Metro
5	Palms Recreation Center	Pacific
6	Delano Recreation Center	Valley
6	Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area	Valley
6	Sepulveda Recreation Center	Valley
6	Fernangeles Recreation Center	Valley
7	David M. Gonzales/Pacoima Recreation Center	Valley
7	Hansen Dam Sports Complex	Valley
7	Hubert Humphrey Recreation Center	Valley
7	Sylmar Recreation Center	Valley
8	Algin Sutton Recreation Center	Pacific
8	Harvard	Pacific
8	Saint Andrews	Pacific
8	Van Ness Recreation Center	Pacific
9	Gilbert Lindsey	Pacific
9	South Park	Pacific
9	Slauson Recreation Center	Pacific
9	Ross Snyder Recreation Center	Pacific
10	Jim Gilliam Recreation Center	Pacific
10	Rancho Cienega	Pacific
10	Baldwin Hills Recreation Center	Pacific
11	Mar Vista Recreation Center	Pacific
11	Pacific Palisades Recreation Center	Pacific
11	Westchester Recreation Center	Pacific
12	Northridge Recreation Center	Valley
12	Mason Recreation Center	Valley
12	Granada Hills Recreation Center	Valley
13	Bellevue Recreation Center	Griffith/Metro
13	Echo Park	Griffith/Metro
13	Elysian Park	Griffith/Metro
14	Costello Recreation Center	Griffith/Metro
14	El Sereno Recreation Center	Griffith/Metro
14	Hollenbeck Recreation Center	Griffith/Metro
15	Cabrillo Beach	Pacific
15	Point Fermin Park	Pacific
15	Peck Park	Pacific

Note: Sites shaded in yellow are new PREP sites for Fiscal Year 2016-17.

**ADDITIONAL CREWS TO SERVICE PARK
(HIGH USE BY HOMELESS COMMUNITY)**

COUNCIL DISTRICT	PARK	CONTACT
1	MacArthur Park	Conrado Terrazas
2	North Hollywood Park	Jackie Keene
3	Reseda Recreation Center	Lisa Honsen
4	Pan Pacific	Catharine Landers
5	Westwood	Joan Relico
6	Van Nuys Recreation Center	Marcos Sanchez/ Araceli Arce
7	Sunland Park	Rebecca Valdez
8	Aglin Sutton Recreation Center	Fernando Montez Rodriguez
9	South Park	James Westbrook
10	Leimert Plaza Park	Kimman Black
11	Westchester RC	Debbie Dyner
12	Mason Park	Jessica Strobel
13	Hollywood Recreation Center	Marisol Rodriguez
14	Hollenbeck Park	Nate Hayward
15	Banning Park	Jacob Haik