



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

AGENDA AND NOTICE OF THE MEETING OF THE HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 5, 2022 -- 8:00 AM

Teleconference Meeting

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City of Monrovia

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MEETINGS: Regular Meetings of the Homelessness Committee are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8:00 AM at the West Covina Council Chambers Meeting Room (1444 W. Garvey Avenue S., West Covina, CA 91790). The agenda packet is available at the San Gabriel Valley Council of Government's (SGVCOG) Office, 4900 Rivergrade Road, Suite A120, Irwindale, CA, and on the website, www.sgvkog.org. A copy of the agenda is also viewable at Alhambra City Hall, 111 S 1st St, Alhambra, CA. Copies are available via email upon request (sgv@sgvcog.org). Documents distributed to a majority of the Committee after the posting will be available for review in the SGVCOG office and on the SGVCOG website. Your attendance at this public meeting may result in the recording of your voice.

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AGENDA ITEMS: The Agenda contains the regular order of business of the Committee. Items on the Agenda have generally been reviewed and investigated by the staff in advance of the meeting so that the Committee can be fully informed about a matter before making its decision.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Committee member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered after the Consent Calendar.



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To follow the new provisions in AB 361 and ensure the safety of Committee Members and staff for the purpose of limiting the risk of COVID-19, in-person public participation at the Homelessness Committee meeting will not be allowed. To allow for public participation, the Homelessness Committee will conduct its meeting through Zoom Video Communications. To participate in the meeting, download Zoom on any phone or computer device and copy and paste the following link into your browser to access the live meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89684247302>. You may also access the meeting via the livestream link on the front of the agenda page.

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- Written Comments (Email): If you wish to submit written public comments to be distributed to the committee members prior to or during the meeting, please submit these materials via email to Victoria Urenia at vurenia@sgvcog.org at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled meeting time. Please indicate in the Subject Line of the email “FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.” Emailed public comments will be read into the record and will be part of the recorded meeting minutes. Written public comments may include, but are not limited to letters, reports, and presentations. While there is no page or word count limit for written comments, the time for reading written public comments into the record will be limited to three minutes, which is the same time allotted for verbal comments.
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PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Public Comment (*If necessary, the Chair may place reasonable time limits on all comments*)
5. Changes to Agenda Order: Identify emergency items arising after agenda posting and requiring action prior to the next regular meeting (It is anticipated that the Committee may take action on these matters)

CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Adopt Resolution 22-13-HC Making Specified Findings to Enable the Homelessness Committee to Continue to Hold Meetings Via Teleconferencing – Page 1
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 22-13-HC making specified findings that the existence of a local and state of emergency in California caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to directly impact the ability of the SGVCOG to hold public meetings safely in person thereby necessitating an ability to continue holding meetings via teleconferencing
7. Homelessness Committee Meeting Minutes – 9/7/2022 – Page 3
Recommended Action: Approve.
8. Homelessness Committee Meeting Minutes – 8/31/2022 – Page 6
Recommended Action: Approve.

PRESENTATIONS

9. La Puente Workforce Development Program– Kimberly Cardona, Community Resource Technician, City of La Puente – Page 8
Recommended Action: For information only.

UPDATE ITEMS (It is anticipated the Committee may take action on the following matters)

10. 2022 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count Results – Page 10
11. Chair's Report
12. LA County Homelessness Governance Reform and Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness
13. State Budget and Legislative Updates – Page 13

LIAISON REPORTS (It is anticipated the Committee may take action on the following matters)

14. San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust
15. San Gabriel Valley Consortium on Homelessness
16. LA County Homeless Initiative
17. Union Station Homeless Services
18. Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA)

ADJOURN

REPORT

DATE: October 5, 2022

TO: Homelessness Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: ADOPT RESOLUTION 22-13-HC MAKING SPECIFIED FINDINGS TO ENABLE THE HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE TO HOLD MEETINGS VIA TELECONFERENCING

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Resolution 22-13-HC making specified findings that the existence of a local and state of emergency in California caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to directly impact the ability of the SGVCOG to hold public meetings safely in person thereby necessitating an ability to continue holding meetings via teleconferencing.

BACKGROUND

Introduced by Assemblymember Robert Rivas (D-Hollister) on February 1, 2021, AB 361 codifies portions of Governor Gavin Newsom's existing Ralph M. Brown Act exemptions pertaining to teleconferencing if a local agency issues an emergency finding, and reissues it every 30 days, that it is unsafe to meet in person. Specifically, the Brown Act exemptions include requirements to provide a public teleconference location, to maintain a member quorum within the agency's jurisdiction and to provide for public comment at each teleconference location, such as a private residence. The legislation expires in December 2024. On September 16, 2021, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 361 into law, effective immediately.

A local agency wishing to rely on the provisions of AB 361 must meet one of the following criteria:

1. The local agency holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; or
2. The local holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; or
3. The local agency holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and has determined, by majority vote, that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California due to the threat of COVID-19 and shortly thereafter issued Executive Order N-29-20 suspending certain Brown Act provisions relating to teleconferencing as public meetings began to be held online.¹ However, this Executive Order expired on September 30, 2021, despite the State of Emergency remaining in place.

¹ Similarly, on March 4, 2020, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and Los Angeles County Health Officer declared a local and health emergency due to the threat of COVID-19.

The threat that COVID-19 has presented continues to directly impact the ability of the SGVCOG to conduct Governing Board/committee meetings safely in person. Updated guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Los Angeles Department of Public Health in July and August 2021 advise governmental entities to refrain from conducting indoor meetings and consider moving operations outdoors, where feasible, to prevent transmission. SGVCOG staff finds it has been unable to find a suitable outdoor space with the requisite audio/visual capabilities at which the monthly Committee meetings can be held safely. Similarly, an indoor space with sufficient capacity to accommodate safe social distance practices among members, staff, and the public could not be identified

In order to continue to conduct meetings in a safe manner and to prevent unnecessary COVID-19 exposure to members, staff and the public, staff is recommending that the Homelessness Committee adopt a resolution making certain findings in order to be able to continue teleconferencing for its meetings.

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Local Programs Liaison

Approved by: Marisa Creter
Marisa Creter
Executive Director

ATTACHMENTS

[Attachment A – Resolution 22-13-HC](#)



SGVCOG Homelessness Committee Meeting
Unapproved Minutes
September 7, 2022
8:00 AM - Via Zoom/Teleconference

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
B. Shevlin called the meeting to order at 8:04 AM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance
M. Ortiz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call:

<u>Members Present:</u> R. Gonzales, Azusa Y. Ruizesparza, Baldwin Park K. Davis, Glendora M. Ortiz, Irwindale B. Shevlin, Monrovia W. Huang, Pasadena M. Clark, Rosemead R. Salas, South El Monte M. Cacciotti, South Pasadena D. Urbina, LA County Dist. 1	<u>Members Absent:</u> A. Verlato, Arcadia J. Leano, Claremont J. Schulz, Duarte D. Holley, Pomona R. Diaz, West Covina
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SGVCOG Staff:
B. Acevedo
M. Creter
T. Lott
S. Pedersen
N. Ryu
C. Sims
V. Urenia
K. Ward
T. Egan

4. Public Comment
No Public comment was received for the meeting.

5. Changes to Agenda Order: Identify emergency items arising after agenda posting and requiring action prior to the next regular meeting

CONSENT CALENDAR

6. Adopt Resolution 22-12-HC Making Specified Findings to Enable the Homelessness Committee to Continue to Hold Meetings Via Teleconferencing

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 22-12-HC making specified findings that the existence of a local and state of emergency in California caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to directly impact the ability of the SGVCOG to hold public meetings safely in person thereby necessitating an ability to continue holding meetings via teleconferencing.

- 7. Homelessness Committee Minutes – 8/3/2022
Recommended Action: Approve
- 8. Homelessness Committee Minutes – 7/27/2022
Recommended Action: Approve

There was a motion to approve consent calendar items 6 - 8 M/S: (R. Gonzales/M.Cacciotti).

[MOTION PASSED]

AYES:	Azusa; Irwindale; Monrovia; South El Monte; South Pasadena; LA County District 1
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Arcadia; Baldwin Park; Claremont; Duarte; Glendora; Pasadena; Pomona; Rosemead; West Covina

ACTION ITEM

- 9. Housing Linkage Working Group
C. Sims presented on a proposed SGVCOG grant program that would pilot innovative approaches and activities to connect PEH with permanent housing. The purpose of the Program would be to test potential approaches at a small scale and evaluate their impact in connecting clients to permanent housing.

There was a motion to recommend that Governing Board allocate \$200,000 to implement activities that would increase access to permanent housing options for persons experiencing homelessness (PEH), through the creation of a Housing Linkage Working Group. M/S: (M. Ortiz/ K. Davis).

[MOTION PASSED]

AYES:	Azusa; Glendora; Irwindale; Monrovia; Pasadena; Rosemead; South El Monte; South Pasadena; LA County District 1
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Arcadia; Baldwin Park; Claremont; Duarte; Pomona; West Covina

PRESENTATION

- 10. LifeArk Tyler Project
Paul Cho, Chief Financial Officer of LifeArk presented on the recently-opened LifeArk Tyler permanent supportive housing (PSH) project in the City of El Monte. LifeArkSPC is a California Social Purpose Corporation that produces modular homes with component pieces made of a polymer plastic shell that can be put together like building blocks. LifeArk Tyler is LifeArk’s first project providing permanent supportive housing and

ongoing intensive case management (ICMS) services to for individuals previously experiencing homeless.

UPDATE ITEMS

11. Chair's Report
Chair B. Shevlin provided an update on meeting with LA County Homeless Initiative. Executive Director M. Creter gave an update on the grand opening of Serenity Homes, the tiny-home bridge housing site for families experiencing homelessness in Baldwin Park.
12. LA County Homelessness Governance Reform and Blue-Ribbon Commission on Homelessness (BRCH)
13. State Budget and Legislative Updates
V. Urenia provided updates on the legislation the committee has been tracking. T. Egan provided an update on SB 679.

LIASON REPORTS

14. San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust
S. Chamberlain provided a verbal update.
15. San Gabriel Valley Consortium on Homelessness
16. LA County Homeless Initiative
O. Williams provided a verbal update.
17. Union Station Homeless Services
18. Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA)

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:39 AM.



SGVCOG Homelessness Committee Meeting
 Unapproved Minutes
 August 31, 2022
 8:00 AM - Via Zoom/Teleconference

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
 B. Shevlin called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

2. Roll Call:

Members Present:

- A. Verlato, Arcadia
- R. Gonzales, Azusa
- K. Davis, Glendora
- M. Ortiz, Irwindale
- B. Shevlin, Monrovia
- M. Clark, Rosemead
- R. Salas, South El Monte
- M. Cacciotti, South Pasadena
- R. Diaz, West Covina
- D. Urbina, LA County Dist. 1

Members Absent:

- Y. Ruizesparza, Baldwin Park
- J. Leano, Claremont
- J. Schulz, Duarte
- W. Huang, Pasadena
- D. Holley, Pomona

SGVCOG Staff:

- C. Sims
- T. Lott
- V. Urenia

3. Public Comment
 No Public comment was received for the meeting.

ACTION ITEM

4. Adopt Resolution 22-11-HC Making Specified Findings to Enable the Homelessness Committee to Continue to Hold Meetings Via Teleconferencing
There was a motion to adopt Resolution 22-11-HC making specified findings that the existence of a local and state of emergency in California caused by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to directly impact the ability of the SGVCOG to hold public meetings safely in person thereby necessitating an ability to continue holding meetings via teleconferencing. M/S: (K. Davis/ A. Verlato).

[MOTION PASSED]

AYES:	Arcadia; Azusa; Glendora; Irwindale; Monrovia; Rosemead; South El Monte; South Pasadena; West Covina; LA County District 1
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Baldwin Park; Claremont; Duarte; Pasadena; Pomona;

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 AM.

REPORT

DATE: October 5, 2022
TO: Homelessness Committee
FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director
RE: **LA PUENTE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

For information only.

BACKGROUND

In the City of La Puente, the Programs Re-employment and Outreach Services (P.R.O.S.) Team was put in place by the City Council to provide services to displaced residents in the community. The P.R.O.S. Team conducts outreach services within the incorporated City of La Puente by engaging those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. During the development of programs within the City, the Team learned there was a need for wrap-around services that would prepare individuals experiencing homelessness for an independent, self-sufficient future. As a result, Workforce Development Program was created within the City's newly developed Beautification Program. The City Beautification program through the Community Outreach Department serves senior, low-income, disabled, and veteran residents at minimal or no cost, by providing services to include minor landscaping maintenance and home repairs. The goal of the P.R.O.S. Team is to assist individuals and families whose own resources have been exhausted by stabilizing their situation and seeking long-term solutions. These services include outreach assistance for displaced residents, re-employment and opportunities, wrap-around services, and resource navigation assistance.

La Puente City Council established the Beautification Workforce Development Program through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, with the program commencing in September 2021. The City of La Puente's Beautification workforce development program offers entry level positions for maintenance assistant and office specialist with no experience required. The program launched with eight maintenance assistant positions and two office specialist positions. While these positions are temporary part-time, program participants are prepared for success in the workforce through on-the-job training, career counseling, and job support services. Since the program commenced, all participants that have completed the program were placed in permanent jobs.

Kimberly Cardona, Community Resource Technician for the City of La Puente, will present on the program during the meeting.

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Approved by: Marisa Creter
Marisa Creter
Executive Director

REPORT

DATE: October 5, 2022

TO: Homelessness Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **2022 GREATER LOS ANGELES HOMELESS COUNT RESULTS**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

For information only.

BACKGROUND

On September 8, 2022, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) released the results of the 2022 Homeless Count. LAHSA had decided to postpone the release of Homeless Count data from its original July 21st release date to allow the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to complete its review and validation of data. While allowing HUD the time to validate the data delayed the release, LAHSA chose to prioritize having accurate data. LAHSA postponed the Point-in-Time (PIT) Homeless Count that was initially scheduled for January due to health and safety risk for volunteers, staff, and people experiencing homelessness during the COVID-19 Omicron variant surge in Los Angeles County.

The PIT count covers the entire continuum of care (COC) – which includes all LA County except the cities of Glendale, Pasadena, and Long Beach, which operate as their own COCs and conduct their own counts. Taking place over 3 nights in February, volunteers assisted in counting unsheltered people experiencing homelessness (PEH). Volunteers counted individuals, vehicles, tents, and makeshift shelters, gathering data to recognize progress, trends, and shifts among people experiencing homelessness (PEH). For this count, paper tally sheets were replaced by the Akido Connect mobile application. The change was to improve data gathering and quality assurance processes. Government agencies, such as LAHSA, use the data collected during the count to develop strategies to end homelessness and determine where funding and resources should be allocated.

The results of the point-in-time count estimated that 69,144 people were experiencing homelessness in LA County at that time, a 4.1% rise from 2020, and SPA 3 saw a 2% increase, to a total of 4,661 individuals. Of the 4,661 PEH, 1,676 were sheltered and 2,985 were unsheltered. A count was not conducted in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The PIT Count data dashboard where results can be searched by City/Community can be accessed at the following link: <https://www.lahsa.org/data?id=54-homeless-count-by-city-community>. Additional 2022 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count data summaries can be found here: <https://www.lahsa.org/data?id=54-homeless-count-by-city-community>. The following are the point-in-time count results for each city:

City	2022 Total Homeless Population	2020 Homeless Count Results
Alhambra	90	46
Arcadia	174	106
Azusa	220	243
Baldwin Park	275	556
Bradbury	0	0
Claremont	26	17
Covina	52	91
Diamond Bar	40	4
Duarte	11	25
El Monte	230	433
Glendora	84	145
Industry	230	30
Irwindale	213	7
La Cañada Flintridge	0	2
La Puente	121	99
La Verne	41	10
Monrovia	76	77
Montebello	227	170
Monterey Park	101	37
Pasadena*	512	527
Pomona	716	722
Rosemead	83	79
San Dimas	20	16
San Gabriel	10	11
San Marino	0	0
Sierra Madre	0	0
South El Monte	47	59
South Pasadena	50	15
Temple City	19	17
Walnut	5	0
West Covina	124	112

*The City of Pasadena operates as their own continuum of care and conducts their own homeless count, which produced the following results.

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Approved by: Marisa Creter
Marisa Creter
Executive Director

REPORT

DATE: October 5, 2022

TO: Homelessness Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **STATE BUDGET AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATES**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

For information only.

BUDGET UPDATES

On June 30, 2022, the Governor signed the state budget package of bills consisting of two budget “junior” bills and 27 trailer bills for the 2022-23 fiscal year. The \$308 billion budget package contains the budget priorities and agreements reached between the Governor and Democratic Leadership of the State Assembly and Senate.

The budget package contains some significant budget and program funding allocations and project earmarks for homelessness and housing, which were included in the budget “junior” bills – AB 178 & 180 and the housing trailer bill – SB 197. Additionally, the budget package includes provisions to allow for the receipt and disbursement of additional federal funds for homelessness and housing should additional funding be made available by the federal government. Some of the funding for homelessness and affordable housing includes the following:

Homelessness	
Amount	Purpose
\$30 million	San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust
\$23 million	Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Regional Housing Trust
\$39.5 million	Initial funding for the Judicial Branch to implement the Community, Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment (CARE) Courts, contingent upon enactment of SB 1338 (Umberg & Eggman)
\$300 million in 2022-23 \$400 million in 2023-24	Encampment Resolution grants to help local governments with resolving critical encampments and transitioning individuals into permanent housing
Affordable Housing	
\$200 million in 2022-23 \$225 million for 2023-24	Infill Infrastructure Grant (IIG) program, which includes \$34 million set aside for small jurisdictions.
\$150 million in 2022-23 \$250 million in 2023-24	Adaptive Reuse Housing
\$25 million in 2022-23 \$75 million in 2023-24	Mobile Homes and Manufactured Housing
\$50 million in 2022-23 \$100 million in 2023-24	Preservation of existing affordable housing

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\$25 million in 2022-23 \$75 million in 2023-24	Affordable housing on excess state land
\$250 million in 2022-23 \$100 million in 2023-24	CalHOME Program
\$250 million	Housing Accelerator Program
\$100 million in 2022-23 \$225 million in 2023-24	Multifamily Housing Program
\$50 million	ADU Financing
\$50 million in 2022-23 \$50 million in 2023-24	Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention Program created by Proposition 41 (2014)
\$50 million	Reuse of the Los Angeles County USC Hospital Campus
\$30 million	Increase funding for legal aid to prevent evictions
\$500 million	To establish the California Dream For All program to make homeownership more achievable for first time homebuyers, which is created through SB 197 – Housing Budget Trailer Bill.
\$150 million	Project Homekey. This will augment the approximate \$1.4 billion already budgeted in 2021-22.

SB 197 – Housing Budget Trailer Bill – also includes some significant housing policy changes. Some of the more relevant statutory changes include the following:

- **Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA).** Grants local governments three years and 120 days from the statutory deadline for adoption of the housing element to complete the required rezoning of sites, under certain conditions. This means that local governments that have their housing elements adopted by October 15, 2022, would have until February 2025 to complete their rezoning.
- **Encampment Resolution Program.** Makes several changes to the Encampment Resolution Program established in the 2021 budget.
- **Regional Early Action (REAP) Program.** Extends the deadline by which local jurisdictions that received funding under the REAP Program would have to expend their allocations from 12/31/2023 to 12/31/2024.
- **RHNA Extension.** Extends the date by which HCD is required to develop a recommended improved RHNA allocation process and methodology from 12/31/22 to 12/31/23.
- **State Excess Sites Local Government Matching Grants Program.** Expands the state’s ability to build affordable housing on state-owned excess sites, by expanding the definition of local government to include a joint powers authority, among other provisions.
- **California Dream for All Program.** Establishes the California Dream for All program and fund to provide shared appreciation loans to qualified first-time homebuyers and limits the program to provide assistance to low-and-moderate income homebuyers with the purchase of owner-occupied homes.

On September 6, 2022, the Governor signed an additional budget trailer bill AB 179, which amends the Budget Act of 2022 to reflect changes necessary to implement the budget agreement. Of particular interest in the area of housing and homelessness are the following funding components:

- \$850,000 allocated by the Department of Health Care Services to the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments for mobile crisis pilot program

- \$10,000,000 to the San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust for affordable housing and homelessness projects.
- \$10,000,000 to the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health for the support of the Los Angeles County Homeless Outreach and Mobile Engagement (HOME) program, Mobile Crisis Outreach Teams, and Haven Hills expansion.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

H.R 7116 (Cardenas) – 988 Implementation Act of 2022

- **Summary:** Would provide additional support for the implementation of 9-8-8 scheduled to take effect by July 16, 2022. This bill will provide federal funding and guidance for states to build up their crisis response infrastructure in order to successfully implement 9-8-8.
- **Status:** Introduced on March 17, 2022. The Bill was referred to the Subcommittee on Health on March 28, 2022.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Support.

SB 1177 (Portantino) – Joint powers authorities: Cities of Burbank, Glendale, and Pasadena.

- **Summary:** Will create the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Regional Housing Trust Fund with the stated purpose of funding housing to assist the homeless population and persons and families of extremely low, very low, low, and moderate income. The bill would authorize the Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Regional Housing Trust to fund the planning and construction of housing, receive public and private financing and funds, and authorize and issue bonds.
- **Status:** Approved by the Governor on August 22, 2022.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Support.

SB 914 (Rubio) – HELP (“Homeless Equity for Left Behind Populations”) Act

- **Summary:** Would enact the Homeless Equity for Left Behind Populations (HELP) Act, requiring cities, counties, and continuums of care that receive state funding to take specific actions to address the needs of domestic violence survivors and unaccompanied women, as specified; and, requires the Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH), by January 1, 2025, to establish initial goals to prevent and end homelessness among domestic violence survivors, their children and unaccompanied women, as provided, and to evaluate the goals at least every two years to determine whether updates are needed.
- **Status:** Passed and enrolled to the Governor on August 25, 2022. The Governor has until midnight on September 30, 2022, to act on any state legislation before him.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Support.

SB 970 (Eggman) – Mental Health Services Act

- **Summary:** This legislation will make the first significant updates to the MHSA since its adoption in 2004, by creating an accountability system that measures outcomes and supports the sharing of best practices and county collaboration. Requires the California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHSA) to establish the California Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Outcomes and Accountability Review (OAR), with a dedicated workgroup tasked with establishing three specified components to assist county mental

health programs (CMHP) in improving MHSA funded programs. The Bill also requires CHHSA to establish the MHSA-OAR to facilitate a local accountability system that fosters continuous quality improvement in CMHPs.

- **Status:** On August 11, the bill passed the Assembly Appropriations Committee. On August 23, the bill was read a third time and amended.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Watch.

SB 1338 (Umberg & Eggman) – Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Court Program

- **Summary:** This Bill would establish the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act to provide comprehensive treatment, housing, and support services to Californians with complex behavioral health care needs. The bill provides that the CARE Act only becomes operative upon DHCS, in consultation with county stakeholders, developing a CARE Act allocation to provide state financial assistance to counties to implement the CARE process. The bill would authorize specified people to petition a civil court to create a CARE plan and implement services, to be provided by county behavioral health agencies, to provide behavioral health care, stabilization medication, and housing support to adults who are currently experiencing a severe mental illness and have a diagnosis identified in the disorder class schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders.
- **Status:** Bill was approved by the Governor and chaptered by Secretary of State on September 14, 2022.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Support.

SB 15 (Portantino) - Housing development: incentives: rezoning of idle retail sites.

- **Summary:** This Bill, upon appropriation by the Legislature in the Budget Act or other act, would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer a program to provide incentives in the form of grants allocated as provided to local governments that rezone idle sites used for a big box retailer or a commercial shopping center to instead allow the development of housing, as defined.
- **Status:** Passed Senate on June 1, 2021, to the Assembly – held at Desk. The bill has not been referred to Assembly committees and is technically dead, unless rule waivers are granted by the Assembly.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Support and direct staff to work with the author and the co-authors to seek clarification and possibly make modifications to the bill to improve its efficacy in delivering affordable housing and provide updates on the Bill as necessary. Senator Portantino acknowledged the need for amendments as requested by SGVCOG during a meeting with the SGVRHT.

SB 340 (Stern) - Lanterman-Petris-Short Act: hearings.

- **Summary:** Would authorize a family member, friend, or acquaintance with personal knowledge of a person receiving treatment under the Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Act to make a request in writing to the person’s counsel to testify in the judicial review proceedings of the person’s involuntary commitment. The Act authorizes the involuntary commitment and treatment of persons with specified mental health disorders at a designated facility for 72-hour treatment and evaluation for the protection of the committed

person. Under the Act, there is judicial review of the involuntary commitment and reasonable attempts must be made by the mental health facility to notify family members or any other person designated by the patient of the time and place of judicial review.


- **Status:** Passed the Senate and ordered to the Assembly on May 10, 2021. On June 21, 2022, the bill passed the Committee on Health and was re-referred to the Assembly Judiciary Committee.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Support.


ACA 14 (Wicks) – Homelessness and Affordable Housing.

- **Summary:** Establishes the HOPE Act and the HOPE Fund account within the General Fund. The bill amends the Constitution to require that five percent of General Fund revenues, each year for the next ten years, be placed in the Housing Opportunities for Everyone (HOPE) Fund to support the creation of affordable housing, fund housing and services to prevent and end homelessness, and support homeownership opportunities for low and moderate-income households.
- **Status:** On May 11, 2022, the bill passed the Assembly Housing & Community Development Committee to the Committee on Appropriations.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Watch.

AB 2233 (C. Garcia & Quirk-Silva) – Excess State Land: Development of Affordable Housing.

- **Summary:** Requires the Department of General Services (DGS) to develop a plan to facilitate development of affordable housing on state-owned excess land. The bill would require the DGS to create, no later than April 30, 2024, a digitized inventory of all excess state land, as defined, by, among other things, conducting a comprehensive survey of all state-owned property. Requires DGS, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and the California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA) to develop, no later than March 29, 2024, screening tools for prioritizing affordable housing development on excess state land.
- **Status:** Bill was approved by the Governor and chaptered by Secretary of State on September 19, 2022.
- **SGVCOG Position:** Support

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