

SACRAMENTO HOMELESS & HOUSING UNIVERSITY

REPORT CARD

Student: Sacramento City and County	Overall GPA
Class: Advanced Homeless & Housing Public Policy: The City-County Partnership Agreement	C [2.5] & 6 INC'S

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO AND THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

The purpose of this Agreement is to formalize a partnership between the COUNTY and the CITY to invest in and coordinate strategies and programs to prevent and end homelessness in the County of Sacramento, with a particular focus on coordinating efforts and combining resources to serve persons experiencing homelessness within the City's boundaries.

ASSIGNMENT	PROGRESS NOTES	GRADE	QUESTIONS
SHELTER			
1. Adopt a partnership agreement to end and prevent homelessness.	Signed in December 2022	A	
2. Shared commitment to the Local Homelessness Action Plan.	3-year LHAP released in June 2022	INC	Where is the goal of ending homelessness reflected in the LHAP?
3. Shovel-ready shelter provided by city to county.	No deadline for completion.	INC	What is the status of this "shovel-ready shelter?" What is the deadline to open?
4. Implement a trauma-informed response system.	Sweeping camps is not a trauma-informed approach.	F	When will city and county stop sweeps and implement a trauma informed approach?

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HOUSING			
<p>1. Develop [create or convert] & fund a pipeline of 2000 PSH by the end of 2027.</p> <p>2. Develop a pipeline of 1,100 rehousing opportunities by the end of 2027.</p> <p>a. Landlord engagement</p>	<p>City: Built 1,300 units “affordable” to a mix of extremely low-, very low-, and low-income residents.</p> <p>County: No report on completed PSH or affordable units.</p> <p>The goal is minimal given the need; it shows a lack of ambition.</p> <p>No numeric goal is set for general affordable housing.</p> <p><u>Concern:</u> “rehousing opportunity” is never defined.</p> <p>Detailed plans are limited.</p>	<p>B+</p> <p>B+</p> <p>C</p>	<p>How many PSH units have been created? converted? Funded? Are these units that follow the HUD definition of PSH*?</p> <p><u>Concern:</u> converting units means taking existing housing, not new housing.</p> <p>What is a rehousing opportunity, a slot? Is the goal met by # of people housed or # “contacted” by a housing navigator?</p> <p>How will the City and County partner with landlords? How many? What timeline?</p>
<p>1. Finalize an Affordable Housing Plan [AHP] to increase permanent housing opportunities.</p>	<p>AHP released in October 2023</p> <p><u>Concern:</u> The plan is misleading. Little new housing is planned for.</p>	<p>A</p> <p>C</p>	<p>What does “housing opportunity” mean? How is it measured?</p> <p>Which targets and activities will address housing affordability? How many new units are being planned for?</p>

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Homelessness Prevention			
1. Homelessness Prevention Efforts	No specific methods or metrics.	F	For every 1 person who exits homelessness, 3 people enter. Why hasn't there been more emphasis on homeless prevention?
Encampment Services			
1. City will provide 25 encampment workers.	No progress report given; DCR workers or contracted providers.	INC	How many of the 25 workers have been hired?
2. County – hire 15 homeless engagement workers.	Hired 14; funded by Medi-Cal Managed Care.	A	
3. City & County teams to visit 20 encampments per month.	The county has deployed HART.	A	
4. County encampment teams shall conduct behavioral health assessments and enroll them in county funded programs.	Limited services offered by DCR. Rarely results in shelter or housing provision.	F	How is assessment and enrollment being tracked? What about service outcome?
Coordinated Access System [CAS]			
1. The city and county shall integrate all emergency shelter beds into CAS	1,360 beds are in the system; 365 beds are not. Long wait list for shelter.	INC	When will the 365 beds be added? What is being done to address the wait list? Why are beds at Roseville Road not part of CAS?

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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH			
1. The county will fund 3 CORE Wellness Centers within the City	22 beds were opened.	A-	Is a status monitored? Does this program have a wait list? What are the outcomes?
2. The county will hire 10 mental health workers.	13 were hired.	A	
3. Within 9 months, the county will open a CORE Wellness Center in the Central Business District.	Opened October 2023	B	Is this center meeting the needs of the homeless community? How many people have been served with what outcomes?
4. The county will expand Full Service Partnerships [FSP] to	The county added 350 FSP slots in 2023, bringing the total to 2,751. Still, 410 slots remain open.	INC	Why are there still 410 slots open and what is the plan to fill them? What exactly is a "slot."
COMMUNITY COLLABORATION			
1. Work collaboratively with stakeholders, including people with lived experience.	This has not happened.	F	
2. Develop a framework for cooperation.	Meetings held 4 times per month lack transparency. Created a Performance Management Plan that has not been shared.	B INC	How can the community participate? What is the plan to inform the community about the details of the management plan?

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. City and County provide timely & detailed responses to the questions posed in the above evaluation.**
- 2. City and County provide timely detailed response to each of the INC grades assigned above including a timeline to complete the assignment.**
- 3. The City and County implement the recommendations made above in 90 days.**
- 4. City Council appoint a Community Review Board of community stakeholders to review the progress being made on the implementation of the City/County Partnership.**
- 5. The City and County fund a independent Ombudsperson program empowered to investigate issues raised by people experiencing homelessness and to equitably resolve them.**
- 6. At least two people with lived experience by part of the 2X4.**
- 7. INC turn to F's if not completed in 90 days.**

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