

City of Fresno / County of Fresno's 10 Year Plan to Prevent & End Homelessness

YEAR ONE 2009 REPORT

- **Developers:** A Leadership Council acts as the policy sounding board and Planning Council (now disbanded, only for the development of the plan) made up of multiple city and county officials, a local developer, multiple housing and service providers, housing authority, private sector businesses, Chamber of Commerce, faith-based groups, hospitals and clinics, homeless people, and other community stakeholders.
- **Adopted By:** The City of Fresno and the County of Fresno on September 8, 2008
- **Key Goals:**
 1. Place 941 chronically homeless into permanent supported housing in 10 years.
 2. Identify city/county barriers to implementing a Housing First model.
 3. Employ 40% of homeless population in 10 years.
 4. Establish respite care centers within one year of plan implementation.
 5. Within 6 month of plan implementation, provide rental assistance and support service vouchers, public showers, triaged medical care, clothes exchange at a permanent location, and host Project Homeless Connect Events.
 6. Reduce hospital, correctional facility, and foster care discharges into homelessness.
 7. Provide one-time foreclosure assistance to low-to-moderate income residents.
 8. Strengthen ties with faith-based groups, shelters, and the housing authority to provide outreach programs designed to increase housing and economic stability.
 9. Expand rental assistance, legal aid, and affordable housing placement and creation.
 10. All homeless service providers will utilize HMIS within two years of plan implementation.
 11. Identify an agency to serve as the single point of contact, driving force, and accountable agent for homeless people in Fresno County.
- **Short-Term Objectives:**
 1. Use existing housing stock in addition to rehab and new construction alternatives.
 2. Identify short, medium, and long term 10 Year Plan goals.
 3. Draft more succinct and measurable goals and objectives.
 4. Use HMIS data to confirm progress.
 5. Build public/private partnerships to support programming
- **FIRST YEAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**
 1. Point in Time Survey conducted on January 28, 2008 where 3,507 homeless were counted in an eight hour period by over 100 volunteers
 2. Provided services and housing relocated to 38 families (over 100 persons) residing at the Storyland Motel
 3. Provided assessments to 296 people living near and around the Monterey Street Bridge (South of Ventura between Broadway and Freeway 99) for services, transitional housing.
 4. Provided linkages to 33 persons who moved into existing programs and services that provided transitional of permanent housing.
 5. Re-housed 103 people in 72 scattered market rate apartment sites from the H Street Encampment (Tent City) the oldest and largest encampment in the city. **TOTAL Units 173**
 6. Homeless Prevention & Rapid Re-Housing (HPRP) award by HUD
City of Fresno \$3.1 million for 3 years and the County of Fresno 1.5 million = \$ 4.6 million
 7. Developed joint programming with the County of Fresno, Single RFP, Joint Awards to agencies to provide city and county integration and enhanced coordination
 8. Developed a single intake application for HPRP,
HPRP uses a single point of entry using United Way 2-1-1 call center provides single point of triage for agency referrals
 9. Single Data collection and Evaluation Tool using HMIS for HPRP