

**Los Angeles County
Veterans Advisory Commission
Recommendation #7**

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2024, the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors approved Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Measure H funding in the amount of \$587,202,000.00;

WHEREAS, the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (MVA) received \$1.9 million in Measure H funds to establish the Homeless Services Division (HSD);

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2024, MVA issued a newsletter describing HSD's priorities including master leasing, targeted benefits establishment, matching services and resource centers for veterans experiencing homelessness;

WHEREAS, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development hosts a Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Data Dashboard at the following website:

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/hcv/dashboard;

WHEREAS, the HCV Data Dashboard reports on the allocation and utilization of Special Purpose Vouchers, including Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) vouchers;

WHEREAS, according to the HCV Data Dashboard, there are currently 11 Public Housing Authorities in Los Angeles County participating in HUD-VASH;

WHEREAS, the HCV Data Dashboard reflects the total effective quantity of HUD-VASH vouchers awarded to each Public Housing Authority (PHA), quantity of veterans housed and measures utilization rate;

WHEREAS, HCV Data Dashboard does not make an important distinction between tenant-based and project-based vouchers;

WHEREAS, there is an opportunity to create better insights into the supply of veteran-specific supportive housing in Los Angeles County by measuring how many HUD-VASH vouchers have been set aside for project-based housing;

WHEREAS, additional reporting opportunities include how many current vacancies exist in HUD-VASH project-based housing as well as how many HUD-VASH vouchers have been pulled out of circulation for the development on new veteran supportive housing; and

WHEREAS, the creation of data around Project-Based VASH will assist HSD in matching veterans with special purpose vacancies and accelerate the placement of veterans into permanent supportive housing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ON MARCH 20, 2024:

Los Angeles County Veterans Advisory Commission recommends that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors assist the newly created HSD by identifying the HUD-VASH liaison at each PHA in Los Angeles County. HSD, with support from Board Offices, would then

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be responsible for maintaining a monthly assessment of how many HUD-VASH vouchers are allocated to Public Housing Authorities in Los Angeles County, the utilization rate of tenant-based vouchers by PHA, the quantity of vouchers set aside for project-based housing by PHA, the utilization rate of project-based vouchers by PHA, vacancies in veteran specific project-based housing in each PHA as well as accurately projecting the development of new project-based housing for veterans in Los Angeles County.

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