

Homeless Solutions Proposed Strategy

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Overall homelessness and unsheltered homelessness has increased 9% and 23% respectively since 2017. The Office of Homeless Solutions' proposed Homeless Solutions Strategy consists of four tracks to address homelessness in Dallas.

TRACK 1

INCREASE SHELTER CAPACITY

Expand capacity of existing providers through contracted pay-to-stay shelter beds.

TRACK 2

TEMPORARY HOMELESS CENTERS

Provide shelter and support services for up to 90 days in the 4 quadrants of the city simultaneously.

TRACK 4

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Funding for permanent supportive housing targeting chronic homeless; rapid rehousing addressing the elderly, disabled, families with children and young adults; Day Centers for seamless wrap-around services.

TRACK 3

MASTER LEASE/LANDLORD INCENTIVE

Provide security deposits, rent, utilities, and incentives to tenants as well as incentives and risk mitigation services to participating landlords.



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TRACK 1

INCREASE SHELTER CAPACITY

Expand capacity of existing providers through contracted pay-to-stay shelter beds.

- Provide access to an additional 150 shelter beds
- City to pay \$12 per night per bed
- Provide shelter beds for unsheltered homeless for up to 90 days
- Direct referrals from OHS staff
- Efforts to address shelter-resistant homeless population



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TRACK 2

TEMPORARY HOMELESS CENTERS

Provide shelter and support services for up to 90 days in the 4 quadrants of the city simultaneously.

- Decentralize shelter beds and services
- Serve up to 800 unsheltered (up to 50 per site) over 12 months
- Focus on intense case management
- OHS staff to provide referrals
- Leverage private partnerships through RFCSP
- Public participation & outreach
- Good Neighbor Pledges



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TRACK 3

MASTER LEASE/LANDLORD INCENTIVE

Provide security deposits, rent, utilities, and incentives to tenants as well as incentives and risk mitigation services to participating landlords.

- Reduce bottleneck and length of time for clients/families to be placed in housing
- Serve 100 clients/families over 12 month period
- Master lease program with housing providers
- Site selection criteria developed in partnership with Citizen Homelessness Commission



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TRACK 4

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Funding for permanent supportive housing targeting chronic homeless; rapid rehousing addressing the elderly, disabled, families with children and young adults; Day Centers for seamless wrap-around services.

- Implementation of \$20 million Bond Program approved by voters
- Creation of 1,000 housing units over next 3-5 years
- Creation of NOFA criteria in partnership with Citizen Homelessness Commission
- Work with the Dallas Area Partnership to Prevent and End Homelessness to create private investment strategies



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