

### How big is the problem?

#### LOS ANGELES COUNTY

- Approx. 75,312 individuals experiencing homelessness
  - Based on LAHSA's 2024 census
    - .27% decrease from 75,518 in 2023
    - Increase from 69,144 in 2022
- El Segundo is not immune
  - During the homeless count on January 24, 2024
    - 13 individuals observed and counted
    - 42 dwellings observed and counted
      - Vehicles, campers, tents, and makeshift shelters

### Not Just A Police Issue

- Homelessness is not a crime
- It can lead to non-criminal and quality of life issues:
  - Violation of city codes
  - Build-up of trash and debris at encampments
  - Accidental fires



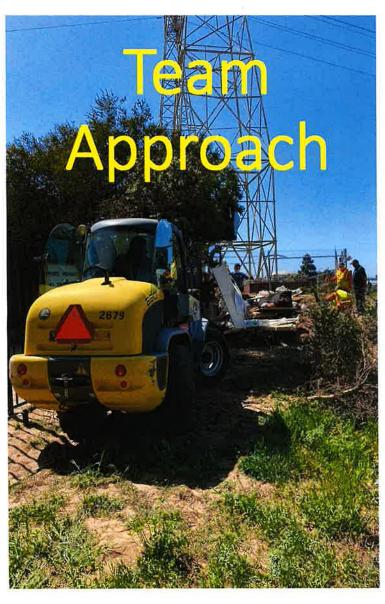
### WHAT ARE OTHER CITIES DOING?

- Manhattan Beach- Homeless Outreach Team headed by City Manager's Office
- Hawthorne- Homeless Outreach Team headed by City Manager's Office
- Torrance- Homeless Outreach Team headed by City Manager's Office
- Redondo Beach- Homeless Outreach Team headed by City Attorney's Office
- Santa Monica- Homeless Outreach Team headed by City Manager's Office

# What can be done? PROACTIVE APPROACH TO COMBATTING HOMELESSNESS in EL SEGUNDO

#### **PATCHES Program**

- City Manager's Office
- Police Department
- Fire Department
- City Attorney's Office
- Code Enforcement
- Public Works
- Recreation, Parks & Library
- LA County Department of Mental Health



- City Manager's Office oversees the program
- PATCHES leaders from each department meet monthly
  - Discuss issues and identify solutions
- Police partner with other departments to continue outreach efforts
  - Contact homeless individuals
  - Transport individuals in need to shelters
  - Build relationships with service providers
  - LA County Department of Mental Health
  - Code Enforcement
- Public Works assists in transporting bulk property to the City Yard, dismantling encampments, and other cleanup
- City Attorney's Office will act as a resource to ensure the legality of all activities related to homelessness



## PATCHES Program Goals and Objectives

- Reduce Homelessness in El Segundo
- Partner with service providers to assist in housing individuals experiencing homelessness
- Implement diversion practices that discourage individuals from committing criminal acts and constructing encampments
- Provide a cleaner, safer community for residents, businesses, and visitors



## PATCHES Program Goals and Objectives

- Goal 2, Strategy A: Comprehensively address the unsheltered homeless population.
- Goal 5, Strategy D: Implement community planning, land use, and enforcement policies that encourage growth while preserving El Segundo's quality of life and small-town character.

### KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

- # of homeless related calls for service
- # of homeless outreach or referrals
- # of individuals transported to temporary shelters
- · # of individuals placed in long-term housing
- # of monthly joint operation efforts for outreach
- # of enforcement incidents (citations, arrests) when necessary
- # of mental health evaluations / mental health holds

## PATCHES Program

- Pilot program
- Key performance indicators
- Re-evaluate in six months



## PATCHES Program

### QUESTIONS?

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