## Homeless Solutions Proposed Strategy

**CoC General Assembly Meeting** 

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## Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Office of Homeless Solutions Mission
- State of Homelessness in the City of Dallas
- Overview of proposed Homeless Solutions Strategy Plan
- Next Steps
- Appendix





### Office of Homeless Solutions

- Established by the Dallas City Council on October 1, 2017
- Mission: To positively impact the quality of life in the City of Dallas through innovative, collaborative, and comprehensive solutions for homelessness.
  - Prevent homelessness
  - Protect persons experiencing homelessness
  - Promote affordable housing solutions
  - Partner to maximize resources

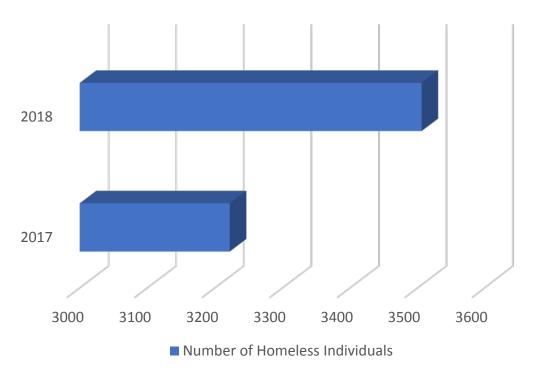


### **State of Homelessness**

2018 Point In Time PIT Count Results for City of Dallas:

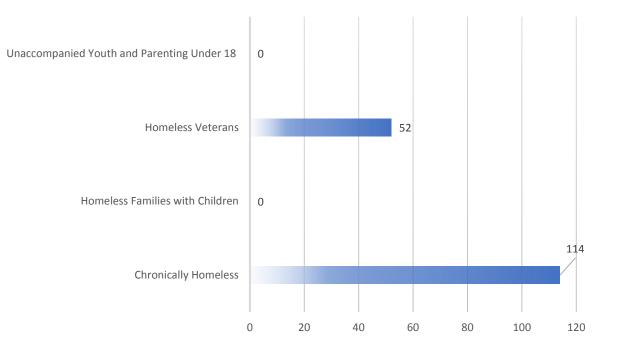
- 3,506 homeless identified (9% increase from 2017)
- 1,098 unsheltered homeless (24% increase from 2017)
- Shelter demand exceeds capacity

# 2017 and 2018 PIT Counts Total Homeless Identified in the City of Dallas

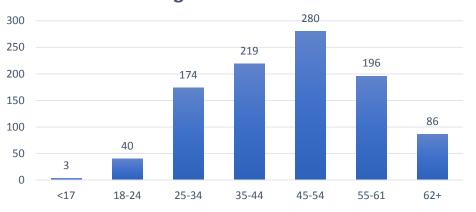


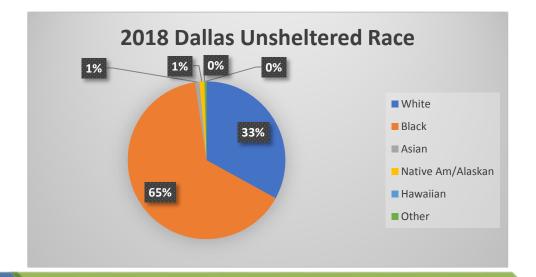
### **State of Homelessness**

#### DALLAS UNSHELTERED SUBPOPULATIONS



#### **2018 PIT Age of Unsheltered: Dallas**







## **Homeless Solutions Strategy Plan**



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 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 2

#### TEMPORARY HOMELESS CENTERS

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

#### 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.



#### **INCREASE SHELTER CAPACITY**

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

Target Population: Chronically Homeless			
Strategy	Metrics	City Council Action Required (proposed for August 2018)	
<ul> <li>Provide access to an additional 150 shelter beds</li> <li>City to pay \$12 per night per bed</li> <li>Provide shelter beds for unsheltered homeless for up to 90 days</li> <li>Direct referrals from OHS staff</li> <li>Efforts to address shelter-resistant homeless population</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Number of referrals</li> <li>Number of housing plans developed</li> <li>Percent exited to housing</li> <li>Shelter bed utilization rate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Consideration of Dallas Life contract</li> <li>Consideration of The Bridge contract amendment</li> </ul>	



#### **TEMPORARY HOMELESS CENTERS**

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

#### Target Populations: Elderly (55+), veterans, disabled, families with children, transitional aged youth (18-24)

Strategy	Metrics	City Council Action Required (proposed for August 2018)
<ul> <li>Decentralize shelter beds and services</li> <li>Serve up to 800 unsheltered (up to 50 per site) over 12 months</li> <li>Focus on intense case management</li> <li>OHS staff to provide referrals</li> <li>Leverage private partnerships through RFCSP</li> <li>Public participation &amp; outreach</li> <li>Good Neighbor Pledges</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Number of referrals</li> <li>Number of housing plans developed</li> <li>Percent exited to housing</li> <li>Average length of stay</li> <li>Number of unduplicated clients served</li> <li>Number of program enrollments (job-training, education, etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Consideration of proposed City Code amendments</li> <li>FY19 Budget enhancement approval of \$2,100,000</li> </ul>





#### MASTER LEASE/LANDLORD INCENTIVE

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Strategy	Metrics	City Council Action Required (proposed for August 2018)
<ul> <li>Reduce bottleneck and length of time for clients/families to be placed in housing</li> <li>Serve 100 clients/families over 12 month period</li> <li>Master lease program with housing providers</li> <li>Site selection criteria developed in partnership with Citizen Homelessness Commission</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Number of unduplicated clients assisted with security and/or utility deposits</li> <li>Number of unduplicated clients assisted with rental subsidy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Consideration of Master Lease contract</li> <li>FY19 Budget enhancement approval of \$1,300,000</li> </ul>





#### **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.

<b>Target Populations:</b>	sheltered persons or	n the housing priority list
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Strategy	Metrics	City Council Action Required
<ul> <li>Implementation of \$20 million         Bond Program approved by voters</li> <li>Creation of 1,000 housing units         over next 3-5 years</li> <li>Creation of NOFA criteria in         partnership with Citizen         Homelessness Commission</li> <li>Work with the Dallas Area         Partnership to Prevent and End         Homelessness to create private         investment strategies</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Number of housing units created</li> <li>Number of Day Centers created</li> <li>Amount of private dollars leveraged</li> </ul>	Consideration of NOFA Awards



### **Next Steps**

- Community Engagement Meetings
  - Round 2 once locations designated by OHS
- Homeless Providers Engagement Meetings
- City Council Briefing August 1, 2018
  - Advocate, Advocate, Advocate
- Possible City Council Voting Agenda August 22, 2018
- Tentative implementation August 2018



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