Thanks to a citywide effort involving numerous agencies and partners, here in Monrovia, we have made progress in addressing the issue of homelessness for our community. However, challenging issues continue to exist for certain members of our City, as our parks and Old Town District serve as the platform for a near daily reminder that there are those in Monrovia who are in need of greater social services. In an effort to further tackle this challenging issue, the City recently created a five-year plan to combat homelessness.

The plan that we developed recognizes that to make a real and lasting impact on the issue of homelessness, a concerted community-wide effort would be needed. From the City organization to local residents, from our local non-profit organizations to our faith-based groups - we needed to engage all of our community partners in order to develop a workable long-term strategy. Our efforts began in February 2018, when the City hosted a kick-off meeting to gather feedback prior to developing our plan.

ASSISTANCE FROM THESE COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS WAS CRITICAL IN THE CREATION OF THE PLAN.

- Azusa Pacific University
- Baldwin Park Housing Authority Section 8
- Foothill Unity Center
- Interfaith Community
- Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health
- Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority
- Monrovia Foothills Kitchen
- Monrovia Ministerial Association

- Monrovia Police Department
- Monrovia Unified School District
- Pasadena Humane Society
- Pasadena Superior Court
- Pasadena Union Station
- San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
- Santa Anita Family Services
- St. Vincent De Paul Society

Then, from March 2018 - June 2018, the City held several community meetings, conducted numerous stakeholder interviews, and gathered data to better inform the goals and strategies for our updated workplan. Only after we coordinated a robust engagement process did we develop our final Plan to Prevent and Combat Homelessness, which was presented to and adopted by the Monrovia City Council on July 17, 2018.



GOALS

When it comes to homelessness, our first goal here at the City is always to help the individual in need. Monrovia is made up of so many compassionate and generous individuals who are willing to do the hard work necessary to try and solve this vexing problem. Building on this strength within our community, and learning from the many local service providers who are making an impact everyday when it comes to addressing homelessness, we developed additional goals as part of our Plan to Prevent and Combat Homelessness. An overview of those additional goals are outlined for your reference below.

GOAL ONE

Be persistent in our contact with anyone suffering from homelessness

The City has developed a Community Active Policing Team, who are specially trained to share information on local resources and services available in the community. Through this persistent and dedicated contact, relationships are formed and needed services are offered

GOAL TWO

Expand Community Coordination in support of ending homelessness

Fostering better service coordination between all service providers in Monrovia and San Gabriel Valley is an essential component to ending homelessness

GOAL THREE

Promote the use of the San Gabriel Valley Coordinated Entry System (CES)

The CES aims to integrate all homeless housing and service delivery needs through one platform to reduce wait time and improve efficiency in service delivery.

The City will conduct educational workshops for the community and provide a robust outreach for the Coordinated Entry System program

GOAL FOUR

Develop educational materials to promote health and safety

Work to develop better educational materials to promote homeless response options

GOAL FIVE

Develop a Monrovia Centric Directed Giving program

Develop a Directed Giving program that educates the community about the importance of giving to supportive services as opposed to giving directly to the individuals experiencing homelessness, while raising funds for the Foothill Unity Center

GOAL SIX

Develop a Housing Displacement Response Plan

Support community based organization's with the development of a Housing Displacement Response Plan aimed at keeping Monrovia families in their homes