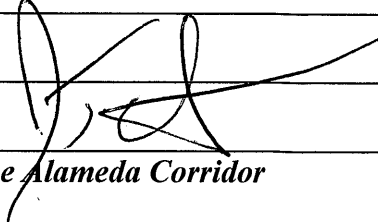


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Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority

April 12, 2018

To:	Governing Board	
From:	John T. Doherty, Chief Executive Officer	
Subject:	<i>Homeless Encampments on or Adjacent to the Alameda Corridor</i> (INFORMATION)	

Discussion:

This memo is provided as an ongoing update to the ACTA Governing Board on activities and status regarding the homeless encampments on and adjacent to the Alameda Corridor.

Update:

The various County Service Planning Area (SPA) teams have been visiting their designated homeless encampments on a regular basis. At a March 7, 2018 meeting ACTA staff held with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) team, the service providers reported that they have assessed the population at each encampment. Their next step is to prepare a strategy that will encourage more homeless individuals to accept services and report this strategy to ACTA in late April.

With one exception, the identified areas along the Corridor currently have no encampments at this time. This may change as weather becomes warmer and drier.

- **Area 1 – Redondo Junction & Santa Fe Avenue – People Assisting the Homeless (PATH – SPA 7)**
 - There are currently no encampments in the area.
- **Areas 2 – Nadeau Street – PATH (SPA7)**
 - This area has a large population. PATH, accompanied by Helpline Youth Counseling (HYC), is working with ACTA staff and visits this location every Thursday morning.
 - During the visit they meet with about 12-20 individuals. LAHSA has reported the field teams have conducted roughly 40 assessments on individuals in that area. With the cold weather, it has been difficult to know how many individuals actually occupy the location.



- ACTA spent three days conducting a bio-hazard clean-up of the location from Monday, March 26th to Wednesday, March 28th. This is the second clean-up of the area.
- **Area 3 – 92nd Street to Tweedy (Compton) – PATH (SPA 7)**
 - There are currently no encampments in the area.
- **Area 4 – El Segundo Blvd – Homeless Outreach Program Integrated Care System (HOPICS – SPA 6)**
 - There are currently no encampments in the area.
- **Area 5 – Dominguez Channel Bridge – Harbor Interfaith Services (SPA 8)**
 - There are currently no encampments in the area.

Staff is also working to coordinate a meeting between LAHSA staff and the leadership from the Salvation Army Southern California Division to which Port of Long Beach Harbor Commissioner Frank Colonna referred staff. LAHSA is very interested to learn about the Salvation Army's proposed new apartment complex in the City of Bell that will provide more transitional housing.

Background:

As reported to the Board at its November 2017 meeting, there had been an increasing number of encampments on and adjacent to the Alameda Corridor along its 20-mile length. Five homeless encampments were originally identified along the 20-mile route of the Corridor.

On November 21, 2017, Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn successfully put forth a motion to the County Board of Supervisors that allowed the County's Office of Homeless Initiative to develop a strategic partnership with ACTA and other stakeholders to address the homeless issue. The partnership was to focus on implementing best practices and exploring the use Measure H-funded services along the Alameda Corridor.

With the help of the County's Chief Executive Officer (CEO), ACTA staff was able to meet with the Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority (LAHSA), the Department of Health Services (DHS), the Sheriff's Department Homeless Outreach Liaisons, People Assisting the Homeless (PATH), the City of Long Beach Homeless Services, and The People Concern. During this meeting, it was determined that, because the entire length of the Alameda Corridor is located in Los Angeles County, the homeless along or near the Corridor are eligible for the programs and services provided under Measure H-funding.

The County's LAHSA assigns Service Planning Areas (SPA) to provide services under the programs. Each SPA is managed by a different community outreach coordinating agency. The homeless encampments along the Alameda Corridor have existed in five areas and services to these areas are provided by three LAHSA SPAs:

- SPA 7 – People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) provides services to Areas 1, 2 and 3.
- SPA 6 – Homeless Outreach Program Integrated Care System (HOPICS) provides services to Area 4.
- SPA 8 – Harbor Interfaith Services provides services to Area 5.