DESTINATION: HOME

Community Plan to End Homelessness
Our Community

WHAT WE WANT
A community in which all residents have access to appropriate and affordable housing and the support they need to retain it. We can end homelessness.

WE KNOW HOW.
Our Population

**CHRONICALLY HOMELESS:**
2,518 Will Be Housed
In the 2013 Santa Clara County Point In Time (PIT) count, there were 2,518 chronically homeless people, not including veterans.

**VETERANS:**
718 Will Be Housed
In the 2013 PIT count, 718 veterans were homeless.

**CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES:**
>2,333 Will Be Housed
In the 2013 PIT count, 1,266 unaccompanied youth under the age of 25 were identified, of which 164 (13%) were under 18. Also, there were 1,067 homeless individuals living in 349 families with at least one child under 18.

One person represents 100 people.
64% of 2013 survey respondents reported a unique challenge.

Homelessness in Silicon Valley
Andy & Ernestine were homeless for 20 years. Andy, a double-amputee was living along a creek in San Jose. They are now housed thanks to Housing 1000.
Our Community Response

**HOW CHANGE WILL HAPPEN:**

1. **DISRUPT SYSTEMS**
   - Develop disruptive strategies and innovative prototypes that transform the systems related to housing homeless people.

2. **BUILD THE SOLUTION**
   - Secure the right amount of funding needed to provide housing and services to those who are homeless and those at risk of homelessness.

3. **SERVE THE PERSON**
   - Adopt an approach that recognizes the need for client-centered strategies with different responses for different levels of need and different groups, targeting resources to the specific individual or household.
Disrupt the Systems

- Transform the Way Government Responds to Homelessness
  - Interdepartmental/jurisdictional coordination
- Include the Private Sector and the Community in the Solution
- The Best Homeless System of Care
  - Outcomes Based Best Practices with shared Metrics
Build the Solution

- New Homes and Opportunities for Homeless Men, Women, and Children
  - Create 6,000 New Opportunities
    - New Voucher Models
    - New Sources of Public and Private Funding
    - Evaluate surplus land for development
    - Converted Motels
    - Tiny Houses
    - Permanent Supportive Housing
    - Affordable Homes
Serve the Person

- Different Responses for Different Levels of Need
  - Targeted Prevention Resources
  - Wrap-around Services

- Unique Approaches for Unique Populations
  - Housing Opportunities that Fit Our Populations’ Needs
  - Resource Availability Throughout County
  - No More One Size Fits All
Collective Impact
Ending Homelessness

Managing Homelessness

- Hospitalizations/Chronic Illness
- Mental Health Services
- Addiction/Failed treatment attempts
- Incarcerations
- Shelter Stays
- Streets/Encampments
- Rent Increases
- Debt
- Military Discharges

Housing First

Ending Homelessness

*Housing First* centers on providing people experiencing homelessness with housing as quickly as possible - and then providing services needed to maintain their housing. This approach has the benefit of being consistent with what most people experiencing homelessness want and seek help to achieve.