



# 10-MINUTE QUICK HITS

## City of Jurupa Valley

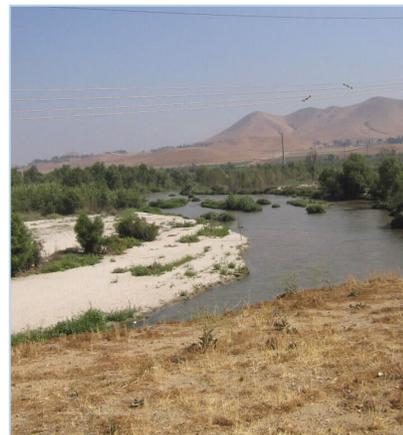
**2019 Forum on Homelessness**

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## STATE OF HOMELESSNESS LOCALLY

PIT COUNT DATA		
YEAR	JURUPA VALLEY	RIVERSIDE COUNTY
2016	113	1351
2017	129	1638
2018	148	1685
2019	139	2045

- **Results** - Homeless population steady but rising across the region
- **Santa Ana Riverbed**
  - Large homeless population that's difficult to serve
  - Dangerous place to live (fires, water level can change quickly, etc.)



## WHAT IS WORKING?

- Contract with Path of Life Ministries
  - 2018: \$75,000
  - 2019: \$135,00
- Homelessness mitigation
  - Field outreach
  - Overnight shelter and meals
  - Case management
  - POLM staff accompany code enforcement and police to offer services
- Homelessness Prevention
  - Short-term rental assistance
  - Crisis intervention



## WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES?

- Lack of funding
- Legal uncertainty
- Service-resistant Homeless
  - High cost to engage – avg. 7 encounters before service is accepted
  - Some completely refuse service
  - Public experiences “compassion fatigue”
  - Police resources strained and distracted from classic priorities (crime, traffic, etc.)
- Issues are structural – mental health, socioeconomic, etc.



## WHAT CAN THE REGION OFFER YOU?

- Regional cooperation/planning to address Santa Ana Riverbed issues
- Economic development to mitigate the jobs imbalance (high paying jobs in OC/LA, low wage job growth in IE)
- Streamlining of homelessness services, avoid duplicative services and overlap to conserve resources
- Information sharing with agencies and the public
  - Collect and share data – PIT count, shelter bed space, etc.
  - Share what strategies are/are not working
  - Provide regional perspective



## WHAT CAN YOU OFFER THE REGION?

- Local contributions to regional plans
- Leadership and perspective regarding the Santa Ana Riverbed issue
- Continued and increased involvement in data gathering (PIT count, outreach data, etc.)
- Willingness to innovate, experiment, learn, and help neighboring cities

