

Law Enforcement Homeless Outreach Metrics, April 1, 2021 – May 31, 2021

ACTION	LAPD HOPE/TSD	LASD MET	LAPD QOL
Contacts	430	1,336	223
Referrals	49	4	100
5150 Holds	17	28	0
Mental Illness	33	295	100
Substance Abuse	16	349	144
Veterans	1	1	6
Shelter	11	14	2
Motel Housing Plan	0	0	1
VA Housing	1	0	0
Return to Family	0	1	0
Transitional Long-Term Housing	0	0	0
Detox	2	0	0
Rehab	0	2	0

LAPD HOPE Success Story (April)

HOPE recognized two (2) USC interns at the conclusion of their field placement. HOPE reported that the interns did an outstanding job developing their abilities to engage the homeless, conduct evaluations, network to develop outreach strategies, and coordinate efforts to assist the homeless. Both interns proved to be mature, intelligent, motivated, and caring. HOPE interviewed six (6) applicants that expressed interest in being part of the HOPE effort. There is ongoing interest from USC students to be part of HOPE.

LASD MET Success Story (April)

Mental Evaluation Team (MET) members contacted this client over a year ago. The client is a 61-year-old-male who was guarded and hesitant to talk to us. He frequents the Santa Monica area and is often found sitting asleep inside trains. At first, the client would wave his hand and nod his head, refusing to converse with us, then he started to smile occasionally, then he would say good morning and acknowledge us. Our progress was slow; however, we continued to try and always offered our services. After several

encounters (over a year), we were able to develop a rapport and convince him to share his story with us. We made contact weekly and continue to offer services. About two months ago, he opened up and shared his story, personal information, and accepted our help. Due to his age and medical needs, we worked hard to link him to the right agency to provide the necessary help. After assessments and referrals, we were able to link him to housing. The process was slow, but we continue to make weekly contact and encouraged him to be patient. Today, he contacted us and shared he got confirmation and “a picture” of his new place that he can now call home. He showed gratitude and reported he will forever be grateful for the team’s help. He made jokes and said, “you will no longer see me on the train,” he is hopeful and reported he will try to help others by sharing his story and pushing them to accept services.

LASD MET Success Story (May)

On May 20, 2021, MET officers conducting homeless outreach at Citrus Pax, Gold Line in the City of Azusa, contacted a female who was disheveled and appeared disoriented. The woman was sitting on a bench with several bags full of personal property. After engaging her, she identified herself as Valina Woodyly and stated she was 64 years of age.

Mrs. Woodyly stated she grew up in the City of Pasadena and became homeless in July 2020 because her apartment rent increased, and she could not afford the rent increase. Mrs. Woodyly said she had no friends or relatives in the area she could contact to help her.

Mrs. Woodyly has been admitted to a couple of homeless shelters, but she did not remain at the shelters because of the challenging environment at the homeless locations. She also stated that being a 64-year-old female, every day becomes more difficult and unsafe for her to sleep on the streets by herself.

A MET officer contacted several community-based housing program locations to provide Mrs. Woodyly with the most appropriate services for her condition. Eventually, the MET officers transported Mrs. Woodyly to Volunteers of America Women’s shelter, and they connected her with a case manager who informed us he would initiate the process for Mrs. Woodyly’s permanent housing.

Mrs. Woodyly was very appreciative that she was no longer going to sleep on the trains or public streets.

LBPD QOL Success Story (April)

On the morning of April 23rd, 2021, a Long Beach Police Department (LBPD) Metro Detail officer was conducting homeless outreach during the "Shelter the Unsheltered" project at the 1st Street Station when he encountered a female subject who was a person experiencing homelessness (PEH). The woman had created a transient encampment for herself on the platform. The officer knew that she was in need of assistance and discovered that she was willing to accept services. The Metro officer collaborated with People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) social workers to find a solution. PATH social workers were able to find shelter for the woman. They transported the subject via UBER to a PATH facility so that they could provide her with necessary resources and shelter. The LBPD officer then coordinated with LA Metro in an effort to clean up the platform. Please see the attached before and after photos of the 1st Street station platform.

LBDP QOL Success Story (May)

On the morning of May 25, 2021, a Long Beach Police Department (LBPD) Metro Detail, Quality of Life officer was conducting homeless outreach during the "Shelter the Unsheltered" project at the Downtown Long Beach Metro Station along with Metro Security, and People Assisting the Homeless (PATH), when he encountered a person experiencing homelessness (PEH) sleeping on the train. The officer contacted the subject and offered to provide housing services for him. The subject accepted the services and stated that he no longer wanted to sleep on the trains and desired to be off of the streets. The Metro Quality of Life officer then introduced the subject to a PATH social worker who was able to transport the subject to Los Angeles, where they provided the subject with necessary resources and shelter for him.