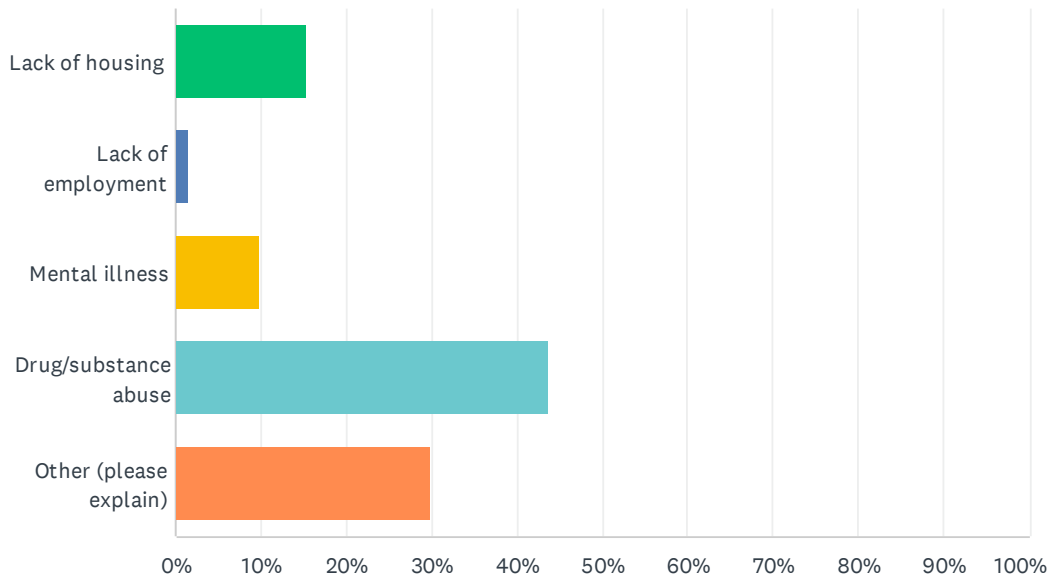


Q1 In 2019, El Dorado County’s homeless population was reported to be 613, up from 269 in 2015*. What do you believe is the most important factor for this increase? (*This data was collected from Continuum of Care/El Dorado Opportunity Knocks and presented to the Board of Supervisors 2/22/22.)

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Lack of housing	15.28% 22
Lack of employment	1.39% 2
Mental illness	9.72% 14
Drug/substance abuse	43.75% 63
Other (please explain)	29.86% 43
TOTAL	144

#	OTHER (PLEASE EXPLAIN)	DATE
1	rent is too high. single people and parents can not make 3x the going rent. Its already hard making 2x the low income rent. so there is a lack of affordable housing.	6/27/2022 2:22 PM
2	Combination of drugs and alcohol, mental illness, and culture. In today's culture many are willing to accept "free stuff" and live a minimalist lifestyle without responsibility..	6/21/2022 8:50 PM
3	Being dropped off at our county line and the knowledge that we provide motels and services.	6/18/2022 10:58 AM
4	Combination of economic factors	6/14/2022 6:03 PM
5	I've read cities are providing one way bus passes to relocate individuals who are unhoused.	6/14/2022 12:52 AM
6	Manipulation of data to receive a desired result	6/13/2022 10:38 AM

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7	BOTH Drug/substance abuse coupled with mental illness	6/13/2022 10:19 AM
8	Mental illness which also includes substance addiction	6/13/2022 8:57 AM
9	Lack of Accountability and Audits of EDC agencies and govt offices.	6/12/2022 5:51 PM
10	A combination of things altogether. Mental illness, drugs lack of various rehap centers and job losses	6/12/2022 2:49 PM
11	all of the above, and more, like simply not being able to make enough money at whatever they do for money.	6/12/2022 11:21 AM
12	All of the above.	6/12/2022 10:47 AM
13	Increased costs and inflation have caused people to be unable to afford housing	6/12/2022 9:49 AM
14	Other counties dropping off their convicts at our motels.	6/12/2022 6:06 AM
15	Not kicking them out of the county has attracted them.	6/11/2022 4:01 PM
16	Inaccurate Point in time count that has been sensationalized (homeless unsweetened in the winter and then homeless during upcoming fire season and the Caldor Fire) to scare community and get a jaded Board of Supervisors Into declaring a HOMELESS STATE OF EMERGENCY... THE PIT COUNT IS FALSE....	6/11/2022 8:58 AM
17	It's easy, people bring you food and you don't even have to pick up your garbage.	6/11/2022 8:22 AM
18	Lack of realistic, sustainable programs including mental health, substance abuse issues and requiring accountability for gaining skills to succeed. The programs need to be realistic, self-sustaining and have an accountability factor built in or nothing will change and we will continue to throw good money/effort after bad.	6/11/2022 7:48 AM
19	Democrats	6/10/2022 9:51 PM
20	Allowing them to stay on land.	6/10/2022 9:37 PM
21	Lack of intentional support services to get those with addictions help. This needs to happen before "housing first" priorities. You plunk them in a house and it gives them carte blanc to use with no accountability.	6/10/2022 9:36 PM
22	Moving here because they heard EDC was a rich county providing funds for homeless assista	6/10/2022 5:14 PM
23	Caldor fire, increased cost of living, lack of affordable housing.	6/10/2022 1:45 PM
24	Housing cost and accessibility	6/10/2022 12:44 PM
25	All of the above.Plus many more reasons like cost of healthcare	6/10/2022 12:12 PM
26	Mental illness and lack of places to rehab them...oh, tried doing that with some...didn't work out!	6/10/2022 10:58 AM
27	Economy	6/10/2022 10:39 AM
28	Disaster displacement, mental illness, drug addiction	6/10/2022 6:33 AM
29	Lack of police / health / drug services. Don't let them camp out. Make it tough to live here and they'll move elsewhere.	6/9/2022 5:16 PM
30	All of the above.	6/9/2022 5:03 PM
31	itIt is diffiucult to choose just one. Combinatin of all of the above	6/9/2022 4:43 PM
32	why don't you ask them	6/9/2022 2:50 PM
33	Inflation and lack of livable wage for low income families/individuals	6/9/2022 2:32 PM
34	The mild weather and the state entitlement programs along with a a liberal dose of wasting tax dollars on programs that don't work	6/9/2022 11:14 AM
35	It's a combination of mental illness and lack of affordable housing	6/9/2022 11:00 AM
36	Better counting method	6/9/2022 10:52 AM

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37	All the above	6/9/2022 10:37 AM
38	A combination of the above as well as low minimum wage	6/9/2022 10:24 AM
39	enabling the population...making it comfortable to be here-free services and allowed to camp anywhere with little or no regard to surroundings	6/9/2022 10:16 AM
40	Equally drugs and mental illness	6/9/2022 10:02 AM
41	Lack of housing due to STR's!	6/9/2022 9:52 AM
42	I believe there are plenty of homes, but the cost of housing compared the wages is so great, I think affordable homes is the problem.	6/9/2022 9:49 AM
43	Disabilities (mental & physical), inability to compete in labor market	6/9/2022 9:37 AM

Q2 78% of our homeless are living without a shelter (living in cars, camps or on the street)*.What do you believe is the most important element needed today to get people off the street (Please specify the letter a, b, c, d or e and provide an explanation if you choose e)a. Temporary sheltersb. Permanent housingc. Support servicesd. Skills/job training and employmente. Other – please explain

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	C Help give them the tools to help them get off drugs, help their MI and help them get jobs to make productive members of society	7/2/2022 5:55 PM
2	transition homes. So they have a stable place to live while they receive support in the areas that they need to better their lives, find affordable housing, assistance with the deposit so they can transition into permanent housing. Especially for the homeless young adults that have no idea where to even start, no rental history or credit.	6/27/2022 2:22 PM
3	D	6/23/2022 4:02 PM
4	E. While the mentally ill need a little of each, most need "tough love" and higher expectations. Taxpayer dollars should never support a drug habit, or chosen street-lifestyle.	6/21/2022 8:50 PM
5	E. Was in EMS for 30 yrs. We can't assume they all want help. So many want to just be left alone on their spot of Earth. We have to start asking who wants help and then assist accordingly. Those that do not need to leave the county. Period	6/18/2022 10:58 AM
6	B	6/16/2022 3:27 PM
7	C	6/15/2022 6:20 AM
8	C	6/14/2022 9:51 PM
9	C- SUPPORT SERVICES	6/14/2022 6:42 PM
10	All of the above	6/14/2022 6:03 PM
11	c	6/14/2022 2:18 PM
12	b	6/14/2022 11:42 AM
13	Mental health services, substance abuse counseling, accountability for poor choices. 5150 for grave disability.	6/14/2022 7:54 AM
14	Substance abuse care and job skills	6/14/2022 12:52 AM
15	Drug rehab	6/13/2022 10:38 AM
16	C and D - They need support to get off substance and then skills/job training and employment to become self sufficient.	6/13/2022 10:19 AM
17	C	6/13/2022 10:15 AM
18	E. Reduced rate of rent based on annual income.	6/13/2022 9:22 AM
19	b. Permanent housing with drug testing.	6/13/2022 9:20 AM
20	d	6/13/2022 9:17 AM
21	C	6/13/2022 8:57 AM
22	C there are a variety of reasons people are homeless so help to work through issues and find	6/13/2022 8:36 AM

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	solutions is necessary	
23	Supportive Housing Services, rent subsidies and wrap around mental health and recovery services.	6/12/2022 5:51 PM
24	C	6/12/2022 4:47 PM
25	C	6/12/2022 4:41 PM
26	All of the above. Not every homeless person would require the same help. It would vary and some would need help with more than just one item listed above.	6/12/2022 2:49 PM
27	E affordable housing and not losing assistance as soon as you get a job.	6/12/2022 1:57 PM
28	C - mental health centers	6/12/2022 1:08 PM
29	d	6/12/2022 12:46 PM
30	In Europe they create shelters. Not sure this system works.	6/12/2022 11:21 AM
31	C.	6/12/2022 10:54 AM
32	In order of importance: a, c, d, b. Without shelter and the ability to be clean and have clean clothes obtaining a job is nearly impossible, let along maintain said job without shelter. Next would be support services, as depending on why they were homeless in the first place effects how long they may be able to maintain job ect. Skills and assistance obtaining a job as well as possibly support services after getting a job to transition into permanent housing may be needed.	6/12/2022 10:47 AM
33	e. Mandatory drug and/or mental health treatment	6/12/2022 10:19 AM
34	C. Support services that are comprehensive and address the root issue of the individual reasons for homelessness.	6/12/2022 9:54 AM
35	C	6/12/2022 9:49 AM
36	D	6/12/2022 9:49 AM
37	B	6/12/2022 8:43 AM
38	c. Mandatory that people get off drugs. If they are mentally ill, put them in a facility.	6/12/2022 8:27 AM
39	A, C, & D on a temporary basis until a determination is made as why they're homeless and how they can be helped into a facility if needed or into a more self sufficient situation.	6/12/2022 6:40 AM
40	D. Give a man a fish, he'll eat for a day. Teach a man to fish, he'll eat for a lifetime.	6/12/2022 6:06 AM
41	Institutionalization and rehabilitation	6/12/2022 4:22 AM
42	Mental health and drug abuse counseling.	6/11/2022 4:05 PM
43	You can not help outdoor enthusiasts	6/11/2022 4:01 PM
44	A	6/11/2022 1:44 PM
45	Genuine Care and Compassionate latitude. The opposite of 'othering'	6/11/2022 1:06 PM
46	Support services and a stronger law enforcement response	6/11/2022 9:12 AM
47	E... we need to abolish the Sierra Harm Reduction Coalition. The worst of the worst of our homeless population shouldn't have hypodermic needles. Or any items used for the ingestion of illegal narcotics hand delivered to them so that they can continue a life of addiction. Homeless do not have the means to obtain the illegal narcotics to use the instrementalities given to them by SHRC.. so the steal from the community to fund their addiction... they need services geared towards recovery, life and job skills training with mental health assistance in a safe and structured atmosphere....	6/11/2022 8:58 AM
48	Run them off	6/11/2022 8:22 AM
49	See answer to #1	6/11/2022 7:48 AM
50	Combination of things, which should include incarceration if the homeless choose not to follow the rules given them.	6/11/2022 7:41 AM

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51	B	6/11/2022 7:24 AM
52	C	6/11/2022 6:46 AM
53	D	6/11/2022 6:39 AM
54	Support services for mental illness and substance addiction	6/11/2022 6:35 AM
55	Screening and appropriate services. Offering housing doesn't provide a solution it continues the problem.	6/11/2022 5:48 AM
56	A	6/11/2022 2:33 AM
57	B	6/11/2022 1:17 AM
58	B	6/10/2022 11:50 PM
59	B- Permanent Housing (note, this question doesn't allow a selection)	6/10/2022 10:49 PM
60	C then d. There must be many reasons for living on the street, whether in a tent or a car. The tent or car is shelter so they don't need a or b as urgently as they need c and d. Meeting basic needs like sanitation and food or medicine will be more important than where we can hide them away.	6/10/2022 10:34 PM
61	Mental health care. Fund institutions to house them and treat them as inpatients and keep them off the streets. Get them off the drugs and actually help them instead of cruelly enabling them and it helping them by wasting money on small housing units and hotels like other cities do. Wasting tax payer dollars on mini homes and hotels does nothing to actually address their underlying issues. Get them off the streets	6/10/2022 10:34 PM
62	C	6/10/2022 10:29 PM
63	C on going support services to inc mental / drug/ skills /job	6/10/2022 10:00 PM
64	D	6/10/2022 9:51 PM
65	D	6/10/2022 9:42 PM
66	Job training and skill development	6/10/2022 9:37 PM
67	Support Svices and accountability	6/10/2022 9:36 PM
68	These people don't want help. They want money to get more drugs. Supportive service is fine but they must want the help and they need to be monitored to ensure they aren't abusing while reviewing help.	6/10/2022 9:26 PM
69	D. Housing first does not work without vocational rehabilitation services and employment	6/10/2022 9:18 PM
70	D	6/10/2022 7:03 PM
71	Mental health counseling and drug rehab programs	6/10/2022 5:44 PM
72	State help in housing and provisions in and around edc	6/10/2022 5:14 PM
73	Stop giving them handouts	6/10/2022 3:22 PM
74	C	6/10/2022 2:50 PM
75	All of the above. Please show these poor souls compassion. there may be circumstances beyond their control, and just plain bad luck. Not all are addicts or mentally ill.	6/10/2022 1:45 PM
76	E. Temporary housing with services to find and secure permanent housing	6/10/2022 12:44 PM
77	C	6/10/2022 12:43 PM
78	b. The cost of living in Eldorado county is outrageous. Their is not enough affordable housing available to those who cannot afford the constantly raising rental prices.	6/10/2022 12:35 PM
79	Permanent housing, support services and skills/job training are all needed.	6/10/2022 12:12 PM
80	C	6/10/2022 10:59 AM
81	Temporary will turn into permanent, u can see that as they leave to ANOTHER temporary place. Permanent means they can't afford it and bring down a neighborhood and trying to get	6/10/2022 10:58 AM

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them out is chaos. Support services will complain they "can't do it all" and obviously THAT hasn't gone anywhere. Skills and job training? How many have done that when they are happy being homeless? There is a select FEW that will do that and I mean a select FEW! Ca. Needs to be proactive but now we have a bunch of people coming over the border that Biden is letting happen...we can't even take care of our own!

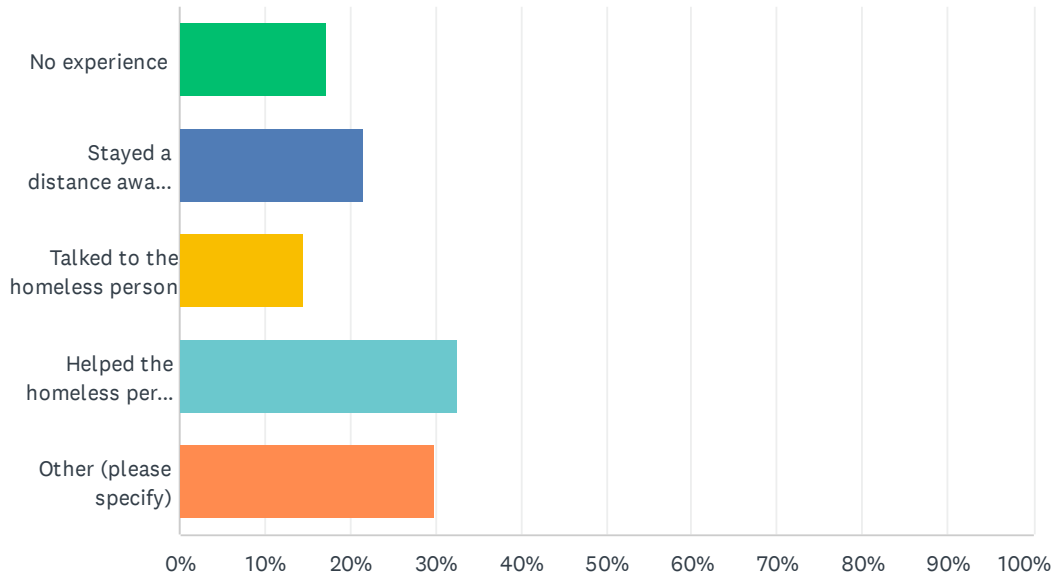
82	Incentive to NOT be homeless	6/10/2022 10:39 AM
83	C	6/10/2022 8:44 AM
84	Less services	6/10/2022 8:25 AM
85	A. You need to treat the most important issue first, which is getting people off the street. If you have temp housing with mandatory drug tests and counseling and services.	6/10/2022 7:27 AM
86	All equally important	6/10/2022 6:33 AM
87	C	6/10/2022 6:21 AM
88	a	6/10/2022 5:01 AM
89	Vagrancy laws, mental health services, drug laws	6/10/2022 1:31 AM
90	B	6/9/2022 10:28 PM
91	I believe a combo of services, training, shelter and jobs is necessary	6/9/2022 8:36 PM
92	A,b	6/9/2022 8:06 PM
93	C. What we have now is clearly working	6/9/2022 7:37 PM
94	All of the above. As someone who works directly with homeless individuals we must be able to provide temporary housing, skills/job training, mental health services(support services) and options for permanent affordable housing.	6/9/2022 7:16 PM
95	E. Housing and support services need to be hand in hand. You cannot just expect people to get housed and rejoin the job market.	6/9/2022 7:01 PM
96	B	6/9/2022 6:57 PM
97	d	6/9/2022 6:50 PM
98	Permanent shelter, paired with programs to help individuals get permanent housing	6/9/2022 5:47 PM
99	Support services. And job training.	6/9/2022 5:16 PM
100	All the above and accountability for both the service providers and the people using the services and consequences for people refusing to utilize the help and remain homeless. The danger to public health and safety should be a priority and having homeless camps and all the trash, crime, drugs, human waste, should not be tolerated. I get that they have rights but they are breaking laws and should be held accountable. The situation has become completely unacceptable.	6/9/2022 5:03 PM
101	c, a, b, d	6/9/2022 4:43 PM
102	B - someplace they can stay and be put on a program to get them off drugs.	6/9/2022 4:15 PM
103	d.	6/9/2022 3:58 PM
104	A	6/9/2022 3:47 PM
105	I believe our homeless problem is an addiction problem. You can't get high in a shelter, so a lot of homeless don't want to go to a shelter.	6/9/2022 3:25 PM
106	Rehabilitation and job training. Enforce no drugs	6/9/2022 2:54 PM
107	c and d	6/9/2022 2:50 PM
108	C	6/9/2022 2:32 PM
109	D	6/9/2022 2:12 PM
110	C	6/9/2022 1:50 PM

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111	Treatment for substance abuse or mental illness. Then assistance with job training and temporary housing.	6/9/2022 1:04 PM
112	Permanent housing	6/9/2022 1:02 PM
113	Quit giving them money. They could/ would not maintain. their lifestyle if they were not receiving so much assistance. They need to be accountable.	6/9/2022 12:44 PM
114	Supportive services	6/9/2022 11:36 AM
115	D	6/9/2022 11:36 AM
116	In this order B,C, then D. But have to do D if mentally and physically able.	6/9/2022 11:29 AM
117	Arrest them all and send them to jail or mental facility where they have housing, services and get off drugs.	6/9/2022 11:29 AM
118	Medical care to treat underlying causes of drug use and mental illness	6/9/2022 11:21 AM
119	Enforcement of no camping laws and enforcement of existing drug enforcement laws.	6/9/2022 11:14 AM
120	B. Permanent housing	6/9/2022 11:00 AM
121	Both temporary shelters and support services. One is only as good as the other. Like trying to lift a log from only one end. You have to address both their immediate needs and their mental/emotional needs for long term resolution.	6/9/2022 11:00 AM
122	Option c above (there was no box to check)	6/9/2022 10:52 AM
123	D. Skills/job training and employment	6/9/2022 10:48 AM
124	D	6/9/2022 10:45 AM
125	Permanent housing	6/9/2022 10:38 AM
126	C	6/9/2022 10:35 AM
127	Temporary shelter and mandatory drug treatment	6/9/2022 10:27 AM
128	Skills/job training and employment along with affordable housing.	6/9/2022 10:24 AM
129	D. any job can be a way to start on the track to being housed. why not cleaning up a section of town or picking up trash at the fairgrounds or any task you as a city might need to pay for-- unions sometimes get in the way of this	6/9/2022 10:16 AM
130	d	6/9/2022 10:09 AM
131	This question is broken	6/9/2022 10:07 AM
132	E. other - make benefits a limited time unless proven mental illness. After benefit time line runs out, those unwilling to work will work.	6/9/2022 10:04 AM
133	Eliminate STR's to free up housing.	6/9/2022 9:52 AM
134	D!	6/9/2022 9:51 AM
135	I think all the above.	6/9/2022 9:49 AM
136	c/e. People are homeless for multiple reasons and need to be triaged in safe setting to determine reasons and need for services. Disabled should be institutionalized -- against their will if necessary -- if policy barring living outside is to be effective. Others such as those who have fallen on hard times or fleeing unsafe homes but not disabled should be provided temporary housing and support services to help them get back on their feet.	6/9/2022 9:37 AM
137	Permanent housing	6/9/2022 9:30 AM

Q3 Have you or a family member had an experience with a homeless person and, if so, how did you (or others) respond?

Answered: 144 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No experience	17.36%	25
Stayed a distance away from them	21.53%	31
Talked to the homeless person	14.58%	21
Helped the homeless person in some way	32.64%	47
Other (please specify)	29.86%	43
Total Respondents: 144		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	We see them all the time. If they are one of the druggies or mentally ill we tend to keep our distance, but if they asked for assistance we would help them. For example it was a really hot day and the homeless guy in front of me was fifty cents short for his cup of water, the cashier was mad so i payed the fifty cents for him. When i frequent the upper room I am careful who I interact with, but will help anyone. We see homeless family's in the parking lots, parks, stores, hotels and treat them with dignity and respect. We see TONS of homeless teens and young adults in the schools, on benches and personally know alot of them. We always offer help with whatever they need, including guidance to resources if there are any.	6/27/2022 2:22 PM
2	Say it coming and took corrective actions to avoid it. Helped them get into an apartment, and set expectations for employment. It worked.	6/21/2022 8:50 PM
3	Fire/Paramedic for 30 yrs. When light rail went into Folsom we knew it would bring the homeless into Folsom. There really was none prior. They would be put on lightrail from UCD by Sac PD and sent up. Years later, they would migrate into Eldo when Folsom was full. Look at the stats, if there are any, and Lightrail was the primary initiative to the stary of the migration from Sac to here.	6/18/2022 10:58 AM

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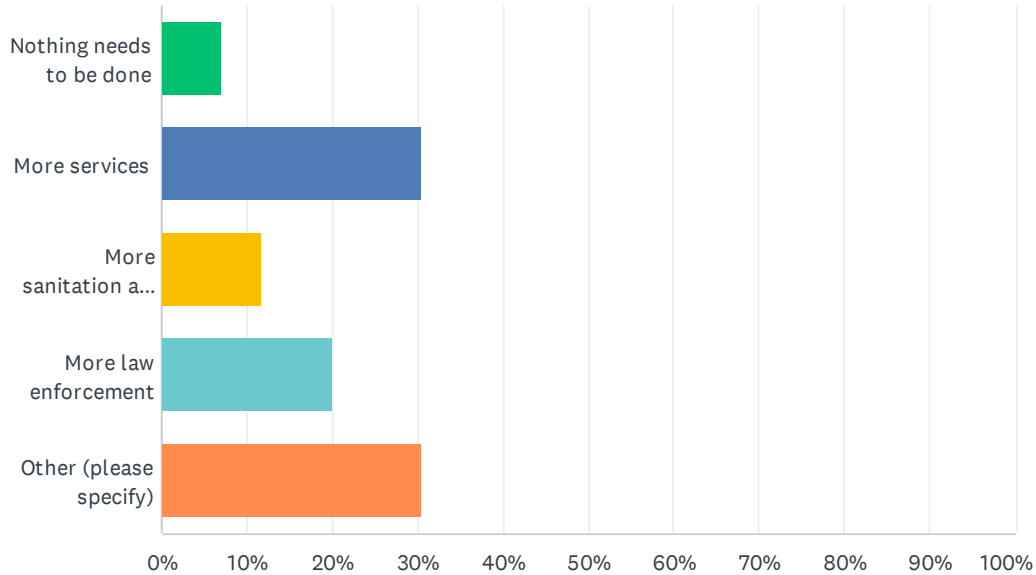
4	Family member provided her list of resources. As a business owner I talk to them and request they respect our business while they are using it. Call Police if they don't.	6/13/2022 10:19 AM
5	The person in my life was a criminal and physically and mentally abusive enough that legal action was needed	6/13/2022 8:57 AM
6	I have been homeless and know the depths of incomprehensible demoralization and hopelessness.	6/12/2022 5:51 PM
7	I'll give them food on occasion	6/12/2022 1:08 PM
8	I've helped house, transport to services and jobs with a couple homeless people. It's not easy for them or for those who assist. Much more is needed for a homeless person to adjust and thrive in community. Skills both professional and interpersonal as well as ongoing mental health to assist with conflicts as they arise.	6/12/2022 10:47 AM
9	Volunteered at the Upper Room but didn't have a whole lot of interaction with most of the people there	6/12/2022 6:40 AM
10	Volunteer weekly at the Cameron Park food closet and we give food to needy and homeless people.	6/12/2022 6:06 AM
11	We live in the city limits and therefore have had multiple encounters with homeless people. Often they are incoherent and illogical, which has led us to believe that drug abuse is the number one cause of homelessness. Without tackling the drug problem, there will be no progress with homelessness.	6/11/2022 4:05 PM
12	Yes begging..told them to get a job	6/11/2022 4:01 PM
13	Have had experience in San Francisco years ago, and have also had direct experience within family	6/11/2022 1:06 PM
14	All of the above depending on the situation and the homeless person.	6/11/2022 8:58 AM
15	Allowed them to couch surf until they burned the bridge.	6/11/2022 8:22 AM
16	I lived in downtown Sac for 36 years. For many years, I was willing to and did talk to them and help them when feasible. However, the community exploded and the mental health/substance abuse issues made interacting with them an exercise in futility. Also, that same population became increasingly violent and crime against homeowners and their property increased.	6/11/2022 7:48 AM
17	Offered help, money, food, shelter until the person just showed he wanted to continue a vagabond life. Nothing worked.	6/11/2022 7:41 AM
18	A homeless woman ran in front of my car on the freeway. She was living in a large camp in between an onramp and freeway lanes. Whether it is drug addiction leading to mental illness, mental illness leading to drug addiction or just their personal preference to not be housed it is extremely dangerous. A woman died and my life is changed forever. Allowing people to live on the streets is NOT the safe or loving choice.	6/11/2022 6:35 AM
19	Bought food for him and when offered he tried to force his way into my car. I still have nightmares.	6/11/2022 5:48 AM
20	Depending on the situation it's been any of these. Please also add: "did not change my behavior"	6/10/2022 10:49 PM
21	Extended family members son is homeless and it's due to mental illness which led to drug problems which led to crime, being jailed and innocent victims being made	6/10/2022 10:34 PM
22	Self experiencing	6/10/2022 10:29 PM
23	Provided information on resources	6/10/2022 9:36 PM
24	We have helped by feeding them, donating items and offering resources. We have also been targeted by homeless and feared for our safety.	6/10/2022 9:26 PM
25	Put in trailer	6/10/2022 7:03 PM
26	I was once homeless. I was a teenage mother with a baby. It was a terrifying experience, not know where we would lay our heads at night. Happy to say I am now affluent.	6/10/2022 1:45 PM

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27	We've talked to them. Our church had made toiletry and care bags for them. My family has also been considered homeless living in an RV. Housing is expensive and many units are not up to standard living conditions if you can find something.	6/10/2022 12:44 PM
28	They use you then make up excuses to not get a job or something. Always an easy out!	6/10/2022 10:58 AM
29	All of the above at various times	6/10/2022 8:25 AM
30	Was homeless throughout my entire childhood. Tried to help my siblings get off the streets, the system is so screwed up, my last sibling died sitting on a stupid wait list after a judge decided he was not mentally ill and didn't qualify for disability	6/10/2022 6:33 AM
31	I have Given food and water to homeless when I am not with my kids. I will avoid them when I have my kids around as my kids are scared of the homeless	6/9/2022 8:06 PM
32	Yes I was approached by two homeless men and they scared me. Another instance a very high homeless man almost walked right into me in Sacramento and was in my face. I work in Sacramento and the homeless have destroyed the downtown and other areas. It's embarrassing honestly. And scary.	6/9/2022 5:03 PM
33	They demanded I give them money and corners me when my 3 year old daughter was with me. Very scary for me. They did back away when I yelled at them.	6/9/2022 4:15 PM
34	My sister works at a shelter. Addiction is the most common issue	6/9/2022 3:25 PM
35	Not in this county but plenty in So Cal.	6/9/2022 1:04 PM
36	They turned around and stole from me.	6/9/2022 12:44 PM
37	I once was homeless in 1990 and 1991. I didn't give up. Today I own my 2nd house and am retired.	6/9/2022 11:36 AM
38	They are always crazy, aggressive and dirty	6/9/2022 11:29 AM
39	My aunt actually suffered from being homeless many times. It's a hard situation. I know that if she had possibly received a small home or something to take care of she might have faired better. She actually passed away on the street. It was a horrible situation.	6/9/2022 11:00 AM
40	Work with homeless daily	6/9/2022 10:48 AM
41	I have a homeless son and grandson	6/9/2022 10:37 AM
42	was accosted and told i should give them money since i obviously had it	6/9/2022 10:16 AM
43	It's difficult to know what to do. I would like to help, but I sometimes I wonder if helping just allows them to continue in their present lifestyle.	6/9/2022 9:49 AM

Q4 Some say that basic human rights within the homeless is lacking. This includes basic health needs, safety, treatment by others and sanitation. What do you think needs to be done to improve human rights among the homeless?

Answered: 144 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Nothing needs to be done	6.94% 10
More services	30.56% 44
More sanitation and clean-up in camps	11.81% 17
More law enforcement	20.14% 29
Other (please specify)	30.56% 44
TOTAL	144

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1	I think they have their human rights	7/2/2022 5:55 PM
2	more support services. More sanitation and clean up in camps. Access to basic human care needs. Safety, they need somewhere safe to go	6/27/2022 2:22 PM
3	The basic human rights should start with kids, not adults who in most cases (mental illness id different) have chosen drugs and a life on the streets. Every educational institution and parenting plan should focus on the nuclear family, strong values, and good work ethic. There is no substitute for this.	6/21/2022 8:50 PM
4	Again, poll them. If they want help, I have no issue with very specific services and ASSISTANCE, not support. For those that like their life, and yes there are many who are there that just want to be left alone, they need to be moved out and move along. You will never help those that do not wish to be helped. It's common basic human nature.	6/18/2022 10:58 AM

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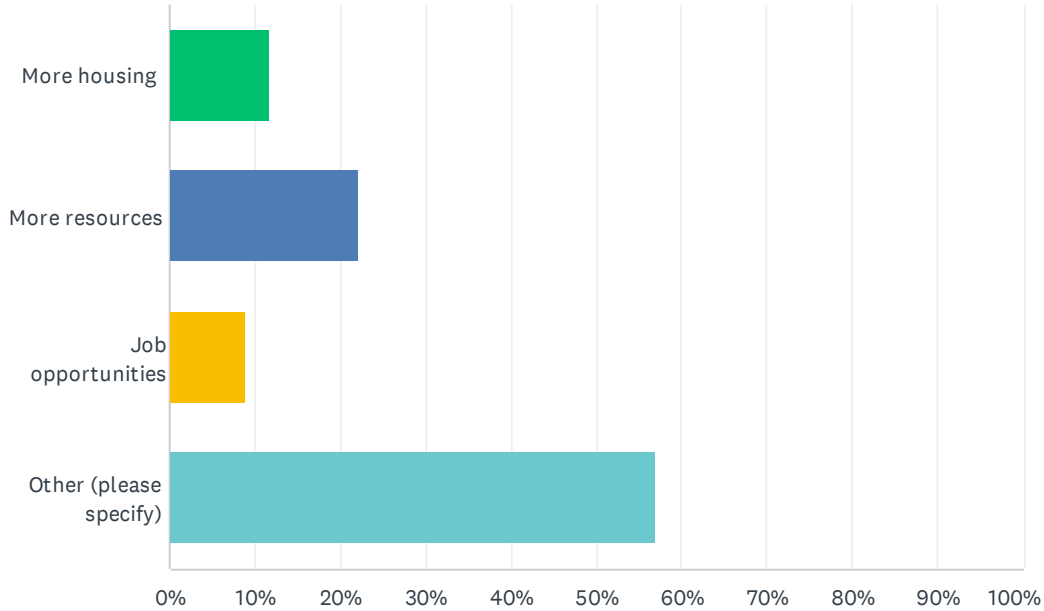
5	Housing and services	6/14/2022 6:03 PM
6	Mental health services, substance abuse counseling, accountability for poor. 5150 for grave disability.	6/14/2022 7:54 AM
7	Supportive housing, mental health services and wrap around services.	6/12/2022 5:51 PM
8	All of the above and if our leaders would just apply some of those billions into our own country rather than all the other countries I believe that we would not have gotten so bad with the homelessness, but we are always helping others and never our own. Sounds rude I know, but I am sick of no one ever taking the time and \$\$ to help our own country.	6/12/2022 2:49 PM
9	There are plenty of services in this county, and State for that matter, the homeless are on the streets because they want to be there.	6/12/2022 12:46 PM
10	New York City has an immense homeless population, it seems they leverage the old public housing element to create a haven for a problem even bigger than what Los Angeles has. That will not work for our small (in resources) county. Build camps? But be careful, build it and they will come...	6/12/2022 11:21 AM
11	Access to sanitation both of self and disposal of trash, more support services, mental health as well as food and medical treatment.	6/12/2022 10:47 AM
12	Mandatory drug/mental health treatment	6/12/2022 10:19 AM
13	More responsibility of self. Less reliance on government and others.	6/12/2022 6:06 AM
14	Until they are sober, all the dumpsters and clean up efforts will need to be done regularly. They cannot take care of themselves when they are under the influence. More drug counseling and efforts to support sobriety are needed.	6/11/2022 4:05 PM
15	Care, increased compassion and educational resources that come from deepy listening and understanding what they are experiencing and what THEY feel would be most helpful	6/11/2022 1:06 PM
16	Services geared at drug, alcohol and mental health issues, life and job skill training at a navigation center that homeless have to take part in.	6/11/2022 8:58 AM
17	Hold them responsible	6/11/2022 8:22 AM
18	Restore human dignity by leading/requiring responsibility and requiring them to move forward in gaining skills to be self-sustaining. As for the "treatment by others" - we teach people how to treat us. Those who choose to be homeless - and many choose the lifestyle - are showing us that they don't value themselves or their lives so why would anyone else value them? (No, I'm not condoning bad treatment. I'm making a valid point.) I am more than willing to help those who value their lives enough to put forth effort. But, I spent years watching many who did not and just expected all of the rest of us to take care of them. Trampling my rights did not engender a desire to reach out and keep helping them.	6/11/2022 7:48 AM
19	Every person deserves shelter, sustenance, and health care.	6/10/2022 10:49 PM
20	More law enforcement AND more services to basically get them off the streets and I to mental institutions to actually address their needs	6/10/2022 10:34 PM
21	More encouragement of self help, and mental health/drug addiction resources	6/10/2022 9:51 PM
22	More cleanups, more LEO, zero tolerance of messy camps	6/10/2022 9:42 PM
23	Accountability	6/10/2022 9:36 PM
24	Get them out of camps they're gonna burn us down	6/10/2022 7:03 PM
25	Mental health and substance abuse services	6/10/2022 5:44 PM
26	Compassion, resources , housing, cell phones, food (only food, no alcohol or cigarettes) vouchers, mentors and counsellors.	6/10/2022 1:45 PM
27	More services, especially a place to sleep, shower and securely leave a small amount of necessary belongings. Without this, it's incredibly difficult to be clean, think clearly and feel secure enough to go try to find employment and/or housing	6/10/2022 12:44 PM
28	More affordable housing, many cannot jump into the work force. Working without a stable living	6/10/2022 12:35 PM

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	situation is practically impossible.	
29	Is there places to house/help/rehabilitation?!	6/10/2022 10:58 AM
30	Not solely up to gov't to take care of everybody	6/10/2022 10:39 AM
31	More housing, showers, and job services	6/10/2022 6:33 AM
32	More services to get them off streets. But you can't let them camp. You gotta make it more attractive to get help than live on the street	6/9/2022 5:16 PM
33	All the above and they should be held accountable for their trashing the community and they should be required to get mental help and or drug treatment. They have human rights but so do the rest of us. Mental health services should be prioritized.	6/9/2022 5:03 PM
34	All of the above	6/9/2022 4:15 PM
35	Their families should take responsibility for them.	6/9/2022 2:12 PM
36	Offer a facility to get professional help. No drugs or alcohol allowed. Have therapist on site to diagnose possible mental illness. Would be nice if there was church leaders also available for counseling. Maybe more free hygiene for overall health.	6/9/2022 1:04 PM
37	Make them accountable instead of giving them stuff. They are not pets they are people.	6/9/2022 12:44 PM
38	Expectations of them to do something, vol at dining hall, etc.	6/9/2022 10:48 AM
39	I don't agree that the homeless' need are lacking. There are services and help available that they don't take advantage of. There are plenty opportunities for employment now. AND they destroy the environment and litter. Disgusting	6/9/2022 10:45 AM
40	Mental illness help	6/9/2022 10:37 AM
41	Free basic health care, safe, affordable, housing in neighborhoods with the same police protection available to the general population	6/9/2022 10:24 AM
42	More accountability making the budget we already have deliver results and those responsible for drafting the plans.	6/9/2022 10:04 AM
43	I think homeless camps need to be done away with.	6/9/2022 9:49 AM
44	It's not so much a matter of human rights as it is human dignity. Preserving that dignity should not allow people to live outside in an advanced society.	6/9/2022 9:37 AM

Q5 What do you feel is the most important and effective solution to homelessness?

Answered: 144 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
More housing	11.81% 17
More resources	22.22% 32
Job opportunities	9.03% 13
Other (please specify)	56.94% 82
TOTAL	144

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1	Depends on why they are homeless.	7/2/2022 5:55 PM
2	We need a homeless transition shelter and a homeless shelter. There are two different types of homeless, the ones that choose to be homeless and the ones that do not want to be homeless. To be cost effective there should be a homeless shelter for those that do not wish to find permanent housing but need basic human rights things like food, clothes, shoes, showers and a break from the elements. Then there should be a transition shelter thats staffed and has all the support for guidance. The encampments need to be provided garbage bags and garbage, garbage service and a pottra potty for sanitation.	6/27/2022 2:22 PM
3	Focus on the kids, and expecting adults to help themselves on the existing treatment programs if/when needed. Kids and adults alike need to wake-up, clean-up, and get started on a productive day. Opportunity is available. Coddling adults only ensures the homeless population will expand. People love sympathy. EDC seems to be migrating to the SF model, which is a disaster. Do NOT provide housing at the expense of taxpayers. The homeless need managed, and the proposed model by the sheriff is the best plan by far. SAVE OUR KIDS!	6/21/2022 8:50 PM
4	Again, commitment to programs and services, one time only not over and over, or leave our	6/18/2022 10:58 AM

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county. It is that black and white.

5	Opportunity	6/14/2022 6:03 PM
6	Mental health services, substance abuse counseling, accountability for poor choices. 5150 for grave disability.	6/14/2022 7:54 AM
7	Work opportunities in exchange for temporary housing. People need to stop giving handouts (Gypsies/trafficking)	6/14/2022 12:52 AM
8	Drug Rehabilitation & Accountability, which may include jail.	6/13/2022 10:38 AM
9	Psychological support	6/13/2022 8:57 AM
10	Program Grants like Shelter plus care that subsidize each case by case without discrimination nor nepotism.	6/12/2022 5:51 PM
11	It is endless and too many things to mention. I don't really see the homeless situation getting any better at all.	6/12/2022 2:49 PM
12	Affordable housing	6/12/2022 1:57 PM
13	Mental health facilities	6/12/2022 1:08 PM
14	Allow law enforcement to deal with them and refer them to services, but make them get off the streets.	6/12/2022 12:46 PM
15	Some social structure that works for them.	6/12/2022 11:21 AM
16	All of the above	6/12/2022 10:47 AM
17	Mandatory drug/mental health treatment	6/12/2022 10:19 AM
18	All the above	6/12/2022 9:49 AM
19	Get the homeless off of drugs.	6/12/2022 8:27 AM
20	Go back to making drug use illegal and I force penalties. Stop coddling users and make them accountable.	6/12/2022 6:06 AM
21	Drug abuse counseling and outreach	6/11/2022 4:05 PM
22	Relocate to Mexico	6/11/2022 4:01 PM
23	All that has been mentioned above. This is a humanitarian issue that can only be resolved through care, compassion, understanding and collaborative resourcefulness	6/11/2022 1:06 PM
24	Recognizing and addressing who the majority are	6/11/2022 9:12 AM
25	This is multi facated..faceted... we DO NOT need to build up services to a point where we are enabling out current homeless population and attract further homeless to our county because we are a county that caters to the homeless population.. wr need to assist our our El dorado county homeless by getting them back on their feet and essemelate them back into the contributing "tax paying" members if our community	6/11/2022 8:58 AM
26	There will always be homeless, no solution.	6/11/2022 8:22 AM
27	See answer to #1 and #4. You keep asking the same question.	6/11/2022 7:48 AM
28	Time to set down some rules for these people whom many just prefer their chosen lifestyle	6/11/2022 7:41 AM
29	Assessment and treatment. They don't need safe drug places	6/11/2022 5:48 AM
30	Public housing	6/10/2022 10:49 PM
31	See above. Do NOT waste tax payers money on building housing for them that will only be destroyed and it does nothing to actually help them.	6/10/2022 10:34 PM
32	Vote out the democrats that let this happen	6/10/2022 9:51 PM
33	Zero tolerance for messy camps and drug usage	6/10/2022 9:42 PM
34	Resources AND accountability tracking	6/10/2022 9:36 PM

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35	They need to be put into programs where they are drug tested and actual rehabilitation is occurring followed by job placement. Throwing money at a problem doesn't help it. Giving them free shelter doesn't help giving them free food doesn't help putting them through a program where there is accountability might.	6/10/2022 9:26 PM
36	Put in one area so they're not trespassing	6/10/2022 7:03 PM
37	Mental health counseling and drug rehab	6/10/2022 5:44 PM
38	State mental resources	6/10/2022 5:14 PM
39	No more handouts	6/10/2022 3:22 PM
40	ALL of the above	6/10/2022 1:45 PM
41	Require those who need treatment to participate in treatment	6/10/2022 12:43 PM
42	There is not one thing that is more important than the others.	6/10/2022 12:12 PM
43	You tell me what has worked!	6/10/2022 10:58 AM
44	Not solely - but don't reward people for not working, having more children, etc, illegal immigration	6/10/2022 10:39 AM
45	Send them down the hill to Sacramento	6/10/2022 8:44 AM
46	Helping the small percentage that are truly down on their luck to find resources and housing	6/10/2022 8:25 AM
47	There isn't one answer. It should be a multi pronged approach. Some homeless are hard on their luck and just can't afford housing. Some have addiction issues and homelessness allows them to continue on their path, they might be more resistant to change. Those with mental illness might not be aware. Being homeless allows the illness to hide in plain sight.	6/10/2022 7:27 AM
48	All equally important	6/10/2022 6:33 AM
49	Drug and mental health help	6/10/2022 6:21 AM
50	Vagrancy laws, mental health services, drug laws	6/10/2022 1:31 AM
51	State and city should build low income housing. Relying on private owners to rent their house out is not a solution.	6/9/2022 8:06 PM
52	Mental health services	6/9/2022 7:37 PM
53	Move them to another location where sufficient support can be obtained	6/9/2022 6:50 PM
54	More services to get them off streets. But you can't let them camp. You gotta make it more attractive to get help than live on the street	6/9/2022 5:16 PM
55	All the above. There is no "most important or least important" it's all most important.	6/9/2022 5:03 PM
56	Get them devices and a place to stay till they are on their feet. If they refuse, take them to jail.	6/9/2022 4:15 PM
57	I don't think this is a one answer question. All are needed to help the homeless. I do know that there are homeless people who simply don't want the help. It's such a complicated issue.	6/9/2022 3:58 PM
58	dealing with addiction and mental health services	6/9/2022 3:25 PM
59	Rehabilitation centers	6/9/2022 2:54 PM
60	Put in a state hospital	6/9/2022 2:50 PM
61	Drug rehab/job opportunities	6/9/2022 2:12 PM
62	Treat the condition that is keeping the person from being self sufficient, whether that is needed health care, job skills, mental support, etc. it can't be just providing shelter	6/9/2022 1:50 PM
63	If people don't get there illnesses resolved (like addiction or mental illness) they will continue to fail. If they are willing to clean up we should also be willing to help them start a new life. Skill training,"short term) temporary housing	6/9/2022 1:04 PM
64	Make them accountable. Get jobs. Get off drugs. If one has a mental health issue, get s	6/9/2022 12:44 PM
65	Drug enforcement	6/9/2022 11:40 AM

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66	Drug treatment	6/9/2022 11:36 AM
67	Resources AND desire to improve themselves	6/9/2022 11:29 AM
68	Jail or Mental Facility	6/9/2022 11:29 AM
69	Enforcement of existing laws	6/9/2022 11:14 AM
70	This county needs serious education on the plight of homeless people. A campaign highlighting people's stories might get the community to be more supportive and empathetic instead of calling them criminals. The people themselves need their immediate physical needs met followed with follow up services giving them tools for the mental health and jobs in the future.	6/9/2022 11:00 AM
71	Dignity to do something for themself or others	6/9/2022 10:48 AM
72	Take a job foremost. Maybe assist with modest living quarters. Take some responsibility and pride in themselves.	6/9/2022 10:45 AM
73	Mental illness help	6/9/2022 10:37 AM
74	Enforce the law!	6/9/2022 10:35 AM
75	Need mandatory rehab	6/9/2022 10:27 AM
76	Education in life skills, job training, affordable housing, child care for employed parents or for parents seeking employment or in job training	6/9/2022 10:24 AM
77	unstable persons need to be removed from the street whether or not they want to....newly empty prisons would make a perfect housing option. Back in my day they got rid of assylums as they were offensive to people but there are some on the street who through none of thier own making are never going to be productive members of society and should not be allowed to just roam around	6/9/2022 10:16 AM
78	We need to quit allowing folks to choose the lifestyle that are healthy enough to work but choose not too.	6/9/2022 10:04 AM
79	More effective resources that get positive results	6/9/2022 10:02 AM
80	Eliminate vacation rentals!	6/9/2022 9:52 AM
81	It's different for different people. The cause needs to be determined and then plan the right solution.	6/9/2022 9:49 AM
82	See response to #2.	6/9/2022 9:37 AM

Q6 Thank you for taking this survey. Please use this space to add any thoughts or comments you have about homelessness.

Answered: 113 Skipped: 31

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1	If they are homeless because they are down on their luck, help them with housing and jobs. If they are suffering from MI get them help for that issue. If their on drugs stop enabling and put them in rehab	7/2/2022 5:55 PM
2	we desperately need affordable housing in our county. Homeless people and families can not get off the streets if they can not qualify to rent anywhere. They also wont get off the streets or stay off the streets if they cant afford rent. Our low income apartments have YEARS long wait lists. Our section 8 (hud) wait list is YEARS long and CLOSED. I was once homeless with my toddler and got turned down for an apartment on schnell school rd. because i didnt have good credit, but i had the income. When I was homeless with 3 kids in our car after our landlord sold our house and I was turned down for HOPE HOUSE because I had good income, good credit and a teen. I didnt qualify to buy a house because my credit wasnt old enough. Those that do not qualify for welfare do not qualify for the countys homeless assistance program. Those that do, do not make enough money to qualify for permanent housing because rent is too high and cash aid is not 2 nor 3 times the rent. Every time i get a call to assist a homeless young adult I cry. They are too old for the tiny 8 bed New Morning Shelter (that's always full) and we have no city or county shelter. They do not qualify for the county's homeless assistance program because they do not have a baby. They seriously have sleep in the bushes, its just so heartbreaking. Absolutely no access to basic human needs and no resources for basic human rights.	6/27/2022 2:22 PM
3	The mental illness and drug addiction needs to be addressed first. Then, job skills and employment opportunities need to be provided. People need to take personal responsibility for themselves. If they can't, then they need to be put somewhere that they can get help. Up here in the hills is no place for homeless folks.	6/23/2022 4:02 PM
4	Churches such as green Valley offer hygiene opportunities and a free meal, and the Upper Room offers food. The capable homeless need to step up the effort. It starts with sobriety and effort. The community should only help those helping themselves in becoming productive citizens. Again, there are some cases that are incapable, but the vast majority have chosen a lifestyle that led to homelessness. Focus on correcting that direction during parenting and education. We can't let a lazy and unproductive culture destroy our great county, state, and country.	6/21/2022 8:50 PM
5	Law enforcement plays a part in this. They DO drop folks at county lines. They do tell them either jail or move along. So many do not want help, they want a handout and then to be left alone. If you keep accommodating them they will never leave. If they want help and you offer it with specific parameters those that want it will accept it. Those that do not wish to make a change need to be removed. It's harsh but very clear and we have to stop wasting resources on those that do not want it or use it to step up and out of homelessness. They are entitled, according to them, to get a free ride and we keep proliferating it.	6/18/2022 10:58 AM
6	Economic insecurity is the root cause of the problem	6/16/2022 3:27 PM
7	I think the problem in our area with the homelessness is the drugs. In other areas it may be other factors but this area it has a lot to do with drugs.	6/15/2022 6:20 AM
8	I believe mental health issues is a large part and the support needed includes treatment facilities, followed by affordable housing and some job training if needed. It's not a one size fits all	6/14/2022 9:51 PM
9	I know drug abuse is is a huge factor... please know that the majority of homeless pupils start using drugs while being homeless!	6/14/2022 6:42 PM
10	I went to the event and the stories were very compelling	6/14/2022 6:03 PM

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11	We need housing for the homeless, but they need to be responsible in order to get the housing. No drugs/alcohol and if needed they need to be willing to do rehab. Billions is being spent in CA with no results. The state needs to do an audit on what programs they have tried and what has worked and what hasn't so we can have cost effective programs moving forward.	6/14/2022 2:18 PM
12	The HOT team and Upper Room are an asset to the county dealing with the homeless. Work is out there but housing is not.	6/14/2022 11:42 AM
13	Homeless should not be incarcerated for being homeless. We need shelters and more mental health resources. People need to be hospitalized and treated for psychiatric and medical issues.	6/14/2022 7:54 AM
14	I worry in our area about fire hazard and trash (we have a creek in our yard and I worry about drugs, waste, etc). Also it makes me mad the encampments are left and others have to clean up. Lack of human decency and that's a sign of entitlement- not ok!	6/14/2022 12:52 AM
15	This forum lacks facts, statistics, and reason. A lot of feelings, opinions, & emotions.	6/13/2022 10:38 AM
16	Housing does NOTHING if they aren't provided support to overcome their addiction, services to address the mental illness and job/skills training to become self-sufficient then the housing just hides the problem.	6/13/2022 10:19 AM
17	I live in the Lake Tahoe basin. This is no place for them. No services other than old motels that are provided for them at county expense. How is this helping. This is not the correct environment. They live in the forests also. They need to be where there are more services for them.	6/13/2022 10:15 AM
18	Once homeless, it is hard to get a job because you can't give your new employer an address where you live, you can't shower or get cleaned up to be presentable for a job interview, and many people don't even think of things like this and it sad. People can be so cruel & it's not fair to judge the homeless.	6/13/2022 9:22 AM
19	Get them all off drugs in exchange for housing.	6/13/2022 9:20 AM
20	.	6/13/2022 9:17 AM
21	We need to approach the unemployed from the mentally (which includes addictions) unstable and address the issues separately	6/13/2022 8:57 AM
22	Complex issue needing flexible solutions	6/13/2022 8:36 AM
23	Please STOP sending untrained law enforcement to handle social service problems like mental illness, homelessness, and lack of fair and equal opportunities for the underserved populations.	6/12/2022 5:51 PM
24	Homelessness is a tragic problem. What I hear is that EDC has an abundance of services but limited uptake by the homeless community. I am not sure if that is true, but I sense that most of the problem is lifestyle issues not lack of employment. I wish I better understood the affordable housing opportunities in the county - I understand that wait lists are long. Concise education for the community along with a coordinated response would be helpful to better understand the whole issue. Thanks	6/12/2022 4:47 PM
25	Mental health services needed as well as drug & alcohol rehab. Also family services.	6/12/2022 4:41 PM
26	I know that no one wants them in our own cities, I am one of those. They are unpredictable, rude, crude and filthy and I don't trust any of them. You asked so I replied.	6/12/2022 2:49 PM
27	A combined approach of shelter, mental health/addiction treatment, and skills in how to remain housed need to be used together.	6/12/2022 1:57 PM
28	Turn unused commercial real estate into health facilities in areas of the county that are affordable to house them.	6/12/2022 1:08 PM
29	I feel many of the homeless are on the streets because they want to be there. I have a 73 year old brother who has been homeless for decades. He does not want to work. He gets SSI/SSP and does not want to use it for housing. He lives this way by choice. I believe many homeless in this county have made the same choice and that is fine, but they should not be allowed to set up dangerous camps and beg on the streets.	6/12/2022 12:46 PM
30	https://www.economist.com/united-states/2019/10/19/homelessness-is-declining-in-america	6/12/2022 11:21 AM

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There is always a direct correlation between homelessness and cost of housing, with about 2/3 of homeless having mental conditions and or drug addiction problems, (or both).

31	Himemess ess is a very very complex issue, the result of broken family structures leading to mental illness and substance abuse and joblessness, and therefore homeless. Of course, all of these factors are intertwined in a complex web of cause and effect.	6/12/2022 10:54 AM
32	Education to the public about homes less issues, spreading info about what services and support there is available, more compassion from the community regarding homeless, coming together to help each other.	6/12/2022 10:47 AM
33	I believe there are services available for folks "down on their luck" and want help. We are lacking in addressing folks who are not capable of rational decisions.	6/12/2022 10:19 AM
34	I think most people understand that homelessness is a systemic issue that needs a multi-faceted approach. While I believe that support services are the best way to address this issue, I also believe that more affordable housing is the only way to solve this issue long term.	6/12/2022 9:54 AM
35	Mental Illness is probably the biggest contributor to drug/alcohol addiction resulting in homelessness. I believe EDC needs more mental health services.	6/12/2022 9:49 AM
36	This is a complex issue as you can provide housing, training, services, and jobs but you cannot force someone to accept help when they do not want to comply with rules and regulations, as many of our homeless population choose to do.	6/12/2022 9:49 AM
37	Thanks	6/12/2022 8:43 AM
38	They scream/threaten at us. We can no longer use public parks. We have to drive among tent cities. Frightening. Our bikes are freely stolen. Yes, I see it happen. I live in a large city. Don't let Tahoe become another Los Angeles or San Francisco. CLEAN THE MESS.	6/12/2022 8:27 AM
39	There needs to be a limit to how long support is offered to each individual; if they're given everything they need for free then there is no incentive for them to provide for themselves	6/12/2022 6:40 AM
40	There's a fine line between helping and enabeling. Our state/county has enabled this problem for too long. We need to stop!	6/12/2022 6:06 AM
41	Homelessness has become a quality of life issue for too many families living there every day lives. Homelessness has always been an issue, but it has become out of control over the last couple decades. As I have observed, it has exported out of the urban areas into the suburbs and rural areas.	6/12/2022 4:22 AM
42	Simply providing hotel rooms to mentally ill or addicted persons will not solve the problem. It will only waste taxpayers money. Please learn from the mistakes of other municipalities. Some people are simply homeless and need help getting a job and housing but the majority are suffering from drug addiction and mental illness. They deserve a chance at rehabilitation. Rehabilitation is the only way forward to a permanent solution to homelessness. We need a solution not band aids.	6/11/2022 4:05 PM
43	Homeless is an excuse to be lazy.	6/11/2022 4:01 PM
44	All of the above are needed. Anything less is a partial temporary fix	6/11/2022 1:44 PM
45	Thanks for doing this survey, I hipe the feedback was useful. If you'd like to explore any of the ideas above on a call, reach out to me at steve@consciaventures.com	6/11/2022 1:06 PM
46	We're probably too late to make any substantial impact, blame the politicians (of both parties) and the largely Democrat appointed judges who've exacerbated the problem	6/11/2022 9:12 AM
47	People need to understand the different levels of homelessness... all of our non profits headed up by EDOK seem to want to grow services to our homeless population with more and more programs and funding which enable our homeless population. People need to understand that there is a segment of the homeless population that want to be homeless. They do not want to live by a law abiding society's rules... we cannot help this portion of the homeless population. This portion of the homeless population should not be allowed to prey upon our community. If they want help we should help them but if they are intent on milking the services of our community while preying upon and destroying our environment.. they should either be arrested and placed in jail or move on elsewhere where it's least intrusive and where a community (San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, or any other city that doesn't enforce laws will allow them to bleed	6/11/2022 8:58 AM

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their law enforcement, first responder, medical, court, and probation systems, while they destroy their community.

48	I'm sick of the whole situation. My relative receives SSI and has a room. He still lives like a pig.	6/11/2022 8:22 AM
49	Giving things away with no accountability does not work anywhere. It does not work with children, drug abusers, the homeless.....it only engenders a belief that they deserve to be given whatever they need at the expense of society. The mentally ill need treatment. That should be provided - along with life skills training. The ill and disabled need our assistance. Drug abusers should be helped if willing to get clean and sober and only if they do so. Those who have become homeless should be helped back on their feet - but not supported endlessly. For a society not to collapse, it needs its citizens to participate and be as self-supporting as possible. Barring a real disability, we do more harm not holding people accountable for self-responsibility.	6/11/2022 7:48 AM
50	It's ridiculous that they have more rights and are given so many so called free things which in actuality are provided by the taxpayers. Time to make these people follow the rules like the test of us.	6/11/2022 7:41 AM
51	Housing first works.	6/11/2022 7:24 AM
52	Homelessness is not a one size fits all we need to stop using this single noun to encompass all types of homelessness we need to put it into various categories and deal with the ones that are the easiest 1st and recognize that some categories will not be able to be helped very much	6/11/2022 6:46 AM
53	While I do not believe we should provide them housing, I believe resources for getting cleaned up, new clothes, job training, and providing a public address for them to use on their applications could help immensely.	6/11/2022 6:39 AM
54	I dont have the solutions but I know allowing people to continue to live on the street is NOT the right choice. It is dangerous for everyone. It can have tragic consequences.	6/11/2022 6:35 AM
55	My wife and I have helped clean up several homeless camps in Cameron Park. The HOT Team with EDCSO tells us that there are 8 in the dirt homeless here. We have personally found 12 used syringes in past year easily accessible to children. The system in place is failing the community.	6/11/2022 5:48 AM
56	We need a permanent shelter, complete with a connection to resources center, i.e. rehab resources, job training, etc	6/11/2022 2:33 AM
57	None. Glad EDC is finally creating a shelter.	6/11/2022 1:17 AM
58	Shelter is a basic need. After that, one can find employment. Without an address finding a job is likely impossible.	6/10/2022 11:50 PM
59	The most economical and effective use of tax dollars is simply to provide housing to those who need it.	6/10/2022 10:49 PM
60	I wish someone smart would tell the rest of us how we could help the homeless because I think a lot of us would help if we understood how to do it.	6/10/2022 10:34 PM
61	Homelessness in California has been attracting people from across the country because all Californians seem to do is give them freebies and money. The state, counties and cities have done nothing but waste tax payers money by the hundreds of millions to build "housing" for them that barely gets filled, does nothing to act help them and the homeless crisis is what is destroying this state in so many levels. From waste of moneyF garbage, fires, destruction of property, theft, rape, countless crimes, drug abuse, disease and destruction of our land. Look at the American river and what those encampments have done	6/10/2022 10:34 PM
62	I feel lack of housing is a big part of the rise of people experiencing homelessness. Jobs are plentiful. Lack of mental health and substance abuse services that are accessible to those who are homeless are basically nonexistent. I also feel that some landlord other professional management companies are not held accountable for the way some properties are managed or maintained.	6/10/2022 10:29 PM
63	I'd like to see on going services: mental health facility hospitals/ drug programs/skills/job placement.	6/10/2022 10:00 PM
64	Vote	6/10/2022 9:51 PM

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65	If there is tolerance the behaviors will continue. If there's less free resources it would help. If people have to volunteer or "work" for housing, food, Healthcare they would appreciate it more. Things that are free are seldom valued.	6/10/2022 9:42 PM
66	N/A	6/10/2022 9:37 PM
67	I believe the answer lies in a full service, from housing to help with resources. But their has to be accountability and follow through by the patient. And also, follow up by and checking from program mangers.	6/10/2022 9:36 PM
68	Home key and room key are two projects I adamantly oppose. I am on support of the sheriff's hostess program. We not only need to take care of homeless people but demand that they take care of themselves and hold them to some type of standard that requires them to stay clean. I'm sick of my tax dollars going to needle programs or watching Sierra harm reduction give away needles I find while doing community clean ups. Giving something away for free is not the answer. They need to pay with sobriety and get into the work force.	6/10/2022 9:26 PM
69	Remove the drug problem and you will mitigate a majority of homelessness and mental illness. Stop trying to make this something it isn't. There are those that want help and those who don't. Those who don't and commit property and humanitarian crimes should be sent to jail and rehabilitated within the prison system. The prison is the best rehab center society has.	6/10/2022 9:18 PM
70	Keep in jail on crimes I'm tired of not being able to go to restaurants shopping with them infringing on my rights coming on my property get some balls el dorado	6/10/2022 7:03 PM
71	We need to help the homeless by providing shelters, drug rehab and mental health counseling. After they are off drug, give them job training, on going counseling, and support until they can be productive members of society.	6/10/2022 5:44 PM
72	I speak to homeless often. They often won't seek services on their own. May not have ability	6/10/2022 5:14 PM
73	Get them out of el dorado county. Plenty of tax paying citizens who shouldn't have to deal with the sight of homeless and what they leave behind for others to pick up.	6/10/2022 3:22 PM
74	Stop taking homeless from other areas help locals I work next camp on Broadway effects your business	6/10/2022 2:50 PM
75	I am so pleased to see this issue being addressed. Thank you for all your efforts, and compassion. There but for the grace of God, go I.	6/10/2022 1:45 PM
76	We need to focus on giving a hand up, not a hand out. We need to combine that with resources like clean clothes, showers,shelters and employment services.	6/10/2022 12:44 PM
77	None	6/10/2022 12:43 PM
78	We have income based apartments, why do we not have income based rv parks?	6/10/2022 12:35 PM
79	Thank you for asking constituents in your county for their opinion.	6/10/2022 12:12 PM
80	We need dedicated task forces with proper experience in providing the right services to help the homeless population, specifically crucial mental health and support services.	6/10/2022 10:59 AM
81	You go and talk to folks on the street! Good luck with that!	6/10/2022 10:58 AM
82	None	6/10/2022 10:39 AM
83	There's so many camps that you see driving around, literal human shit on the Bedford overcrowding, beggars everywhere. You can't drive down Broadway without seeing multiple dirty tweekers. It's disgusting, anywhere that you allow them to be becomes a dumping ground for their garbage, feces, drugs. Get them out of here!!	6/10/2022 8:44 AM
84	Honestly, as harsh as it sounds, most (not all) homeless people choose to live that way. They don't want to follow rules. They come to Ca from all over the country to get the services we provide. If you ask them where they came from, they will tell you.	6/10/2022 8:25 AM
85	The homeless are people too, however something must be done. It's hard for the public to respect a person who doesn't respect themselves or their surroundings.	6/10/2022 7:27 AM
86	Meetings like this need to be held on evenings or weekends when the average American worker is free to attend	6/10/2022 6:33 AM

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87	There should be stricter laws on what they can and can't do, they have been given so much leeway and yet nothing has been done to actually get them off the streets. Contact Michael Shellenberger for suggestions on solving the issue	6/10/2022 6:21 AM
88	Because it has multiple causes, there is not one simple solution. Temporary housing, healthcare and job training are all needed.	6/10/2022 5:01 AM
89	To many Politicians don't want solutions. They get political mileage from the issue and their friends make money building expensive housing.	6/10/2022 1:31 AM
90	Nothing	6/9/2022 10:28 PM
91	Homelessness has many reasons. The world changes and many people are unable to keep up. Many turn to an easy out of drugs and addiction. Support is needed on many levels, it is not a one size fits all fix	6/9/2022 8:36 PM
92	See above	6/9/2022 8:06 PM
93	Mental health services coupled with housing, and then job training would be ideal; but how to reach it ... I don't know. Drug addiction is an endless battle.	6/9/2022 7:37 PM
94	We as a society need to de-stigmatize the notion of homelessness. The fact is many of us are one paycheck away from being homeless ourselves. Compassion. Empathy. On repeat.	6/9/2022 7:16 PM
95	I am concerned about encampments in the woods/meadows causing a fire. They need to be housed.	6/9/2022 7:01 PM
96	Na	6/9/2022 6:57 PM
97	Sadly this is a political issue created by the Democratic Party misusing funds allocated to the issue.	6/9/2022 6:50 PM
98	Mental health follows closely behind drug and alcohol addiction as a huge issue that needs to be addressed	6/9/2022 5:47 PM
99	More services to get them off streets. But you can't let them camp. You gotta make it more attractive to get help than live on the street	6/9/2022 5:16 PM
100	It's really sad to see how the impact of homeless impacts so much of our county and state. Also sad is the blame game and waste of funding of our city, county and state leaders.	6/9/2022 5:03 PM
101	We need to come together to combat this growing issue.	6/9/2022 4:43 PM
102	Sad to see all these people so down and out, however the rest of us have to live with the trash, violence, and very sick people around us. Not fair to anyone.	6/9/2022 4:15 PM
103	I just drove down Upper Broadway today and was shocked to see the increase in the number of people living there. I know it's a convenient location to the Upper Room and other services. Some way of screening the homeless to determine who actually want the help and those who don't.	6/9/2022 3:58 PM
104	Bring back some mental hospitals where some of these people can get decent help	6/9/2022 3:47 PM
105	Thank you for focusing on this issue	6/9/2022 3:25 PM
106	Question #2 does not offer a selection. Your commenting will have the answers.	6/9/2022 2:32 PM
107	Giving people with drug addiction money just makes the problem worse. You can give other services but don't give money. Also I'm not saying all homeless people are addicts but having a father that was in law enforcement for 30 years I know most of them need help with addiction and or mental illness. It all starts there. We have so many church organizations that help the homeless but seems we need more treatment facilities to help people figure out how to stop the cycle and start a course for their life. Our state seems to not care that they are feeding a major drug problem in these homeless encampments. Maybe start by offering training and short term housing to the people who pass regular drug testing. That would be a good start!	6/9/2022 1:04 PM
108	Quit giving them things other than mental health treatment. If they want to get off drugs give rehab. Quit supporting this lifestyle.	6/9/2022 12:44 PM
109	This is a 2 way street. We as a community need to give them the opportunity and means to get back on their feet AND they have to want to. We can not make them. No matter how much	6/9/2022 11:29 AM

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110	Tired of our government wasting tax money with NO RESULTS except a growing homeless population. Round them up and jail them or involuntarily commit to a mental facility.	6/9/2022 11:29 AM
111	When we go into camps, they leave unless we have something for them. It is hard to see that there are very few resources and supports for the working poor and their families.	6/9/2022 10:48 AM
112	I have real empathy for those who are trying to better themselves and get into a housed situation but when you see interviews of people who just don't want to have any responsibility than I think we make it too easy to trash our cities and steal and commit crime and we actually give them drugs to use...absurd- it should be against the law to camp on public property and there are definitely ways to discourage this. California makes it way to easy to be homeless and commit crimes and then blames law enforcement for not doing enough. I think or LEOs are amazing and doing the best they can with no support from our governor. If it is not comfortable to be here than those who can leave will	6/9/2022 10:16 AM
113	We need to provide housing, supported with healthcare and supportive services. People who are homeless are people deserving of respect and basic human needs met.	6/9/2022 9:30 AM