

# Homelessness in San José: Status and Response

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A Presentation to the  
Neighborhoods Commission  
by the Housing Department  
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# Did you know?

2013 Santa Clara County Homeless Census and Survey

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**4,770** people in  
San José  
experiencing  
homelessness  
on any given  
night



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## Profile of homelessness

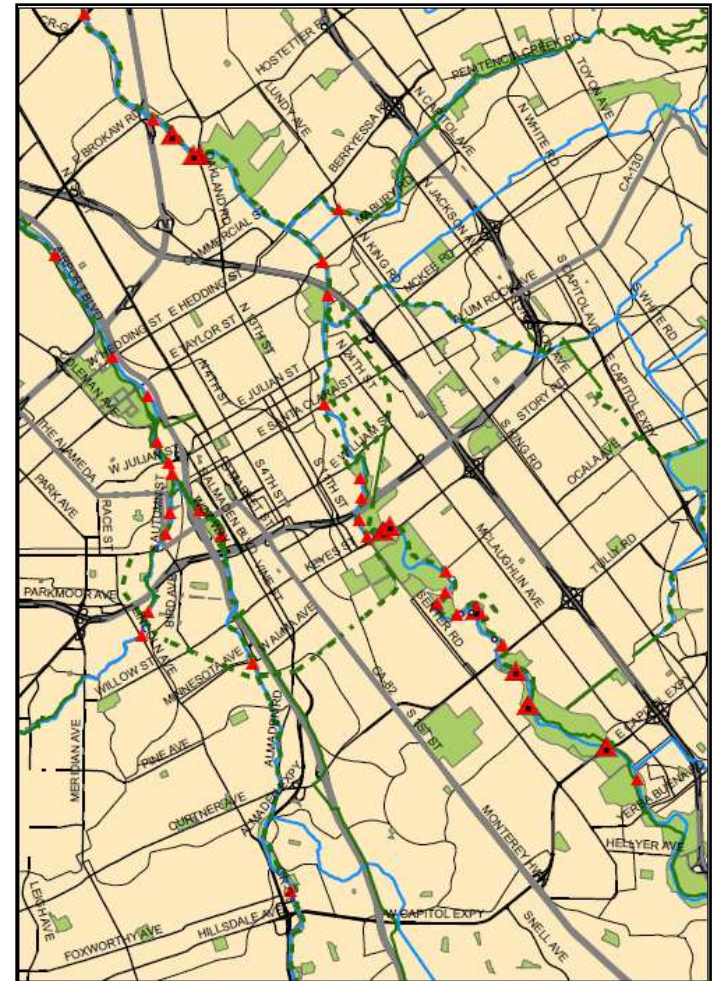
- 32% chronic
- 10% veterans
- 9% families
- 18% unaccompanied children and youth
- 73% unsheltered



# ENCAMPMENTS

257 encampments  
identified

1,230 people counted





# HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE TEAM

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- Outreach
- Encampment Abatement
- Rapid Re-housing
- \$8,570,00



# OUTREACH

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- First Response Service
- Community Point of Contact

**408-510-7600**

- Data Warehouse and Reporting



# RESULTS

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- 11,638 outreach contacts
- 1,063 single adults accepted services
- 922 people in families accepted services

**“I USED TO SLEEP OUTSIDE UNDER STAIRWAYS,  
NOW I SLEEP IN MY OWN HOME WITH MY DOG  
MELLIE.”**

- JOE, TEAM LEAD



# ENCAMPMENT ABATEMENT

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- Monthly Clean-Up Schedule
- Enhanced Abatement and Enforcement

**Before**



**After**







# INTERAGENCY PARTNERSHIP

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- CSJ – ESD, PRNS, PD, Housing
- SC Valley Water District
- County Rangers
- Caltrans
- Friends of Coyote Creek
- Friends of Los Gatos Creek

# RESULTS

Encampment Abatement	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
Tons of Garbage	165.15	174.47	<b>687.04</b>
# of locations cleaned	34	29	<b>49</b>



# RANGER ACTIVITY

<b>9/13 – 3/14</b>	<b>GUADALUPE</b>	<b>COYOTE</b>	<b>LOS GATOS</b>	<b>OTHERS</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
Encampment Patrols	96	118	41	12	<b>267</b>
Violation Warnings	141	108	14	7	<b>270</b>
Citations	7	48	0	2	<b>57</b>
Arrests	0	8	0	0	<b>8</b>
Referrals to Outreach	57	102	12	3	<b>173</b>
Est. Volume of Trash	85	218	16	9	<b>328</b>
Ranger Hours	386	602	83	33	<b>1,104</b>



# RAPID RE-HOUSING

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- Place-Based Strategy
- Collective Impact
- Measurable Results



# CITY TEAM

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- ◆ Housing
- ◆ PRNS
- ◆ ESD
- ◆ SJPD
- ◆ Code Enforcement
- ◆ DOT
- ◆ OED
- ◆ Animal Services
- ◆ Public Works





# RESULTS

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Case management team deployed  
at target site with the goal of  
**housing 200 homeless** individuals  
by the end of the calendar year.  
Site will be **abated and maintained.**



# ONGOING CHALLENGES

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- Lack of available housing
- System barriers
- Increasing attention

# INTERIM SOLUTIONS



# DESTINATION: HOME

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The Public Private Partnership to End Homelessness in Santa Clara County

- Convener
- Leader
- Advocate





# COMMISSION MEMBERS:

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Questions?

Comments?