# LA Metro's Homeless Action Plan and Outreach Model

2018 APTA Annual Meeting



#### Metro Transit Homeless Action Plan

PEOPLE
EXPERIENCING
HOMELESSNESS

City of
Los Angeles

31,516

5% Decrease

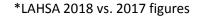
County of Los Angeles

53,195

3% Decrease









#### Metro Transit Homeless Action Plan

## Homelessness remains visible on our streets

3 out of 4 people remain unsheltered





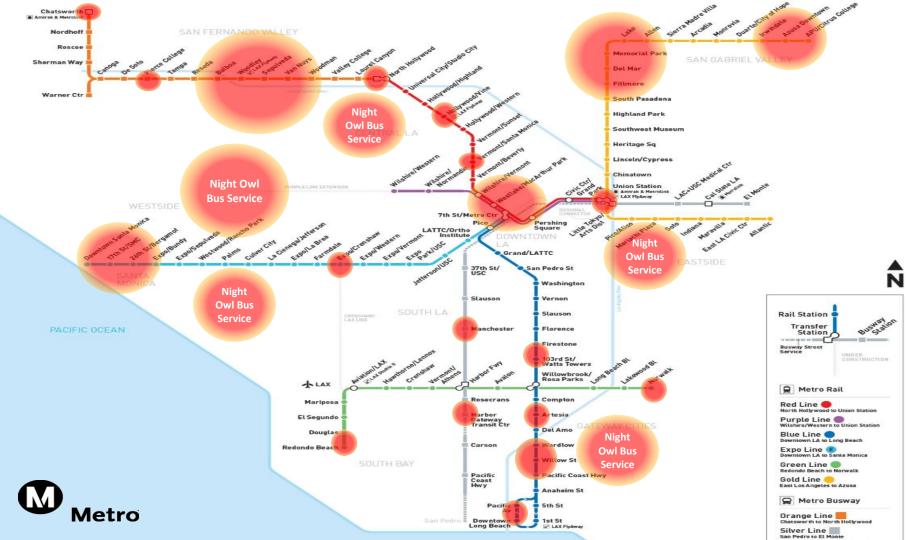


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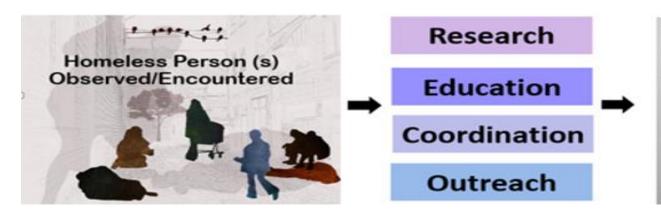
- Vehicles
- Tents
- Makeshift shelters

increased 5%\* from last year and 32%\* since 2016

\*LAHSA 2018 vs. 2017 figures

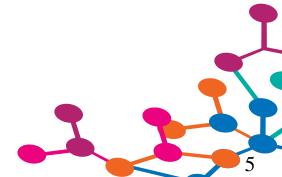


#### Metro Transit Homeless Action Plan



- Enhanced ridership experience
- Improved public safety for all passengers
- Coordinated and responsive homeless outreach and engagement











**Late Night Owl Bus Service** 





## **ROW Impacts**

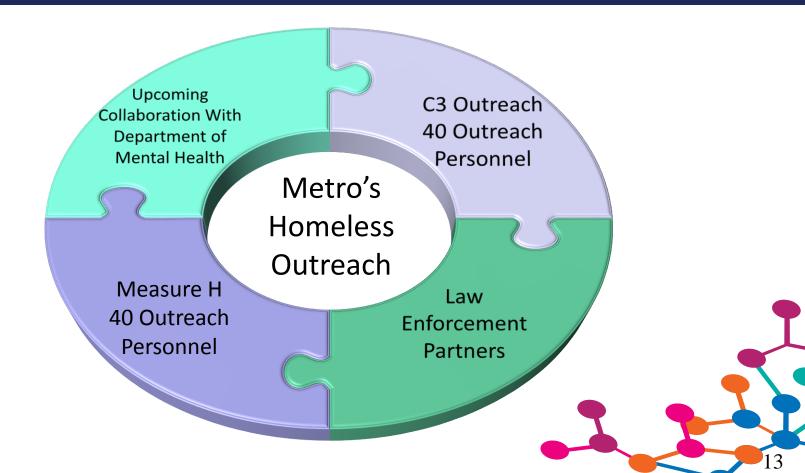








## Homeless Outreach Components









## LASD "MET" Outreach



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#### **LAPD HOPE Outreach**

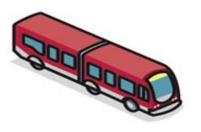
- Transit Services Bureau models the HOPE Team after the current geographic bureau HOPE Teams.
- Officers engage the homeless throughout Metro's System and work to identify the following:
  - Level of vulnerability
  - Mental Health needs & substance abuse
  - Veteran status
  - Family or other potential support systems
  - Significant health or disability issues
  - Situations that create obstacles such as unmarried couples, pets and pending criminal cases
  - Past attempts to seek help that were unsuccessful



#### 2018 "Full Court Press" on Outreach

**Effective May 2018:** Expand pilot from 2 teams to a total of 8 teams, 7 days per week for 1 year. Approx. Cost- \$4,207,125

#### Bus



#### Rail





**Bus: Owl Service** 

1, PM Team

**Rail: All Lines** 

- 3, AM Teams
- 3, PM Teams



