

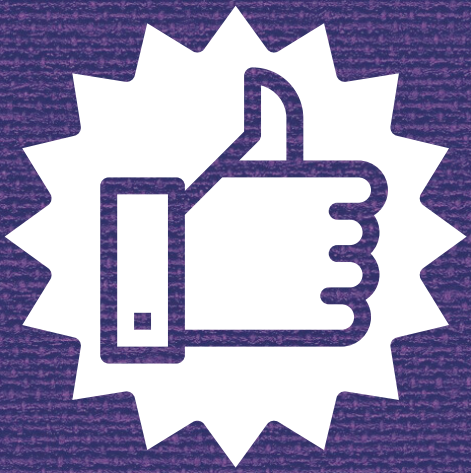
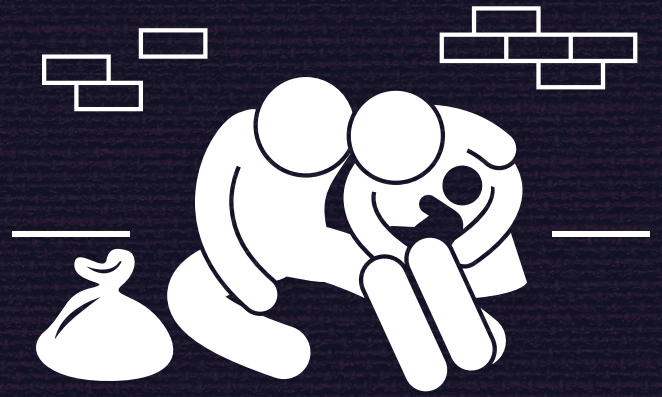
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- a homelessness report -

HOMELESSNESS ON THE RISE

The rising cost of housing, combined with impacts from COVID-19, is likely to lead to even more unhoused individuals and families in Sacramento. California has one of the highest homeless populations per capita in the U.S.



BEST PRACTICES

Empathy-based training, along with partnerships, good communication between staff and community groups, and an eye towards equity in collections, programs, and services are key towards serving users experiencing homelessness

SERVICE PROVIDERS

There are dozens of service providers assisting the homeless population across Sacramento, and the Library is already working with more than a handful of them. We've created a list, indexed by population served, of them in our report provided to the Library



RECOMMENDATION #1: NEW PARTNERS

Form new partnerships with two organizations in Sacramento: Bishop Gallegos Maternity House, serving pregnant women and families, and HART (Homeless Assistance Resource Teams) with locations in cities across Sacramento County

RECOMMENDATION #2: STAFF WORKING GROUP

Form an internal team featuring a cross-section of staff from all locations to ensure that partners across the region, and individuals experiencing homelessness themselves, are served to the fullest extent possible



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