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Baldwin Park Continues Progress in Reducing Homelessness

BALDWIN PARK, CA – The homeless population in the City of Baldwin Park decreased by 10.6% between 2023 and 2024, according to point-in-time homeless count data released by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) on June 28.

Baldwin Park counted 168 homeless individuals during the 2024 point-in-time homeless count held in February, a continued decrease from the 188 individuals counted in 2023 and 275 individuals counted in 2022. The 2024 count represents a nearly 70% decrease in the City's homeless population from four years ago.

"We're encouraged by the ongoing reduction in homelessness in Baldwin Park," said Baldwin Park Mayor Emmanuel J. Estrada. "Addressing homelessness remains a top priority for our City, and these results reaffirm the effectiveness of our housing and homelessness initiatives, from our transitional housing programs to financial assistance for renters and beyond."

The Baldwin Park City Council has maintained its commitment to strengthening the social safety net for residents through strategic policy decisions and investments. The improvements in the City align with broader trends in the San Gabriel Valley region, which saw a 3.3% decrease in homelessness from 2023 to 2024, according to LAHSA's Service Planning Area data.

In 2021, the City of Baldwin Park opened [Esperanza Villa](#), a 25-bed tiny home village for unhoused individuals and the San Gabriel Valley's first tiny home village. Esperanza Villa serves as a model for how cities can expand emergency non-congregate shelter services in their communities. The City further expanded their housing offerings in 2022 with the opening of [Serenity Homes](#), a 16-unit family bridge housing project that serves families with children experiencing homelessness.

Serenity Homes, which was funded by the San Gabriel Valley Regional Housing Trust, is operated by homeless service provider City Net, with funding from the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments, LAHSA and the American Rescue Plan Act. This collaborative effort provides critical services to unhoused families including family counseling, food assistance, medical and mental health assessments, job placements and more.

"We're committed to addressing the root causes of homelessness," added Estrada. "Our focus remains on providing both immediate support and long-term solutions to help our most vulnerable residents achieve stable housing. These numbers reflect a steadfast commitment to continue supporting the unhoused and help them get back on their feet."

In addition, the Baldwin Park City Council has worked extensively on strengthening strategic regional partnerships to serve the unhoused and those at high-risk of homelessness. The City directs federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to East San Gabriel Valley Coalition for the Homeless, Domestic Violence Advocate, Church of the Redeemer Food Bank and Oath for County Foundation, all of which provide important services to homeless individuals in Baldwin Park. The City and San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity are also working to implement a program to acquire and rehabilitate housing in Baldwin Park, using HOME Investment Partnership Program funding.

As part of the Mid-Valley Collaborative on Homelessness, Baldwin Park, in collaboration with the cities of South El Monte and El Monte, also developed a five-year homeless plan to coordinate local efforts to respond to homelessness. The plan positions Baldwin Park and its neighbors to access funding and participate in activities that help prevent people from becoming homeless, expand access to workforce development programs and explore opportunities to increase the number of affordable and supportive housing units. The three cities have received funding through the Los Angeles County Measure H Homeless Implementation Plan to increase the supply of interim and permanent housing for people experiencing homelessness.

To create systematic change, Baldwin Park has also invested in developing action plans that address barriers to affordable housing development. Through policies that intend to overcome barriers in zoning, property acquisition and other areas, Baldwin Park has charted a course to create more affordable housing in its effort to end homelessness in Baldwin Park. As Baldwin Park continues to make strides in addressing homelessness, the City remains committed to creating a community where every resident has access to safe, stable housing.

For more information on the 2024 Point-in-Time Count, visit LAHSA.org. To learn more about the City of Baldwin Park's housing action plan, visit BaldwinPark.com.

About the City of Baldwin Park

Baldwin Park is a nearly seven-square-mile, suburban community of 72,000 residents in the heart of the San Gabriel Valley. As the hub of the San Gabriel Valley, Baldwin Park is known for its ease of access and mobility, young and diverse residents, and vibrant, growing business community. For more information, visit baldwinpark.com or follow Baldwin Park on Facebook (@BaldwinParkCAGov), Instagram (BaldwinPark_CAGov), and Twitter (BaldwinParkCA_).