The following roadmap is based on a needs assessment and gaps analysis that provides a picture of the annual number of people experiencing homelessness, and the service gaps that exist in our current response system. With this understanding, we can effectively apply targeted and focused actions to ensure that homelessness in Sacramento is rare, brief, and one-time.

Estimated Annual Number of People Who Experience Literal Homelessness* in Sacramento = 16,500 to 20,000

*Represents those in emergency/temporary shelter or unsheltered

### Homeless Response System Interventions

#### Prevent Homelessness
- **Targeted Prevention:** One-time and short-term prevention assistance for highest risk
- **Diversion:** Immediate problem-solving and resources to avoid shelter

#### Respond to Homelessness
- **Street Outreach:** Individualized engagement and connection to housing assistance and services
- **Temporary Housing:** Emergency shelter, transitional housing, interim housing

#### End Homelessness
- **Short/Medium-Term Rehousing:** Individualized housing search/placement and time-limited financial assistance and stabilization services
- **Permanent Housing:** Permanent supportive housing and other dedicated permanent housing assistance with ongoing services

### Business as Usual
Emphasizes crisis response once a person becomes homeless

### Transformed System
Emphasizes targeted prevention, diversion, rehousing and permanent housing assistance, reducing need for crisis services

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Creating a Transformed System in Sacramento

**Prevent Homelessness**

Current capacity for **Homelessness Prevention**:
- 8% of need met
- 92% (3,550 households) with unmet needs

Very little capacity currently exists for targeted homelessness prevention, but one third of all households could be offered targeted prevention prior to becoming literally homeless. Of these, an estimated 76% could successfully avoid homelessness.

The total amount of Diversion services is still to be determined. However, it is estimated that 15% of single adults and 30% of families can avoid entering shelter if provided timely diversion assistance.

Key improvements are needed to ensure efficient and effective rehousing assistance including landlord engagement, tenant retention, increased unit availability, intensive case management, and full incorporation into the community-wide coordinated access system.

To close the gap, Sacramento needs at least an additional:
- 16 full-time employees who provide individualized housing support
- $11.3 million in annual financial assistance

**Respond to Homelessness**

In a transformed system that emphasizes prevention and housing, current **Temporary Shelter** might be sufficient. However, near-term investment in additional shelter capacity is needed, with a system goal of:
- 2,200–2,700 beds for individuals
- 300–350 units for families

New investments should allow for facilities to be re-purposed for housing later. The shelter system capacity gap at any given point will depend on many factors, including the amount of prevention and re-housing assistance available.

**Street Outreach** requires at least:
- 21 full-time employees who provide individualized support and housing connections

An estimated 55% of single adults and 36% of families need at least some level of street outreach. Street outreach should have low caseloads to ensure integration with other behavioral health and physical supports. Further analysis of current capacity and need is underway.

**End Homelessness**

Current capacity for **Rehousing Assistance**:
- 76% of need met
- 24% (645 households) with unmet needs

Key improvements are needed to ensure efficient and effective rehousing assistance including landlord engagement, tenant retention, increased unit availability, intensive case management, and full incorporation into the community-wide coordinated access system.

To close the gap, Sacramento needs at least an additional:
- 29 full-time employees who provide individualized placement/stabilization supports with financial assistance

Annual financial rehousing assistance is also needed and to be determined.

Current capacity for **Permanent Supportive Housing**:
- 46% of need met
- 54% (3,000 households) with unmet needs

For Permanent Supportive Housing, efforts are needed to increase positive turn-over and openings among current units, and increase the overall number of units funded with homeless assistance and other resources to meet the needs of people who are chronically homeless. For others who are disabled and homeless, the need for rehousing supports and affordable, supportive housing options cannot be met by the homeless crisis response system alone. Cross sector collaboration to develop sustainable housing and service supports for people with needs beyond housing are needed.

To close the gap, Sacramento needs at least an additional:
- 4,100–5,000 permanent supportive housing units
- 1,600-2,000 permanent housing assistance placements with ongoing services annually