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Update on the Regional Impact Council

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- Subject:** Overview of the Regional Impact Council—a multi-stakeholder group convened by All Home to develop a regional approach to end homelessness in the Bay Area
- Background:** In April 2020, the nonprofit All Home convened the Regional Impact Council (RIC) to develop proposals to solve the Bay Area’s homelessness challenges. Similar to the CASA process, the RIC is guided by a group of co-chairs with the majority of the work occurring through a Steering Committee of elected officials and other high-profile stakeholders as well as a Technical Committee comprised of subject matter experts. Roughly a dozen ABAG and MTC policymakers and staff have participated in the RIC. The roster for the RIC is included as Attachment A.
- The RIC is intended to convene for two distinct yet interrelated phases. The focus of Phase 1 is to develop rapid responses to the unsheltered homelessness crisis to achieve measurable reduction at the regional level in the unsheltered homeless population. Phase 2 will focus on the structural and systems changes necessary to permanently end homelessness and to provide for economic and social mobility for extremely low-income (ELI) residents.
- The RIC recently completed Phase 1, which culminated in a Regional Action Plan (RAP). The RAP is included as Attachment B. The Regional Action Plan, released on April 13, 2021, establishes a goal of reducing unsheltered homelessness in the nine-county Bay Area by 75% by 2024. The three “Strategic Pillars” that underpin the Regional Action Plan are:
1. **House and Stabilize** – Address the region’s unsheltered homelessness crisis by ensuring that the lowest income residents have safe, secure housing and the resources needed to heal;
  2. **Prevent** – Prevent homelessness for those most at risk, to stop the inflow of unsheltered homelessness; and
  3. **Thrive** – Address the stark income/living cost disparity for lower income workers. Focus on employment, economic security, and social mobility.

The Strategic Pillars are operationalized through a “**1-2-4 Systems Flow Model**.” This model envisions that for every one

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interim housing solution (e.g., hotels, shelters), there should be two permanent housing solutions (e.g., supportive housing, flexible subsidies) and four preventative interventions (e.g., emergency financial assistance, legal assistance). The 1-2-4 model does not prescribe a single solution for every community; rather, it is a ratio that illustrates proportionate and simultaneous investment in three strategies. The Regional Action Plan anticipates that each community can right-size the ratio to reach equilibrium, though underscores that there must be investment in all three strategies to reduce homelessness sustainably.

During the Committee meeting, All Home staff will present more detail regarding Regional Impact Council, the Regional Action Plan, and the pivot to Phase 2 of the RIC's work.


**Issues:** None

**Recommended Action:** Information

**Attachments:**

- A. Regional Impact Council Steering Committee and Technical Committee Roster
- B. Regional Action Plan
- C. All Home Presentation

**Reviewed:**

  
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