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Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority

February 8, 2018

To:	Governing Board
From:	John T. Doherty, Chief Executive Officer
Subject:	<i>Homeless Encampments on or Adjacent to the Alameda Corridor</i> (INFORMATION)

Discussion:

This memo is provided in response to a request from the ACTA Governing Board at its November 9, 2017 meeting to develop a plan to address the homeless encampments on and adjacent to the Alameda Corridor and provide recommendations.

As reported during the November meeting, there has been an increasing number of encampments on and adjacent to the Alameda Corridor along its 20-mile length. Five homeless encampments have been identified along the 20-mile route of the Corridor.

ACTA Board Members Hahn and Colonna provided ACTA staff with suggestions regarding existing resources in the community to address the homeless encampments.

On November 21, 2017, Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn put forth a motion to the County Board of Supervisors that allowed the County's Office of Homeless Initiative to develop a strategic partnership with ACTA and other stakeholders. The partnership will focus on implementing best practices and using Measure H-funded services along the Alameda Corridor.

With the help of the County's Chief Executive Office (CEO), ACTA staff was able to meet with the Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority (LAHSA), the Department of Health Services (DHS), the Sheriff's Department Homeless Outreach Liaisons, People Assisting the Homeless (PATH), the City of Long Beach Homeless Services, and The People Concern. During this meeting, it was determined by LAHSA that, because the entire length of the Alameda Corridor is located in Los Angeles County, the homeless along or near the Corridor are eligible for the programs and services provided under Measure H-funds.

LAHSA assigns Service Planning Areas (SPA) to provide services under the Measure-H funded programs. Each SPA is managed by a different community outreach coordinating agency. Services to the homeless encampments along the Alameda Corridor will be provided by three SPAs. The community outreach coordinating agency for each SPA agreed to complete an assessment, develop an outreach plan, and deploy outreach teams to each of the encampments.



Attached as Transmittal 1 is the outreach plan prepared by Los Angeles County's CEO, including a summary of the assessment and outreach efforts that have been provided thus far at each of the five encampments along the Alameda Corridor, and a map of the 5 encampment areas. The summary is synopsised as follows:

- Area 1 – there are currently no homeless in the area.
- Areas 2 and 3 have the biggest population. Both of these encampments fall under the jurisdiction of SPA 7 and are managed by PATH. PATH is working with ACTA staff and is visiting these locations every Thursday morning.
- Area 4 – there are currently no homeless in the area.
- Area 5 – Harbor Interfaith Services manages SPA 8 where this encampment is located. They too are providing weekly outreach.

Port of Long Beach Harbor Commissioner Frank Colonna put ACTA staff in touch with leadership for the Salvation Army Southern California Division. This division has taken an active role in providing transitional housing for the region. They are embarking on building a new apartment complex in the City of Bell that will provide more transitional housing.

Transmittal 1: Outreach Plan - County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office