

CALIFORNIA CITIES

2024 Advocacy Priorities



Safeguard local revenues and bolster local economic development.



Strengthen climate change resiliency and disaster preparedness.



Improve public safety in California communities.



Expand investments to **prevent and reduce homelessness** and increase the supply of **affordable housing**.



Cal Cities 2024 Homelessness Survey







2024 Homelessness Survey: Purpose

Supporting cities to address the continued rise in homelessness is a top advocacy priority for Cal Cities.

- To better understand how cities are responding to this crisis, Cal Cities conducted a statewide survey in March 2024.
- The results of this survey will enhance Cal Cities' ongoing legislative and budgetary advocacy efforts in 2024.



2024 Homelessness Survey: Responses

In total, 205 cities responded to the survey, and represent a diverse group of cities by geography, population, and setting.

Collectively, these 205 cities represent 42 percent of the state's population.

Total Responses:	205 cities
By Population:	
0-50,000	100
50,000-100,000	58
100,000-150,000	23
150,000-200,000	8
200,000-250,000	5
250,000-300,000	1
300,000+	10



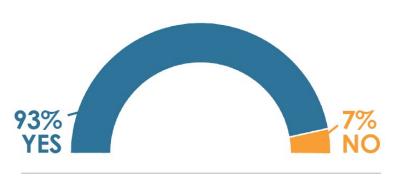


2024 Homelessness Survey: Findings Snapshot

Cities agree lack of ongoing funding is the top barrier to preventing and reducing homelessness.



Has your city implemented programs to address homelessness?



Does your city have concerns about providing existing homelessness services long term?



Does the number of individuals entering homelessness exceed your city's ability to reach a net reduction in homelessness?



2024 Homelessness Survey: Findings Snapshot

87% have invested **General Fund** revenues to address homelessness.

81% say inconsistent state funding impacts the ability to address homelessness.



2024 Homelessness Survey: Budget Request

Cal Cities urges the state to invest \$3 billion in ongoing, permanent funding to prevent and reduce homelessness and bolster local government efforts to support vulnerable members of our community.

Cities would increase capacity, resources, and services with ongoing funding to reduce homelessness, such as:

- Additional supportive services
- Affordable housing options
- Increased shelter space

- Rent subsidy programs
- Homeless outreach teams
- Behavioral health programs





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