



**COUNTY OF MONTEREY
HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE
CHARTER**

**HOMELESS PROGRAM
POLICIES GOVERNING HOMELESSNESS ACTIVITIES**

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Homelessness Committee (“Committee”) is to review requests and provide recommendations to the Board of Supervisors concerning policies and programs to address homelessness in Monterey County. The Committee will work to ensure the County efforts to align with the Continuum of Care’s plan to address homelessness by the following strategies.

1. Increase Participation in Homelessness Solutions by Leaders and Key Stakeholders from Across the Region;
2. Improve the Performance of the Homelessness Response System;
3. Expand Service-Oriented Responses to Unsheltered Homelessness;
4. Increase affordable housing stock for the extremely-low income population who are currently experiencing or at-risk of homelessness.

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Committee shall work with the Homeless Services staff in developing recommendations for the Board of Supervisors concerning policies, strategies, and activities toward preventing and ending homelessness in Monterey County.

The Homelessness Committee will:

- a. Provide review and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors concerning new strategic policy initiatives, priority projects, and/or changes in existing policies to address homelessness in the County of Monterey.
- b. Review and develop the County’s homelessness response priorities annually and receive regular updates from staff on progress towards those initiatives.
- c. Review and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding legislative, budgetary, regulatory, and priority grant issues related to homelessness which could impact or benefit the County.
- d. Provide recommendations to the Board of Supervisors to strategically direct and coordinate activities in alignment with the goals of the County’s Strategic Initiatives and in support of efforts to address community needs as they relate to homelessness
- e. Review and assess challenges facing the County’s homeless services system.
- f. Review and assess accomplishments of the County’s homeless services system.