Research shows connection between rent increases and homelessness

\$100 rent increase associated with:

- 6% increase in homelessness in metro areas
- 32% increase in homelessness in non-metro areas

Source: Journal of Urban Affairs, New Perspectives on Community-Level Determinants of Homelessness, 2012



People







Solutions





Strategies and Innovation

- Workforce Housing
- Homebuyers Programs
- Farm worker housing
- Rapid re-housing
- Supportive housing
- Coordination across sectors

Strategies and Innovation

- Hospital supported respite shelter
- Medicaid supportive housing benefit
- Homeless prevention strategies
- Street level outreach
- "Housing First"

<u>Homelessness</u> is a <u>housing</u> <u>affordability</u> problem

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Rents growing faster than income





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Access to Affordable Housing Can Result in...

- Fewer people who are homeless
- Lower costs to the public
- Lower criminal recidivism
- Better behavioral health recovery outcomes
- Better health and education outcomes for children
- Employers wanting to stay or locate here