

YES ON PROP 2

No Place Like Home

WHO WE ARE

We are a broad coalition of community and homeless advocates, doctors, mental health experts, public safety officers and many others who are committed to passing Prop 2, which authorizes \$2 billion in bonds from the Mental Health Services Act to build supportive housing under the “No Place Like Home” Program for Californians living with a serious mental illness who are homeless or at great risk of becoming homeless. This will be done without raising taxes.

WHY CALIFORNIANS NEED PROP 2

- More than 134,000 people are languishing on our streets, huddled on sidewalks, sleeping under freeways and along riverbanks. As many as a third of the people living in these unsafe conditions are living with an untreated mental illness.
- Decades of research shows providing people with a stable place to live along with mental health services promotes healthy, stable lives.
- Without the foundation of a stable home connected to mental healthcare, people suffering from serious mental illness are unable to make it to doctors’ appointments and specialized counseling services, often showing up in emergency rooms as a last resort.

HOW PROP 2 WILL HELP CALIFORNIANS

- Leverage existing state funds to build supportive housing connected to mental health services and addiction treatment for people living with a serious mental illness who are homeless or at great risk of becoming homeless.
- Provide intensive coordinated care through the housing program that includes mental health and addiction services, medical treatment, case managers, education and job training.
- Strengthen partnerships among doctors, law enforcement, mental health and homeless services providers to ensure care provided through the housing program is coordinated and tailored to individual needs.
- Together, we can help prevent more deaths on our streets and provide critical intervention by building supportive housing connected to mental health treatment and services.

PROP 1 AND PROP 2 WORKING TOGETHER

- Prop 1, the Veterans and Affordable Housing Act, works together with Prop 2 to address the crushing housing crisis California is facing. Prop 1 invests \$4 billion to build affordable housing for veterans, working families, people with disabilities, and others struggling to find a safe place to call home. Prop 2 invests in supportive housing linked to intensive services for people with serious mental illness who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Now Prop 1 and 2 have come together to communicate with voters that BOTH measures are urgently needed.

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