

Legislation Text

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Homeless Funding Transparency. (Mayor, Jones, Cohen, and Mahan)

Direct the City Manager to develop a public-facing page on the City’s website by the end of January 2023 that clearly and simply reports the various sources, expenditures, and outcomes of the City of San Jose’s direct expenditures on permanent and transitional housing, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, and related services.

1. The public should be able to clearly and simply identify the sources of funding - whether local, state and federal - without interpreting bewildering jargon or navigating an alphabet soup of acronyms.
2. Each program/ initiative/ funding category (e.g. “permanent housing,” or “transitional housing”) should be identified, with some link to a definition of what the program does and who is served.
3. “Outcomes” must be described, rather than mere “outputs.” Outcomes should focus upon the number of people we’re serving, housing, keeping housed, etc.
4. In parallel, staff should update relevant data on San Jose’s open data platform (data.sanjoseca.gov).
5. Staff should update the webpage at least quarterly to reflect funding decisions and updated outcomes.