
Venice A Bridge Home

A recap of Coffee with the
Community questions

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Coffee with the Community

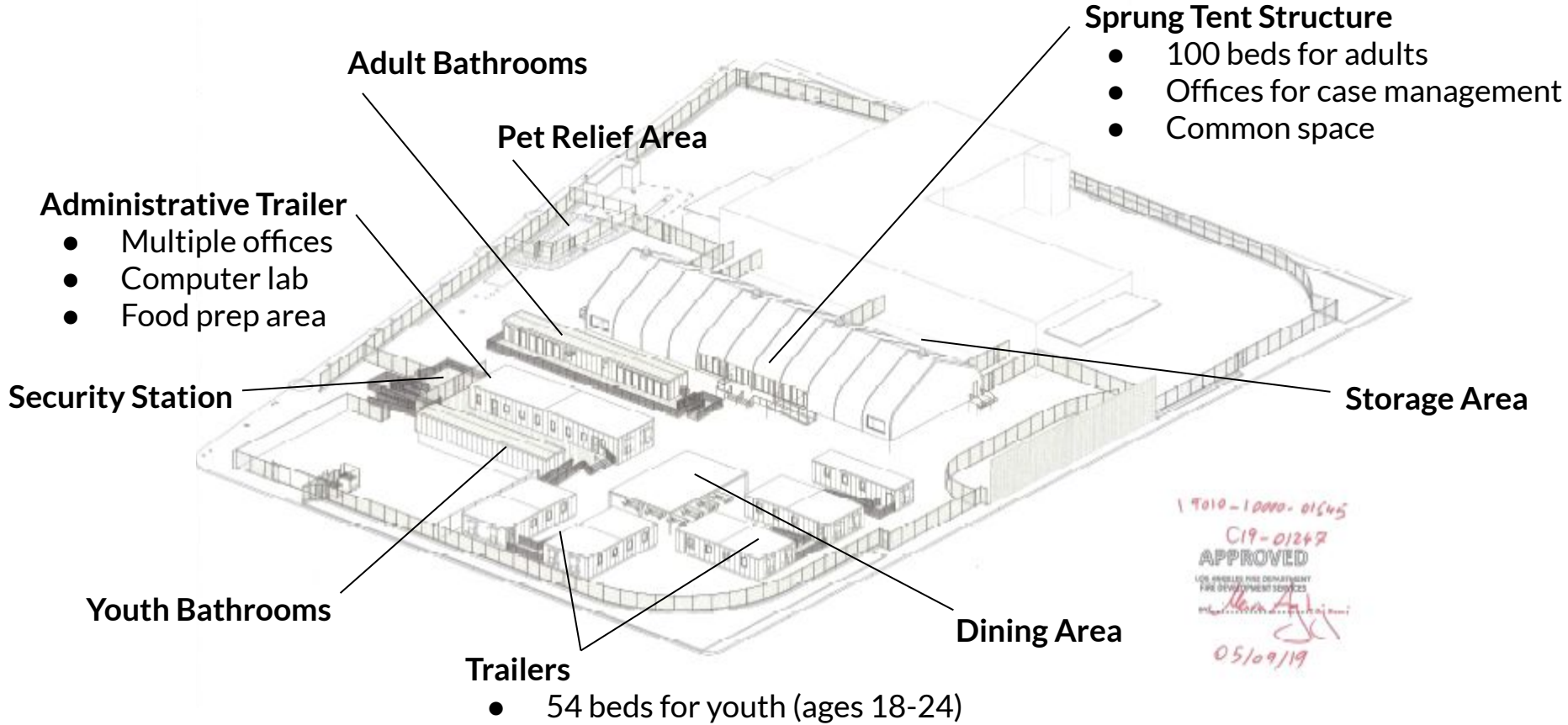
A series of public meetings to answer questions and address concerns about the A Bridge Home site operations.

- 9 meetings between September - December 2019
 - Included representatives from CD-11, PATH, and SPY at every meeting and LAHSA at several meetings
 - Meetings kept small to facilitate a conversation
 - Approximately 105 community members attended
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Common Question Themes

1. Site Design & Costs
2. Outreach & Operations
3. Special Enforcement & Cleaning Zone

Site Design & Costs



How much will this cost?

Capital Funding		Operations Funding**	
Source	Amount	Source	Amount
FY 2018-19 General City Purposes (GCP)*	\$ 1,333,333.00	Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP)	\$ 5,608,680.00
FY 2018-19 Unappropriated Balance (UB)*	\$ 2,851,656.00		
Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP)	\$ 815,011.00		
Homeless Housing, Assistance, & Prevention Program (HHAP)	\$ 549,479.00		
California Community Foundation	\$ 3,000,000.00		
Total:	\$ 8,549,479.00	Total:	\$ 5,608,680.00

Source: Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), January 7, 2020

* Both the GCP and UB sources are line items in the General Fund that were set aside for A Bridge Home

** The annual operating cost for the facility is \$3,372,600. The total amount approved is based on the cost to operate from the estimated start date at the time through June 30, 2021.

Outreach & Operations

How many people will be on site?

154



PATH is the lead operator of the site, and they will oversee case management of the **100 adults**.



Safe Place for Youth (SPY) will oversee case management of the **54 youth (ages 18-24)**.

What are the hours of operations?

The site is operated 24 hours a day; 7 days a week, with staff and security on site at all times.

What is provided?

- 24 hour Bed Availability
 - Housing Navigation
 - Case Management & Support Services
 - Residential Supervision
 - Crisis Intervention & Conflict Resolution
 - Security
 - Meals
 - Restrooms & Showers
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Who is going to live in the A Bridge Home?

Outreach workers are engaging **homeless Angelenos who live around the A Bridge Home site and within Venice.**

The outreach team is creating a list of the first 154 people on site plus a back fill list to draw from when there is turnover, **before the A Bridge Home opens.**

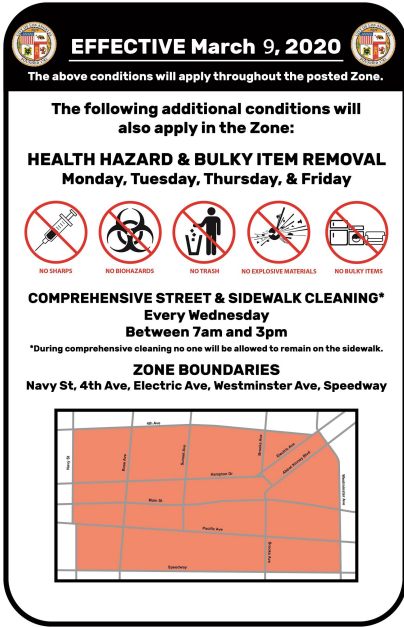
Will people be lined up outside?

The A Bridge Home is not a typical shelter. **Guests will not be lining up for a bed at night, nor will it offer drop-in services for those on the street.**

When it opens, guests will receive an appointment time, and an outreach worker will help bring them to site for intake with a PATH or SPY case manager.

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Special Enforcement & Cleaning Zone



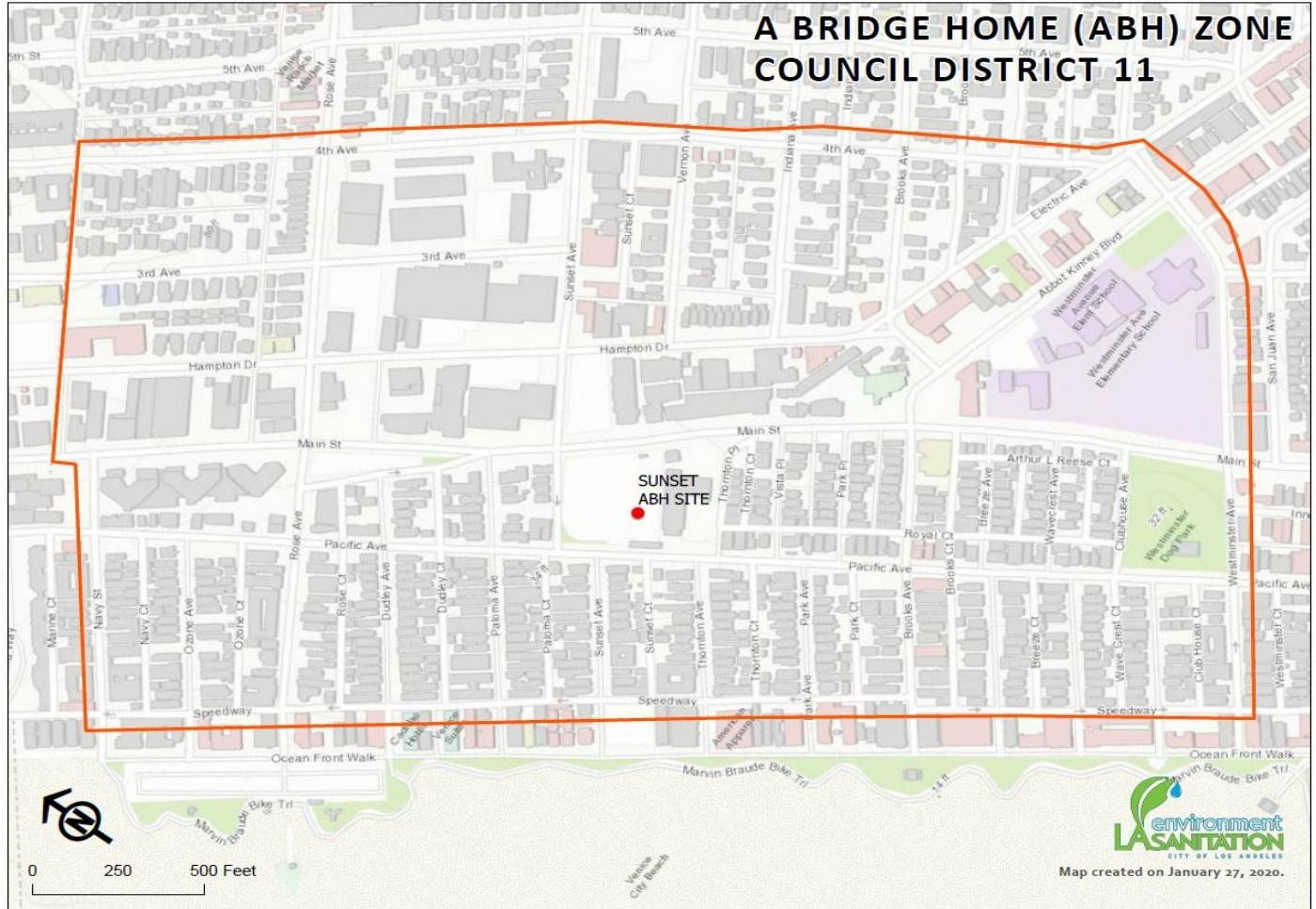
Signage will be installed throughout the SECZ as notice to the community.

What are the enhanced services?

The Special Enforcement and Cleaning Zone (SECZ) around the ABH will include enhanced services to ensure safer and cleaner streets, and LAMC 56.11 compliance.

1. **To enhance public safety:** a dedicated LAPD footbeat detail is assigned to the SECZ
2. **To enhance public health:** LASAN provides five days a week of sanitation resources; 4 days of trash and bulky item pick up and 1 day of comprehensive cleaning
3. **To increase service connections:** LAHSA outreach teams increase their presence throughout the SECZ

Where is the zone?



Map created on January 27, 2020.

Are tents allowed in the SECZ?

In accordance with court rulings, LAMC 56.11 is enforced, which allows for tents overnight.

Compliance with LAMC 56.11 includes:

- Have tents down from 6:00am to 9:00pm (unless rain)
 - Keep sidewalks clear so pedestrians and persons in wheelchairs can pass by
 - Keep a 10 ft. distance from doors and driveways
 - Limit personal property to no more than 60 gallons
 - Do not fasten or tie anything to property
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Next Steps

Preparation for Opening

Construction is complete, and PATH and SPY will begin to move onto site the **week of February 10**.

Guest intake will begin **February 25**, and it will occur over several days until the site is at full occupancy.

The SECZ is scheduled to take effect **March 9**.

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You're invited to an Open House on site

Saturday, February 22
2:00pm - 4:00pm

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Thank you.

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