

# The Functional Zero Plan

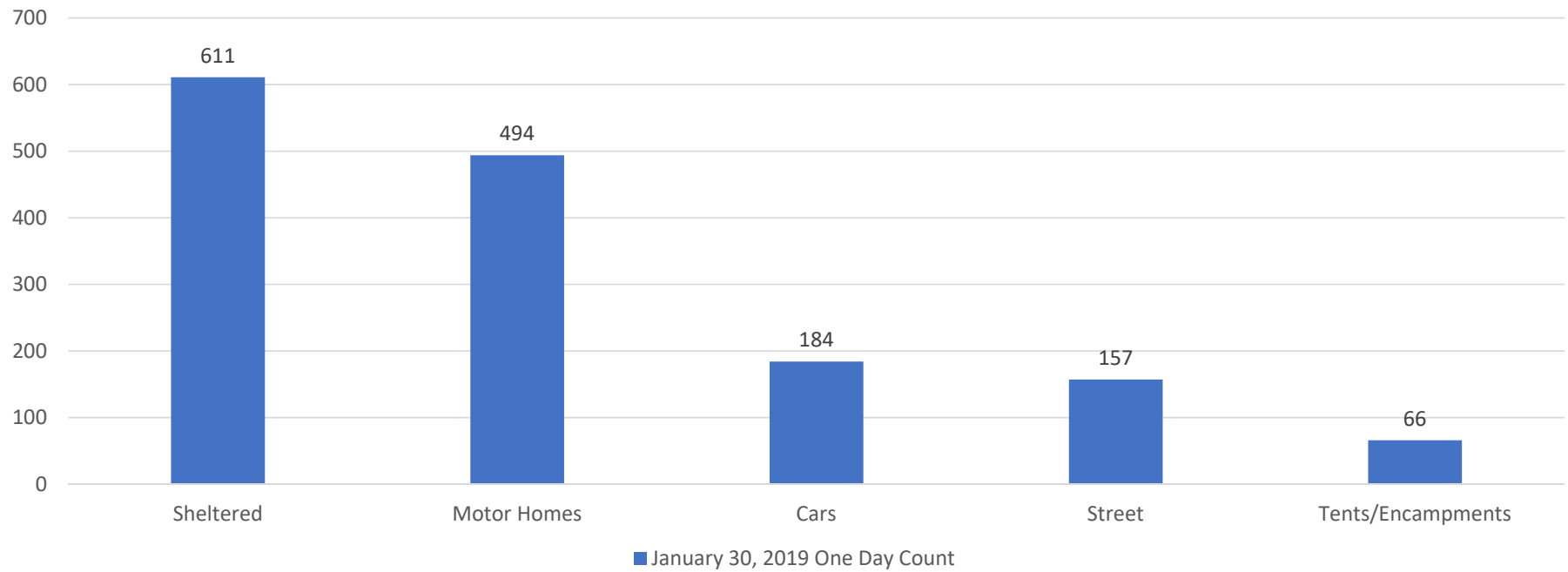
## Sheltering the Homeless in San Mateo County

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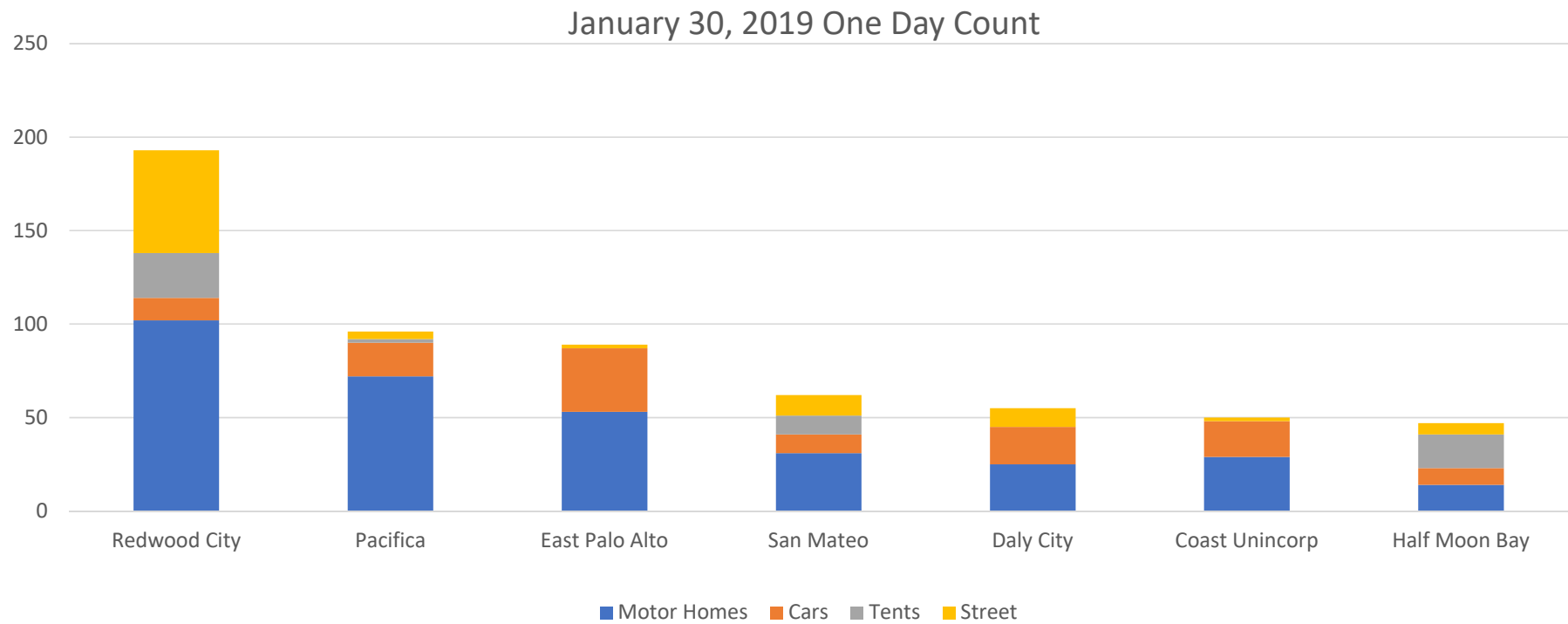
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# 2019 Homeless Count Total: 1,512

611 Sheltered, 901 Unsheltered



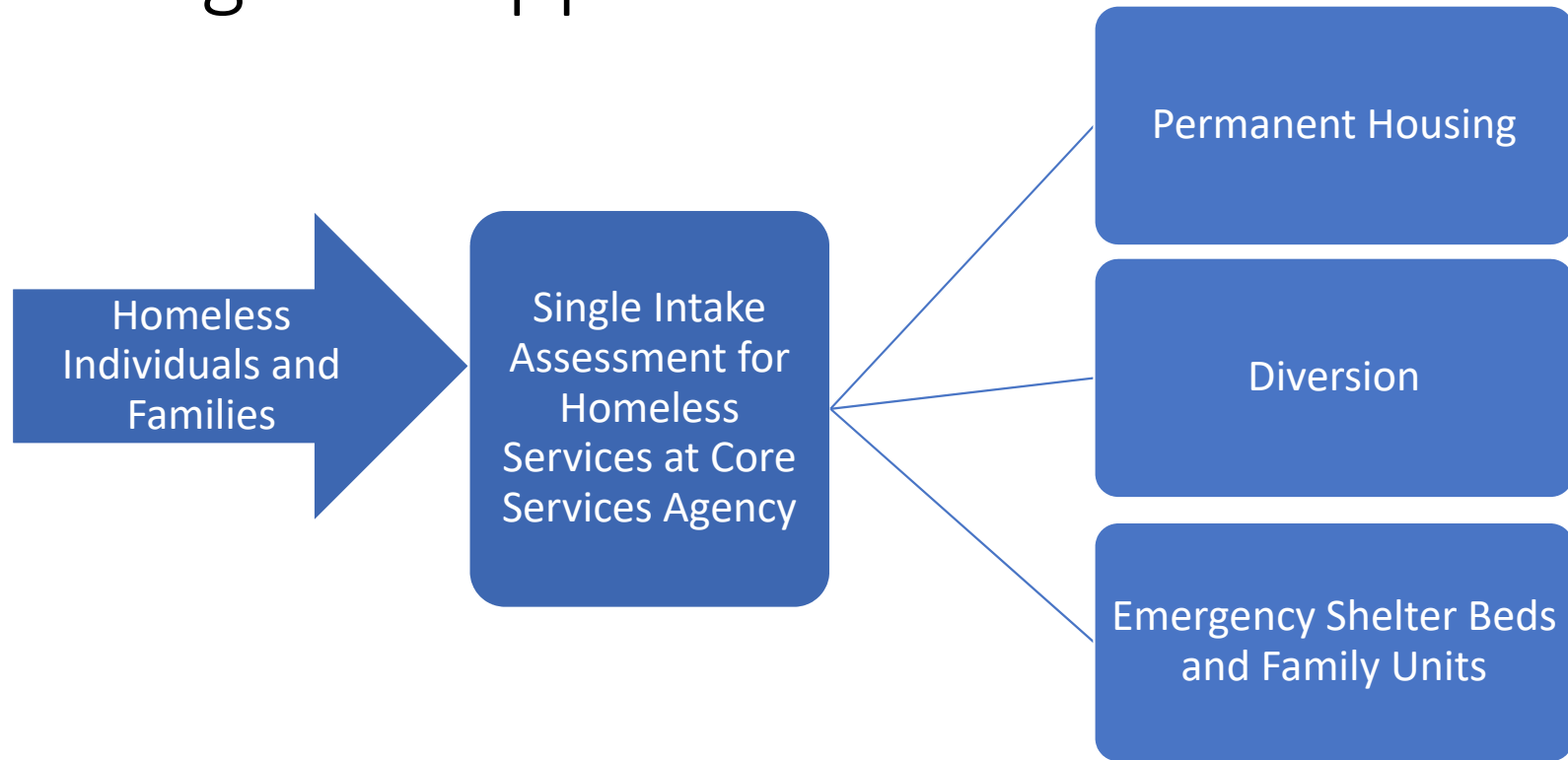
# 2019 Unsheltered Count by City



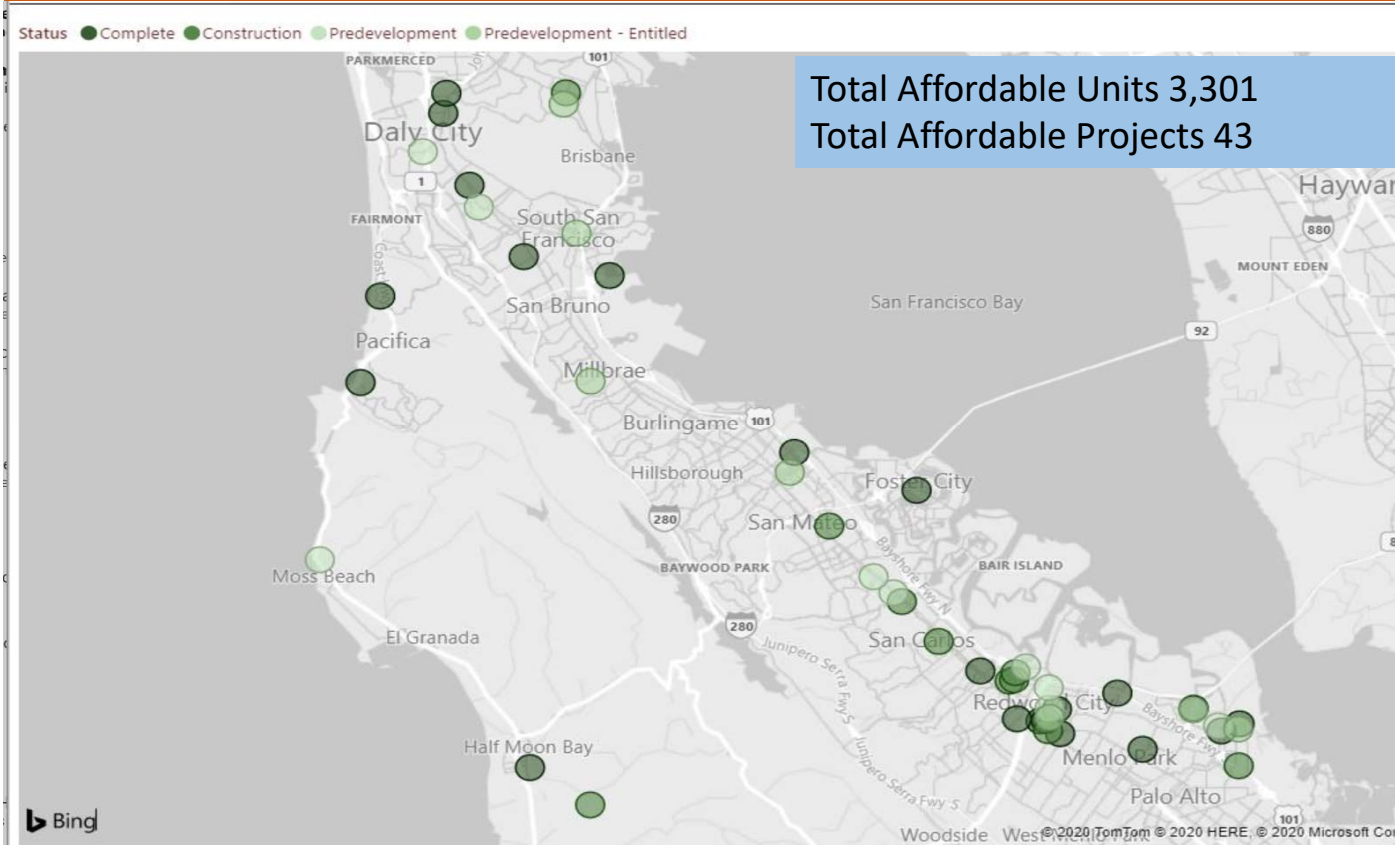
# Housing First

San Mateo County Approach to Homeless: Provide permanent housing as quickly as possible, without prerequisites such as employment, savings for rent, health challenges or lifestyle issues.

# Housing First Approach



# San Mateo County Affordable Housing Development Map



## Affordable Housing Definitions

**Affordable Housing** is defined by HUD as housing costs, including utilities, that are **no more than 30% of a household's gross income**. Typically affordable housing for the purposes of public sector financing, is defined as housing that is affordable for households at or below a certain target income including low-income, very low – income, and extremely low – income.

## Income targeting for affordable housing

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Defined Income Levels	Percentage of "Area Median Income" (AMI)	Housing Income (for a 4-person family in San Mateo County)	Rent for a 2-bedroom Unit that equals 30% of Household Income
"Moderate Income"	120% of AMI	\$171,700	\$4,292 *
"Median Income"	100% of AMI	\$143,100	\$3,577 *
"Low Income"	80% of AMI	\$139,400	\$3,132 **
"Very Low-Income"	50% of AMI	\$87,000	\$1,957 **
"Extremely Low-Income"	30% of AMI	\$52,000	\$1,174 **

\* Not set by HUD. Calculated as 30% of the Household Income for 80% or 120% of AMI, divided by 12.

\*\* Rent limits set by HUD for HUD programs (Tax Credit-allowed maximum rents are slightly different)



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**Supportive housing** combines **affordable housing with enriched services** to help people who face the most complex challenges to live with stability, autonomy and dignity. Supportive Housing improves housing stability, employment, mental and physical health and school attendance, it reduces active substance abuse and helps the people who live in the supportive housing to live more stable and productive lives.

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**Workforce Housing** is housing that is affordable to workers and close to their jobs. It can include both homeownership, as well as rental housing, that **can be reasonably afforded to middle-income workers, generally households between 60% and 120% of area median income.** Workforce housing often targets specific types of employees including police officers, firefighters, teachers, health care workers, retail clerks and the like.



Colma Veterans Village  
65 One-Bedroom Units for Formerly Homeless Veterans

# Homeless Shelters in San Mateo County

Red - Families  
Green – Adults  
Yellow - Youth



# Emergency Shelter Beds & Family Units

Type of Shelters	Pre-COVID Total Capacity	Locations	Providers
Adults	281 beds	Redwood City, EPA and South San Francisco	LifeMoves, WeHOPE and Samaritan House
Families	82 units	Daly City, San Mateo, Menlo Park, Redwood City, Rotating sites	LifeMoves and Home and Hope
Adults with Serious Mental Illness	15 beds	Redwood City	Mental Health Association
Youth	14 beds	Redwood City	StarVista
Domestic Violence Survivors	9 units	Confidential locations	CORA
		<i>Note: Coastside agencies provide taxi vouchers to shelters</i>	



Haven Family House  
23 Temporary Housing Units in Menlo Park



First Step for Families  
39 Temporary Housing Units in San Mateo



Family Crossroads  
15 Temporary Housing Units in Daly City



# Functional Zero

DEFINITION: Every unsheltered homeless person in San Mateo County who chooses assistance can be sheltered in an emergency shelter or in temporary or permanent housing.

# Shelter Beds for Adults

Shelter/Hotel	Pre-COVID	During COVID	Difference
Safe Harbor South San Francisco	90	50	(40)
1580 Maple Street Redwood City	141	101	(40)
WeHOPE East Palo Alto	50	25	(25)
Motel Rooms Various locations throughout County	As needed for inclement weather after added cots in shelters are full	184	184
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>79</b>

# Functional Zero Plan

*Offer a bed to everyone on the waiting list and minimize rented hotel space*

Facilities	Beds & Need Today	Near Term	Longer Term
Safe Harbor	50	50	90
WeHOPE	25	25	50
Maple Street Shelter	101	101	0
Temporary Beds	0	130	0
<b>Shelter Waiting list</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Owned Motels</b> <i>Pacific Inn &amp; Coastside Inn</i>	<b>0</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Rented Motel Rooms</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Navigation Center	0	0	250
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>510</b>

## Navigation Center Definition

**Navigation Centers** are Housing First, low-barrier, service-enriched shelters focused on moving people into permanent housing that provide temporary living facilities while case managers connect individuals experiencing homelessness to income, public benefits, health services, shelter, and housing. “Low Barrier” means best practices to reduce barriers to entry, and may include, but is not limited to, the following:

1. The presence of partners if it is not a population-specific site, such as for survivors of domestic violence or sexual assault, women, or youth.
2. Pets.
3. The storage of possessions.
4. Privacy, such as partitions around beds in a dormitory setting or in larger rooms containing more than two beds, or private rooms.



Temporary Shelter Option

1580 Maple Street

