



City of Long Beach

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Memorandum

Date: September 7, 2018
To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *P.H.W.*
From: Kelly Colopy, Director of Health and Human Services *KC*
For: Mayor and Members of the City Council
Subject: **Progress Update on Pilot Day Work Program**

At its January 16, 2018 meeting, the City Council requested the City Manager report on the feasibility of establishing a pilot Day Work Program focused on people experiencing homelessness. This memo serves as an update on these efforts.

The Health and Human Services Department (Health Department) researched programs in other cities and contacted four non-profit organizations who currently, or have previously, operated work programs in California for individuals experiencing homelessness. These organizations provided information regarding their programs and estimated costs to operate a program in Long Beach. Since that time, the Health Department has been investigating funding opportunities to operate a pilot program. The State's fiscal year 2019 budget provides \$500 million in one-time funds for the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP), of which \$12.3 million will be available to Long Beach. The Health Department plans to include a request for funding the Day Work Program in the proposal for HEAP funds. If the funding is approved by the State, staff will conduct an RFP process for the pilot program.

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