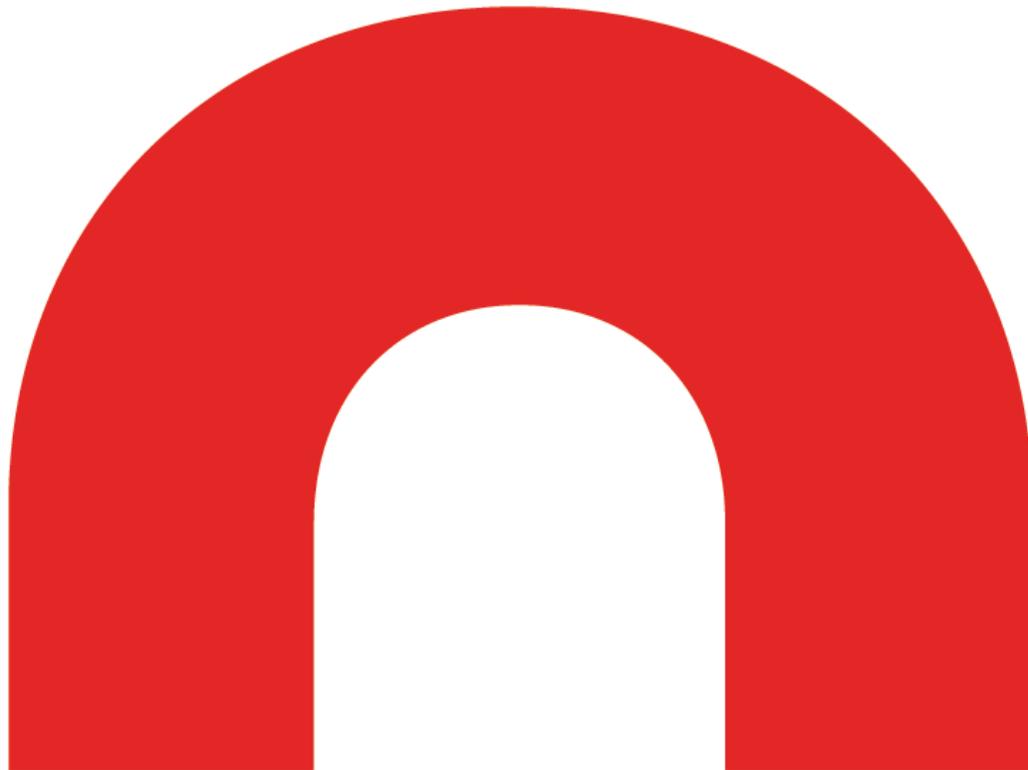


GATEWAY CENTER

Community Input Session



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VOTER MANDATE

In November 2019, a broad majority of voters approved \$14 million in General Obligation Bond funding to build a new homeless center.

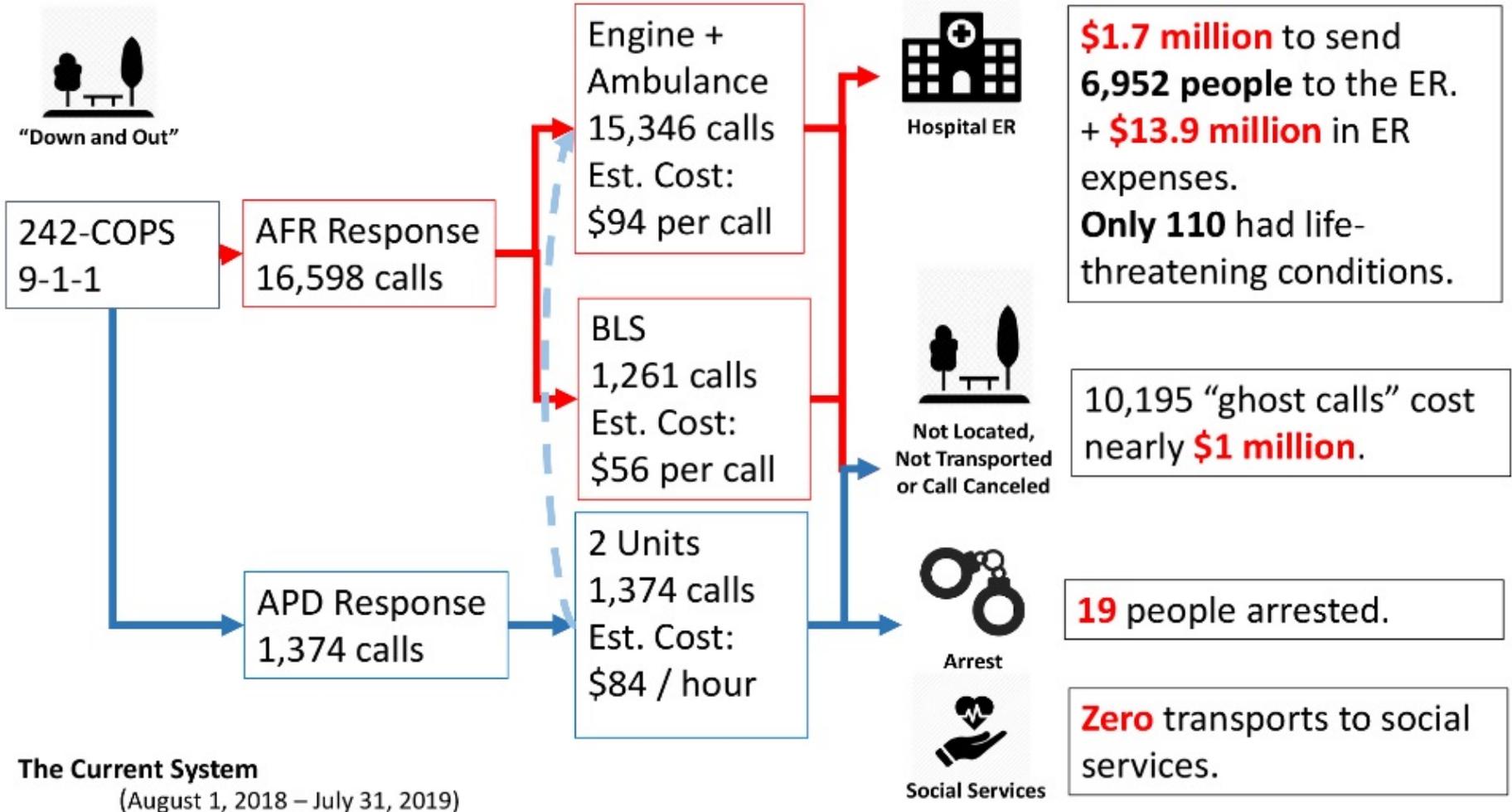
GATEWAY CENTER

- Provide emergency shelter to women, men and children
- Gateway to services and permanent housing
- Open 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year
- Low-barrier
- Address common obstacles to shelter

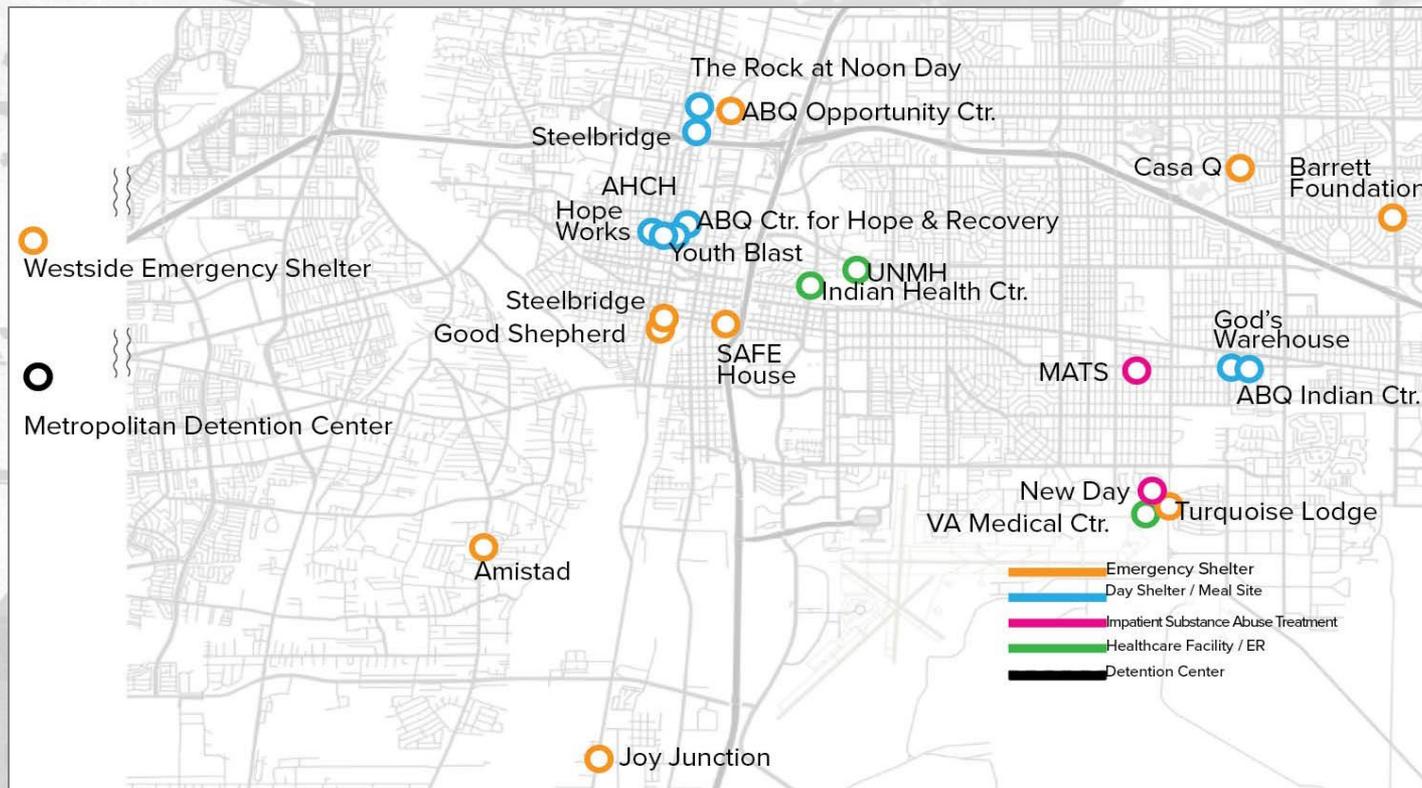
WHY A NEW GATEWAY CENTER?

- Provide safety and dignity
- Big front door, open 24/7, that connects people to services and permanent housing
- Alternative to emergency room and jail for first responders

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MANY STRONG PARTNERS



LACK OF CENTRALIZED 24/7 CENTER CONNECTED TO PARTNERS

MYTHS AND FACTS

~~**MYTH:** The City wants to get into the shelter business and will run the new shelter.~~

FACT: City will contract with existing local provider(s), just like we do now.

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~~**MYTH:** The City plans to stop funding other homeless programs and initiatives.~~

FACT: The Gateway Center will be integrated into existing system of services; meant to be a “gateway” to existing system.

MYTHS AND FACTS

~~MYTH: A site has been selected.~~

FACT: A site has not been selected.

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~~**MYTH:** The City does not have a plan for homelessness.~~

FACT: The City has developed and shared several core document that identifies challenges, gaps and high impact solutions (available on our website).

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~~**MYTH:** The City is abandoning smaller, dispersed shelter model in favor of monolith approach.~~

FACT: We already have a dispersed shelter model. This adds another facility to that system that addresses key needs.

MYTHS AND FACTS

~~**MYTH:** The City has already made all the design decisions.~~

FACT: Design is not final. We are open to a campus model, multiple sites and utilizing the Westside Emergency Housing Center in specialized capacity.

PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Need to make a real impact with \$14 million
- Cost of land
- Cost of 24/7 operation
- Have to start to somewhere

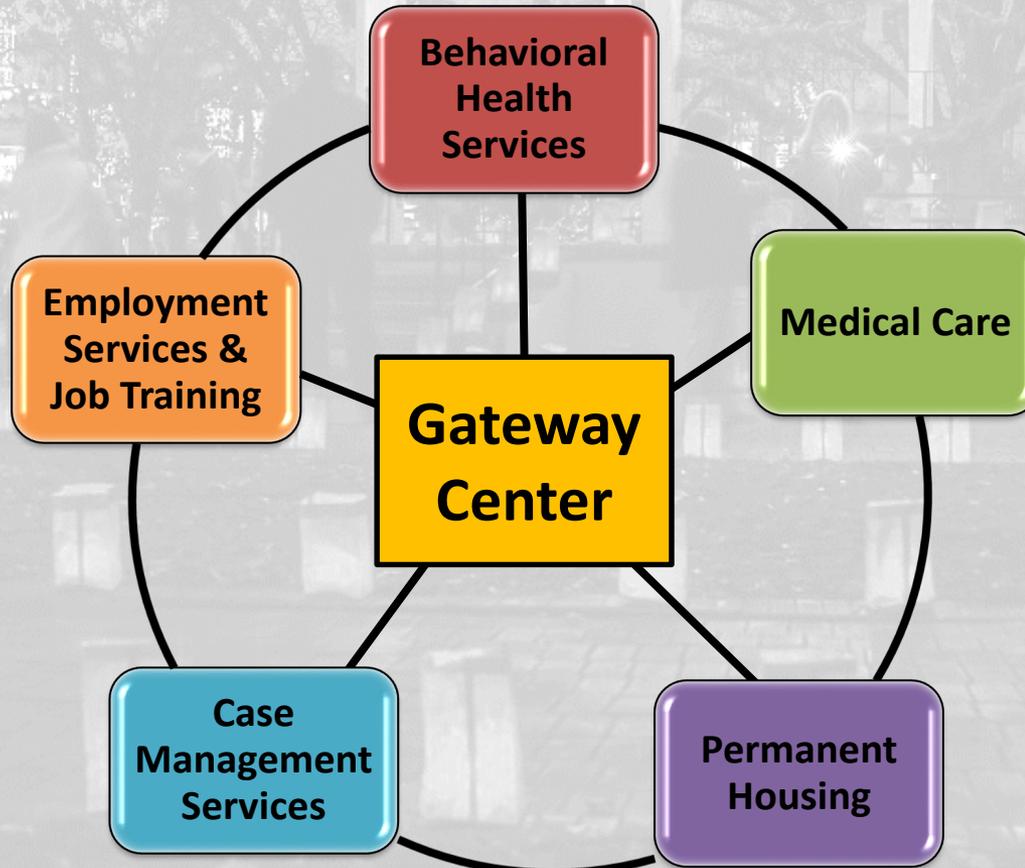
NEXT STEPS & TIMELINE FOR THE GATEWAY CENTER

- Request \$14 million in matching state capital outlay funds – Winter 2020
- Site selected & design begins - Spring 2020
- Work with neighborhood(s) – Spring 2020
- Construction begins – Summer 2021
- Gateway Center operations – Spring 2022

TODAY'S OBJECTIVES

- Collect input on critical services
- Collect input on criteria for site selection, and help us evaluate potential sites using those criteria

Connection to Services



SITE SELECTION PROCESS

Potential locations based on these criteria:

- Cost
- Impact on neighborhoods
- Access to transportation
- Access to services in the community
 - Housing
 - Employment
 - Food
 - Case management
 - Behavioral Health

EACH ROOM WILL DISCUSS THE SAME TOPIC

9:30 am – 10:15 am: Access to Services

10:15 am – 10:30 am: Break

10:30 am – 12:00 pm: Site Location Criteria

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Thank You

We are glad you are here!