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Ben Cohen • November 9, 2026 at 11:43 AM

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Tessa • November 9, 2026 at 12:23 PM

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Katherine King • November 9, 2026 at 1:39 PM

Although I am happy to see that Inclement Weather Shelter, Augmented Winter Shelter, and Seasonal Winter Shelter are in your budget, the disproportion between 328 beds and 45,000 unhoused people is appalling. It would be appalling during any winter, but as a plan for this El Nino winter, it is utterly ridiculous. There have never been enough beds through the 211 system, and it seems that there will be even fewer this year.

All Angelenos, housed and unhoused, rich, poor and middle class, all deserve equal attention as we face a disastrously cold wet winter followed by scorching summer heat. If you do not budget for at least ten times as many beds, for safe parking areas where people can live hygienically in their RVs and vehicles, and for places (e.g. recreation centers and unused buildings) where people can walk in out of the rain and blazing sun, you are failing in your duty to the Los Angeles community.

Please so not approve this budget but make recommendations to thoroughly revise it.

Thank you for your attention.