

## L.A.'s homelessness surged 75% in six years. Here's why the crisis has been decades in the making.

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## Judge says O.C. cities and the county must prove homeless crackdown is not discriminatory.

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## Huge increase in arrests of homeless in L.A. But mostly for minor offenses

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# A plan to house L.A.'s homeless residents could transform parking lots across the city

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## Cutting red tape to get homeless people housed faster

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# Downtown has a high apartment vacancy rate? The rest of L.A. should be so lucky

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# Federal judge visits homeless camps as he pushes for Orange County shelter solution

Judging a homeless quandary close up (printed version)

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# L.A. lawmakers tentatively back proposals to ease the way for housing homeless people

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# Frustrated judge demands O.C. find shelter for homeless being evicted from camps

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## Everyone knows we can't arrest our way out of homelessness.

# So why is L.A. still trying?

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## L.A. County's homeless problem is worsening despite billions from tax measures

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# Orange County's riverside homeless begin trading tents for motel vouchers, other aid as camp is cleared

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# River camp cleared with humane touch

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# Meet the judge at the center of O.C. riverbed homeless case who is known for his unconventional, hands-on approach

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# Blame California's cities and counties for housing delays, not state environmental law, new study says

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# L.A. wants more money for homeless encampment sweeps

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# L.A. lawmakers pledge 222 units of homeless housing in each of their districts

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# As homeless camps explode in L.A. suburbs, residents fear they will become permanent

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# After a week without food, skid row activist still hungry to make a statement about housing shortage

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# Sky-high rents and home prices are making it hard for Southern California businesses to attract workers

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# Protesters call on Garcetti to find shelter for 1,000 homeless women

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# 'Insolent, impudent and vicious': What The Times has said about homeless people in the past

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# Los Angeles' homelessness crisis is a national disgrace

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## As crime and drugs recede, MacArthur Park is going upscale, and many residents feel left behind

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## Santa Ana River homeless camp cleared after more than 700 people relocated

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# The homeless in L.A. are not who you think they are

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# \$2 billion to help house California's homeless isn't being spent and no one knows when it will be

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# How can a place with 58,000 homeless people continue to function?

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# L.A. has a long history of failure on homelessness. It needs leaders who will take responsibility

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