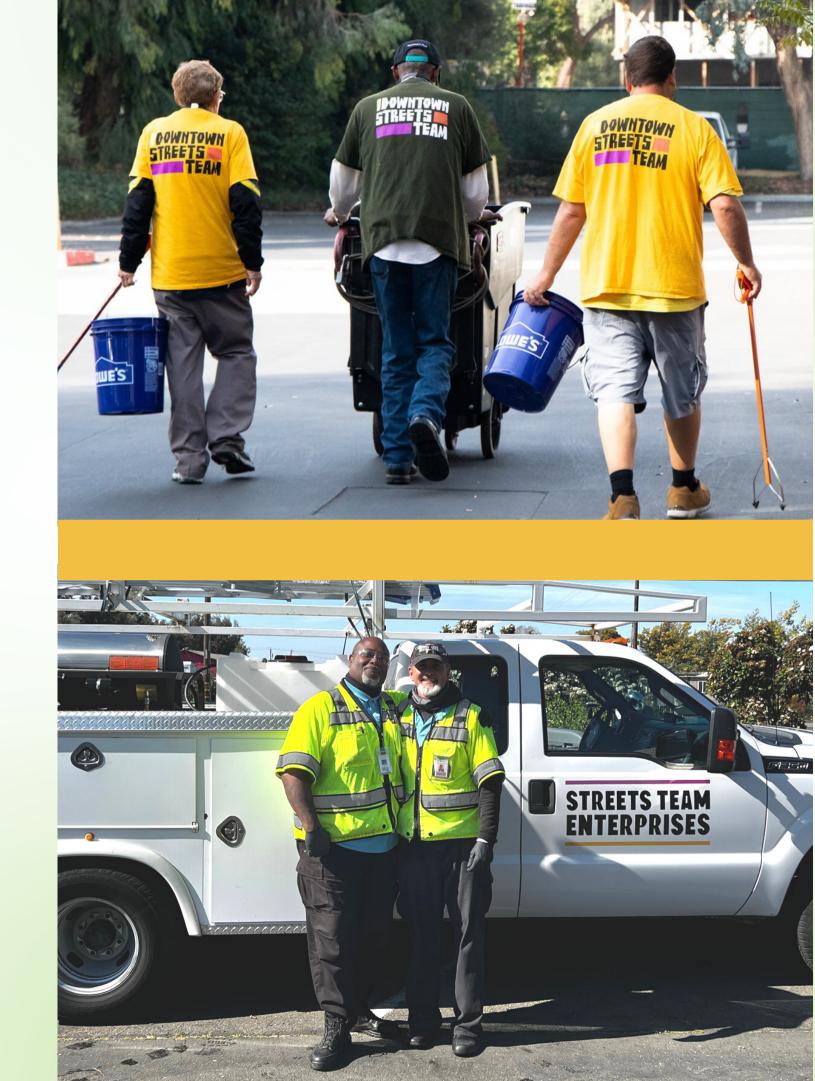
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# A PATHWAY TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY



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#### **MODEL**

Team Members participate in a structured daily activity in which they volunteer to clean up their community

#### **SERVICES**

DST Case Managers and Employment Specialists help Team Member remove barriers to employment and housing and ultimately obtain both

#### GOAL

Help Team Members reach self-sufficiency and support our partner communities in addressing homelessness proactively and compassionately



### THE PATH OF A TEAM MEMBER

1: Meet DST through outreach or referral

2: Attend Weekly Success Meetings consistently

3: Join a Team and receive support from our staff, a basic needs stipend, and a community of peers

4: Graduate to self-sufficiency in 6-12 months

Former Team Members are always welcome to rejoin the Team at any time and continue to work on their goals.

**Tier 2:** DST graduates looking to re-enter the workforce can join our workforce development program, Streets Team Enterprises.

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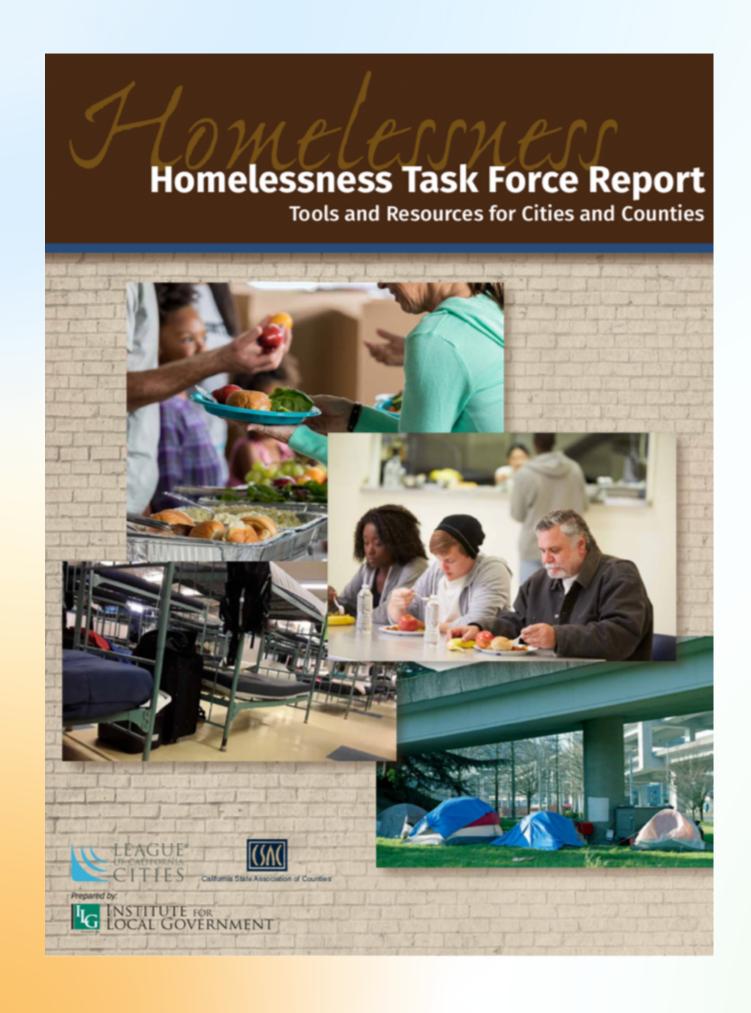
#### **BORN IN**



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DST's Volunteer Work Experience Program is named one of only five "Evidence-Based Best Practices in **Ending Homelessness"** in the State of California, according to the Homelessness Task Force Report released by the League of California Cities and the California State Association of Counties

### STREETS TEAM ENTERPRISES

#### THE MISSION

STE provides a stepping stone of supported employment to people impacted by homelessness, systemic trauma, and incarceration

#### **SERVICES**

Staff earn a living wage while gaining practical employment experiences. They are supported with case management

#### THE GOAL

Obtain full-time employment with benefits reaching self sufficiency









FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT

SUPPORTIVE EMPLOYMENT

**MAINSTREAM EMPLOYMENT** 

#### **SURVIVAL**

#### **STRIVING**

#### **SELF-SUFFICIENCY**

#### **LOW-BARRIER TO ENTRY**

#### **Develop:**

- Self Confidence
- Basic Needs Support
- Community Connection
- Goal Orientation
- Job Readiness



#### Gain:

- Work Experience
- On-the-Job Training
- Transferrable Skills

Certifications

Living Wage

#### HIGH-BARRIER TO ENTRY

#### **Establish:**

- Housing Security
- Income Stability
- Independence

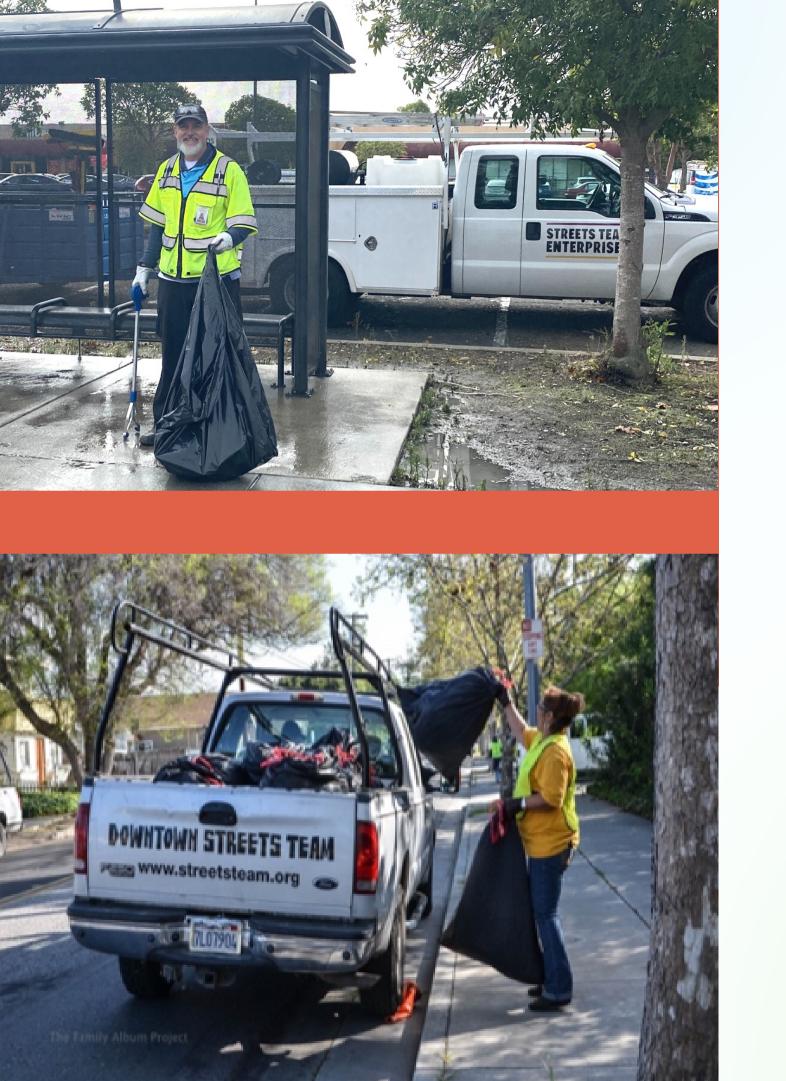


**DST Case Management and Employment Support** 

## STE Employment Opportunities

- SF CARE Ambassadors
- START SF Janitorial
- Team Work Oakland Fellowship
- SolTrans Vallejo Facilities Technician
- Safety Ambassadors Modesto & Richmond
- Outreach Ambassadors
- CalTrans Freeway Clean-Up San Jose





Downtown Streets Team (DST)

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Streets Team Enterprises (STE)

The Homelessness to Self-Sufficiency Solution

## Thank You





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