



# FactSheet

## Better Way Anaheim

- **What:** program offering volunteer community service projects, job training, readiness and placement and other services to those in homelessness
- **Why:** to provide work experience and additional services to end homelessness
- **Start date:** Dec. 28, 2017
- **Participants:** more than 960
- **Program history:** started as community service program to offer basic work experience; expanded in 2020 to include job training, coaching and placement with a network of Anaheim businesses taking part in the program
- **Program cost:** not to exceed \$360,000 for the 12 months through June 21, 2021, funded by a state Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention grant
- **Operator:** Love Anaheim, a nonprofit that brings together other nonprofits, faith-based groups and volunteers to work on community service projects
- **Gifts or payment:** participants working as volunteers and are provided food and gift cards worth \$60 to \$70 for each day of service; those working with participating employers can receive payment for their work
- **Services:** in addition to Better Way Anaheim's job services, participants can access services from City Net, Anaheim's primary homeless services provider, and Chrysalis, an employment and job training nonprofit





# FactSheet

## Better Way Anaheim

- **Transportation:** Love Anaheim picks up participants from locations across Anaheim including Anaheim's homeless shelters
- **Van:** Better Way Anaheim uses a surplus Dodge Caravan donated by the city of Anaheim
- **Inspiration:** Better Way Anaheim is inspired in part by Albuquerque's There's a Better Way program, which offers day labor, housing and services to the homeless
- **Background:** Better Way Anaheim is part of Anaheim's larger efforts to address homelessness, which can be found at [Anaheim.net/homeless](http://Anaheim.net/homeless)

