WELCOME

LEO at NOTRE DAME + SANTA CLARA COUNTY
RAPID RE-HOUSING
WHO IS LEO?

OUR HISTORY
7 years
42 projects

OUR FUTURE
continue disrupting the system and reduce poverty in communities across the country through evidence
WHY DO WE EXIST?

38 million people live in poverty in the United States

$1 trillion is spent annually fighting poverty

As little as 1% goes to evidence-based programs
OUR VISION + OUR MISSION

Reduce poverty and improve lives through evidence-based programs and policies.

LEO believes that academic researchers, service providers, and policymakers all play a critical role in ending poverty. LEO matches top researchers with passionate leaders in social service agencies to conduct impact evaluations that identify the innovative, effective, and scalable programs and policies that help people move permanently out of poverty.
LEO + SANTA CLARA COUNTY: RAPID REHOUSING PROJECT
LEO’S GOALS

QUESTIONS
(How much) does rapid rehousing improve outcomes for homeless single adults?
For whom does it work best?

LOCAL IMPACT
Inform the most effective response to rising homelessness in Santa Clara County

BROADER IMPACT
Extend knowledge about Housing First
Understand trade-offs between less and more generous assistance
EVALUATION DESIGN

CONSENT
- Explain study
- Client consent

DATA
- IDs
- Baseline data
- Eligibility

RANDOM DRAWING
- Rapid rehousing or usual care
- Equal chance

ENROLLMENT OR REFERRAL
- Rapid rehousing or referral to other services

DATA
- Link to existing data
  - Program uptake
  - Shelter entry, etc.
  - Linked administrative data (health, etc.)
CHALLENGES: GETTING THE PROJECT OFF THE GROUND

PLANNED TIMELINE:

Planning Process (October 2016)
Begin Enrollment (October 2017)
End Enrollment (October 2020)
Final Report (October 2022)

ACTUAL TIMELINE:

Planning Process (October 2016)
Begin Enrollment (July 2018)
End Enrollment (July 2021?)
Final Report (July 2023?)
CHALLENGES: ONGOING AND EXPECTED

Compliance
• Data sharing
• Ethical review
• Contracting

Random Drawing
• Excess demand
• Treatment of the comparison group
• Funding recruitment

Persistence
• Regular interaction
• Monitoring process
• Interim results
EXPECTED BENEFITS

Evaluate
Information for taxpayers on what Rapid Re-Housing does

Continuous Improvement
Predictive value of screening tool

Relationship
Returns to repeating Homelessness prevention evaluation
STARTING A PROJECT

ADVICE