

4 Experts Available for Timely Analysis on California Housing Ballot Measure

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Yesterday Governor Gavin Newsom announced that he is putting forward a ballot measure before voters in 2024 that would help house an estimated 10,000 Californians a year with behavioral health issues.

For reporters looking for an expert on the impact this could have on California's homelessness epidemic as well as mental health reform, the following university-based experts are available to provide commentary and analysis.

ARTURO BAIOCCHI

California State University-Sacramento



Baiocchi's research focuses on vulnerable young adults, mental health and homelessness. He also has interests and teaches in the area of social welfare policy, race and inequality, and community-based research. Dr. Baiocchi has over ten years of experience conducting various program and policy evaluations related to these topics, including assessments of supportive housing and other housing first interventions; street outreach programs; and reintegration programs for individuals transitioning from various institutions.

ETHAN J. EVANS

Sacramento State



Evans' interests include health care policy and reform, social welfare, organizations studies, and medical sociology. Evans has taught classes in quantitative methods, U.S. welfare state, and urban sociology. Evans has a Master's degree in Social Work, was Executive Director of the Sacramento Housing Alliance, and has served several community and governmental advisory boards and commissions.

KEITH HUMPHREYS

Stanford University



Humphreys' research addresses the prevention and treatment of addictive disorders, the formation of public policy and the extent to which subjects in medical research differ from patients seen in everyday clinical practice. For his work in the multinational humanitarian effort to rebuild the psychiatric care system of Iraq and in the national redesign of the VA health system's mental health services for Iraq war veterans, he won the 2009 American Psychological Association Award for Distinguished Contribution to the Public Interest.

STAN NGUYEN OKLOBDZIJA

Tulane University



Oklobdzija's research focuses on interest groups and money in politics in both state and federal elections. He has special topical expertise in both housing and California politics.