

Orange County Continuum of Care Board April 27, 2022

Public Comments

Consent Calendar

System of Care Update

Doug Becht
Director, Office of Care Coordination

Project Roomkey

- The County of Orange continues to operate temporary isolation shelters services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness who are COVID-19 sick or symptomatic
- Total capacity to serve is 100 persons
- Referrals into the program are made by the Public Health Services, hospitals, shelters, street outreach teams, and law enforcement

COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts

- The Office of Care Coordination is working with Public Health Services and two Federally Qualified Health Centers on vaccination efforts for those experiencing homelessness
 - Families Together of Orange County
 661 W. 1st Street, Tustin, CA 92780
 Monday Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Share Our Selves
 1550 Superior Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627
 Monday Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Encampment Resolution Funding Grant Award

- The County of Orange has been awarded an Encampment Resolution Funding grant in the amount of \$3,627,030.
- This funding will be used to ensure the wellness and safety of people experiencing homelessness in encampments by providing services and supports that address their immediate physical and mental wellness and result in meaningful paths to safe and stable housing.
- Funding will be focused on addressing the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness at Talbert Park in Costa Mesa.

Homeless Opportunity Tax Credit – AB 150

- California's governor signed Assembly Bill (AB) 150 establishing the Homeless Hiring Tax Credit (HHTC). The credit is available for taxable years beginning January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2026.
- Employers may receive \$2,500 to \$10,000 in tax credit per eligible employee based on the actual hours worked in the taxable year. Employers may claim up to \$30,000 of credit per taxable year.
- Eligible employees must meet the following requirements:
 - Be currently or recently homeless (within 180 days of hire) or be receiving services from a homeless services provider, and
 - Be certified by a certifying organization. The certificate expires 1 year after issuance.

For more information on the Homeless Opportunity Tax Credit, how to hire eligible employees, and claiming a tax credit, <u>click here.</u>

Continuum of Care (CoC) Updates

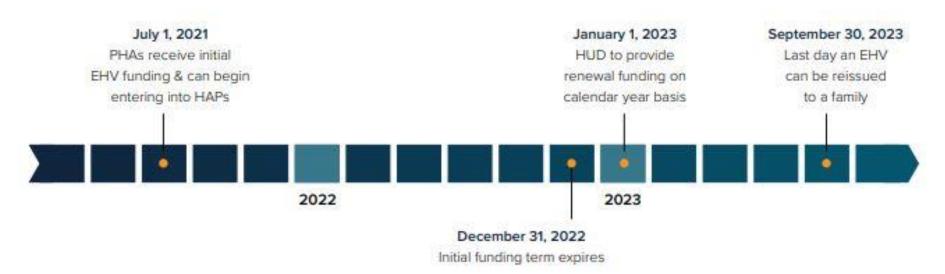
Zulima Lundy, Continuum of Care Manager

Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) Update

	Allocation	Referrals	Vouchers Issued	Leased
Anaheim Housing Authority	278	271	254	84
Garden Grove Housing Authority	117	112	108	45
Orange County Housing Authority	557	366	350	165
Santa Ana Housing Authority	89	122	48	20
TOTAL	1041	871	760	314

Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) Update

 Renewal funding will be provided for EHVs on a calendar year basis starting with calendar year 2023. The Public Housing Authorities actual EHV housing assistance payments costs will be used to determine the renewal funding amount.



Funding Opportunities

Domestic Violence Housing First (XD) Program RFP

The purpose of the XD Program is to provide victims of domestic violence with safe, permanent housing and ongoing, supportive services tailored to address the individual needs of each victim.

- Eligibility: To be eligible to submit a proposal, Applicants must be a governmental or nongovernmental entity and meet the additional requirements on page two.
- Grant Subaward Performance Period: January 1, 2023 December 31, 2023
- Available Funding: Individual Applicants may request up to \$350,000.
- Submission Deadline: Friday, June 10, 2022
- For more information about this opportunity, <u>click here</u>.

Funding Opportunities

Rapid Rehousing Services Request for Proposals

The primary goal of this Program is to help individuals experiencing homelessness in each Service Planning Area (SPA) – North, Central, and South – and transitional aged youth and families experiencing homelessness countywide obtain secure permanent affordable housing quickly, increase self-sufficiency, and achieve long-term housing stability.

- Bid Title: Rapid Rehousing Services
- o Bid Number: 042-2217605-MG
- Bid Starts: April 5, 2022, at 5:16 p.m.
- Bid Ends: May 5, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.
- For more information, visit the following link: <u>Rapid Rehousing</u>
 <u>Services Request for Proposals</u>

Agenda Item #4

FY2022 CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Cycle

- The CoC Program Registration for the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition opened on March 4, 2022, and closed on April 7, 2022.
- The Office of Care Coordination completed the registration process for the Orange County CoC.
- CoC providers are encouraged to attend the upcoming Data and Performance Management meetings hosted by 2110C to learn about performance measures that will be utilized to evaluate Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing project performance during the FY 2022 CoC NOFO local process.

Homeless Provider Forum

- The Office of Care Coordination in partnership with the Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC) is planning to resume the facilitation of the Homeless Provider Forum on a quarterly basis.
 - Thursday, May 19, 2022, from 9 am to 11am
 - Thursday, August 18, 2022, from 9 am to 11am
 - Thursday, November 10, 2022, from 9 am to 11 am
- Currently conducting a survey to collect feedback on content you to be included for the upcoming Homeless Provider Forum meetings.
 - Please take 5 minutes to fill out the survey by Friday, April 29,
 2022: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/COCHPF

Racial Equity Roadmap

- The Office of Care Coordination is collaborating with C4 Innovations on the development of a Racial Equity Roadmap for the Orange County CoC.
- Development of the Racial Equity Roadmap is taking place in three phases.

Phase 1

Assessment and Learning

Phase 2

Action Planning and Continued Learning

Phase 3

Implementation Support and Sustainability

Racial Equity Roadmap Phase 1: Presentation of Findings

 An evaluation of the qualitative and quantitative data collected in Phase 1 will be presented by C4 Innovations.

Date: May 3, 2022

Time: 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Join by Meeting Link: https://c4innovates.zoom.us/j/87319379894

Join by Phone: +1 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 873 1937 9894

• If you have any questions on the Racial Equity Roadmap, please reach out to the Office of Care Coordination at CareCoordination@ochca.com.

FY2021 Reports to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

Erin DeRycke

Director of CoC Data and Operations 2-1-1 Orange County

System Performance Measures (SPM) Report

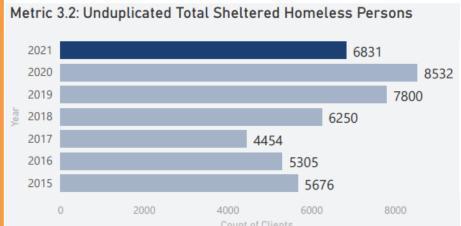
- The SPM Report allows CoCs to regularly measure their progress in meeting the needs of people experiencing homelessness in their community and to report this progress to HUD.
- The SPM is pulled from the local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and submitted to HUD annually by CoCs around the country. The reporting period for all SPM report aligns with the federal fiscal year from October 1st to September 30th.
- The SPM analyses the performance of Safe Haven, Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, transitional Housing, and Permanent Housing project types in HMIS.

System Performance Measures (SPM)

- Submitted to HUD in February 2022
- Performance of Orange County CoC
- Orange boxes: performance comparison with other CoCs nationally and locally
- Teal boxes: context for measures that may be impacted by data quality



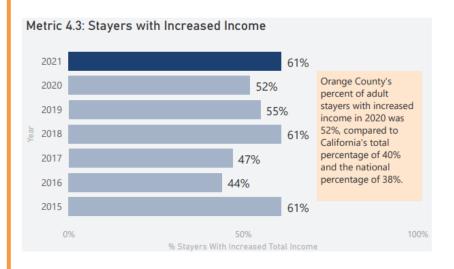
Measure 3: Total Sheltered Persons

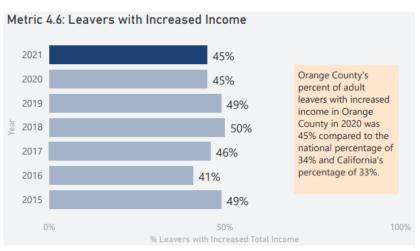


Jurisdiction	Total Population	Unduplicated Total Sheltered Homeless Persons (3.2)	% of Population Experiencing Homelessness (3.2)	% of California's Homeless Population (3.2)
Los Angeles (CA-600) + Long Beach (CA-606)	10,014,009	36,050	0.36%	27.67%
Orange County (CA-602)	3,186,989	8,532	0.27%	6.55%
Riverside (CA-608)	2,418,185	4,838	0.20%	3.71%
San Bernardino (CA-609)	2,181,654	2,688	0.12%	2.06%
San Diego (CA-601)	3,298,634	11,366	0.34%	8.72%

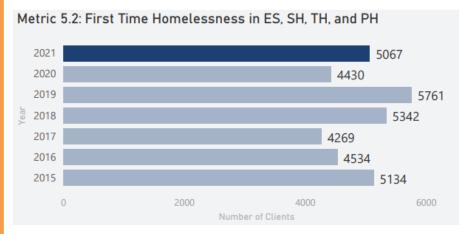


Measure 4: Increased Income





Measure 5: First Time Homeless



Jurisdiction	Total Population Experiencing Homelessness for the First Time (5.2)	% of California's Population Experiencing Homelessness for the First Time
Long Beach (CA-606)	1,029	1%
Los Angeles (CA-600)	17,012	22%
Orange County (CA-602)	4,430	6%
Riverside (CA-608)	4,886	6%
San Bernardino (CA-609)	4,769	6%
San Diego (CA-601)	4,762	6%

Longitudinal Systems Analysis (LSA) Report

- The LSA report is formally known as the Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) that is compiled and submitted to the U.S. Congress by HUD.
- The AHAR is s a national-level report that provides information about homeless service providers, people and households experiencing homelessness, and various characteristics of that population.
- It informs strategic planning for federal, state, and local initiatives designed to prevent and end homelessness.

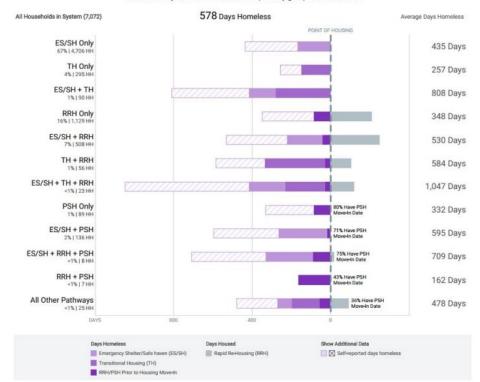
Longitudinal Systems Analysis (LSA)

- Submitted to HUD in February 2022
- Consolidates performance and demographic data to analyze pathways of people experiencing homelessness

Days Homeless

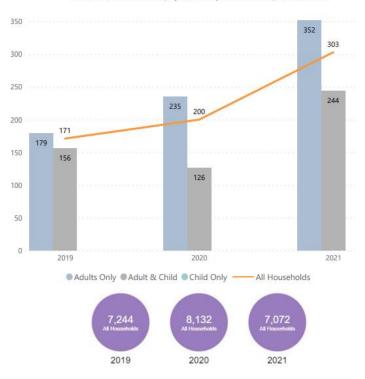
Days Homeless by Pathways

Percent and number of households that used each pathway and average cumulative days that households in each pathway group were homeless.



Days Homeless Trend by Household Types

For each reporting year, the average cumulative, unduplicated number of days that households were served in ES, SH, or TH projects; and days in RRH or PSH prior to move-in.

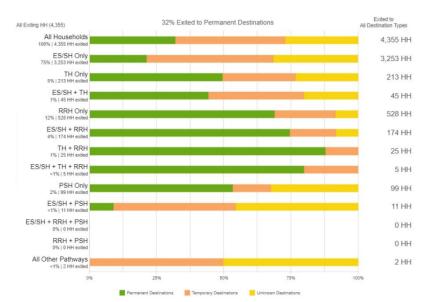




Exits

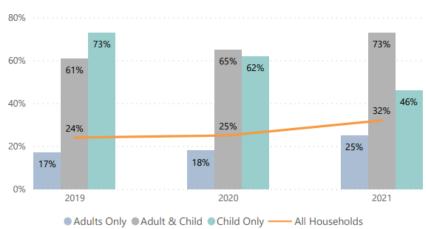
Exits by Pathways

Percent and number of households that used each pathway, and percent and number of households in each pathway group that exited to permanent, temporary and unknown destinations.



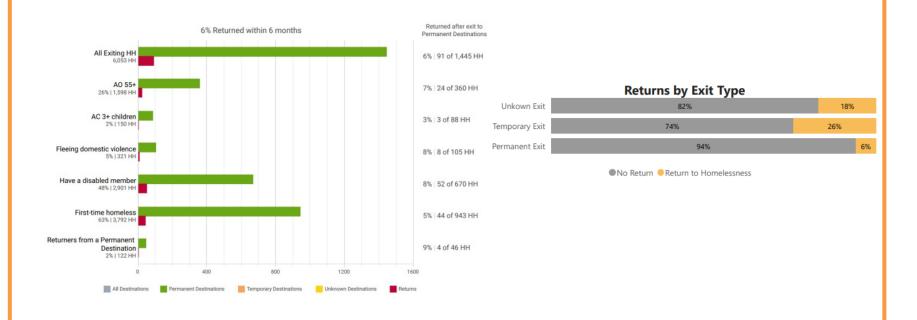
Exits to Permanent Destinations

Percent that exited to permanent destinations within each of the past three years.

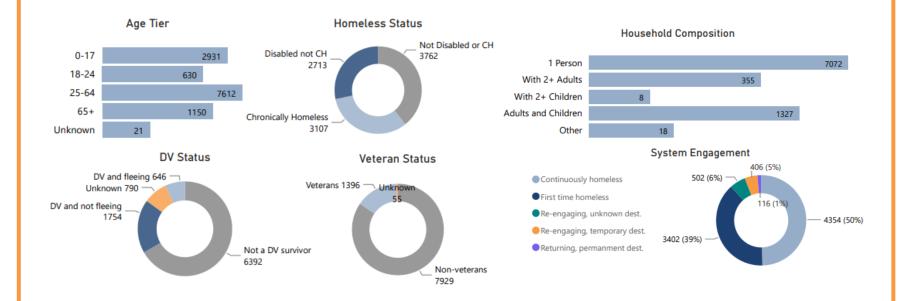


Returns to Homelessness

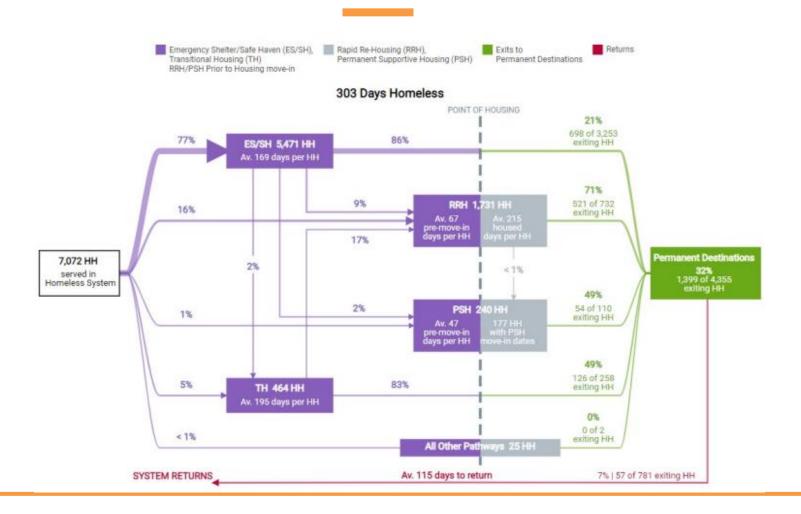
Return to Homeless by Pathways



Demographics



System Map



Approve Project C: North Service Planning Area COVID -19 Responsive Homeless Services Funding Recommendation

Zulima Lindy, CoC Manager

Background

- On December 22, 2021, the Office of Care Coordination issued a Request For Proposal (RFP) to seek qualified providers for the North Service Planning Area (SPA) COVID-19 Homeless Response Services.
- There were six respondents to the RFP. An evaluation panel consisting of one HCA representatives and two non-HCA representatives evaluated the proposals and recommended award of contract to Volunteer of America of Los Angeles (VOALA).
- Approval of VOALA for Project C: North SPA COVID-19 Responsive Homeless Services will allow for provision of outreach services and specialized supportive services for individuals experiencing homelessness in the North SPA.

Recommended Action

Approve Volunteers of America of Los Angeles for Project C: North Service Planning Area COVID-19 Responsive Homeless Services for the term of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, for an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to be funded through Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 1, as recommended by the Request for Proposals review panel.

Homelessness Action Plan

Zulima Lundy, CoC Manager Natalie Dempster, Data Integration Manager

Homelessness Action Plan

- The Office of Care Coordination has contracted with Homebase Consulting Group to develop a local Homelessness Action Plan for Orange County.
- The Homelessness Action Plan is a requirement of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 3 (HHAP-3) grant application.
- The local Homelessness Action Plan must include:
 - A local landscape analysis that assesses the current number of people experiencing homelessness and existing programs and funding which address homelessness.
 - Identification of the number of individuals and families served, including demographic information and intervention types provided.
 - Identification of all funds, including state, federal and local funds, currently being used, and budgeted to be used, to provide housing and homelessnessrelated services.

CoC Landscape Analysis of Needs and Demographics

Table 1. Landscape Analysis of Needs and Demographics					
	People Experiencing Homelessness	Source and Date Timeframe of Data			
Population and Living Situations					
TOTAL # OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS	6,860	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019			
# of People Who are Sheltered (ES, TH, SH)	2,899	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019			
# of People Who are Unsheltered	3,961	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019			
Household Composition					
# of Households without Children	5,296	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019			
# of Households with At Least 1 Adult & 1 Child	466	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019			
# of Households with Only Children	14	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019			

CoC Landscape Analysis of Needs and Demographics

Sub-Populations and Other Characteristics		
# of Adults Who are Experiencing Chronic Homelessness	2,501	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of Adults Who are Experiencing Significant Mental Illness	2,298	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of Adults Who are Experiencing Substance Abuse Disorders	1,830	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of Adults Who are Veterans	311	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of Adults with HIV/AIDS	106	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of Adults Who are Survivors of Domestic Violence	538	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of Unaccompanied Youth (under 25)	275	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of Parenting Youth (under 25)	not collected	not collected
# of People Who are Children of Parenting Youth	not collected	not collected

CoC Landscape Analysis of Needs and Demographics

		
Gender Demographics		
# of Women/Girls	2,508	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of Men/Boys	4,338	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are Transgender	7	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are Gender Non-Conforming	7	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
Ethnicity and Race Demographics		
# of People Who are Hispanic/Latino	2,476	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	4,384	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are Black or African American	774	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are Asian	217	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are American Indian or Alaska Native	184	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	99	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are White	4,978	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019
# of People Who are Multiple Races	608	Source: 2019 Point in Time Count Timeframe: January 22, 2019

Homelessness Action Plan Goals and Strategies

- The Homelessness Action Plan requires goals informed by the landscape analysis and inclusion of metrics:
 - Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness;
 - Reducing the number of persons who become homeless for the first time;
 - Increasing the number of people exiting homelessness into permanent housing;
 - Reducing the length of time persons remain homeless;
 - Reducing the number of persons who return to homelessness after exiting homelessness to permanent housing;
 - Increasing successful placements from street outreach

HHAP-3 Outcome Goals

	Outcome Goal #1a: Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness.		
Baseline Data:		Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024	
	Annual estimate of number of people accessing services who are experiencing homelessness	Decrease/Increase in # of People	Decrease/Increase as % Change from Baseline
	11,740	-140	1.2% decrease

Outcome Goal #1b: Reducing the number of persons experiencing homelessness on a daily basis		
	Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024	
Baseline Data: Daily Estimate of # of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness	Reduction in # of People	Reduction as % Change from Baseline
3,961	-396	10% decrease

	Outcome Goal #2: Reducing the number of persons who become homeless for the first time.			
Baseline Data:		Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024		
	Annual Estimate of # of people who become homeless for the first time	Reduction in # of People	Reduction as % Change from Baseline	
	5,584	-506	10% decrease	

HHAP-3 Outcome Goals

Outcome Goal #3: Increasing the number of people exiting homelessness into permanent housing.			
Baseline Data:	Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024		
Annual Estimate of # of people exiting homelessness into permanent housing	Increase in # of People	Increase as % Change from Baseline	
2,901	522	18%	

Outcome Goal #4: Reducing the length of time persons remain homeless.			
Baseline Data: Average length of time (in # of days) persons enrolled in street	Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024		
outreach, emergency shelter, transitional housing, safehaven projects and time prior to move-in for persons enrolled in rapid rehousing and permanent housing programs	Decrease in Average # of Days	Decrease as % Change from Baseline	
125	6	5%	

HHAP-3 Outcome Goals

Outcome Goal #5: Reducing the number of persons who return to homelessness after exiting homelessness to permanent housing.		
Baseline Data:	Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024	
	Decrease in % of People who return to Homelessness	Decrease as % Change from Baseline
9.78%	2%	2%

Outcome Goal #6: Increasing successful placements from street outreach.			
Baseline Data:	Outcome Goals July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024		
Annual # of people served in street outreach projects who exit to emergency shelter, safe haven, transitional housing, or permanent housing destinations.	Increase in # of People Successfully Placed from Street Outreach	Increase as % of Baseline	
174	52	30%	

HHAP-3 Proposed Funding Plan

Eligible Use Activities	Total HHAP-3 Amount Requested	Rationale
Street Outreach and Engagement	\$4,000,000.00	Regional street outreach coordination. Support access to homeless service system, leverage HDAP services and create partnerships with existing programs
Prevention and Shelter Diversion	\$1,000,000.00	In response to the listening sessions, the Office of Care Coordination wanted to reflect the need for more homelessness prevention and shelter diversion funding
Rapid Re-Housing (RRH)	\$3,000,000.00	Rapid rehousing program continuance and expansion for individuals and families
Operating Subsidies	\$3,000,000.00	Emergency Shelter and Interim Housing operations continuance, address expected funding gaps in family shelter system
Delivery of Permanent Housing and Innovative Housing Solutions	\$2,321,862.20	Anticipate funding needs for future Homekey NOFAs and need for funding to support innovative housing solutions
Services Coordination	\$2,753,738.05	Resources to assist with housing searches and housing stabilization services to be paired with housing choice vouchers
Youth Set-Aside	\$1,985,012.08	10% minimum required by HHAP guidelines – rapid rehousing, operating subsidies and service coordination
Administrative	\$1,189,508.45	7% maximum permitted by HHAP guidelines, inclusive of technical assistance, contract support, and Homeless Action Plan related activities
Systems support	\$600,000.00	Training, capacity building and system of care infrastructure, and compensation for lived expertise
Totals	\$19,850,120.78	

HHAP-3 Funding Plan – CoC and County Breakdown

Eligible Use Activities	HHAP-3 CoC Amount	HHAP-3 County Amount
Street Outreach and Engagement	-	\$4,000,000.00
Prevention and Shelter Diversion	-	\$1,000,000
Rapid Re-Housing (RRH)	\$3,000,000.00	-
Operating Subsidies	\$3,000,000.00	-
Delivery of Permanent Housing and Innovative Housing Solutions	\$1,321,862.20	\$1,000,000.00
Services Coordination	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,753,738.05
Youth Set-Aside	\$1,026,730.39	\$958,281.69
Administrative	\$618,711.27	\$570,797.19
Systems Support	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00
Totals	\$10,267,303.85	\$9,582,816.93

Homelessness Action Plan Timeline Overview

- The Office of Care Coordination and Homebase populated data tables to inform the development of goals.
- Consultation sessions were facilitated with members of the CoC Board and Commission to End Homelessness members; Policies, Procedures and Standards (PPS) Committee; Lived Experience Advisory Committee (LEAC); and community stakeholders.
- Approval process for the Homelessness Action Plan:
 - April 20 Commission to End Homelessness
 - April 27 CoC Board
 - June 7 Board of Supervisors
- Final HHAP-3 applications are due June 30, 2022, and local Homelessness
 Action Plan must be included with the submittal.

Recommended Action

Approve the Homelessness Action Plan for the Orange County CoC.

Family Homelessness Challenge Grant Zulima Lundy, CoC Manager

Family Homelessness Challenge Grant Overview

- The California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH) released the Family Homelessness Challenge Grant, Round 1 (FHC-1) Request For Applications (RFA) on March 3, 2022.
- The Office of Care Coordination will be submitting an application in response to the FHC-1 grant RFA on behalf of the County of Orange.
- The County of Orange's FHC-1 application details a service delivery model that focusses on shelter diversion and prevention strategies for families.
- The Office of Care Coordination is requesting a signed letter of support (Attachment A) from the CoC Board for the County of Orange's FHC-1 application.

Recommended Action

Approve the Orange County CoC to sign a letter of support for the County of Orange's Office of Care Coordination application for the Family Homelessness Challenge Grant, Round 1.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 25, 2022, from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

