

# Orange County Continuum of Care Board Special Meeting May 31, 2023

### **Public Comments**

### **Board Member Comments**

### **Consent Calendar**

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1. Approve CoC Board Meeting Minutes from April 26, 2023

### **Business Calendar**

Family Unification Program
Memorandum of Understanding between
the Orange County Housing Authority, OC
Social Services Agency, and Orange County
Continuum of Care

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination

### 2018 Family Unification Program (FUP) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

- At the July 18, 2018, special meeting of the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board, the CoC Board approved the FUP MOU and Statement of Need with the Orange County Housing Authority (OCHA).
- The purpose of the non-financial MOU was to document the partnership among OCHA, OC Social Services Agency (SSA) and the Orange County CoC.
- The FUP promotes unification by providing Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs) to the following households with low-income:
  - 1. Families for whom the lack of adequate housing is a primary factor in:
    - a. The imminent placement of the family's child or children in out-of-home care, or
    - b. The delay in the discharge of the child or children to the family from out-of-home care.
  - 2. Youth at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age (have not reached their 25th birthday) who left foster care, or will leave foster care within 90 days, in accordance with a transition plan described in Section 475(5)(H) of the Social Security Act and are homeless or are at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older.

### **FY 2022 FUP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**

- On April 25, 2023, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released FY 2022 FUP NOFO which makes \$5 million available to provide new FUP vouchers to eligible households
  - Families who are currently involved in the child welfare system and lack adequate housing
  - o youth between the ages of 18 to 24 (who have not reached their 25<sup>th</sup> birthday) who have left foster care, or will leave foster care within 90 days, and are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.
- The FY 2022 FUP NOFO requires an updated MOU with an execution date in calendar year 2023.
- An updated MOU between OCHA, OC SSA and the Orange County CoC is needed for OCHA to submit an application in response to the FY 2022 FUP NOFO.
- Approval of the MOU provide OCHA an opportunity to receive new FUP vouchers to eligible families and youth.

### **Recommended Action**

b. Approve the Family Unification Program Memorandum of Understanding between the Orange County Housing Authority, OC Social Services Agency, and Orange County Continuum of Care.

## CalOptima Health's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Updated Data Request

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination and Elizabeth Duong, HMIS Program Manager, 2-1-1 Orange County

### CalOptima Health's HMIS Updated Data Request

- In September 2022, the CoC Board approved a data request to receive recurring monthly data reports of all persons within HMIS to complete member match with CalOptima Health enrollment data.
- In January 2023, an additional request to include full Social Security Number in each monthly HMIS enrollment report was approved by the CoC Board.
- As part of the evolving process to develop strategies and sound methodologies, CalOptima Health's staff engage other Managed Care Plans (MCPs), such as LA Care.
- Through this engagement, new best practices are emerging. It has become more apparent
  that additional data elements are needed to better identify which members are obtaining
  housing, remaining housed, exiting back to homelessness, or still experiencing
  homelessness.

### **Additional Data Element Requested**

- CalOptima Health is returning to the CoC Board to request "Exit Destination" be added to the monthly HMIS reports currently received from 2-1-1 Orange County (2110C).
- Specific combinations of HMIS data elements CalOptima Health will use include the following:
  - \* "Project Exit Date" and "Exit Destination" (Note: CalOptima Health does not currently receive the latter)
  - "Project Entry Date" and "Project Type"
- The "Exit Destination" element will allow staff to identify members who might benefit from additional interventions or services, including CalAIM Community Supports and/or Enhanced Care Management.
- As noted previously, no individual level data is shared publicly.
- Resulting aggregated analyses and/or reports might be shared in the following public venues including, but not limited to: CalOptima Health's Board of Directors, Advisory Committees, and Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP) reporting requirements.

### **Recommended Action**

a. Approve CalOptima Health's HMIS updated data request to support CalOptima Health's participation in the California Department of Health Care Services' Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program.

## CoC Vision Ad Hoc Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination

### **CoC Vision Ad Hoc**

- At the December 15, 2021, meeting of the CoC Board, the CoC Board approved the adoption of the Orange County CoC Leadership Vision for Calendar Year (CY) 2022 2024, as developed by the CoC Vision Ad Hoc membership.
- Following the December 15, 2021, meeting, the CoC Vision Ad Hoc and the Office of Care
  Coordination reconvened to draft objectives under each strategic aim of the vision
  document, ensuring objectives were specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, time-bound,
  inclusive, and equitable (SMARTIE)
- At the January 25, 2023, meeting of the CoC Board, with an updated timespan, the CoC Board CY 2023 – 2025 Leadership Vision and Objectives was presented and approved by the CoC Board for adoption.
- The previous CoC Vision Ad Hoc sunset on January 25, 2023, noting that the tasks and activities they were initially tasked with were completed.

### **CoC Vision Ad Hoc**

- As a next step, the CoC Board leadership is recommending the appointment of a new Ad Hoc membership, which will also be called the CoC Vision Ad Hoc, to involve additional CoC Board members and Committee participants
- The new CoC Vision Ad Hoc will identify specific metrics and thresholds that can be tracked to measure progress and discuss strategies and tactics aligned with the CoC Board CY 2023 – 2025 Leadership Vision and Objectives.

### **Recommended Action**

a. Appoint Amy Arambulo, Becks Heyhoe, Dawn Price, Nichole Gideon, Nishtha Mohendra and Tim Shaw to the CoC Vision Ad Hoc to identify metrics and thresholds for measuring progress, as well as strategies and tactics aligned with the CoC Board CY 2023 – 25 Leadership Vision and Objectives.

## CoC Domestic Violence Committee Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination

### **CoC Domestic Violence Committee**

- The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) continues highlighting the needs of survivors of domestic violence and allocating resources to housing and supportive services for this subpopulation.
- Recognizing the needs to support survivors of domestic violence, the Orange CoC Board has approved the prioritization of multiple projects specifically designed to serving survivors of domestic violence as part of the annual CoC Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) released by HUD.
- The following funding has been awarded to the Orange County CoC over the years totaling approximately \$3 million.

Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	Funding Awarded
Interval House	Domestic Violence TH-RRH Program	Joint TH-RRH	\$946,775
Interval House	Rapid Rehousing Program	RRH	\$234,783
Human Options	DV Bonus Project	Joint TH-RRH	\$1,641,376
County of Orange	Coordinated Entry System – DV Bonus	SSO	\$250,000
		TOTAL	\$3,072,934

### **CoC Domestic Violence Committee**

- As continued funding and resources enter the homeless service system and the Orange County CoC, there is a need to further coordinate efforts to prioritize, serve and house survivors of domestic violence, as well as advance implementation of housing protections of survivors under Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) throughout Orange County.
- The CoC Board membership is being asked to consider establishing a CoC Domestic
  Violence Committee to focus on ending homelessness for survivors of domestic violence,
  dating violence, sexual assault and/or stalking, and measuring progress on these efforts.
- In addition, the CoC Board membership is being asked to review and approve the Domestic Violence Governance Charter, which outlines the proposed purpose, responsibilities and membership of the committee.
- The Office of Care Coordination worked closely with Maricela Rios-Faust, as the Domestic Violence Agency representative on the CoC Board, to draft the committee's Governance Charter for the CoC Board's consideration.

### **Recommended Action**

a. Approve the CoC Domestic Violence Committee Governance Charter to establish a CoC Domestic Violence Committee to focus on ending homelessness for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and/or stalking, and measuring progress on these efforts.

### Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Updates

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

### Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP)

### Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) NOFO Update

- On April 14, 2023, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the release of the YHDP NOFO for Round 7.
- Approximately \$60 million is available nationally to address systemic responses to youth homelessness and significantly reduce the number of youth experiencing homelessness.
- The Office of Care Coordination is working closely with the Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Collaborative Committee, youth-specific service providers, and local community partners to receive community feedback and complete the application.
- Feedback from service providers and community partners was received through the following sessions and meetings and will assist in drafting a competitive application:
  - 1. YHDP Planning Session #1: May 5, 2023
  - 2. YHDP Planning Session #2: May 12, 2023
  - 3. Service Provider Forum Meeting: May 18, 2023
  - 4. YHDP Planning Session #3: May 19, 2023

### Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) NOFO Update

- The Office of Care Coordination is compiling feedback from the planning sessions and Service Provider Forum meeting to support with the drafting of the YHDP NOFO Round 7 Application.
- Additionally, a TAY Ad Hoc comprised of members from the TAY Collaborative Committee is meeting regularly with the Office of Care Coordination to plan for the YHDP NOFO Round 7 Application, which is due on June 27, 2023.

### **FY2022 CoC NOFO Debrief**

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- On March 28, 2023, HUD announced an award of \$31,453,663 to the Orange County CoC Program for FY2022.
  - 24 renewal projects
  - 2 new bonus projects
- This represents a \$663,758 increase in CoC Program funding for Orange County.
- The new funding represented through:
  - An increase in the CoC Planning grant
  - Coordinated Entry System (CES) Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Project in the amount of \$250,000 to the County of Orange as the CES lead agency
  - \* Rapid Rehousing Bonus Project in the amount of \$362,421 to Friendship Shelter, Inc.

### **Orange County Continuum of Care FY2022 NOFO Award**

Total Annual Renewal Amount Awarded: \$28,445,805 CoC Planning Awarded: \$898,289

DV Bonus Awarded: \$250,000 Total CA-602 FY2022 Award Amount: \$31,453,663

CoC Bonus Awarded: \$362,412

Project Ranking	Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Component	Total Applied	Total Awarded
1	Interval House	Domestic Violence TH-RRH Program	Joint TH-RRH	\$946,775	\$946,775
2	Interval House	Rapid Rehousing Program	RRH	\$234,783	\$234,783
3	Friendship Shelter, Inc.	Henderson House Permanent Supportive Housing	PSH	\$632,877	\$632,877
4	Orange County Housing Authority	#3 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA	PSH	\$2,957,977	\$2,957,977
5	Mercy House Living Centers	OC PSH Collaboration Project II	PSH	\$2,298,858	\$2,298,858
6	Mercy House Living Centers	Mills End and PSH Leasing Consolidation	PSH	\$574,790	\$574,790
7	Mercy House Living Centers	OC PSH Collaboration Project	PSH	\$3,641,354	\$3,641,354
8	Orange County Housing Authority	#4 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA	PSH	\$2,304,462	\$2,304,462
9	Orange County Housing Authority	#1 Consolidated Shelter Plus Care TRA	PSH	\$4,472,267	\$4,472,267
10	Illumination Foundation	Street2Home OC Expansion	PSH	\$1,956,881	\$1,956,881
11	Orange County Housing Authority	Jackson Aisle Shelter Plus Care	PSH	\$389,050	\$389,050
12	Illumination Foundation	Stanton Multi-Service Center	PSH	\$472,533	\$472,533
13	Orange County Housing Authority	#2 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA	PSH	\$1,938,248	\$1,938,248
14	Mercy House Living Centers	Mercy House - CoC Leasing - Renewal	PSH	\$539,006	\$539,006
15	Serving People In Need, Inc.	CoC Rapid Re-Housing	RRH	\$629,234	\$629,234
16	Anaheim Supportive Housing, Inc.	Tyrol Plaza Senior Apartments	PSH	\$231,212	\$231,212
17	Mercy House Living Centers	Aqua PSH	PSH	\$295,784	\$295,784
18	American Family Housing	Permanent Housing Collaborative	PSH	\$384,629	\$384,629
19	Fullerton Interfaith Emergency Service	PSH for Families	PSH	\$346,067	\$346,067
20	Families Forward	Families Forward Rapid Re-Housing Expansion	RRH	\$579,869	\$579,869
21	American Family Housing	Permanent Housing 2	PSH	\$593,107	\$593,107
22	County of Orange	Coordinated Entry System SSO Grant 2021	SSO-CES	\$1,231,239	\$1,231,239
23	People for Irvine Community Health (2110C)	HMIS Consolidated Community Support NOFA 2021	HMIS	\$650,575	\$650,575
24	Human Options	DV Bonus Project	Joint TH-RRH	\$144,228	\$144,228
			Tier 1 Total	\$ 28,445,805	\$ 28,445,805
	Human Options	DV Bonus Project	Joint TH-RRH	\$1,497,148	\$1,497,148
25	Friendship Shelter	Friendship Shelter Rapid Re-Housing (CoC Bonus)	RRH	\$362,421	\$362,421
26	County of Orange	Coordinated Entry System – DV (DV Bonus)	SSO	\$250,000	\$250,000
27	Human Options	DV Housing First Collaborative Project (DV Bonus)	Joint TH-RRH	\$1,734,683	
28	PATH	PATH Rapid Re-Housing (CoC Bonus)	RRH	\$1,134,727	
			Tier 2 Total	\$ 4,978,979	\$ 2,109,560
			CoC Application Total	\$ 33,424,784	\$ 30,555,365

### **FY2022 CoC NOFO Debrief**

### **CoC Application**

Orange County CoC Total Application Score: 157.5

### **Overall Scores for all CoCs**

- Highest Score for any CoC: 188.75
- Lowest Score for any CoC: 53.5
- Median Score for all CoCs: 154.5
- Weighted Mean Score for all CoCs: 162.25

### **FY2022 CoC NOFO Debrief**

### **Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus**

County of Orange Coordinated Entry System DV Bonus Application Score: 87.98

### **Overall Scores for all DV Bonus Applications**

- Highest Score for any CoC: 95.13
- Lowest Score for any CoC: 32.88
- Median Score for all CoCs: 82.25

### **FY2023 CoC NOFO Local Process**

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- The upcoming Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 CoC Program NOFO is anticipated to be released by the HUD in Spring or early Summer 2023.
- In preparation for the release of the FY2023 CoC Program NOFO, the Office of Care Coordination, with the approval of the CoC Board, has convened the FY2023 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc, which includes membership of CoC Board members and two partners with lived experience who are involved in the Orange County CoC's efforts.
- The FY2023 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc has met four times to review the CoC Program NOFO application process; draft the proposed project performance measures, point allocations, and thresholds; and discuss feedback received from the CoC-funded agencies at the CoC NOFO Renewal Meeting held on May 15, 2023.

### **FY2023 CoC NOFO Draft Timeline**

DATE*	ACTIVITY	
April 27, 2023	Intent to Renew survey released to CoC-Funded Agencies	
May 11, 2023	Intent to Renew survey due	
May 15, 2023	FY2023 CoC NOFO Renewal Meeting for CoC-Funded Agencies	
June	<ul> <li>Agency Administrative Review released and submitted to Collaborative Applicant</li> <li>Grant Inventory Worksheets released by HUD, reviewed by CoC-Funded Agencies and submitted (timeline TBA)</li> <li>FY2023 CoC Program NOFO released by HUD (timeline TBA)</li> </ul>	
June 28, 2023	<ul> <li>CoC Board Meeting: Approve recommended FY2023 CoC NOFO Performance Measures, thresholds and point allocations; CoC Renewal Project Rating and Ranking Criteria; and CoC Reallocation and Bonus Funding Priorities.</li> </ul>	
July	<ul> <li>CoC Renewal Project Application released and submitted to Collaborative Applicant</li> <li>CoC NOFO Ad Hoc to review and score renewal projects</li> <li>Request for Proposals (RFP) of New Projects - CoC Bonus, Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus and Reallocation – to be released and submitted to Collaborative Applicant</li> </ul>	
August	<ul> <li>RFP Panel members to review and score new project proposals</li> <li>CoC NOFO Ad Hoc to recommend ranking and tiering of projects</li> <li>CoC Board to approve final Project Rating and Ranking and selection of projects for Bonus Funding.</li> </ul>	
September	Consolidated Application submitted to HUD	

<sup>\*</sup>Please note: Dates are subject to change.

### **FY2023 CoC NOFO Local Process**

- The Office of Care Coordination, as the Collaborative Applicant, is planning to release the Agency Administrative Review portion of the CoC Renewal Application to CoC-Funded agencies in early June.
- This will allow the application process to take place in parts prior to the FY2023 CoC
   Program NOFO release, with the hope of allowing CoC-Funded Agencies more time to complete each part of the application.
- The Office of Care Coordination will continue supporting the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc to prepare the following for recommended action at the June 28, 2023, meeting of the CoC Board:
  - \* FY2023 CoC NOFO Performance Measures, thresholds and point allocations;
  - \* FY2023 CoC Renewal Project Rating and Ranking Criteria (scoring rubric); and
  - FY2023 CoC Reallocation and Bonus Funding Priorities.
- Please note, based on the release of the FY2023 CoC Program NOFO, some of the proposed scoring criteria may go to the CoC Board at a later date in order to adhere to HUD's requirements.

# 2023 Point In Time and Housing Inventory Count Elizabeth Duong, HMIS Program Manager, 2-1-1 Orange County

## **HIC PIT**

### HIC: Housing Inventory Count

The Housing Inventory Count (HIC) collects information about all of the beds and units in each Continuum of Care homeless system, categorized by Project Type. Only beds dedicated to serve homeless clients should be counted on the HIC.

#### PIT: Point-in-Time Count

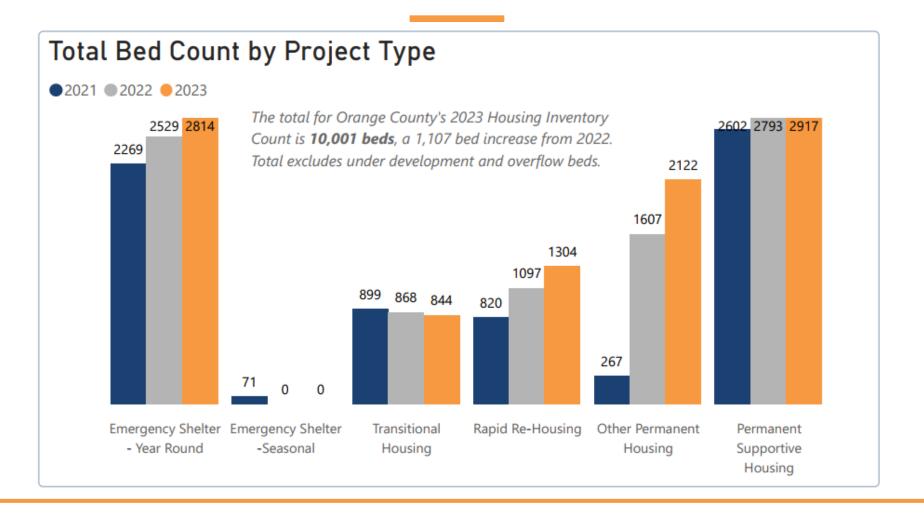
The Point In Time Count (PIT) provides a count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless persons. The PIT includes population data (number of households and persons), as well as subpopulation data (number of chronically homeless clients, clients with a mental illness, etc.). The Sheltered Point In Time count is a survey of clients residing in Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing projects on the night of the count.

- PIT Date: January 23, 2023
- Submitted to HUD April 2023

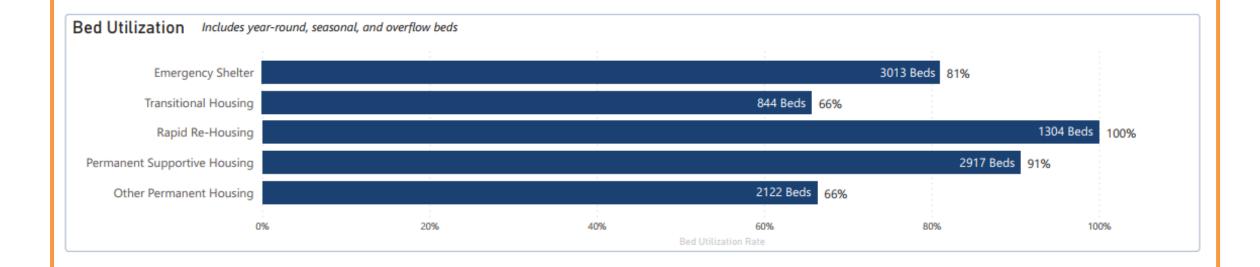


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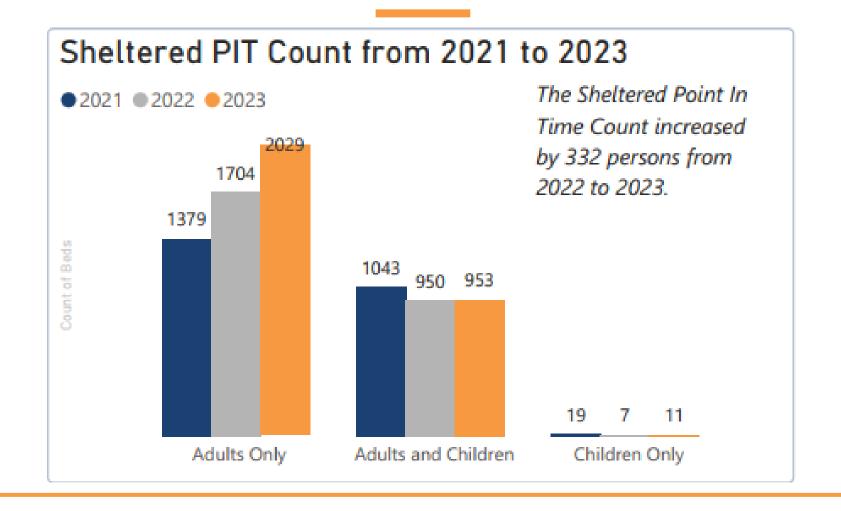
### 2023 HIC: Total Beds



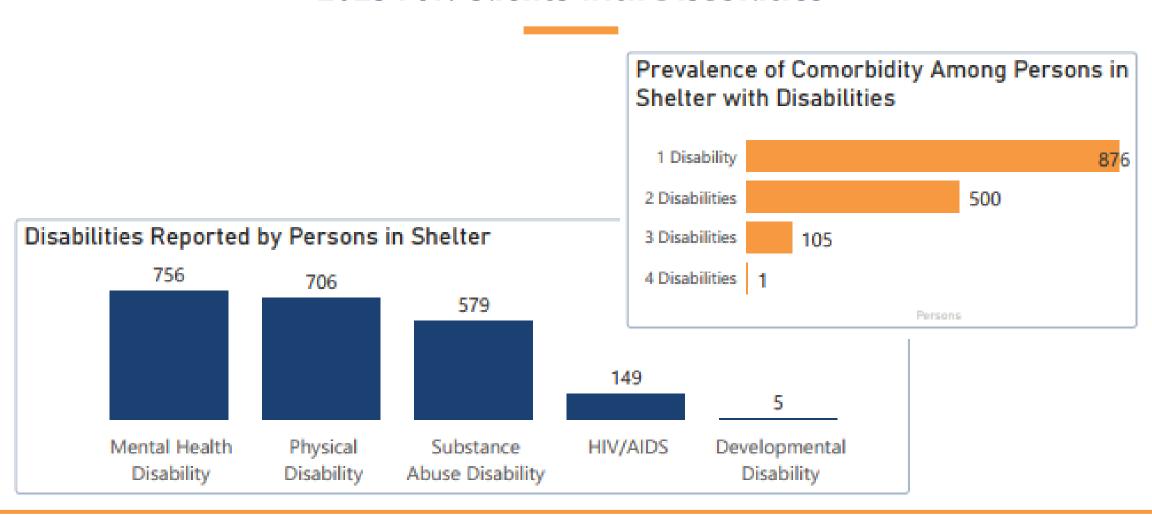
### 2023 HIC: Bed Utilization



### 2023 Sheltered PIT: Total Clients

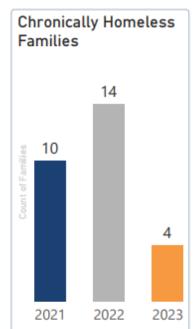


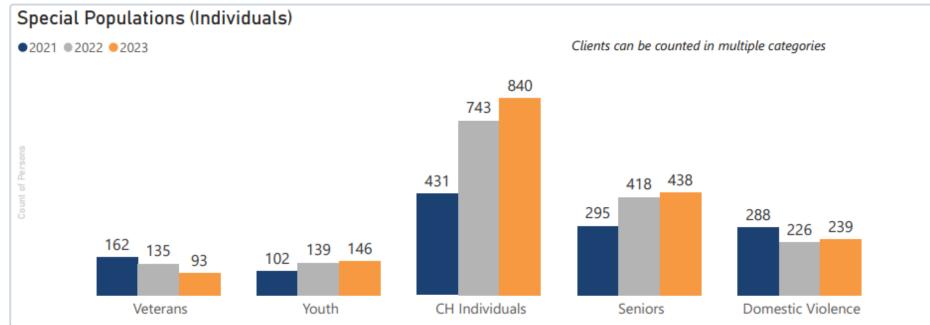
### 2023 PIT: Clients with Disabilities





### **2023 PIT: Special Populations**





## **Published Reports**

Available at ochmis.org

Reports > Housing Inventory Count (HIC)

2023 HIC Overview

Reports > Point In Time Count (PIT)

• 2023 Sheltered Point in Time Overview



Orange County Homelessness Updates
Zulima Lundy, Director of Operations,
and Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

# System of Care Update Zulima Lundy, Director of Operations, Office of Care Coordination

## Request for Proposals for Housing and Disability Advocacy Program Services for Transitional Age Youth

- The County of Orange's Office of Care Coordination is seeking proposals from qualified organizations to provide Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) services for Transitional Age Youth (TAY).
- The Office of Care Coordination is seeking programs that can be operationalized quickly and leverage the available resources of the Homeless Service System in order to respond to the emergent needs of the community. Proposers are encouraged to align program efforts with current programs and operations serving the target population and demonstrate a particular expertise in providing disability benefit application assistance and advocacy.
  - Bid Title: Housing and Disability Advocacy Program Services for Transitional Age Youth
  - Bid Number: 017-2429406-CR
  - Bid Starts: April 27, 2023, at 6:55 p.m.
  - Bid Ends: June 8, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.
- For more information, visit the following link: <u>Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) Services for Transitional Age Youth (TAY)</u>

Continuum of Care Update
Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

### Funding Opportunities to Serve Youth Experiencing Homelessness or Housing Instability

- In April 2023, the Administration on Child, Youth, and Families' Family Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) released four NOFOs to support youth and young adults who are experiencing homelessness or housing instability. The four NOFOs are detailed below:
  - FY 2023 Basic Center Program (BCP) NOFO provides emergency shelter and services for up to 21 days to youth under 18 years of age who have left home due to family conflict or other crisis or are experiencing homelessness. Application due June 20, 2023.
  - \* <u>FY 2023 Street Outreach Program (SOP) NOFO</u> provides street outreach services to youth experiencing homelessness or housing instability, who have left home, and are sleeping on the street or are at-risk of sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, and human trafficking. Application due June 20, 2023.
  - ❖ FY 2023 National Communication System (NCS) for Runaway and Homeless Youth Program NOFO provides a dedicated toll-free, U.S. national communication system that provides information, referral services, crisis intervention, prevention approaches, and other supportive services to vulnerable youth, youth who are experiencing or at-risk of experiencing homelessness, and youth who have run away from home, and their families or legal guardians. Application due June 9, 2023.
  - FY 2023 Runaway Homeless Youth (RHY) Training, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Center NOFO provides direct training and technical assistance to existing RHY grant recipients and subrecipients to enhance their efforts to successfully implement projects supported by FYSB grant funds. Application due June 20, 2023.

## **HUD Research Grant Opportunity: Community-Engaged Research Methods to Address Homelessness**

- On Monday, May 15, 2023, HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research announced a new funding opportunity for institutions of higher education or nonprofit entities that train and support institutions of higher education to conduct research applying community-engaged research methods to address homelessness.
- The research funded under this NOFO will contribute to general knowledge on the topic of homelessness, as well as the programs and interventions designed to address homelessness in communities, while elevating the perspectives and insights of people with lived experience.
  - **Available Funding**: \$1,000,000
  - Eligible Applicants: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education and Private institutions of higher education
  - To apply, visit: <a href="https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=347935">https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=347935</a>
  - Application deadline: July 13, 2023.

### **Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) Update**

The Office of Care Coordination is working with contracted service providers to lease-up the remaining EHVs as soon as possible to maximize housing stabilization services.

	Allocation	Vouchers Searching	Leased
Anaheim Housing Authority	278	30	224
Garden Grove Housing Authority	117	17	101
Orange County Housing Authority	557	84	433
Santa Ana Housing Authority	89	14	80
TOTAL	1,041	145	838

### **Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, June 28, 2023,

from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

