

San Bernardino County
2013 Point-in-Time Homeless Count and Subpopulation Survey
Countywide Kickoff Meeting and Community Key Persons Outreach

On Wednesday, September 19th, 10:00 am, at the County Behavioral Health Resource Center in Rialto, Supervisor Josie Gonzales will host a Countywide Kickoff Meeting for the 2013 Point-in-Time Homeless Count.

The County of San Bernardino Office of Homeless Services is seeking public and private **Key Persons** from every city and unincorporated area in San Bernardino County to help conduct the 2013 Point-in-Time Homeless Count and Subpopulation Survey in their community in January, 2013.

A **Community Key Person** is someone who is knowledgeable about local homelessness and where homeless people live, spend time and receive services in their community. **Key Persons** include representatives of local government, social service providers, law enforcement, municipal agencies, educational institutions, faith-based organizations, local business, civic groups, neighborhood associations, nonprofit agencies, and current and formerly homeless individuals.

Key Person Task Forces are being formed in every local jurisdiction to work with the County Office of Homeless Services and our project consultant, the Institute for Urban Initiatives, to organize and implement a comprehensive count and subpopulation survey of homeless individuals and families in their community and throughout San Bernardino County.

Key Persons shall provide valuable assistance to this effort in the following ways:

- serve on/contribute to your local community **Key Person Task Force**;
- help identify encampments and other locations where homeless persons live/sleep/hangout in your community;
- help identify places where homeless persons go for services and other assistance, including faith-based institutions, in your community;
- help identify and recruit local volunteers to conduct the count and survey in your community;
- help organize and conduct the street-based count and survey in your community.

If you would like to participate as a **Community Key Person** and help implement the San Bernardino County 2013 Point-in-Time Homeless Count and Subpopulation Survey, please send an e-mail to the County Office of Homeless Services, Michele Bletcher, mkbletcher@dbh.sbcounty.gov, with the following information:

- *Name*
- *Organizational/Agency affiliation*
- *Phone #*
- *E-mail address*
- *City(s) where you would like to participate on the Key Person Task Force*

For more information on the 2013 Point in Time Count please see the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership website at www.sbcounty.gov/sbchp and check out the document titled "San Bernardino County 2013 Point-in-Time Count Frequently Asked Questions" under the 'Announcements' section.