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| Council Roundtable | |
| | Open to comments by the Council 10:40 – 11:00 am |
| Closing 11:00 am | |
| Next CES Oversight Standing Committee Meeting | <p>TBD, 2023</p> <p>10:00 – 11:00 a.m.</p> |

Mission Statement

The mission of the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership is to provide a system of care that is inclusive, well planned, coordinated and evaluated and is accessible to all who are homeless and those at-risk of becoming homeless.

THE INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS MEETING FACILITY IS ACCESSIBLE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. IF ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES OR OTHER AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES ARE NEEDED IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC MEETING, REQUESTS SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES AT LEAST THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR TO THE PARTNERSHIP MEETING. THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (909) 501-0610 AND THE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 560 E. HOSPITALITY LANE, SUITE 200, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408. <https://sbchp.sbcounty.gov/>

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FROM: Tom Hernandez, Office of Homeless Services
SUBJECT: Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 2 Set Aside funds for Coordinated Entry System
DATE: April 13, 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss the five percent Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) set-aside in the amount of \$72,656 originally allocated for the Coordinated Entry System (CES) and present, at a later date, a recommendation to the Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH) for its allocation.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On June 1, 2022, the ICH Regional Steering Committees presented their recommendations for the San Bernardino City and County Continuum of Care (SBC CoC) allocation of the HHAP Round 2 grant funding to the ICH for adoption, and to recommend the Office of Homeless Services (OHS) to initiate and administer HHAP Round 2 funded contracts with the agencies recommended for funding.

HHAP Round 2 funds are recommended by the State of California Interagency Council on Homelessness to be used to build regional coordination and a unified regional response to reduce and end homelessness focused on moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and supporting the efforts of those individuals and families to maintain their permanent housing.

HHAP Round 2 requires grantees to expend funds on evidence-based solutions informed by a best practice framework that prevent, reduce, and end homelessness. Grantees may not use HHAP grant funding to supplant existing local funds for homeless housing, assistance, or prevention, and funds must be expended in compliance with Housing First requirements per Health and Safety Code (HSC) Section 50220.5(g).

As stated in California Health and Safety Code Section 50220.5 (d), HHAP Round 2 funds must be expended on one or more of the following eligible uses:

1. Rapid rehousing, including rental subsidies and incentives to landlords, such as security deposits and holding fees.
2. Operating subsidies in new and existing affordable or supportive housing units, emergency shelters, non-congregate shelters, interim or bridge housing, and navigation centers. Operating subsidies may include operating reserves.
3. Street outreach to assist persons experiencing homelessness to access permanent housing and services.
4. Services coordination, which may include access to workforce, education, and training programs, or other services needed to promote housing stability in supportive housing.

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5. Systems support for activities necessary to create regional partnerships and maintain a homeless services and housing delivery system, particularly for vulnerable populations including families and homeless youth.
6. Delivery of permanent housing and innovative solutions, such as hotel and motel conversions.
7. Prevention and shelter diversion including crisis resolution, mediation and conflict resolution, creative problem solving, connection to mainstream resources, and light-touch financial assistance that directly results in a housing solution.
8. New navigation centers and emergency shelters, with clients obtaining housing as the primary goal, based on demonstrated need.

On December 8, 2021, ICH adopted a HHAP fund distribution plan committing a minimum of 5% of SBC CoC HHAP Round 2 funds to each of the five San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership Regions with the remainder of available funding divided among the regions based on 2020 Point-in-Time Count data. ICH also allocated 5% of the HHAP Round 2 funds to support regional engagement activities for our CES, along with 8% for services dedicated to homeless youth and 7% for contract administration.

On March 17, 2022, OHS released a Request for Applications (RFA) seeking regional proposals for HHAP Round 2 funding with an original due date of April 7th that was later extended to April 22nd after several adjustments and corrections were made to the RFA. OHS did not receive an application for the 5% set-aside to support CES regional engagement activities. As such, \$72,656 of HHAP Round 2 funding for CES has yet to be allocated. Given the deadline to expend funds, the ICH Chair recommended the Outreach and CES Standing Committee make a recommendation to ICH to allocate the funds.

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