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EXHIBIT A

San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care (SBC CoC) 2023 HHAP-3 Regional Project Application Scoring Guidelines

The Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Round 3 (HHAP-3) Program funding provides local jurisdictions with funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges informed by a best-practice framework focused on moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and supporting the efforts of those individuals and families to maintain their permanent housing.

All HHAP Regional Project Applications will be reviewed by their respective **SBCHP Regional Steering Committee** which will submit their recommendations to the **Interagency Council on Homelessness** for final approval. All project applications will be reviewed and scored by the Regional Steering Committees based on the following:

- The extent to which the proposed project meets the CoC's HHAP-3 Project Application Eligibility threshold.
- The extent to which the proposed project aligns with the Strategies to Achieve Outcome Goals outlined in the CoC HHAP-3 Local Homelessness Action Plan.
- The extent to which the proposed project is for a HHAP-3 eligible use that will expend funds on evidence-based solutions that address and prevent homelessness among eligible populations – persons who are currently experiencing or at imminent risk of homelessness.
- The extent to which the proposed project addresses a priority activity and/or target population.
- The extent to which the proposed project aligns with CoC goals, strategies, and services, both short-term and long-term, to make the experience of homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring in San Bernardino County.

Housing First Emphasis (Pass or Fail)

- Does the proposed project conform to California and the CoC's Housing First policy? Yes or No
- Does the applicant organization emphasize housing first practices that include rapid placement and stabilization for housing permanency without service participation requirements or preconditions? Yes or No

A. Addressing Regional Needs & CoC Outcome Goals (30 points)

- The extent to which the proposed project addresses one or more of the Strategies to Achieve Outcome Goals outlined in the CoC HHAP-3 Local Homelessness Action Plan.
- The extent to which the proposed project addresses an identified Regional priority for eligible use of HHAP-3 funding, if applicable.
- The extent to which the proposed project addresses an identified or otherwise unmet Regional service need.
- The extent to which the Applicant has an existing service presence within the Region.

B. Project Focus (25 points)

- The extent to which the proposed project is for a HHAP-3 eligible use.
- The extent to which the proposed project helps to expand or develop regional capacity to address immediate homelessness challenges.
- The extent to which the proposed project applies a best-practice framework focused on moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and/or supporting the efforts of those individuals and families to maintain their permanent housing.
- The extent to which the proposed project will expend funds on evidence-based solutions that address and prevent homelessness among eligible populations.

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C. Coordination and Collaboration (20 points)

- The extent to which the proposed project supports regional coordination and collaboration to address immediate homelessness challenges.
- The extent to which the applicant will coordinate the proposed project activities through the CoC coordinated entry system and within the CoC homeless crisis response system structure.
- The extent to which the proposed project involves a multi-agency/entity collaboration.
- The extent to which the applicant leverages funding and resources in collaboration with other agencies/entities.

D. Experience and Capacity (25 points)

- The applicant's experience and capacity in providing similar services, the length and type of experience it has working with homeless service populations, the quality of programs/services it provides and the experience level of key staff.
- The applicant's ability and capacity to begin implementation of the proposed project upon HHAP-3 contract execution.
- The extent to which the applicant's proposed project supplements and does not supplant any current program funding.
- The applicant's ability and capacity to document, track and report eligible use of funds and measurable outcomes as required by the state.
- The applicant's proposed budget costs are adequate, efficient, and realistic to complete the project and meet proposed outcomes.