

# Meeting Agenda Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Wednesday, July 13, 2022 3:30pm-5pm

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Board Comments
- 3. CoC Staff Comments
- 4. Public Comments: Public Comment is an opportunity for the public to participate in public meetings by addressing the Ventura County Continuum of Care Board in connection with one or more agenda or non-agenda items. This meeting is subject to the Brown Act and public comments may be submitted by using one of the following options:

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**During the meeting:** Participants may use the chat function in zoom to indicate they would like to make a comment. Staff will call on participants during the public comment section of the meeting or during specific item following staff presentation of the item.

# **Continuum of Care Governance Board Business**

- 5. Approval of Board Minutes from June 8, 2022.
- 6. Authorization to Release a Request for Proposals for a Qualified Organization to Engage People with Lived Experience of Homelessness.
- 7. Authorization to Release a Request for Proposals for the State Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funding and Authorize Staff to Submit the State ESG Application to HCD.
- 8. Approval of Funding Recommendations for the California Homeless Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP) Round 3 Grant as Developed by the CoC Data Committee and Authorization for CoC Staff to Release a New Request for Proposals for HHAP-3 Youth Set-Aside Grant Funding.

- 9. Update on the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Special Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Notice of Funding Opportunity to Address Unsheltered Homelessness and Authorize Staff to Release a Request for Proposals.
- 10. Approve the Cancellation of the August 2022 VC CoC Board Meeting and Update the 2022 VC CoC Board Calendar.



## **Meeting Minutes**

Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Wednesday, June 8, 2022 3:30pm – 5 pm

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e)(1)(A) AND IN RESPONSE TO THE DECLARED STATE AND LOCAL EMERGENCIES DUE TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS AND LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER RECOMMENDATION REGARDING SOCIAL DISTANCING, THE VENTURA COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE IS HOLDING ALL BOARD, ALLIANCE AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS ELECTRONICALLY WHICH ARE ACCESSIBLE ONLINE VIA ZOOM WITH LINKS POSTED ON <a href="https://www.venturacoc.org">www.venturacoc.org</a> TO FIND OUT HOW TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT, SEE INFORMATION CONTAINED BELOW ON THIS AGENDA.

1. Call to Order - Dawn Dyer, CoC Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:31 pm

<u>Board Members</u>: Dawn Dyer, Susan Englund, Kevin Clerici, Michael Nigh, Ingrid Hardy, Manuel Minjares, Carolyn Briggs, Pam Marshall, Nancy Wharfield, Supervisor Carmen Ramirez, Dr. Sevet Johnson

Absent: Mara Malch, Emilio Ramirez

<u>Staff</u>: Felipe Flores, Alicia Morales-McKinney, Tracy McAuley, Jennifer Harkey, Christy Madden <u>Public Attendees</u>: Elizabeth Stone, Chris Russell, Denise Bickerstaff, Michael Dunn, J. Villa, Christy Ferguson, Rebecca Kofman

- 2. **Board Comments:** There were none.
- 3. <u>CoC Staff Comments:</u> Jenn Harkey, CoC Staff, informed the CoC Board that she made a presentation to the Ventura County Board of Supervisors (BOS) on the 2022 State of Homeless. She indicated that the BOS asked for a study session on homelessness to discuss gaps and needs. The BOS also asked that feedback and input be provided to the Ventura County CoC Board. Dr. Sevet Johnson, Interim County Executive Officer, reminded that Supervisor Matt Levere asked for the creation of a Task Force with everyone who is working on this cause to participate. Supervisor Levere also mentioned that "resolving homelessness is just as important as the need for water". Dawn Dyer, CoC Board Chair asked for examples of partners who could participate and Jenn named some examples. Ingrid Hardy, CoC Board Member asked if law enforcement would participate and Jenn confirmed they would.
- **4.** Public Comments: Elizabeth R. Stone asked for an update on the CoC Board Nomination Committee. Jenn reminded the group that there were 3 Board members working as the Nomination Committee and that several applications had been received. Jenn also indicated that these would be reviewed during the summer and the results of the review would be presented to the CoC Board upon completion. If applications are approved, the new Board members would be seated in January 2023.

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## **Continuum of Care Governance Board Business**

### 5. Approval of Board Minutes from May 11, 2022.

Carolyn Briggs moved to approve Meeting Minutes; Manuel Minjares was second; Michael Nigh and Dawn Dyer abstained. The balance of the Board was in favor.

# 6. Authorization to submit to the State of California Homeless, Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 3 application and budget by June 30, 2022.

Alicia Morales-McKinney, CoC Staff, presented all the background behind the application process for the Homeless, Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 3 grant funds. Alicia also mentioned that that the State allowed for grant application submittals while the local RFP is pending or in process. Adjustments to the budget can be made after awarding. She also highlighted that 10% of the requested funds must be set aside for Transitional-Aged Youth (TAY) and administrative costs have a cap of 7%. Supervisor Carmen Ramirez acknowledged Alicia's work in assembling the grant application and that funding is a challenge to keep programs going. Dr. Sevet Johnson asked about Program Outcomes and how many needed to be met. Alicia indicated there 6 and that these are similar to HUD's System Performance Metrics since the State is trying to align itself with these. Dr. Nancy Wharfield, recommended David Tovar participate on Outcome Goals and offered additional assistance. Alicia confirmed and shared that David is already a regular collaborator. Jenn acknowledged Alicia's good work since this is her 1st time with HHAP. Supervisor Ramirez asked what HHIP meant. Dr. Wharfield replied that it stands for Homelessness Housing and Initiatives Program. Jenn offered additional details on Outcomes and Dawn asked what the total amount of HHAP3 funds is being requested. Alicia confirmed that the amount being requested is \$4,829,424.30. Supervisor Carmen Ramirez moved to approve the application submittal. Dr. Wharfield was second; All in favor.

## 7. Receive an Update on the Ventura County Project Roomkey Transition Plan.

Jenn provided a general overview of the current Project Roomkey transition plan. Pam Marshall asked if seniors are also being served and Jenn confirmed. Jenn also shared that the County Executive Office (CEO) was looking at creative solutions for conversions to housing. Manuel Minjares asked how many Landlords have participated in the Landlord Engagement Program. Jenn replied that she did not have that data on hand but would later obtain and share it. Dawn also informed that the County had good success with PRK compared to other CoC's. Christy Madden, CoC Staff, further shared that there may be a gap in PRK funding since beginning 7/1/22, funding will be reduced to 90%. She further indicated that funding from the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) will cover the remaining 10%. However, if FEMA funding ends in September 2022 as assumed, then CDSS would fully cover costs until exhaustion. Based on informal calculations, Christy informed the CoC Board that remaining reserve funding would run through February 2023.

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#### **Closing comments**

Elizabeth R. Stone mentioned that she had heard a lot of reports that people are not making housing payments and is concerned that skill building may be necessary to maintain housing. Supervisor Ramirez asked Jenn to comment/confirm or if this is something for CEO or HSA. Dawn asked for clarification; if persons needed assistance to continue making payments or support in understanding the need to make housing payments. Elizabeth explained that people are aware of the need to make payments but do not have the skills to do so. Dr. Wharfield offered community Tenancy Sustaining Services to promote skills in sustain housing - aka in lieu of services. Jenn offered follow up with Dr. Wharfield and Elizabeth regarding this service. Chris Russell, Program Manager HSA, confirmed that Supportive Services is something that HSA does offer. HSA had not received funds before but things are now different than in the past. Pam Marshall asked if Michael Nigh if the Housing Authority of the County of Ventura supports Section-8 Housing. Michael replied that they do not perform on the social side of housing. Jenn further informed that the Emergency Housing Vouchers are another available resource and these are being prioritized when Supportive Services are offered. Pam shared that based on a friend's experience, the longer persons stay unhoused, the harder it is for them to stay housed. Susan Englund shared that through United Way's Landlord Engagement Program, clients are receiving 6 months of case management, including Landlords so they better understand client behaviors. Client retention is currently at 96%.

Next meeting is on July 13, 2022, at 3:30 pm. The CoC Board will be dark in August.

Dawn adjourned the meeting at 4:33 pm.

CoC Governance Board

**SUBJECT:** Authorization to Release a Request for Proposals for a Qualified Organization to Engage People with Lived Experience of Homelessness.

**BACKGROUND:** The Ventura County Continuum of Care (VC CoC) staff recently participated in technical assistance offered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through a series of community workshops. HUD offered three sessions of Equity Foundation workshops and six sessions of Partnering with People with Lived Experience (PLE) in homelessness. VC CoC staff were connected with Abt Associates to provide the HUD workshops and support our community through one-on-one sessions to develop an action plan. VC CoC staff reached out to local service providers and peer support staff to participate in these workshops.

The inclusion of experience and expertise of people who are currently or have experienced homelessness is essential to each community's response to homelessness and housing insecurity. HUD has encouraged Continuums of Care to "hold space" for those who are willing to share their lived experience. Holding space by providing unconditional support and actively seeking input from different perspectives can make a positive impact on our homelessness system.

**DISCUSSION:** VC CoC has been awarded FY2022-23 HUD CoC Planning Grant funds that can be used to develop community-wide processes to improve the quality and performance of our homelessness system. VC CoC staff are requesting authorization to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to contract with a qualified organization for a one-year grant term with \$95,000 in CoC Planning Grant funds, to engage PLE for the following activities:

- Organize a community workgroup for PLE to begin activities and hold space for discussion;
- Offer stipends to PLE who are willing to engage and offer input;
- Provide training to the VC CoC service providers on how to better engage with PLE;
- Debrief with PLE after community meetings for feedback;
- Offer mentoring opportunities for PLE through peer support;
- Attend VC CoC committee meetings to provide input;
- Report back to the VC CoC Board with recommendations.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** 1) Authorize VC CoC staff to release a Request for Proposals for a qualified organization to engage people with lived experience; and 2) Approve \$95,000 in VC CoC Planning Grant funds to be allocated for the PLE engagement activities.

#### CoC Governance Board

**SUBJECT:** Authorization to Release of a Request for Proposals for the California Housing & Community Development (HCD) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funding and Authorize Staff to Submit the State ESG Application to HCD by the Deadline of August 17, 2022.

**BACKGROUND:** The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) on June 13, 2022, for State Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding with applications due to the State on August 17, 2022. This program funding will be awarded to administrative entities of the Continuum of Care (CoC) through the HCD application process. A resolution must be approved by the County Board of Supervisors to authorize the County to administer the funds as the Administrative Entity (AE). VC CoC staff submitted a board letter and resolution for review and approval by the Board of Supervisors on July 12, 2022.

ESG funds may be used for four primary acīviīes: Street Outreach, Rapid Re-Housing, Emergency Shelter, and Homelessness Prevention. In addition, ESG funds may be used for associated Homeless Management Informaion System (HMIS) costs, up to ten percent, and administrative activities for sub recipients. A minimum of 40% of the allocation must be used for Rapid Rehousing activities. This program funding is subject to the ESG federal regulations established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

**DISCUSSION:** Total anticipated funding to be awarded to the CoC for FY2022-23 State ESG is \$146,267 with a minimum of \$56,785 (40%) for Rapid Re-Housing activities. VC CoC staff will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to the full CoC Alliance and Stakeholders with applications due by August 5, 2022. The CoC Data Evaluation and Performance Committee will meet on August 11, 2022, to review the project proposals and make funding recommendations for the State ESG application due to HCD by August 17, 2022. A proposed local timeline is below:

State ESG NOFA Release Date	June 13, 2022			
Board of Supervisors Resolution	July 12, 2022			
VC CoC Board Authorizes RFP	July 13, 2022			
Request for Proposals (RFP) Posted	July 14, 2022			
Proposals Due to VC CoC Staff	August 5, 2022			
VC CoC Data Committee Review & Ranking	August 11, 2022			
State ESG Application Submitted to HCD	August 17, 2022			
VC CoC Board Budget Review and Approval	September 14, 2022			

**RECOMMENDATIONS**: 1) Authorize VC CoC staff to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the State Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funding; and 2) Authorize Staff to Submit the State ESG Application to HCD by the Deadline of August 17, 2022.

#### CoC Governance Board

**SUBJECT:** Approval of recommendations for California Homeless Housing & Assistance Program (HHAP) Round 3 grant funding as developed by the CoC Data, Performance & Evaluation Committee and Authorization for CoC staff to release a new Request for Proposals (RFP) for HHAP-3 youth set aside grant funding.

**BACKGROUND:** On May 11, 2022, the VC CoC Board approved priorities for HHAP Round 3 funding. VC CoC staff released the HHAP-3 Requests for Proposals on May 12, 2022, with applications due on June 10, 2022. VC CoC staff applied to the California Interagency Council of Homelessness for the combined CoC and County allocation of \$4,829,424.30 by the deadline of June 30, 2022. Awards will be announced within 90 days of receiving the completed application.

In response to the RFP, proposals for HHAP-3 funds were received in all funding categories except for the required youth set-aside allocation of 10%, Homeless Prevention and Shelter Improvements. The VC CoC Data Committee reviewed the staff analysis of the proposals received and made funding recommendations based on the ranking of the top five CoC priorities, which includes Delivery of Permanent Housing, Operational Subsidies, Prevention & Shelter Division, Rapid Rehousing and Interim Sheltering. Funding considerations were not able to be made for the youth set aside allocation of 10% (\$482,942.43) due to no proposals received addressing youth homelessness. VC CoC staff are requesting to release a new HHAP-3 RFP specifically for the youth set-aside allocation.

The chart below shows the proposals recommended for funding. Several proposals were not considered for funding for various reasons, including incomplete applications and duplication of existing services.

#### **HHAP Round 3 Funding Recommendations**

Eligible Activity	Funding Amount Up to \$4,829,424.30	Applications Received						
Delivery of Permanent Housing	Recommended funding Total: \$1,876,700.00	Recommended For Funding  Human Services Agency Silver  Linings Project	\$1,876,700.00					

Interim Sheltering	Recommended funding Total: \$1,590,000.00	Recommended for Funding  Spirit of Santa Paula Shelter  HCA Whole Person Care Recuperative Care	\$90,000.00 \$1,500,000.00
Operating Subsidies	Recommended funding Total: \$358,576.17	Recommended for Funding  Mercy House- Housing  Navigation/ Location Services	Recommended Amount: \$358,576.17
Rapid Rehousing	Recommended funding Total: \$183,146.00	Recommended For Funding  Turning Point Foundation Rapid Rehousing Program	Recommended Amount \$183,146.00
Youth 10% Allocation	\$482,942.43 (pending RFP)	No specific applications received for staff recommend a new HHAP-3 you	•
Admin 7% Allocation	Recommended funding Total: \$338,059.70	Grant Administration for HHAP acti	ivities.
Total	\$4,829,424.30	Total recommendations: \$4,829,4	24.30

# **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1. Approve VC CoC Data Committee recommendations for California Homeless Housing & Assistance Program (HHAP) Round 3 grant funding.
- 2. Authorize VC CoC Staff to submit a HHAP-3 budget modification to the State to align with the final VC CoC Board recommendations.
- 3. Authorize VC CoC Staff to open a new Request for Proposals for the HHAP-3 youth set-aside 10% allocation.

#### 2022 California Interagency Council on Homelessness

#### Homeless Housing and Prevention Program (HHAP-3) Funding

Rank Applicant	Project Title	Service Area	Activity Type & Priority #	Proposed Beneficiaries	HHAP-3 RFP Request	Requested Budget	Project Description	State HHAP-3 Committee Funding Recommendation	Total Leveraged Funding	Cost Efficiency for 12-months	State HHAP-3 Funding Proposal	CoC Data Committee Recommendations/ Staff Notes
97 Human Service Agency	s PSH Silver Linings	Countywide	P1. Delivery of Permanent Housing	20 in PSH		month in Rental Assistance		\$1,876,700.00	\$0	Although the applicant has other available grants, there are no specific funds leveraged for this project.	\$1,876,700.00	addressed FTE cost as a lower percentage. Committee Recommendations: is there a 30% cost to potential beneficiaries? Prioritization policy will be utlized for this application. Provisional budget at lower threshold.
96 Turning Point Foundation	Homeless 2 Home Rapid Rehousing	Countywide	P4. Rapid Re- Housing	40 in Rapid Rehousing	\$227,484	for rental assistance (1-12 months, security deposits, moving costs, last months rent,	The project will provide security deposits, rental assistance, utility assistance, application fees, and moving costs for permanent housing placement. Longer term rental subsidies would be offered up to 12 months with case management to ensure housing retention and stabilization. Goals: 40 homeless persons will receive housing search and location services 2) 40 homeless persons will obtain permanent housing 3) 40 homeless persons will obtain permanent housing 4) 80% of homeless persons who have recently obtained permanent housing will maintain their housing for at least six months with most maintain housing for a year or more. 5) Reduce the length of time persons are experiencing homelessness by moving persons from the streets or shelters to permanent housing as quickly as possible. 6) Stabilize income of RRH clients: assist with securing income sources and/or benefits through benefits enrollment including SSI, SSDI, retirement and VA benefits, connecting them to employment training and employment opportunities.	\$183,146.17	\$162,700	Leveraged funds from HUD CoC RRH. Cost per beneficiary is 59,755. Once HHAP funds are expended, HUD CoC and ESG grants would be utilized for RRH.	\$183,146.00	Recommendation: provisional budget at a reduced rate.
94 HCA-Whole Person Care	East Ventura County Recuperative Care Project	Countywide	P5. Interim Sheltering	240 in Interim sheltering (RCP)			Funding is requested for 30 beds and food/living essentials for the 24-month project period. Goal: \$1,876,700.00	\$1,500,000.00		WPC will leverage existing CAL Aim staff, GCP for 1 RN and use ESG dollars for 1 community services Coordinator. combination of funding streams to sustain the project when the grant term ends. Dollars for staffing include budget from GCHCP HHIP \$6,176,816. Cost per beneficiary is \$11,419.00.	\$1,500,000.00	Committee question: address the motel model. Would be deemed a non congregate shelter model. Recommendations: provisional budget update at a lower threshold.
91 Mercy House	Emergency Shelter System Enhancements	Oxnard/Vento	u P2. Operating Subsidies	215 in Operating Subsidies (100 for housing navigation)	\$666,076	\$307,500 for staff costs, \$358,576 for housing navigation/location services for shelter clients specifically.	Hire additional shelter specialists for day to day operations. 3.5 (FTE). Hire Housing navigation and location services 1FTE Housing Manager, 1 FTE Leasing Agency, Goals: increase positive exits from the shelter by 40-50% over the next two years. target to have clients exit the program within 40 days with 80-85% percent exiting to permanent housing. Clients to exit the shelter within 40 days, we will aim for 95% of our shelter clients to be able to retain	\$358,576.00	\$5,307,157	Mercy house is working on becoming a Medi-Cal provider under the new CalOptima Cal-Aim program initiative. Cost per beneficiary is 3,098.03.	\$358,576.17	Recommendations: Provisional approval of reduced amount, seeking clarification regarding strategies to meet goals.
90 Spirit of Santa Paula	Interim Sheltering	Santa Paula/Fillmor	P5. Interim e Sheltering	150 in interim sheltering	\$90,000	\$90,000 for staff costs	The project intends to serve 150 individuals over a 3-year grant term through a 49 bed shelter. Goals: 10% will enter PH, this is well below the HUD threshold of 80%	\$90,000.00	\$670,000	Leveraged funds includes \$670,000 from multiple sources. The cost per beneficiary for this project (Total funds / proposed beneficiaries) is \$2,367. Once HHAP funds are expended, CDBG, EFSP and ESG would be pursued for ongoing grant sources.	\$90,000.00	Recommendations: Approved for full amount. Staffing to support exits to permanent housing.
							Youth Set-Aside (at lease 10%)*	482,942.43			482,942.43	
							Grant Administration (7%)**	\$338,059.70			\$338,060	
							TOTAL Allocation:	\$4,829,424.30			\$4,829,424.30	

<sup>\*</sup> HHAP-3 funding requires at least 10% of funding (482,942.43) be dedicated to projects serving homeless youth or youth at risk of homelessness (unaccompanied youth up to 24)

<sup>\*\*</sup> For any remaining initial funds not spent on the recipient's homelessness action plan or systems improvement, the recipient shall expend funds on existing evidence-based programs serving people experiencing homelessness among eligible populations, including any of the eligible uses outlined below under "Use of Remainder Disbursement".

## 2022 Ventura County Continuum of Care Request for Proposals Review and Ranking

#### Homeless Housing and Prevention Program (HHAP-3) Funding

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90	Turning Point Foundation	Our Place Safe Haven	Countywide	P5. Interim Sheltering	88 in Interim Sheltering	\$227,939	\$82,388 for Facility operations \$20,000 for non staff costs	The shelter aligns with a low barrier, Housing First, trauma informed , approach. Goals: Link 90% of OPSH clients, prior to exit, to appropriate county or private medical and mental health services. Stabilize 80% of OPSH clients' income sources by connecting them to appropriate public benefit programs, employment training and employment opportunities prior to exiting the program. Obtain appropriate permanent housing or positive housing situations for 60% of homeless persons exiting the program.		\$349,381	Leveraged funds from multiple source. Cost per beneficiary is \$4,556. Once HHAP funds are expended, CDBG, ESG and private funding would be pursued for ongoing grant sources.		
90	Salvation Army	Hope Center Emergency Shelter Program	Countywide	P2. Operating Subsidies	45 in Emergency Shelter	\$235,952		The project will provide operating subsidies and cover staffing costs for 1 operations manager, 3 shift monitors. Goals: No quantifiable outcome goals noted.			leveraged funds noted: individual donors and other private funding sources, those include FEMA/Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP), HUD Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) through the County, and Salvation Army internal funds/contributions Cost per beneficiary is \$5,818.84.		

89	Turning Point Foundation	Our Place Safe Countywide Haven	P2. Operating Subsidies	88 in Operating Subsidies	\$189,939	(housing navigation specific to shelter), \$80,000 for staff costs and \$32,571 for housing relocation services	The shelter aligns with a low barrier, Housing First, trauma informed approach. Goals: Link 90% of OPSH clients, prior to exit, to appropriate county or private medical and mental health services. Stabilize 80% of OPSH clients' income sources by connecting them to appropriate public benefit programs, employment training and employment opportunities prior to exiting the program. Obtain appropriate permanent housing or positive housing situations for 60% of homeless persons exiting the program.	Ş	Leveraged funds from multiple source. Cost per beneficiary is \$4,556. Once HHAP funds are expended, CDBG, ESG and private funding would be pursued for ongoing grant sources.  Leverage funds noted: individual donors and	
89	Salvation Army	Ventura County  Countywide  Outreach Program	P9. Street Outreach	600	\$234,625	Outreach Case Manager,	Salvation Army is planning to expand SO service countywide to include underserved areas including Moorpark, Fillmore, Simi Valley, etc. including weekend and evening SO hours. Goal: 40% of households engaged through street outreach will enter a permanent housing or supportive housing placement.		Leverage tunds noted: individual donors and other private funding sources. cost per beneficiary is \$391.04	
88	HCA-Whole Person Care	East Ventura County Countywide Street Outreach Project	P9. Street Outreach	2,690 in Street Outreach	\$1,233,588	SO) and non staff costs for transportation and technology	The project's aims are to provide outreach, with expanded evening and weekend hours, and case management services starting at intake to at least 448 children, adults, and families who live on the streets and in East County encampments. Goal: permanent housing solutions for at least 25% of those who are provided case management. focused navigation to support at least 45% of participants with their plans to secure immediate shelter. The length of time persons remain homeless will be reduced by at least 24%	\$:	Leveraged funds combination of funding streams to sustain the project when the grant term ends.	
	Port Hueneme Polici Department		P9. Street Outreach	1,000	\$30,000	(hygiene kits)	PHPD is planning to assist 1,000 individuals over the span of 4 years. That is 20.8 individuals per month. Expand services to PH and connect with all LEAs across the county to provide hygiene kits. Goal: No quantifiable outcome goals noted.		Leveraged funds include Marijuana Industry and PH City Council. Cost per beneficiary is \$48.08	
84	Lutheran Social Services	Rapid Rehousing Countywide Expansion	P4. Rapid Re- Housing	50 in Rapid Rehousing		and partial costs for existing staff-2 Case managers, 1 program coordinator, 1 program manager, 1 program	LSS will use HHAP funds to provide HH experiencing homelessness with flexible Rapid Rehousing rental subsidies. HHs will be eligible to receive financial subsidies for a period of 48-months. Goal: no quantifiable targets were established in the application.		Leveraged funds noted from private funding. Cost per beneficiary= \$13,086.36. (seeking clarification on the # of beneficiaries to be served).	
84	United Way VC	Landlord Countywide Engagement Program	P6. Coordinated Entry Systems Supports	40 in Housing Navigation and Housing Retention			75 homeless households with short-term and medium-term rental assistance and stabilization. Goal: 80% will move into permanent housing at exit.	•	Leveraged funds: private funding. Cost per beneficiary= \$6,250	
	City of Ventura	Homeless Services Ventura Proactive Outreach Worker Program	P9. Street Outreach	Outreach		and PLE)	Expand street outreach in Ventura with hours extending into nights and weekends. Goal: no quantifiable targets were established in the application.		Leveraged funds: City and County for sustainability, cost per beneficiary is \$365. Once HHAP funds are expended, CDBG, ESG and private funding would be pursued for ongoing grant sources.	
	HCA-VCBH	VCBH Dedicated Countywide Housing Team Pilot	P7. Services Coordination	3,000 in PSH		FTE), non staff costs \$326,090 essential services.	The project will provide ongoing supportive services, perform property management engagement, unit inspections and work continuously with other service providers for improved service coordination. The project intends to serve 107 households in new PSH units over a 3-year grant term. This will increase the capacity of the supportive services team by adding 3 full-time, 3-year fixed term Community Services Coordinator (CSC) positions. Goal: no quantifiable targets were established in the application.		Leveraged funds includes Mental Health Supportive Services. Project amount requested is \$1,750,239. Leveraged funds includes \$173,745 from Mental Health Supportive Services. The cost per beneficiary for this project (Total funds / proposed beneficiaries) is \$11,318. Once HHAP funds are expended, Cal-Aim and MHSA funds can be utilized. Cal-Aim housing support will be a	
80	Spirit of Santa Paula	Santa Clara Valley Santa Street Outreach Paula/Fillmore	P9. Street Outreach	180 in Street Outreach	\$45,000	\$45,000 for staff costs	reducing the length of time persons remain homeless by 15% and increasing successful placements from street outreach by 20% will need to added into the goals		Project amount requested is \$45,000. Leveraged funds includes \$32,495 from multiple sources. Once HHAP funds are expended, CDB6, EFSP and ESG would be pursued for ongoing grant sources. The cost per beneficiary for this project (Total funds / proposed beneficiaries) is \$430.	
79	Gold Coast Veteran Foundation	Mobile Veterans Countywide Outreach (MVO)	P9. Street Outreach	100 in Street Outreach	\$177,145	\$133,596 for staff costs to	Expand street outreach services to include weekend and evenings. 100 homeless households will be served. Goal: 85% will move into permanent housing at exit.	S	Match includes: • Amgen Foundation, • Gene HAAS Foundation: \$25,000 (secured) • Silicon Valley Community Foundation: \$15,000 (secured) • Meadowlark Service League: \$22,000 (secured) • Johnny Carson Foundation: \$5,000 (secured) Cost per beneficiary is \$1,784.24	

77	Project Understanding		P3. Homeless Prevention and Diversion	100	\$648,000		Applicant proposes providing rental assistance to at-risk families. Beneficiaries would be identified through outreach		Once HHAP funds are expended, other sources of funding will be sought out to continue the project. The cost per beneficiary for this project (Total funds/proposed beneficiaries) is \$8,233.		
77	Project Understanding	Homeless 2 Home: Countywide Housing Now	P5. Interim Sheltering	20-30 families in interim sheltering	\$541,000		Project Understanding intends to use funds for 4 units of interim housing in the form of purchasing camper trailers that will serve as temporary housing.		Once HHAP funds are expended, other sources of funding will be sought out to continue the project. The cost per beneficiary for this project (Total		
						staff costs (capital/infrastructure), \$33,000 for facility costs (upkeep and utilities)			funds/proposed beneficiaries) is \$7,764 (based on 100 beneficiaries, not 125).		
77	Turning Point Foundation	Street Outreach Ventura	P9. Street Outreach		\$68,000	essential services)	expanded outreach services, evening, weekends. Goal: no quantifyiable goals set. Program to work toward decreasing LOT and increase positive outcomes.		Project amount requested is 68,000, leveraged funds include multiple funding sources. Cost per beneficiary is not determined, this is dependent on # of beneficiarys to be served.		
Withdrew		Samaritan Center Simi Valley Homeless	P3. Homeless Prevention and	120	\$504,000	\$168,000 for rental assistance,	Sam Center is planning to assist 120 individuals with HP services,		Leveraged funding include; Individual Donors, Foundations, and Faith based organizations that		
6/21/22		Prevention Initiative	Diversion			remainig for non staff costs inlcuding moving costs, medical expenses, car repairs, depostis.			may contribute to the future of this project. Cost per beneficiary is \$3,916.66.		
							Youth Set-Aside (at lease 10%)	482,942.43		482,942.43	
							Grant Administration (7%)	\$338,059.70		\$338,060	
				TOTAL Requested:	\$12,628,046		TOTAL Recommended:	\$4,829,424.30		\$4,829,424.30	

CoC Governance Board

**SUBJECT:** Update on the U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Special Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Notice of Funding Opportunity to Address Unsheltered Homelessness and Authorize Staff to Release a Request for Proposals (RFP).

**DISCUSSION:** The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Continuums of Care (CoC) to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness. Delineated in the NOFO, the Ventura County Continuum of Care (VC CoC) qualifies under the unsheltered homelessness set aside for a maximum award of \$4,295,175. This NOFO supports a highly vulnerable population by identifying people in unsheltered situations, including encampments, and connects them with health and housing resources. Projects under this NOFO must use a Housing First approach and reduce the length of time people experience homelessness. Applications are due to HUD no later than October 20, 2022.

HUD is also emphasizing system and program changes to address equity within CoCs by addressing the needs of subpopulations who are disproportionally more likely to experience homelessness. CoCs should review their strategies to support and serve underserved communities, identify barriers that led to any disparities in the communities and take steps to eliminate barriers.

The eligible program components under this HUD NOFO include Permanent Housing, Supportive Services Only and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). The grant term to complete the acquisition, new construction or rehabilitation activities for permanent housing projects is up to 2 years. The initial grant term for all other projects will be 3 years. CoCs will be required to demonstrate a comprehensive community approach to reduce homelessness.

VC CoC staff plan to request proposals by September 2, 2022, request the VC CoC Data Committee to review and rank by September 9, 2022, and return to the VC CoC Board with the funding recommendations for review and approval on September 14, 2022.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Authorize VC CoC staff to release a Request for Proposals to address unsheltered homelessness in Ventura County.

CoC Governance Board

**SUBJECT:** Approve the Cancellation of the August 2022 VC CoC Board Meeting and Update the 2022 VC CoC Board Calendar

Date	Location
July 13, 2022	Remote on Zoom
August 10, 2022	NO MEETING
September 14, 2022	Remote on Zoom
October 12, 2022	Remote on Zoom
November 9, 2022	Remote on Zoom
December 14, 2022	NO MEETING

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the cancellation of the August 2022 meeting and updated 2022 VC CoC Board calendar.