Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan

HOMELESS HOUSING, ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION (HHAP) ROUND 5

CoC, Counties, Cities Planning Meeting | January 18, 2024

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Agenda

❖ Introductions

❖ HHAP-5 Summary

❖ Schedule and Next Steps

❖ Questions or Comments

Introductions

HousingTools

❖ Sherry Morgado, Community Development Manager

❖ Cassie Miracle, Community Development Project Manager

❖ Sareena Rai, Community Development Planner

❖ Housing Tools helped the NorCal Continuum of Care (CoC) submit it's HHAP-3 application and prepared a County-level follow up report using HHAP-3 data. We have also worked separately with individual counties in the CoC with NPLH, PLHA and other funding sources

❖ Please place your name and your agency you represent in the Zoom Chat

HHAP-5 Overview

❖The Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 5 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was published Sept 29, 2023.

❖Eligible applicants are the 44 Continuums of Care, 58 counties, and 14 large cities with populations over 300,000.

❖This grant program provides local jurisdictions with flexible funding to continue efforts to improve regional and systems coordination to prevent and end homelessness in their communities.

❖HHAP-5 requires three public meetings, a Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan (Plan), a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), and a Funding Plan or Plans (if counties apply to administer their own funds with the State)

Format

❖ Cal ICH (California Interagency Council on Homelessness) has provided a template which constitutes the HHAP-5 Plan/Application.

❖ It consists of a series of tables that focus on both quantitative and qualitative data.

❖ The NorCal CoC Plan/Application is intended to be a joint application for the CoC and each of the seven counties. Per Cal ICH instructions, counties must apply as part of a regional application with the CoC. In a multi-county CoC, counties are strongly encouraged to apply in collaboration with other counties served by the same CoC.

❖ While counties must be a signatory to the Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan, and the MOU, counties can choose to receive their County allocations directly from the State as their own Administrative Entity.

Allocations

Continuum of Care Allocation: $3,625,173.51

County Allocations:

Del Norte: $957,459.26

Lassen: $184,869.66

Modoc: $37,249.86

Plumas: $184,869.66

Shasta: $1,397,559.41

Sierra: $16,555.55

Siskiyou: $699,469.52

Eligible Uses

❖ HHAP-5 funds can be used to support activities that fall within three main buckets:

  ❖ Permanent housing

  ❖ Interim housing (no new Interim Housing projects unless approved by Cal ICH)

  ❖ Service provision and systems support

❖ There is a required 10% youth set-aside.

❖ Administrative costs are capped at 7%, and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) costs are capped at 1%.

Plan Requirements

❖ Participating Jurisdictions' Roles and Responsibilities

❖ System Performance Measures and Improvement Plan

❖ Equity Improvement Plan

❖ Plan to Reduce the Number of People Experiencing Homelessness Upon Exiting an Institutional Setting

❖ Plan to Utilize Local, State, and Federal Funds to End Homelessness

❖ Plan to Connect People Experiencing Homelessness to All Eligible Benefit Programs

Participating Jurisdictions' Roles and Responsibilities and How Efforts are Coordinated

❖ Outreach and Site Coordination

❖ Land Use and Development

❖ Development of Interim and Permanent Housing Options

❖ Coordination of and Connection to Service Delivery

System Performance Measures and Improvement Plan

❖Identify System Performance Measures for the Region (provided by Cal ICH)

❖Describe key actions the region intends to take to improve each System Performance Measure

◦ Strategic initiatives or key steps. Can be policy, program, partnership, target metric or other approach which reflects an improvement delivering positive impact. Must describe intended outcome.

◦ Lead Entity which will manage the action

◦ Collaborating entities

◦ Timeframe

◦ Success measure method

System Performance Measures (SPMs)

❖System Performance Measures (SPMs) are a series of metrics developed by Cal ICH. These metrics are used by CoCs in the HHAP Plan/Application.

❖The SPM data comes from the State's Homeless Data Integration System (HDIS), which processes data from the 44 CoC Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS).

❖As part of the HHAP-3 Plan/Application in 2022, the NorCal CoC region set Outcome Goals and Strategies to Achieve Outcome Goals using input from the CoC Executive Board and members. The SPM data for HHAP-5 provides insight on the progress the region has made thus far and will be used to help plan the new Key Actions.

HHAP-3 Outcome Goals & Progress

System Performance Measure	HHAP-3		HHAP-5	
	Calendar Year (CY) 2020 Data	Goal	Calendar Year 2022 Data	Percent Change from CY 2020
1a – Number of people accessing services who are experiencing homelessness	1,473	12% increase	2,526	71% increase
1b – Number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness	1,023	4.74% increase*	1,096	7% increase
2 – Number of people accessing services who are experiencing homelessness for the first time	991	6% increase	1,473	49% increase
3 – Number of people exiting homelessness into permanent housing	492	13% increase	676	37% increase

*Note: Rather than decreases from baseline, these small increases were deemed to reverse the upward trends that had been experienced in recent years.

HHAP-3 Outcome Goals & Progress

System Performance Measure	HHAP-3		HHAP-5	
	Calendar Year (CY) 2020 Data	Goal	Calendar Year 2022 Data	Percent Change from CY 2020
4 – Average length of time persons remain homeless after entering the Coordinated Entry System	126 days	36.8% increase*	138 days	9% increase
5 – Percent of people who return to homelessness within six months of exiting to permanent housing	6%	-1% change point	3%	-2.93% point change
6 – Number of people with successful placements from street outreach	2	100% increase (to 25 people)	73	3550% increase

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Equity Improvement Plan

❖Identify and describe key actions the region will take to ensure racial and gender equity in:
- o Service Delivery
- o Housing Placements
- o Housing Retention
- o Changes to Procurement or Other Means to Affirm Equitable Access to Housing and Services for Groups Over-Represented Among Residents Experiencing Homelessness

❖Identify Lead Entity and Collaborating Entities

Plan to Reduce # of People Experiencing Homelessness Upon Exiting an Institutional Setting

❖Key Actions relating to exits from:

◦ Jail

◦ Prison

◦ Hospital

◦ Other Institutional Settings

❖Lead and Collaborating Entities

Plan to Utilize Local, State and Federal Funds to End Homelessness

❖Must include but not limited to:

- Homekey
- No Place Like Home
- Multifamily Housing Program
- Housing for a Healthy California
- Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program
- Building Homes and Jobs Act
- California Emergency Solutions Grant
- National Housing Trust Fund
- HOME Investment Partnerships Program
- Parolee or Probation programs intended to prevent homelessness upon release

Plan to Connect People Experiencing Homelessness to All Eligible Benefit Programs

❖Connection strategies for:

- CalWORKs

- CalFresh

- SSI/SSP and Disability Benefits Advocacy

- IHSS

- Adult Protective Services

- Child Welfare

- Childcare

- Medi-Cal Benefits through Managed Care Plans

- Other

❖Lead and Collaborating Entities

Round 5 Compared to Rounds 1-4

❖HHAP-5 has unique requirements compared to the previous four rounds.
  ❖Three public meetings
  ❖Regionally Coordinated Homeless Action Plan (Plan)
  ❖Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that incorporates the Plan
  ❖The CoC and Counties are required signatories to the Plan and MOU. Cities are optional signatories
  ❖In order to receive supplemental disbursements of HHAP-5 funds (slated to be made available in 2026, with info published in 2025), each County must have signed onto an approved RCHAP and have a State approved and compliant Housing Element

Schedule and Next Steps

Date	Activity
January 18th	CoC, Counties and Cities Planning Meeting *(today)*
January 31st	Public Meeting #1
February 8th	Public Meeting #2
February 22nd	Public Meeting #3
Late January to early February	Housing Tools Individual Meetings with Counties (as needed)
Late January to late February	Housing Tools Prepares RCHAP and Application Using Feedback from Meetings
Late February to early March	CoC Board Will Review RCHAP and Application
March	Counties' Governing Body Meetings to Adopt Plan and Approve MOU
No Later than March 27th	Submit HHAP-5 Plan/Application to Cal ICH via Online Submission Platform*

*Note: After submittal, Cal ICH has 90 days in which to review the submitted plan/application, request amendments, or approve application and issue award notice.

Thank You

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

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