



Agenda Items The following items are presented for informational, consent, and discussion purposes.

Item No.	Informational Items	
1	Homeless Students in San Bernardino County - Brenda Dowdy, Homeless Education Program Specialist, Superintendent of County Schools (10 minutes)	10:40 – 10:50 am
2	What’s Working: Ending Homelessness and Reducing Recidivism Through Employment and Housing Innovations – Philip Mangano, President/CEO, American Round Table to Abolish Homelessness (45 minutes)	10:50 – 11:35 am
Consent Items		
3	BAM Committee Recommendations (5 minutes)	11:35 – 11:40 am
Discussion Items		
4	No Items	
Closing		11:40 am – 12:00 pm

Public Comment Open to the public for comments limited to three minutes

Council Roundtable Open to comments by the Council

Next ICH Meeting The next Interagency Council on Homelessness meeting is scheduled for:

Thursday, April 26, 2012
9:00 am – 11:00 am
Department of Behavioral Health, Training Institute
1950 S. Sunwest Lane, Suite 200-Rooms Suoi and Agasga
San Bernardino, CA 92408

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) 252-4001 AND THE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT 1950 S. SUNWEST LN., STE 200, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92408. <http://hss.sbcounty.gov/sbchps/>

Minutes for San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership Interagency Council on Homelessness

February 29, 2012
9:00 am – 11:00 am
Department of Behavioral Health-Training Institute
1950 South Sunwest Lane, Suite 200
San Bernardino, CA 92408

Minutes Recorded and Transcribed by Jennifer Pacheco, Secretary I, Office of Homeless Services

TOPIC	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Call to Order	Josie Gonzales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The meeting was called to order at 9:04 am.
Introductions	Josie Gonzales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Introductions were made by all ICH Members. Guests were also invited to introduce themselves.
Presentation of Minutes	Josie Gonzales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Minutes were accepted as presented.
REPORTS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Homeless Provider Network	Tom Hernandez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The last HPN Meeting took place on Wednesday, February 15, 2012. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Myeisha Gamino and Cherry Perez of JPMorgan Chase Foundation presented on their grant program as well as their loan program. ▪ Karyn Martin and Tracylynn Sharrit presented about the Second Harvest Food Bank. The Food Bank has been in service for over 31 years providing food to both San Bernardino and Riverside Counties. The ladies spoke of participation, costs, and application requirements. For more information, please contact 951-359-4757. ▪ Doug Fazekas spoke regarding the Housing Policy Advisory Committee (HPAC). They are currently working on two affordable housing projects funded by MHSA, Las Terrazas in Colton and Leuven Villas in Loma Linda. The Las Terrazas is a family unit project while Leuven Villas is for senior living. ▪ Angela Pasco of New Hope Village provided a presentation on her agency and its success. New Hope Village has an 80% program success rate. The city of Barstow has leased two houses to New Hope Village for \$1 a year for 50 years. ▪ Ricardo Forbes of Central City Lutheran Mission spoke regarding their homeless programs. They have a cold weather shelter which will house approximately 65 individuals nightly as well as a permanent housing program for individuals with AIDS. ▪ The HMIS Update from Teri Blum-Johnston provided information on submittal of the AHAR report. Providers were encouraged to provide adequate and correct information into the HMIS. ▪ The Funding Subcommittee Chair is open for nominations. The vote will take place at the next meeting on March 21, 2012.

Homeless Provider Network <i>cont.</i>	Tom Hernandez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maribel Nunez of California Partnership discussed the low-income healthcare program new to the county, ArrowCare during public comment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ms. Haugan suggested the HPN include a presentation from the county regarding ArrowCare at the next HPN meeting to provide more information. ▪ The San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools will be hosting a clothing drive on March 2, 2012. For clothes donation, gift certificates will be given to schools to support homeless children. Please contact Brenda Dowdy to participate.
Office of Homeless Services	Tom Hernandez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The ICH members were provided with the OHS Report as a hand out with attachments. (Copies are available upon request). All information can also be found at www.sbcounty.gov/SBCHP. ▪ The Office of Homeless Services has been working with Community Development and Housing on the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Substantial Amendment to get additional funds allocated from the federal government down to the county. HUD is now requiring more cooperation with the local lead continuum of care agency, OHS. A plan was developed on HPRP and target areas. The best practices will be developed and incorporated into the 2nd allocation of ESG program design. ▪ The CoC Check-Up is a voluntary internal review survey which San Bernardino County is participating in. The CoC HEARTH Readiness Results meeting was held on February 21, 2012. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ San Bernardino County scored high on the CoC primary decision making group (ICH) and related committees have active and diverse membership. San Bernardino County has a strategic plan, 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness, to prevent and end homelessness in the CoC. And the CoC as a whole has sufficient knowledge and capacity to provide housing and services. ▪ HUD recommended the CoC include more participation from landlords, private philanthropic agencies, academic research institutions, and consumer participation. Two areas of concern included providing adequate funding for HMIS and persons that experience homelessness have difficulty navigating through the CoC system. The CoC will work toward correcting these concerns. ▪ OHS is currently in the process of writing an action plan based on these results. The survey was primarily for the use of the CoC as a basis to measure and set goals. ▪ The City of Upland Homeless Count took place on February 22, 2012. The event was a wonderful success with about 40 volunteers. Upland is about 16 square miles. Only areas in which homeless were known to be were counted. Preliminary number is upwards of 150. Surveys will also be done on March 2, 2012. ▪ The Office of Homeless Services has developed a San Bernardino City Food Distribution List. Copies of the attachment are available upon request and were given out at the meeting. OHS plans to do a food distribution list for all cities within San Bernardino County. All lists will be posted at www.sbcounty.gov and regularly updated. Please disseminate. ▪ The San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership has received several donations recently for its providers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quilted Hugs donated over 20,000 blankets and sheets to homeless service providers

Office of Homeless Services <i>cont.</i>	Tom Hernandez	<p>throughout the county.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hanes donated six pallets of clothing and undergarments which 26 providers received. Over 5,000 individuals were served by this donation and OHS hopes this will be a yearly donation. ▪ Kellogg's donated six pallets of reusable canvas bags to be given out at upcoming project connects and the Point-In-Time Count. ▪ The Public Health PRPP donated one pallet of Meals Ready to Eat, which is 396 meals, which do not expire until 2017. ▪ The Morongo Basin Haven is looking to open a homeless resource center in the Yucca Valley area. They were given a building to use and have raised \$20,000 in a couple of weeks to get this project started. They will also look at opening up an emergency shelter in the area as it is much needed. ▪ The AB109 Housing Advisory Committee met on February 16, 2012. Day Reporting Centers were discussed and sample contracts were provided to Mr. Ricketts and Mr. Engelhardt to assist in the development of a Request for Proposal. They plan to work with Sober Living Homes to house probationers who are homeless. ▪ Action Item and Follow Up: A request was made of OHS to provide background information to the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) regarding the ICH and to include the importance of participation and membership opportunities. OHS presented to the Plans and Programs Committee on January 18, 2012. A follow-up presentation to the Board of Directors was scheduled on February 1, 2012, however, had to be tabled for the next meeting on March 7, 2012 at 10 am located at the Santa Fe Depot on 3rd Street. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.
Homeless Youth Task Force Report	Tom Hernandez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The HYTF last met on February 16, 2012. The county has two community-based programs which received Federal funding from the Family and Youth Services Bureau to provide emergency shelters for homeless youth. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Family Assistance Program received \$200,000 a year for three years. The facility will be called Our House and plans to have its opening ceremony on March 15, 2012. This house will be open to twelve youth between the ages of 11 and 17. Mr. Evey is also working on getting the National Safe Place program going in San Bernardino County. ▪ Young Visionaries received \$90,000 a year for three years. Their facility held an open house on February 23, 2012.
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Special Recognition	Josie Gonzales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. Allan Rawland, Director of San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health, was recognized for his contributions to the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership with a plaque and cake as he is retiring from his position.

Operation: Eat & Be Well – 2012 Presentation	Christopher Suchanek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Suchanek provided the ICH with an overview of the upcoming event “Eat & Be Well” in which homeless and low-income individuals will be fed and offered provider services on November 21, 2012 at the Ontario Convention Center. The event promises to be a day of relief and support for people in need. He will partner with public, private, and non-profit entities to make this event a success. He asks that all those who wish to join the Steering Committee contact him. Meetings take place on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 9 am located at the Ontario Convention Center. This event looks to be the start of a collaboration between public and private entities. (Copies of the hand-outs will be made available upon request).
CONSENT ITEMS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Approve BAM Committee recommendations for membership	Tom Hernandez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The applications for Mr. Charlie Mello as General Member At-Large, Josephine Escalante for Veteran Administration Healthcare representative, and Melissa Conrad, alternate for Veteran Administration Healthcare representative were approved as presented with no objections or discussion. Tom will set up a meeting with each of the new applications to discuss ICH membership.
DISCUSSION ITEMS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
RDA Presentation	Dena Fuentes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Fuentes provided an update on the redevelopment dissolution as asked by the Chair at the last ICH meeting. She provided information on what happened, what is being affected, and the next steps. (Copies of PowerPoint and hand-outs are available upon request).
PUBLIC COMMENT	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
	Patricia Scott	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Scott represents Victor Valley Family Resource Center. She provided the ICH with an update of the agency’s situation with code enforcement as discussed at the last ICH. Senate Bill 2 prohibits the local government from enforcing special zoning for transitional housing. Their agency can now operate their transitional housing without any pressure from the city.
COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
	Allan Rawland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Rawland wanted to remind attendees that the BHRC will now be called the Health Center as it houses the family clinic operated by ARMC, public health programs, and behavioral health and Alcohol and Drug Services programs. This facility will be the first comprehensive, one stop health center. The dedication and Clinic Co-Location Grand Opening will be March 7, 2012 at 11:30 am located at 850 E. Foothill Blvd, Rialto, CA 92376. All are invited and encouraged to attend. The new Transitional Aged Youth (TAY aged 18-25) Center on Gilbert Street is almost complete. This is also a program which will house a number of different service agencies including a youth crisis residential program with resources and intensive crisis intervention. Its opening will be April 2, 2012.
	Tom Hernandez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 28, 2012, the ICH will have a presentation from guest speaker Philip Mangano, CEO and President of the Round Table to Abolish Homelessness. Mr. Mangano has led the task force for all ICH’s nationwide and will speak about an opportunity called Ready, Willing, and Able regarding housing probationers and parolees. This program will provide case management as well other services and is looking at partnering with the CoC for match funding. Because of the significance of this meeting and the quantity of people which will be invited, the ICH will move location and time for

	Tom Hernandez	this meeting. The March ICH will be held at the Inland Regional Center at 10 am – 12 pm and lunch will be served. All are encouraged to attend. Please contact the Office of Homeless Services at 909-252-4001 to RSVP.
Adjournment		Being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:14 am.
Next Meeting		March 28, 2012 at 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Inland Regional Center 1425 S. Waterman Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92408

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**Office of Homeless Services Report
Prepared for the Interagency Council on Homelessness**

Report purpose The purpose of this document is to present the Office of Homeless Services report and to record action items from prior Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH) meetings.

Date March 28, 2012

Presenter Tom Hernandez, Homeless Services Manager

Announcements The table below lists the announcements for today’s meeting.

Announcements	
2010 Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Grant Awards	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 13, 2012, HUD announced the 2011 Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Assistance Grants Awards for new projects. The State of California received over \$37 million in funding of which San Bernardino County received \$5.2 million. Seven new programs will be added to the current programs already providing services. A list of the new services is provided as an attachment (Report 2A). The total 2011 award for both renewals and new projects was \$7,465,574. Renewal awards were announced in January, a total of over \$2.2 million in renewal projects were funded (See Report 2B).
“Our House” and “Visionary Home” Grand Openings	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This month saw the opening of two new youth shelters in San Bernardino County. Both Family Assistance Program and Young Visionaries received federal funding for 3 years to open up shelters specifically to serve homeless runaways and youth. Congratulations to both Mr. Darryl Evey for the opening of “Our House” a safe shelter for youth and Mr. Terrance Stone for the opening of “Visionary Home” which will provide 24-hour basic shelter with a safe place to sleep. Both shelters will focus on providing counseling and education for homeless or runaway youth. Emphasis will be given on providing long term solutions to housing and family reunification. “Our House” is located at 940 Stillman Avenue, Redlands, CA 92374. “Visionary Home” has a pick-up safe spot at 1331 W. Kendall Ave., Ste. 2, San Bernardino.



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Announcements
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<p>Preparation for the HEARTH Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAP) director, Ann Marie Oliva provided a 2012 Update for CoC Leadership, Grantees and Stakeholders on March 7, 2012 (See Report 2C). • Mentioned in the letter was the imminent release of the new HUD project awards, from which we know we received, updates on HEARTH Act regulations and rules to be published shortly, the availability of technical assistance for CoCs through HUD and what CoCs and grantees can and should be doing in preparation of HEARTH implementation. • Through the CoC Check-Up, the Office of Homeless Services has been strategically reviewing and evaluating its performance and readiness to implement HEARTH. Of importance is that HUD will be encouraging all CoCs to review all renewal project budgets and spending rates. • HUD would prefer not to recapture any funds. Therefore, we need to have a greater emphasis on how to make our current homeless assistance services more efficient, which will demonstrate overall a strong stewardship of federal funding.
<p>Upcoming Project Connect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twenty-two members of the Project Connect Planning Committee met on March 15, 2012 to discuss the upcoming Project Connect. The next Project Connect will be held on June 27, 2012 in Upland, CA at Memorial Park. Upland was chosen as there has yet to be a Project Connect hosted within the Second District. • The event time was decided by committee as 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. • The Committee will be working with Omni Trans and Foothill Transit to coordinate transportation to the event, as well as a presentation was made to the Upland Service Council on March 15, 2012.
<p>6th Annual Homeless Summit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Save the date! The 6th Annual Homeless Summit is set for November 7, 2012 at the San Bernardino Catholic Diocese. • Planning meetings have been arranged. Anyone interested in participating in the development of the Summit should contact Deanna Luttrell at (909) 252-4001.
<p>Attachments</p>
<p>Description of Seven New CoC Housing Projects – Report 2A-Attached</p>
<p>Press Release & List of Funded Agencies (New and Renewal) – Report 2B-Attached</p>
<p>2012 Update for CoC Leadership, Grantees and Stakeholders – Report 2C-Attached</p>



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Action items/
Follow up

The table below identifies items, actions, and status for inquiries and next steps during prior ICH meetings.

Item	Action	Status
A request was made of OHS to provide background information to the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) regarding the ICH; to include the importance of participation and membership opportunities.	OHS presented a summary of the Partnership and importance of participating in ICH to the Board of Directors on March 7, 2012.	Completed

2011 Housing and Urban Development Homeless Assistance Program Awarded New Projects

Agency	Project	Project Description	Target Population	Amount Funded
Global One Development	TAY Housing	Global One Development will acquire and maintain and 12 bed facility serving mentally ill transitional age youth. The program will provide Permanent Supportive Housing with services including case management, life skills coaching, drug and alcohol education, and employment counseling.	Transitional Age Youth (TAY) (ages 17-25)	\$391,125
House of Prayer Gospel Outreach Ministries	Hope for Heroes II	Hope for Heroes II is an expansion project targeting single adult male disabled homeless veterans exiting emergency shelter, transitional housing, or the street. House of Prayer will work closely with Loma Linda Veterans Medical Center offering 10 units with 10 beds throughout scattered site housing, supportive services, and assistance into permanent housing.	Single Adult Male Homeless Disabled Veterans	\$317,770
Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino	Project Cornerstone	Project Cornerstone will provide 33 Tenant Based Assistance Units (33 one bedroom units) throughout the County for clients who are homeless mentally ill or dually diagnosed. Clients will choose where they wish to live and be given resources and support services to remain in that location.	Homeless mentally ill clients or dual diagnosed individuals and/or families	\$1,928,520
Life Community Development	The Gatekeeper	The Gatekeeper will provide supportive housing services to homeless individuals and families, chronically homeless, and/or homeless disabled veterans. The program also offers supportive services such as life skills training, employment preparation, substance abuse counseling, and much more.	Homeless individuals and families, chronically homeless, disabled veterans.	\$299,289

2011 Housing and Urban Development Homeless Assistance Program Awarded New Projects

Time For Change Foundation	Homes of Hope	Homes of Hope will provide Permanent Supportive Housing located in 10 scattered site locations. The program will support 10 adults, 20 children with supportive services such as counseling and life skills.	Homeless families with children	\$348,598
US Vets	Veterans Permanent Supportive Housing Program	The Veteran Permanent Supportive Housing Program will serve up to 96 veteran households, including 74 adults and 22 children. This program will assist chronically homeless and disabled veterans as well as their families with supportive services and case management.	Chronically Homeless or disabled veterans & their families	\$1,031,955
Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino	Whispering Pines	Project Whispering Pines will provide 16 Tenant Based Assistance Units (16 one bedroom units) throughout the County for clients who are homeless mentally ill or dually diagnosed. Clients will choose where they wish to live and be given resources and support services to remain in that location.	Homeless mentally ill clients or dual diagnosed individuals and/or families	\$935,040
				\$5,252,297

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County secures more than \$7 million for homeless

A combination of funding for new and renewed project grants awarded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will provide the County of San Bernardino more than \$7 million to furnish transitional and permanent housing, as well as other supportive services, to homeless individuals and families who might otherwise be living on the streets.

"These HUD Grant awards identify our County's needs and place us in a very competitive arena to be able to deliver much-needed housing and services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness," said Josie Gonzales, Board of Supervisors Chair and Fifth District Supervisor. "I congratulate the agencies receiving the funds as they work with us to help end chronic homelessness in San Bernardino County."

On March 13, HUD announced the award of more than \$200 million nationwide in new Continuum of Care (CoC) grants to fund 731 local homeless projects across the country. The new projects will provide housing and supportive services to thousands of homeless individuals and families.

HUD's decision to fund these new programs will bring \$5.2 million directly to the County of San Bernardino to fund seven new projects. Agencies implementing these projects include Global One Development Center, House of Prayer-Gospel Outreach Ministries Inc., Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino, Life Community Development, Time for Change Foundation, and United States Veterans Initiative – Inland Empire.

On December 20, 2011, HUD announced the award of nearly \$1.47 billion in Continuum of Care grants to renew funding to 7,100 local homeless projects across the country.

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Funds Awarded to Provide Services to County's Homeless

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Of that amount, more than \$2.2 million was awarded to renew 13 existing projects throughout the County of San Bernardino. This allowed for the continued provision of housing and homeless services to homeless individuals and families. Agencies administering these projects include Central City Lutheran Mission, Community Action Partnership San Bernardino, Foothill Family Shelter, Frazee Community Center, Inland Behavioral Health Services, Inland Counties Legal Services, Inland Temporary Homes, New Hope Village, Inc., and the Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino.

These awards will also allow the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership to continue with the measurable progress already made in meeting the recommendations outlined in the 10-Year Strategy to End Homelessness in the County of San Bernardino.

In addition to homeless services, CoC grants fund a wide range of programs including job training, health care, mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment and child care. These grants also fund street outreach and assessment programs to transitional and permanent housing for homeless persons and families.

If you would like more information regarding Homeless Services offered in the County of San Bernardino please contact the Office of Homeless Services at (909) 252-4001 and/or visit our website at <http://www.sbcounty.gov/SBCHP>.

2011 New Projects				
	Agency	Project	Type	Awarded
1	Global One Development	TAY Housing	PSH	\$391,125.00
2	House of Prayer Gospel Outreach Ministries	Hope For Heroes II	PSH	\$317,770.00
3	Housing Authority County of San Bernardino	Project Cornerstone	S+C	\$1,928,520.00
4	Life Community Development	The Gatekeeper	PSH	\$299,289.00
5	Time For Change Foundation	Homes of Hope - 2011 CoC	PSH	\$348,598.00
6	United State Veterans Initiative - Inland Empire	Veterans Permanent Supportive Housing Program	PSH	\$1,031,955.00
Total Request				\$4,317,257.00
2011 Permanent Housing Bonus New Project				
	Agency	Project	Type	Awarded
7	Housing Authority County of San Bernardino	Whispering Pines	S+C	\$935,040.00
Total Request				\$935,040.00
Total New Projects				\$5,252,297.00
2011 Renewal Projects				
	Agency	Project	Type	Awarded
8	Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County	Homeless Management Information System	HMIS	\$250,158.00
9	Central City Lutheran Mission	Permanent Housing for Homeless with HIV/AIDS	PSH	\$75,046.00
10	Victor Valley Domestic Violence, Inc.	Transitional Housing	TH	\$283,537.00
11	Inland Temporary Homes	Social Service Outreach Program	TH	\$69,401.00
12	The Salvation Army	San Bernardino Path to Prosperity	TH	\$158,521.00
13	Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino	Project Stepping Stones	S+C	\$364,740.00
14	Inland Behavioral and Health Service, Inc.	Project Home Again	SSO	\$367,063.00
15	New Hope Village, Inc.	New Hope Village, Inc.	PSH	\$66,675.00
16	Inland Counties Legal Services, Inc.	Legal Education & Advocacy Project I	SSO	\$54,531.00
17	Inland Counties Legal Services, Inc.	Legal Education & Advocacy Project II	SSO	\$38,395.00
18	Frazer Community Center	Homeless Veterans' Program	TH	\$26,250.00
19	Foothill Family Shelter	Foothill Family Shelter	TH	\$34,125.00
20	Inland Temporary Homes	Infinite Horizons	TH	\$424,835.00
Total Renewal Request				\$2,213,277.00

Legend

HMIS = Homeless Management Information System

PSH = Permanent Supportive Housing

S+C = Shelter plus Care

SSO = Supportive Services Only

TH = Transitional Housing

Total Renewal Request

Total CoC Award

\$7,465,574.00

CONTINUUM OF CARE LEADERSHIP, GRANTEES, AND STAKEHOLDERS—

As I did last year around this time, I wanted to take a moment to update you on the status of a few key items: the 2011 competition new project awards, the HEARTH Act regulations, our plans to implement the HEARTH Act programs, and the technical assistance resources we are making available to you. While we were fortunate to receive level funding for FY2012, our budget is not large enough to fully fund all of the provisions of the HEARTH Act. We have made difficult decisions about how to proceed for FY2012, guided as always by the value that we must ensure the best possible outcome for both the people we serve, and for the programs that serve individuals and families who are homeless and at-risk of homelessness.

2011 CoC Competition New Projects

In the next few weeks, HUD expects to release announcements for the FY2011 CoC competition new project grant awards. To maximize the number of new units funded this year, we have been aggressively recapturing funds from previous grants that have not been fully expended and drawn down by the end of their grant period. Through this process, we are also identifying grantees that consistently return money, since in many cases these funds cannot be re-used for other CoC programs and must be returned to the U.S. Treasury. ***We strongly encourage grantees and CoCs to review all renewal project budgets and spending rates to prevent these types of recaptures, thereby demonstrating strong stewardship of federal funds at both the grantee and CoC levels.***

HEARTH Act Implementation and Budget

The HEARTH Act, enacted into law in 2009, required HUD to write six sets of regulations: the Definition of Homeless, the Consolidated Plan Conforming Amendments, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) Requirements, the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program, and the Rural Housing Stability Assistance Program (RHSP). The first four of these are currently published as final, proposed, or interim rules. We anticipate the rules on the CoC and RHSP programs to be published shortly.

While we would have preferred to release all six rules at the same time, the complexity of the rules themselves and the rulemaking process made this infeasible. Instead, we released the rules as each was completed, and we prioritized the definition of homelessness as required in the law. Below is a brief overview of the status of each rule along with relevant budget information for FY2012.

1. The final rule on the *Definition of Homeless* went into effect on January 4, 2012. A webinar, listserv message and some technical assistance materials have been posted on the Homelessness Resource Exchange (HRE). Additional materials are under development. HUD also published a Notice on the limitation on the use of SHP and S+C funds on Category 3 of the definition (also posted on the HRE).
2. On January 4, 2012, the interim rules on the *Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)* program and corresponding amendments to the *Consolidated Plan* went into effect. The comment period for the ESG rule closed on February 3, 2012, and SNAPS is now working on a final rule based on the public comments received. Until a final rule is published, the interim rule regulates the use of the second allocation of FY2011 ESG funds and the FY2012 ESG allocation.

The FY2012 budget allocation for the ESG program is \$286 million, an increase from the total FY2011 allocation of \$250 million. This increase will assist communities to transition programs created under HPRP, which expires at the end of this fiscal year. These funds are expected to particularly impact homeless families with children, a HUD priority population. Please see Secretary Donovan's message about priorities for the new ESG program.

3. On December 9, 2011, the proposed rule for *HMIS Requirements* was published in the Federal Register. The comment period for this interim rule closed on February 7, 2012. This rule is not yet in effect. Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS) currently in operation must continue to use the standards currently in place (the 2004 Technical Standards and the 2010 Data Standards) until the HMIS rule is published as final. In the

coming months, HUD also intends to publish new required HMIS data elements and HMIS technical standards that will conform to the performance measurement requirements detailed in the HEARTH Act. In addition to the new standards, HUD will provide specific guidance to CoCs on how performance measures for the new statutory requirements will be calculated (i.e., how exactly to calculate average length of homelessness or recidivism at the CoC level).

4. HUD is in the final stages of clearing for release both the *Continuum of Care (CoC)* and *Rural Housing Stability Program (RHSP)* rules. Congress has directed that these rules be published as interim so they can be implemented in FY2012; therefore, the 2012 NOFA will reflect the HEARTH requirements and all grants awarded through the 2012 competition will be required to comply with the interim rules.

With the total FY2012 appropriation being \$1.901 billion, which is \$477 million less than requested, neither all of the HEARTH Act requirements nor all of the HUD-related goals stated in the *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness* can be fully realized. Therefore, HUD will be deciding which provisions of HEARTH to implement in order to maximize the impact on the people we serve. Given limited resources, communities should be aware of the following, which will be clearly outlined in the FY2012 CoC NOFA:

- Renewal of existing projects, as provided for in HEARTH, is a priority;
- While the HEARTH Act authorizes increases in administration, leasing, rental assistance and operating funds for renewals, it is unlikely that projects will receive the maximum increases allowed by law;
- Continuum of Care planning funds may be made available, although at levels lower than the 3% allowed by law;
- Funding for Unified Funding Agencies is not likely to be available in FY2012; and
- HUD does not intend to implement the High Performing Communities provisions in FY2012 due to lack of sufficient data and budget constraints.

The RHSP allocation, which was initially proposed at \$25 million, will likely be significantly less than proposed, and will only be funded once the CoC renewal burden demand has been met.

Technical Assistance

Technical assistance resources will be key to the implementation of HEARTH. HUD has already released many tools related to the Homeless Definition and ESG rules, such as guidebooks, webinars, and factsheets. We are working with our TA partners to develop additional materials on these rules and to support the roll-out of the CoC and Rural programs. All technical assistance is publicized and accessible through the Homelessness Resource Exchange (HRE) at www.hudhre.info and through our various listservs. Please sign up for our listservs to stay informed and visit the HRE regularly to download new resources, ask a question, register for webinars, and request individualized technical assistance.

Our ***Ready, SET (SNAPS e-learning Tuesdays), Go*** webinar series, held most Tuesdays at 3:30pm ET, provides regular information on the regulations and promising practices. For instance in the coming weeks, HUD and USICH will be hosting a discussion about Objective 10 of the *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness* to “transform homeless services to crisis response systems that prevent homelessness and rapidly return people who experience homelessness to stable housing.” All webinars are archived and can be accessed at any time from the HRE.

In 2011, HUD also began the Continuum of Care Check-up process, designed to help CoCs determine their current capacity and to identify local action plans to improve and address areas of concern. To date, 379 CoCs have initiated this process. In order to receive TA, CoCs must have conducted the CoC Check-up.

What Can CoCs and Grantees do to Prepare for HEARTH?

As you are waiting for the final two rules to be published, first and foremost, CoCs should be engaged in strategic planning and coordination exercises for homeless services in the community – including both HUD and non-HUD funded

resources. Following are some suggestions of actions that you, the CoCs and grantees, can *and should* be doing to prepare.

- Under HEARTH, performance and compliance will be a significant part of the competitive selection process. Now is the time to begin looking at your current portfolio of SHP and S+C projects relative to expenditure of funds and performance to determine what, if any, changes should be made.
- Conduct an analysis to determine which partnerships within your community work well and which need more attention and focus. For example, can the relationship between the Continuum of Care and the Department of Education's Homeless Liaisons or the local Public Housing Authority be strengthened? Is their expertise being fully utilized to meet the needs of homeless and at-risk individuals and families?
- CoCs will have the ability to reallocate grants under HEARTH to improve system performance and alignment with local needs. CoCs should begin considering which projects, in whole or in part, they may want to reallocate to free up resources for new efforts. Under HEARTH, all funds will be counted towards a CoC's Hold Harmless Need (HHN) amount—including projects that are currently funded under S+C; therefore, for the first time, CoCs will be permitted to include these grants in any reallocation strategy. To help start the conversation about reallocation locally, please see the USICH webinar held on the topic last fall.
- HPRP will expire September 30, 2012. In many communities it has already ended. CoCs will need to consider how they will attempt to fill gaps that are left with the more limited pool of ESG and CoC funds. Consider what HPRP strategies worked best and whether any of these strategies are more effective, efficient, and attractive to consumers than the current ESG and CoC-funded approaches.
- What efficiencies can and should be made to your current homeless assistance and response system? Now is the time to begin creating those efficiencies and putting them into place. This may include considering all of the non-HUD homeless assistance funding coming into the community and strategizing how those resources can be maximized, or could include how to coordinate or centralize the assessment process for homeless services. I encourage your participation in the upcoming USICH/HUD webinars on these topics.
- Under HEARTH, there will be an even greater emphasis on data and the use of HMIS. CoCs should assess their data tools, counting methodologies, and HMIS and determine if changes and/or improvements need to be made. Where shortfalls are identified, now is the time to ask for assistance. CoCs can request technical assistance on the HUD HRE.
- If you have not already done so, READ the rules that have already been published. The comment period for the ESG and HMIS rules has now passed, but it is not too late to get up to speed on these documents. This applies to the CoC and the project grantees. Further, when the CoC and RHSP rules are published as interim, HUD welcomes any and all comments. Please pay particular attention to those areas in the preamble where we specifically ask for comment. For example, when the ESG interim rule was published, HUD specifically requested comments on the definition of chronically homeless. The comment period is the time to provide HUD with feedback—not after these rules have been published as final.

In addition to strategic planning, CoCs should be working closely with grantees to prepare for HEARTH. As stated previously, as part of the roll-out there will be a variety of trainings and tools made available. For example, following the publication of the final rule on the definition of homeless, HUD held a series of webinars to provide guidance and training on the rule. CoCs should consider organizing around these trainings to ensure all of its grantees are participating and receiving the same message. You may also want to make sure that each of the CoC grantees are signed up for the Homeless Assistance Programs listserv.

HUD is focused on providing communities with the resources needed to successfully implement HEARTH within the limits of the final appropriations for FY2012 and FY2013 (when that budget is passed by Congress). We will do our best to keep you updated on progress related to HEARTH implementation as well as the other items discussed above.

Thank you all, as always, for your hard work on behalf of all the homeless persons that we serve.

Take Care,
Ann

Ann Marie Oliva
Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Find Homeless Resources at: www.hudhre.info and www.hmis.info

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SALVATION ARMY	(909)888-1336

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DESERT COMM. UNITED WAY	(760)242-5370
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SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY	2-1-1

Medical Assistance

DEPT. OF PUBLIC HEALTH	(909)387-6280
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*What Everyone
Needs to Know About
Homelessness*



DEFINITION OF HOMELESSNESS

The federal government's legal definition of homelessness based on the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act is anyone who:

Lacks a regular, fixed and adequate nighttime residence (substandard housing, no water or electricity).

Is sharing housing due to economic hardship (doubled-up/tripled up).

Is living in a public place not designated for sleeping (cars, parks, abandoned building, motels, trailer parks and camp grounds).

Is an unaccompanied youth.

Is a child or youth awaiting foster care placement.

Is a child abandoned in a hospital.

Is a migrant child who qualifies under any of the above.

HOMELESS STUDENTS' RIGHTS

Be immediately enrolled in school without a permanent address.

Continue in the school that the student attended before becoming homeless.

Go to school, no matter where the student lives or how long he/she has lived there.

Enroll and attend classes while the school arranges for the transfer of required school records or documents.

Enroll and attend classes even while the school and parent seek to resolve a dispute over enrollment.

Receive transportation to his/her school of origin as long as he/she is homeless, or if the student becomes permanently housed, receive transportation until the end of the academic school year.

Participate in tutoring, school-related activities, and/or receive other support services.

WHAT WE ARE DOING

The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act and the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act ensure educational rights and protections for children experiencing homelessness.

Children Deserve Success, the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools' Homeless Education Program, is committed to:

- Ensuring equal access to all education and activity programs available.
- Providing parents and students with information to be successful in school.
- Assisting with a child's immediate enrollment in school.
- Assisting in obtaining medical and other records.
- Community Awareness



DISPUTE RESOLUTION

If a dispute arises over school selection or enrollment, the child/youth must be immediately enrolled in the school in which he/she is seeking enrollment, pending resolution of the dispute. Enrollment is defined as "attending classes and participating fully in school activities."

The school must refer the student, parent, or guardian to the Local Educational Agency's homeless liaison to carry out the dispute resolution process as expeditiously as possible. The homeless liaison must ensure that the dispute resolution process is also followed for unaccompanied youth.

A written explanation of the school's decision regarding school selection or enrollment must be provided if a parent, guardian, or unaccompanied youth disputes such a school selection or enrollment decision, including the right to appeal. The written explanation shall be complete, as brief as possible, simply stated, and provided in a language that the parent, guardian, or unaccompanied youth can understand.

If the dispute remains unresolved at the district level or is appealed, then the district homeless liaison shall forward all written documentation and related paperwork to the homeless liaison at the County Office of Education.

If the dispute remains unresolved or is appealed, the County Office of Education homeless liaison shall forward all written documentation and related paperwork to the State Homeless Coordinator.

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LA DEFINICIÓN DEL ESTAR SIN HOGAR

La definición legal de estar Sin Hogar del gobierno federal basada en la ley "Ayuda a Personas Sin Hogar McKinney-Vento" se refiere a cualquiera que:

- Carece de domicilio nocturno regular, fijo y apropiado (tal como es vivienda deficiente, sin servicio de luz y agua).
- Comparte domicilio debido a penurias económicas (habitacional doble/triple).
- Vive en un lugar público no designado para dormir (tal como es un auto, parque, edificios abandonados, moteles, estacionamientos para vehículos de recreación o campamentos de exploración).
- Sea un menor sin estar en compañía de un adulto.
- Sea un menor en espera de asignación a un hogar de crianza.
- Sea un niño abandonado en un hospital.
- Sea un niño inmigrante que califica bajo cualquiera de las condiciones mencionadas arriba.

DERECHOS DE LOS ESTUDIANTES SIN HOGAR

- Estar matriculado en la escuela sin tener domicilio permanente.
- Continuar matriculado en la escuela a la que asistía antes de quedar sin hogar.
- Asistir a la escuela sin importar dónde vive el estudiante o por cuánto tiempo ha vivido en su condición de sin hogar.
- Estar matriculado y asistir a clases mientras la escuela solicita el traslado de documentación escolar.
- Estar matriculado y asistir a clases aún cuando la escuela y los padres/estudiante buscan resolver la disputa sobre la matriculación del estudiante.
- Derecho a transportación de la escuela de origen siempre que el estudiante se encuentre sin hogar, o si se encuentra en domicilio permanente hasta el término del ciclo académico escolar.
- Derecho a participar en clases para ponerse al corriente académico, actividades escolares, y/o recibir otros servicios de apoyo escolar.

LO QUE ESTAMOS HACIENDO

Las leyes "Que Ningún Niño Se Quede Atrás" y "Ayuda a Personas Sin Hogar McKinney-Vento" asegura los derechos educacionales y protecciones para niños que están pasando por la experiencia de estar sin hogar.

"Los Niños Merecen el Éxito", el programa para Personas sin Hogar del Departamento de Educación del Condado de San Bernardino, se compromete a:

- Asegurar acceso equitativo a todos los programas de educación y actividades que sean disponibles.
- Procurar información a los padres y estudiantes para su éxito en la escuela.
- Ayudar en la matriculación inmediata del niño en la escuela.
- Ayudar en adquirir los expedientes médicos y demás documentos.
- Informar a la comunidad



RESOLUCIÓN DE CONFLICTOS

Si surge una controversia sobre la selección de la escuela o la matriculación, el niño/joven debe ser inmediatamente matriculado en la escuela que el/ella esta tratando de inscribirse mientras esperan la resolución de la controversia. La matriculación se define como "asistir a clases y participar plenamente en las actividades escolares".

La escuela debe referir al estudiante, padre, o tutor a la Persona de Contacto en la Agencia de Educación para personas sin hogar para llevar a cabo el proceso de resolución lo mas antes posible. La Persona de Contacto debe asegurarse que el proceso de la resolución de conflicto aplique también a los jóvenes no acompañados por un padre o tutor.

Una explicación por escrito de la decisión de la escuela con respecto a la selección o matriculación del centro escolar debe ser proveída si un padre, tutor, o un joven sin acompañante no esta de acuerdo con la decisión de la escuela y tienen el derecho de apelar el conflicto. Una explicación por escrito deberá ser completada a la brevedad posible, sencillamente, y proveída en el idioma que el padre, tutor, o los jóvenes sin acompañante puedan entender.

Si el conflicto sigue sin resolver al nivel del distrito o es apelado, entonces la Persona de Contacto del distrito para personas sin hogar debe remitir toda la documentación escrita y trámites relacionados a la Coordinadora en el la Oficina de Educación del Condado.

Si el conflicto sigue sin resolver o es apelado, la Coordinadora de la Oficina de Educación del Condado deberá remitir toda la documentación y trámites relacionados a la Coordinadora de Personas sin Hogar del Estado.



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The Need for a Cost-Effective Solution to Criminal Recidivism and Homelessness

NATIONALLY

- 2.3 million Americans – over 1 in 100 adults – in prison
- 700,000 people released from prisons and jails yearly
- Two-thirds rearrested within three years
- Another 700,000 Americans are homeless



A Formula for Success

70 Transitional Beds

+

60 Transitional Jobs

+

Diversified Funding

1/3 revenue generation

1/3 private support

1/3 government funding



Results

- **55%** graduate and move to self-sufficiency
 - **100%** of graduates attain full-time employment, self-supported housing, sobriety, and payment of child support
- **60%** reduction in felony convictions after 3 years
- **56%** reduction in violent crime convictions after 3 years



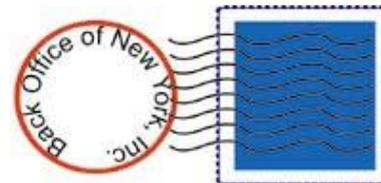
Who we Serve

- **100%** are homeless
- **78%** have been incarcerated (average of 7.5 years)
- **85%** have a history of long-term drug abuse
- **97%** failed at other rehabilitation programs
- **46%** do not have a high school diploma or a GED
- **69%** have children under 18 whom they do not financially support



Meaningful Paid Work through Social Enterprises

- Each trainee earns stipends above minimum wage
- Social enterprises offer paid work experience, occupational training, and services – and generate revenue for program operation
- Community Improvement Project provides neighborhood beautification and high visibility



A Holistic Package of Services

- Drug testing/relapse prevention
- Social support services
- Occupational training through paid jobs
- Life skills, education, and computer training
- Career development, interview skills, and job placement
- Long-term graduate support
- Rigorous monitoring and evaluation



Nearly **4,500 RWA graduates** have achieved full-time employment, self-supported housing, and sobriety



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