# Legislative Summary, Local Data, and Guiding Opinions for State Funding Opportunities

#### No Place Like Home Program

-Counties must develop permanent supportive rental housing-

- approximately \$190 million in Noncompetitive Allocation funds;
- Estimated allocation: \$2,537,144
- provides deferred payment loans to counties or their Development Sponsors for the development of permanent supportive rental housing for people with serious mental illness, who are homeless, chronically homeless, or at-risk of chronic homelessness;

#### No Place Like Home Program (con't)

- purpose is to acquire, design, construct, rehabilitate, or preserve permanent supportive housing for persons who are experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness or who are at risk of chronic homelessness, and who are in need of mental health services.
- All counties are eligible for NPLH Noncompetitive Allocation
- availability of NPLH Project funds is contingent on voter approval of the No Place Like Home Act of 2018, Proposition 2 on the November 2018 ballot

#### Homes for a Healthy California

-Counties must tie rental subsidies to health care services-

- Assembly Bill 74 (AB 74) Housing required the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to establish the Housing for a Healthy California Program (HHC Program) on or before January 1, 2019. Funding for the program was made available through California Senate Bill 850 Housing (SB 850)
- SB 850 requires 50% of the funds collected under *Senate Bill 2 Building and Jobs Act* (SB 2) on and after January 1, 2018, and before December 31, 2018, to HCD for the HHC Program. Year 1 breakdown of funds from SB 2 includes \$57.5 million for the program.

### Homes for a Healthy California (con't)

- The Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) will be released during the spring, 2019.
- Estimated allocation: \$ not yet released
- Funds must be used to address the problem of high costs incurred by health system for homeless persons while living on the streets. Funds must be used to implement a solution that ties rental subsidies to health care service funds included in the final 1115 Medicaid Waiver, which includes the Whole Person Care pilot program and the Health Home Program.

- was established recently by California Senate Bill 850
  Housing (SB 850), which requires 50% of the funds collected
  under Senate Bill 2 Building and Jobs Act (SB 2) on and after
  January 1, 2018, and before December 31, 2018, to the
  California Department of Housing and Community
  Development (HCD);
- Year 1 breakdown of funds from SB 2 includes \$53.3 million;
- Estimated allocation: \$1,459,234

- Eligible applicants are Administrative Entities (AEs) local governments, non-profit organizations, or unified funding agencies — designated by the Continuum of Care (CoC) to administer CESH funds in their service area
- (a) "Administrative entity" means one of the following that has been designated by the Continuum of Care to administer California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program funds:
- (1) A unit of general purpose local government.
- (2) A nonprofit organization that has previously administered HUD Continuum of Care funds as the collaborative applicant, as that term is defined by Section 578.3 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- (3) A unified funding agency, as that term is defined by Section 578.3 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

• For applicants seeking awards in early November 2018, applications are due: **September 27, 2018 by 5:00 p.m**.

 For all other applicants, applications due: October 15, 2018 by 5:00 p.m.

• Funds can be used for one or more of the following eligible activities:

- Rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services
- Operating subsidies
- Flexible housing subsidy funds

 Operating support for emergency housing interventions, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Navigation centers
- Street outreach services
- Shelter diversion

• **Systems support** for activities necessary to maintain a comprehensive homeless services and housing delivery system, including CES, data, and HMIS reporting, and homelessness planning activities.

• To develop or update a CES system pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 50490.3, or to develop a plan addressing actions to be taken within the Continuum of Care service area to address homelessness pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 50490.3.

- Administrative entities cannot "use more than 40 percent of any funds... in a fiscal year for operating support for emergency housing interventions as described in paragraph (4) of subdivision (a), as noted in 50490.4 (6f). Paragraph (4) states
- "Operating support for emergency housing interventions, including, but not limited to, the following:
  - Navigation centers
  - Street outreach services
  - Shelter diversion

### Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP)

- established for the purpose of providing localities with one-time flexible block grant funds to address their immediate and emergency homelessness challenges;
- Program funds shall be expended on one-time uses that address homelessness;
- Estimated allocation: \$9,389,654.30;
- Administered by Administrative entity which means the CoC collaborative applicant pursuant to CoC Interim Rule Section 578.3 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations

# Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) (Con't)

Round 1	L
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NOFA Release	September 5, 2018
Early Applications Reviews Start***	Starting in September 2018
Early Applications Awarded	Starting in September 2018
Early Distribution of Funds Begins	Starting in late October 2018
Round 1 Application Cut-off Date	No later than December 31, 2018
Standard Applications Awarded	No later than January 2019
Standard Distribution of Funds Begins	April 2019

# Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) (Con't)

Round 2			
NOFA Release	February 15, 2019		
Early Applications Reviews	Starting in February 2019		
Early Applications Awarded	Starting in February 2019		
Early Distribution of Funds Begins	Starting in late March 2019		
Round 2 Application Cut-off Date	No later than April 30, 2019		
Standard Applications Awarded	No later than May 2019		
Standard Distribution of Funds Begins	July 2019		

### Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) (Con't)

- Declaration of Emergency Shelter Crisis:
  - A county may only declare a shelter crisis in the unincorporated areas of the county.
  - Each city within a county must declare a shelter crisis within the geographic boundary of its jurisdiction to be eligible for funds.
  - The County acting as an administrative entity may <u>not</u> declare a blanket shelter crisis for the entire county and all its jurisdictions.

#### **HEAP Application Map and Instructions**

• **Proposed Use of Funding**: In this section, the Administrative Entity will use the drop-down menus to indicate the proposed activity(s) for each jurisdiction and the estimated expenditure amount. The applicants will need to use a separate line to list all of the proposed activities.

• **Proposed Activity(s)**: Use the drop-down menu to indicate the type of emergency assistance activities that will be provided. Please select from one of the broad activity categories. If the activity is not listed, please select "Other" and type in the activity.

#### **HEAP Application Map and Instructions**

• Jurisdiction: Indicate the city or county where the proposed activity will take place.

• Estimated Expenditure: Indicate the total amount of funding for each activity.

 Add Line: This feature will allow you to add additional lines to this section so that all of the activities per jurisdiction can be included.

#### 2018 Homeless Count Data

	Sheltered Unsheltered		Total
2017 Homeless Count	687	1,179	1,866
2018 Homeless Count	675	1,443	2,118
Difference:	-12 (-1.7%)	+264 (+22.4%)	+252 (+13.5%)

- Nearly two-thirds (64.2%) or 1,360 of the 2,118 homeless adults and children were counted within six cities that include
  - Barstow;
  - Ontario;
  - Redlands;
  - San Bernardino;
  - Upland;
  - Victorville.

 More than two-thirds (68.8%) of unsheltered adults were either chronically homeless, mentally ill, substance users, persons with physical disabilities, and/or persons with chronic health conditions.

 Nearly one-third (31.6%) of unsheltered adults become homeless for the first time during past 12 months

 Nearly one-fourth (22.3%) of unsheltered adults were released from prisons and jails during past 12 months

Adults:	#	%
Under Age 18	4	0.3
Age 18 - 24	113	8.2
Age 25 - 39	354	25.8
Age 40 - 49	275	20.0
Age 50 - 54	183	13.3
Age 55 - 61	152	11.1
Age 62+	94	6.8
Unknown	199	14.5
Total:	1.374	100

Of the 29 unsheltered families counted,

- seven (7) were chronically homeless.
- The total number of adults in the 29 families was 34 and represents 2.5% of the total adult population of 1,378.
- 11 of 29 families were counted in Victorville (7) and Barstow (4)

### Homeless Management Information System 2017 Data Report

 The following report includes an analysis of data for 2,781 adults entered in HMIS in 2017 and findings based on the data.

- HMIS: 368 or 13.2% were chronically homeless
- PIT Count: 348 or 25.3% were chronically homeless

### Homeless Management Information System 2017 Data Report (Con't)

Prior Residence:	#	%
Place Not Meant for Habitation	1,043	37.5
Temporary Housing	874	31.4
Permanent Housing	846	30.4
Unknown	18	0.7
Total:	2,781	100

### Homeless Management Information System 2017 Data Report (Con't)

Prior Residence or Living Situation When Entered Into HMIS	Total Number	Habitation	Place Not Meant for	Tellipolary nousing		reillalleit nousing		Onknown/ Otner	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Place Not Meant for Habitation	1,043	101	9.7	34	3.6	341	32.7	567	54.4
Temporary Housing	874	8	0.9	43	4.9	312	35.7	511	58.5
Permanent Housing	846	17	2.0	38	4.5	701	82.9	90	10.6
Unknown	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total:	2,781	136	4.7	115	4.1	1,354	48.7	1,168	42.0

CES Score	Number	Percent
0	13	0.7
1	21	1.1
2	44	2.3
3	51	2.8
4	113	6.1
5	177	9.6
6	170	9.2
7	207	11.2
8	207	11.2
9	160	8.6
10	156	8.4
11	151	8.2
12	142	7.7
13	100	5.4
14	65	3.5
15	33	1.9
16	27	1.5
17	9	0.5
18	2	0.1
19	2	0.1
Total	1851	100

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Total:	129	6.9

CES Score	Number	Percent
4	113	6.1
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6	170	9.2
7	207	11.2
Total	667	36.1

CES Score	Number	Percent
9	160	8.6
10	156	8.4
11	151	8.2
12	142	7.7
13	100	5.4
14	65	3.5
15	33	1.9
16	27	1.5
17	9	0.5
18	2	0.1
19	2	0.1
Total	787	57.0

#### Guiding Opinions

- Permanently housing those persons who are languishing on the streets, becoming more and more debilitated, and at risk to injury and death is the most immediate and emergency challenge;
- Ending the homelessness of people living in single or group encampments requires a thoughtful, coordinated, and collaborative plan and process;
- Forcing people from encampment settings is not a solution or strategy;
- Using one-time California Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) funds for the immediate and emergency needs of persons languishing on the streets requires a thoughtful, coordinated, and collaborative plan and approach towards the integration of evidence-based and best practices;

#### **Guiding Opinions**

- Using HEAP funds for new activities that fill in the gaps in evidence-based and best practices needed to end the homelessness of persons languishing on the streets;
- Establishing housing goals and outcomes should be a priority;
- Aligning political will and community sentiment to permanently house those persons who are languishing on the streets.