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Agenda of the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Meeting

Meeting date, time, and place Date: **January 28, 2026**
Time: **9:00 am – 11:00 am**
Location: **Performance, Education, Resource Centers**
217 East Club Center Drive Suite A
San Bernardino, CA 92408

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Call to Order Chair or Designee will call the meeting to order.

Invocation & Pledge Chair or Designee will lead the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions Chair or Designee will lead the Introductions of the CoC Members by roll call.

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



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Public Comment	Any member of the public may address the CoC Board on any matter not on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the CoC Board.
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<u>Information Sharing</u>		
1	<p>Receive an update from the County of San Bernardino on the establishment of a Homelessness Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) to address homelessness in the County of San Bernardino in accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 210 and AB 728.</p> <p>- Diane Rundles, County of San Bernardino</p>	<i>Pgs. 4-10</i>
2	<p>Receive an update on the 2026 Point-in-Time Count.</p> <p>-Erika Lewis Huntley, Chair, PITC Oversight Committee</p>	<i>Pgs. 11</i>
3	<p>Receive an update on Call for Application for a Member-At-Large Seat on the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board.</p> <p>-Joy Woodard, Office of Homeless Services</p>	<i>Pgs. 12</i>
<u>Consent Items</u>		
<p>Items listed on the Consent Calendar are expected to be routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon in one motion as the first item of business on the Discussion Calendar. If the CoC Board directs that an item listed on the Consent Calendar be held for further discussion, the item will be addressed under “Deferred Items,” the second item listed on the Discussion Calendar.</p>		
4	<p>Approve minutes of October 22, 2025, CoC Board Meeting.</p> <p>- Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Chair</p>	<i>Pgs. 13-17</i>
5	<p>Ratify letter of support for United States Veterans (US VETS Inland Empire) Intent to Operate their Supportive Services for Veterans Families (SSVF) grant for the FY27.</p> <p>- Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Chair</p>	<i>Pgs. 18</i>
<u>Discussion/Action Items</u>		
<p>Action on Consent Calendar. The motions and votes for Consent Calendar items are taken as a single action. Abstentions or recusals for specific Consent Calendar items are recorded on the minutes.</p>		
Deferred Items		



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6	Authorize the Office of Homeless Services (OHS) to apply for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Fiscal Year 2025 Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). - Marcus Dillard., Office of Homeless Services	<i>Pgs. 19-20</i>
Adjournment		
Next CoC Meeting	The next regularly scheduled Continuum of Care (CoC) Board meeting is scheduled for: Wednesday, February 25, 2026 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Performance, Education, Resource Centers 217 East Club Center Drive Suite A (Enhance Classroom) 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 Continuum Of Care Board Meetings Are 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 Meeting. The Office Of Homeless Services Telephone Number Is (909) 501-0610 And The Office Is Located At 560 E. Hospitality Lane, Suite 200, San Bernardino, Ca 92408-0044. <https://Sbchp.Sbcounty.Gov/> Agenda And Supporting Documentation Can Be Obtained At 560 E. Hospitality Lane, Suite 200, San Bernardino, Ca 92408-0044.



SAN BERNARDINO
COUNTY

Homelessness Multidisciplinary Team

January 28, 2026



AGENDA

1. Legal Authority
2. Information Sharing
3. Homeless MDT
4. Questions





LEGAL AUTHORITY

AB 210 / WIC 18999.8

- Chaptered Oct. 7, 2017 — Chapter 544, Statutes of 2017
- Authorizes counties to form MDTs to expedite identification, assessment, and linkage to housing/supportive services, and permits participating agencies to share confidential info under California law to coordinate care.

AB 728 / WIC 18999.81

- Chaptered Sept. 26, 2019 — Chapter 337, Statutes of 2019
- Adds explicit focus on people at risk of homelessness and prevention.

Assembly Bill No. 210

CHAPTER 544

An act to add Chapter 18 (commencing with Section 18999.8) to Part 6 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to public social services.

[Approved by Governor October 7, 2017. Filed with Secretary of State October 7, 2017.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 210, Santiago, Homeless multidisciplinary personnel team. Existing law authorizes counties to establish a child abuse multidisciplinary personnel team, as defined, to allow provider agencies to share confidential information in order to investigate reports of suspected child abuse or neglect or for the purpose of child welfare agencies making detention determinations, as specified.

This bill would authorize counties to also establish a homeless adult and family multidisciplinary personnel team, as defined, with the goal of facilitating the expedited identification, assessment, and linkage of homeless individuals to housing and supportive services within that county and to allow provider agencies to share confidential information, as specified, for the purpose of coordinating housing and supportive services to ensure continuity of care. The bill would require the sharing of information permitted under these provisions to be governed by protocols developed in each county, as specified, and would require each county to provide a copy of its protocols to the State Department of Social Services.

This bill would authorize the homeless adult and family multidisciplinary personnel team to designate qualified persons to be a member of the team for a particular case and would require every member who receives information or records regarding adults and families in his or her capacity as a member of the team to be under the same privacy and confidentiality obligations and subject to the same confidentiality penalties as the person disclosing or providing the information or records. The bill would also require the information or records to be maintained in a manner that ensures the maximum protection of privacy and confidentiality rights.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 18 (commencing with Section 18999.8) is added to Part 6 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read:

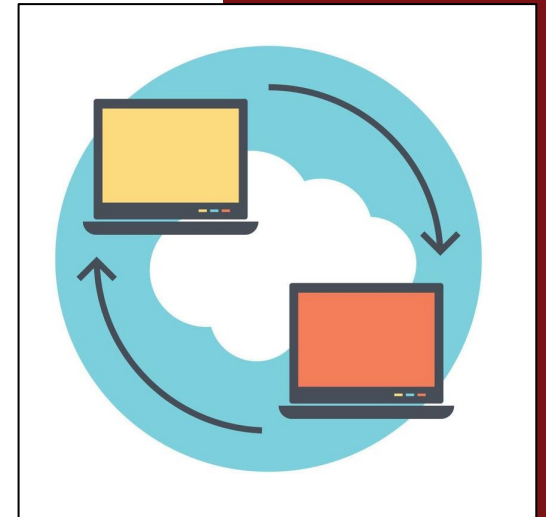


INFORMATION SHARING

What can be shared

- Confidential info under California law may be exchanged if reasonably believed relevant to reducing/eliminating homelessness or providing services
- Law enforcement use is limited to identification/assistance/ linkage (not enforcement purposes).

Shared information must be purpose-limited, compliant, and protected.





HOMELESSNESS MDT

- The County Administrative Office established the Homeless Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) in February 2025.
- Strategic Planning Session to identify Desired Outcomes
- On August 13, 2025, 13 County departments signed a Participating Agency Agreement showing the County's commitment to leveraging data and cross-departmental collaboration to improve outcomes for our most vulnerable residents.





HOMELESSNESS MDT

2025 Review

- Data Sharing Policies & Procedures
- Homelessness Service Enhancements
- Cross Departmental Collaborations
- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) trainings
- DataBridge Kickoff

Next Steps:

- Leveraging HMIS as Interim Data Sharing Platform
- Execution of individual Data Use Agreements
- Development of a Data Sharing Platform



San Bernardino County **Homelessness MDT**

QUESTIONS?



**County of San Bernardino
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Item #2

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2026 Point In Time Count (PITC) Update

Date January 28, 2026

Presenter Erika Lewis-Huntly, Chair, PITC Oversight Committee

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

Announcements	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The command center for the PITC will be at the County Government Center.• PITC Volunteer trainings were completed as of January 21. In total OHS with ITD conducted 19 trainings (14 virtual trainings, 5 in-person trainings).• More than 3,000 hygiene backpacks, 500 vests were boxed and distributed to the cities for the PITC.• Volunteers – There were over 800 registered volunteers.	
Breakdown of registered volunteers as of 1/20/2025	
**Final volunteer numbers will be totaled for each city after the count is conducted, and sign-in sheets are returned.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adelanto - 8• Apple Valley - 18• Barstow - 26• Bloomington - 5• Chino - staff• Chino Hills - staff• Colton - 34• Fontana - 130• Grand Terrace – staff• Hesperia – staff• Highland - Staff• Loma Linda – staff• Montclair – staff• Needles - staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Muscoy - 7• Ontario - 75• Rancho Cucamonga – staff• Redlands - 108• Rialto - 47• San Bernardino - 199• Twenty-nine Palms - 12• Unincorporated Mountain Communities - 26• Upland - 32• Victorville - 48• Yucaipa – 7• Yucca Valley – 20
OHS will be conducting a volunteer survey in February for feedback on the experience of volunteering for the PITC.	



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**Update on Call for Application for a Member-At-Large Seat on the Continuum of Care
(CoC) Board**

Date January 28, 2026

Presenter Joy Woodard, Office of Homeless Services

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

Announcements
<p>The Office of Homeless Services (OHS) received formal notification on January 7, 2026, from Deputy Mike Jones of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department indicating his resignation from the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board.</p> <p>As Deputy Jones held a Member-At-Large seat, this vacancy will require a call for applications. Per the established process, the vacancy should be announced at the January CoC Board meeting, after which OHS will issue a formal Call for Applications.</p> <p>OHS anticipates bringing the appointment forward for a vote from the CoC Full Membership in early February, with the goal of filling the vacancy by the February 25th CoC Board meeting.</p>



Minutes for San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership
Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Meeting
 October 22, 2025, from 9:00am – 11:00am.

Minutes Recorded and Transcribed by Adriana Cueto, Office of Homeless Services

TOPIC	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
Call to Order	Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Chair	The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am.
Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Members Present by Roll Call	Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Chair	<p>The Chair recognized Marcus Dillard to conduct the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Member roll call. Members of the public are not introduced. There were over 33 members of the public who joined the CoC meeting in person, via Zoom and/or telephoned in.</p> <p>The following Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Members or their alternates were present at the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Diane Rundles, David Rabindranath, Aquanetta Warren, Erika Lewis Huntley, Karen Young-Lowe, Shaniqua Freeman, Sandra Ibarra, Antoinette Jackson, Kameron Grosvenor, Lakita Johnson, Marisela Manzo, Sue Walker. <p>Members arriving late:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul Fournier (9:13am) <p>Members absent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carrie Harmon Tyrese Crawford Wayne Hamilton Mike Jones Keith Benitez
PUBLIC COMMENTS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
	Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Chair	<p>The Chair opened the floor to Public Comments</p> <p>No public comments were made.</p> <p>The Chair closed Public Comment.</p>

CONSENT ITEMS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
<p>Approve Minutes of August 27, 2025, CoC Board Meeting.</p> <p>Ratify letter of support for the City of Ontario grant application to receive funding for their Ontario Wellness Campus proposal.</p> <p>Approve the change in date of the Homeless Summit to March 5, 2026.</p>	Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Chair	<p>The Chair opened the consent calendar portion of the agenda.</p> <p>The Chair opened the items for public comments. No public comments were made.</p> <p>Acquanetta Warren made a motion to approve the consent calendar and was seconded by Diane Rundles.</p> <p>The Chair opened the items for comment by the CoC Board members. No Discussion ensued. Vote was taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 members were in favor: Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Diane Rundles, David Rabindranath, Aquanetta Warren, Erika Lewis Huntley, Karen Young-Lowe, Shaniqua Freeman, Sandra Ibarra, Antoinette Jackson, Kameron Grosvenor, Lakita Johnson, Marisela Manzo, Sue Walker, Paul Fournier. • No members were opposed. • No members recused. • Absent: Carrie Harmon, Tyrese Crawford, Wayne Hamilton, Mike Jones, Keith Benitez <p>The motion was approved.</p>
DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
<p>Approve the recommendation from the High Desert Regional Steering Committee to reallocate \$388,627 in Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) Round 3 funds for the High Desert region to the following agencies and authorize the Office of Homeless Services (OHS) to initiate and administer HHAP CoC funded contract awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$300,000 to the Family Assistance Program for interim sheltering to support Permanent Supportive Housing for seniors • \$88,627 to Desert Manna for hotel vouchers, wraparound services, outreach, and prevention activities. 	Annette Florez, Office of Homeless Services	<p>The Chair opened item #5 and recognized Annette Florez.</p> <p>Mrs. Florez presented the recommendation from the High Desert Regional Steering Committee to reallocate \$388,627 in Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) Round 3 funds for the High Desert region to the following agencies and authorize the Office of Homeless Services (OHS) to initiate and administer HHAP CoC funded contract awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$300,000 to the Family Assistance Program for interim sheltering to support Permanent Supportive Housing for seniors • \$88,627 to Desert Manna for hotel vouchers, wraparound services, outreach, and prevention activities. <p>The Chair opened the item for public comments. No public comments were made.</p> <p>The Chair opened the item for discussion to the CoC Board members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shaniqua Freeman–Questioned if It is an extension of programs and if OHS is overseeing the programs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Annette Florez– There will be amendments made to the contract.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Antoinette Jackson–Commented both agencies are doing their due diligence to be held accountable. <p>Sandra Ibarra made a motion to approve item #5, and it was seconded by Acquanetta Warren.</p> <p>Vote was taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">14 members were in favor: Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Diane Rundles, David Rabindranath, Aquanetta Warren, Erika Lewis Huntley, Karen Young-Lowe, Shanikqua Freeman, Sandra Ibarra, Antoinette Jackson, Kameron Grosvenor, Lakita Johnson, Marisela Manzo, Sue Walker, Paul Fournier.No members were opposed.No members recused.Absent: Carrie Harmon, Tyrese Crawford, Wayne Hamilton, Mike Jones, Keith Benitez <p>The motion was approved.</p> <p>There being no further discussion, The Chair closed item # 5.</p>																												
<p>Approve the recommendation of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Grant Round 5 regional funding recommendations based upon the 2025 Point in Time Count (PITC)</p> <table><tr><th>Region</th><th>Total PITC</th><th>Percentage based on sheltered & unsheltered PITC total</th><th>Total allocation per region</th></tr><tr><td>Central Valley</td><td>2450</td><td>63.85%</td><td>\$3,158,368.34</td></tr><tr><td>East Valley</td><td>91</td><td>2.37%</td><td>\$117,233.09</td></tr><tr><td>High Desert</td><td>672</td><td>17.52%</td><td>\$866,634.51</td></tr><tr><td>Mountain</td><td>68</td><td>1.77%</td><td>\$87,553.83</td></tr><tr><td>West Valley</td><td>556</td><td>14.49%</td><td>\$716,754.23</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>3,837</td><td>100%</td><td>\$4,946,544.00</td></tr></table>	Region	Total PITC	Percentage based on sheltered & unsheltered PITC total	Total allocation per region	Central Valley	2450	63.85%	\$3,158,368.34	East Valley	91	2.37%	\$117,233.09	High Desert	672	17.52%	\$866,634.51	Mountain	68	1.77%	\$87,553.83	West Valley	556	14.49%	\$716,754.23	Total	3,837	100%	\$4,946,544.00	<p>Annette Florez, Office of Homeless Services</p>	<p>The Chair opened item # 6 and recognized Annette Florez.</p> <p>Mrs. Florez presented the recommendation of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Grant Round 5 regional funding recommendations based upon the 2025 Point in Time Count (PITC).</p> <p>The Chair opened the items for public comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Janet Johnston <p>The Chair opened the item for discussion to the CoC Board members:</p> <p>Discussion ensued:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Lakita Johnson–Stated there is strength in the service area, 76 individuals are being served, but help is needed.Paul Fournier– Stated the Mountain region would benefit from the baseline allocation from previous years.Sue Walker–Stated HMIS numbers should be considered to increase funding.Kameron Grosvenor—Stated concerns of where Coordinated Entry System fits.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Marcus Dillard–Responded an investment was made with HHIP funding.David Rabindranath–Questioned if it has been thought of to combine the Mountain Region and East Valley Region to increase their numbers.Shanikqua Freeman–Questioned if the 3.4 million is distributed over time.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Marcus Dillard–Responded the funding will continue through 2028.Antoinette Jackson –Questioned if the PITC count accurately reflects in conjunction with the HMIS data.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Marcus Dillard–Responded the board gives the direction.
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Fournier–Stated the campers in the East Valley are so dispersed and it is difficult to count them. • Marisela Manzo–Stated HMIS could be overwhelming, and the numbers should reflect the need of each region. • Shanikqua Freeman–Stated the data is not always accurate or reliable. • Aquanetta Warren–Stated people should consider the shortcomings of the Point in Time Count. • Sandra Ibarra–Stated we should be asking where the individual resides, for the Point in Time Count. Mrs. Ibarra stated every state should have shelters. • Paul Fournier–Stated the Mountains is doing a lot of work to get individuals housed. • Kameron Grosvenor–Stated the goal of permanent housing is unrealistic with limited funding. • Karen Young-Lowe–Questioned what needs to be done as the Board. • David Rabindranath–Questioned what the biggest need for funding is in the Mountains and East Valley. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Paul Fournier–Stated that funding for hotel stays are the biggest need.. • Aquanetta Warren–Stated the funding sources based on the Point in Time need to be worked on to make them better. <p>Erika Lewis Huntley made a motion to approve the item #6, and it was seconded by Aquanetta Warren.</p> <p>Vote was taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 members were in favor: Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Diane Rundles, David Rabindranath, Aquanetta Warren, Erika Lewis Huntley, Shanikqua Freeman, Sandra Ibarra, Sue Walker. • 6 members were opposed. Karen Young-Lowe, Antoinette Jackson, Kameron Grosvenor, Lakita Johnson, Marisela Manzo, Paul Fournier. • No members recused. • Absent: Carrie Harmon, Tyrese Crawford, Wayne Hamilton, Mike Jones, Keith Benitez <p>The motion was approved.</p> <p>There being no further discussion, The Chair closed item # 6.</p>
Approve the recommendation from the East Desert Regional Steering Committee to reopen the Request for Application (RFA) for the remainder of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 4 grant for the East Desert Region for the amount of \$98,524.29 and authorize the Office of Homeless Services (OHS) to reinitiate the RFA process.	Annette Florez, Office of Homeless Services	<p>The Chair opened item #7 and recognized Annette Florez.</p> <p>Mrs. Florez presented the recommendation from the East Desert Regional Steering Committee to reopen the Request for Application (RFA) for the remainder of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 4 grant for the East Desert Region for the amount of \$98,524.29 and authorize the Office of Homeless Services (OHS) to reinitiate the RFA process.</p> <p>The Chair opened the items for public comments. No public comments were made.</p>

		<p>Discussion and Questions from the Board: No Discussion from the Board.</p> <p>Karen Young-Lowe made a motion to approve the item #7, and it was seconded by Sandra Ibarra.</p> <p>Vote was taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 members were in favor: Supervisor Joe Baca Jr., Diane Rundles, David Rabindranath, Aquanetta Warren, Erika Lewis Huntley, Karen Young-Lowe, Shanikqua Freeman, Sandra Ibarra, Antoinette Jackson, Kameron Grosvenor, Lakita Johnson, Marisela Manzo, Sue Walker, Paul Fournier. • No members were opposed. • No members recused. • Absent: Carrie Harmon, Tyrese Crawford, Wayne Hamilton, Mike Jones, Keith Benitez <p>The motion was approved.</p> <p>There being no further discussion, The Chair closed item #7.</p>
BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
		<p>The Chair opened the floor for comments from the Continuum of Care (CoC) Board members.</p> <p>Discussion ensued:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Fournier– Mentioned a fundraiser in the Mountains November 13th. • Antoinette Jackson– Thanked the Office of Homeless Services for their Outreach team's support. • Lakita Johnson–Thanked the Board for the services they provided, and encouraged people get creative providing sources. • Sandra Ibarra–Announced that on November 4th National Corp will have Phase 4 of their Arrowhead Grove. • Marcus Dillard–Stated that Liberty Lane now has an open waitlist. • Shanikqua Freeman–Thanked everyone for their dedication and due diligence.
		Meeting adjourned at 10:03 AM
		<p>Next Meeting: February 25, 2026 Performance, Education, Resource Center 217 East Club Center Drive Suite A San Bernardino, CA 92408</p>

San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership

Homeless Provider Network

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January 28, 2026

RE: Letter of Support for United States Veterans Initiative's (U.S. VETS Inland Empire) Intent to Operate their Supportive Services for Veterans Families (SSVF) grant for the FY27 program year

Dear Supportive Services Veterans Program Office Administrator,

The CA-609 San Bernardino City and County Continuum of Care (CoC).is pleased to provide this Letter of Support for United States Veterans Initiative's (U.S. VETS Inland Empire) Intent to Operate their Supportive Services for Veterans Families (SSVF) grant for the FY27 program year. U.S. VETS Inland Empire continues to be an active member of the CoC in preventing and ending veteran homelessness. Within the past year, U.S. VETS Inland Empire made significant and positive impacts utilizing their increase in grant funding to bridge various gaps in services to veterans dealing with homelessness in San Bernardino County.

The CA-609 San Bernardino City and County Continuum of Care (CoC) strives to develop countywide partnerships that coordinates services directed towards reducing and preventing veteran homelessness by providing comprehensive services. For the past decade, U.S. VETS Inland Empire continues to be at the forefront of this partnership in ending veteran homelessness in the CoC through their SSVF program's rapid re-housing and homeless prevention services. The CoC is in support of U.S. VETS Inland Empire continuation in providing the extensive services that have led to many positive outcomes for our at-risk veterans. In addition to U.S.VETS Inland Empire providing a wide range of services for coordination of care, housing counseling, and legal services, one of the most impactful services that has remained to be the most impactful in the CoC has been the temporary financial assistance for housing stability support to help veteran families stay in or acquire permanent housing.

U.S. VETS Inland Empire's partnership is vital in our community for ending and preventing veteran homelessness and ensuring veterans have the resources needed to transition to and sustain permanent housing. The CoC offers its full support for their continuation of program operations and is confident in their Intent to Operate these services. U.S. VETS Inland Empire's services will continue to provide services that benefit veterans and strengthen the community we serve for in the largest geographical county of the nation, San Bernardino County. We support U.S. VETS Inland Empire continued mission to empower veterans and families through housing, comprehensive services, and advocacy.

Sincerely,

Supervisor Joe Baca Jr.

Chair,
San Bernardino County Continuum of Care



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Update – HUD 2025 Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity

Date January 28, 2026

Presenter Marcus Dillard, Chief of Homeless Services

Receive an update on the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

HUD administers the CoC Program to support local and regional efforts to address homelessness through coordinated housing and supportive services. Each year, HUD issues a NOFO that sets the requirements, eligibility rules, submission process, and scoring criteria for CoC funding. The NOFO governs how CoCs (1) apply for funding through HUD's e-snaps system, (2) prioritize and rank renewal and new projects, and (3) submit the CoC's required application components (including project listings and other CoC-level materials).

HUD's approach for FY 2024–FY 2025 was structured around a two-year framework that, in general, contemplated FY 2025 eligibility and funding decisions being based on the FY 2024 submission for projects meeting specified criteria (i.e., projects could be carried forward without a separate, duplicative renewal submission for FY 2025 under certain conditions).

On November 13, 2025, HUD issued a separate FY 2025 CoC NOFO that substantially changed the competition structure and timelines compared to the FY 2024–FY 2025 framework, including creating a more compressed planning and submission window for CoCs. For the FY 2025 competition cycle, the FY 2025 NOFO functionally superseded the prior FY 2024–FY 2025 framework for purposes of FY 2025 competition requirements. The FY 2025 NOFO also made major changes to the traditional tiering and permanent supportive housing funding approach.

Following issuance, the FY 2025 NOFO became the subject of litigation and related court action affecting HUD's implementation. HUD subsequently withdrew the FY 2025 CoC NOFO on December 8, 2025. In addition, a federal court issued an injunction on December 19, 2025 that affected HUD's implementation approach for the FY 2025 CoC NOFO. On **January 8, 2026**, HUD notified CoCs of its intended approach consistent with the court's order and announced that the FY 2024–25 NOFO would reopen beginning **January 9, 2026**, with a submission deadline of **February 9, 2026**.

At this time, the CoC's portfolio consists of renewal projects. Under the applicable FY 2024–FY 2025 NOFO framework, renewal projects may not be required to submit a separate FY 2025 renewal application (subject to meeting HUD's criteria and confirmation of the correct submission steps in e-snaps), and a consolidated FY 2025 competition-style submission may not be required for renewal-only scenarios. To ensure full compliance and to maintain continuity of funding for currently funded



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agencies, the Office of Homeless Services (OHS) is actively confirming with HUD the precise submission process, required e-snaps actions (if any), and any documentation needed to ensure renewal eligibility is preserved and awards are not delayed or jeopardized