



San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership
West Valley HPN/Regional Steering Committee

Wednesday, May 8, 2024 • 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Hosted by the City of Rancho Cucamonga - Please Join Us at
RC City Hall – **Tri-Communities Conference Room**
10500 Civic Center Drive, Rancho Cucamonga 91730
or

By Zoom Video Conference:

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AGENDA

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A. Call to Order B. Welcome and Introductions <i>Public comment and participation is available and welcomed during all agenda items</i>	Don Smith Erika Lewis-Huntley
REPORTS & UPDATES	
C. Interagency Council on Homelessness D. Homeless Provider Network E. Office of Homeless Services F. State and Federal Updates G. Regional City & Service Provider Partners	Erika Lewis-Huntley Don Smith OHS staff RSC Committee Members
CONSENT ITEMS	
H. Approval of RSC Meeting Minutes – April 10, 2024	Don Smith
PRESENTATIONS / DISCUSSION ITEMS	
I. Investing in Housing Programs & Services – Filling the Resource Gaps in the City of Ontario J. West Valley Regional CES Working Group	Katryna Gonzalez, Housing Services Director City of Ontario Pastors Donald & Ethel Rucker
CLOSING	
K. Additional Public Comment (2 mins) L. Adjournment	Don Smith Erika Lewis-Huntley
Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: West Valley Regional Steering Committee Wednesday, June 12, 2024, 9:00am–11:00am Rancho Cucamonga City Hall – Tri-Communities Conference Room & by Zoom Video Conference	

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.

West Valley HPN-Regional Steering Committee Mtg - 4/10/24 recap

Much appreciation to the 40+ partners who joined us for the West Valley HPN-Regional Steering Committee Meeting on April 10th, in person and by Zoom, and for all of the great information and input shared during the meeting.

*Special thank you to **Mike Jones from the Sheriff's HOPE Team** for sharing his expertise and regional service data along with information on Operation Shelter Me and other activities going on in the West Valley Region and beyond (see meeting slides 44-51).*

Announcements –

- **West Valley Regional CES Working Group Meeting - Thursday, April 18, 9-10am** by Zoom. Requested/required participants include service representatives from our regional city partners, our public/private community service partners based in the West Valley Region and our countywide public/private partners who deliver direct services available to help people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness in the West Valley Region. For meeting invite, please contact DonSmithSolutions@outlook.com.
- **West Valley Regional Housing-Homelessness Resource Inventory** – in addition, we invite all of our SBCHP partners delivering service activities and resources to help facilitate housing solutions for people experiencing or at-risk of homelessness to contribute to our regional resource inventory at the following link - [West Valley Regional Housing-Homelessness Resource Inventory Survey](#).
- **Catholic Charities/Inland Valley Hope Partners - Mobile Shower trailer unit available every Friday, 8am-12pm**, at the SOVA Center, 904 E. California St., Ontario 91761. For more information, 909-391-4882
- **The Ontario Access Center** at 435 S. Bon View is permanently closed. For people who need assistance in Ontario, please contact the Ontario Continuum of Care Street Outreach teams at (909) 395-2890.
- **City of Ontario** – will be releasing a Request for Proposals seeking an operator for a new motel-based "Interim Access Center & Emergency-Interim Housing Program". Interested organizations must register as a vendor on the City's [PlanetBids Vendor Portal](#) to receive notification and the application documents once released via PlanetBids.
- **Board of Supervisors Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee/County Housing Development Fund Guidelines & Application** - <https://sbcountycdha.com/>

For your information, please find attached the West Valley HPN-RSC Meeting power point slides that includes information on the following:

- **Agenda for the ICH Special Meeting on March 25th** (slide 3) includes DCHS Housing & Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP) funding, MOUs between the SBC&C CoC & County Office of Homeless Services, MOU between the CoC & County re: HHAP 5 Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan & Funding Application – [20240325 ICH Agenda Special Meeting 1 Materials Upload.pdf \(sbcounty.gov\)](#)
- **Cal ICH HHAP Round 5 NOFA** - [Regionally Coordinated Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program ROUND 5 \(ca.gov\)](#)
- **San Bernardino County HHAP-5 Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan & Application** - [View.ashx \(legistar.com\)](#)
- **Agenda for the San Bernardino City/County CoC Special Meeting on March 27th** (slide 8) includes Youth Survey update, Homeless & Housing Legislative Update & presentation on

Proposed Changes to the SBC&C CoC Governance Charter – [20240327 CoC Meeting.pdf \(sbcounty.gov\)](#)

- **Homeless & Housing Legislative Update** (slide 9)
- **Draft New San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care Governance Charter - Draft Governance Charter 2024.pdf (sbcounty.gov); CoC Membership List - CoC Membership 2024.pdf (sbcounty.gov)**
- **HMIS Monthly Data Quality Connection Initiative** (slide 11)
- **OHS Multidisciplinary Approaches to End Homelessness – ACLU Presentation, Thursday, May 16th, 9-10am** (slide 12)
- **Pacific Lifeline/Heart2Serve Transitional Housing 3-D Printed Duplex** (slide 14)
- **The California Affordable Housing on Faith Lands Act/Faith Based Housing Convening** (slide 15)
- **Inland Fair Housing & Mediation Board Fair Housing Training - Tuesday, April 16, 10-11am** (slide 16) – [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)
- **Fair Housing Council-Riverside County 2024 Inland Empire Housing Conference – Wednesday, April 17, 8am-3pm** (slide 16) – [2024 Inland Empire Housing Conference Tickets, Wed, Apr 17, 2024 at 7:30 AM | Eventbrite](#)
- **Family Assistance Program Our Stay Youth Shelter Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – Friday, April 12, 10am** (slide 17)
- **Lutheran Social Services Community Wellness Center Groundbreaking – Monday, April 15, 11am** (slide 17)
- **Virtual Training, Trauma Informed Approach to Community Engagement – Thursday April 18 & 25, 1-3pm** (slide 18) – [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)
- **HUD Proposed New Rules to Reduce Barriers to HUD-assisted Housing** (slide 19) – [2024-06218.pdf \(federalregister.gov\)](#)
- **US Supreme Court to hear the case of Johnson v Grants Pass, Oregon – April 22nd** (slide 20 - 22) – [Johnson v. Grants Pass \(johnsonvgrantspass.com\)](#)
- **NLIHC Releases The Gap: A Shortage of Affordable Homes 2024** (slides 23-36) – [The GAP | National Low Income Housing Coalition \(nlihc.org\)](#)
- **CHP Releases California Affordable Housing Needs Report 2024** (slides 37-40) – [California-Affordable-Housing-Needs-Report-2024-1.pdf \(chpc.net\)](#)
- **CHP Releases California Affordable Homes At Risk** (slides 41-43) - [California's Affordable Homes At-Risk \(constantcontact.com\)](#)
- **HOPE Team conducts Operation Shelter Me in Rancho Cucamonga** (slide 44) - [The H.O.P.E. team conducts Operation Shelter Me in Rancho Cucamonga and surrounding areas \(sbcounty.gov\)](#)
- **HOPE Team West Valley Regional Stats & presentation slides** (slides 45-51)
- **West Valley Regional CES Working Group** (slides 52-58)
- **CoC Membership/HPN Registration Form - 20230316-HPN-Fillable-Registration-Form.pdf (sbcounty.gov)**

Thank you for your partnership!

Don Smith & Erika Lewis-Huntley, Co-Chairs

West Valley HPN-Regional Steering Committee

The Solution to Homelessness is Straightforward:
HOUSING!

**Homeless Outreach & Proactive Enforcement (H.O.P.E.)
 Updates on Operation Shelter Me & other activities from the
 Sheriff's HOPE Team**

**Plus,
 WV Regional CES Working Group
 Proposed New CoC Governance Charter &
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**West Valley Regional Steering Committee Meeting
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Email: homeless@sbcounty.gov • Website: <https://sbchp.sbcounty.gov/>

**Agenda for the Special Meeting of the
Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH)**

Meeting date, time, and place
Date: **March 25, 2024**
Time: **8:00 am – 10:00 am**
Location: **Superintendent of Schools – Roy C. Hill Education Center
601 North E St. San Bernardino, CA 92415**
ICH members must attend the meeting in person.

The public may observe the meeting online on a new platform **Teams**:
[Click here to join the meeting](#)
• Meeting ID: 295 034 564 044 • Passcode: 73rTxF
Or call in (audio only) +1 661-568-6806, 607457326# United States, Santa Clarita
Phone Conference ID: 607.457.326#

Note: Please remember to **MUTE** your phones. **DO NOT** place this call on hold should you get another call. Hang up and then rejoin the meeting.

5	Approve the recommendation of the High Desert Regional Steering Committee (HDRSC) to amend Victor Valley Family Resource Center's (VVFRC) scope of work submitted in response to Request for Applications (RFA) OHS 23-01, redirecting Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 3 funds awarded for the acquisition of a property located at 16045 Chiwi Road Apple Valley, CA 92307 -Jessica Alexander, Chair	8:40 – 9:00 am Pages 65 – 67
6	Approve the Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with San Bernardino County (County), through its Office of Homeless Services (OHS): a. Designating the County, through its OHS, as the Collaborative Applicant b. Designating the County, through its OHS, as the Administrative Entity c. Designating the County, through its OHS, as the Administrative Entity for the Homeless Management Information System - Marcus Dillard, Office of Homeless Services	9:00 – 9:20 am 6a Pages 68 – 76 6b Pages 77 – 83 6c Pages 84 – 93
7	Approve Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 5 (HHAP 5) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), effective as of March 26, 2024, with San Bernardino County, through its Office of Homeless Services - Marcus Dillard, Office of Homeless Services and Dr. Joe Colletti, Urban Initiatives	9:20 – 9:40 am Pages 94-199
Council Roundtable		
	Open to comments by the Council	9:40 – 10:00 am
Adjournment		
Next ICH Meeting	The next regularly scheduled Interagency Council on Homelessness meeting is scheduled for: April 24, 2024 Work Force Development Administration 290 N D Street, 6th Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92401	

4	Discussion/ Action Item	
	a. Retroactively designate, effective February 6, 2024, San Bernardino County (County), as the Administrative Entity for the CA-609 San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care (SBC CoC) for the Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP) and authorize the County, as the Administrative Entity, to undertake a competitive Request for Proposals process for HHIP.	8:20 – 8:40 am Pages 9-64
	b. Retroactively authorize, effective February 6, 2024, the County, to accept and distribute \$11,500,000 in HHIP funds on behalf of the SBC CoC, from Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) - Carrie Harmon, Community Development and Housing and Marcus Dillard, Office of Homeless Services	

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DHCS HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS INCENTIVE PROGRAM (HHIP)

HHIP Investment Areas

Investment Activity	Gap or Need Addressed
1. County Continuums of Care (CoC) Support	Enhance partnership between MCP and CoC's.
2. Coordinated Entry System (CES) Support	Improve connection and integration with local CES
3. Community Supports Services Enhancement	Provide more medically appropriate and cost-effective housing-related Community Supports services or other housing-related services to MCP members who are experiencing homelessness.
4. CoC collaboration and partnerships	Increase the number of data sharing agreements with counties, COC, and/or organizations that deliver housing services allowing for timely exchange of information and member matching.
5. Drug Medi-Cal - Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Support and Collaboration	Enhance data capturing capabilities within respective entities (e.g., housing status)
6. Transitional care/housing support	Increase in transitional housing for Members who were discharged from an inpatient setting or Emergency Department who were screened for homelessness or are at risk of homelessness.
7. Disparities and Equity Services Support	Address disparities and equity in service delivery, housing placements, and housing retention.
8. Street Medicine Support	Increase ability to identify and house individuals who are experiencing unsheltered homelessness and require more urgent services.
9. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Collaboration and Enhancement	Optimization of HMIS for Member Matching/data sharing purposes.
10. Community Supports	Increasing Community Support Providers and housing-related care services.
11. Permanent Supportive Housing	Enhance/develop infrastructure and housing space/beds

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between CA-609 San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care and San Bernardino County, through its Office of Homeless Services for Collaborative Applicant May 7, 2024 – December 31, 2028 WHEREAS, the term “Collaborative Applicant” is defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to mean an eligible applicant that has been designated by the Continuum of Care to apply for a grant for Continuum of Care planning funds on behalf of the Continuum. WHEREAS, HUD uses the term “Continuum of Care” to refer to the group that carry out the duties and responsibilities assigned to the Collaborative Applicant, with the exception of applying to HUD for grant funds; and WHEREAS, San Bernardino County (County) is a political subdivision of the State of California and its Office of Homeless Services (OHS) has administered HUD Continuum of Care funds as a Collaborative Applicant on behalf of the CA-609 San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care (SBC CoC); and WHEREAS, SBC CoC desires to designate the County, through OHS, to serve as its Collaborative Applicant to administer HUD Continuum of Care funds; and WHEREAS, the County, through OHS, agrees to perform the services as set forth below; NOW THEREFORE, SBC CoC and County, through its OHS, (collectively, the “Parties”) mutually agree to the following terms and conditions:	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between CA-609 San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care and San Bernardino County Office of Homeless Services for Administrative Entity May 7, 2024 – December 31, 2028 WHEREAS, as set forth in California Health and Safety Code Section 50210, “Administrative entity” means a unit of general-purpose local government or a nonprofit organization that has previously administered federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care (CoC) funds as the collaborative applicant pursuant to Section 578.3 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) that has been designated by the CoC to administer program funds; and WHEREAS, CA-609 San Bernardino City and County Continuum of Care (SBC CoC) desires to have San Bernardino County (County), through its Office of Homeless Services (OHS), act on its behalf as the Administrative Entity to administer grant funds on behalf of the SBC CoC; and WHEREAS, OHS agrees to perform the services as set forth below; NOW THEREFORE, SBC CoC and the County, through OHS, mutually agree to the following terms and conditions:
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, through its OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES and CA-609 SAN BERNARDINO CITY & COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE For HOMELESS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM May 7, 2024 – December 31, 2028 WHEREAS, the San Bernardino County (County), through its Office of Homeless Services(OHS), serves as the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Administrative Entity (AE), designated by the CA-609 San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care (SBC CoC) to operate the day-to-day activities and managerial operations of the HMIS; and WHEREAS, SBC CoC desires that OHS continue to serve as the AE to operate the day-to-day activities and managerial operations of the HMIS; and WHEREAS, the County, through OHS, and the SBC CoC seek to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to define their respective roles in providing HMIS oversight and managerial operation; and NOW THEREFORE, the County, through OHS, and the SBC CoC mutually agree to the following terms and conditions:	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, THROUGH ITS OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES AND CA-609 SAN BERNARDINO CITY & COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR HOMELESS HOUSING, ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION (HHAP) PROGRAM ROUND 5 WHEREAS, the San Bernardino County (County), through its Office of Homeless Services (OHS) desires to be considered eligible for Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 5 (HHAP-5) base allocations as the Administrative Entity; and WHEREAS, OHS and CA-609 San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care (SBC CoC) has been allocated HHAP-5 funds by the State of California Interagency Council on Homelessness to provide funding for the purpose of organizing and deploying the full array of homelessness programs and resources comprehensively and effectively, and to sustain existing federal, state, and local investments towards long-term sustainability of housing and supportive services; and WHEREAS, the SBC CoC finds OHS qualified to provide services as the Administrative Entity for the HHAP-5 funding; and WHEREAS, the HHAP-5 Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan (Action Plan) is attached to this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), committing each signatory to participate in, and to comply with, the Action Plan as attached hereto; and NOW, THEREFORE, the County, through its OHS, and SBC CoC mutually agree to the following terms and conditions:
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California Interagency Council on Homelessness

In partnership with the Department of Housing and Community Development



REGIONALLY COORDINATED HOMELESSNESS ACTION PLAN AND APPLICATION TEMPLATE

HOMELESS HOUSING, ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM ROUND 5 (HHAP-5)

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Statewide Ballot Measures:

Proposition 1: Two weeks after the election, Proposition 1, the Behavioral Health Services Program and Bond Measure was finally declared a winner with 50.2% of the votes. Prop 1 Authorizes \$6.4 billion in state bonds to fund mental health housing; reconfigures the funding of behavioral health programs under the Mental Health Services Act to prioritize housing.

State Budget Update

The Governor does not reduce the Encampment Resolution Grant Program (\$400 million) or Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) program (\$1 billion) in his FY24-25 January budget proposal. However, it does not include new funding to extend either program. The proposed budget does include the following funding reversions, delays, or shifts:

- **HHAP Funding** – delays from 2023-24 to 2025-26 \$260 million to align budgeting more properly with when the funds will be accessed/expended.
- **Veteran Housing and Homelessness Prevention Program** – reverts \$50 million General Fund for the Veteran Housing and Homelessness Prevention Program.
- **Housing Navigators** – reduces \$13.7 million General Fund ongoing for Housing Navigators.

The Governor's proposed budget makes \$1.2 billion in General Fund reductions over a multi-year period for the following housing programs:

- **Regional Early Action Planning Grants (REAP 2.0)**
- **Multifamily Housing Program (MHP)**
- **Foreclosure Intervention Program**
- **Infill Infrastructure Grant Program (IIG)**
- **CalHome Program**

Federal Budget Update

The Transportation and Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Appropriations bill was passed by Congress shortly before its March 9th deadline as part of a funding package that averted a partial government shutdown. Key homeless and housing programs were funded at current levels including:

- \$32.4 billion for the **Housing Choice Vouchers Program** and
- \$4 billion for **Homeless Assistance Grants**.

President Biden's proposed FY2025 Budget was released on March 11, 2024. Highlights include:

- Enhancements to the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit
- Increased funding for Housing Choice Voucher Program: \$32.75 Billion proposed, an increase of \$369 million.

Legislative Update

This year, state lawmakers have introduced 2,124 bills. A handful address homelessness and housing:

AB 1948 (Rendon) – Homeless multidisciplinary personnel teams: This bill would authorize eight counties, including San Bernardino, to continue using AB 728 authority to share information for multidisciplinary homeless teams. *Referred to Assembly Human Services Committee. County Supported.*

AB 1788 (Quirk-Silva) – Mental health multidisciplinary personnel team: Authorizes counties to establish a mental health multidisciplinary personnel team with the goal of identifying, assessing, and linking of incarcerated justice-involved persons diagnosed with a mental illness to supportive services within that county upon release from county jail. *Status: Passed Public Safety Committee (8-0), re-referred to Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee. Sheriff Supported, Board Support in Process*

AB 1813 (Alanis) – Senior Tenant Shallow Rental Subsidy Program of 2024: housing grants: This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to establish and administer a grant program for cities and counties to provide subsidies for senior citizens at risk of homelessness. *Status: Referred to Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

SB 1011 (Jones) – Homeless encampments penalties: Prohibits individuals from sitting, lying, sleeping, or storing personal property on streets or sidewalks if homeless shelters are available, within 500 feet of certain locations, and allows enforcement as a misdemeanor or infraction, with notice required before any enforcement action. *Status: Referred to Public Safety Committee.*

SB 1107 (Durazo) – Public social services: county departments: mail programs: This bill would require county human services agencies to establish a program ensuring homeless residents can receive government-related mail at designated locations. This bill defines government-related mail and requires the State Department of Social Services to adopt regulations for implementing the program by January 1, 2026. *Status: Referred to Assembly Human Services Committee and Governmental Organization Committee.*

SB 1361 (Blakespear) – CEQA Exemption: exemption: local agencies: contract for providing services to people experiencing homelessness: Expands exemptions from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to include local agencies approving contracts for providing services for people experiencing homelessness. *Status: Referred to Senate Environmental Quality Committee.*

SB 1395 (Becker) – Low barrier navigation center use by right: This bill expands exemptions from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to include services contracts for homeless shelters, extends the repeal date of existing provisions regarding shelter crisis declarations, and revises the definition of Low Barrier Navigation Centers to include non-congregate and relocatable facilities. *Status: Referred to Assembly Housing and Environmental Quality Committees.*

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Draft Continuum of Care (CoC) and Voting Member list for Review

Greetings

On March 27, 2024, at the Annual Meeting of the San Bernardino County Continuum of Care (CoC) changes to the current CoC Governance Charter will be previewed. Attached you will find a draft of the proposed CoC Governance Charter that will be the subject of the discussion. **Please be aware that CoC membership will not be expected to vote on adoption of the charter at this meeting.** Instead, members will have the opportunity to review in detail in the weeks that follow and a call for vote by CoC membership will be held thereafter.

To garner broad based stakeholder input on this critical issue being posed to the membership for adoption, the list of eligible voters includes those whose attendance was captured at one of the following meetings in the past year (July 2023 CoC Membership meeting, November 2023 CoC Retreat, March 25th ICH meeting) **or agencies and/or advocates who have applied to the Office of Homeless Services.** The list of currently eligible voters can be found attached. The meeting on March 27th offers one last opportunity for stakeholders to satisfy their voting eligibility status. Those not currently on the list who would like to cast a vote should plan to attend. The list of eligible voters will be updated and published thereafter.

The list consists of both individual voting members and **agency** members and identifies the primary voting member and their alternates. **If you would want to join the CoC or if you need to make any revisions to your application,** please email your applications as soon as possible to the Office of Homeless Services at Homelessrfrp@hss.sbcounty.gov

Thank you,

Office of Homeless Services

Phone: 909-501-0610

560 E. Hospitality Lane, Suite 200

San Bernardino CA 92408-0044

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Reminder: HMIS Monthly Data Quality Connection Initiative "Q&A"

Greetings Community Members,

This is a reminder that on April 2, 2024, at 2:30 p.m. the OHS HMIS team is hosting its first monthly Data Quality Connection Initiative (DQCI) meeting. This will provide all partner agencies an opportunity to meet with the HMIS team and have a general Q&A discussion and openly discuss general topics and concerns.

As a reminder, unique questions and/or concerns with specific agencies will require a meeting dedicated with that agency to be held.

The meeting link is available below.

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Thank you,

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Save the Date ACLU Presentation: Multidisciplinary Approaches to Ending Homelessness

Save the date

Greetings,

The Office of Homeless Services is pleased to announce May's Multidisciplinary Approaches to End Homelessness meeting. This meeting will take place virtually:

Thursday, May 16th
9:00am-10:00am

We will be having a presentation from:

ACLU of Southern California

Topic: ACLU of Southern California

Info: The ACLU SoCal works tirelessly to protect and promote the fundamental rights of all individuals. They advocate for justice, equality, and fairness. The organization operates in the Southern California region, which includes counties such as Los Angeles, Kern, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura. The ACLU SoCal challenges government and police practices that treat unhoused people as criminals. They fight against ticketing and arresting unhoused individuals for sitting, sleeping, or lying on public sidewalks. Through litigation, advocacy, and policy changes, the Dignity for All Project strives to uphold human dignity and create a more just and compassionate society. The Dignity for All Project firmly believes that human beings should not have to sleep on sidewalks or in parks while facing criminal penalties simply because they are homeless.

The Dignity for All Project by the ACLU of Southern California (ACLU SoCal) is a crucial initiative aimed at addressing civil and human rights issues related to homelessness.

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Request for Application No. OHS 24-01 Continuum of Care Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 4

The Office of Homeless Services, designated by the San Bernardino City and County Continuum of Care (SBC&C CoC) as the Administrative Entity, is seeking Applications from interested and qualified Applicants to provide services under the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program, Round 4 (HHAP-4). HHAP-4 funds are intended to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address homelessness challenges. Efforts are focused on moving homeless individuals and families, or individuals and families at-risk of homelessness, into permanent housing and supporting those individuals and families to maintain permanent housing.

Applications will be accepted for project funding in each of the five regions within the SBC&C CoC: 1) Central Valley Region; 2) Desert Region; 3) East Valley Region; 4) Mountain Region; and 5) West Valley Region. Separate applications will also be accepted for countywide projects specifically serving the needs of unaccompanied homeless youth. Applicants who wish to provide services to more than one region must submit an Application for each region. The number of awards will be determined by the quality of the Applications received in consultation with each Regional Steering Committee.

Region/Focus	Amount
Central Valley Region	\$2,094,209.32
Desert Region	\$739,539.27
East Valley Region	\$193,524.29
Mountain Region	\$65,660.02
West Valley Region	\$362,858.06
Homeless Youth	\$443,050.12

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Release of RFA	Thursday, January 18, 2024
Application Workshop	Tuesday, January 30, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. (Local Time)
Deadline for Submission of Questions	Tuesday, January 30, 2024 by 4:00 P.M. (Local Time)
Deadline for Applications	Tuesday, February 27, 2024 by 4:00 P.M. (Local Time)
Date for Tentative Contract Award	Spring 2024

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Transitional Housing 3D Printed Duplex

Summary

Pacific Lifeline's Next Steps housing program and 3D printed duplex will offer reduced rent for families completing its shelter program, but it will be so much more than affordable housing. It will empower women to continue to make progress in gaining life skills, build positive life habits, and work toward goals, giving them the opportunity to build a brighter future for themselves and their children. **This project reflects the commitment of both Pacific Lifeline and Heart2Serve to provide safe and supportive housing for those in need within our community.**

This duplex will be the first permitted 3D printed house to be built and printed on-site in Southern California. It will be comprised of a 1-bedroom, 1-bathroom unit that is approximately 600 square feet and a 2-bedroom, 1-bathroom unit that is approximately 763 square feet. Both units will feature a living/dining room area, kitchen and laundry room. The project is contracted by Heart2Serve, with 3D printing technology provided by Gaudi Tech, engineering services provided by Plump Engineering of Anaheim, CA, and architectural services provided by Visioneering Studios, Inc. of Santa Ana, CA.

What is 3D Printed Housing?

A 3D House Printer operates in much the same manner as a desktop 3D printer. They are file driven from a laptop or other processor to a controlled robotic print head that moves in three directions to accurately and consistently lay down a continuous bead of select print material in three dimensions.

How It Works

This simple process design is scaled up deploying an aluminum truss support framework, a pressurized pump driven material delivery system, an overhead 3D robotic actuator attached to a print head controlled by standard 3D cad software on a laptop computer. The pressurized pump system delivers a continuous bead of reinforced spec mix to a dual print nozzle capable of printing up to 4 feet of material per second. This technology allows 1,600 sf of hollow reinforced walls to be printed and roughed in 2-3 days!

No special or elite planning variances were necessary, as the engineering utilized the CMU (Concrete Masonry Unit) building code as its basis for design, and **no specialty building materials will be used.** The team has been trained and certified with the 3D printer manufacturer and underwent 30 days of training on-site in Salt Lake City, UT.

The Benefits

Our 3D printed walls are printed with fiber reinforced mortar that is plasticized and has a higher psi than standard mortar, which means it is waterproof and will not crack. This ensures durability and longevity for years to come. **Other benefits include:** a reduced build time of 31-41 days, fire resistance due to its concrete & steel construction, reduced materials and labor, reduced materials waste, resistance to insect damage, low long-term maintenance, R40 hollow wall insulation, and lower repair costs.

About Pacific Lifeline

Pacific Lifeline has been serving the state of California for over 100 years, and has been in Upland since 1995. Its mission is to empower women and their children facing chronic homelessness and to help them achieve personal and social stability. In addition to providing long-term shelter, food, and basic necessities to families, Pacific Lifeline's programs include case management (credit counseling, career counseling, job and child care search support, goal setting, etc.), therapy (women's individual and support group, children's individual, sibling/family therapy), children's developmental play activities and tutoring, women's life skills classes, parenting classes, family enrichment activities, holiday parties, and more. Once families complete the program and move into their own apartments, they participate in an Extended Care Program, which includes community outreach events, resource referrals, case management and therapy, life skills classes, and holiday help. For more about Pacific Lifeline, visit their website: <https://www.pacific-lifeline.org>

About Heart2Serve

The mission of Heart2Serve is to provide hope and support to women in transition. Founded in 2015 by addiction survivors Brian & Cindy Baughman, they believe everyone deserves a second chance to be free from substance abuse and given the tools, skills, and care to live a reborn life. Their sober living program for women provides housing, recovery continuation services, social services assistance, legal assistance, professional counseling, transportation assistance, and a community of people to grow with. For more information about Heart2Serve, visit their website: <https://www.h2sai.org>

Heart2Serve's Construction Services are the primary source of support for their work within the community. They are general contractors providing residential and commercial full-service construction. The revenues from these services fund both their program and their transitional living homes in Chino Hills, CA.

About Gaudi Tech

With over two decades of expertise and more than 300 patents, Gaudi Tech has been at the forefront of technological leadership. They hold the distinction of being the first company in the world to print a 3D house in 2014, and since then, they have continued to push the boundaries of innovation. Gaudi revolutionizes home construction using cutting-edge technology. Their innovative approach disrupts traditional subtractive manufacturing in architecture by employing "recycled" renewable building resources and industrial tailings as "ink" and thermal insulating materials for 3D-printed buildings. Through additive manufacturing, they directly print houses, ensuring cyclic utilization and significant cost savings. Their 3D-printed houses boast over three times the strength of traditional concrete houses and can be built 30 times faster, resulting in a remarkable 70% reduction in costs. What's more, their commitment to sustainability is evident in using recycled materials for the cement, making their houses not just efficient but environmentally friendly.

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SB 4 – The California Affordable Housing on Faith Lands Act

The California Affordable Housing on Faith Lands Act (SB 4) provides a streamlined process for religious organizations and nonprofit colleges to develop affordable housing on their property regardless of local zoning restrictions.

Across California, there are over 171,749 acres of potentially developable land owned by faith-based organizations or nonprofit colleges. Unfortunately, much of this land is located in areas that are not zoned to permit multifamily housing.

SB 4 aims to address the challenges faced by religious groups and nonprofit colleges located in areas where local zoning rules prohibit multi-family housing, making it legal "by-right" for these organizations to build affordable, multi-family homes on lands they own by overriding local zoning restrictions and streamlining the permitting process.

- **Streamlined Process:** The Act allows religious groups and certain nonprofit colleges to build affordable housing on their properties while bypassing most local permitting, zoning, and environmental review rules. This streamlining process facilitates quicker approvals and reduces the time-consuming and expensive rezoning process.
- **By-Right Approval:** SB 4 guarantees "by-right" approval of new homes on faith-based lands, as long as they adhere to objective building standards and comply with existing environmental protections. This provision helps cut down on uncertainty and delays in the housing development process.
- **Ending Misuse of Environmental Regulations:** The bill also aims to end the misuse of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which is sometimes invoked to block affordable housing projects. By preventing unwarranted appeals and lawsuits, SB 4 promotes housing development.
- **Worker Provisions:** Construction workers on SB 4 projects will be paid prevailing wages for projects with over 10 homes. On projects with at least 50 homes, contractors must offer apprenticeships and provide health care for construction workers and their dependents. These provisions support both workers and the state's skilled workforce necessary for building much-needed homes.
- **Affordability Requirements:** Any housing built under SB 4 must be deed-restricted affordable for a minimum of 55 years for rental properties and 45 years for homes offered for ownership. Density and height restrictions align with appropriate standards for affordable housing under existing housing element law.

SB 4 was signed into law by Governor Newsom on October 11, 2023, and represents a positive step toward addressing California's housing crisis and ensuring more accessible housing options for its residents.

Faith Based Housing Convening San Bernardino County

Thursday, March 14th, 2024
9am-2pm

Water of Life Church
7625 East Ave.
Fontana, CA 92336

Faith leaders, housing champions and nonprofit colleges and universities in San Bernardino County

Join the conversation and strategize around new housing legislation passed in 2023- Yes in God's Back Yard!

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:



Reverend Dr. Mark E. Whitlock

Mark Whitlock currently serves as senior pastor of Reid Temple A.M.E. Church, Glenn Dale, MD. Reid Temple has a membership of over seven thousand people. The church owns and manages a 252-unit apartment building, and additional 17 acres of land being develop into a multi-use site, a Community Development Corporation with multiple programs, an Elementary School with over two hundred children, and an online Bookstore.



Reverend Dr. Patrick G Duggan

As executive director of UCC Church Building & Loan Fund, Dr. Patrick G. Duggan is responsible for advancing the mission and growing the capacity, reach and social impact of CB&LF products and services. Patrick has more than 30 years experience in bi-vocational ministry, serving the local church while working in the public sector, including education, government, nonprofit organizations and economic and community development.

[Register Here](#)

Panelist includes:

- Local faith leaders who are building housing in San Bernardino County
- Local nonprofit developer with experience building on faith based land

[Link to SB-4-Yes in God's Back Yard](#)

San Bernardino County Faith Based Housing Convening










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Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board invites you to attend our

Fair Housing Training

Tuesday, April 16, 2024
10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (PST)

Learn about fair housing rights and responsibilities & how to recognize and report housing discrimination.

This training will be provided via Zoom.

To Register: [ZOOM Link:](https://us06web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/2ZMpc2qrD0rHdK8qB24ypso3mHa3C4V10)
<https://us06web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/2ZMpc2qrD0rHdK8qB24ypso3mHa3C4V10>

For assistance in registering contact:
Ephraim Lee
Email: elee@ifhmb.com
Phone: 909.984.2254 ext. 114 | California Relay Service 7-1-1

* Reasonable accommodations are available upon request *

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Keynote Speakers



TIENA JOHNSON HALL
Executive Director
CalHFA



HAFSA KAKA
Sr. Advisor
Housing Services,
Office of California
Governor Gavin Newsom



LISA RICE
President & CEO
Inland Fair Housing Alliance

2024 Inland Empire HOUSING CONFERENCE

Honoring National Fair Housing Month Industry Leaders Discuss
"The New Day of Housing"

APRIL 17, 2024

Registration starts at 7:00 a.m.
Event is from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Event Sponsors:









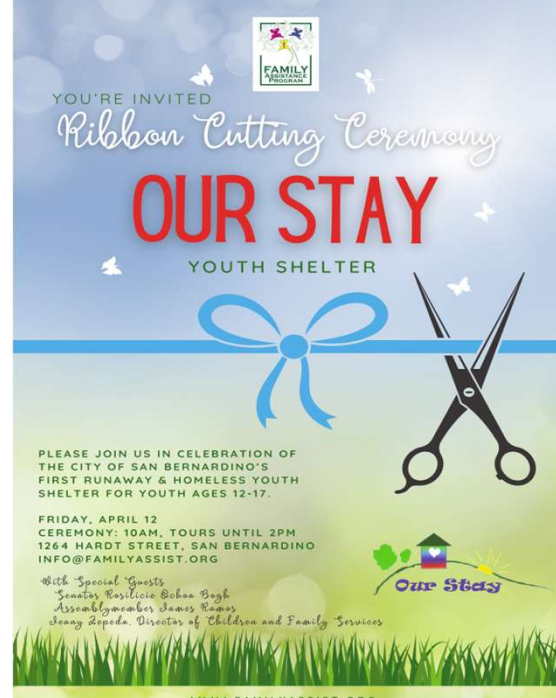






For more information visit:
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In collaboration with the
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Trauma Informed Approach to Community Engagement

VIRTUAL TRAINING

This is a 2-part virtual training series facilitated by author, course developer and Training consultant

K-Rahn Vallatine

Topics include:

1. Addressing Community Trauma with Trauma Informed Approaches
2. Understanding Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
3. Developing A Success Mindset in Our Clients

Dates:
Thursday, April 18, 2024
Thursday, April 25, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (Pacific Time)

Audience: Servicing providers serving individuals with intellectual developmental disability, foster youth, incarcerated youth, justice involved youth, BIPOC population, re-entry populations, those with behavioral health and substance abuse challenges

Price: FREE

***Must register to join. Register today!**

Dear Community Service Providers,

We are excited to extend a special invitation to an exclusive virtual training opportunity led by author and training consultant, K-Rahn Vallatine on trauma-informed approaches to community engagement. **This rare opportunity for FREE open enrollment is afforded to you in collaboration with the California Department of Rehabilitation!**

As a service provider, you understand the importance of fostering meaningful connections with your community. This 2-part training session with K-Rahn Vallatine will provide invaluable insights into understanding emotional and psychological trauma and how it impacts community dynamics.

Here are the details of the training:
Topic: Trauma-Informed Approaches to Community Engagement
Speaker: K-Rahn Vallatine
Date: Part 1: Thursday, April 18th and Part II: Thursday, April 25th
Time: 1:00p -3:00pm PST

During this session, you will learn practical strategies to:

- Identify and address trauma within communities
- Strengthen communal bonds and resilience
- Implement trauma-informed practices in your community engagement initiatives

Don't miss this opportunity to learn from a leading expert in the field and enhance your ability to make a positive impact on your community.

Seats are limited. As of this email, we are already at 250 registered, so register now to secure your spot!

We look forward to having you join us for this transformative training experience.

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Comments Requested: HUD Proposes New Rules to Reduce Barriers to HUD-Assisted Housing

HUD is seeking comments to a new proposed rule, entitled [Reducing Barriers to HUD-Assisted Housing](#), that will prevent people from being automatically and categorically denied access from HUD-assisted housing for having a criminal record.

HUD seeks public comment on this proposed rule and invites all interested parties and members of the public to submit their views, comments, and recommendations.

The proposed rule will be published on April 10 at [federalregister.gov](https://www.federalregister.gov). Comments may be submitted electronically until June 10, 2024 through [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov).

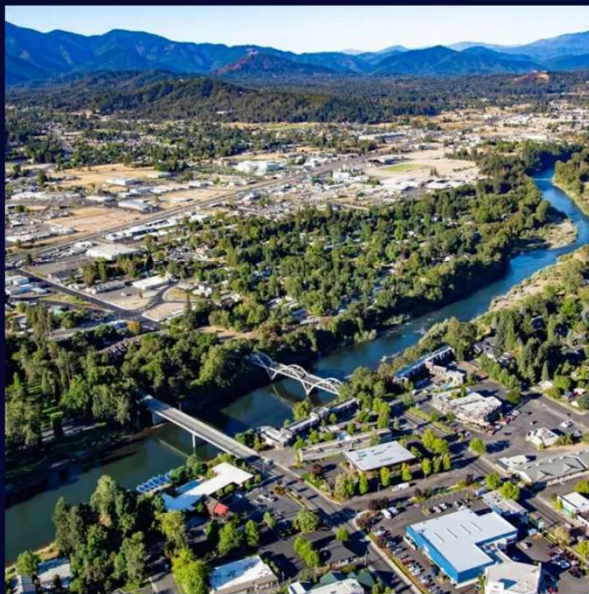
SUMMARY: This proposed rule would amend the regulations for certain HUD Public and Indian Housing and Housing Programs. The proposed amendments would revise existing regulations that govern admission for applicants with criminal records or a history of involvement with the criminal justice system and eviction or termination of assistance of persons on the basis of illegal drug use, drug-related criminal activity, or other criminal activity.

The proposed revisions would require that prior to any discretionary denial or termination for criminal activity, PHAs and assisted housing owners take into consideration multiple sources of information, including but not limited to the recency and relevance of prior criminal activity. They are intended to minimize unnecessary exclusions from these programs while allowing providers to maintain the health, safety, and peaceful enjoyment of their residents, their staffs, and their communities.

The proposed rule is intended to both clarify existing PHA and owner obligations and reduce the risk of violation of nondiscrimination laws.

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ABOUT JOHNSON V. GRANTS PASS



On April 22nd 2024, the Supreme Court of the United States will hear the case of *Johnson v. Grants Pass*. This sets the stage for the most significant Supreme Court case about the rights of homeless people in decades. At its core, this case will decide whether cities are allowed to punish people for things like sleeping outside with a pillow or blanket, even when there are no safe shelter options.

Johnson v. Grants Pass is a court case originally filed in 2018 that determined it is cruel and unusual punishment to arrest or ticket people for sleeping outside when they have no other safe place to go. The case started in Grants Pass, Oregon when the city began issuing tickets to people sleeping in public, even when there were not enough safe, accessible shelter beds.

Grants Pass, like many cities in America, is thousands of housing units short of what is needed. That shortfall will not be solved by putting more people in jail or issuing more tickets. The solution to homelessness is safe, decent, and affordable housing for everybody.

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Supreme Court and Homelessness: What the Grants Pass v. Johnson Case Could Do



Written by Steve Berg January 26, 2024

The U.S. Supreme Court has decided to take up the case of *City of Grants Pass, Oregon v. Gloria Johnson* to determine whether if, under our Constitution, a local government can make it a crime to involuntarily live outside and unsheltered, when adequate shelter is not available. The Alliance has [issued a statement](#) that the Court **should not allow** such a policy.

The Supreme Court will review the decision of the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, which followed precedent in the Ninth Circuit and elsewhere that states are not allowed to make it a crime to sleep outside if no inside space is available. These precedents are based on the prohibition in the Eighth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, against "cruel and unusual punishment." The local officials in Grants Pass and elsewhere seek the ability to arrest and jail unsheltered people. In Grants Pass, the specific charge was "camping," which police interpreted as sleeping with a blanket, pillow, or even a sheet of cardboard to lie on. Officials have been explicit about their hopes that people will go elsewhere.

Timeline

National and local advocates will file amicus curiae ("friend of the court") briefs over the next few months, and a hearing will be held in late April with oral arguments from both sides. The Supreme Court will then make its decision, probably in June or July (although it could be sooner). **Based on this decision, local governments will decide how to change policies** – a process that could take years.

It's important to note that nobody involved in this case – from the perspective of better treatment for people living unsheltered – regards the case as unwinnable. Whether turning blameless acts into crimes amounts to unconstitutional government overreach is not a conservative versus liberal issue. Among the local politicians who have filed briefs siding with Grants Pass in asking the Supreme Court to take the case are many who are seen as progressive, but who seek power over people living in their jurisdictions in order to avoid the hard work of solving the underlying challenge of **ensuring that the most vulnerable people have access to housing and services they need.**

Impacts of the Supreme Court Decision

In this case, the Supreme Court has the ability, by ruling in favor of the unsheltered people who brought the case, to affirm that everyone in the community is valued, and that **the legitimate role of local government is to make room for everyone**, in decent conditions, not pick out certain people to lock up or drive out.

On the other hand, if the Supreme Court rules in favor of the City of Grants Pass, the Court could make the problem of homelessness much worse. Allowing unsheltered homelessness to be a crime, even when there is no shelter, would mean more people with criminal records: making it harder to get a job, harder to rent an apartment, and harder to have time to address barriers when life is filled with court appearances and jail time. Jails in America are dangerous places, perhaps more dangerous than unsheltered homelessness. If forced to leave their community people lose ties with family, caseworkers, churches, and others who can help.

More broadly, criminalization creates more conflict around the issue. Communities that make progress on homelessness are marked by people working together. But if local politicians and police are putting people in jail, it guarantees that people will regard each other as the enemy.

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News

California cities tell U.S. Supreme Court homeless encampment rulings 'unworkable'



In a legal brief filed Tuesday with the U.S. Supreme Court, a coalition of California cities rallied against a string of federal court rulings on homeless encampments. | Anna Moneymaker/Getty Images

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By **CalMatters**
Published Sep. 21, 2023 • 10:45am

Fed up with homeless encampments, California local officials are seeking guidance from the nation's most powerful judges.

In a legal brief filed Tuesday with the U.S. Supreme Court, the California State Association of Counties and League of California Cities told the justices that a string of federal court rulings over the last five years that restrict cities' abilities to sweep camps and order residents off the streets have made addressing health and safety concerns "unworkable."

"The State of California and its cities and counties are engaged in unprecedented efforts to address homelessness through the creation of significant new policy initiatives and funding investments," the league and association wrote. "However, camping ordinances can be a useful tool in appropriate circumstances in addressing the complex conditions that exist in our homeless populations."

California cities made a similar appeal in 2019, but the court declined to hear that case.

It all stems from a landmark 2018 decision by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in an Idaho case that was binding on California local governments. Judges then decided that it's unconstitutional to criminally penalize people camping in public when they lack "access to adequate temporary shelter."

Since then, cities have often landed in court when trying to enforce camping bans, but the organizations said those cases haven't clarified what's allowed or required. Also since 2018 and during the COVID pandemic, the state's homelessness crisis has only worsened, with more than **750,000 unhoused people this year**. Most of them are unsheltered, living outdoors because most cities don't have enough shelter beds. In some cases, unhoused people refuse available shelter beds for a variety of personal circumstances.

The crux of the legal debate now, **CalMatters reported this month**, is what makes a person "involuntarily homeless"—and whether cities can sweep camps and cite residents even if it doesn't have sufficient shelter to accommodate each resident's individual circumstances. The California associations filed the amicus brief supporting an Oregon city which the 9th Circuit this year ruled cannot enforce a camping ban because the city doesn't have enough shelter beds for its entire population.

On Wednesday, more California officials weighed in. The state's sheriff's association and police chiefs association, as well as a group of Orange County cities, filed their own brief arguing the Idaho ruling "may have expanded the rights of those suffering from homelessness [while] the rights of business owners, taxpayers, children and other housed citizens to clean, safe, drug-free streets and public areas have been completely ignored."

Sacramento County District Attorney Thien Ho filed his own brief, too. And San Diego, which recently began enforcing a sweeping new camping ban, will sign on to a brief being circulated by the city of Seattle, a spokesperson for Mayor Todd Gloria said.

Will Knight, decriminalization director at the National Homelessness Law Center, previously told CalMatters he doesn't think the Supreme Court will take up the case, given that the question has not come up prominently in federal courts in other parts of the country. Knight criticized cities for trying to get around the technical boundaries of the Idaho ruling and said they should focus instead on expanding individualized housing options for residents.

Meanwhile, political pressure is mounting on cities to more strictly enforce their camping ban. Democratic big-city mayors and Gov. Gavin Newsom have blasted federal judges for rulings that halt encampment sweeps.

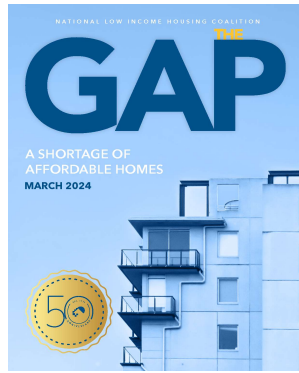
On Tuesday, Ho **sued the city of Sacramento**, accusing it of inadequately enforcing a number of recent camping bans such as those near schools and of ignoring residents' requests to safety issues at camps.

City officials have not used criminal citations in the recent bans, instead opting for "voluntary compliance" that does include ordering people to move their tents. Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg called Ho's suit a "performative distraction."

Homelessness increased more than 60% in Sacramento County between 2019 and 2022, to 9,300 individuals on any given night; the city and county combined have about 2,400 shelter beds.

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NLIHC Releases *The Gap: A Shortage of Affordable Homes*



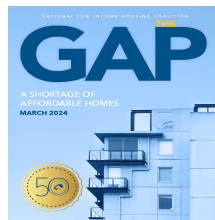
NLIHC released today its annual report *The Gap: A Shortage of Affordable Homes*. This year's report finds that the lowest-income renters in the U.S. face a shortage of 7.3 million affordable and available rental homes. As a result, nearly three-quarters of renters with extremely low incomes are severely cost-burdened, spending more than half their income on rent and accounting for nearly 70% of all severely cost-burdened renters in the U.S. The report calls for greater federal investments in the preservation and expansion of the affordable housing stock, more Housing Choice Vouchers to bridge the gap between renters' incomes and rent, and emergency assistance for renters who experience unexpected short-term financial shocks.

As the report shows, just 34 affordable and available homes exist for every 100 renter households with extremely low incomes. This shortage impacts every state and the District of Columbia, resulting in widespread housing cost burdens. The states with the most severe shortages – Nevada, Arizona, California, Alaska, Florida, and Texas – have fewer than three affordable rental homes available for every 10 extremely low-income renters, with Nevada having fewer than two. Even states with the least severe shortages still have significant shortfalls, having fewer than six rental homes affordable and available for every 10 extremely low-income renters.

The report explains that the private market cannot adequately serve renters with extremely low incomes and demonstrates that present funding for housing assistance is insufficient, creating a systemic national problem. Congress must make sustained investments in deeply income-targeted programs such as the national Housing Trust Fund, Housing Choice Vouchers, and public housing to address this significant gap in affordable rental housing.

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THE GAP THE PROBLEM:

The U.S. has a shortage of more than **7.3 MILLION** rental homes affordable and available to extremely low income renter households.



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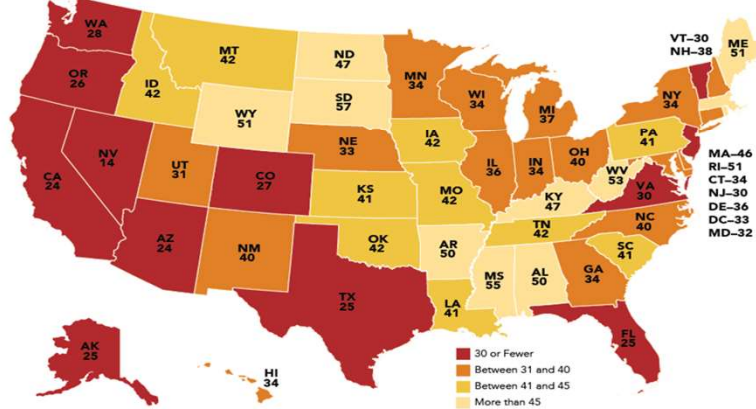
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No State Has an Adequate Supply of Affordable Rental Housing for the Lowest-Income Renters

THE GAP

RENTAL HOMES AFFORDABLE AND AVAILABLE PER 100
EXTREMELY LOW-INCOME RENTER HOUSEHOLDS BY STATE



Note: Extremely low-income (ELI) renter households have incomes at or below the poverty level or 30% of the area median income. SOURCE: NLIHC TABULATIONS OF 2022 1-YEAR ACS PUMS DATA.



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THE GAP

A SHORTAGE OF AFFORDABLE HOMES, 2024

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The United States has long faced a significant shortage of affordable rental housing. The shortage is caused by a systemic failure of the private market to serve renters with the lowest incomes, who are disproportionately people of color, seniors, and individuals living with disabilities. Without public subsidy, what renters with extremely low incomes can afford to pay for rent does not cover the development and operating costs of new housing and is often insufficient to incentivize landlords to maintain older housing. At the same time, due to severe underfunding, three out of four households eligible for federal assistance do not receive it (Mazzara, 2021).

The shortage of affordable housing has worsened over the past few years, exacerbated by rising rent prices and job and wage losses during the pandemic. Although most economic indicators suggest the economy is recovering, the supply of affordable housing for the nation's lowest-income renters remains deeply inadequate.

Each year, the National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) estimates the availability of affordable rental homes, with a particular focus on the housing needs of households with extremely low incomes, defined as incomes at or below either the federal poverty guideline or 30% of the area median income (AMI) – whichever is greater. These households account for 11 million, or nearly one-quarter, of the nation's 45.1 million renters. NLIHC's annual *Gap* report provides estimates of affordable housing needs in the U.S., including in each state, the District of Columbia (D.C.), and the largest metropolitan areas. The key findings of this year's report include:

- The shortage of affordable rental housing primarily impacts renters with extremely low incomes. Extremely low-income renters in the U.S. face a shortage of 7.3 million affordable and available rental homes, resulting in only 34 affordable and available homes for every 100 extremely low-income renter households.¹
- The shortage of affordable rental housing is more acute than it was before the pandemic. Between 2019 and 2022, the shortage of affordable and available rental homes for extremely low-income renters increased by over 480,000.
- Black, Latino, and Indigenous households are disproportionately extremely low-income renters and disproportionately impacted by this shortage. Nineteen percent of Black non-Latino households, 16% of American Indian or Alaska Native households, and 13% of Latino households are extremely low-income renters, compared to only 6% of white non-Latino households.
- Extremely low-income renters are more likely than other renters to spend a large share of their income on rent. Eighty-seven percent are cost-burdened and 74% are severely cost-burdened. Extremely low-income renters account for nearly a quarter of all renters, but 44% of all cost-burdened renters and 69% of severely cost-burdened renters.

THE GAP

A SHORTAGE OF AFFORDABLE HOMES, 2024

- The shortage of affordable and available homes for extremely low-income renters impacts all states and the 50 largest metro areas, none of which have an adequate supply for the lowest-income renters. The current relative supply by state ranges from 14 affordable and available homes for every 100 extremely low-income renter households in Nevada to 57 in South Dakota. Thirty-five of the largest 50 metros have fewer than the national level of 34 affordable and available units for every 100 extremely low-income renters.

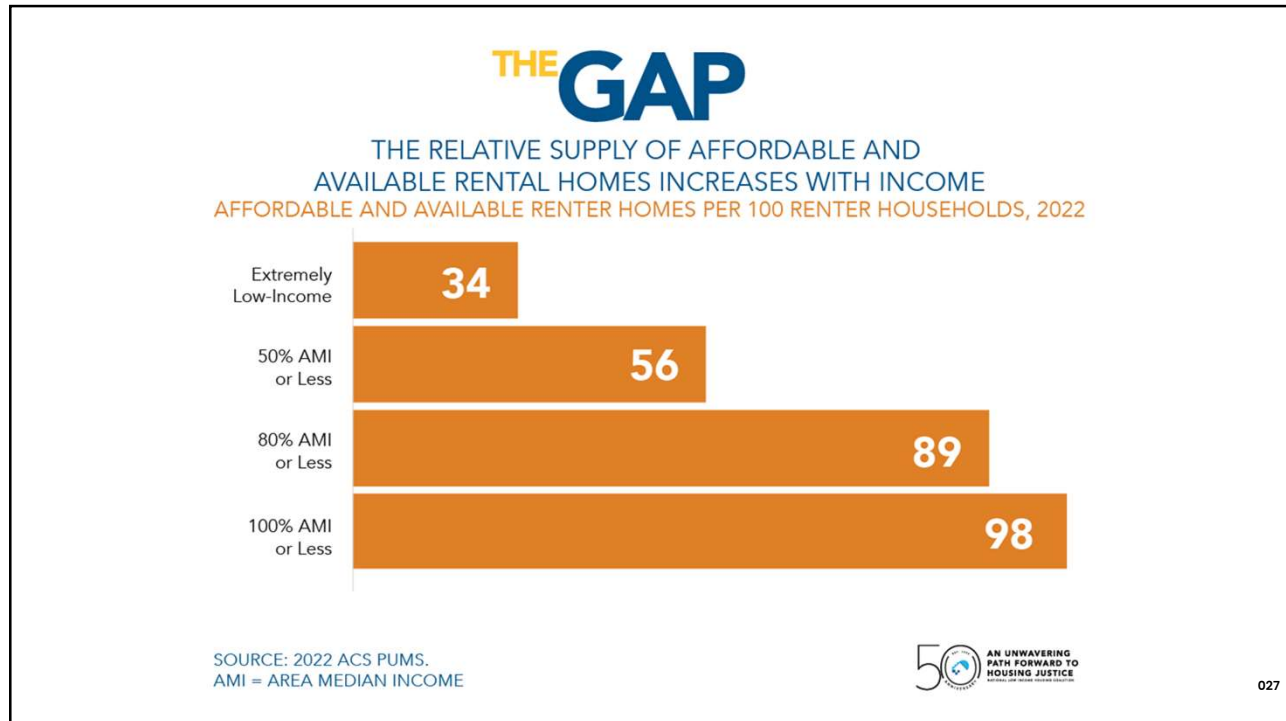
These findings underline the importance of large-scale, long-term policy solutions that deeply target the housing needs of renters with the lowest incomes. Any reduction in federal affordable housing resources will exacerbate existing challenges, which are already acute. The federal government must make a sustained commitment to preserve and expand the stock of deeply affordable housing, bridge the gap between incomes and rent through universal rental assistance, and provide emergency assistance to stabilize renters when they experience financial shock.

State and local governments also have an important role to play in improving access to affordable housing, including by providing subsidies, reforming zoning, and reducing other local restrictions to bolster housing production. These local reforms are necessary – but insufficient without federal resources – for eliminating the shortage of affordable rental housing for the nation's lowest-income renters.

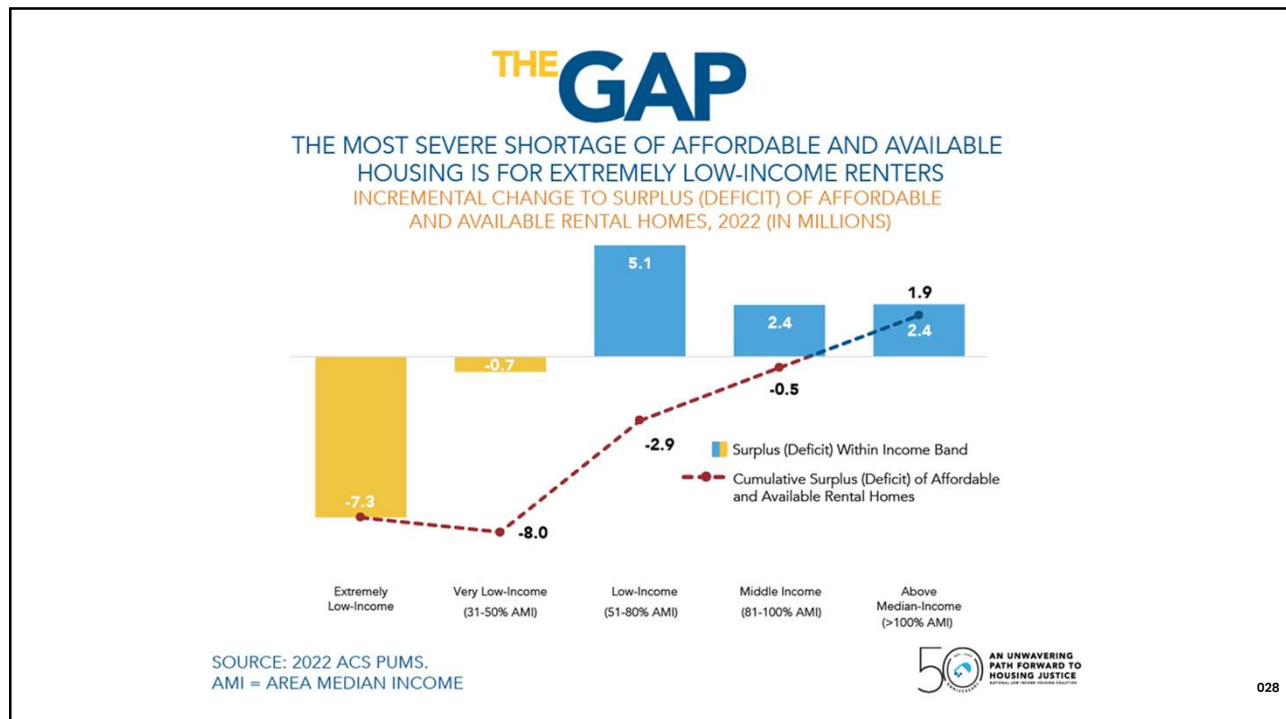
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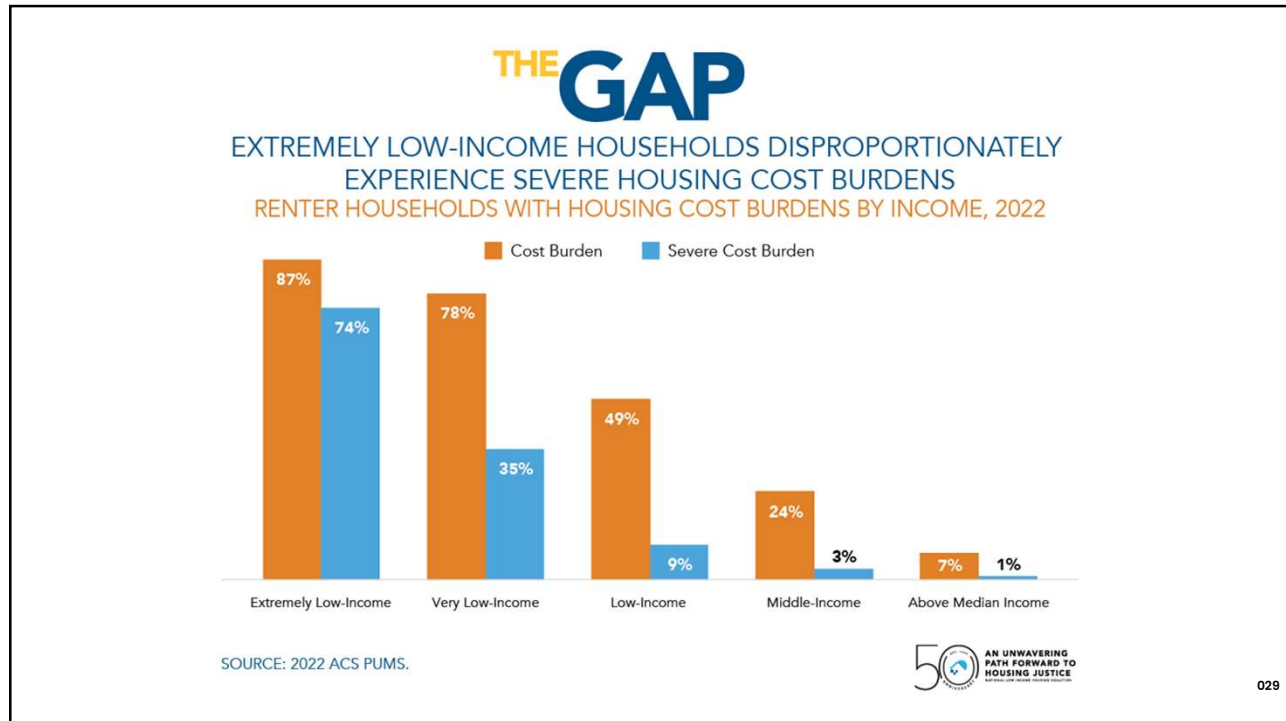
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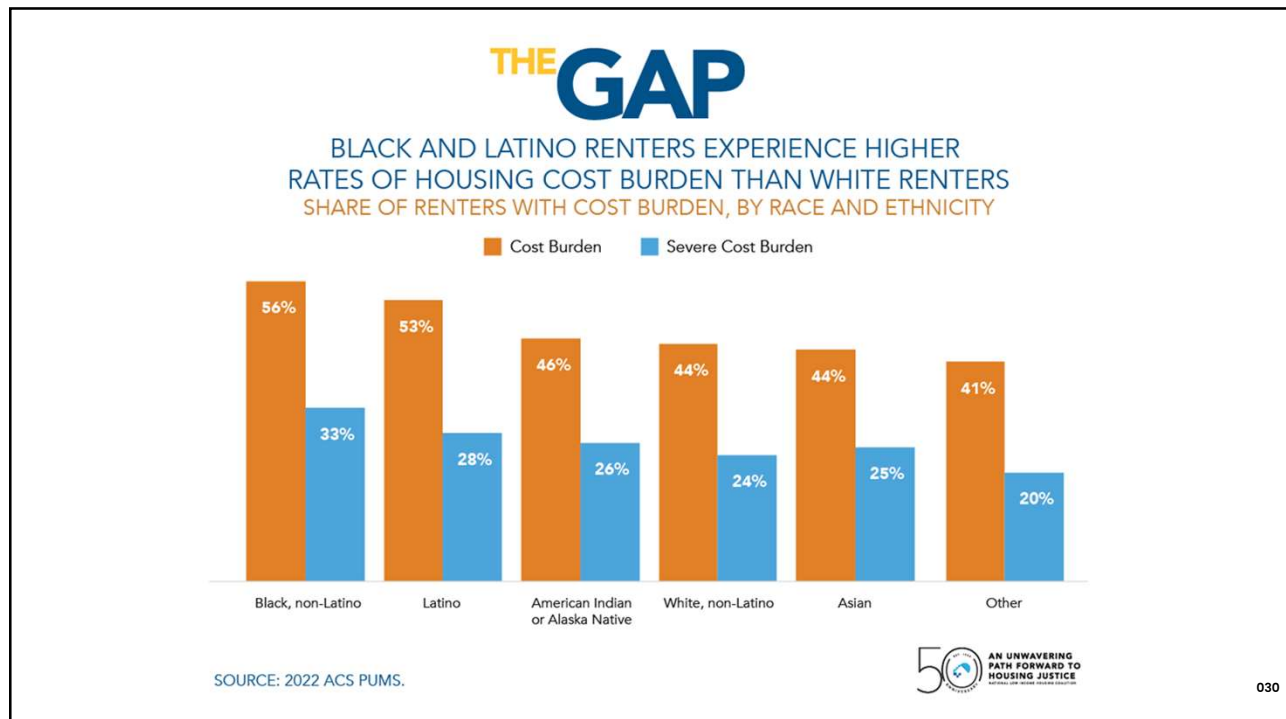
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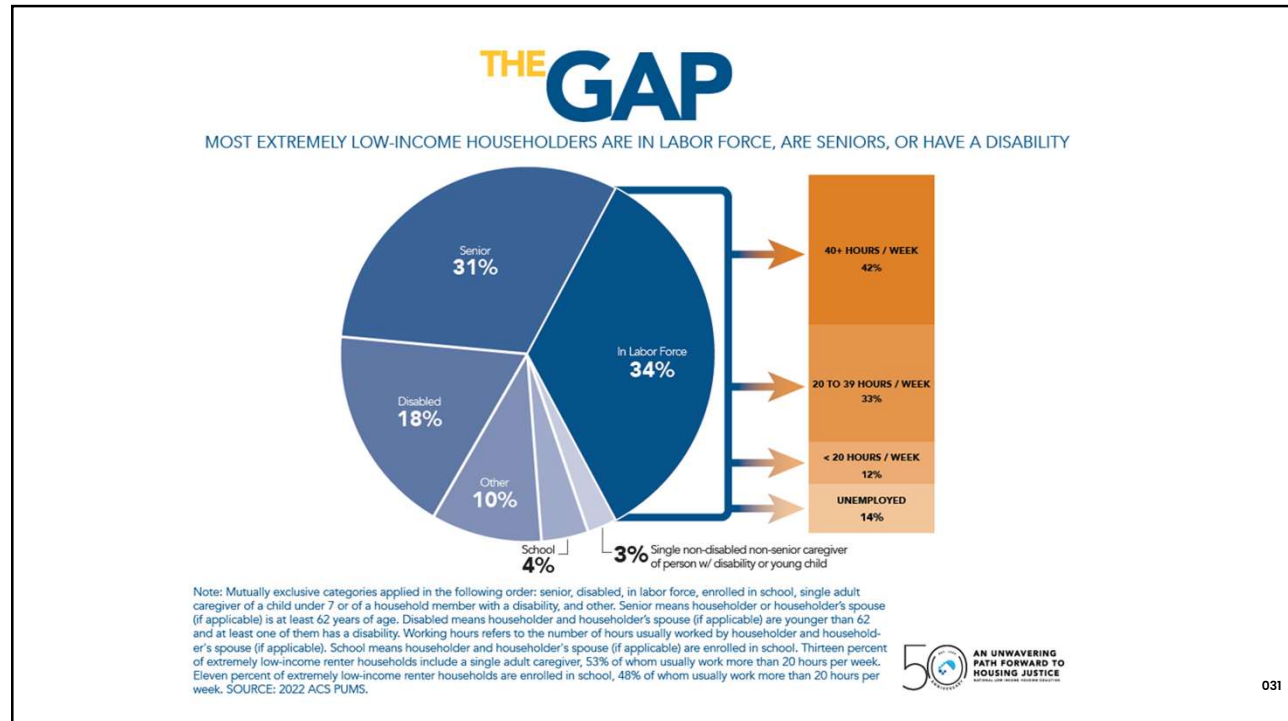
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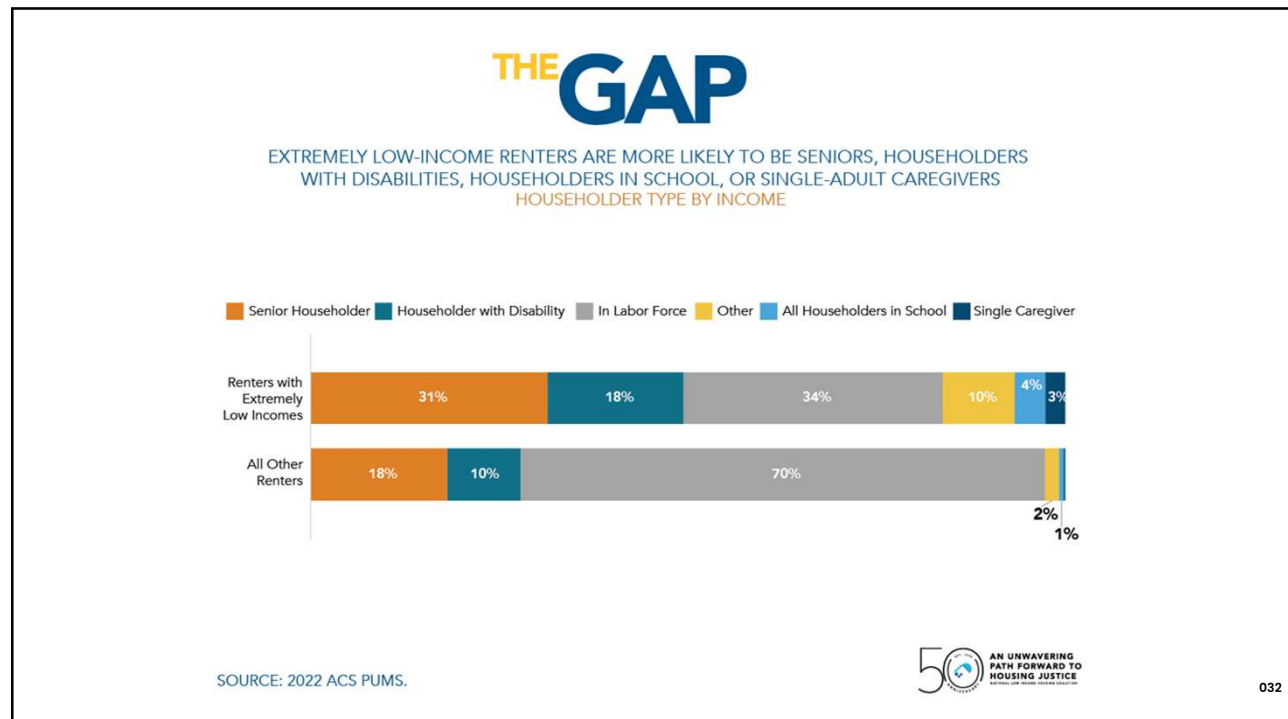
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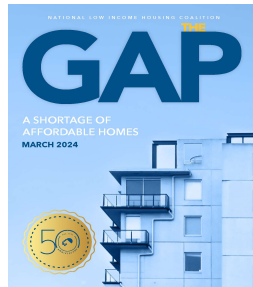
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A Severe Shortage of Affordable and Available Homes in California for Families with the Lowest Incomes

A new report by the National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) finds a national shortage of 7.3 million affordable and available rental homes for extremely low-income renter households – those with incomes at or below the poverty level or 30% of their area median income, whichever is greater – resulting in just 34 affordable and available rental homes for every 100 extremely low-income renter households nationwide.

*The report, **The Gap: A Shortage of Affordable Homes**, also reveals that there are 1,282,835 extremely low-income households in California but only 310,752 affordable rental homes available to them, leaving only 24 affordable and available rental homes for every 100 extremely low-income households in the state.*

Released annually, this report investigates the severe shortage of affordable rental homes available to extremely low-income families and individuals nationwide and in every state and metro area. While rents have stabilized since the pandemic in most markets – and even declined to a small degree in some markets – the supply of affordable rental housing for extremely low-income households remains deeply inadequate nationwide and in California. In consequence, 77% of extremely low-income renters in California are severely housing cost-burdened, spending more than 50% of their income on housing, with little left over for food, healthcare, and other basic necessities

“Even with a strong economy and stabilizing rents, homelessness has increased to its highest level ever recorded, and millions of the lowest-income and most marginalized households are at risk,” said NLIHC President and CEO Diane Yentel. “We know what works to end housing insecurity and homelessness – what we lack is the political will to invest in these solutions at the scale needed. More than ever, Congress should act quickly to enact bold legislation to ensure rental assistance is universally available, build and preserve homes affordable to people with the lowest incomes, create tools to prevent eviction and homelessness, and strengthen renter protections to keep renters stably housed.”

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“The Gap: A Shortage of Affordable Homes” March 2024

In the recently released 2024 publication of “The Gap: A Shortage of Affordable Homes”, the National Low-Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) identified the Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) as tied for 7th with Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim among the 50 largest metropolitan areas with the most severe shortage of rental homes affordable to extremely low-income households.

The Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario MSA has only **21 affordable and available rental homes for every 100 renter households with incomes below 30% AMI** and only 34 for every 100 renter households with incomes between 31-50% AMI.

In addition, **81% of extremely low-income renter households and 52% of very low-income renter households are identified as severely housing cost-burdened** within the MSA, while **HUD-assisted housing represents only 6% of the rental housing stock**.

TABLE 1: LEAST AND MOST SEVERE SHORTAGES OF RENTAL HOMES AFFORDABLE TO EXTREMELY LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS ACROSS THE 50 LARGEST METROPOLITAN AREAS

LEAST SEVERE		MOST SEVERE	
Metropolitan Area	Affordable and Available Rental Homes per 100 Renter Households	Metropolitan Area	Affordable and Available Rental Homes per 100 Renter Household
Pittsburgh, PA	49	Las Vegas-Henderson-Paradise, NV	13
Providence-Warwick, RI-MA	49	Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	15
Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA-NH	46	Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	17
Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	41	Orlando-Kissimmee-Sanford, FL	18
Cleveland-Elyria, OH	38	Phoenix-Mesa-Chandler, AZ	19
Raleigh-Cary, NC	37	San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA	20
Buffalo-Cheektowaga, NY	37	Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	21
Nashville-Davidson--Murfreesboro--Franklin, TN	36	Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL	21
Memphis, TN-MS-AR	36	Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA	21
Kansas City, MO-KS	36	Austin-Round Rock-Georgetown, TX	21

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All Gap Data for California								YEAR	2022
	California	Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA (Metro)	Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA (Metro)	Sacramento-Roseville-Folsom, CA (Metro)	San Diego-Chula Vista-Carlsbad, CA (Metro)	San Francisco-Oakland-Berkeley, CA (Metro)	San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA (Metro)		
Extremely Low Income Households and Available Rentals									
EXTREMELY LOW INCOME RENTER HOUSEHOLDS	1,282,835	481,573	90,719	73,440	102,829	193,475	68,031		
AFFORDABLE AND AVAILABLE RENTAL HOMES	310,752	101,567	18,664	16,747	20,522	61,248	22,279		
Surplus (Deficit) of Affordable and Available Rental Units									
AT OR BELOW EXTREMELY LOW INCOME	-972,083	-380,006	-72,055	-56,693	-82,307	-132,227	-45,752		
AT OR BELOW 50% AMI	-1,385,393	-582,884	-113,722	-75,930	-126,617	-153,670	-57,912		
Affordable and Available Rental Units per 100 Households at or below Threshold									
AT OR BELOW EXTREMELY LOW INCOME	24	21	21	23	20	32	33		
AT OR BELOW 50% AMI	35	27	34	38	27	48	48		
AT OR BELOW 80% AMI	68	55	66	79	64	85	87		
AT OR BELOW 100% AMI	85	75	82	96	84	96	100		
% of Renter Households with Cost Burden									
AT EXTREMELY LOW INCOME	89	89	91	93	90	83	88		
EXTREMELY LOW INCOME TO 50% AMI	85	89	85	89	90	75	72		
51% TO 80% AMI	65	70	68	64	72	52	49		
81 TO 100% AMI	39	47	43	35	43	29	26		
% of Renter Households with Severe Cost Burden									
AT EXTREMELY LOW INCOME	77	80	81	81	82	69	73		
ELI TO 50% AMI	50	59	52	49	59	34	29		
51% TO 80% AMI	19	23	23	14	20	9	9		
81 TO 100% AMI	6	8	8	3	7	2	2		

AMI = Area Median Income.
Source: American Community Survey (ACS) and ACS Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS). For more information on the estimates' margin of error, please contact asurand@nlihc.org.

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CALIFORNIA Affordable Housing Needs Report 2024



KEY FINDINGS

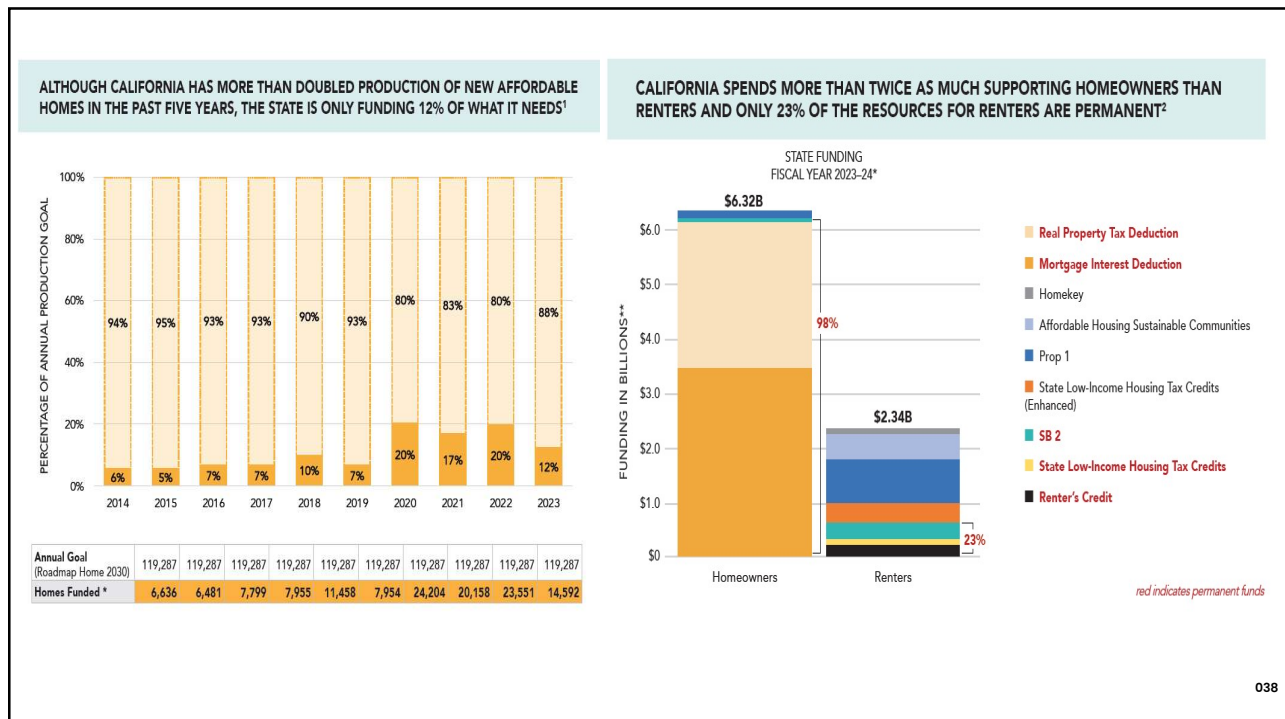
1. Although California has more than doubled production of new affordable homes in the past five years, **the state is only funding 12% of what is needed to meet its goals.**
2. California spends more than twice as much supporting homeowners than renters and **only 23% of renter resources are permanent** compared to 98% of the support for homeowners.
3. **Median rent in California has increased 37% since 2000 while median renter household income has only increased 7% (adjusted for inflation).**
4. **Renters need to earn 2.8 times the state minimum wage to afford average asking rent** in California, which increased by 2.6%.
5. **78% of extremely low-income (ELI) renter households are paying more than half of their income on housing costs** compared to 6% of moderate-income renter households.
6. **Black renter households are 33% more severely cost burdened** than white renter households.
7. Due to declining state and local funding, **production of affordable homes has dropped by almost 9,000 units (38%) in the last year.**

POLICY SOLUTIONS

To address the affordable housing needs of its low-income residents, the Governor & legislature should:

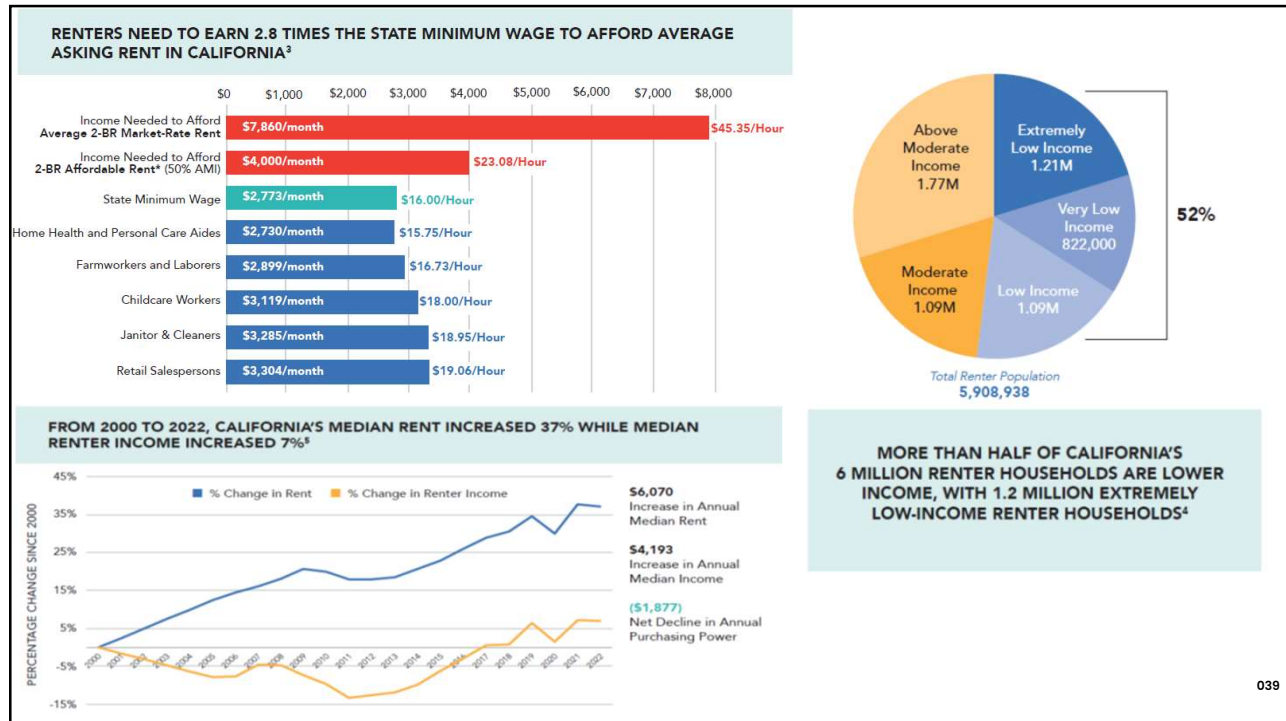
1. Develop an on-going revenue source to fund affordable housing production and preservation at the scale needed over 10 years.
2. Place AB 1657 (Wicks), the \$10 billion affordable housing bond, on the 2024 ballot and actively support its passage.
3. Make permanent the enhanced state Low-Income Housing Tax Credits.
4. Make the Multifamily Housing Program part of the baseline budget and increase funding incrementally each year.
5. Reduce the cost of developing affordable homes by a) applying the welfare property tax exemption at the time a property is dedicated to affordable housing; b) making state funds available during construction to reduce interest costs; and c) capping disproportionately large state monitoring fees

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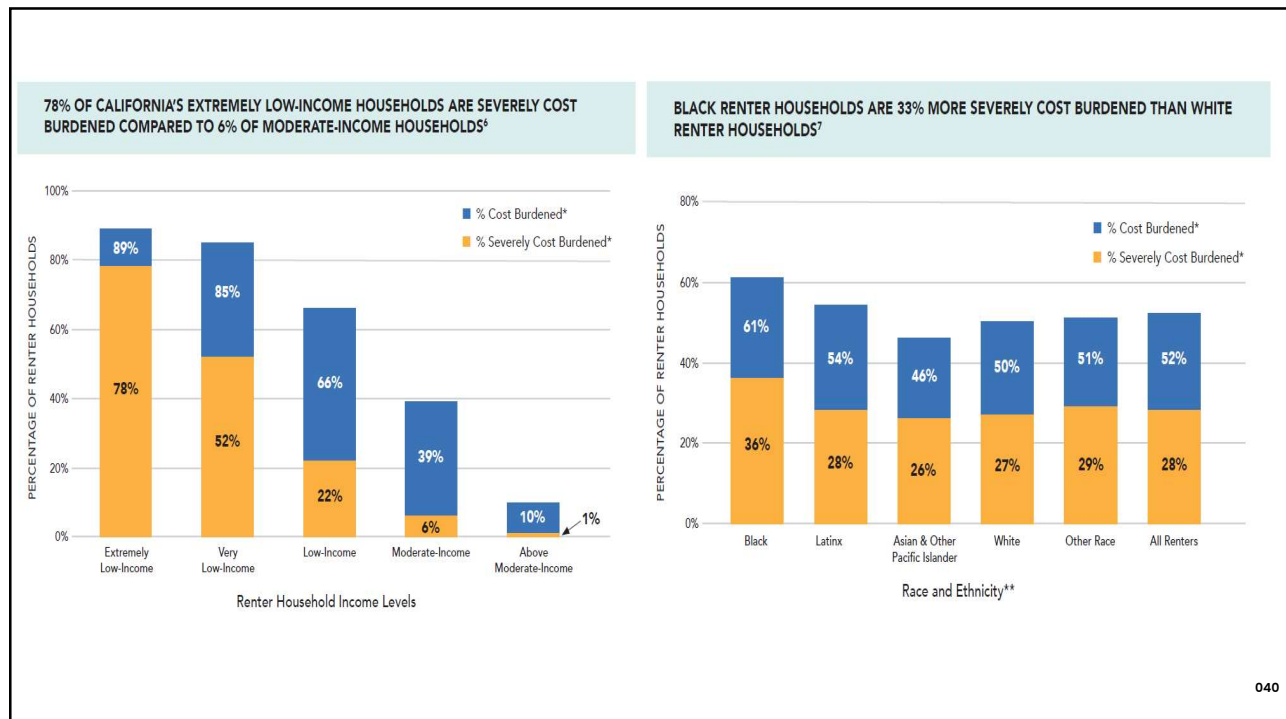


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California Housing Partnership

Monday, April 8, 2024

California's Experts on Affordable Housing Finance, Advocacy & Policy

California's Affordable Homes At-Risk

California's housing crisis will only worsen if we do not preserve the homes imminently at risk of market rate conversion. Thousands of low-income seniors, families, and other individuals will be at risk of losing their homes. Research has also shown this affects **Black, Indigenous and people of color** the most.

Defining the universe of California's subsidized and unsubsidized affordable rental homes compared to its vast lower income renter population puts into perspective why every affordable home is vital to protect.

Interested in learning more from the experts?

Join us **Monday, May 13th** for a conversation with the report authors as well as affordable housing practitioners and policy leaders about the findings and their implications.

READ THE REPORT

Unsubsidized Affordable Homes At Risk Report findings include:

- 160,000+ homes are no longer affordable, largely concentrated in Southern California, the Bay Area, and Sacramento and Fresno counties.
- 222,190 are currently at high or very high risk of losing their affordability in the near term.
- 52% of lost unsubsidized affordable homes are located in High or Highest Resources areas.

READ THE REPORT



Affordable Homes At Risk Report findings include:

- 7,350 subsidized affordable rental homes may no longer be affordable as soon as next year.
- 19,249 have been lost in California since 1999 through conversion to market rate housing or expiring regulatory restrictions.
- More than 33,910 could lose their affordability within 10 years if nothing is done.

POLICY SOLUTIONS

- Develop an on-going revenue source to fund affordable housing production and preservation at the scale needed over 10 years.
- Place the \$10 billion affordable housing bond, **Assembly Bill 1657 (Wicks)** on the 2024 ballot and actively support its passage.
- Enact the Community Anti-Displacement and Preservation Program (CAPP), as proposed in **Senate Bill 225 (Caballero)**, to allow mission-driven affordable housing entities to purchase at-risk unsubsidized affordable developments.
- Establish the Affordable Housing Preservation Tax Credit, as proposed by **Assembly Bill 1911 (Gabriel)**.
- Aggressively enforce the State Preservation Notice Law and strengthen it by passing **AB 2926 (Kaira)**.
- Create incentives for the owners of at-risk developments to sell to affordable housing entities.

SEE MORE IN THE REPORTS

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Affordable Homes At Risk

How Many of California's Affordable Rental Homes Have Converted to Market Rate? How Many are Still at Risk?

LOSING CALIFORNIA'S SUBSIDIZED AFFORDABLE HOMES¹

CURRENTLY AT RISK

7,350

Affordable homes may no longer be affordable as soon as next year

33,910

Affordable homes are at risk of losing affordability in the next 10 years

Between 1999 and 2023, California has **lost 19,249 affordable homes** (see Figure 2) due to expiring regulatory restrictions on government-assisted multifamily developments and owner decisions to opt out, sell, or allow their properties to convert to market rate.

The California Housing Partnership analyzed the ownership structure of affordable housing developments that lost their affordability between 1999 and 2023 and found that **61%** (11,782 affordable homes) were owned by for-profit entities (see Figure 1).

California's lower income renters are served primarily by two types of affordable homes, this report features federal-, state- and locally-subsidized multifamily properties (aka "affordable housing") governed by regulatory agencies. The Partnership assesses the second type, the less defined, less well studied "naturally-occurring" (NOAH) or "unsubsidized affordable housing" in a separate report.

GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF AT-RISK HOMES

FIGURE 1: Loss of Affordable Rental Homes by Ownership Type, 1999-2023

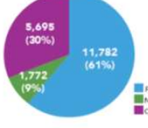


FIGURE 5: Number of At-Risk Affordable Rental Homes Within Each County of California



Most Populous Counties Ranked by Number of At-Risk Homes

Rank	County	Number of At-Risk Homes
1	Los Angeles	11,427
2	Orange	3,256
3	San Diego	2,138
4	Santa Clara	1,947
5	Sacramento	1,302
6	Alameda	1,027
7	San Bernardino	924
8	Ventura	846
9	Riverside	693
10	Fresno	670
11	Kern	598
12	Contra Costa	576

Nearly 3/4 of California's at-risk homes are located in these 12 counties.

FIGURE 6: Percentage of At-Risk Affordable Rental Homes Within Each County of California



Most Populous Counties Ranked by Percentage of Affordable Homes that are At-Risk

Rank	County	Percentage of At-Risk Homes
1	Orange	11.7%
2	Los Angeles	8.2%
3	Ventura	8.2%
4	San Bernardino	6.1%
5	Kern	5.2%
6	Santa Clara	5.1%
7	San Diego	4.6%
8	Sacramento	4.5%
9	Fresno	4.2%
10	Contra Costa	3.5%
11	Alameda	3.4%
12	Riverside	3.0%

See Appendix A for more data on at-risk affordable homes by county.

WHAT CAN STATE LEADERS DO?

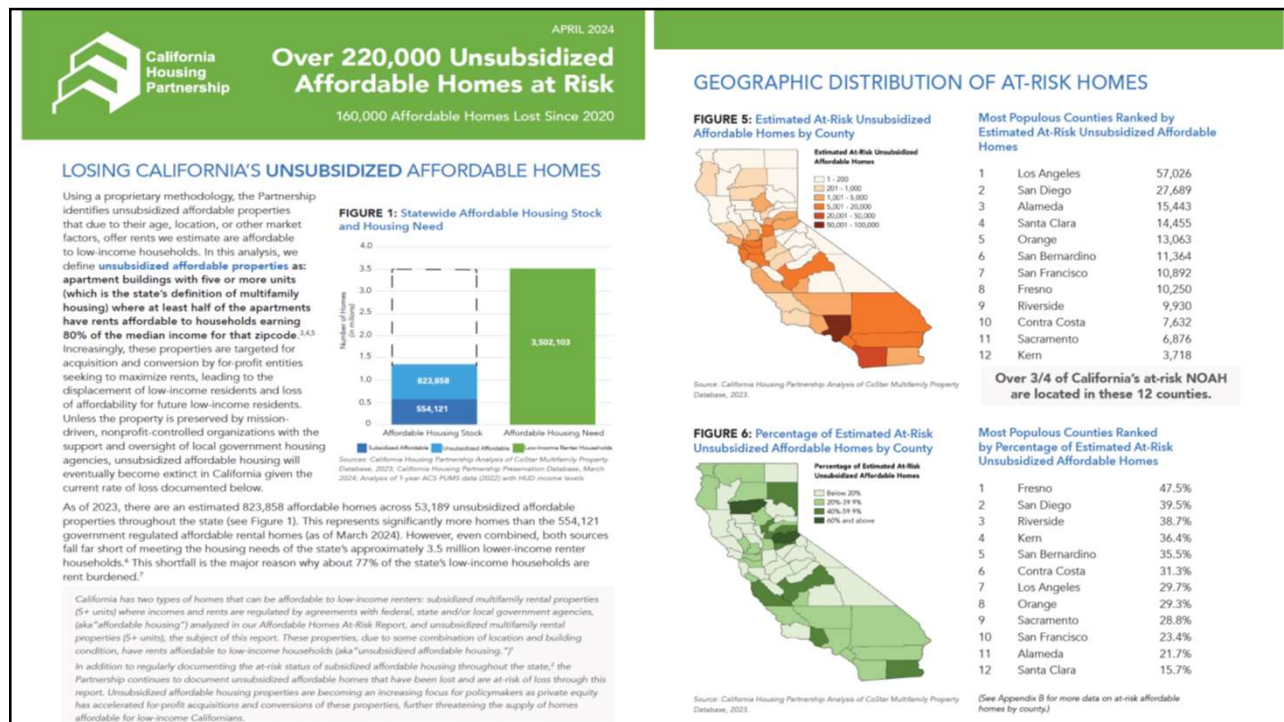
The following are ways that state leaders can provide the tools necessary for local governments and nonprofit, mission-driven housing organizations to effectively preserve existing affordable homes in California:

- Aggressively enforce the State Preservation Notice Law and strengthen it by passing **AB 2926 (Kaira)**.
- Expand funding available for affordable housing entities to purchase at-risk developments.
- Create incentives for the owners of at-risk developments to sell to affordable housing entities.

Roadmap Home 2030

The Roadmap provides a bold vision for solving California's affordable housing challenges. [Learn more at roadmaphome2030.org](http://roadmaphome2030.org)

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The H.O.P.E. team conducts Operation Shelter Me in Rancho Cucamonga and surrounding areas

March 7, 2024

COUNTYWIRE | SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT | UNCATEGORIZED



On Friday, March 1 from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Community Service & Reentry Division, Homeless Outreach Proactive Enforcement (H.O.P.E.) team conducted "Operation Shelter Me" in the city of Rancho Cucamonga and surrounding unincorporated areas of San Bernardino County. Operation Shelter Me aims to connect staff with unhoused residents and offer them housing, medical and mental health treatment services. During this operation, the team focused on those with the most significant mental illness to get those individuals linked to restorative mental health pathways.

The team provided 21 individuals with referrals to programs for assistance. Four individuals were linked with follow-up professional services and one veteran experiencing homelessness was provided emergency housing while awaiting services from local veteran service providers. While service capacity is limited, the teams will continue to work with this population to get them into services as they become available.

In June of 2023, San Bernardino County opted into Laura's Law, also called Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT). Laura's Law provides opportunities for court-ordered community treatment pathways for individuals with histories of hospitalization or incarceration, and histories of violence to themselves or others. During this operation, deputies located one individual who could potentially qualify for Laura's Law services. Staff will coordinate with the Department of Behavioral Health for further services for this individual.

The team provided this focused outreach due to Senate Bill 170, which provided funding to the department to support ongoing operations of this nature. The H.O.P.E. team and other aligned resources will continue operations of this type throughout the county over the next several years.

If you know anyone experiencing homelessness who need services, please get in touch with the H.O.P.E. team at 909-387-0623 or email hope@sbcisd.org.

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H.O.P.E. Team West Valley Regional Stats

Operation Shelter Me (to date)

- 109 contacts
 - 70% open to services
 - 65 referred to services
 - 23 assisted with service connections
 - 3 connected to interim shelter/permanent housing
 - 2 Laura's Law referral

Vulnerabilities

- 32 mental health
- 34 substance abuse
- 21 physical
- 81 chronically homeless

H.O.P.E. Team 2023

- 302 contacts
 - 206 referred to services
 - 67 assisted with service connections
 - 35 connected to interim shelter/permanent housing

Vulnerabilities

- 84 mental health
- 62 substance abuse
- 45 physical
- 103 chronic

InnROADS 2023

- 760 total contacts
 - 156 referred to services
 - 234 assisted with service connections
 - 7 connected to interim shelter/permanent housing

Vulnerabilities

- 40 mental health
- 32 substance abuse
- 53 physical
- 704 chronic

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Item # 4

Homeless Outreach Proactive Enforcement

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
COMMUNITY SERVICES & RE-ENTRY DIVISION



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INTRODUCTION

Homelessness is an extremely complex social problem that impacts the quality of life in our community. There are no easy solutions. We must recognize that there is a fine line between homelessness as a social issue and a criminal issue.



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Homeless Outreach Proactive Enforcement

In 2014, HOPE was implemented to help improve the quality of life for the citizens of San Bernardino County.

Sheriff Dicus is building the HOPE team with the expansion of the team adding two deputies. This will allow for a better focus on the desert and valley regions on a regular basis.

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MISSION

The mission of H.O.P.E. is to balance proactive outreach with enforcement of the law, while connecting members of the unhoused population with resources that may help them transition from homelessness. The ultimate goal is to reduce the rate of recidivism, incarceration, and reduce the current costs associated to homeless related crime.

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PROGRAM STATISTICS

- 25000 UNHOUSED CONTACTS
- 8500 ASSISTED
- 6500 REFERRED
- 300 HOUSED



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The Solution to Homelessness is Straightforward: **Housing**

West Valley Regional CES Working Group

- ***Developing Regional Partnerships to Facilitate Coordinated Service Delivery and Strategic Resource Alignment in the West Valley Region***
- ***Promoting Opportunities for Regional Collaboration on Homeless Service Delivery & Housing Solutions***
- ***Establishing a Regional Wellness-Navigation Center/Supportive Housing Environment?***

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West Valley Regional CES Working Group
March 21, 2024, 9:00am
Agenda

- I. Introductions
- II. Updates from CES Regional Lead – Christian Development Center
- III. Purpose & Objectives for Regional CES Working Group
 - “Move clients faster through the housing process”
 - “Reduce the length of time from system connection to successful outcomes”
 - Develop more efficient and effective process to connect people to the resources they need
 - Regional referral, resource and service coordination & collaboration
- IV. [West Valley Regional Housing-Homelessness Resource Inventory](#)
- V. Confidentiality and Information Sharing Agreement
- VI. West Valley Regional “Master List” / Case Conferencing
- VII. [West Valley Regional CES Access portal](#)
- VIII. Who should be at the table?
- IX. Final thoughts/Next Steps
- X. **Next Regional CES Working Group Meeting – April 18th, 9:00am**

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West Valley Regional CES Working Group
Confidentiality & Information Sharing Agreement

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WHAT IS CASE CONFERENCING IN HOMELESS SERVICES?

It may seem like "just" a meeting, but a homeless response system's case conferencing practice is one of the most valuable tools a community can utilize in their path towards ending homelessness.

What is case conferencing exactly?

It's a recurring, problem-solving meeting, bringing key participants together to collaborate on ways to remove barriers to help house clients faster. It's also the ethos of **Built for Zero methodology in action** — collaborative teams working through their real-time, by-name list of people experiencing homelessness, coordinating resources, and figuring out how to generate and measure system improvements along the way.

THE MEETING

When you help create a culture of case conferencing as a place where no idea is a bad idea, the team's creativity in solving tough problems starts flowing.

If a community has strong case conferencing meetings, it becomes everyone's favorite meeting of the week. It's also the most valuable. But for that to be true, communities must move away from rote "update" meetings to intentional gatherings — and opportunities to transform how your team thinks and acts.

THE MINDSET

It's about transforming people's mindsets and actions in the service of people experiencing homelessness.

Gathering everyone together for a structured and efficient meeting is only one part of a robust case conferencing practice. The team's mindset must also be aligned with shared, action-oriented objectives.

A successful case conferencing meeting is one in which everyone at the table shares a sense of purpose and community. All participants contribute their experience, ideas, knowledge of clients, and institutional resources to figure out new ways of housing people.

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What we mean when say 'case conferencing'

Action-Oriented

Case conferencing meetings should ultimately be centered around one goal: to **move people experiencing homelessness into housing** as quickly and sustainably as possible.

To make that happen, these meetings need to be centered around identifying actionable next-steps with ambitious deadlines.

Measurably Effective

Case conferencing meetings should be regularly evaluated to **ensure that the practice is an effective way to reach your desired outcomes.**

Not only should you see impacts around Length of Time measures, or Housing Placement Rates, but you should also see impacts on the overall experience of attendees.

Team Building

Case conferencing meetings should **create a culture of knowledge-sharing and mutual support.** Your meeting should be a safe space for attendees to ask for, and offer, support as needed.

When your team culture is healthy, your team is more motivated, and there's shared accountability without autocracy, which allows for more effective, and more sustainable, service coordination.

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What we DON'T mean

A Reporting Meeting

There's a reason we want everyone in attendance. It's not to ask people for favors, or to report-back on progress, it's to pull on the collective genius of the group.

Tip: Ask everyone to submit updates on the next-step identified at the previous meeting 24 hours before the upcoming meeting.

A Referral Meeting

Coordinated Entry referrals should be happening live whenever possible.

Each week you wait for a meeting to make a program referral is another week someone spends experiencing homelessness.

Tip: If referrals can't be done through HMIS, create a process where referrals happen via email, and create a flowchart to help agencies navigate the process.

An Email

If you did the math, how much would this meeting be costing you? Are you providing enough value to justify it?

Keeping an open feedback loop helps you gauge what value the meeting offers, and in what ways it could be improved to provide more value.

Tip: If meetings do feel like they could be an email, that just means it's time to test something new! Solicit feedback from attendees to come up with creative ways to improve it.

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Prospectus Outline San Bernardino County West Valley Regional Navigation Center & Supportive Housing Village		
Objective	Create a "regional navigation center," providing a combination of emergency, transitional and permanent living space wrapped within a collaborative service-enriched environment supported by a broad-based, multi-agency, public-private funded regional housing, and supportive service partnership.	
Key Development & Operations Principles	- Regional Cities form Joint Partnership Agreement to support the development, management, and operations of the regional housing and supportive service environment "Anchor tenants" commit funding to support dedicated housing and/or service operations - Regional service partners commit to utilizing housing/service space on an as needed, "pay-to-play" basis with requisite levels of direct service engagement for their clients placed in residence	
On-Site Housing Types	- Emergency/Triage housing units (1-30 days; supported by participating agency/organization) - Transitional housing units (1-12 months; program-based/supported by participating agency) - Permanent housing units (low-cost rentals; subsidized rentals; TBRA supported rentals)	
Prospective On-Site Amenities & Services	- On-site Property Management, Maintenance, Security - On-site Program Support (coordinated entry, resource connections, service activity coordination) - Community Engagement/Activity Center - Community recreation/wellness space - Community kitchen/dining space? (or contracted meal delivery services) - Village Market? - Transportation services (for appointments & service connections) - Offices/workspace for full-time & part-time supportive service partners (including Behavioral Health, Medical CM, In-Home Supportive Services, Employment Development, Public Benefits, Housing Navigation, Life Skills, Legal assistance, Spiritual care, etc. etc.)	
Prospective Site Partners	- Regional City Government Partners - Chino, Chino Hills, Montclair, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga, Upland - County Government Partners - Regional Nonprofit Service Partners - Cross-Jurisdictional/Countywide nonprofit service agencies - For-profit service agencies (w-funding to provide free/minimal charge on-site services) - Local Business Entities/Organizations - Regional Faith-based Organizations	
Prospective Site Partner Participation Levels	- Investment Partner - funding/in-kind support for general site development/operations activities - Operations Partner - funding to support dedicated housing units and/or service activities - Contributing Partner - reserve-rent available housing units/service space on an as needed basis - Supporting Partner - provide on & off-site service connections and activities	

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