



**San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership  
West Valley Regional Steering Committee**

**Wednesday, November 12, 2025 • 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**

**The RSC Meeting may be observed online by Zoom Video Conference:  
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**Revised WEST VALLEY MEETING AGENDA**

<b>OPENING REMARKS</b>		<b>PRESENTER</b>
A. Call to Order B. Welcome & Introductions C. Roll Call of Steering Committee Members – <i>RSC Members must be present in-person to constitute a quorum and vote on agenda action items</i>		Don Smith, Co-Chair Erika Lewis-Huntley, Co-Chair
D. Individual Committee Member Comments (3 mins. each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kari Franco/Jose Soto, City of Chino</li> <li>• Ronald Goodrich/Denise Ortiz, City of Montclair</li> <li>• Ashley Esquivel/Eric Avila, City of Ontario</li> <li>• Erika Lewis-Huntley, City of Rancho Cucamonga</li> <li>• Jonathan Ingles/Susan Alvarez, City of Upland</li> <li>• Josephine Perez, Department of Behavioral Health</li> <li>• Jeffrey Whall, Sheriff's HOPE Team</li> <li>• Aileen Dinkjian/Saira Ramachhita, San Antonio Regional Hospital</li> <li>• Stephanie Reyes, Catholic Charities</li> <li>• Pastors Donald/Ethel Rucker, Christian Development Center</li> <li>• Leslie Evans, Foothill AIDS Project</li> <li>• Dr. Robert Gipson, Health Service Alliance</li> <li>• Rebecca Spiegel/Aziza Manuel, Inland SoCal United Way 211</li> <li>• Kameron Grosvenor, Inland Valley Hope Partners</li> <li>• Andre Bossieux, Life Way Church</li> <li>• Don Smith, Pathways to Housing Network</li> </ul>		Committee Members
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>		
Any member of the public may address the committee on any matter not on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the West Valley RSC		

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CONSENT ITEMS	
E. Approve of Meeting Minutes from October 8, 2025	Don Smith, Co-Chair
PRESENTATIONS	
F. <i>Receive a Presentation on the San Bernardino County Veterans Affairs Department</i> G. <i>Receive updates on the San Bernardino County Homeless Veterans Community Planning Group</i>	Demarius Carmichael Department Deputy Director Amy Hopkins, Lighthouse SSC
INFORMATION SHARING	
H. Receive updates on the development of the West End Regional Navigation Center I. Receive updates on the San Bernardino Continuum of Care Strategic Planning Process	Don Smith, Co-Chair
CLOSING	
J. Adjournment	Don Smith, Co-Chair
Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: West Valley Regional Steering Committee Wednesday, December 10, 2025, 9:00am-11:00am Rancho Cucamonga City Hall – Tri-Communities Conference Room & by Zoom Video Conference	

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Minutes for the San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care  
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Minutes recorded and transcribed by Martin De La Cruz, Service Coordinator, Knowledge Education for Your Success, Inc.

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION / OUTCOME
Call to Order Roll Call of RSC Members Welcome and Introductions	Don Smith  Erika Lewis-Huntley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting was called to order at 9:06 am</li> <li>Roll Call for representatives from the West Valley Regional Steering Committee members. Members present in person included representatives from City of Montclair, City of Ontario, City of Rancho Cucamonga, City of Upland, County DBH, Christian Development Center, Health Service Alliance, Inland SoCal United Way, Life Way Church, Pathways to Housing Network. Members present by Zoom included representatives of the City of Chino, Catholic Charities, Foothill AIDS Project, Inland Valley Hope Partners and San Antonio Regional Hospital.</li> <li>Self-introductions by all other attendees</li> </ul>
PRESENTATIONS		
<b><i>“The Growing Crisis of Homelessness Among Older Adults”</i></b>	Don Smith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please see attached Meeting Recap and presentation slides</li> </ul>
<b><i>West Valley Regional Collaboratory on Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (CCAHSAA Collaboratory)</i></b>	California Health Care Foundation HC2 Strategies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please see attached Meeting Recap and presentation slides</li> </ul>
CONSENT ITEMS		
Approval of RSC Meeting Minutes	Don Smith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RSC Meeting Minutes from September 10, 2025, were approved as presented</li> </ul>
INFORMATION SHARING / PUBLIC COMMENT		
Updates from Office of Homeless Services  Updates & Announcements from RSC Member Representatives	Don Smith  Erika Lewis-Huntley  RSC Committee Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please see attached Meeting Recap and presentation slides</li> <li>Additional announcement, updates and public comments –               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coming Soon in 2026 (early Spring): San Antonio Regional Hospital Center of Aging <a href="https://www.sarh.org/about-us/news/center-of-aging">https://www.sarh.org/about-us/news/center-of-aging</a>. We can convene CCAHSAA Collaboratory activities in this space when its ready.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Public Comment	Other Regional Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SARH is opening up its Behavioral Health Urgent Care in Ontario in November. It's not for those in severe crisis, but for someone who, for example, can't get their refills for prescriptions and need to get through the weekend or getting symptoms addressed at the urgent care.</li> <li><b>San Antonio Regional Hospital</b> will be featured on the award-winning series <b>Advancements with Ted Danson</b>, airing <b>October 11th on Bloomberg TV</b> at 8pm EST (5PM PST), via cable or satellite. This special segment will highlight the innovative work being done at our hospital, including our commitment to advancing healthcare technology and improving patient outcomes. <b>Tune in - Date:</b> October 11, 2025, <b>Channel:</b> Bloomberg TV (check your local listings) Additionally, after the episode airs, it can be viewed on San Antonio Regional Hospital's website and YouTube channel!</li> <li>For seniors needing free transportation they can call 833-372-2372 ext 100 or 110. ADRC will assist them from 8 am to 5 pm.</li> <li>211 data for the first half of the year, almost 7,000 have been contacted, 409 were at risk of being homeless. If you go to the 211 website, there is a dashboard that one can access and see the live data of your own city, region, county, etc.</li> <li>HHAP 5 Funding - West Valley has been expecting to receive over \$700,000 based on 2025 PIRC numbers; we are the only region where numbers went up. Co-Chairs were informed they would be using the 2023 PIRC numbers, reducing the WV amount to \$400,000. WV Co-Chairs are trying to make the case that the regional funding allocations should be based on most current need-based data available and not the past.</li> <li>Jurupa Valley Resource Center along with Reach Out is hosting our Wellness Fair this Sat, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, for families and or community members from both San Bernardino and Riverside Counties.</li> <li>Breast Cancer Awareness Seminar happening on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the Anthony Munoz Park Community Center (Dinner and Live Music). Health Service Alliance Mobile Clinic will be there as well along with multiple healthcare organizations in the area.</li> </ul>
<b>CLOSING</b>		
Adjournment	Don Smith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05am.</li> </ul>
Next Meeting		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>West Valley Regional Steering Committee Wednesday, November 12, 2025, 9:00am – 11:00am Rancho Cucamonga City Hall – Tri-Communities Room 10500 Civic Center Dr, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730 and by Zoom Video Conference</li> </ul>



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## West Valley Regional Steering Committee Meeting - 10/8/25 recap

Much appreciation to the 70+ partners who joined us for the West Valley Regional Steering Committee Meeting on October 8th, both in person and by Zoom, and for all of the great information and input shared during the meeting.

A Big Thank You to **Melora Simon, Associate Director, People Centered Care for the California Health Care Foundation, and Rebecca Brandes, Director of Community Impact & Ninon Lewis, Chief Transformation Officer for HC2 Strategies**, who joined us to discuss an exciting new Regional Cross-Sector Integration Pilot Initiative launching this month, the ***West Valley Regional Collaboratory on Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults*** (flyer and presentation slides attached).

The meeting also featured excerpts from news reports and other presentations on "*The Growing Crisis of Homelessness Among Older Adults*" in America. Below are some links to these and other videos on this topic:

- [Is your community ready for the older adult homelessness crisis?](#) (NAEH Learning Series)
- [The Fastest Growing Group Experiencing Homelessness - Older Adults](#) (Ann Oliva, CEO, National Alliance to End Homelessness)
- [Why do older adults become homeless?](#) (Dr. Jennifer Molinsky, Director of Housing An Aging Society, Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies)
- [Why are so many seniors in San Diego aging without a home?](#) (NBC News San Diego, featuring Dr. Margot Kushel, MD, Professor of Medicine & Director, Benioff Homelessness & Housing Initiative, UCSF, 25 mins)

Additional videos on this topic -

- [The Gray Wave: Rising Homelessness for American Seniors](#) (NBC News, 10 mins)
- [Seniors on the Streets: More older people in Sacramento are on the brink](#) (ABC News Sacramento, 6m)
- [Seniors Displaced by California's Rising Rents](#) (NBC News, 10 mins)
- [78-year-old woman describes living in her car for 2 months](#) (7 News Miami, 4 mins)
- [Seniors dying on the Streets - United States Homeless Crisis](#) (Worldview Frontline, 24 mins)
- [Homelessness and Older Adults - Ms. Queenie's Experience](#) (Advocate w/Lived Experience, 4:15)
- [Why older adults are experiencing homelessness](#) (Kim Reeder, Advocate w/Lived Experience, 4:40)
- [Homelessness and Older Adults - the dynamics of older adult homelessness](#) (Dr. Margot Kushel, 5:15)
- [Obstacles older adults face when seeking homeless assistance](#) (Dr. Jennifer Molinsky, 3:15)
- [What older adults need is housing](#) (Dr. Dennis Culhane, University of Pennsylvania, 5:03)
- [How homelessness and healthcare systems can work together](#) (Dr. Margot Kushel, 6:52)
- [A message for cities regarding older adult homelessness](#) (Phillip Scharf, Central Arizona Shelter Srvs)

### Announcements –

- ***West Valley Regional Collaboratory on Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (CCAHSAA Collaboratory)*** - We are excited to officially launch our Regional Cross-Sector Integration Pilot Initiative designed to build and strengthen partnerships between healthcare providers, community-based organizations, government service agencies and other stakeholders with the goal of creating a *fully functional and coordinated system of care that serves the needs of older adults experiencing or at-risk of homelessness in western San Bernadino County and beyond.*

Sponsored by the *California Health Care Foundation (CHCF)* and facilitated by *HC2 Strategies*, the *West Valley Regional Collaboratory on Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (CCAHSAA Collaboratory)* will provide an open space creative process where cross-sector stakeholder partners will work together to advance our collective impact and generate innovative solutions to the complex challenges faced by older adults experiencing homelessness and persistent housing insecurity in San Bernardino County.

Please see the attached flyer and introductory presentation slides for more information. If this *Collaboratory* seems like a good fit for you, please [register here](#) to participate in this unique and exciting new initiative. Our first in-person Collaboratory Workshop will be taking place on Wednesday, October 29th, 9am-4pm in Rancho Cucamonga.

- **San Bernardino Continuum of Care Board Meeting, Wednesday, October 22nd, 9:00-11:00am**, San Bernardino County Government Center-Sage/Manzanita Room, 385 N. Arrowhead Ave. San Bernardino, CA 92415. The public may observe the meeting online on Teams.
- **Homebase-CoC Virtual Strategic Planning Workshop, Thursday, November 6th, 1:00-5:00pm**. *Join us to decide the strategic direction of homelessness response in San Bernardino County.* [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)
- **HMIS Monthly Virtual Town Hall Meeting, Wednesday, November 5th, 11am-12noon**, [Monthly HMIS Town Hall Meeting – Homeless Partnership](#)
- **Community Action Partnership's 60th Anniversary Gala, October 24th, 6:00pm**, Doubletree Hilton Ontario, [60th Anniversary New Gala 2025 | capsbc](#)
- **City of Ontario Housing Services Department Community Resource Fair, Saturday, November 8th, 9am-2pm**, Anthony Community Center (flyer attached)
- **"Public Health on the Go" Health Service Alliance Mobile Clinic** - Available to schedule for consumer service events and client service activities in the West Valley Region. For more information, please reach out to Robert Gipson, 909-464-9675
- **Next West Valley Regional Steering Committee Meeting - Wednesday, November 12th, 9:00-11:00am**, Rancho Cucamonga City Hall & by Zoom

For your information, please find attached the West Valley RSC Meeting presentation slides that includes information on the following (plus live links to more information):

- West Valley Regional Steering Committee Meeting Agenda (slide 2) - [West-Valley-RSC-Special-Meeting-Agenda-packet 10.8.25.pdf](#)
- The Growing Crisis of Homelessness Among Older Adults (slides 3-20)
  - [Paint by Numbers: Older Americans and Homelessness - National Alliance to End Homelessness](#)
  - [9 Facts About the Impending Senior Homelessness Crisis and How We Can Stop It | Housing Matters](#)
  - [Toward Dignity: Understanding Older Adult Homelessness | Benioff Homelessness and Housing Initiative](#)
  - [The Rise of Homelessness Among California's Older Adults - California Budget & Policy Center](#)
  - [CA-Older-Renters-Policy-Brief.pdf](#)
- NAEH Center for Learning-New Online Course-Caring for Older Adults Experiencing Homelessness (slide 21) - [Center for Learning - National Alliance to End Homelessness](#)
- Coming Soon in 2026: San Antonio Regional Hospital Center of Aging (slide 22)
- Inland Empire Master Plan for Aging 2025-2028 (slides 23-24) - [ICA IE-MPA June 2025.pdf](#)
- West Valley Regional Collaboratory on Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (slides 25-26, full slide deck attached separately)
- HMIS System Updates Announcement-FY 2026 HUD Data Standards Changes (slide 27)
- Outreach and Coordinated Entry System Committee Meeting Announcement (slide 28)
- SB CoC Board Meeting Announcement (slide 29)
- Homebase-CoC Virtual Strategic Planning Workshop (slide 30) - [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)
- San Bernardino CoC Inclusion Advisory Committee (slide 30)

- [SB CoC Full Membership Meeting Agenda Packet \(slide 31\) - CoC-Full-Membership-Agenda-Packet-9.24.2025.pdf](#)
  - [Homelessness & Housing Legislative Update \(slide 32\)](#)
  - [What's New at OHS? \(slide 33\)](#)
  - [CES Conferencing Updates / 211 West Valley contact data \(slide 34\)](#)
  - [Strategic Plan Data Analysis & PITC Dashboards \(slide 35\) - San Bernardino County Public Homelessness Data | Tableau Public, San Bern SPMs | Tableau Public](#)
- [CA 609 San Bernardino City & County Continuum of Care Membership Application \(slide 36\) - CoC-Membership-App.pdf](#)
- [Homebase-CoC Strategic Planning Process-Regional Funding Matrix \(slides 37-38\)](#)
- [CoC HHAP 5 Regional Funding Allocation options \(slides 39-40\)](#)
- [Trump admin looks at deep cuts to homeless housing programs \(slide 41\) - Trump admin looks at deep cuts to homeless housing program - POLITICO](#)
- [Dire Underfunding: Providers Can Only House 8 Percent of Homeless People - National Alliance to End Homelessness \(slide 42\)](#)
- [Community Action Partnership's 60th Anniversary Gala \(slide 43\) - 60th Anniversary New Gala 2025 | capsbc](#)
- [Health Service Alliance Public Health on the Go \(slide 43\)](#)
- [City of Ontario Housing Services Department Community Resource Fair-RSVP Vendor Link \(slide 44\) - RSVP Ontario HSD - Community Resource Fair](#)
- [Office of Homeless Services Contact List \(slide 45\) - OHS-Staff-Contact-list.pdf](#)

Additional information -

- [Out of Reach 2025: The High Cost of Housing | National Low Income Housing Coalition](#)
- [The GAP: A Shortage of Affordable Homes 2025 | National Low Income Housing Coalition](#)
- [How is California Meeting the Housing Needs of California's Low-Income Renters - CHP State-Housing-Needs-Report-2025.pdf](#)
- [San Bernardino County 2025 Affordable Housing Needs Report - San-Bernardino Housing Report-2.pdf](#)
- [Black Women and Single Mothers Hit Hardest by Housing Crisis - Davis Vanguard](#)
- [Housing Opportunities: Governor's Reorganization Plan to Create the California Housing and Homelessness Agency - Turner Center; BCSH - Reorganization](#)
- [California Affordable Homes At Risk - CHP 2025-Subsidized-At-Risk-Report.pdf; CHP 2025-Unsubsidized-At-Risk-Report.pdf](#)
- [Who Can Afford to Rent in California's Many Regions in 2024](#)
- [California Homelessness Response System Data - Homeless Data Integration System](#)
- [The State of the Nation's Housing 2025 | Joint Center for Housing Studies](#)
- [Action Plan for Preventing & Ending Homelessness in CA 2025-2027](#)
- [Opinion | America Is Pushing Its Workers Into Homelessness - The New York Times](#)
- [CalAIM's Housing Supports & the Housing-Homelessness Incentive Program - ECM-CS | HB Live Site](#)

*Thank you for your partnership!*

*Don Smith & Erika Lewis-Huntley, Co-Chairs*

*SB CoC West Valley Regional Steering Committee*







## West Valley Regional Steering Committee

### ***“The Growing Crisis of Homelessness Among Older Adults”***

[Is your community ready for the older adult homelessness crisis?](#) (NAEH Learning Series, 1:51)

[The Fastest Growing Group Experiencing Homelessness - Older Adults](#) (Ann Oliva, CEO NAEH 1:10)

[Why do older adults become homeless?](#) (Dr. Jennifer Molinsky, 2:35)

[Why are so many seniors in San Diego aging without a home?](#) (NBC News San Diego, 25 mins)

[Homelessness and Older Adults - the dynamics of older adult homelessness](#) (Dr. Margot Kushel, 5:15)

[Seniors on the Streets: More older people in Sacramento are on the brink](#) (6:05)

[Homelessness and Older Adults - Ms. Queenie's Experience](#) (4:15)

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#### At a Glance

##### WHAT'S DRIVING HOMELESSNESS AMONG OLDER ADULTS BY THE NUMBERS

<b>5 million</b>	the number of people 65+ living below the poverty line
<b>2.35 million</b>	the number of older adult households paying more than half of their limited income on rent
<b>138,098</b>	the number of individuals 55+ who experience homelessness on a given night
<b>\$554</b>	the average Supplemental Security Income benefit for older adults with low incomes
<b>\$1,702</b>	the average monthly rent for an apartment in the U.S.
<b>7.3 million</b>	the shortage of affordable and available rental units for the lowest income people



• HOUSING ACCESS AND STABILITY

#### 9 Facts About the Impending Senior Homelessness Crisis and How We Can Stop It

May 20, 2025

The number of adults ages 65 and older experiencing housing instability and homelessness has **rapidly increased** in recent years and is expected to accelerate. Removing barriers to **stability** will be critical not just to preserving the health and safety of this group but also to limiting a resulting **expensive public health crisis**. Without intervention, states, localities, health care organizations, and homelessness response providers won't have the budget or capacity to deal with a rising population of older adults experiencing homelessness.

To prevent such a crisis, policymakers and advocates must understand why older adults are increasingly experiencing homelessness. We gathered research from the Urban Institute and other experts that highlights this issue's urgency and solutions to help prevent it. Here are nine facts you should know:

1. Older adults are the **fastest-growing** (PDF) age group experiencing homelessness. Nearly 150,000 adults (PDF) older than 55 experienced homelessness, and the share of older adults experiencing sheltered homelessness increased 37 percent between 2019 and 2022.
2. Without proactive policy, the number of older adults experiencing homelessness will **triple by 2030**: Estimates suggest that by 2030, the number of older adults experiencing homelessness will **triple** (PDF), and by 2036, an additional 4 million (PDF) older adults with low incomes will have no access to affordable housing.

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3. **Older adults have unique and preventable pathways to homelessness:** Older adult homelessness is often a result of at least one of three key risk factors: having a low income; a recent experience of a crisis, such as the death of a family member, or the onset of poor health.
4. **Older adults with lower incomes increasingly cannot afford housing:** These people are less likely to have retirement savings and are more likely to rely on Social Security as a primary form of income, with many living on less than \$20,000 a year. With an average monthly income of less than \$1,000, older adults with lower incomes are often unable to keep pace with housing costs. In 2021, nearly 11.2 million older adults were cost burdened, with many spending more than half their income on housing.
5. **A decline in health puts older adults at risk:** As people age, they experience more health concerns and **disabilities**, which can create challenges to earning income and staying stably housed. In one study in Toronto, older adults experiencing homelessness were **3 times** (PDF) more likely to report health as a reason for homelessness. The ability to work is **linked** to health status, and those with lower incomes who may most need to work as they age are more likely to have health challenges than their counterparts.
6. **Disruptive life events are destabilizing:** Critical events such as divorce, the death of a spouse, or the loss of housing tied to employment can cause a **rapid move into homelessness** for older adults. These events can **threaten** the economic and social resources they rely on to maintain their housing. Evidence suggests this may be particularly true for **older women**.
7. **Limited, accessible housing stock creates unique barriers for older adults:** One analysis found less than 4 percent of the US housing stock offers features older adults may need, including no-step entry, single-floor living, and features to accommodate a wheelchair. This can pose challenges for finding new rental housing and can create **high costs** for homeowners to modify their current home.
8. **Many older adults already rely on subsidized housing, but demand outpaces supply:** More than a **third** (PDF) of the tenants in low-income housing tax credit units are at least 62 years old, and more than **half** of housing choice voucher recipient households are headed by older adults. But the supply is not meeting the **growing need** of older adults.
9. **Preventing homelessness for older adults is fiscally important for health care organizations, state budgets, and other:** Projections show the increase in older adult homelessness will cost an **additional \$5 billion** per year, on average, in health care and shelter costs that typically accrue to cities, states, and health care organizations.

#### How can policymakers and other stakeholders address this crisis?

Prevention will be **key** to reducing homelessness for older adults, keeping them safe, and ensuring states don't face severe budgetary crises related to the surge of older adult homelessness. Stabilizing people in their homes and ensuring they don't become homeless is a **cost-effective**, compassionate way to address this issue. What large and small steps can policymakers, advocates, and other stakeholders take to help support older adults?

- **Increase the supply of affordable, accessible rental housing for older adults.** There is a dire need for more affordable housing nationwide, which exacerbates challenges for older adults. States and localities can invest in new housing opportunities for older adults.
- **Encourage low-income housing tax credit allocations for older adults.** Shifting the **incentives and self-equities** or **establishing specific pools** in Qualified Allocation Plans can encourage consistent, dedicated credits for the development of senior housing and permanent supportive housing. Some states already have pools that ensure certain amounts of housing are developed for older adults each year to meet the growing demand of older adults renting, which is projected to **increase** from 7.4 million in 2020 to 12.9 million by 2040.

- **Invest in public housing.** States can allocate additional funding to **maintain, update, and redevelop** public housing units, which are substantial sources of affordable housing for households with low incomes. **Recent examples** include Minneapolis and Westbrook Maine, which have brought programs that support residents' homemaking and personal care needs to some of their housing properties, to more effectively deliver needed services in independent, affordable senior housing communities.
- **Encourage local zoning changes to support the construction of affordable, accessible homes.** **Easing local zoning laws** and instituting **land-use reforms** can allow for **development** of accessory dwelling units, cohousing, and other **affordable, accessible, and innovative** options that can serve older adults. States can implement certain large-scale zoning reform measures and preemptions and can encourage local changes through financial incentives and planning guidelines.

**Support older adults who want to stay in their homes:** To help keep older renters and homeowners in their homes, it's important to both reduce housing cost burdens and provide avenues to home modification.

- **Reduce financial barriers to homeownership:** These can include passing, expanding, or modifying tax reductions, deferrals, or circuit breakers for **cost-burdened** (PDF) older adults, as well as encouraging assistance programs, such as **utility assistance programs**.
- **Support home modification:** Financial assistance can help older adults as they modify their homes. **State housing trust funds** (PDF) and technical assistance can provide critical resources.
- **Expand rental assistance programs and subsidies:** Supports such as the **Section 202 program** and the **Housing Choice Voucher Program** help older adults in times of crisis.

**Expand income supports for older adults experiencing housing insecurity:** The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program is a **vital support program** for older adults with very low incomes and few assets. People who receive SSI may be eligible for housing subsidies. But additional income supports can help people age safely in place.

**Employ and expand partnerships between health and housing organizations:** Coordinating between agencies focused on these aspects of aging have an opportunity to identify, test, and implement new ways to support health and housing stability for older adults. **Community-based service providers** provide states with the ability to bill Medicaid for housing-focused services and can support older adults.

**Invest in understanding the scope of the challenge and the most effective solutions.** Although demographic projections provide details on the scale of the challenge, more research is needed to estimate the specific challenges faced by older adults, specifically data that can help predict which adults may need certain supports, to help states and localities prepare. States can increase evaluation funding to build the evidence base on the health care return on investment from providing housing supports to target populations.

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## Toward Dignity

### Understanding Older Adult Homelessness

Findings from the California Statewide Study of People Experiencing Homelessness







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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

##### WHO EXPERIENCES HOMELESSNESS AS AN OLDER ADULT

First, we explore who among older adults experiences homelessness. Individuals with certain vulnerabilities, those with a history of trauma, and/or people impacted by racial discrimination and inequality are at higher risk of experiencing homelessness. People who experience homelessness have higher rates of mental health conditions and substance use than the general population. For many, these problems predated their first episode of homelessness.

- **Nine in ten older homeless adults (91%) in California lost their last stable housing in California.** Three-quarters (77%) were last housed in the same county where they were currently experiencing homelessness.
- **The homeless population is aging.** The median age of all homeless adults in California was 47. Nearly half (48%) of single homeless adults were age 50 and older ("older adults"). The median age of older adults was 58 years (range 50-89 years).
- **Forty-one percent of older homeless adults had their first episode of homelessness after age 50.**
- **Older adults experienced prolonged episodes of homelessness, longer than those of younger homeless adults.** Among all older adults, the median length of the current episode was 25 months, compared to 20 months for those younger than 50. Forty-one percent of older homeless adults met the federal criteria for chronic homelessness; 76% met the temporal criteria alone.
- **Black Californians are overrepresented in older homeless adult populations.** Thirty-one percent of older adults experiencing homelessness identified as Black, compared to 6% of all Californians age 50 or older. Older adults who identified as multiracial and Native American or Indigenous were also overrepresented.

- **Stress and trauma throughout the lifecourse increased vulnerability to homelessness.** Those older adults who were first homeless before age 50 (early-onset homelessness) reported a higher prevalence of lifetime trauma, incarceration, and behavioral health concern than those first homeless after age 50 (late-onset homelessness).
- **Most older adults (70%) were incarcerated at some point in their lifetime.** 77% in jail and 68% in prison. A higher proportion of older adults with early-onset homelessness reported incarceration than those with late-onset (67% vs. 68%). This finding was true for both jail and prison stays.
- **The majority of older adults had experienced violence in their lifetimes:** 67% experienced physical violence and 19% sexual violence. Older cisgender women reported experiencing sexual violence almost four times more often than older adult cisgender men. Many experienced violence during childhood: 39% of older adults experienced physical violence and 11% sexual violence before age 18.
- **Most older adults (81%) reported experiencing at least one significant mental health symptom at some point in their lifetime.** Of those with early-onset homelessness, 32% reported a psychiatric hospitalization in their lifetime, compared to 16% with late-onset homelessness.
- **Substance use was common:** 64% reported having used illicit drugs regularly at some point in their lives, and 61% reported regular heavy alcohol use. Those older adults with early-onset homelessness had a higher prevalence of lifetime history of regular illicit substance use or regular heavy alcohol use than those who first experienced homelessness later in life.

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# The Rise of Homelessness Among California's Older Adults

How Policymakers Can Ensure Older Adults Stay Housed

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## KEY TAKEAWAY

California's homeless population is aging rapidly, with adults 50+ making up nearly 40% of those needing shelter. Without swift and intentional policy action, California faces a future with a growing number of unhoused older adults as the state's population ages.

Every Californian deserves an affordable, dignified, and accessible home, regardless of their age, ability, race, gender, or economic status. Yet thousands of Californians — increasingly composed of older adults age 50 and over — continue to fall into homelessness faster than our systems can house them. During the course of the 2022-23 fiscal year, local California homeless service providers made contact with over 215,000 adults without children needing to find a home or search for other life-sustaining services — and

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even more were likely served by the end of 2023.<sup>1</sup> Of these, 85,310 — nearly 40% — were adults age 50 and over. While experiencing homelessness at any age is severely destructive to an individual's well-being, older adults are the fastest-growing population experiencing homelessness and the largest share of individuals who are encountering homelessness for the first time in their lives. Without swift and intentional policy action, California faces a future with a growing number of unhoused older adults as the state's population ages.

Understanding the diverse characteristics, circumstances, and tailored interventions unhoused older Californians need is key to effectively addressing their housing needs and solving homelessness across the state.

"Older adults" refers to individuals who are age 50 and over. This determination was made to parallel current research on older adults at risk of or experiencing homelessness. It also acknowledges the increased physical and behavioral health vulnerabilities that are being experienced by unhoused individuals aged 50 and over which have been traditionally seen in older populations and require tailored interventions.

## 1. Older Californians Are a Large Share of the Unhoused Population

Unhoused Californians age 50 and over comprised 40% of adult-only households who connected with the homelessness response system in the 2022-23 fiscal year. Yet older adults account for only 34% of the state's entire population.

Research identifies two main cohorts that are driving the growth in older adult homelessness:

### Individuals who became unhoused earlier in life and have consequently faced heightened vulnerabilities that led to prolonged periods of homelessness.

Early life homelessness episodes significantly raise the chance of facing adverse experiences, such as higher rates of incarceration, chronic medical conditions, behavioral health conditions, adverse childhood experiences, and underemployment compared to those who experience it later in life.

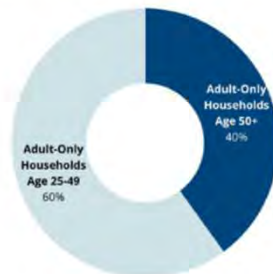
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## Older Californians Comprise 40% of All Adult-Only Households Experiencing Homelessness

Unhoused Adult-Only Households Who Made Contact with Homeless Service Providers FY 22-23 = 215,955

■ Adult-Only Households Age 50+  
■ Adult-Only Households Age 25-49



Note: Total includes a small number of people experiencing homelessness without a reported race/ethnicity. Adult-only households are composed of individuals age 25 and older. This includes noncustodial parents and exclude unaccompanied youth.

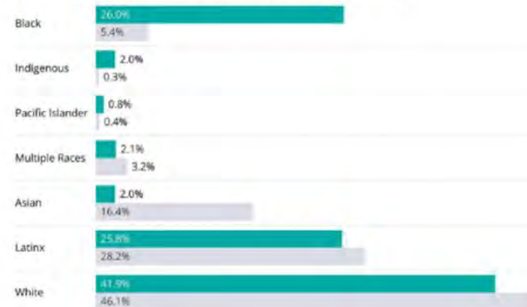
Source: Custom tabulations from the California Homeless Data Integration System



## Older Black, Indigenous, and Pacific Islander Californians Disproportionately Experience Homelessness

Percent of Unhoused Individuals Assisted by Homeless Service Providers, FY 2022-23

■ Share of Unhoused Population Age 50+ ■ Share of California Population Age 50+



Note: Race/ethnicity are mutually exclusive. State population estimates are for the 2022 calendar year.

Source: Budget Center analysis of US Census Bureau, American Community Survey public-use microdata downloaded from IPUMS-USA and custom tabulations from the California Homeless Data Integration System



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### 3. Most Unhoused Older Adults Have a Disabling Condition

#### Over 70% of Unhoused Older Adults Live With a Disabling Condition

Total Unhoused Older Adults Served by Homeless Service Providers in FY 22-23 = 85,310



Note: Total includes a small number of people experiencing homelessness without a reported race/ethnicity. A disabling condition includes physical, developmental, mental or emotional impairment that limits independent living or ability to work.

Source: Custom tabulations from the California Homeless Data Integration System



### 4. Most Unhoused Older Adults Have an Income Source — But It's Not Enough

Most unhoused older adults who made contact with homeless service providers in the 2022-23 fiscal year reported having at least one source of income. These older adults had a median total monthly income of \$1,000 — an amount that cannot cover [fair market rent for a studio apartment](#) in nearly 70% of the state's counties, let alone other basic living expenses like food, utilities, and transportation.

The top three reported income sources were Supplemental Security Income (SSI) (median = \$1,037), Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) (median = \$1,040), and General Assistance (median = \$221). All of which reflect the very low incomes and high rates of disabling conditions among the unhoused older adult population. Additionally, nearly 25% of individuals with an income source reported having income from work.

#### The Top Three Reported Income Sources for Unhoused Older Adults Were SSI, SSDI, and General Assistance

A Significant Number of Individuals Also Reported Having Income from Work.



Note: SSI = Social Security Income, SSDI = Social Security Disability Insurance, GA = General Assistance.

Source: Custom tabulations from the California Homeless Data Integration System



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### 5. High Housing Costs Drive Homelessness Among Older Californians

The severe shortage of affordable housing in California, leading to skyrocketing housing costs, is the primary factor pushing older adults into homelessness. In 2022, over half (52%) of all older adult California renters were housing cost-burdened, paying more than 30% of their total income in rent, and nearly 1 in 3 (29%) were severely cost-burdened, paying more than 50% of their income in rent. Older Black California renters faced the highest rates, with over 60% paying unaffordable housing costs. Older Californians of color broadly are especially vulnerable to housing insecurity as they are more likely to be renters and consequently do not have home equity to potentially fall back on. Nearly half (45.7%) of older Black Californians are renters, followed by older Latinx (37.1%), other Californians of color (29.6%), and Asian Californians (26.1%).

#### Over Half of All Older Adult Renters in California Face Unaffordable Housing Costs

Share of Individuals in Renter Households with Housing Cost Burden by Race/Ethnicity, 2022



Note: "Housing cost burden" is defined by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development as housing costs exceeding 30% of household income. Race/ethnicity categories are mutually exclusive.

Source: Budget Center analysis of US Census Bureau, American Community Survey data




### Policymakers Can Ensure All Older Adults Have a Home

Older Californians are neighbors, parents, grandparents, and invaluable members of our communities who deserve access to an affordable, accessible, and dignified place to call home, regardless of their background or ability. As state and federal policymakers consider choices that will affect California's unhoused and vulnerable communities, it is important to understand the unique housing, economic, and health conditions older unhoused adults face. By doing so, policymakers can act on proven policies and interventions that can help solve homelessness among older adults, including:

- **Increasing affordable rental housing and supportive housing** to ensure that all Californians have access to an affordable home that is designed to meet the needs of diverse types of households, including older adults, single workers, and people with disabilities.
- **Expanding and targeting additional financial support** for Californians without dependents, low incomes, and disabilities through boosting Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment, General Assistance, and refundable tax credits.
- **Directing resources for rental assistance and homelessness services**, including emergency and shallow rental subsidies, housing vouchers, and rapid-rehousing efforts to ensure people can remain in their homes during times of financial crisis or quickly exit homelessness.
- **Continuing to strengthen California's aging network and initiatives to connect housing and healthcare systems** by leveraging efforts such as CalAIM housing supports and California's Master Plan on Aging.
- **Protecting renters** through expanding, enforcing, and funding legal aid and eviction protections.

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## California's Older Low-Income Renters Continue to Be Squeezed by Housing Unaffordability and Face a Growing Threat of Aging into Homelessness

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### INTRODUCTION

Across California, in our cities, suburbs, and rural communities, older renters\* are facing a deepening crisis of rent unaffordability. Older Californians living on a fixed income have been unable to keep up with the challenges of rising rents, health care costs, and other basic needs. The temporary relief that was made available during the height of the pandemic helped defray some of these costs, but with the end of the eviction moratorium and other relief measures, California's eviction rates are rising to pre-pandemic levels, and even higher in some communities.<sup>1</sup>

Six out of ten of all older renter households in California face unaffordable rents—and that has not improved in five years. California renters are more likely to struggle to pay their housing costs as they age.

Since Justice in Aging issued its 2021 report on *Older Californians Facing Unaffordable Rents*, rental costs at the more moderately priced end of the market have continued to increase, becoming even more unaffordable to low-income older adults living on a fixed income. Median California rents currently average \$2,750, 38% higher than the national median.<sup>2</sup> For an individual renter trying to survive on Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits of \$1,183/month, there is no California county where an efficiency apartment is affordable, and 25 counties where the rent exceeds the SSI grant.<sup>3</sup>

*\*"Older renters" and "older renter households" are defined, unless otherwise indicated, as renters age 62 or older, or households where at least one renter is age 62 or older.*

About 6 out of 10 older renter households are rental cost burdened and 4 out of 10 are severely rent burdened

The lack of enough affordable housing is forcing low-income older Californians to make hard choices about whether to pay their rent or buy food, medicine, or meet other basic needs. It is also the primary driver of the continuing alarming increase in older adult homelessness.


### CALIFORNIA RENTERS FACE INCREASED HOUSING COST BURDENS AS THEY AGE

California renters of all ages are struggling to pay housing costs, but renters are more likely to face unaffordable rents as they age. About 6 out of 10 older renter households are rental cost burdened, and 4 out of 10 are severely rent burdened (see Figure 1 below).<sup>4</sup> One group that is particularly hard hit is women age 75 and older who are living alone. These older female renters are at particularly high risk of housing instability, with 72% rental cost burdened and 51% paying more than half of their income for housing costs.<sup>5</sup> Women in this age group are more likely to have lost their spouse or partner. Older women have also been subjected to a lifetime of reduced earnings due to the gender wage gap and interruptions from the workforce for caregiving. Older women, who are living longer on average than men, are living on a low, fixed retirement income, and have exhausted their savings.

**FIGURE 1**  
California Renters Are More Likely to Struggle to Pay Housing Costs as They Age

Note: "Cost-burdened" households pay more than 30% of their income for housing. "Severely cost-burdened" households pay more than 50% of their income for housing.

Source: Ader Policy Analytics analysis of US Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey data.



Category	All Renter Households	Renter Households Age 52+	Renter Households Age 75+
Cost-Burdened	52%	59%	64%
Severely Cost-Burdened	28%	37%	42%

The vast majority of extremely low-income older renters, disproportionately people of color, face unsustainable rents, driving the surge in older adult homelessness


For extremely low-income older Californians, the rental situation is even more dire. Nearly 8 out of 10 Extremely Low-Income (ELI)<sup>6</sup> older renters struggle to pay rent, with 63% paying more than half of their income for rent (see Figure 2 below).

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Nationally, older and disabled renters make up almost half of all ELI renters.<sup>4</sup> Older Black, Latino/a, and Asian American/Pacific Islander renters are much more likely to be extremely low-income, and are also over-represented in who experiences homelessness.

**FIGURE 2**  
Most of California's Extremely Low Income Renter Households Face Severe Rent Burdens



Category	All renter households	ELI 62+	ELI 75+
Cost-Burdened	89%	79%	76%
Severely Cost-Burdened	77%	63%	59%

Older adults who are struggling to pay rent are forced to cut back on health care, food, and other basic necessities.<sup>5</sup> Unaffordable rent burdens and the threat of eviction also negatively affect overall health, with increased risk of depression and anxiety<sup>6</sup> and a host of physical conditions.

### OLDER LOW-INCOME CALIFORNIANS ARE THE FASTEST GROWING AGE GROUP ENTERING HOMELESSNESS, MANY FOR THE FIRST TIME AFTER AGE 50

Increasingly, older renters are reaching a breaking point, entering homelessness for the first time in their lives as they approach old age. Older adults (age 50 and older) are the fastest growing age cohort of people experiencing homelessness in California, and their numbers are expected to continue to grow.<sup>7</sup> A recent statewide study of people experiencing homelessness in California found that:

- Almost half (48%) of single homeless adults are age 50 or older;
- 41% of those older adults had their very first incident of homelessness at age 50 or older; and
- The most common reason for leaving their last home was reduced or lost income that made their housing unaffordable.

Significantly, a majority of survey respondents said that a monthly shallow subsidy of \$300 – 500 per month would have made a significant difference in their ability to stay housed.<sup>11</sup>

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### The sharp rise in older Californians using homeless services far outpaces their population growth

From 2017 through 2022, the number of older Californians (age 50 and older) accessing homeless services has nearly doubled, far surpassing the 4% growth in population for this age group. The largest increase (166%) has been for those age 65 and older.

There are two sub-groups within the older adult homeless population. For those who first experienced homelessness earlier in life and who have struggled with episodes of homelessness throughout much of their adult life, they continue to experience periods of homelessness as they age. The second group is comprised of those older adults who are having their first episode of homelessness after age 50. These Californians who are having their first experience of homelessness after age 50 fit a distinct profile. For this latter group, the primary driver of homelessness is economic—they could no longer afford their housing. Many worked most of their lives in low-wage, physically demanding jobs. They were able to hang on to their housing until there was one destabilizing crisis or emergency.

**FIGURE 3**  
Number of Older Californians Receiving Homelessness Services from 2017 to 2022

Source: California Homeless Data Integration System



The apartments they have for seniors, they want three times your security. Well, nobody has that laying around... And I lived in a motel for a while thinking I can find me an apartment and move in. Nope... So I ended up here in a shelter, until I could find me a place that I can afford... My kidneys are failing, I have a stent in my arm, I need dialysis... I need a place where I can rest... —Marilyn, 65

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### What are the particular needs of older adults experiencing homelessness?

Older adults experiencing homelessness have a high prevalence of one or more disabilities or chronic health conditions. They are more likely to experience health declines and develop chronic conditions that are typical of a bonded person (55-70 years old). They will consequently require more health and social assistance services to obtain and maintain both temporary and permanent housing.<sup>11</sup> Homelessness systems and housing providers need to be responsive to the needs of an aging, increasingly disabled, population.

In California, about three quarters of individuals experiencing homelessness live in unsheltered locations (second only to Hawaii). Californians who are living in their vehicle, tents, or on the streets tend to be older, on average, than those experiencing sheltered homelessness,<sup>12</sup> and they tend to be undercounted in the annual homeless count.

While many older adults would go into a shelter if they could, shelters are often physically inaccessible and do not accommodate their physical and care needs. Many emergency shelters and interim housing sites are not accessible to the older adults with mobility challenges or those needing help with their Activities of Daily Living (ADLs).

### SPECIFIC POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

A key goal of California's Master Plan for Aging is to prevent and end older homelessness.<sup>13</sup> While there have been significant investments in increasing the supply of affordable housing, these investments have not been targeted to older adults. We can make significant progress in preventing and ending older adult homelessness through a combination of targeted prevention, age and disability-tailored homeless solutions, and continued investments in increasing the supply of affordable, accessible housing. These multi-pronged housing policies must be grounded in equity—for owners and renters, for all races, ethnicities, and ages, for those living alone and with multi-generational families, and for justice-involved and LGBTQ+ individuals. Programs that target historically underserved individuals and communities and that address individual and ongoing discrimination will allow us to advance more housing options for all.

### Prioritize evidence-based homeless prevention strategies: rental assistance targeted to older adults at risk of homelessness

Preventing older adults from becoming homeless in the first place is an essential component to ending older adult homelessness. The state should invest in rental assistance targeted to the lowest income seniors at the greatest risk for homelessness. This is a proven and effective homeless prevention strategy.<sup>14</sup> Numerous studies show that a modest rent subsidy of \$300-\$500/month can make a significant difference between holding onto housing and homelessness. Using equity-based targeting, we can use rental predictive factors for those older adults at greatest risk of homelessness.

- San Diego and Stanislaus counties are funding local shallow subsidy programs to prevent senior homelessness before it occurs. They target small monthly payments to those low-income seniors who are facing the highest rental cost burdens and combine the funding with case management, housing navigation, and referral to other needed services.

- The Department of Social Services' Home Safe and Housing Disability and Advocacy Programs provide housing financial assistance to older and disabled adults who are at risk of homelessness, or currently unhoused.

### Leverage housing assistance and supports available through the Medi-Cal program

Recognizing that housing is a key social determinant of health, California has adopted several housing supports and initiatives in its CalAIM (California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal) program. CalAIM offers new opportunities to help the growing number of older adults experiencing homelessness get and keep housing. Managed care organizations can help with housing, offering housing navigation services, home accessibility modifications, security deposits and first month's rent, tenancy sustaining services, and short-term post-hospitalization recuperative care.<sup>15</sup>

However, older adults experiencing homelessness face barriers to being promptly connected to critical services, such as a housing navigator to assist with applications, documentation, and connecting with available housing. Managed care organizations and service providers also need gerontechnical training and to provide ways to connect that are not technology-dependent.

We can disrupt returns to homelessness through the Medi-Cal waiver initiatives for people transitioning out of institutions such as nursing facilities, correctional settings, and hospitals. The Justice-Invested<sup>16</sup> and Transitional Rental Assistance (TRA) waivers<sup>17</sup> can connect individuals to health and housing supports sooner and can provide up to six months of rental assistance. California's newly awarded Housing and Services Partnership Accelerator Program presents an opportunity to bridge our housing, health care, and community support systems to address the range of housing options that meet the particular needs of older adults in the most integrated community setting possible.<sup>18</sup>

### Strengthen and enforce protections against rent increases and discrimination; provide legal counsel in eviction proceedings

California has taken steps to protect many renters through the Tenant Protection Act (TPA), setting a maximum on the amount of annual rent increases in covered dwellings, and limiting the reasons justifying an eviction.<sup>19</sup> There are many renters who are not covered by the TPA, and many renters who are not aware of, or able to assert, their legal rights. We recommend the following increased protections:

- Enact statewide rent protections for mobile homeowners living in mobile home parks.
- Create stronger protections for low-income renters residing in Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program (LIHTC) properties, including caps on rent increases. Improve California's LIHTC program rules to incentivize targeting units for those on the lowest incomes, and those who are experiencing, or at imminent risk of, homelessness.
- Improve enforcement of state discrimination laws, especially based on race, source of income and disability.

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A lot of shelters, they don't have - they're not equipped for disabilities, for handicapped, disabled. You know? They don't have handrails in the showers. They don't have a ramp, you know... the disability can be a problem. They don't accept us in a lot of shelters.

—Participant, California Study of People Experiencing Homelessness

### Reduce barriers to providing and accessing homeless and supportive services to older adults

Through the Master Plan for Aging, California can create stronger connections between Area Agencies on Aging, health care organizations, legal services, and Continuums of Care to ensure that older renters struggling to pay rent or facing eviction are timely connected to needed homeless prevention services and support. Access to legal services for eviction defense is key, ensuring that older renters have legal representation in court.<sup>20</sup>

Many unsheltered older adults are unable to use temporary shelters that exclude or do not accommodate people with disabilities, including those who need help with their ADLs. We need to create non-congregate shelter spaces that are age and disability-friendly, where people can be assessed and moved into appropriate permanent housing.<sup>21</sup>

### Continue to increase the supply of affordable and age-friendly housing

The primary cause of homelessness among older adults is a lack of affordable housing, with 24 affordable units available for every 100 eligible Californians.<sup>22</sup> We need targeted investments to increase the supply of deeply affordable and accessible rental housing that can meet the needs of older adults and people with disabilities.

#### Positive Examples

- Housing Works in Los Angeles provides a range of community-based housing options, from scattered site housing to single site, permanent supportive housing. In-House Supportive Services (IHSS) workers are embedded at the site and are part of the comprehensive team to serve the needs of residents with ADL or other care needs.
- Hugs Center and Berkeley West Apartments is integrating age-friendly shelter, transitional housing, Permanent Supportive Housing, and 49 units of below-market rate housing. On-site support medical and behavioral health services are provided, along with a dining facility.

### CONCLUSION

We must promptly increase to stop more older adults from being forced out onto the streets, and create integrated housing, health services, and supports that address the particular needs of older Californians experiencing homelessness. The time is now to fulfill the Master Plan for Aging's goal of housing for all ages and ages.

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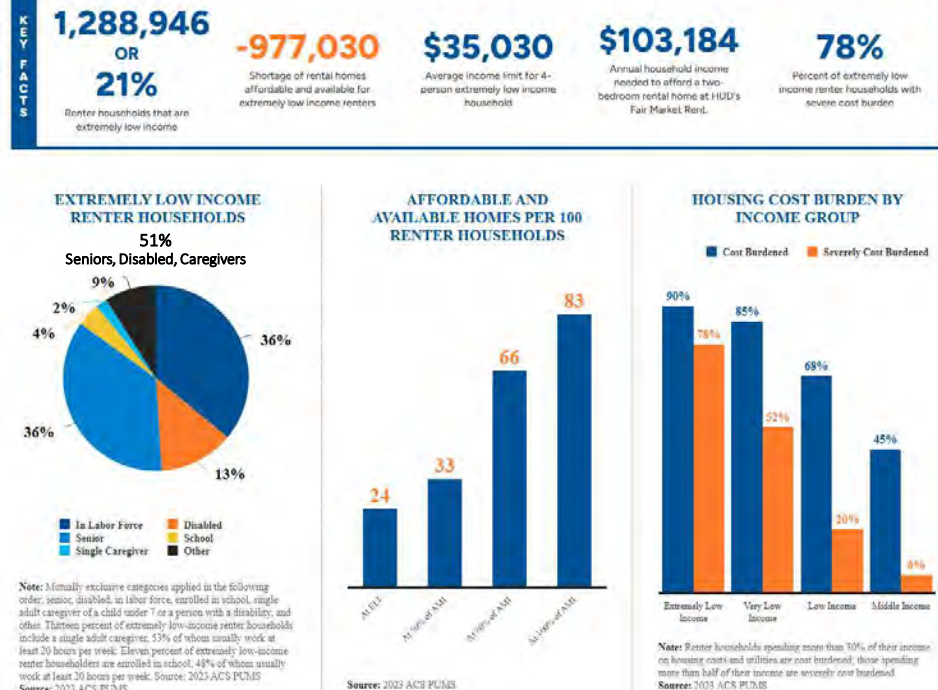
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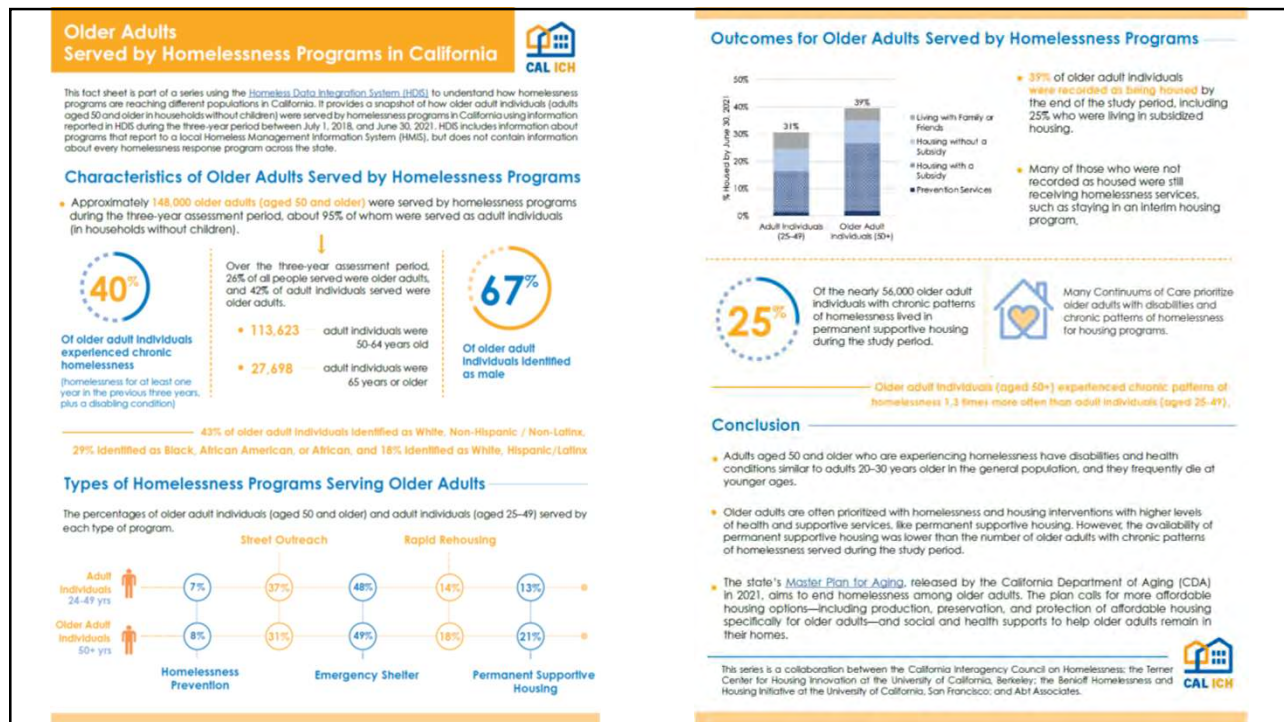
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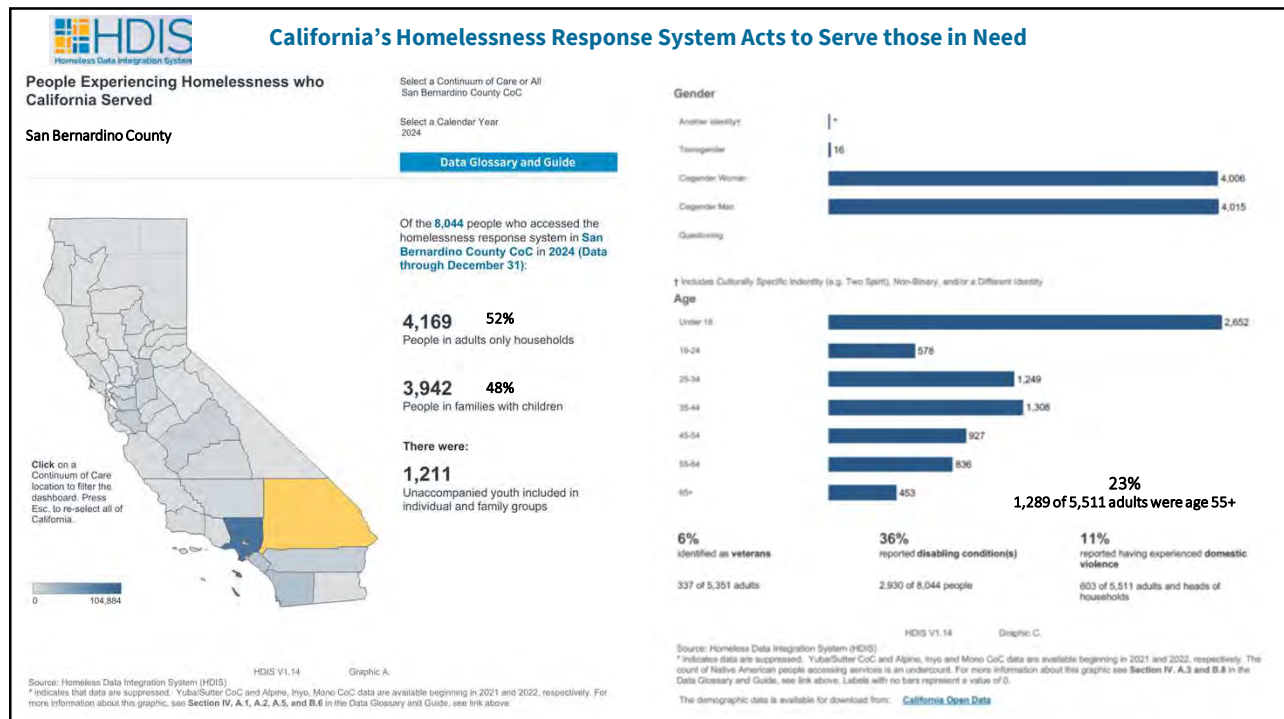
Across California, there is a shortage of rental homes affordable and available to extremely low-income households (ELI), whose incomes are at or below the poverty guideline or 30% of their area median income (AMI). Many of these households are severely cost burdened, spending more than half of their income on housing. Severely cost burdened poor households are more likely than other renters to sacrifice other necessities like healthy food and healthcare to pay the rent, and to experience unstable housing situations like evictions.



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## 2025 San Bernardino Continuum of Care Point-in-Time Count

### How Old Are You?

Table 9 offers a breakdown by age for adults according to HUD required age groups.

Approximately half (50.8%) of adults were age 44 or younger: 3.4% were age 18 – 24; 18.3% were age 25 – 34; and 29.1% were age 35 – 44.

Approximately half (49.2%) of adults were age 45 or older: 22.5% were age 45 – 54; 19.1% were age 55 – 64; and 7.6% were age 65+.

**Table 9.** Breakdown by Age for Adults

Adults	Number	Percent
Age 18 – 24	89	3.4
Age 25 – 34	477	18.3
Age 35 – 44	759	29.1
Age 45 – 54	586	22.5
Age 55 – 64	498	19.1
Age 65+	198	7.6
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>2,607</b>	<b>100</b>

**26.7%**  
696 of 2,607 unsheltered adults were age 55+

**26.4%**  
945 of 3,572 homeless adults were age 55+

The following table provides a breakdown by age of the sheltered population of 1,201 adults and children as required by HUD.

**Table 13.** Sheltered Population by Age

Age	Number	Percent
Under age 18	236	19.7
Age 18-24	85	7.1
Age 25-34	194	16.1
Age 35-44	256	21.3
Age 45-54	181	15.1
Age 55-64	167	13.9
Age 65 or Older	82	6.8
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>1,201</b>	<b>100</b>

**25.8%**  
249 of 965 sheltered adults were age 55+

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## WHAT WE'RE LEARNING SO FAR

Population (2023)	San Bernardino County		State of California		National	
Total Population*	2,157,903		38,249,686		327,076,658	
Persons 65 years and over	278,028	12.88%	6,204,339	16.22%	57,891,437	17.70%
Persons 65 years and over who are living at or below the federal poverty level	33,140	1.54%	741,883	1.94%	6,523,104	1.99%
Persons experiencing homelessness	3,821	0.18%	187,084	0.49%	771,480	0.24%
Persons ages 55-64 experiencing homelessness	565	0.03%	45,548	0.12%	104,007	0.03%
Persons ages 65+ experiencing homelessness	280	0.01%	22,545	0.06%	42,147	0.01%

"Between 2010 and 2060, San Bernardino County will experience a 202.4% increase in the population of individuals over age 60 and a 604.5% increase in adults over age of 85. (California Department of Aging Facts about California's Elderly, 2023). This percentage is higher than the state averages and such increases place the counties in the top 5 counties with the largest older adult population in California (2019 Community Health Needs Assessment, 2019, p. 6)." *Inland Master Plan on Aging*

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### 2025 San Bernardino Continuum of Care Point-in-Time Homeless Count

540 (14% of the total) People Were Identified as Experiencing Homelessness in the West Valley Region

	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total	+/- 2024
<b>Countywide</b>	1,201 (+1)	2,620 (-435)	3,821	-434 (10.2%)
<b>West Valley Region</b>	80 (-13)	460 (+53)	540	+40 (8%)
<b>Chino</b>	0	15	15	-28
<b>Chino Hills</b>	0	3	3	-4
<b>Montclair</b>	0	38	38	-36
<b>Ontario</b>	39	258	297	+100
<b>Rancho Cucamonga</b>	7	113	120	+37
<b>Upland</b>	34	33	67	-29
<b>Fontana</b>	93	271	364	+63

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### 2025 San Bernardino CoC Point-in-Time Homeless Count & Survey


#### Unsheltered Persons by Subpopulation – West Valley Region Cities

Jurisdiction	Unsheltered Adults	Unsheltered Females	Older Adults (55+)	Transitional Aged Youth 18–24	People of Color	Previously in Foster Care	Incarcerated last 12 mos.	Income <\$1000	1 <sup>st</sup> Time Homeless last 12 mos.	Persons in Households w/children
<b>County</b>	2,620	780 (30%)	696 (27%)	89 (3%)	1,697 (65%)	189 (14%**)	301 (22%**)	1,236 (88%**)	502 (36%**)	26 (1%)
<b>Chino</b>	15 (14*)	2 (14%)	3 (21%)	1 (7%)	??? (??%)	1 (7%)	4 (29%)	11 (79%)	5 (36%)	???
<b>Chino Hills</b>	3 (0*)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	???
<b>Montclair</b>	38 (2*)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	???
<b>Ontario</b>	258 (111*)	35 (32%)	28 (25%)	7 (6%)	79 (71%)	9 (8%)	37 (33%)	97 (87%)	39 (35%)	???
<b>Rancho Cucamonga</b>	113 (64*)	12 (19%)	19 (30%)	3 (5%)	38 (59%)	6 (9%)	17 (27%)	54 (84%)	18 (28%)	???
<b>Upland</b>	33 (23*)	6 (26%)	10 (43%)	0	13 (57%)	4 (17%)	8 (35%)	20 (78%)	8 (35%)	???
<b>Fontana</b>	270 (148*)	39 (26%)	???	???	120 (81%)	24 (16%)	35 (24%)	124 (84%)	71 (48%)	???

\*Survey sample

\*\*Survey sample size 1,397

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**SARH**

San Antonio Regional Hospital's Center of Aging provides expanded healthcare services to address the needs of our region's growing Medicare-age population. Located in Rancho Cucamonga, the Center will house multiple providers for seniors in a "one stop shop" concept. This includes primary care physicians and specialists such as orthopedists, cardiologists, geriatricians, audiologists, and more. Imaging services, pharmacy, lab, and physical and occupational therapy are also offered in the same building. San Antonio's Center of Aging will be transformative for those in the aging population and those who care for them. The Center is designed to streamline geriatric services and help seniors stay as independent as possible, enhancing the quality of life for all involved.

## Center of Aging

### Coming Soon in 2026:



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## Inland Coalition on Aging

### INLAND EMPIRE Master Plan for Aging 2025-2028



### Vision

A community where older adults, adults with disabilities, and caregivers age well



#### Key Priority Areas

In February 2024, the Inland Coalition on Aging (ICA) established four specialized workgroups led by local experts. For a list of workgroup chairs and participants, refer to Appendix B. These groups spent six months developing concrete actions to transform our vision into reality.

This plan outlines their work through five IE-MPA goals, each supported by strategies and objectives to drive action over the next several years:

**1** Housing as Home & Healthcare

**2** Transportation for all Ages, Abilities & Regions

**3** Caregiving, Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementias

**4** Age- and Disability-Friendly Behavioral Health & Social Support

**5** Safety, Respect & Equity in Aging

The five priority areas focus on social determinants of health—non medical factors influencing health. Social determinants of health are the conditions under which people are born, grow, live, work, and age.

Social determinants of health can include access to:

○ Medical care, nutritious foods, and functioning utilities	○ Linguistic and communication capabilities
○ Education and health literacy	○ Access to safe communities and recreational facilities
○ Ethnicity and cultural orientation	○ Job security
○ Family and social support networks	○ Social stressors
○ Gender	○ Socioeconomic status <sup>1</sup>
○ Housing and transportation resources	

Social determinants of health often occur “upstream” and can be complex causal pathways that link health with social disadvantage, risk exposure, and social inequalities.<sup>2</sup> Downstream determinants of an individual's health, such as health behaviors, do not occur in a vacuum and are also impacted by social determinants of health.

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#### Moving to Action

The ICA understands that transforming how we prepare for and serve our growing aging population requires sustained, long-term commitment. While the Inland Empire Master Plan for Aging sets forth an ambitious long-term vision that will require years of coordinated cross-sector collaboration, we recognize the urgency to act now in creating an age- and disability-friendly Inland Empire. This plan establishes our initial priorities and actions for the next three years.

The plan encompasses more than 100 specific actions, yet remains flexible and inclusive. **The ICA welcomes new partnerships and initiatives that align with our mission and we acknowledge the valuable work already underway through existing programs and ongoing efforts throughout the region.**

Our immediate focus in pursuit of many of these actions is on building strong foundations through:

- Identifying and building strategic partnerships
- Cataloging and leveraging existing resources and initiatives
- Strengthening person-centered systems of care and support

Through this coordinated approach, we will begin transforming our region's capacity to support healthy, dignified aging for all residents.

If you are interested in partnering on any of this work, please send an email to [info@inlandaging.org](mailto:info@inlandaging.org).



#### JOIN THE COALITION!

The Inland Coalition on Aging brings together the expertise of diverse health care entities, community-based organizations, public officials, and stakeholders to better serve older adults, adults with disabilities, and caregivers in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties.

#### JOIN THE COALITION TODAY TO STAY INFORMED AND ENGAGED.

Membership is free to professionals who work with older adults, adults with disabilities, and/or caregivers.

**We welcome your support!**

Learn more about the Coalition and how to join at:

[InlandAging.org](http://InlandAging.org)





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## Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (CCAHSAA) Collaboratory

October 2025 - March 2027



Join us for the Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (CCAHSAA) "Casa" Collaboratory, which aims to create a fully functional and coordinated system of care that serves the needs of older adults experiencing homelessness in western San Bernardino County.

Moving from isolated impact within an organization, facility, or agency, to cross-sector impact at county and regional levels requires building and strengthening partnerships between health care organizations, community-based organizations (CBOs) and other agencies, from governance to workflows to service delivery - and that is what this work aims to do.

The Collaboratory, with funded support from the California Health Care Foundation (CHCF), launches in October. It will span a two-year period that will include in-person workshops and workgroups moving forward a portfolio of projects that help us understand the population and the system, enhance the system and ensure sustainability for improved outcomes for older adults experiencing homelessness.

### Collaboratory Activities

Workgroups

Participate in Workgroups (see next page) that launch and advance projects related to your work, your role, or your interests.

- Workgroup composition and time commitment varies based on the workgroup and may include calls or offline work to progress the projects.
- The work and timeline is co-designed by each Workgroup upon launching.

In-Person Workshops

Join four, one-day In-Person Workshops over the course of the two-year initiative.

- In-person workshops are a chance to come together and build community across participants and advance the work of and share learnings across the Workgroups.
- Save the date! The first in-person workshop will be held on October 29, 2025.

All Workgroup Calls

Join occasional All Workgroup Calls to share updates and learning across Workgroups.

## Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (CCAHSAA) Collaboratory

October 2025 - March 2027

### Collaboratory Workgroups

The Collaboratory will support a portfolio of projects in order to address a variety of leverage and process points across the system at once to maximize our effectiveness in achieving population-level results. Each project will be led by a Workgroup who will launch and advance 90-120-day goals. The following are the four projects we will be starting with -note that the Collaboratory will be open to adding or sunseting projects as we learn about the system and identify new opportunities for improvement.

Data Intelligence & Information Sharing	This project will be focused on understanding available data about the sub-population from various actors across the system, piloting to fill gaps or improve the data, linking data to outcomes and measures, linking data to communications and the value case, and creating systems to sharing data.
Case Conferencing	This project will stand up cross-sector case conferencing focused on the sub-population, linking organizations across sectors in a collaborative approach to integrated care planning and improved delivery and outcomes. The group will assess the current state, develop a structure and build workflows, and test case conferencing methods.
Creative Housing & Stability Solutions	This project will identify and advance the use of creative housing and stability solutions, cataloging current options for creative housing and prevention, developing pathways to/optimizing existing solutions, and identifying new solutions, funding, and implementation plans.
Optimizing Community-Based Care Coordination	This project will focus on optimizing how care is coordinated across the community. The group will map out current providers and resources, develop workflows to optimize the use of resources, and pilot new methods and roles that can improve the system of care.

### Contribute to our Landscape Analysis!

The first step in this work is gaining a deeper understanding of our population of focus: older adults experiencing homelessness in western San Bernardino County. We are currently conducting a landscape analysis, reviewing existing data sets and reports to obtain a snapshot about who the population is, what we know about them and the services they are accessing, and what key partners, services, or initiatives serve them. **Please reach out with any aggregate data or reports that you are willing to share with us!**

Do you want to build stronger connections across sectors and improve outcomes for older adults experiencing homelessness?

Register [here](#) to join us!

Email [megan@hc2strategies](mailto:megan@hc2strategies) with questions

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# Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (CCAHSAA) Collaboratory



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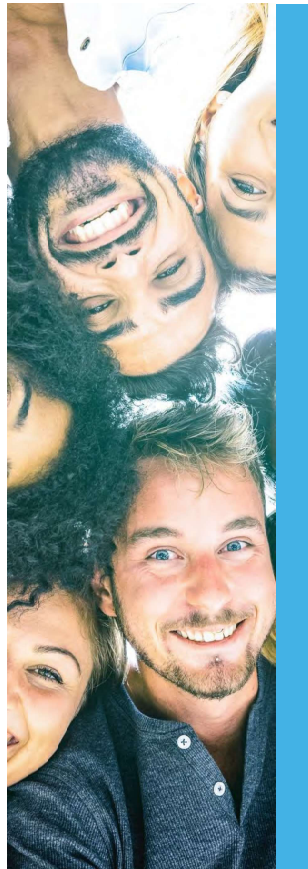




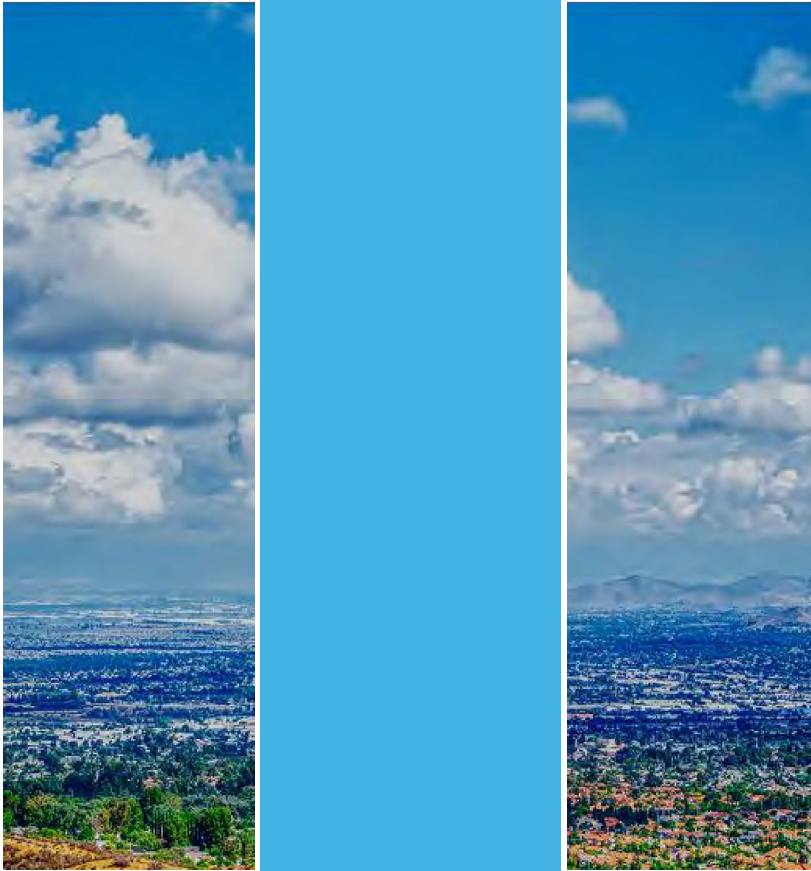
# Community Care and Housing Solutions for Aging Adults (CCAHSAA) Collaboratory



## AGENDA



- **CCAHSAA Overview**
  - How We Started
  - Collaboratory Design, including Projects & Associated Workgroups
  - Workgroup Participation
  - Understanding if the Collaboratory is a good fit for you
- **Call to Action: Ways to Get Involved in the Collaboratory**
- **Q&A**
- **Next Steps**



## STARTER QUESTION

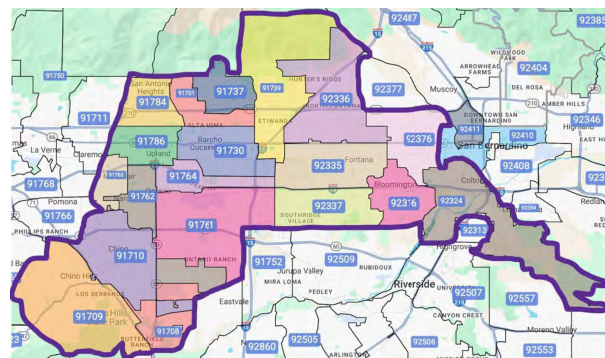
For those on the Zoom: chat in one **strength** and one **opportunity** in the system of care for older adults experiencing homelessness in SB County

For those in the room: let's hear it from 2-3 people!



## WHAT IS THE COLLABORATORY?

An action-focused improvement collaborative initiative that seeks to create a fully functional and coordinated system of care that serves the needs of older adults experiencing homelessness in west San Bernadino County.



Supported through funding from the California Health Care Foundation (CHCF)







## HOW DID THIS WORK GET STARTED?



- Launched a multi-sector Design Team in March 2025
- Selected the sub-population of focus: older adults experiencing homelessness
- Set vision and focus for the work ahead
- Prioritized outcomes, measures, strategies, and key partners



## WHAT IS THE COLLABORATORY AIMING TO ACHIEVE?

### IMPROVED OUTCOMES FOR AGING ADULTS

#### OVERALL WELL-BEING OF AGING ADULTS

#### HOUSING OUTCOMES

- Housing placements, housing / homelessness status, length of time to housing

#### HEALTH CARE OUTCOMES

- Mortality rate and location, ED utilization, admissions, 30-day readm. rate, LOS days, connection to primary care

### IMPROVED COORDINATION IN THE SYSTEM

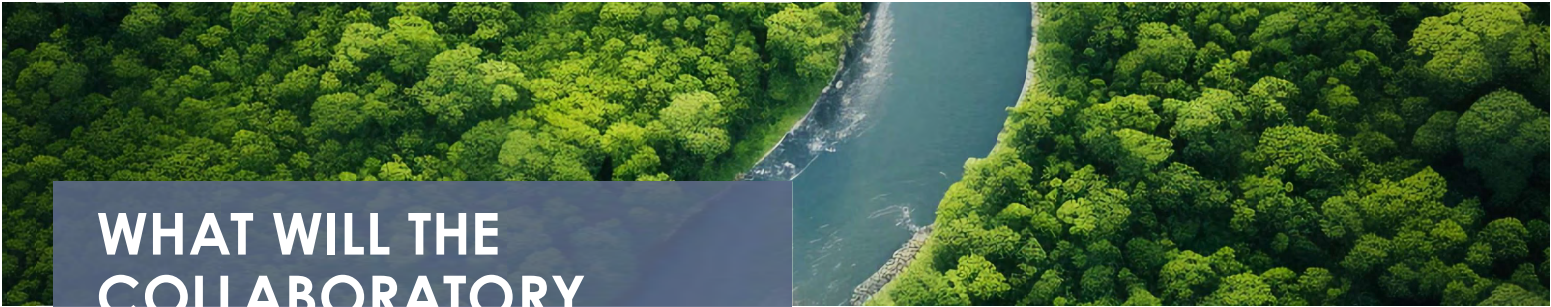
- **Connection** to eligible benefits (i.e., Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, SNAP)
- Increase in **referrals** to CalAIM providers
- **Enrollment** in related ECM and Community Supports
- Increase in Medi-Cal **utilization**

### STRONGER, LONG-LASTING RELATIONSHIPS TO THE WORK & WITH ONE ANOTHER

- Provider **Satisfaction**
- Built/sustained **collaboration** between homeless response system and health care
- Strengthened **collaboration** with community, CBOs, and people with lived experience
- Meaningful and sustained **engagement of those most affected** in learning and ongoing system design and improvement

*\*Specific measures will be finalized as Workgroup work begins*





## WHAT WILL THE COLLABORATORY FOCUS ON?

Data Intelligence  
& Information  
Sharing

Case  
Conferencing

Creative Housing  
& Stability  
Solutions

Optimizing  
Community-  
Based Care  
Coordination

- The Collaboratory will be driven by a set of projects, investments, and capacities that together will achieve results for and with the population
- Workgroups will advance projects forward
- The work on each may start and end at different times
- New projects may emerge as the work evolves



## WHAT ARE THE COLLABORATORY ACTIVITIES?

### Workshops

- Four in-person meetings to launch the work (W1) and assess and celebrate progress & plan ahead (W2-4)
- *Planned for October 29 2025, February 2026, September 2026, and March 2027*

### Action Periods

- Workgroups advance chartered projects with 90-120-day goals
- All-Workgroup Calls every 2-3 months



October 2025 –  
March 2027  
(18 months)





## Data Intelligence & Information Sharing

**Objective: *Combine, visualize, advance, and share data***

- Understand and collate payer, hospital, HMIS, and community data
- Pilots to fill gaps or advance the findings from or availability of the data
- Link data to outcomes and measures related to this Collaboratory
- Link data to communications/value case about this work
- Create systems for sharing data and outcomes among key players

### Suggested Roles

- HMIS representatives
- 211 representatives
- County representatives
- City leadership
- Health system leadership
- Managed care plans
- Master Plan on Aging



## Case Conferencing

**Objective: *Optimize cross-sector case conferencing with national best practices***

- Assess current state and needs that case conferencing can address
- Workgroup actions: develop structure, build workflows, build a real-time master list, test conferencing methods
- Option for additional lane for hospitals

### Suggested Roles

- Hospital case managers
- CalAIM providers
- Coordinated Entry list managers
- City representatives who receive calls about homeless
- Managed Care Plans
- Adult protective services
- Disability and Aging services
- Behavioral health outreach for the homeless
- Mobile health care / street medicine





## Optimizing Community-Based Care Coordination

**Objective: *Understand community-based care and how best to coordinate efforts***

- Map out and learn the existing providers and resources
- Develop workflows to optimize the use of existing resources
- Pilot new methods and roles (such as liaisons)

### Suggested Roles

- Hospital case management
- Coordinated entry referral managers
- Local shelter care coordinators/navigators
- Case managers use existing pathways
- CalAIM providers
- Health plan representatives overseeing partnership efforts
- Mobile health care/street medicine



## Creative Housing & Stability Solutions

**Objective: *Identify and advance the use of creative housing solutions***

- Catalog current options and funding opportunities for creative housing in the West Valley
- Optimize existing solutions and identify new solutions for the market
- Develop funding and implementation plan

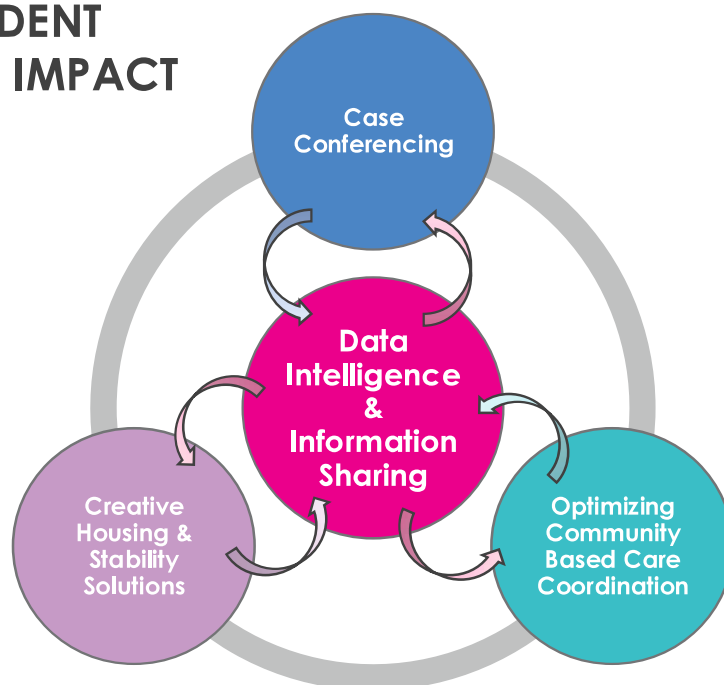
### Suggested Roles

- Community leaders
- CoC leadership
- City and County representatives
- Master Plan on Aging
- Inland Housing Solutions representatives





## AN INTERDEPENDENT PORTFOLIO FOR IMPACT



## WHAT IS IT LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN A WORKGROUP?

- **Workgroup composition and time commitment varies** based on the workgroup and may include calls or offline work to progress the projects
- The **work and timeline is co-designed** by each Workgroup upon launching
- We anticipate that the **workgroup activities will align with the work you are already doing in / work that is relevant to your role**
- Collaboratory participants will **convene for virtual meetings every 2-3 months** and **in-person Workshops every 4-6 months**



IS THE CCAHSAA  
COLLABORATORY  
RIGHT FOR YOU &  
YOUR  
ORGANIZATION?

## Questions to ask to explore if the Collaboratory is a good fit for you:

- Does my organization / do I serve aging adults and/or those experiencing homelessness?
- Can my organization / I contribute to creating a connected community of care for aging adults experiencing homelessness in the West Valley?
- Do the Collaboratory projects align with work that I am doing and/or the assets and strengths my organization can contribute?
- Could my work / the work of my organization benefit from the structure, tempo, connection, and coaching that the Collaboratory will provide?
- Are there others in my organization in addition to myself that might be a good fit for participation in the Collaboratory?



CALL TO  
ACTION:

JOIN US!

## Do you want to join the Collaboratory?

- [Register here](#) to join the Collaboratory!
- **Save the date** for our first Workshop on October 29 at the Goldy S. Lewis Community Center



# Q&A

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# CLOSING

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**Thank you!**




We hope you will join us

Email [megan@hc2strategies.com](mailto:megan@hc2strategies.com) with any questions or data/reports to share



 <div> Homeless Services </div> <div> Bylaws and Membership Committee Meeting Announcement </div>	 <div> Homeless Services </div> <div> HMIS Announcement </div>
<p>Join us for a meeting of the <b>Bylaws and Membership Committee</b> on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, • 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. At SB County Fire Headquarters 598 S. Tippecanoe Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0451 <i>(Please view attached map for parking)</i></p> <p>The public may observe the meeting online at: <a href="#">Join the meeting now</a> Meeting ID: 292 039 304 385 8 *** Passcode: E9Yaf5e</p> <p>Dial in by phone +1 661-568-6026 455438807 Phone conference ID: 455 438 880#</p> <p><small>Note: Please remember to <b>MUTE</b> your phones. <b>DO NOT</b> place this call on hold should you get another call. Hang up and then rejoin the meeting.</small></p>	<p>Dear Providers,</p> <p>This is to inform you of upcoming <b>HMIS system updates</b> in preparation for the <b>FY2026 HUD Data Standards changes effective October 1, 2025</b>.</p> <p>These updates will affect the following program types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinated Entry (CE) Programs</li> <li>BHBH Programs</li> <li>HHAP, HHIP, and HDAP Programs</li> </ul> <p><b>System Downtime</b> To implement these changes, HMIS will be unavailable on: <b>Tuesday, September 30, 2025, from 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM</b></p> <p>Please ensure that all users are <b>logged off HMIS during this time</b> so that updates can be completed successfully.</p> <p><b>Why this matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HUD is retiring the <b>Gender Identity</b> and <b>Sexual Orientation</b> data elements and requiring a new <b>Sex</b> field starting October 1, 2025.</li> <li>State-funded programs such as BHBH, HHAP, HHIP, and HDAP may still require <b>Gender Identity</b> and <b>Sexual Orientation</b> to be collected locally for reporting and equity purposes.</li> <li>These changes are being applied now to ensure your programs remain compliant with both federal and state requirements.</li> </ul> <p>We appreciate your cooperation and will provide additional guidance and training materials following the update.</p> <p>If you have any questions, please reach out to the HMIS Help Desk: <a href="mailto:hmishelpdesk@hss.sbcounty.gov">hmishelpdesk@hss.sbcounty.gov</a></p>

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<p>A QR Code providing access to the agenda for this meeting is included in the invitation below. For those attending in person, the QR Code will also be made available at the meeting to allow participants to conveniently view the agenda on their mobile or wireless devices.</p>		<p>Call for New Member: Outreach &amp; Coordinated Entry System Committee</p>
 <div> Homeless Services </div> <div> Outreach and Coordinated Entry System (CES) Committee Announcement </div> <p><b>Greetings!</b> We are excited to announce the <b>Outreach and Coordinated Entry System (CES) Committee Meeting</b> <i>In-Person meeting for the CES Board</i></p> <p>Thursday, October 9, 2025 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>First 5 San Bernardino 735 Carnegie Drive San Bernardino, CA 92408</p> <p>The public may observe the meeting online at: <a href="#">Join the meeting now</a> Meeting ID: 299 802 582 169 3 Passcode: 8D2aP9m5</p> <p>Dial in by phone +1 661-568-6806 8896558077 Conference ID: 889 655 807#</p> <p><small>Note: Public participation at the meeting via Teams is being offered as a courtesy and may be unavailable if technology fails. In the event of a disruption that prevents the meeting from being broadcasted or receiving public comment, the in-person meeting of the CES Committee will continue. Should you wish to participate remotely, 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.</small></p> 	<div>  </div> <div> <b>Outreach and Coordinated Entry System (CES) Committee Announcement</b> </div> <p><b>Greetings!</b></p> <p>The Outreach and CES Committee is excited to announce an opportunity to join as a voting member. The CES Committee is seeking a new member to contribute their expertise and help guide the important work of outreach and coordinated entry within our community.</p> <p>If interested, please attend the upcoming meeting in person. <b>Voting will take place during the next Outreach and CES Committee Meeting on October 9, 2025.</b></p> <p>Thank you for your continued commitment to strengthening our system and supporting those we serve.</p>	

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Outlook

Continuum of Care Board Meeting - October 22, 2025


From: Delia (Deliad@homebasecc.org)

Date: Thu, 10/22/2025, 9:02 AM

Subject: Continuum of Care Board Meeting - October 22, 2025

CoC Meeting Agenda Packet, 11/22/25.pdf

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**CoC Board Meeting Announcement**

Greetings! You are invited to attend the:

**Continuum of Care Board Meeting**

on

**October 22, 2025**

**9:00 am – 11:00 am**

At the

**San Bernardino County Government Center-Sage/Manzanita Room**  
**385 N. Arrowhead Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92415**

CoC Board members must attend the meeting in person.

The public may observe the meeting online on Teams:

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**Registration is required to attend.**

Your input is critical to shaping the next phase of this work, and we look forward to your active participation.

[Click Here to Take Register](#)

Thank you for your time and for all you do to make San Bernardino County a place where everyone has a safe and stable home.

[Questions? Need assistance? Email Homebase!](#)



**San Bernardino Continuum of Care (CoC) Inclusion Advisory Committee**

The San Bernardino Continuum of Care (CoC) is working with Homebase to form an Inclusion Advisory Committee (IAC). The IAC will be a group of committed residents, providers, advocates, and partners working to shape a more just and effective response to homelessness in San Bernardino County. The IAC will play a vital role in ensuring that equity—across race, age, gender, disability, and lived experience—is at the center of how we design, fund, and deliver housing and homeless services in San Bernardino County.

**We are looking for:**

- People with lived experience of homelessness** (including young adults, families, and adults). Individuals with lived experience of homelessness will be compensated for their time.
- Community advocates and leaders** with a passion for equity and housing justice. Service providers, system leaders, and cross-sector partners, and

Anyone with a deep commitment to making systems more inclusive, responsive, and effective

**What Will the Committee Do?**

The IAC will review data trends, questions, and concerns highlighted through Homebase's ongoing data analysis. Homebase and the IAC will work together to draft recommendations in a final report to the CoC.

If you've never reviewed data or helped come up with recommendations, that is OKAY! This process is designed to be inclusive and supportive for all involved.


**How Will the Committee Meet:**

Monthly Virtual (join by phone or web-based video) Meetings

Please register to attend meetings individually.

- August 26, 2025, 10am – 11am PT. [Register Here](#)
- September 16, 2025, 10am – 11am PT. [Register Here](#)
- October 21, 2025, 10am – 11am PT. [Register Here](#)
- November 18, 2025, 10am – 11am PT. [Register Here](#)

If you have any questions, please email: [SBequity@homebasecc.org](mailto:SBequity@homebasecc.org).




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### Continuum of Care (CoC) Full Membership Meeting

**Meeting date, time, and place** Date: **September 24, 2025**  
Time: **9:00 pm – 11:30 am**  
Place: **Ecclesia Christian Fellowship**  
**1314 Date St. San Bernardino Ca. 92404**

**Join Zoom Meeting**  
<https://cityofredlands.zoom.us/j/81571194903?pwd=ZHo1MTU5dHh0WjZlcnRlbnR1M3ZuG0k1>  
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To address the CoC Full Membership regarding an item on the agenda, or an item within its jurisdiction but not on the agenda, please complete and submit a Public Comment Request form or if you are joining via virtually, indicate by typing "Public Comment" in the chat box. Requests must be submitted before the item is called for consideration. Speakers may address the CoC Board for up to three (3) minutes total on the Consent agenda, up to three (3) minutes on each item on the Discussion agenda, and up to three (3) minutes total on Public Comment.

OPENING REMARKS	
Call to Order	Anna Ulibarri, and Charles Karsch Co-facilitators
Welcome and Introductions	
Invocation/Pledge	Dr. Beckley
9:00-9:30 a.m.	
PRESENTATIONS	
1 Receive a Legislative Report by the County Office of Legislative Affairs	Leila Fletes, Director of Government Relations, County Administrative Office
Pg. 3-5 9:30-9:50 a.m.	
2 Receive report from the Office of Homeless Services on "What's new at OHHS" and introduction of the Kiosk	Chris Salazar, Jevita Webster, Office of Homeless Services
Pg. 6-7 9:50-10:15 a.m.	
3 Receive a report on the Strategic Plan Data Analysis and PITC by consultant Homebase	Will Earley, Homebase
Pg. 8 10:15-10:40 a.m.	

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4 Receive a CES Conferencing Update and Acknowledgements	Rebecca Spiegel, United Way 211
Pg. 9 10:40-10:55 a.m.	
5 Receive HHAP 6 Stakeholder Engagement Meeting Participant Recognition	Claudia Doyle, Jalen Cleveland, Office of Homeless Services
Pg. 10 10:55-11:15 a.m.	
6 Closing Comments	Anna Ulibarri, and Charles Karsch Co-facilitators
11:15-11:30 a.m.	

The next: Continuum of Care Board meeting is scheduled for: October 22, 2025 from 9:00 am – 11:00 am  
San Bernardino County Government Center  
385 N. Arrowhead Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92415

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**HOMELESSNESS & HOUSING  
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 2025**

**Key Legislation of Interest (As of 9/16/2025)**

**AB 90 (Jackson) – Overnight student parking:** This bill requires community college districts to adopt a plan for offering an overnight parking program for students to stay in their car overnight until an alternative is provided. **Status: Failed to advance.**

**AB 650 (Papan) – Housing element: RHNA:** AB 650 would provide local governments with the option to begin their housing element update process six months early, creating a more predictable, transparent, and efficient path to meeting state housing goals. **Status: Headed to Governor's Desk.**

**SB 16 (Blakepearl) – Ending Street Homelessness Act:** This bill would have required the state to create a statewide homelessness plan, overriding local Continuum of Care authority. **Status: Failed to advance.**

**SB 634 (Perez) – Homelessness: civil and criminal penalties:** SB 634 would prohibit local jurisdictions from adopting or enforcing ordinances that prohibit a person or organization from providing support services to a person who is homeless. **Status: Headed to Governor's Desk.**

**SB 748 (Richardson) – Encampment Resolution Funding: safe parking sites:** This bill expands the eligible uses of the Encampment Resolution Fund to include safe parking sites. **Status: Headed to Governor's Desk.**

### STATE UPDATE

**Budget Update:** On June 27, 2025, Governor Newsom signed the FY 2025–26 State Budget bills and accompanying trailer bills. Key highlights include:

**Homelessness & Housing Programs**

- HHAP Program:** No new funding is provided for the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) program in FY 2025–26. Trailer bill AB/SB 131 allocates \$500 million for Round 7, half the typical amount of recent years. Funding will only be disbursed if specific conditions outlined in the bill are met.
- Encampment Resolution Grants:** Final budget includes \$100 million, a \$50 million reduction from last year.
- CDSS Homelessness Programs:** The budget restores one-time General Fund support for county-administered programs:
  - Home Safe: \$83.8 million
  - Bringing Families Home: \$81 million
  - Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP): \$44.6 million augmentation, in addition to the \$25 million base

**Housing Production & Policy**

- Housing Development Support:** Includes \$620 million for new housing projects:
  - \$500 million for Low Income Housing Tax Credits
  - \$120 million for the Multifamily Housing Program
- New Housing Agency:** As part of the Governor's reorganization plan, the California Housing and Homelessness Agency (CHHA) will be created. CHHA will oversee statewide housing and homelessness policy, administration, and resource coordination.
- CEQA Reform:** Budget trailer bill AB/SB 131 introduces significant reforms to streamline CEQA for housing and related development projects, aiming to reduce barriers and accelerate housing production.
- VMT Mitigation Program:** Establishes a voluntary program allowing housing developers to contribute to an affordable housing trust fund in lieu of implementing vehicle miles traveled (VMT) mitigation measures.

**State Fiscal Outlook**

The Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) projects annual state budget deficits between \$10–20 billion through 2028–29, signaling continued fiscal challenges ahead. Additionally, the enacted budget does not account for federal budget cuts enacted in H.R. 1 and subsequent budget actions.

**State Legislative Update**

The Legislature concluded its work on September 13, the deadline for both the Senate and Assembly to pass bills that had advanced out of the fiscal committees in late August. Measures approved by both houses have now been sent to the Governor, who has until October 12 to sign or veto them. At this stage, attention has shifted from legislative floor activity to gubernatorial action, with hundreds of bills now pending before the Governor for consideration.

### FEDERAL UPDATE

**Executive Order 14321 – Ending Crime and Disorder on America's Streets**

On July 24, President Trump issued Executive Order 14321 addressing homelessness, mental health, and substance use, directing federal agencies to align funding priorities and administrative actions with new policy goals. The order encourages states to ban public drug use, clear encampments from public spaces, and expand civil commitment laws to allow for involuntary psychiatric treatment in more circumstances.

The order also directs the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to shift funding away from programs that follow the "Housing First" model—which provides housing without preconditions such as sobriety or treatment participation—and instead prioritize programs that require engagement in treatment prior to receiving housing assistance. This action follows the 2024 Supreme Court decision in *Grants Pass v. Johnson*, which made it easier for local jurisdictions to enforce ordinances against individuals sleeping on public property.

**FY 2026 Budget Update**


Federal funding is set to expire on October 1, leaving Congress with limited time to prevent a government shutdown. As of this writing, a short-term continuing resolution (CR) has been proposed by the House, which would maintain current funding levels through November 21 and give lawmakers more time to negotiate. If no agreement is reached on appropriations bills, a lapse in funding would result in a partial government shutdown, leading to temporary disruptions in some federal services and delays in program implementation until new funding is approved.

**Appropriations Committees Approve HUD Budget**

The House and Senate Appropriations Committees recently advanced their respective FY 2026 Transportation, Housing & Urban Development (HUD) funding bills, though the full chambers have not yet taken action as of this writing. The House bill (H.R. 4552) would reduce funding for several HUD programs. It provides no funding for the HOME program or for housing counseling, lowers SHOP from \$12 million to \$9 million, and decreases fair housing from \$86.4 million to \$29.5 million. Funding for CDBG and Native American programs would remain at FY 2025 levels, while HUD staffing would be reduced by 26%.

The Senate bill (S. 2465) takes a different approach, providing \$1.25 billion for HOME and increasing funding for housing vouchers, project-based rental assistance, homeless assistance grants, and supportive housing programs (Section 202 and Section 811). It would raise SHOP to \$13 million and provide \$8 million for the Rural Capacity Building program. Funding for CDBG would be set at \$1.3 billion, compared to \$1.3 billion in FY 2025. Neither bill includes funding to renew expiring Emergency Housing Program vouchers.

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**Strategic Plan Data Analysis and PITC Dashboards**

Date: September 24, 2025

Presenter: Chris Salazar, Jevita Webster, Office of Homeless Services

Announcements: Receive report from the Office of Homeless Services on "What's new at OHS"


**Announcements**

**New Housing Assessment in HMIS** OHS is launching a new Housing Assessment tool within HMIS. This assessment will support outreach teams in identifying housing barriers at intake, enabling Navigators to address challenges earlier in the engagement process and streamline housing pathways.

**HHIP IEHP Funding – Kickoff Meetings** OHS will be scheduling kickoff meetings with HHIP awardees to review the contracting process, program expectations, scopes of work, fiscal procedures, and policy requirements. These meetings will ensure alignment and readiness for successful implementation.

**HHAP 5 – Region-Specific RFAs** OHS is collaborating with Regional Steering Committee (RSC) Chairs to develop region-specific Requests for Applications (RFAs) under HHAP 5. These RFAs will be released via EPRO. Meetings with Regional Chairs will define priorities and focus areas for each region.

**OHS Self-Service Kiosk – Feature Overview** OHS will present an overview of the new Self-Service Kiosk, highlighting key features designed to improve client access to services, streamline referrals, and support real-time data collection.



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**Office of Homeless Services Update**

Date: September 24, 2025

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The Office of Homeless Services is rolling out 10 kiosks across San Bernardino County to help clients access services more easily.

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By expanding the network, OHS is working to ensure that residents across the region, whether in larger cities or more remote communities, can connect to vital services without unnecessary travel or delays.

This effort is part of a broader strategy to strengthen access, equity, and support individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

Use the link below to explore our kiosk locations.  
[StoryMap Link Here](#)



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Date: September 24, 2025

Presenter: Rebecca Spiegel, United Way 211

Announcements: Receive a CES Conferencing Update and Acknowledgements.

**Announcements**

**Total enrollment in CE Agency since March 2025: 2,758**

**RRH Referrals Since March 2025**

Region	Referrals
Central Region	59
High Desert	19
West Valley	29

**PSH Referrals Since March 2025**

Region	Referrals
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Mountain	1
Veterans PSH	8

All referrals come either from the HMIS By-Name List or through community partner referrals. Each referral includes a completed file with all required documents specific to that case. However, many of the clients we serve initially lack the necessary documentation, which often delays progress toward their housing goals. Our team works with them over several months, providing ongoing support to ensure they obtain the required documents and successfully complete their housing packet. Housing in San Bernardino County remains limited, so we work closely with our PSH and RRH providers each week to stay informed on availability and better support our clients.

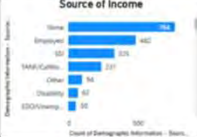
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**Source of Income**



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**West Valley Contact Forms**

**6923**


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**891**


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**Strategic Plan Data Analysis and PITC Dashboards**

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Presenter: Will Earley, Homebase

Announcements: Receive a report on the Strategic Plan Data Analysis and PITC by consultant Homebase

**Announcements**

The dashboard (link below) presented has rich data from the CA-609 CoC. Included is the Point in Time Counts for 2016 - 2025 broken down by Region and City, accompanied by a heat map of where people are most frequently experiencing homelessness. Additionally, the housing Inventory Count for 2020 - 2024 is included, broken down by Housing Type.  
[PITC Dashboard here.](#)

Key System Performance Measures (SPMs) for San Bernardino County and other California Counties are included in the following dashboard (link below). It includes HMIS Count, Length of Time Homeless, First Time Homeless, Data Quality, and Returns to Homelessness.  
[SPM Dashboard here.](#)

Finally, a survey was given to the community about their perspective on the homeless response system, preliminary results will be presented.

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**CA-609 San Bernardino City and County Continuum of Care**  
**Membership Application Instructions**

Thank you for your interest in participating in the CA-609 San Bernardino City and County Continuum of Care (CoC). The CoC is a regional or local planning body that coordinates housing and service funding for homeless families and individuals. The CoC is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness and to provide funding for efforts by non-profit providers, states, and local governments.

The CoC is made up of designated representatives of a "relevant organization", as defined below. Relevant organizations and individuals within San Bernardino County may apply to be considered for membership in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) designated CA-609 San Bernardino City and County CoC.

**Membership Eligibility.** Section 578.5 of Title 24 of the Federal Regulations defines "relevant organizations" as including, "nonprofit homeless assistance providers, victim service providers, faith-based organizations, governments, businesses, advocates, public housing authorities, school districts, social service providers, mental health agencies, hospitals, universities, affordable housing developers, law enforcement, organizations that serve veterans and homeless and formerly homeless individuals."

Applicants must designate one representative on their application to vote on behalf of their organization. If they are unable to attend a CoC meeting, a voting representative from an organization may authorize another individual from their organization to be their alternate. A roster of voting representatives is maintained and updated at least annually.

**CoC Member Duties Include:**

- (1) Attend meetings of the full CoC membership, with published agendas, at least twice a year;
- (2) Adopt and follow a written process to select a board to act on behalf of the CoC, which process must be reviewed, updated, and approved by the CoC at least once every 5 years;
- (3) Appoint additional committees, subcommittees, or workgroups;
- (4) In consultation with the collaborative applicant and the HMIS Lead, develop, follow, and update annually a governance charter, which will include all procedures and policies needed to comply with HMIS requirements as prescribed by HUD, and a code of conduct and recusal process for the board, its chair(s), and any person acting on behalf of the board.

To see a full list of CoC duties and responsibilities click [here](#).

You can complete a membership application online at <https://sbchp.sbcounty.gov/> or complete a PDF file of the application and email it to [homelessrfrp@hss.sbcounty.gov](mailto:homelessrfrp@hss.sbcounty.gov) or mail it to:

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By submitting this application, you hereby agree to meet the Continuum of Care membership duties as outlined in the accompanying instructions and attest that your organization's representative or alternate can attend meetings at least twice a year.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# Funding Matrix

**Purpose: Understand the Current Sources of Funding used by the CoC, the County, and the broader community to address homelessness**

- Gather data from CoC, Regional Steering Committees, local Cities, and the County
- Identify sources of funding (federal, state, county, local, private) and what activities they fund
- Specify start and end dates for each funding source and the amount

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## What Homebase Needs from each of the 5 Regional Steering Committees

- Complete the Funding Matrix with the funding each RSC receives directly
- Solicit information from your region's Cities about the funding they allocate for addressing homelessness
- Obtain, as best as you can, information about other funding coming into the region that is used to prevent or address homelessness.
- **DEADLINE – October 17th**



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## COC ALLOCATIONS BASED ON 2025 PITC REPORT

Region	Total PITC	Percentage based on PITC #'s	Total allocation per Region
Central Valley	2450	63.87%	\$3,158,863.00
High Desert	672	17.52%	\$866,139.85
East Desert	91	2.37%	\$117,233.09
Mountain Region	68	1.77%	\$87,553.83
West Valley	556	14.49%	\$716,754.23

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## Eligible Use Categories/Amounts per Category

### WEST VALLEY REGION

**TOTAL AMOUNT: \$494,654.40**

Eligible Use Category	West Valley Region
Rapid Rehousing	\$70,000.00
Prevention and Shelter Diversion	\$70,000.00
Delivery of Permanent Housing and Innovative Housing Solutions	\$104,654.40
Operating Subsidies- Permanente Housing	\$70,000.00
Street Outreach	\$60,000.00
Services Coordination	\$60,000.00
System Support	\$60,000.00
Total	<b>\$494,654.40</b>

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## Trump admin looks at deep cuts to homeless housing program

A new policy change will significantly cut funding used to place people experiencing homelessness in permanent housing.



The change to HUD's policy is the latest example of how the Trump administration is placing new rules on government benefits | Mark Wilson/Getty Images

By KATHERINE HAPGOOD 09/29/2025 07:44 PM EDT

The Trump administration is expected to dramatically cut funding for a permanent housing program — a move that could potentially reexpose tens of thousands of people to homelessness.

More than half of the 2026 funding for the Department of Housing and Urban Development's homelessness program designated for permanent housing projects will be cut and moved to transitional housing assistance with some work or service requirements, according to three HUD employees and a person with inside knowledge of the Continuum of Care program as well as internal HUD documents obtained by POLITICO confirming the cuts. All the people were granted anonymity to discuss sensitive matters.

The funding cuts could put more than 170,000 people at risk of experiencing homelessness, according to the internal documentation and the people.

"When the subsidy and the support that goes along with those subsidies is removed, it puts people at grave risk," said the person with inside knowledge of the CoC program. "And most of these folks without these supports will likely end up back in emergency shelters or back on our nation's streets."

The program partners with communities to provide housing and services to sheltered and unsheltered people with the goal of moving them into permanent housing. It often benefits families with children, and those who have experienced homelessness in the past in combination with being chronically ill or having a disability. The cuts could have a greater impact on rural areas that have less access to city and state dollars to supplement federal funding, the people said.

"HUD is no longer in the business of permanently funding homelessness without measuring program success at promoting recovery and self-sufficiency. There will be more news on this much needed paradigm shift soon," said a HUD spokesperson.

The change to the policy is the latest example of how the Trump administration is placing new rules on government benefits, often requiring work or other requirements for people seeking to tap federal subsidies. But those close to the program say the new policy could have severe repercussions, leaving those utilizing these services in a more dire situation if they have young children at home or are unable to work for a reason not recognized by the government as an exemption.

Currently, 87 percent of all CoC program funds ending in 2026 are slated to support permanent housing in some capacity. Under the policy change, only 30 percent of the funds will be allowed to be used for that purpose.

The available funding for permanent housing for calendar year 2026 is currently at \$3.3 billion, but would be cut to less than half of that at around \$1.1 billion once the policy change is implemented, according to the internal HUD data. Additionally, President Donald Trump's budget for fiscal 2026 proposed cutting funding to the entire CoC program.

The funding cap, which is expected to be introduced through a Notice of Funding Opportunity in the coming weeks, is considered "the worst-case scenario" and will be "devastating," the people said.

Typically, any change like this would go through HUD's attorneys to ensure it complied with the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, which created the program. The law requires the CoC program to work, primarily at a local level, to end homelessness and requires both renewable and nonrenewable funding to provide a variety of housing resources, including permanent housing, primarily for families and those with disabilities.

However, two of the HUD employees said they were forbidden from speaking with the agency's attorneys, and there is concern that the funding cap raises legal questions about its compliance with the law.

"We had no indication that there would be anything like this and no indication that the program would be administered this irresponsibly. We just did not see this coming," one of the HUD employees said.

Additionally, those administering the programs through local organizations have been left in the dark, as two HUD employees said they were not allowed to share any details about the expected policy change.

The new criteria will also deduct points for projects if the organization applying for federal funding has previously used racial preferences or recognized transgender people.

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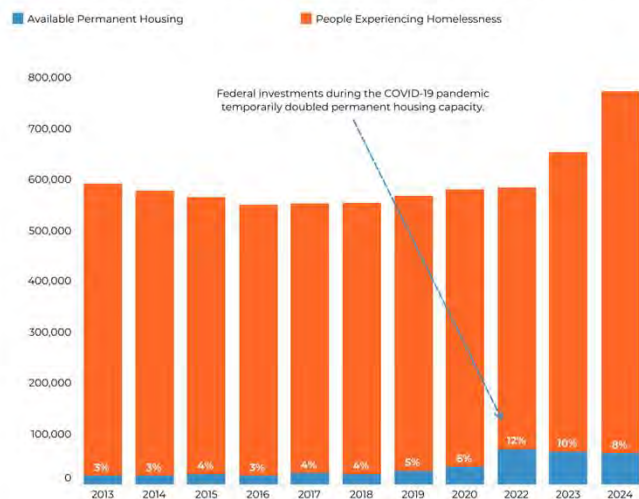
## Dire Underfunding: Providers Can Only House 8 Percent of Homeless People

The federal government does not allocate nearly enough funding to meet the nationwide demand for permanent housing. On the day of the 2024 Point-in-Time Count, there was only enough permanent housing available to house 8 percent of people experiencing homelessness in the United States. (see chart below)

Federal investments in the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program can help to close this gap, as they did from 2019–2022. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the federal government increased emergency resources to homeless services and the response system's permanent housing capacity increased significantly: from 5.8 percent capacity in 2020 to 12 percent capacity in 2022. This was especially true in certain states that rely more on federal funds; however, the increase in capacity ended with the expiration of federal funds.

As Congress currently considers funding levels for FY2026, they must maximize investments in the CoC program, which helps to fund permanent units in the homelessness response system. More information can be found in the Alliance's FY2026 Federal Budget Resources Series and by signing up for the Alliance's advocacy alerts.

## ROBUST FEDERAL INVESTMENTS CAN HELP TO CLOSE THE GAP BETWEEN AVAILABLE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS



Source: US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Annual Homelessness Assessment Report: 2024 Housing Inventory Count. <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/ahar/2024-ahar-part-2-pit-estimates-of-homelessness-in-the-us.html>

To calculate permanent housing capacity, the Alliance compares the number of Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Re-Housing and Other Permanent Housing units with the number of people experiencing homelessness during the annual Point in Time Count. This calculation only counts permanent units that are available and complete. These units may not be located close to people in need. It is therefore likely that actual capacity on a given night is even lower.

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

Anniversary Gala  
*A Diamond Celebration:  
Shining Bright for*

1965 **60** Years 2025

**October 24, 2025** 6:00 pm **Doubletree Hilton**  
222 N. Vineyard Ave., Ontario, CA 91764

Join us as we celebrate six decades of impact, service, and community empowerment at the CAPSBC 2025 Gala! This monumental occasion honors our legacy, highlights our mission, and paves the way for continued growth—all with your generous support. Mark your calendars and save the date! Stay tuned for more details—we can't wait to celebrate with you!

**Public Health On the Go!**

**MOBILE CLINIC COMING SOON TO YOUR COUNTY!**

Medi-Cal application assistance will be available on-site

Low Cost or No Cost services offered, depending on eligibility



**SERVICES OFFERED**

- Primary Care
- Behavioral Health
- Social Needs Screenings


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### City of Ontario Housing Services Department is Hosting a Community Resource Fair - RSVP Vendor Link


This event is designed to connect and support low-income individuals, veterans, and families who are experiencing homelessness or facing housing instability.

We're bringing together local partners and service providers—like you—who are passionate about making a difference. This is an opportunity to connect with the community, share your valuable resources, and provide direct support to those who need it most. In addition to essential services, we'll be offering family-friendly activities and games to create a welcoming and uplifting environment for all attendees.

#### Event Details:

 **Date:** Saturday, November 8, 2025

 **Time:** 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

 **Location:** Anthony Community Center - 1240 W. 4th St., Ontario, CA 91762

#### Interested in joining us?

Please RSVP using the link below:

 [RSVP Ontario HSD - Community Resource Fair](#)



**PICNIC AT THE PARK**

**SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 8, 2025**

**9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

The City of Ontario Housing Services invites you to join us for a morning filled with family-friendly activities and games alongside community resources offered by our local partners.

**ANTHONY COMMUNITY CENTER**  
1240 W. 4th St., Ontario, CA 91762

Please Don't Drink & Drive - Please get the Best & Safest  
Guest Protection from W. Bonham, John Pineda, and Tony Macias

For more information, visit [OntarioHSD.com/Picnic](#)  
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