

ORANGE COUNTY  
CONTINUUM OF CARE BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING  
Wednesday, August 5, 2020  
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Webinar:  
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# AGENDA

## Board Member Names

Jeanne Awrey, OC Dept. of Education [Secretary]  
Matt Bates, City Net  
Judson Brown, City of Santa Ana  
Natalie Bui, Veteran Affairs CRRC  
Donald Dermit, The Rock Church  
Curtis Gamble, Hope Lifted  
Vacant  
Vacant

Becks Heyhoe, OC United Way  
Patti Long, Mercy House  
Dawn Price, Friendship Shelter  
Albert Ramirez, City of Anaheim  
Maricela Rios-Faust, Human Options  
George Searcy, Jamboree Housing [Chair]  
Tim Shaw, Individual [Vice-Chair]

Call to Order – George Searcy, Chair

Board Member Roll Call – Jeanne Awrey, Secretary

Public Comments: Members of the public may address the Continuum of Care Board on items listed within this agenda or matters not appearing on the agenda so long as the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the Continuum of Care Board. Members of the public may address the Continuum of Care Board with public comments on agenda items in the business calendar after the Continuum of Care Board member discussion. Comments will be limited to three minutes. If there are more than five public speakers, this time will be reduced to two minutes.

In order to address the CoC Board, members of the public are to enter their name and agenda item number in the GoToMeeting chat box to be placed in a queue. CoC Board staff will call your name in the order listed in the chat box.

## BUSINESS CALENDAR

1. COVID-19 Response Funding Request for Proposals Recommendations – Paul Duncan, CoC Manager
  - a. Authorize the OC Health Care Agency to release an RFP to solicit proposals for COVID-19 Response to include Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) funding as recommended by the COVID-19 response Funding Ad Hoc. The total available HHAP funding available in this RFP will be determined after awards are made for the HHAP Capital RFP.

Next Meeting: August 26, 2020



# COVID-19 Response Request for Proposals July 2020

## Objective

Orange County has received an unprecedented amount of one-time funding to address and prevent homelessness. The Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC) has been meeting with the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) administrative entities, including the County, to ensure alignment and partnership in addressing homelessness.

### RECOMMENDED ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- **Homeless Prevention** for households who are at greatest risk of becoming homeless.
- **Rapid Re-Housing** services and financial assistance to resolve homelessness for persons currently experiencing homelessness.
- **Innovative Responses** specifically related to COVID-19 for those experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

**With the funding available, we estimate to be able to:**

1. Provide Rapid Re-Housing services to 1,000 households
2. Provide Homeless Prevention/Diversion services to 1,300 households
3. Identify if there are innovative approaches that can be used to streamline, enhance or provide different service types to address the impact of COVID-19 on homelessness

## Funding Summary

### Estimated Funding Available: over \$16 million

- State ESG-CV Round 1: \$2,267,738
- Federal ESG-CV Round 2: \$4,630,617
- State ESG Disaster Funds: \$219,124
- State ESG-CV Round 2: To be Determined (\$20 million Requested)
- **Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP):** Up to \$6,578,949
  - Available funding will be based upon remaining funds after the Capital RFP awards
  - Does not include Transitional Aged Youth set-aside
- OCHCA or CoC may chose to add any additional funding that comes in

### Contract Term

- 12/1/2020 – 6/30/2022 (Subject to change)
- Single year contracts that are renewable annually based upon funding availability and satisfactory performance.
- First year contract may be prorated in comparison to the second year

Note: California Emergency Solutions Housing (CESH) removed from available funding

## Funding Source Details

- The funding sources in this RFP are one-time funds that are meant to provide direct services and financial assistance for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.
- ESG and CESH funding can be used for the following services:
  - Diversion / Rapid Resolution
  - Homeless Prevention
  - Street Outreach
  - Emergency Shelter (including isolation shelter)
  - Rapid Re-Housing
- HHAP is the most flexible resource that allows for innovation and capital infrastructure

## Eligible Applicants for RFP

This funding opportunity is open to Nonprofit Organizations that meet all requirements needed in order to be able to execute a contract with the County of Orange.

Programs that propose to serve Individuals, Transitional Age Youth (TAY), Persons Fleeing Domestic Violence.

Note: Family funding will go through the Family Solutions Collaborative

The majority of funding requires the proposers meet additional requirements set for receiving HUD ESG funds.

## Rapid Re-Housing Services



## Homeless Prevention/Diversion Services



## Innovative Services

Innovative services are intentionally undefined.

Proposals will be reviewed in having impact for reducing homelessness in a quick and effective timeframe. Proposals do not have to demonstrate direct correlation to COVID-19, as all persons experiencing homelessness are at increased risk.

The RFP will reflect that proposals are contingent upon the availability of funding, which may limit willingness to submit proposals in this are.

## ESG-CV Funding Plan

The Office of Care Coordination will be working with the Family Solutions Collaborative to provide 25% of the ESG-CV funding to serve families.

### Funding Distribution

ESG Funding	Percentage of Funds
Rapid Re-Housing	70%
Homeless Prevention/Diversion	30%

Funding will be distributed regionally based upon the 2019 PIT numbers with Anaheim, Garden Grove, Irvine and Santa Ana counts removed.

Service Planning Area	Funding Percentage
North	42.4%
Central	38.7%
South	18.9%

Note: HHAP and CESH Funding Plan to be determined at the direction of CoC Board and based upon proposals received.

## ESG: Discussed Items

- **Ad Hoc considered the split of funding, Rapid Re-Housing (70%) versus Homeless Prevention/Diversion (30%).**
  - Ad Hoc was in agreement with this being a good target split in prioritizing homelessness, while having some funding to prevent those at greatest risk.
  - RFP will reflect that this is the intent but may be adjusted based upon received proposals.
  - Contracts will be set in a way that adjustments to the split can be made based upon observed need over time.
- **Ad Hoc considered proposed distribution by Service Planning Area.**
  - There was no concern regarding the proposed distribution of funds.

## HHAP: Discussed Items

- **Ad Hoc considered HHAP funding availability within this RFP.**
  - Ad Hoc recommended that HHAP funding be included in the RFP and that language in the RFP should state that available HHAP funding would be determined based upon all remaining funds after the Capital RFP awards are made.
- **Ad Hoc had limited conversation around HHAP Round 2 funding.**
  - There was no definitive direction in this area. Language within the RFP will reflect that the County and CoC may chose to add additional available funding sources to the RFP for award.
  - Decision could be made a later time whether or not to include HHAP Round 2 funding.

## CESH : Discussed Items

- **Consideration of whether to utilize CESH funding in the RFP.**
  - Based upon projected available funding, the limited funds in CESH and the long period for spending down CESH, it was recommended that the CoC reserve CESH funding and not include at this time.
  - CESH uses ESG regulations and could be added or awarded through this RFP at a later time if the CoC Board saw that need.
- **Ad Hoc group engaged in conversation of whether to consider extending existing CESH and HEAP contracts for a third year.**
  - Funding to extend a third year would be \$1,885,615.
  - Ad Hoc members spoke to the important of refunding programs that have demonstrated concept versus looking for the next thing. Discussed innovation within existing projects.
  - Ad Hoc expressed a need for clear agreed upon assessment of existing program performance and how it would be determined what would be eligible for additional funding.

