# Imperial County Department of Social Services Imperial Valley Continuum of Care

## Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP Round 1 & 2) Application

The Imperial County Department of Social Services is pleased to announce the availability of funds for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 1 & 2 programs. HHAP Round 1 & 2 block grant programs are administered by the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH) and designed to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address immediate homelessness challenges throughout the state. Spending must be informed by best practices framework focused on moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and ensuring those individuals and families maintain their permanent housing. HHAP Round 1 is authorized by AB 101 and HHAP Round 2 is authorized by AB 83, which were signed into law by Governor Newsom on July 31, 2019 and November 30, 2020, respectively.

\*Applications due on October 28, 2022 by 4:00 PM (PST).

**Eligible Use Categories & Funding Amounts** 

Delivery of Permanent Housing	Operating Subsidies	Services Coordination
\$3,315,783.60	\$458,950.36	\$164,851.30

<sup>\*</sup> Health and Safety Code Sections 50218(b) and 50218.5(f), require that a program recipient use at least 8 percent of its total grant allocation for services for homeless youth populations, which are defined as unaccompanied youth who are between 12 and 24 years of age and experiencing homelessness. Funds spent under this provision must still comply with the eligible use requirements of Health and Safety Code Sections 50219(c) and 50220.5 (d).

### I. Primary Applicant Information (Lead Agency)

Organization Name				
Mailing Address				
City, State, Zip				
Contact Person/Title				
Phone Number / Fax				
Email				
Type of Organization	Non-Profit	For Profit	Gov't/Pub	Other
Organization Website				
DUNS Number				
FEIN/ Tax ID:				

<sup>\*</sup> The funding amounts provided includes the applicable earned interest as of 10/3/2022.

II. Partner Organizations
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List all subrecipients and	their role in project (if ap	oplicable)
Organization Name	Duns Number	Role
III. Proposed Project		
Name of proposed project		
Project address		
Select all areas that will	City of El Centro	City of Holtville
be served	City of Calexico	City of Calipatria
	City of Brawley	City of Westmoreland
	City of Imperial	Countywide
	Unincorporated co	ommunities of:
Total Requested	\$	<del></del>
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of each activity) Select on		unds be requested? (See RFP for full descriptions  1.
	rmanent housing - includes ousing and/or permanent su	capital improvement projects consisting of apportive housing.
Operating sub	sidies	
Services Coord	dination	
The proposed project will RFP.	serve the specific needs	of homeless youth, as required through this
Yes 🗆 No		

#### **Proposal**

Attach a summary of your proposal to include the following sections. Each section should be a maximum of two (2) pages. Please refer to RFP evaluation and scoring tool for detail.

- A. Program Design (clearly identify which eligible activity is included)
- B. Budget, Need & Cost Effectiveness
- C. Impact & Effectiveness
- D. Continuum of Care Program Requirements
- E. Experience and Capacity
- F. Implementation & Timeliness

#### Proposal should include detailed description of the following

- Applicant's history with Partner Organizations and how the Partners will collaborate to ensure success of the proposed project/program.
- Applicant's history of receiving and managing grants from County/State/Federal sources.
- Applicant's commitment to IVCCC's Written Standards (or equivalent) as well as experience with HMIS or other comparable databases to collect client data, and report on outcomes.
- For applicants providing housing, are you currently participating in the Coordinated Entry System? If not, describe how you will become a participant in the CES.
- Youth-specific best practices that will be utilized to ensure the demographic can access the services.
- Efforts to address disproportionately impacted communities of color and those whose English is not their primary language.
- Applicant's summary of most recent audit to include recommendations as well as accounting principles utilized.

## **IV. Project Details**

Check any specific population(s) expected to be served through this	Adults with children			
	Adults without children			
	Parenting Youth			
	Chronically Homeless			
	Veterans			
project	Domestic Violence Survivors			
	Unaccompanied Youth (12-24 yrs. of age per definition in HHAP statute)			
	Individuals with Co-occurring Disorders (Substance Use and Mental Health)			
<ul><li>a) Number of unsheltered per</li></ul>	formance outcomes listed below. If not applicable, m	ark N/A or zero.		
•	ons to be entering permanent housing:			
c) Number of Chronically Ho	<u> </u>			
d) Number of persons At-Ris				
e) Number of Unaccompanie				
f) Number of Youth At-Risk o	of Homelessness served:			
g) Persons in families with cl	nildren served:			
	Total:			
3. Number and type of				
housing units to be created:				
4. Number of persons to be				
served by facility or				
program:				

## **V. Housing First**

Housing First-oriented programs are low or no barrier and client-centered, emphasizing client-choice. Housing is not viewed as a reward or incentive for achieving specific goals or participating in a specific program, but as necessary to help a family or individual stabilize and meaningfully access services, which are offered as needed on a voluntary basis. In practice, this means that programs connect participants to permanent housing as quickly as possible with few to no preconditions, behavioral contingencies, or other barriers at enrollment or throughout the program.

Health and Safety Code Section 50220.5(g) mandates that all recipients of state homelessness, funding shall comply with Housing First as provided in Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 8255) of Division 8 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

By selecting components below, I hereby acknowledge the proposed project will comply with Housing First, as noted in the Health and Safety Code Section 50220.5(g).

Access to programs is not contingent on sobriety, completion of treatment, or participation in services.

Applicants are not rejected on the basis of poor credit or financial history, poor or lack of rental history, criminal convictions or behaviors that are interpreted as indicating a lack of "housing readiness".

People with disabilities are offered tenancy that includes special physical features that accommodate disabilities, reduce harm and promote health and independence among tenants.

Applicants are provided with supportive services that emphasize engagement and problem solving over therapeutic goals.

Participation in services and programs are not a condition of permanent housing tenancy but are offered to clients.

Tenants have a lease and all the rights and responsibilities of tenancy.

Substance use in and of itself, without other lease violations, is not considered a reason for eviction.

Housing providers accept referrals directly from shelters, street outreach, and other parts of crisis response systems frequented by vulnerable people experiencing homelessness.

Funding promotes tenant selection plans for supportive housing that prioritize eligible tenants based on criteria other than "first-come-first-serve", including but not limited to, the duration or chronicity of homelessness, vulnerability to early mortality, or high utilization of crisis services.

Service providers employ evidence-based practices for client engagement that emphasizes housing goals and plans.

Services are informed by a harm-reduction philosophy that recognizes drug and alcohol use and addiction as part of tenant's lives, where tenants are engaged in nonjudgmental communication regarding drug and alcohol use, and where tenants are offered education regarding how to avoid risky behaviors and engage in safer practices, as well as connected to evidence-based treatment if the tenant chooses.