PUBLIC NOTICE COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program, Round 4 (HHAP-4)

The County of San Joaquin and the San Joaquin Continuum of Care are pleased to announce the availability of funds under Round 4 of the State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) program. Funds must be used to pay for costs associated with eligible activities as described in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) released by the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH, formerly the California Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council) in September 2022. HHAP program administration has since moved from Cal ICH to the California Department of Housing and Community Development. All applicants for funding under this local NOFA must propose projects which serve people experiencing homelessness and demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the HHAP program and the State of California. Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the information available at the HHAP program website (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-and-funding/programs-active/homeless-housing-assistance-and-prevention-grant-program) prior to preparing their application.

The funding allocations for HHAP-4 were as follows:

| Entity | Total Allocation | Percentage |
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| San Joaquin County | \$2,892,152.73 | 48% |
| San Joaquin Continuum of Care | \$3,082,607.96 | 52% |
| HHAP-4 Total: | \$5,974,760.69 | |

Applicants may apply for funding under this local NOFA for allocations from either or both the County of San Joaquin and the San Joaquin Continuum of Care and must clearly indicate which source(s) are being applied for and the exact amounts. Per statute Health and Safety Code Section 50220.5(g), projects must provide housing and services that are Housing First compliant, and delivered in a low barrier, trauma informed, and culturally responsive manner. Activities eligible for HHAP-4 funding include operating subsidies, street outreach, services coordination, delivery of permanent housing, and prevention and shelter diversion.

- Operating subsidies in new and existing affordable or supportive housing units, emergency shelters, and navigation centers. Operating subsidies may include operating reserves.
- **Street outreach** to assist persons experiencing homelessness to access permanent housing and services.
- **Services coordination**, which may include access to workforce, education, and training programs, or other services needed to promote housing stability in supportive housing.
- Delivery of permanent housing and innovative solutions, such as hotel and motel conversions.
- Prevention and shelter diversion to permanent housing, including rental subsidies.

Additionally, California Health and Safety Code Section 50218.7(e) requires that at least 10 percent of funds be used for services for homeless youth populations, which are defined as

unaccompanied youth who are between 12 and 24 years old and experiencing homelessness.

An application for the use of HHAP-4 funds can be obtained on San Joaquin County's Human Services Agency Neighborhood Preservation website at https://www.sigov.org/department/hsa/neighborhood-preservation/home beginning September 20, 2024. Applications may be submitted electronically via pdf file to fiscalneighborhood@sichcs.org or dropped off at the Neighborhood Preservation Division, 16988 S. Harlan Road, Lathrop, CA 95330. Completed applications must be received by October 25, 2024, no later than 4:00pm at the above email or office address. If application is submitted via email, please ensure that you obtain a confirmation response that the application has been received.

The County promotes fair housing and makes programs available to low and moderate income families regardless of age, race, color religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status or physical disabilities.