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Nearly 700 Homeless Veterans Expected to Benefit from 1st Round of Prop. 41 Grants

Sacramento – Nearly 700 low-income and homeless veterans and their families will benefit from affordable housing opportunities announced today by three state agencies. Seventeen projects throughout California will receive funding through Proposition 41 and the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Program (VHHP).

“With cities statewide pushing to meet the national goal of ending veterans’ homelessness, this funding could not have come at a better time,” said HUD Regional Administrator Ophelia Basgal. “These targeted investments will leverage HUD housing assistance and VA support services to end the homelessness of hundreds of veterans and their families.”

Today’s announcement by the California Department of Housing and Community Development, the California Department of Veterans Affairs, and the California Housing Finance Agency represents the first round of funding through Proposition 41 and the VHHP and will be directed to 17 housing developments statewide (see list below). The majority of these developments have committed to providing intensive supportive services responsive to veterans’ individual needs, such as case management, drug and alcohol counseling, health clinics, disability benefit advocacy, as well as family and childcare services.

“California is moving a giant step forward in assisting our homeless veterans,” said California Department of Veterans Affairs Deputy Secretary Theresa Gunn. “This team effort will give more veterans access to affordable, stable housing options.”

A second round of awards is expected to be available this fall, providing additional opportunities to apply for and receive funds for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of affordable multifamily housing for California’s veterans and their families.

“We are working to reduce veteran homelessness all over California,” said California Department of Housing and Community Development Acting Director Susan Riggs. “This funding focuses on the specific housing, financial challenges and other supportive services needed over the long term for low-income and homeless veterans.”

In October 2013, the Governor signed AB 639, which authorized \$600 million in general obligation bonds to provide for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and preservation of affordable

multifamily permanent, transitional and supportive housing for low-income and homeless veterans. In June 2014, California voters approved Proposition 41, providing funding for the program.

Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Program Funding Awards

Round 1, \$62 Million Awarded, June 30, 2015

Project Name	Project City & Zip Code	VHHP Amount	Sponsor Name
FLOR 401 Lofts	Los Angeles, 90014	\$5,715,639	Skid Row Housing Trust
Illinois Avenue Apartments	Beaumont, 92223	\$3,812,676	LINC Community Development Corporation
Liberty Lane Apartments	Redlands, 92374	\$2,619,328	A Community of Friends
Loma Linda Vets	Loma Linda, 92354	\$3,800,000	Meta Housing Corporation
March Veterans Village	March JPA, 92518	\$8,165,937	Coachella Valley Housing Coalition
Marina Veterans/VTC Phase 2	Marina, 93933	\$5,900,000	EAH Inc.
Mather Veterans Village Phase 2	Rancho Cordova, 95655	\$2,489,944	Veterans Resource Centers of America
Mission Cove Family 1	Oceanside, 92054	\$995,796	National CORE
Palo Verde Apartments	El Monte, 91732	\$3,505,710	Hollywood Community Housing
Park Avenue Veterans Apartments	Pomona, 91768	\$6,613,415	AMCAL Enterprises, Inc.
PATH Metro Villas Phase 2	Los Angeles, 90004	\$3,338,507	PATH Ventures
Poppy Gardens	Lancaster, 93536	\$1,325,000	Clifford Beers Housing, Inc.
Skid Row Southeast 1	Los Angeles, 90021	\$1,278,050	Skid Row Housing Trust
South West View Apartments	Los Angeles, 90016	\$2,340,000	New Directions Housing LLC
Tabora Gardens Senior Apartments	Antioch, 94509	\$5,246,781	Satellite Affordable Housing Associates
Valley View Senior Homes	American Canyon, 94503	\$2,813,562	Satellite Affordable Housing Associates
Whittier Place Apartments Phase 2	Los Angeles, 90023	\$2,916,686	East LA Community Corporation