

# Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Grant Program

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# **Applicant Redirections?**

<u>Applicant Redirections Response:</u>

Applicant Redirections Response: No

#### 1. Homelessness Response System Gaps Assessment

To successfully complete this section of the application, applicants will need to provide the following:

- 1. A narrative description of the most recent assessment process used to determine local gaps in housing services for persons experiencing homelessness in the applicant's community. Information should include but is not limited to:
  - a. How data collection methods were used to determine gaps (ie: HUD's homeless Point-in-Time count, Continuum of Care Housing Inventory Count, Longitudinal Systems Analysis, and Stella tools, HMIS Annual Performance Reports for Emergency Shelter (ES), Transitional Housing (TH), Rapid Rehousing (RRH), and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), as well as any recently conducted local needs assessments);

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1a - Begin Answer To determine gaps in housing services we looked at several figures, HMIS data, housing wait list and housing inventory. Our housing inventory shows a major gap in that clients in need of shelter may face a long wait while sheltering in a motel. Colusa County does not have a formal homeless shelter and as a result we utilize our partnerships with local motels as a source of immediate shelter. The closest shelters are between 25 and 45 miles away, and those shelters rarely have space for additional individuals from other counties. The County does manage a 5-unit apartment complex in the City of Colusa that can house 4 families and one individual. It has a wait list of 9 people. Another data collection method used is the Point in Time Count. Our most recent count in January 2020 identified 10 households as homeless with 31 individuals. The majority of our homeless, 26, were non-Hispanic/non-Latino while 5 were Latino. The PIT Count does not, however paint a clear picture of the housing situation in Colusa County. In 2020 the County put together a housing study to better understand the living situation of the people in Colusa County. It found that there is a severe shortage of affordable housing and wages play a role in the way people are housed. The majority of jobs in Colusa County are lower wage. Office Assistant, Production, Food Prep, Personal Care and Agriculture. Those annual wages vary between \$26,00-\$38,00 per year. The majority of households earn less than \$50,000. In the County, 35% of all renters pay more than 35% of their income on rent. 19% pay more than 50% of their income on rent. It is causing families to share housing with other families and live in spaces not up to housing codes and safety standards. HHAP 2 funding can be used to assist those families find affordable housing. HHAP 2 will allow us to seek more housing opportunities and gives us the opportunity to work with landlords and shelters to increase opportunity for low income families.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1a - End Answer

 b. How people with lived experience of homelessness had ongoing meaningful and purposeful opportunities to participate in and inform the most recent gaps assessment and how they have meaningful opportunities to inform all levels of system planning over time;

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1b - Begin Answer Colusa County Case Managers ask for feedback during program orientation to get an idea of how helpful it was. Once enrolled in a program, Case Managers have continuous discussion and dialogue with clients over current activities and programmatic issues that may or may not be working. The feedback is then used to make any changes to case management or the program overall if it is something that may benefit others or something that can negatively affect future clients. The County carries out focus groups through the community, and recently has done one specifically on housing within the County. Other focus groups have raised issues about the lack of services, housing and transportation in Colusa County.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1b - End Answer

c. How organizations that have historically served communities of color but may not have previously participated formally in the CoC and may not be a part of the homelessness provider community had meaningful and purposeful opportunities to participate in and inform the most recent gaps assessment and how they will be engaged in system planning over time;

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1c - Begin Answer Colusa County has a small amount of Community Based

Organizations that provide services to the public. Almost all of them regularly contract with Colusa DHHS and or provide services to families and individuals facing homelessness. Agencies like the Colusa County Office of Education provide Migrant Family services and perform housing referrals when a family is in need. Housing Case Managers have liaisons at the Jail as well. Housing Case Managers speak regularly with the Migrant Family services and native American tribes to answer questions and inquires directly at the schools and with the families of color in Colusa County. Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1c - End Answer

d. How gaps were assessed for special populations such as families, youth, victims of domestic violence, seniors, persons who have been convicted of a crime, persons with a disability, persons who are chronically homeless, persons with HIV/AIDS, persons who are LGBTQ, veterans, persons with limited English proficiency, and persons who are undocumented;

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1d - Begin Answer The County of Colusa has one location where victims of domestic violence can be safely transported and sheltered. The County assesses that it needs more than just one. The County has the Housing Disability Advocacy Program (HADP) to help disabled residents seek Social Security benefits and affordable housing. Those who have been convicted of a crime face a hard time finding employment and housing soon after release. Programs like HHAP-2 can give temporary shelter while Case Managers assist with education, job search, legal assistance, medical services and a host of other services that go with Housing First principles. Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1d - End Answer

e. How racial or ethnic disparities in the delivery of homeless services were assessed:

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1e - Begin Answer Colusa County is a majority Hispanic community according to the most recent census and population data available. Despite being majority Hispanic, only 5 Hispanic people were identified in the 2020 Point in Time Count. For porgram reporting purposes we track those who we serve. Our totals show that the majority of clients served are not Hispanic, despite being the larger population. When job and economic data is examined, the Hispanic population falls below the white population in terms of earnings. Information received from the County Office of Education and County reports show that there are housing needs and that many families share living quarters or are living in substandard housing.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1e - End Answer

f. How frequently gaps assessments are conducted;

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1f - Begin Answer We are constantly taking invoice of our housing and shelter options. County Case Managers are regularly seeking out new landlords and housing opportunities for clients. We have a waiting list for those who need permanent housing that is updated monthly. Our programs track remaining funding to paint a clear picture of where funding has gone and where it needs to go. Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1f - End Answer

g. How findings are used to make informed decisions for funding projects within the community; and

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1g - Begin Answer Findings have been used to identify additional housing programs and funding that can provide rapid rehousing and emergency shelter use. We have found that a lack of housing, especially low income housing is causing homelessness and shared housing to increase County wide.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1g - End Answer

h. How the applicant will conduct ongoing system performance evaluation to ensure the impact of HHAP-2 funds throughout the spending period and determine if adjustments are needed to address gaps in the homelessness response system.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1h - Begin Answer System performance evaluation will consist of tracking of funding to ensure it is being spent as intended. County staff will track progress of early clients and make necessary adjustments if gaps are not being closed. The goal and hopeful impact of the funding is to provide a pathway to permanent housing from homelessness and to prevent future homelessness. Case Managers will coordinate with groups known to support the Hispanic population. The aim is to also reduce shared housing. Monthly evaluation of client status will be done through currently regularly scheduled team meetings.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 1h - End Answer

2. The most recent gaps assessment that was conducted and the date in which it was completed. Reports can be attached, but all applicants must summarize main findings within this section. Reports submitted without a summary will not be accepted. Summaries must include, but are not limited to:

 a. Current number of people experiencing homelessness in the community including demographic information, and the existing programs and funding which address homelessness within the jurisdiction;

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2a - Begin Answer Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) \$75,000 currently has 5 individuals enrolled in the program. 3 female and 2 white males. - Housing Support for non-CalWORKs, mostly General Assistant homeless and disabled individuals seeking Social Security and housing. CalWORKs Housing Support Program (HSP) has 5 currently enrolled, 4 Hispanic and 1 White female, \$90,000 - Rapid Re-Housing for CalWORKS families experiencing or at risk of homelessness. California Emergency Solutions and Housing (CESH) has 4 enrolled, 2 male and 2 white female, - \$96,720-(maybe state it's a COC collaboration? Sub-Agreement w/Glenn County -Provides Californians experiencing chronic homelessness with supportive housing, Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) - \$61,114.90 Moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and ensuring those individuals and families to maintain their permanent housing.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2a - End Answer

b. Data and qualitative information showing any gaps or disparities in access to services, delivery of services, and housing placement and housing retention outcomes for special populations such as families, victims of domestic violence, seniors, youth and young adults, persons who have been convicted of a crime, persons with a disability, persons who are chronically homeless, persons with HIV/AIDS, persons who are LGBTQ, veterans, persons with limited English proficiency, and persons who are undocumented;

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2b - Begin Answer The County does not see a proportionate amount of Hispanics within housing data. All data shows the population and need exists, however program data does not show a diverse population accessing the services on a regular basis. The limited services offered for domestic violence victims leads to a lack of reporting. The one domestic violence shelter in the County can become filled quickly, leaving others without a safe place to go. Minority families are not utilizing our programs as much as could be. Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2b - End Answer

 Data and qualitative information showing any racial or ethnic disparities in access to services, delivery of services and housing placement and housing retention outcomes of homeless services;

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2c - Begin Answer The 2020 Point in Time Count showed a racial disparity in terms of people identified and County population. Census 2020 data shows 58% of Colusa residents are Hispanic or Latino. 25% of the population is foreign born and 27% have income below 150% of the poverty level. Our HDAP program does not have any Hispanic clients despite 58% of the County identifying as Hispanic. All 5 current clients are white, non-Hispanic. 4 out of our 5 Housing Support Program clients are Hispanic, however to be qualified for that program an individual must have at least one child. Of our clients using California Emergency Solutions to Housing funding, none are Hispanic.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2c - End Answer

 d. Any other disparities that were found in the delivery of homelessness services including rates of successful permanent housing placements, and housing retention rates;

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2d - Begin Answer We have been successful in those placed in permanent housing. We have not had any return to homelessness.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2d - End Answer

e. Using the Service Gap Analysis Chart below, identify which areas of the local homelessness response system (e.g. shelter, rental subsidies, supportive housing) have gaps in resources based on the needs of people experiencing homelessness in the community.

Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2e - Begin Answer We have identified that the lack of supportive, and long term housing is the largest gap in services within Colusa County. Homelessness Response System Gaps Question 2e - End Answer

#### Table: SERVICE GAP ANALYSIS

	Total # of Clients Currently Needing This Service	Total # of Clients Currently Receiving This Service	Remaining Need
Interim Housing/Shelter Beds	9	9	0
Rental Assistance	3	3	0

Supportive Housing (Permanent)		0	0
(rermanent)	9	U	9
Outreach	23	23	0
Prevention/Diversion	3	3	0

#### 2. Regional Resources Planning

When working within the homelessness system, it is critical to assess the current resources available within the community to ensure any new resources are most effectively and efficiently targeted to best serve people experiencing homelessness within the community. Given the high number of people experiencing homelessness in California and the unprecedented amount of federal and state funds available to address homelessness, HCFC expects applicants to coordinate all available funding to safely shelter and permanently house as many people experiencing homelessness in the applicant's community as possible, with a particular focus on rehousing individuals currently living in Project Roomkey (PRK) sites.

HCFC requires all HHAP-2 applicants to complete a <u>Homelessness Response</u> <u>Local Investment Plan</u> (Appendix A) that lists all regional resources used to address homelessness. The document includes different interventions within the homelessness system. For each intervention, please tell us:

- The funding source(s) used to assist in the delivery of the intervention. If several funding sources are used, please list them in order of highest amount of funding used for the intervention to the lowest;
- If the funding source is covered by more than one applicant (i.e. County and Continuum of Care) please list separately. Do not combine allocations; and
- When referencing units of measurement, please reference service basis unit of measurement. Example: \$500,000 in funding provided RRH to approximately 20 households over XX period of time.

In addition to filling out the <u>Homelessness Response Local Investment Plan</u> document, applicants must answer the following narrative question that will support the information provided:

1. What efforts are made to coordinate all available local, state and federal funds that can address homelessness in the applicant's community?

Regional Resources Planning Question 1 - Begin Answer
Any person who comes into Colusa County DHHS seeking homeless or
housing assistance is screened and entered into the program that will best
benefit them and their needs. If qualified they are entered into the HMIS
system before being matched with and placed in the appropriate
housing program and given specific services like Medi-Cal, Bridge
Housing, and CESH funding.

Regional Resources Planning Question 1 - End Answer

#### 3. HHAP-2 Funding Plans

When planning how to target new HHAP-2 resources, it is essential to do so in direct response to the gaps assessment and current regional investment planning described in Sections 1 and 2. HHAP-2 funding plans must state the specific gaps that will be addressed with these new funds and provide sufficient detail to ensure that any selected projects will effectively meet identified gaps. HCFC expects applicants to clearly understand and identify the intervention types requiring funding prior to initiating their local project selection processes.

Applicants must identify and describe each intervention type they intend to fund with their HHAP-2 grant and how much of their HHAP-2 funding they intend to focus on that intervention type. Applicants must also describe how investing in the requested interventions will meet the previously identified needs of their community.

Intervention Types are broken into six categories: (1) Outreach; (2) Interim Housing; (3) Rental Assistance; (4) Permanent Supportive and Service-Enriched Housing; (5) Diversion and Homelessness Prevention, and (6) Services.

Applicants should utilize the HHAP-2 <u>Application Guidance</u> document for detailed information on how these interventions can be implemented, how they work together, and how HCFC recommends prioritization and utilization of these interventions.

In addition to providing information on how the applicant intends to utilize their HHAP-2 funds on specific interventions, applicants must also outline the amounts they intend to allocate to the eligible uses that will support the interventions throughout the duration of the grant period.

To successfully complete this section of the application, applicants will need to provide the following:

- Using the <u>Funding Plan Template</u> (Appendix B) and <u>Expenditure Plan Template</u> (Appendix C), provide detailed information for each of the intervention types and eligible uses being proposed for HHAP-2 funding. (NOTE: Specific project information for the intervention types identified will be requested at a later date once the local selection process has been completed.)
- 2. Describe how the applicant intends to prioritize funding towards local Project Roomkey permanent housing pathways. If an applicant does not intend to prioritize funding in this way, they must explain what other resources have been identified to meet this need locally to ensure that households staying at Project Roomkey sites move to permanent housing and do not return to unsheltered locations or congregate settings.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 2 - Begin Answer
The County of Colusa did not participate in Project Roomkey. We are reviewing options as the State has put available funding to assist in providing permanent housing pathways. Colusa County would like to expand the amount of low income housing and shelter options.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 2 - End Answer

3. Describe the activities budgeted for grant administration. In the applicant's response, describe the overall grant administration staffing plan to accomplish the applicant's goals and activities. Provide information on roles that will be responsible for ensuring the successful execution of HHAP funded projects.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 3 - Begin Answer

Case Managers will seek to house all clients who seek services in Colusa County, Case Managers conduct an initial screening to determine needs, evaluating if the customer is eligible to HHAP services. The client is steered toward existing programs that can help in obtaining employment, including supportive services, such as CalWORKs and Welfare to Work if it determines they are potentially eligible. Case Management services are included such as employment readiness, training and education and job search. Case Managers will aim to help homeless job seekers succeed in the labor market by providing access to employment, education, training, and support services, giving clients the skills and ability they need to keep them out of future homelessness. If the participant is employable, homeless and needs housing, he/she will be guided through housing searches while safely housed. If the participant is not able to work and has mental health issues, he/she will be referred to DHHS or Behavioral Health for mental health screening. If already working with Behavioral Health, work will be done to manage care through Behavioral Health case management Street Outreach is performed by Case Managers who make contact with landlords, emploers and other services that can be beneficial to clients. Case Managers will assist in the delivery of permanent housing through application searches, client preparedness assistance and landlord engagement. Case Managers will provide rental assistance for those who qualify for HHAP-2 and are facing eviction.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 3 - End Answer

Descriptions should include but are not limited to:

a. The number of full-time employees (FTE) or percent of time per FTE that will be employed by the applicant dedicated to the execution of HHAP-2. HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 3a - Begin Answer
Colusa County Housing Staff consists of 4 Case Managers, 1 Office
Assistant and a Housing Services Supervisor. All working full time...
HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 3a - End Answer

Existing staff positions that will be leveraged to fulfill this need.
 HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 3b - Begin Answer
 None.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 3b - End Answer

4. In what ways the applicant's jurisdiction is leveraging the adult system to serve youth and in what ways the homelessness response system has been or will be adapted to youth; and how the applicant will use HHAP-2 funding to ensure youth can access services and that targeted spending meets their needs.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 4 - Begin Answer

The county has on average 4 youth who are homeless with no family. We will work to provide group and alternative structured housing rather than shelter. We will also work with our partners at the schools to identify homeless children at schools. Colusa County will use funding set aside to focus on children at risk of becoming homeless and the 1.5% of all kids in Colusa County schools who are homeless. Data cited on kidsdata.ora, a program of the Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health, indicate that a total of 4,630 children attended public schools in Colusa County, and 1.5% of that total (69.45) experienced homelessness in 2016. (by McKinney/Vento definition). The percentage of children in Colusa County living below the federal poverty threshold and the percentage of children in Colusa living in deep poverty are similar to the percentages across California (21% and 8%, respectively). However, the percentages of children living in food insecure households, the percentage of children eligible for reduced price or free meals and the percentage of children or vouth receiving Medi-Cal are substantially higher than those seen in California as a whole, indicating that children and their families in Colusa County are potentially at higher risk of becoming homeless.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 4 - End Answer

5. Describe how the applicant will incorporate meaningful collaboration with individuals that have lived experience being homeless throughout funding planning, design, implementation, and evaluation.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 5 - Begin Answer

We regularly collect feedback from housing clients through surveys and direct questioning. We provide the Post Orientation/Appraisal Participant

Survey to clients, asking for any feedback they have regarding their experience.

HHAP-2 Funding Plans Question 5 - End Answer

#### 4. HHAP-2 Goals

Creating performance targets that can be clearly measured every year ensures a commitment to locally shared goals. Utilizing the local needs assessment, applicants must identify the areas of impact to be targeted by HHAP funds in Section 3: HHAP-2 Funding Plans, and in this section must present specific and measurable goals for those investment areas. These goals should inform how applicants design HHAP programming and should be stated in the local selection process funding announcements and subcontracts so that local applicants and the selected subrecipients understand program expectations.

#### **HHAP Programmatic Goals**

HHAP statute mandates that applicants set goals related to the total number of individuals served and, of those served, the number who will be successfully placed in permanent housing due to HHAP-2 investments.

For interventions funded with HHAP, applicants must show how their jurisdiction plans to use their HHAP investment to meet statutorily-required goals by providing the following in the table below: (1) number of individuals that currently need this intervention; (2) number of households expected to be served, annually and over the entire grant period; and (3) number of households expected to be placed into permanent housing, annually and over entire grant period.

Note: identified need below should be the same as the numbers indicated in Section 1.

Table – Statutory Goals by Intervention Type – Permanent Supportive and Service-Enriched Housing

	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	Total #
Total # of individuals that currently need this intervention	12					
# of individuals expected to be served by HHAP-2	12	12	12	12	12	60
# of individuals expected to be placed into permanent housing through HHAP-2	12	12	12	12	12	60

Table – Statutory Goals by Intervention Type – Rental Assistance

	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	Total #
Total # of individuals that <i>currently</i> need this intervention	4					
# of individuals to be served	8	8	8	8	8	40

# of individuals to be placed into	12	12	12	12	12	60
permanent housing						1

#### Table – Statutory Goals by Intervention Type – Interim Housing

	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY	
	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	Total #
Total # of individuals that currently need this intervention	9					
# of individuals to be served	12	12	12	12	12	60
# of individuals to be placed into permanent housing	12	12	12	12	12	60

# Table – Statutory Goals by Intervention Type – Diversion and Homelessness Prevention

	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	Total #
Total # of individuals that currently need equity this intervention	8					
# of individuals to be served	10	10	10	10	10	50
# of individuals to be placed into permanent housing	10	10	10	10	10	50

## Table – Statutory Goals by Intervention Type – Outreach

	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	Total #
Total # of individuals that currently need this intervention	9					
# of individuals to be served	12	12	12	12	12	60
# of individuals to be placed into permanent housing	12	12	12	12	12	60

#### Table – Statutory Goals by Intervention Type – Services

	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	Total #
# of individuals to be served	12	12	12	12	12	60
# of individuals to be placed into permanent housing	12	12	12	12	12	60

In addition to setting clear goals on numbers served and numbers moved into permanent housing, applicants must also provide the following:

1. Any additional systemwide goals the applicant's jurisdiction and/or region has identified and the metrics used to evaluate progress towards those goals.

#### HHAP-2 Goal Question 1 - Begin Answer

System wide goals include the development of additional low income housing and a reduction in the amount of families in Colusa County who are paying 30% of their income or more to rent. According to the 2020 Colusa County Housing Study there is a high overall demand for rentals Colusa County has 1,376 households earning less than \$25,000 however there are only 163 HUD subsidized units. Over the past 3 years only 21 houses and apartments have been built which are suitable for a family between moderate and very low income status. It is the goal of Colusa DHHS to establish 3 houses and 2 apartment complexes as low income housing. These landlords will be beneficial in providing an immediate place to live for clients in Colusa County. It would allow them to pay a lower percentage of their income on rent.

HHAP-2 Goals Question 1 - End Answer

2. An update on systemwide goals identified in HHAP-1 and explanation of any goal modifications made in response to changing needs.

#### HHAP-2 Goal Question 1 - Begin Answer

Previous HHAP grant funding is targeted at rental assistance and rapid rehousing and can be used to provide short term rent assistance to clients. Another major goal and funding allocation is to the delivery of housing support services. The 2nd round of HHAP funding be modified from the original application in that this round is geared more toward New Navigation Centers and Emergency Shelter in the form of Motels. Colusa County lacks shelter and relies on motels during the early stages of case management. Some clients may stay housed in a motel for several months while waiting for permanent shelter. Increased funding will allow us to quickly house clients and begin case management with housing first principles in mind.

HHAP-2 Goals Question 1 - End Answer

3. At least one clear, measurable performance goal related to how HHAP-2 funding will address racial disparities identified in the jurisdiction's homelessness response system.

#### HHAP-2 Goal Question 1 - Begin Answer

It is our goal to reduce the disparity in races served across program. The previous PIT count found only 5 Hispanic residents and 22 non Hispanic white residents. We want to cut the gap in half during the 2022-2026 PIT counts.

HHAP-2 Goals Question 1 - End Answer

4. At least one clear, measurable, youth-specific performance goal related to HHAP-2 investments, including an explanation of how the applicant's jurisdiction accounts for the unique service needs of youth when determining how to set performance targets for youth set-aside funding interventions.

#### HHAP-2 Goal Question 1 - Begin Answer

Colusa County anticipates that it will serve 4 homeless youth per year during the duration of the grant. We do not have a youth homeless shelter, and have chosen alternate housing arrangements in supported environments rather than temporarily placing youth into emergency shelter. Under this type of case management, the Case Manager will coordinate with Child Protective Services and Behavioral Health to identify safe and secure housing services.

HHAP-2 Goals Question 1 - End Answer

#### 5. Local Project Selection Process

Applicants may choose (though they are not required) to contract with local nonprofits and service providers to administer the services detailed in their HHAP-2 Funding Plan. When contracting for services, applicants shall select qualified service providers that provide services which match the needs of the local population of people experiencing homelessness and which are HHAP-eligible activities that are in line with the applicant's HHAP-2 Funding Plan.

HCFC encourages applicants to consider how these funds are accessible to smaller and non-traditional organizations that have historically served communities of color but may not have previously participated formally in the CoC or been a part of the homeless provider community.

To successfully complete this section of the application, applicants will need to provide the following:

1. An explanation of how HHAP-2 funds will be distributed and whether a local project selection process will be utilized to select subcontractors.

Local Project Selection Process Question 1 - Begin Answer

We will not contract with any Community Based Organizations for HHAP2.

HHAP2 will be administered by Colusa County Health & Human Services

Case Managers.

Local Project Selection Process Question 1 - End Answer

Will subcontractors be utilized? No

- a. If the applicant is not utilizing a local selection process, please include the following in the explanation:
  - i. Description of why this is the best funding plan for the community; and

Local Project Selection Process Question 1a.i. - Begin Answer This is the best funding plan for Colusa County because it allows us to spend the maximum amount of money awarded on direct services and aid to our homeless community. We will work with our Community Based Organizations on services beyond housing. For example, we will continue to partner with the Veterans Association to secure food for clients. We will work with our medical providers to ensure clients re regularly attending appointments. We will communicate with Behavioral Health and Karen's House, the Domestic Violence Shelter. We will work with the Colusa Office of Education Migrant Family Coordinator, providing outreach and information on services in hopes of delivering affordable housing to

that community. Lastly, we will ensure all program benefits services in-house are available and accessible to our clients- this would include any assistance needing in securing and maintaining required documents and verifications.

Local Project Selection Process Question 1a.i. - End Answer

ii. Description of how applicants will ensure equitable access to services funded.

Local Project Selection Process Question 1a.i.i. - Begin Answer We assess individuals' needs, using a centralized matching system for all housing and homelessness services in the community, and prioritizing the most vulnerable for immediate placement in the most intensive housing interventions. We aim for clear and transparent access to services for all persons on a nondiscriminatory basis, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, national original, familial status, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identification; all homeless individuals and families are eligible to apply for services through the Coordinated Entry System regardless of these factors.

Local Project Selection Process Question 1a.i.i. - End Answer

- b. If the applicant is utilizing a local selection process, please include the following in the explanation:
  - i. What is the process and timeline for project selection?

Local Project Selection Process Question 1b.i. - Begin Answer Local Project Selection Process Question 1b.i. - End Answer

ii. How will the applicant encourage new partners to participate?

Local Project Selection Process Question 1b.i.i. - Begin Answer Local Project Selection Process Question 1b.i.i. - End Answer

iii. How will people with lived experience of homelessness, including youth with lived experience, have meaningful and purposeful opportunities to shape the selection process and funding decisions?

Local Project Selection Process Question 1b.i.i.i. - Begin Answer Local Project Selection Process Question 1b.i.i.i. - End Answer iv. How will the applicant promote equity and ensure underrepresented communities can be competitive applicants for funding?

Local Project Selection Process Question b.i.v. - Begin Answer Local Project Selection Process Question b.i.v. - End Answer

2. Describe how systemwide collaboration would occur among homelessness service providers and other social safety net providers. How do these collaborative efforts help minimize or avoid the duplication of service and effort?

Local Project Selection Process Question 2 - Begin Answer

We have a strong collaboration network in Colusa County. If someone seeking any type of Social Services mentions they are homeless or at risk of homelessness, an offer of referral to Housing Case Managers is completed the same day. All applicants are entered into HMIS to ensure no services are duplicated. The County of Colusa has a Housing Collaborative, composed of representatives from county and city agencies, including Colusa County Behavioral Health, Regional Housing Authority, Colusa, Glenn and Trinity Community Action Partnership, Colusa County Board of Supervisors, Colusa County School District, Colusa County Administrative Office, Colusa County Health and Human Services, Colusa County Community Development, Pierce School District, and the Colusa County Office of Education. Meetings also include representatives from Probation, Sheriff, faith-based organizations, members of the health care community and homeless advocates. The Housing Collaborative is committed to reducing, and ultimately ending, homelessness in Colusa County and its members are taking important steps to expand housing opportunities and improve the quality and coordination of services for people experiencing homelessness.

Local Project Selection Process Question 2 - End Answer

In addition to the narrative questions above, check all box(s) that apply to the applicant's community:

Table – Local Project Selection Process Assessment

#### LOCAL PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS ASSESSMENT (check all that apply)

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will clearly define for potential subcontractors which types of projects will be prioritized for funding and which needs identified in the needs/gaps assessment are intended to be met by funding such projects. Local Project Selection Assessment Response: No

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will prioritize programs that address the disproportionate impacts that homelessness and COVID-19 have on communities of color, particularly Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander, Native and Indigenous communities. Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will remove barriers to competitive participation by applicants representing marginalized communities.

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will use objective criteria to evaluate projects for funding.

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The objective criteria used to evaluate projects will include data on past performance related to the proposed activity (for example, an existing rapid rehousing provider applies to provide rapid rehousing services with HHAP funds and provides HMIS data to show a history of positive outcomes)

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The objective criteria used to evaluate projects will allow applicants applying to perform services not previously performed by their organization, to provide other data or outcome results to support their competency to perform the proposed activity.

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will have provisions to allow for innovation, while balancing the need for data and performance-based decision-making. Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will be posted publicly on a platform that is accessible to the public.

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will consider the severity of needs and vulnerabilities of the proposed target population in its objective criteria – and aligns its prioritization of these needs with the needs identified through the community needs assessment process.

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

Local Project Selection Assessment Statement: The process will avoid conflict of interest.

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will only fund programs that follow a Housing First approach.

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

**Local Project Selection Assessment Statement:** The process will include people with lived experience to have meaningful and purposeful opportunities to inform and shape all levels of planning and implementation.

Local Project Selection Assessment Response: Yes

#### 6. Racial Equity Efforts

HHAP-2 applicants should prioritize the advancement of racial equity at every level of the homelessness response system. Applicants must be actively involved in their homelessness response systems, facilitating partnerships among service organizations, and promoting racial equity practices. Applicants must respond to disproportionality in access to services, service provision, and outcomes. Applicants cannot simply rely on delivering a standardization of services to address equity. Applicants have the responsibility to examine their data to ensure all eligible persons receive equitable services, support, and are served with dignity, respect, and compassion regardless of circumstances, ability, or identity.

HCFC encourages applicants to consider how these funds are accessible to smaller and non-traditional organizations that have historically served communities of color but may not have previously participated formally in the CoC or been a part of the homeless provider community, and how these funds would address the organizational capacity of organizations that are led by Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander, and Native and Indigenous people that support the goal of reducing and ending homelessness.

To successfully complete this section of the application, applicants will need to provide the following:

- Using the <u>Racial Demographic Data Worksheet</u> (<u>Appendix D</u>), please provide the Continuum of Care Outcomes by Race and Ethnicity.
- Describe how the local homelessness response system or projects the applicant is planning use policy and practices to ensure equal access and non-discrimination when serving prospective and new program participants.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 2 - Begin Answer

Any person who comes into Colusa County DHHS seeking homeless or housing assistance is screened and entered into the program that will best benefit them and their needs. If qualified they are entered into the HMIS system before being matched with and placed in the appropriate housing and program and given specific services CalWORKs, CalFresh, Medi-Cal, Bridge Housing, and CESH funding. Regardless of race. Our goal is to provide housing to people no matter what color.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 2 - End Answer

3. How does the applicant's grant making process and/or funding decisions include prioritization of programs that are addressing the disproportionate impacts that homelessness and COVID-19 have on communities of color,

particularly Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander and Indigenous communities?

Racial Equity Efforts Question 3 - Begin Answer

It has not made any impact. We are still able to contract and communicate with service providers. As COVID-19 rates increased, the County partnered up with Yuba County to explore ways to increase outreach and safety within the Hispanic community. As COVID-19 remains, all efforts will continue to work with groups supporting communities of color.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 3 - End Answer

4. How are the voices of Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander and Indigenous communities being developed as central in creating effective approaches to reducing and ending homelessness?

Racial Equity Efforts Question 4 - Begin Answer

First 5 & Family Action Centers (FACs) – Colusa First 5 is an arm of the county Office of Education and operates FACs in Colusa, Williams and Arbuckle. The FACs serve mostly Hispanic individuals and families with low-income and unmet needs. Although First 5 services are geared toward families, the FACs also provide application assistance to adults (including single adults) for programs such as CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, CalFresh and CMSP, as well as Covered California. The FACs also refer people to other services in the county. Their feedback is a valuable tool in getting feedback directly from clients. We also perform focus groups in Spanish. This gives them a voice by telling us what they need in their community, what is working and what does not work.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 4 - End Answer

5. Does the applicant have a strategy to expand the reach of funding to underserved and marginalized communities and non-traditional providers who can reach and serve disproportionately impacted communities? If so, please describe.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 5 - Begin Answer

Colusa County is always looking to expand services to the underserviced and marginalized communities. At the moment those types of organizations do not exist in the County beyond ones who regularly provide services with DHHS. There are a handful of non-profit organizations based within Colusa County. We regularly partner with The Colusa-Glenn-Trinity Action Partnership, who provide services and support activities relating to homelessness within Colusa County. Bridges to Housing is an organization that provides security deposit assistance for those that could not otherwise afford the up-front costs associated with renting a home themselves. A Hand Up provides three meals per week at First Presbyterian Church, as well as emergency shelter of tents and sleeping bags for men, women and children Karen's House is a domestic violence shelter that provides support to victims of domestic violence in Colusa County. One of the

benefits of being a small county is that the public spreads information about program availability. When asking clients how they heard about programs, many say they were told about them.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 5 - End Answer

6. Describe how the priority population(s) learn about and enter local homelessness programs, including marketing and communication strategies used.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 6 - Begin Answer Information is shared with partners in and around, the county and local schools about homeless support services and programs. DHHS conducts targeted, direct and specific outreach for services, promoting programs with notices in the public areas of DHHS, flyers at various public locations such as the library; and posters for display at partner agencies and medical providers. Outreach & Navigation staff work in the community to provide information and connect those in need to Case Managers. Some of the places our outreach team goes to include Family Action Centers, Probation, Day Center Activities, Food Outreach, town hall meetings. Any public form that requires community feedback. Information is also shared at the schools. There is a Migrant Housing Coordinator and schools refer families who may be homeless or at risk of homelessness for aid. Many of these families are undocumented or very low income minorities.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 6 - End Answer

7. How is the applicant making community project grants accessible to smaller organizations that have historically served communities of color, but may not have previously participated formally in the CoC or as a part of the "homeless provider" community?

Racial Equity Efforts Question 7 - Begin Answer

We are always ready to work with additional partners and have recently partnered with Habitat for Humanity to deliver permanent housing in Yuba County. Since Colusa County is small there are not many smaller organizations we are not aware of and do not already communicate with and accept referrals from. When recently surveyed, Colusa County residents said they did not know where in the County to go to get certain services. It is our intention to increase service availability and would love to partner with and support up and coming programs in the future.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 7 - End Answer

8. How does the applicant partner with organizations that are addressing racial equity in the housing and homelessness response system?

Racial Equity Efforts Question 8 - Begin Answer

We coordinate with organizations such as First Five, who support mostly Hispanic families through referrals and program contracts. We have regular meetings with the Colusa Ministerial Association and the Yuba Sutter Latino Committee. As of late efforts have grown to increase outreach in the more rural segregated communities of Colusa County.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 8 - End Answer

9. How will the applicant ensure that racial disparities are addressed with this funding?

Racial Equity Efforts Question 9 - Begin Answer

We will actively participate in any available Technical Assistance provided by the State, to increase use of best practices that ensure a racial equity lens is utilized in future planning. We will address and ensure racial disparities are avoided by monitoring the funding and ensuring that funding be distributed equally and equitably. Staff will regularly hold trainings and be part of a culture whereby there is no discrimination and ensure accessibility. We will ensure that clients are not turned away from funding due to race, culture, religious beliefs, etc. Our goal will be that if they qualify, they are eligible no matter what.

Racial Equity Efforts Question 9 - End Answer

In addition to the narrative questions above, check all boxes that apply to the applicant's community:

Table – Racial Equity Assessment

#### RACIAL EQUITY ASSESSMENT (check all that apply)

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We have a racial equity policy within the organization I work for.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We collect racial, ethnic and linguistic data on clients and constituents outside of HMIS.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We provide language interpreter/translator services for people who speak languages other than English.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We collect data on service-user or constituent satisfaction with our organization regarding racial equity.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Planning to Implement

Racial Equity Assessment Statement: We have formal partnerships with organizations of color.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We allocate resources for engagement and outreach in communities of color.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** Racial equity and cultural competency training are offered to employees within the applicant's organization.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We meet regularly with leaders from communities of color specifically to discuss racial equity within the homelessness system.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We analyze to assess whether equitable access to new and existing shelter facilities is being provided to people of color, especially Black, Latinx, and Indigenous populations most impacted by homelessness, and examine data to determine if there are other disparities to be addressed, such as by age, ethnicity, disability, gender status, family composition, etc.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We have convened and actively engage with a lived experience board that represents the population served.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Planning to Implement

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We ensure strategies and communications efforts have broad geographic reach, including into rural areas and in support of Tribal communities.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** Providers and front-line staff reflect the people they serve including the necessary language skills to serve sub-populations.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We have access to data on racial/ethnic disparities to guide our planning and implementation of HHAP funding.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** Our work includes performance measures to determine how well we are doing to address racial disparities.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We have developed and implemented a plan to address racial disparities in the homelessness response system.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Planning to Implement

**Racial Equity Assessment Statement:** We host or participate in trainings dedicated to improving equitable outcomes.

Racial Equity Assessment Response: Implemented

# 7. Regional Collaboration and Partnerships

HHAP program funds are intended to support regional coordination and expand local capacity to address homelessness. Demonstration of how jurisdictions have coordinated and will continue to coordinate with other jurisdictions is a critical factor of funding. With HHAP-1 funding, applicants were required to partner with other applicants to make collective funding decisions for their communities. HHAP-2 funding should increase and improve those partnership efforts.

To successfully complete this section of the application, applicants must provide the following:

1. Describe the process by which neighboring HHAP-funded jurisdictions are coordinating together to address homelessness, including funding collaboration and coordination, peer learning, and data sharing.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 1 - Begin Answer Colusa County works with the Dos Rios Continuum of Care. Eligible individuals and families are encouraged to participate in an intake process with the CoC's CES to ensure their information is entered into the CES system to ensure those at-risk of chronic homelessness and/or homeless with a severe mental illness are identified quickly for housing services. Colusa County and the CoC use the Homeless Management Information System to identify homeless individuals. A coordinated effort is made to support that person in their home county. Data about homeless clients is shared and used to make decisions on potential CoC grant applications. The three counties in Dos Rios CoC meet on a monthly basis to discuss partnerships and collaboration with funding strategies. Many of our county partners also participate in the Northern Peer Learning Communities forums to hear lived application of HHAP funded projects and learn from similar sized areas what impacts have been successful.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 1 - End Answer

2. Describe the ways HCFC funding plans are coordinated with regional partners that are also receiving HCFC funding. If there are changes to the funding plans, how are partners informed of these changes?

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 2 - Begin Answer
The Dos Rios Continuum of Care Governing Board meets monthly to review
programs, discuss upcoming items and any budget revisions that need to be
made. There are also quarterly meetings of Continuum of Care member staff
that discusses programs, funding and updates. In addition to the two
regional meetings, each County has a Dos Rios Continuum of Care meeting
at the local level.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 2 - End Answer

3. Using the experience with HHAP-1 planning, describe successes that have come out of regional coordination and partnering efforts. Also, describe any barriers the applicant has experienced in working with regional partners. Explain any strategies identified that have contributed to the address these barriers.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 3 - Begin Answer HHAP-1 planning was abruptly interrupted with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. In February 2021 Colusa County will revisit HHAP-1 planning efforts and make necessary budget/project proposals with consideration to where we are currently at in the homelessness crisis. Working between immediately addressing current homeless and planning for future needs has been a challenge.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 3 - End Answer

4. How will HHAP-2 funding support and scale current partnerships?

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 4 - Begin Answer Funding will allow us to coordinate with Community Based Organizations such as Bridges to Housing, A Hand Up and Karen's House, the domestic violence shelter in Colusa County. HHAP Round 2 funding will give Case Managers the ability to provide immediate interim and rapid rehousing. While in interim and rapid rehousing, paid for by HHAP Round 2, our Case Managers can coordinate long term services including access to permanent housing from Bridges to Housing and Karen's House.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 4 - End Answer

5. Describe applicant's share of the regional need as well as the share of the regional need from partnering jurisdictions (CoC, County, Large City).

Describe the methodology used for determining the share of the regional need.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 5 - Begin Answer Colusa, Glenn and Trinity Counties have a very similar regional need with unique challenges within each county such as remoteness, lack of community based organizations that address homelessness, and significant housing inventory. The recent fires over the last couple of years in the region have further impacted the housing inventory and many persons from neighboring counties have occupied the small vacancy our region previously had.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 5 - End Answer

6. Describe how HHAP-2 funds will be integrated into the current regional strategic plan to address homelessness. Has the region's strategy for use of HHAP funding changed since HHAP-1?

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 6 - Begin Answer No formalized change in the strategic plan as our goals to address homelessness have not changed. When we revisit our HHAP-1 funding plans in February of 2021, we might adjust if appropriate. Our Homeless Strategic Plan had to take a pause during this past year and it will reconvene this year, collaboratively with the COC and those partnerships that have a vested interest.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 6 - End Answer

7. When spending plans need to be adjusted in response to changing needs in the community, how are collaborative partners involved in those decisions?

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 7 - Begin Answer The Dos Rios Continuum of Care Governing Board meets monthly to review housing programs, discuss upcoming items and any budget revisions that need to be made. There are also quarterly meetings of Continuum of Care member staff that discusses programs, funding and updates. In addition to the two regional meetings, each County has a Dos Rios Continuum of Care meeting at the local level to address local housing issues and solutions.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 7 - End Answer

8. Has a youth-specific strategy been identified within the applicant's region? If so, please describe. If not, why not?

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 8 - Begin Answer The County of Colusa does not get many homeless youth, however we do regularly have funds available for youth that need housing services. In the year 2020 PIT Count we did not identify a homeless youth by definition without adult supervision living in shelter, on the street or in another HUD defined location. Youth is factored into all of our decision making processes and take into consideration the needs and barriers that exist with our youth. Very few end up literally homeless, for many funding sources, so will use targeted youth case management services to guide youth through resources available. We partner with our local McKinney-Vinto service providers to assist with these efforts. We also have our local COE represented at our local COC meetings to discuss those that have been identified at the school level. Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 8 - End Answer

9. Describe how youth-specific local partners are involved in making regional planning or spending decisions.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 9 - Begin Answer We partner with Child Protective Services, the Colusa County Office of Education, Woodland Community College and First 5 Colusa to make regional planning decisions on the direction of programs that are focused on youth. Colusa County is an active participate and advocate for the needs of our youth through planning and spending discussions.

Regional Collaboration and Partnerships Question 9 - End Answer

#### 8. Housing First Assessment

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.

To successfully complete this section of the application, applicants will need to assess their current policies and check all that apply:

Table – Housing First Assessment

#### Housing First Assessment (check all that apply)

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Access to programs is not contingent on sobriety, minimum income requirements, lack of a criminal record, completion of treatment, participation in services, or other unnecessary conditions.

Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Programs or projects do everything possible not to reject an individual or family on the basis of poor credit or financial history, poor or lack of rental history, minor criminal convictions, or behaviors that are interpreted as indicating a lack of "housing readiness." Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** People with disabilities are offered clear opportunities to request reasonable accommodations within applications and screening processes and during tenancy and building and apartment units include special physical features that accommodate disabilities. Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Programs or projects that cannot serve someone work through the coordinated entry process to ensure that those individuals or families have access to housing and services elsewhere.

Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Housing and service goals and plans are highly client centered and driven.

Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Supportive services emphasize engagement and problem-solving over therapeutic goals.

Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Participation in services or compliance with service plans are not conditions of tenancy but are reviewed with clients and regularly offered as a resource to clients. Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Services are informed by a harm-reduction philosophy that recognizes that drug and alcohol use and addiction are a part of some clients' lives. Clients are engaged in non-judgmental communication regarding drug and alcohol use and are offered education regarding how to avoid risky behaviors and engage in safer practices.

Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Substance use in and of itself, without other lease violations, is not considered a reason for eviction.

Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Clients are given reasonable flexibility in paying their share of rent on time and offered special payment arrangements for rent arrears and/or assistance with financial management, including representative payee arrangements as needed.

Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

**Housing First Assessment Statement:** Every effort is made to provide a client the opportunity to transfer from one housing situation, program, or project to another if a tenancy is in jeopardy. Whenever possible, eviction back into homelessness is avoided.

Housing First Assessment Response: Yes

#### 9. Expenditure Plan

HHAP-2 Submission Expenditure Plan - NOFA-HHAP00048

CoC / Large City / County Name:

CoC / Large City / County Name Response: Colusa

Administrative Entity Name:

Administrative Entity Name Response: County of Colusa Department of Health and Human Services

Receiving Redirected Funds?

Receiving Redirected Funds? Response: No

<u>Total Redirected Funding:</u>

Total Redirected Funding Response:

#### Table – HHAP Funding Expenditure Plan – Eligible Use Categories and Funding

	FY 20/21	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	TOTAL
Rapid Rehousing	\$1,444.35	\$1,444.33	\$1,444.33	\$1,444.33	\$1,444.33	\$1,444.33	\$8,666.00
Rapid Rehousing: Youth Set-Aside	\$125.85	\$125.83	\$125.83	\$125.83	\$125.83	\$125.83	\$755.00
Operating Subsidies and Reserves							

Operating Subsidies and Reserves: Youth Set-Aside							
Street Outreach	\$377.85	\$377.83	\$377.83	\$377.83	\$377.83	\$377.83	\$2,267.00
Street Outreach: Youth Set-Aside	\$33.35	\$33.33	\$33.33	\$33.33	\$33.33	\$33.33	\$200.00
Services Coordination	\$265.00	\$265.00	\$265.00	\$265.00	\$265.00	\$265.00	\$1,590.00
Services Coordination: Youth Set-Aside	\$23.35	\$23.33	\$23.33	\$23.33	\$23.33	\$23.33	\$140.00
Systems Support							
Systems Support: Youth Set-Aside							
Delivery of Permanent Housing							
Delivery of Permanent Housing: Youth Set-Aside							
Prevention and Shelter Diversion							
Prevention and Shelter Diversion: Youth Set-Aside							
New Navigation Centers and Emergency Shelters	\$2,047.55	\$2,047.55	\$2,047.50	\$2,047.50	\$2,047.50	\$2,047.50	\$12,285.10
New Navigation Centers and Emergency Shelters: Youth Set-Aside	\$482.51	\$482.51	\$482.51	\$482.51	\$482.51	\$482.51	\$2,895.06
Strategic Homelessness Planning, Infrastructure Development, CES and HMIS (up to 5%)	\$232.81	\$232.80	\$232.80	\$232.83	\$232.83	\$232.83	\$1,396.90
Administrative (up to 7%)	\$288.85	\$288.83	\$288.83	\$288.83	\$288.83	\$288.83	\$1,733.00

#### **TOTAL FUNDING ALLOCATION:**

Total Funding Allocation Response: \$27,938.00

#### TOTAL YOUTH SET-ASIDE (at least 8%):

Total Youth Set-Aside (at least 8%) Response: \$3,990.06

#### **EXPENDITURE PLAN COMMENTS:**

Expenditure Plan Comments Response:

Training on the HMIS system has been increased so that case managers are better able to use the system and coordinate service.

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# **Intervention Type:**

Intervention Type Response: Interim Housing (Services)

# **Total Funds Requested:**

Total Funds Requested Response: \$12,285.10

# **HHAP Eligible Uses:**

1. Rapid rehousing

Rapid rehousing response:

2. Operating subsidies

Operating subsidies response:

3. Street outreach

Street outreach response:

4. Services coordination

Services coordination response:

5. Systems support

Systems support response:

6. Delivery of permanent housing

Delivery of permanent housing response:

7. Prevention and diversion

Prevention and diversion response:

8. New navigation centers and emergency shelters

New navigation centers and emergency shelters response: \$12,285.10

(Interim Housing Only Begins)

### **Demonstrated Need Data:**

# of available shelter beds

# of available shelter beds response: 0

# of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness in the 2019 homeless point-in-time count

# of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness in the 2019 homeless point-in-time count response: 57

Shelter vacancy rate (%) in the winter months

Shelter vacancy rate (%) in the winter months response: 100

% of exits from emergency shelters to permanent housing solutions % of exits from emergency shelters to permanent housing solutions response: 57

Describe plan to connect residents to permanent housing Describe plan to connect residents to permanent housing response:

Colusa County does not have a homeless shelter and only has one shelter for domestic violence victims, therefore Case Managers have successfully partnered with motel owners and landlords. Their outreach efforts have established a well-coordinated and functioning network of shelter and housing for clients. Case Managers are in regular contact with landlords and motel owners. Coordinated services ensure that aside from housing, all other medical or personal needs are addressed. Case Managers refer qualified clients to additional programs and services.

(Interim Housing Only Ends)

2. Describe the scale and scope of anticipated intervention model and outline the key service components expected to be provided with this funding.

Funding Plan – Question 2 – Response Begins
Funding will be used to provide motel vouchers to homeless clients in Colusa
County. While sheltered, clients will also get assistance finding permanent
housing. No funding will be used to keep clients housed. Any client who
requests rental relief will be directed to COVID-19 Housing assistance
programs.

Funding Plan – Question 2 – Response Ends

3. Describe how the requested investment amount for this intervention will help your community achieve regional goals and address specific gaps in the homeless response system as identified in the regional gaps assessment.

Funding Plan – Question 3 – Response Begins
HHAP Round 2 funding will help Colusa County immediately shelter homeless individuals and families at motels while performing intensive family case management services. Services include referrals to Behavioral Health and additional social services offered in Colusa County. Individuals will be offered housing search support and put in contact with landlords within the community and surrounding areas. HHAP Round 2 funding will only be used on clients who are actively homeless without children who do not qualify for CalWORKs Homeless programs.

CalWORKs and the Housing Disabled Advocacy Program provide support for families and the disabled. HHAP Round 2 gives us the ability to work more closely with homeless individuals who have no children and have not begun the process toward applying for Social Security.

HHAP Round 2 rental assistance funding will help those formerly homeless by providing rental assistance and landlord incentives. Colusa County has a shortage of low income housing. Because of this, it is important to perform outreach to landlords and offer incentives to work in partnership with County Case Managers. Case Managers have been successful working with landlords to remove barriers to housing.

Funding Plan – Question 3 – Response Ends

4. Check any specific population(s) expected to be served through this intervention investment.

Funding Plan – Question 4 – Response Begins Submitter expects to serve the following specific populations:

Adults with children

Adults without children

Unaccompanied Youth (12-24yr of age per definition in HHAP statute)

**Chronically Homeless** 

**Veterans** 

**Domestic Violence Survivors** 

Individuals with Co-occurring Disorders (Substance Use and Mental Health)

COVID High Risk – individuals at high-risk for contracting COVID

Funding Plan – Question 4 – Response Ends

5. Describe how this intervention investment will address the disproportionate impacts of homelessness on communities of color, particularly Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander, and Native and Indigenous communities.

Funding Plan – Question 5 – Response Begins

Demographic data about Colusa County shows that it is majority Hispanic and a majority of the population cannot afford the cost of the average rent in the County. Case Managers make attempts to reduce the disparity within the racial demographic in clients housed. Doing so requires staff to perform outreach with the Colusa Office of Education and within the migrant farm community, among other groups in an attempt to bring awareness to housing programs within Colusa County. We work with and accept referrals from the Colusa First 5, an arm of the county Office of Education that operates Family Action Centers (FAC) in Colusa, Williams and Arbuckle. The FACs serve mostly Hispanic individuals and families with low-income and unmet needs. Although First 5 services are geared toward families, the FACs also provide application assistance to adults (including single adults) for programs such as CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, CalFresh and CMSP, as well as

Covered California. The FRCs also refer people to other services in the county.

Funding Plan – Question 5 – Response Ends

6. Describe how and how often performance will be measured for this intervention investment.

Funding Plan – Question 6 – Response Begins Program performance measures are checked monthly to ensure minorities are being assisted and intervention investment is being met. Along with program audits, Case Managers perform weekly meetings and are in frequent contact with customers from prior scheduled meetings, looking to assist any unmet needs. DHHS currently works with the county Jail to ensure that persons who are indigent, transient or get picked up for a low-level offense (e.g. drunk in public) are referred to DHHS for access to services. Colusa County Homeless Task Force helps brainstorm and focus on the longrange planning of combatting homelessness in the county by presenting viable and concrete solutions. Comprised of county departments, including Health and Human Services, Office of Emergency Services, Probation, the Sheriff's Office, the Environmental Health, , employment and training providers, faith-based organizations, members of the health care community, the Colusa County Office of Education, tribal partners and the U.S. Forest Service, in addition to homeless advocates.

Funding Plan – Question 6 – Response Ends

7. If this intervention investment is expected to serve youth experiencing homelessness (as defined in HSC § 50216 (k) what youth-specific best practices will be utilized to ensure they can access the services?

Funding Plan – Question 7 – Response Begins

We do not have a youth homeless shelter- we have chosen alternate housing arrangements in supported environments rather than temporarily placing youth into emergency shelter. Under this type of case management, the Case Manager will coordinate with Child Protective Services and Behavioral Health to identify safe and secure housing services.

Funding Plan – Question 7 – Response Ends

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# **Intervention Type:**

Intervention Type Response: Rental Assistance

# **Total Funds Requested:**

Total Funds Requested Response: \$8,666.00

# **HHAP Eligible Uses:**

1. Rapid rehousing

Rapid rehousing response: \$8,666.00

2. Operating subsidies

Operating subsidies response:

3. Street outreach

Street outreach response:

4. Services coordination

Services coordination response:

5. Systems support

Systems support response:

6. Delivery of permanent housing

Delivery of permanent housing response:

7. Prevention and diversion

Prevention and diversion response:

8. New navigation centers and emergency shelters

New navigation centers and emergency shelters response:

(Interim Housing Only Begins)

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Describe plan to connect residents to permanent housing Describe plan to connect residents to permanent housing response:

(Interim Housing Only Ends)

2. Describe the scale and scope of anticipated intervention model and outline the key service components expected to be provided with this funding.

Funding Plan – Question 2 – Response Begins
Keeping families in their houses will be a priority with HHAP funds. This is one way to prevent homelessness. Rental assistance will go to families who have been given notices to pay rent or vacate properties and can show economic hardship has resulted in the inability to pay rent. Colusa County will target landlords and use HHAP Round 2 funding to identify opportunities of support to landlords through risk management, mediation or master leasing. A forum to share landlord and tenant success stories will help show other landlords that it is a good idea to rent to the at risk homeless and those who are already homeless. It will create a supportive community of landlords who rent to formerly homeless tenants.

Funding Plan – Question 2 – Response Ends

3. Describe how the requested investment amount for this intervention will help your community achieve regional goals and address specific gaps in the homeless response system as identified in the regional gaps assessment.

Funding Plan – Question 3 – Response Begins
Rapid Rehousing support will go directly toward people who are immedeatly and immenently homeless. We will refer clients seeking rental assistance who are not iminently homeless to the COVID-19 Housing programs.
Funding Plan – Question 3 – Response Ends

4. Check any specific population(s) expected to be served through this intervention investment.

Funding Plan – Question 4 – Response Begins
Submitter expects to serve the following specific populations:

Adults without children
Unaccompanied Youth (12-24yr of age per definition in HHAP statute)
Chronically Homeless
Veterans

Domestic Violence Survivors
Individuals with Co-occurring Disorders (Substance Use and Mental Health)
COVID High Risk – individuals at high-risk for contracting COVID
Funding Plan – Question 4 – Response Ends

5. Describe how this intervention investment will address the disproportionate impacts of homelessness on communities of color, particularly Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander, and Native and Indigenous communities.

Funding Plan – Question 5 – Response Begins Demographic data about Colusa County shows that it is majority Hispanic and a majority of the population cannot afford the cost of the average rent in the County. Case Managers make attempts to reduce the disparity within the racial demographic in clients housed. Doing so requires staff to perform outreach with the Colusa Office of Education and within the migrant farm community, among other groups in an attempt to bring awareness to housing programs within Colusa County. We work with and accept referrals from the Colusa First 5, an arm of the county Office of Education that operates Family Action Centers (FACs) in Colusa, Williams and Arbuckle. The FACs serve mostly Hispanic individuals and families with low-income and unmet needs. Although First 5 services are geared toward families, the FACs also provide application assistance to adults (including single adults) for programs such as CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, CalFresh and CMSP, as well as Covered California. The FRCs also refer people to other services in the county.

Funding Plan – Question 5 – Response Ends

6. Describe how and how often performance will be measured for this intervention investment.

Funding Plan – Question 6 – Response Begins

Program performance measures are checked monthly to ensure minorities are being assisted and intervention investment is being met. Along with program audits, Case Managers perform weekly meetings and are in frequent contact with clients from prior scheduled meetings, looking to assist in any unmet needs. DHHS currently works with the county Jail to ensure that persons who are indigent, transient or get picked up for a low-level offense (e.g. drunk in public) are referred to DHHS for access to services. Colusa County Homeless Task Force helps brainstorm and focus on the long-range planning of combatting homelessness in the county by presenting viable and concrete solutions. Comprised of county departments, including Health and Human Services, Office of Emergency Services, Probation, the Sheriff's Office, the Environmental Health, employment and training providers, faith-based organizations, members of the health care community, the Colusa County Office of Education, tribal partners and the U.S. Forest Service, in addition to homeless advocates

Funding Plan – Question 6 – Response Ends

7. If this intervention investment is expected to serve youth experiencing homelessness (as defined in HSC § 50216 (k) what youth-specific best practices will be utilized to ensure they can access the services?

Funding Plan – Question 7 – Response Begins

We do not have a youth homeless shelter- we have chosen alternate housing arrangements in supported environments rather than temporarily placing youth into emergency shelter. Under this type of case management, the Case Manager will coordinate with Child Protective Services and Behavioral Health to identify safe and secure housing services.

Funding Plan – Question 7 – Response Ends

Submission ID: NOFA-HHAP00048

# **Intervention Type:**

Intervention Type Response: Outreach

# **Total Funds Requested:**

Total Funds Requested Response: \$2,267.00

# **HHAP Eligible Uses:**

Rapid rehousing
 Rapid rehousing response:

Operating subsidiesOperating subsidies response:

3. Street outreach

Street outreach response: \$2,267.00

4. Services coordination
Services coordination response:

5. Systems supportSystems support response:

6. Delivery of permanent housingDelivery of permanent housing response:

7. Prevention and diversion Prevention and diversion response:

8. New navigation centers and emergency shelters New navigation centers and emergency shelters response:

(Interim Housing Only Begins)

# **Demonstrated Need Data:**

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Describe plan to connect residents to permanent housing Describe plan to connect residents to permanent housing response:

(Interim Housing Only Ends)

2. Describe the scale and scope of anticipated intervention model and outline the key service components expected to be provided with this funding.

Funding Plan – Question 2 – Response Begins DHHS conducts targeted, direct and specific outreach for HHAP services, promoting the program with notices in the public areas of DHHS, flyers to current recipients of public assistance; and posters for display at partner agencies and medical providers. Outreach & Navigation Eligibility Specialists work in the community to provide information and connect those in need to Case Managers. Some of the places our outreach team goes to include Family Action Centers, Probation, Day Center Activities, Food Outreach, town hall meetings. Any public form that requires community feedback. DHHS' outreach efforts seek to educate and inform service partners and the community of HHAP and other services with hopes of referrals of potentially eligible participants. Partner agencies such as Colusa County Behavioral Health and Colusa County Family Action Centers are provided with HHAP information to educate their staff and for program promotion to their participants and seekers of services. DHHS Case Management staff directly connects with Behavioral Health and other Colusa County organizations by phone and face-to-face meetings to thoroughly convey the benefits of the program, creating a better working-team relationship where each partner has a defined and well-understood role.

Funding Plan – Question 2 – Response Ends

3. Describe how the requested investment amount for this intervention will help your community achieve regional goals and address specific gaps in the homeless response system as identified in the regional gaps assessment.

Funding Plan – Question 3 – Response Begins
Staff will be able to perform outreach at Mobile Food Drives among other
County based community activities where information can be placed. Now
that COVID-19 has closed many offices, much of this work is done online and
on social media. Recent surveys in preparation for another grant found that
there is a population in Colusa County that is not aware of the services
offered. By using HHAP 2 funding for outreach, DHHS aims to increase access

and knowledge of services and support available to the community aimed at reducing homelessness. Those seeking rent help will be directed to the COVID-19 rent relief programs.

Funding Plan – Question 3 – Response Ends

4. Check any specific population(s) expected to be served through this intervention investment.

Funding Plan – Question 4 – Response Begins

Submitter expects to serve the following specific populations:

Adults with children

Adults without children

Unaccompanied Youth (12-24yr of age per definition in HHAP statute)

**Chronically Homeless** 

**Veterans** 

Domestic Violence Survivors

Individuals with Co-occurring Disorders (Substance Use and Mental Health)

COVID High Risk – individuals at high-risk for contracting COVID

Parenting Youth

Funding Plan – Question 4 – Response Ends

5. Describe how this intervention investment will address the disproportionate impacts of homelessness on communities of color, particularly Black, Latinx, Asian, Pacific Islander, and Native and Indigenous communities.

Funding Plan – Question 5 – Response Begins

Demographic data for Colusa County shows that it is majority Hispanic and a majority of the population cannot afford the cost of the average rent in the County. Case Managers make attempts to reduce the disparity within the racial demographic in clients housed. Doing so requires staff to perform outreach with the Colusa Office of Education and within the migrant farm community, among other groups in an attempt to bring awareness to housing programs within Colusa County. We work with and accept referrals from the Colusa First 5, an arm of the county Office of Education that operates Family Action Centers (FACs) in Colusa, Williams and Arbuckle. The FACs serve mostly Hispanic individuals and families with low-income and unmet needs. Although First 5 services are geared toward families, the FACs also provide application assistance to adults (including single adults) for programs such as CalWORKs, Medi-Cal, CalFresh and CMSP, as well as Covered California. The FRCs also refer people to other services in the county.

Funding Plan – Question 5 – Response Ends

6. Describe how and how often performance will be measured for this intervention investment.

# Funding Plan – Question 6 – Response Begins

Program performance measures are checked monthly to ensure minorities are being assisted and intervention investment is being met. Along with program audits, Case Managers perform weekly meetings and are in frequent contact with clients from prior scheduled meetings, looking to assist in any unmet needs. DHHS currently works with the county Jail to ensure that persons who are indigent, transient or get picked up for a low-level offense (e.g. drunk in public) are referred to DHHS for access to services. Colusa County Homeless Task Force helps brainstorm and focus on the long-range planning of combatting homelessness in the county by presenting viable and concrete solutions. Comprised of county departments, including Health and Human Services, Office of Emergency Services, Probation, the Sheriff's Office, the Environmental Health, employment and training providers, faith-based organizations, members of the health care community, the Colusa County Office of Education, tribal partners and the U.S. Forest Service, in addition to homeless advocates

Funding Plan – Question 6 – Response Ends

7. If this intervention investment is expected to serve youth experiencing homelessness (as defined in HSC § 50216 (k) what youth-specific best practices will be utilized to ensure they can access the services?

Funding Plan – Question 7 – Response Begins

We do not have a youth homeless shelter- we have chosen Iternate housing arrangements in supported environments rather than temporarily placing youth into emergency shelter. Under this type of case management, the Case Manager will coordinate with Child Protective Services and Behavioral Health to identify safe and secure housing services.

Funding Plan – Question 7 – Response Ends

Submission ID: NOFA-HHAP00048

# **Intervention Type:**

Intervention Type Response: Services

# **Total Funds Requested:**

Total Funds Requested Response: \$1,590.00

# **HHAP Eligible Uses:**

1. Rapid rehousing

Rapid rehousing response:

2. Operating subsidies

Operating subsidies response:

3. Street outreach

Street outreach response:

4. Services coordination

Services coordination response: \$1,590.00

5. Systems support

Systems support response:

6. Delivery of permanent housing

Delivery of permanent housing response:

7. Prevention and diversion

Prevention and diversion response:

8. New navigation centers and emergency shelters

New navigation centers and emergency shelters response:

(Interim Housing Only Begins)

# **Demonstrated Need Data:**

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(Interim Housing Only Ends)

2. Describe the scale and scope of anticipated intervention model and outline the key service components expected to be provided with this funding.

Funding Plan – Question 2 – Response Begins
The Case Manager will provide full service coordination to ensure clients are able to meet obligations required to procure housing. Services will include; housing application assistance (filling out and gather all required documentation and verifications); service referrals in transportation to obtain a ID or Driver's License; accommodation and transportation to medical appointments. Once housed, Case Managers will perform 3 months of continuous care services to support clients and connection to other services that may be needed including Behavioral Health. Case Managers will evaluate the need for additional months of services on a case by case basis. Funding Plan – Question 2 – Response Ends

3. Describe how the requested investment amount for this intervention will help your community achieve regional goals and address specific gaps in the homeless response system as identified in the regional gaps assessment.

Funding Plan – Question 3 – Response Begins
Helping clients with service coordination is a whole person approach to Case
Management in that it attempts to remove all possible barriers to housing. It
connects the client with doctors to address issues stopping them from
working. They can provide support in obtaining identification needed to
complete a housing application. Case Managers work with Family Action
Centers, Colusa One Stop, Colusa County Veterans Association. If a client
wishes to increase their education, Case Managers can coordinate with

Woodland Community College and the Office of Education for GED services, and or other education opportunities.

Funding Plan – Question 3 – Response Ends

4. Check any specific population(s) expected to be served through this intervention investment.

Funding Plan – Question 4 – Response Begins

Submitter expects to serve the following specific populations:

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Adults without children

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Funding Plan – Question 4 – Response Ends

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# **Intervention Type:**

Intervention Type Response:

# **Total Funds Requested:**

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# **HHAP Eligible Uses:**

- Rapid rehousing
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#### Homelessness Response Local Investment Plan

Please refer to the following for guidance and a sample plan:

Guide to Strategic Uses of Key State and Federal Funds to Reduce Homelessness During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Use the Table below to complete the Regional Resources Guide for submittal with your HHAP application. Refer to the Sample Local Investment Plan on page 11 of the Guide to Strategic Uses of Key State and Federal Funds as an example (link above).

Applicant Name:

Colusa County

#### Part 1: Summary of Investment Plan

- Provide homeless prevention assistance to persons/households who are at risk of homelessness.
- 2. Conduct housing needs assessment and place in the coordinated entry system to prioritize shelter/housing placement.
- 3. Prioritize and assist persons that are experiencing literally homelessness with non-congregate shelter as funding and occupancy is available.

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#### Part 2: Priority and Order of Use of Funding Sources

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Funding Amount:	Funding Amount:	\$90,000.00	Funding Amount:	\$24,480.40	Funding Amount:	\$9,182.50			
Unit of Measure:	Unit of Measure:	Household	Unit of Measure:	Household	Unit of Measure:	Household			
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Continuum of Care Outcomes by Race and Ethnicity

Go to this link for an instructional video on how to complete this worksheet using Stella: <a href="https://www.loom.com/share/ebeacf98b99f4823a9db5c32e5ee012b">https://www.loom.com/share/ebeacf98b99f4823a9db5c32e5ee012b</a> [loom.com]

Applicant Name:	Colusa County		CoC Name, if dif	ferent:	Dos Rios CA-523			_								
Using data from Stella, please insert outcomes here																
	Head of Households Served in Any Project Type <sup>1</sup>		Served in Shelters & Transitional Housing <sup>2</sup>		Exiting to Permanent Housing <sup>3</sup>		Days Homeless <sup>4</sup>		Accessing Permanent Supportive Housing <sup>5</sup>		Returns to Homelessness <sup>6</sup>		Other Measure:		Other Measure:	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total	54	100%	0	#DIV/0!	31	100%	39	100%	0	#DIV/0!	17	100%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
White, Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	36	67%	0	#DIV/0!	19	61%	25	64%	0	#DIV/0!	13	76%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
White, Hispanic/Latino	14	26%	0	#DIV/0!	9	29%	11	28%	0	#DIV/0!	1	6%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
Black or African American	2	4%	0	#DIV/0!	1	3%	1	3%	0	#DIV/0!	1	6%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
Asian	1	2%	0	#DIV/0!	1	3%	1	3%	0	#DIV/0!	1	6%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	2%	0	#DIV/0!	1	3%	1	3%	0	#DIV/0!	1	6%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0	0%	0	#DIV/0!	0	0%	0	0%	0	#DIV/0!	0	0%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
Multiple Races	0	0%	0	#DIV/0!	0	0%	0	0%	0	#DIV/0!	0	0%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!
Unknown	0	0%	0	#DIV/0!	0	0%	0	0%	0	#DIV/0!	0	0%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!