



Butte Countywide Homeless Continuum of Care

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MEMORANDUM FOR: CoC Council, Members and participating Agencies

FROM: Erin Murray on behalf of Butte County
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SUBJECT: Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP)

Background

The Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP) supports delivery and coordination of health and housing services for Medi-Cal members. The local Managed Care Plans (MCPs), Anthem Blue Cross and California Health & Wellness, are making investments in Increased Street Outreach Services, Flexible Financial Assistance for Housing Lease Up, and Enhanced Housing Navigation/Services in Shelter. Through this investment process, the MCPs have made HHIP funds available to local service providers through an application process coordinated by the CoC.

On December 12, 2022, following the December 2022 CoC Council meeting, the CoC made the HHIP application available via email to CoC membership. Applications were due electronically no later than December 19, 2022 at 5pm.

A total of 16 applications were received: 5 for Increased Street Outreach Services, 5 for Flexible Financial Assistance for Housing Lease Up, and 6 for Enhanced Housing Navigation/Services in Shelter.

In accordance with the CoC Review and Ranking Policy, a committee of 5 individuals reviewed, scored, and ranked all applications. Ranking and project summaries are included in this memo. Final funding decisions are at the sole discretion of Anthem Blue Cross and California Health & Wellness.

Project Rankings

Street Outreach

Agency		Amount Requested	Project Description
1.)	Help Central, Inc.	\$70,000	To expand 211 intake, assessment, and referral system to identify social determinants of health needs for Butte County residents experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness.
2.)	Oroville Southside Community Improvement Association	\$40,320	To support Haven of Hope on Wheels District Supervisor salary.
3.)	True North Housing Alliance, Inc.	\$200,000	To support the street outreach program in order to mitigate the barriers those experiencing homelessness face in accessing services - including transportation and field assessments.
4.)	Safe Space Winter Shelter, Inc.	\$109,855	To fund supplies for the Street Outreach program, a physical location for day operations, and personnel costs for program oversight and development.
5.)	Restoring Our Community	\$263,000	To provide outreach to identify and address the unique needs of those experiencing homelessness in Oroville.

Flexible Financial Assistance

Agency		Amount Requested	Project Description
1.)	Jesus Center	\$28,800	To provide a sliding subsidy for those transitioning from shelter to housing.
2.)	Oroville Community Improvement Association	\$72,801	To provide rental subsidies for residents of the Haven of Hope Housing Program as well as to support the Program Director's salary.
3.)	Chico Housing Action Team	\$250,000	To provide rental subsidies to enable residents to pay no more than 30% of their income for rent.
4.)	Oroville Rescue Mission	\$200,000	To provide move-in costs, security deposits, application fees, landlord incentives, and furniture for those transitioning from shelter to housing.
5.)	Restoring Our Community	\$300,000	To provide rental assistance to individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless.

Enhanced Navigation

Agency		Amount Requested	Project Description
1.)	Jesus Center	\$156,260	To expand case management to conduct more intensive case management and ensure availability to shelter participants in need.
2.)	Community Action Agency	\$215,550	To support operation at the Esplanade House. Support includes child development, family self-sufficiency, comprehensive case management, and other services.
3.)	Chico Housing Action Team	\$250,000	To support operations at Everhart Village. Everhart Village will provide 20 sleeping cabins and intensive case management to individuals in order to transition them to safe and permanent housing.
4.)	True North Housing Alliance, Inc.	\$500,000	To support navigation services at the Torres Shelter including specialized case management, mental health and substance use disorder counseling, assistance with housing applications, and more.
5.)	Home + Heart	\$25,000	To support the home sharing program in order to appropriately place people experiencing homelessness with those with space available within their home.
6.)	Northern California Community Development Corp	\$84,000	To support operating funds for program participants that are unable to pay to enroll in Victory Village-Roseben House sober living environment.