PUBLIC NOTICE COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program, Round 5 (HHAP-5)

The County of San Joaquin and the San Joaquin Continuum of Care are pleased to announce the availability of funds under Round 5 of the State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) program. Funds must be used to pay for costs associated with eligible activities as described in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) released by the California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH, formerly the California Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council) in September 2023. HHAP program administration has since moved from Cal ICH to the California Department of Housing and Community Development. All applicants for funding under this local NOFA must propose projects which serve people experiencing homelessness and demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the HHAP program and the State of California. Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the information available at the HHAP program website (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-and-funding/programs-active/homeless-housing-assistance-and-prevention-grant-program) prior to preparing their application.

The funding allocations for HHAP-5 were as follows:

| Entity | Total Allocation | Percentage |
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| San Joaquin County | \$3,385,598.02 | 49% |
| San Joaquin Continuum of Care | \$3,528,828.17 | 51% |
| HHAP-5 Total: | \$6,914,426.19 | |

Applicants may apply for funding under this local NOFA for allocations from either or both the County of San Joaquin and the San Joaquin Continuum of Care and must clearly indicate which source(s) are being applied for and the exact amounts. Per statute Health and Safety Code Section 50234(f), projects must provide housing and services that are Housing First compliant, and delivered in a low barrier, trauma informed, and culturally responsive manner. Funding must also align with state designated priorities for sustaining existing investments and prioritizing permanent housing solutions. At their regular meeting of March 14, 2024, the San Joaquin Continuum of Care Board of Directors adopted local funding priorities for HHAP Round 5 following an extensive process of community-wide engagement and consensus building. Applicants under this local NOFA must propose projects which conform to the local funding plan for HHAP Round 5. Below is the list of project types and eligible activities for which local organizations may apply, reflecting the local HHAP Round 5 funding plan approved by the San Joaquin Continuum of Care and Cal ICH:

Permanent Housing:

- Operating Subsidies-Permanent Housing in existing affordable or supportive housing units, emergency shelters, and navigation centers. Operating subsidies may include operating reserves;
- Delivery of Permanent Housing and Innovative Solutions improvement, maintenance or renovation of land or building being used as permanent housing;
- Rapid Rehousing a time limited, permanent housing program, inclusive of wrap-around services including rental subsidies, landlord incentives, security deposits, holding fees, funding for needed repairs and/or move in expenses;
- o Prevention and Shelter Diversion for those at risk of becoming unsheltered.

Support safe alternatives to shelter and/or remain safely housed at their current residence;

Interim Housing:

 Operating Subsidies-Interim Housing - in existing affordable or supportive housing units, emergency shelters, and navigation centers. Operating subsidies may include operating reserves;

Service Provision and Systems Support:

- Street Outreach to assist persons experiencing homelessness to access permanent housing and services;
- Services Coordination may include access to workforce, education, and training programs, or other services needed to promote housing stability in supportive housing;
- Systems Support such as (HMIS, regional planning and coordination, assessments and ongoing data analytics).

Additionally, California Health and Safety Code Section 50218.7(e) requires that at least 10 percent of funds be used for services for homeless youth populations, which are defined as unaccompanied youth who are between 12 and 24 years old and experiencing homelessness.

An application for the use of HHAP-5 funds can be obtained on San Joaquin County's Human Services Agency Neighborhood Preservation website at https://www.sigov.org/department/hsa/neighborhood-preservation/home beginning November 14, 2025. Applications may be submitted electronically via pdf file to fiscalneighborhood@sigov.org or dropped off at the Neighborhood Preservation Division, 400 East Main Street, Stockton, CA 95202. Completed applications must be received by December 19, 2025, no later than 4:00pm at the above email or office address. If application is submitted via email, please ensure that you obtain a confirmation response that the application has been received.

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