



Informational Item: No Place Like Home Board Letter

The No Place Like Home (NPLH) Program was signed into legislation by Governor Brown on July 1, 2016 and dedicates up to \$2 billion in bond proceeds which will provide loans and grants to counties investing in permanent supportive housing for persons who are in need of mental health services and are experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness, or are at risk-of chronic homelessness within their jurisdiction.

Technical Assistance: The County of San Diego is eligible for a \$150,000 grant for Technical Assistance (TA). NPLH Program TA Grants will be awarded to counties to fund eligible activities that support the planning, design and implementation of Coordinated Entry Systems, permanent supportive housing and the accompanying supportive services for individuals suffering from serious mental illness. Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS) applied for TA Grant funding in July 2017, and is currently awaiting the NPLH TA Grant Award package.

Program Funds: There are three allocation of funds, of which the County is potentially eligible for two. Based on the proportion of homeless population (as determined by the latest Point in Time Count), the County is eligible for an estimated \$130 million from the NPLH Program Alternative Process allocation of funds. In addition, under the NPLH Program, the County of San Diego is eligible for an estimated \$13.7 million in the distribution program allocation of funds.

Alternative Process Allocation: This is a designation given by State HCD to counties with at least 5 percent of the state's homeless population that can demonstrate capacity to directly administer program funds. Based on the latest Point in Time Count, it is estimated the County is eligible for up to \$130 million.

Noncompetitive Allocation: This is a distribution program in which State HCD will distribute, on an over-the counter-basis, an amount not to exceed \$200 million. The allocation formula is based on the number of homeless residents in in the County of San Diego, the County is estimated to receive approx. \$13.7 million in Noncompetitive funds.

HCDS intends to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC) to administer the NPLH Program. In March 2018, HCDS intends to request Board of Supervisors authority to enter into the MOA with the SDHC and also to obtain specific authorizing resolutions, as directed by State HCD, to apply for and receive NPLH Program funds.

The first half of 2018 would see HCDS and SDHC begin to lay the foundation for community/stakeholder outreach, and development and issuance of a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The second half of the year would see HCDS and SDHC submit selected proposals and required documentation to State HCD for approval and funding. The State HCD NOFA is tentatively scheduled to be released in summer of 2018 but anticipated not to be released until the fourth quarter of calendar year 2018.