

# RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO *June 16, 2021* 



## WELCOME





# MEETING REMINDERS

#### •TEAMS FEATURES

- · Default audio is mute
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- Chat Box

#### •MEETING FORMAT

- Formalized Board Procedures
- Presentation of Agenda Items
- Comment Process

#### **•BOARD ACTIONS**

- Roll Call- attendance and comment voting
- Open and Close Meeting





### **WELCOME**

- RAB Overview
- Roll Call/Call to Order

### INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Fair Housing
- Housing Authority Budget
- Emergency Housing Vouchers

**PUBLIC COMMENT** 

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT** 

# Call to Order





## FAIR HOUSING PRESENTATION



Fair Housing Protections, Covid Updates, and Eviction Protections

Fair Housing Services

# Legal Aid Society of San Diego, Inc.

(844) 449-3500

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## FY2021-22 RECOMMENDED BUDGET



### HOUSING AUTHORITY

**OPERATIONS** 

**PROGRAMS** 

**BUDGET** 

### **EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHER PROGRAM**



Section 3202 of the American Rescue Plan provides funding for new vouchers to assist the most vulnerable residents impacted by Covid-19

## HOW MANY VOUCHERS



# 264 EHVs

Fees for Costs and Services

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE



### **INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILY'S WHO ARE:**

- Experiencing Homelessness
- At Risk of Experiencing Homelessness
- Fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; or who
- Recently homeless and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or prevent having high risk of housing instability

# WAIVERS AND ALTERNATIVES



### HOW ARE EHVS DIFFERENT FROM HCVS?

- Not Subject to Income Targeting
- Flexibility with some verification and HQS requirements
- Greater limits on denial of admission
- Flexibility with initial search and lease terms
- Fewer move restrictions
- Exception Payment Standards

# ACCESSING EHVS



HACSD will work with the Regional Task Force on the Homeless (RFTH) to Prioritize Referrals

### Referral Based

- Coordinated Entry System (CES)
  - Eligible applicants will be referred through the CES
  - Individuals can apply through 211 and Coordinated Entry Access Points
  - Referrals to HACSD will be based on a priority hierarchy to ensure the most vulnerable households are assisted first
- Priorities take into consideration health risks that Covid-19 posed to a specified sub-group of families within the eligibility group
  - Individuals living in environments most challenging to taking preventive measures

## **PRIORITIES**



- The Housing Authority:
  - May establish different preferences for EHV
  - Coordinates with the Regional Task Force on the Homeless to establish priority groups that would most benefit from an EHV

# INITIAL LEASING SERVICES



### LEASING ASSISTANCE SERVICES

- Housing Navigation
  - Help find and visit available units
    - Transportation
    - Working with Leasing Office
  - Fee Assistance
    - Example: Credit Check or Application Fees
  - Application Process
    - Applications, forms, and Documentation
- Security Deposits
  - Landlord payments to help with required security deposits

## POINTS OF INTEREST



- EHV is a time restricted program and HACSD may not re-issue EHVs after 9/30/23
- Applicants have access to services to expedite the intake process, finding and leasing a unit, and maintaining housing stability through a menu of services and resource referrals
- HUD monitors program success and may either award additional vouchers or recapture unleased vouchers after a period of time

# COMMENTS



# REFERENCES/RESOURCES



- HACSD website: www.sdhcd.org
  - News, Plans, Policies and Reports
  - Announcements
  - Rental Assistance
  - Resident Advisory Board