COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY HOMELESS COALITION







of San Bernardino County



BACKGROUND



The formation of the Homeless Coalition was initiated in the late 1980's when extreme cold weather conditions forced the County to take a close look at its problem of homelessness. Arctic conditions hit Southern California in the winter of 1988/1989. The County's geographical size and diversity, along with a fragmented service delivery system and inadequate shelters, further compounded the problem. In December 1988, area shelters were overflowing due to severe cold weather. Although the County released \$50,000 in

emergency funds for motel vouchers, they were expensive and quickly spent and many homeless still had to be turned away. A Governor's Executive Order allowed National



Guard armories to be opened as shelters, but San Bernardino County chose not to invoke the order and open the armories due to the costs of staffing, equipment, and liability. This decision sparked severe criticism through the press, and County officials realized they needed a more coordinated approach to serve the homeless population.

In the spring of 1989 a Homeless Task Force was formed, led by CAPSBC (formerly known as CSD), comprised of County departments that directly or indirectly served the homeless. The pri-

mary responsibility of the Task Force was to prepare for the winter of 1989-90 and develop a

Cold Weather Plan. A plan was developed to provide emergency shelter for the homeless during the cold weather season, October 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990. The media participated by publicizing the services available. The Cold Weather Plan was implemented effectively and efficiently, providing 16,000 shelter nights for the winter of 1989-90. Although the Task Force was not a resolution to the problem of homelessness in San Bernardino County, it did improve coor-





dination and communication among County departments, city agencies, and faith and community based organizations. It also raised community awareness of homelessness and identified the need for an ongoing strategy for addressing the problem.

Taking the Task Force a step further, on February 26, 1991, a Public Hearing on Homelessness was held at the County Government Center in San Bernardino. The goal of the public hearing was to improve the coordination of services to San Bernardino County's homeless population through information sharing, problem identification, and planning. The number one recommendation as a result of the Public Hearing was for the establishment of a Countywide Homeless Network. The recommendation called for the establishment of a Homeless Policy Council

that would include a member of the County Board of Supervisors with appointed representatives to provide leadership in the development of comprehensive



lished under the Department of Public Social Services in 1991. In October 1993, it was placed under the direction of Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County (CAPSBC), the Community Action Agency for San Bernardino County. In November 2002, CAPSBC conducted the first comprehensive street count and survey of homeless in an Bernardino County. While not a direct service entity, the Homeless Coalition provides information to homeless persons regarding shelters, transitional housing programs, alcohol and drug rehab programs, and The Coalition convenes regular other resources. monthly meetings of the Next Steps Homeless Task Force, and quarterly meetings of the Homeless Coalition Policy Council. In July 2003, CAPSBC was reorganized as a 501 c(3) public benefit corporation.

and coordinated services. Thus, the San Bernardino County Homeless Coalition (SBCHC) was formed. In addition, a non-profit arm, Homeless Coalition Resources, Inc. (HCRI), was established as the vehicle for fund raising for the Homeless Coalition. The purpose of HCRI is to solicit, inventory, and distribute needed resources and services to homeless and near homeless families/individuals within San Bernardino County.

The Homeless Coalition was originally estab-



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accomplishments

Since its inception the Homeless Coalition, primarily under the direction of CAPSBC, has made significant accomplishments, as listed below.

Date	Event
February 1992	Countywide homeless survey which revealed 3,081 homeless persons; severe undercount due to weather conditions
November 1992	Second attempt at homeless survey, utilizing Cal State students and volunteers; approx. 3,000 homeless were counted
January 30, 1994	Conference on homelessness at University of Redlands – "The War on Homelessness"
January 31, 1995	Conference on homelessness at Cal State San Bernardino – "The War on Homelessness II – Are We Winning?"
October 1995	First annual Homeless Care Faire held at Samaritan Social Services in
June 1996	San Bernardino; approx. 800 homeless served Conference on homelessness at Cal State San Bernardino – "Empowering Through Education"
October 1996	Second Homeless Care Faire held again at Samaritan Social Services; approx. 850 homeless served.
March 1997	Random survey of the homeless performed by community based volunteers and spearheaded by CAPSBC and Cal State San Bernardino; 2,254 homeless counted
April 1998	Third Homeless Care Faire held at Social Action Clinic (SAC) on former Norton Air Force Base; approx. 1,000 homeless served
April 2000	Fourth Homeless Care Faire held at SAC Clinic; approx. 700 homeless served
October 17, 2001	Fourth conference on homelessness held at University of Redlands – "United for Solutions – Homelessness: It's About US"
Nov. 13, 2002	Fifth Homeless Care Faire held at SAC Clinic on former Norton Air Force Base; 500 men, 600 women, and 441 children – a total of 1,541 persons served
August 2002	CAPSBC retained firm of Applied Survey Research to perform first ever comprehensive home- less survey and census for San Bernardino County.
November 2002	Comprehensive street count and survey of homeless in San Bernardino County
Jan. 25, 2003	First High Desert Homeless Care Faire held at Barstow College; approx. 600 homeless served
March 26, 2003	Fifth conference on homelessness held at Ontario Hilton, Ontario, CA – "Restoring Dignity and Hope for the Homeless"
July 14, 2003	Results of 2003 Homeless Census and Survey released; press conference held at County Gov- ernment Center
Sept. 25, 2003	"Next Steps" Task Force kick-off meeting held at San Bernardino Diocese as follow-up to Homeless Census; 64 persons in attendance; press conference held after kick-off meeting.

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Oct. 22, 2003	Next Steps Task Force meeting held force were drafted; five subcommittee
Nov. 12, 2003	Sixth Homeless Care Faire held in S served, 577 of whom were children.
Jan. 29, 2004	Mayor's Summit on Homelessness h Eight mayors in attendance or repres homeless statistics; information on H velop a Ten Year Plan to End Homel
Jan. 31, 2004	Second High Desert Homeless Care served.
March 2004	CAPSBC engages Polis Consulting (behalf of San Bernardino County Co
April 2004	CAPSBC worked with Los Angeles E Sight" project aimed at providing free children; 706 children were screened
Jan. 25, 2005	CAPSBC notified by Dept. of Housin to implement Homeless Managemen HUD grantees.
	CAPSBC also notified of award of \$1 vices Center
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June 24, 2005	Third High Desert Homeless Care Fa approx. 800 homeless served.
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May 2006	Homeless Management Information Housing and Urban Development; 14
June 21-23, 2006	Staff participates with 120 representation fornia's Ten Year Plan to End Chroni
October 2006	CAPSBC issued Request for Propos Count of homeless in San Bernarding
Dec. 2006	"No Place to Call Home" video prese ject.
Feb. 27-28, 2007	CAPSBC engages Applied Survey R 2007 Point in Time Count of the hom
March 23, 2007	CAPSBC engaged Polis Consulting Dept. of Housing and Urban Develop Bernardino County Continuum of Ca
April <mark>16,</mark> 2007	Technical assistance workshop for 2

Event

d at San Bernardino Diocese; Guiding Principles for the task ees formed. Bi-monthly meetings held after this meeting.

San Bernardino at SAC Clinic Norton; 1,927 homeless

held through working with CAPSBC and Homeless Coalition. esented. CAPSBC presented PowerPoint presentation of Homeless Coalition; and federal mandate for cities to deelessness.

e Faire held at Barstow College; approx. 1,000 homeless

Group to prepare 2004 HUD Super NoFA application on ontinuum of Care.

Eye Institute and LensCrafters Foundation to sponsor "Gift of e eye exams and eyeglasses to homeless and low-income ed, and 529 received eyeglasses.

ng and Urban Development (HUD) of an award of \$750,477 nt Information System (HMIS) for San Bernardino County

1.9 million to implement a one-stop Integrated Social Ser-

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aire held in city of Victorville at old Bank of America building;

Group to prepare 2006 HUD Super NoFA application on ontinuum of Care.

System (HMIS) implemented as mandated by Dept. of 4 agencies initially participated.

tatives from throughout California in developing draft of Calinic Homelessness; meetings held in Monterey, CA.

sals to engage a qualified firm to conduct 2007 Point in Time no County.

entation released as part of national Homeless Connect pro-

Research and works with them to coordinate and perform neless in San Bernardino County as mandated by HUD.

Group to prepare 2007 HUD Super NoFA application to pment for homeless assistance funding on behalf of San are

2007 HUD Super NoFA proposals held at CAPSBC.

HISTORY OF HUD HOMELESS ASSISTANCE FUNDING FOR SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Super NoFA 1997:

21 Projects submitted, totaling \$12,378,045 6 Projects funded, totaling \$4,068,051 <u>Super NoFA 1998:</u>

10 Projects submitted, totaling \$4,248,023 10 Projects funded, totaling \$4,132,523 Super NoFA 1999:

12 Projects submitted, totaling \$8,905,223 7 Projects funded, totaling \$4,482,524

Super NoFA 2000:

10 Projects submitted, totaling \$5,989,251 Only two renewal projects funded, totaling \$1,100,511

Super NoFA 2001:

10 Projects funded, totaling \$4,416,517 Super NoFA 2002:

12 Projects submitted, totaling \$8,259,075 6 Projects funded, totaling \$5,196,488

Super NoFA 2003:

17 Projects submitted, totaling \$15,595,038

8 renewals funded (out of supplemental), totaling \$1,323,041

Super NoFA 2004:

19 Projects submitted, totaling \$8, 485,080

16 projects funded, totaling \$7,762,515

Super NoFA 2005:

15 Projects submitted, totaling \$5,964,844

13 projects funded, totaling \$5,546,901

Super NoFA 2006:

12 Projects submitted, totaling \$6,742,4178 projects funded, totaling \$923,155

<u>Super NoFA 2007:</u>

13 Projects submitted, totaling \$6,737,360

Total from 1997 to 2006: \$39,000,000

2007 HUD HOMELESS ASSISTANCE APPLICANTS

Applicant Name	Project Name	Requested Project Amount	Term
Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino	Samaritan Bonus Project New Horizons II	\$851,700	5
Central City Lutheran Mission	Permanent Housing for HIV + Homeless Persons	\$230,382	3
Foothill Family Shelter, Inc.	Foothill Family Shelter, Inc.	\$102,375	3
Frazee Community Center	Homeless Veteran's Program	\$78,750	3
Inland Temporary Homes	HART to Heart	\$256,346	2
Inland Temporary Homes	Social Service Outreach Program for Home- less Families	\$138,804	2
Inland Behavioral Health Services	Project Home Again	\$367,063	1
New Hope Village	Supportive Housing Program	\$133,350	2
Central City Lutheran Mission	St. Martin's House	\$35,344	2
Inland County Legal Services	Legal Education & Advocacy Project (LEAP) Expansion	\$163,623	3
Inland Temporary Homes	Infinite Horizons	\$1,274,506	3
Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino	New Horizons II	\$2,354,640	5
Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County	Homeless Management Information System	\$750,477	3
Requeste	d Amount for CoC Competitive Projects:	\$6,737,360	

Note: The 2007 HUD Homeless Assistance application was submitted on June 15, 2007. That funding is pending award notification which is usually released by HUD towards the end of 2007 or early 2008.

Name of Grantee Or- ganization	Address	Phone #	Project Description	Amount of Award
Cedar House Rehabilitation Center	18612 Santa Anna Bloomington, CA 92316	(909) 421-7120	**Permanent housing project for homeless persons with disabilities due to drug and alcohol abuse. Propose to lease hotel complex to pro- vide studio size housing units and provide supportive services. Will accommodate 25 persons at a given time.	2001 \$ 942,042
Central City Lutheran Mission	1354 North "G" Street San Bernardino, CA 92405	(909) 381-6921	Permanent Housing Projects: for homeless persons with HIV/AIDS	1999 \$ 487,632 2001 \$ 539,952 2003 \$ 76,794 2004 \$ 76,794
			St. Martin's House: Transitional Housing for persons with HIV/AIDS	2005 \$ 76,794 2006 \$ 76,794
			Renewal Project originally funded in 2001 -transitional and permanent housing projects for homeless persons with HIV/AIDS.	1998 \$ 63,514 2003 \$ 17,671 2004 \$ 17,671 2005 \$ 17,671
Coachella Valley Housing Coalition	45-701 Monroe St G, Plaza 1	(760) 347-3157	** SRO Project 100 Single Room Occupancy Units for homeless peo-	2004\$ 76,794 2005\$ 81,984 2006\$ 76,794 2005 \$2,936,640
Community Action Partnership of	Indio,, CA 92201 696 South Tippecanoe Ave	(909) 723-1522	ple. Case Management Program: Supportive Services only (SSO) for	1997 \$ 370,249
Communuy Action Farinersmp of San Bernardino County (CAPSBC)	San Bernardino, CA 92415	(909) 723-1322	<i>the services only (SSO) for homeless families</i> <i>**Integrated Social Services Mall: Supportive Services only (SSO) for</i>	2004 \$1,900,000
			*Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	2004 \$1,900,000
Docart Manua Ministrica	200 N. Einst Augurto	(750) 256 7707		2004 \$ 750,477
Desert Manna Ministries Foothill Family Shelter	209 N. First Avenue Barstow, CA 92311 1501 West Ninth St., Suite D	(760) 256-7797 (909) 920-5568	Emergency shelter, job training; clothing; food; life skills training. 50 beds Transitional housing project for families	2000 \$ 217,267 1998 \$ 103,750
	Upland, CA 91786		*Renewal Project originally funded in 1998 -renewed in 2001; transi-	2001 \$ 110,000 2002 \$ 68,250
			tional housing project for families. 32 beds	2004 \$ 34,125 2005 \$ 34,125 2006 \$ 34,125
Fontana Native American Indian Center	9232 Sierra Avenue Fontana, CA 92335	(909) 574-9660	Project targets homeless American Indians, but serves anyone who is homeless: Transitional housing, supportive services, case manage-	1998 \$ 841,837
			ment, and employment training.	2003 \$ 249,286
Frazee Community Center	1140 W. Mill Street San Bernardino, CA 92412	(909) 889-4424	Supportive Services and case management for homeless veterans in transitional housing	1999 \$ 78,750 2003 \$ 26,250
			*Renewal SHP Project originally funded in 1999 -transitional housing and services for veterans.	2004 \$ 26,250 2005 \$ 26,250 2006 \$ 26,250
Hope Through Housing Foundation	8265 Aspen Street, Suite 100 Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730	(909) 941-3417	Transitional housing program for homeless families. (operational and services)	2002 \$ 258,451
Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino/Dept. of Behavioral Health	237 W. Mill Street San Bernardino, CA 92408	(909) 388-4587	*Permanent Housing (through vouchers) for homeless mental illness, dual-diagnosis, and other disabilities	1997 \$1,363,800 1999 \$ 885,300 2002 \$2,727,000
Inland AIDS Project	1963 North "E" Street San Bernardino, CA 92405	(909) 881-6146	Transitional Housing and Supportive Services for homeless men liv- ing with HIV/AIDS	1998 \$ 220,500
Inland Behavioral and Health Ser- vices	1963 North "E" Street San Bernardino, CA 92405	(909) 881-6146	Renewal Project originally funded in 1998 ; renewed in 2001; suppor- tive services outreach project Outreach project for homeless families and individuals.	2004 \$ 367,063 2005 \$ 367,063 2006 \$ 367,063
Inland Behavioral Services	612 Lawton Street Redlands, CA 92374	(909) 792-9626	"Project Home Again" - Provision of supportive services such as health care, mental care, mental health treatment, domestic violence intervention, counseling, and substance abuse services to homeless individuals and families. Targeted population will be those living in temporary shelters, sober living environments, emergency shelters, local parks, on the street, or in their cars.	1998 \$1,048,756 2001 \$1,101,195
Inland Counties Legal Services	1337 Atlanta Ave. Suite H-3 Riverside, CA 92507	(951) 368-2540	* Project to provide Legal Education and Advocacy to the homeless.	2005 \$115,184
Inland Temporary Homes	P.O. Box 239 Loma Linda, CA 92354	(909) 796-6381	*Transitional Housing - Renewal Project originally funded in 1998; renewed in 2001; transitional housing for homeless families. 25 beds	2004 \$ 69,402 2005 \$ 138,804 2006 \$ 138,804
			HART to Heart - Supportive services to families in transitional hous- ing program: case management, counseling, life skill, and other ser- vices.	1998 \$ 235,748 2001 \$ 208,206 2002 \$ 512,694 2005 \$ 128,173
Institute for Urban Research and Development (IURD)	840 Echo Park Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90026	(213) 446-6700	*SRO Project - permanent housing for chronically homeless individu- als with substance abuse and mental health disorders.	2004 \$2,192,400
Knotts Family Agency	1505 W. Highland Avenue San Bernardino, CA 92411	(909) 880-0600	**SHP Project new construction, supportive services, operational costs for transitional housing program for homeless women and children .	2004 \$ 420,000
Los Angeles Veterans Initiative	733 S. Hendry Avenue Inglewood, CA 90301	(310) 348-7600	Inland Empire Veterans Treatment Program, March AF Base - serves 35 homeless veterans in a residential addiction recovery program, with supportive services.	1999 \$ 883,516 2001 \$ 672,224

**Project not implemented

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				Award
Mary's Mercy Center, Inc.	P.O. Box 7563 San Bernardino, CA 92411	(909) 889-2558	New: construction project for transitional housing for pregnant women who are homeless.	2002 \$1,070,927
Morongo Basin Mental Health Pano- rama Ranch	P.O. Box 335 Joshua Tree, CA 92252	(760) 365-3022 X 780	Permanent housing - serves homeless individuals with disabilities due to the use of alcohol and drugs. Provides permanent supportive hous- ing where individuals can live in a clean and sober environment, receive counseling, mental health evaluations, medications, etc., and live independently.	2001 \$ 262,817
			Renewal Project originally funded in 2001; transitional housing and supportive services for homeless with substance abuse problems. Provides 14 beds	2004 \$ 87,606
New Hope Village	203 W. Fredrick's Barstow, CA 92311	(760) 256-3656	Transitional housing project for families and individuals	1997 \$272,034
			*Renewal Project originally funded in 1997 -transitional housing with supportive services for homeless families and individuals	2003 \$ 66,675 2004 \$ 66,675 2005 \$ 66,675 2006 \$ 66,675
Operation Grace	1595 Art Townsend Dr. San Bernardino, CA 92408	(909) 382-8540	Supportive services to transitional housing project. Expansion of case management services, on-site counseling center, nutrition counseling, healthcare, etc.	1998 \$ 157,500 2001 \$ 160,124
Option House, Inc.	P.O. Box 970 San Bernardino, CA 92402- 0970	(909) 381-3471	Transitional housing for victims of domestic violence; also provides supportive services to help clients toward self-sufficiency.	1998 \$ 186,669 2001 \$ 176,664
Pomona Inland Valley Council of Churches	1753 N. Park Avenue Pomona, CA 91768	(909) 629-3743	Propose to purchase Park side Housing Complex from the City of Ontario to operate a transitional housing program for homeless fami- lies, and provide case management and supportive services. This is a collaboration of other agencies such as H.O.P.E., Inland Mediation Board, and others.	2001 \$ 243, 293
"Priority Springs" – Guadalupe Homes	1460 E. Cooley Dr. Colton, CA 92325	(909) 986-6154	A project for youths who have been evicted from foster care providers throughout the U.S.; transitional housing and supportive services for up to 2 years.	1997 \$ 830,812
Provisional Accelerated Learning Center (PAL)	2450 Blake Street San Bernardino, CA 92411	(909) 887-7002	Operation Safe Harbor - Transitional housing for homeless male youths who have children. Project would teach them parenting skills, job skills, how to provide for a family, etc.	1997 \$ 575,305 1999 \$ 889,996 2000 \$ 882,884
Provisional Educational Services, Inc. - Operation Safe Harbor	2450 Blake Street San Bernardino, CA 92411	(909) 887-7002	*Renewal Project originally funded in 1997; transitional housing and services for homeless youth that aged out of foster care.	2003 \$ 292,553
Salvation Army	746 West Fifth Street San Bernardino, CA 92410	(909) 884-2364	"Path to Prosperity" project - Acquisition and rehab of a single struc- ture to provide housing and supportive services to single homeless individuals. Primary focus is education and job training.	1998 \$ 622,567 1999 \$ 321,851
			*Renewal Project originally funded in 1998 - transitional housing and supportive services for homeless men.	2003 \$ 158,522
San Bernardino County Dept. of Be- havioral Health Office of Alcohol & Drug Programs	805 Foothill Blvd Rialto, CA 92376	(909) 421- 9254	"Project Transition" - Tenant based rental assistance units and sup- portive services for families with severely mentally ill members. Some units designated for dually-diagnosed persons.	1997 \$ 655,851

St. John of God Health Care Services	13333 Palmdale Rd. Victorville, CA 92392	(760) 241-4917	Transitional housing with Supportive Services for persons in drug/alcohol recovery *Renewal Project originally funded 1998; Transitional housing; case management; language; crafts traditional American Indian culture.	2004 \$ 311,960 2005 \$ 311,960 2003 \$ 311,960
Superior Image Economic Develop- ment Corp.	249 W. Foothill Blvd. Rialto, CA 92376	(909) 879-2942	Provide transitional housing and supportive services to homeless women with children in the West End of the County. Expand project by adding an additional facility for housing.	1998 \$ 651,682
Victor Valley Domestic Violence, Inc.	P.O. Box 2825 Victorville, CA 92392	(760) 955-8010	Transitional housing for women and children who are victims of domestic violence *Renewal SHP Project originally funded in 2002; transitional housing for victims of domestic violence (women and children) Provides 116 beds	2002 \$ 559,166 2004 \$ 276,379 2005 \$ 829,137

Super NoFA Total to Date: \$38,952,226

*Currently Funded

**Project not implemented

CAPSBC HOMELESS COALITION

San Bernardino Homeless Coalition Policy Council

The Homeless Coalition Policy Council provides leadership in creating a comprehensive countywide network of service delivery to the homeless by facilitating better communication and planning among all entities that provide services in San Bernardino County.

"Next Task Force"

"Next Steps Task Force" is a collaboration of approximately 60 independent, homeless-serving organizations from various communities of San Bernardino County. The Task Force meets monthly, and coordinates activities through subcommittees that focus on particular sets of solutions. Subcommittees include Housing, Homeless Management Information System, Access to Transportation, Political Partnership and 10-Year Plan.

San Bernardino County Continuum of Care

Since 1997, the San Bernardino County Continuum of Care (CoC) has received \$39 million from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for 50 projects that provide assistance to homeless families and individuals in San Bernardino County.

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County was awarded a grant to implement a computerized social services database system to track unduplicated homeless clients, and to improve the delivery of services to the homeless population in San Bernardino County.

Homeless Census and Survey Report of San Bernardino County

On July 14, 2003 the first comprehensive Homeless Census and Survey of San Bernardino County, California was published. On any given night in San Bernardino County there are between 5,270 and 8,351 individuals who are homeless. A new Homeless Census and Survey was conducted on February 27-28, 2007.

San Bernardino Homeless Resources, Inc.

Homeless Coalition Resources, Inc. (HCRI) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation designed to accept monetary gifts, hard assets, and in-kind contributions of services or goods from individuals, public sector agencies, private sector organizations, or community-based non-profit organizations. The purpose of HCRI is to solicit, inventory, and distribute needed resources and services to homeless and near homeless families/individuals within San Bernardino County.

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