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California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Event	Date	Notes
HDIS Connect	April 29, 2026	Cal ICH will host a learning session for HMIS administrators.
Advisory Committee Meeting	May 6, 2026	
Council Meeting	June 3, 2026	

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
2.A.14	Develop policies, procedures, and recommendations on how to effectively coordinate the work to prevent and end homelessness in California through the convening of quarterly Council and Advisory Committee (AC) meetings.	The Advisory Committee held a meeting on February 4 th and included a discussion on the implementation of the upcoming California Housing and Homelessness Agency, which becomes operational July 1, 2026, and on Medi-Cal interventions and innovations. Information on Advisory Committee and Council meetings can be found on this webpage: https://bcsh.ca.gov/calich/meetings/
2.A.15	Regularly collaborate with state partners to provide resources and guidance on their work to prevent and end homelessness. Develop Understanding of the barriers state partners face in implementing homelessness programs effectively and elevate to the Council.	Cal ICH staff meet monthly with Council department staff to discuss relevant strategic investments and action items from the Action Plan. Discussions focus on measuring outcomes, defining success for different initiatives, and opportunities for support or improvement.
2.C.26	Align state funding and program elements such as definitions, timelines, and reporting requirements, across departments and agencies in order to reduce administrative burden on applicants.	In August 2025, Cal ICH paused the working groups and performed a review of opportunities for collaboration across existing groups within the state structure addressing homelessness. Recommendations as a result of this analysis were presented at the December 3 rd Council meeting. The working group pause will continue as Cal ICH prepares to become a new department on July 1, 2026, under the newly established California Housing and Homelessness Agency. A copy of the

		December 3rd meeting and recording can be found here .
2.C.27	Assess and monitor compliance with California Housing First statute for state-funded programs among Council departments and agencies.	There are currently 34 state funded programs across 8 agencies and departments required to implement the Housing First statute (WIC Section 8255- 8256). Cal ICH continues to meet with state departments to provide recommendations to strengthen the inclusion of Housing First policies within program guidelines.
2.C.28	Maintain the Statewide Housing and Homelessness Calendar to serve as a resource for system partners to stay up to date with state department hosted webinars and meetings, technical assistance offerings, and trainings to increase coordination and information sharing of the state's activities.	Cal ICH continues to maintain a Statewide Housing and Homelessness Calendar and a Tribal Statewide Housing and Homelessness Calendar.
2.C.29	Develop and maintain a strategic funding guide and calendar of new or existing funding opportunities from departments and agencies administering state homelessness programs, in compliance with AB 799 (L. Rivas, Chapter 263, Statutes of 2024), to ensure eligible applicants are informed of available funding opportunities.	Cal ICH has continued to develop a new digital strategic funding guide by reviewing functionality and key data field information with relevant departments and is preparing to launch the new guide during the March Council meeting. Cal ICH has also developed a new webpage that will include all current and upcoming state homelessness funding opportunities, to be linked to the strategic funding guide.
2.C.37	Develop resources with Council member departments and agencies to help foster partnerships and support coordination across systems of care at the local level.	No update this quarter
3.A.1	Facilitate the Cal ICH Lived Experience Advisory Board (LEAB) to inform decisions of the Council and provide guidance to its member departments and agencies.	Cal ICH continues to facilitate the LEAB, which holds monthly meetings to inform decisions of the Council and provide guidance to its member departments and agencies. During this last quarter, the LEAB onboarded three new members. Two LEAB members continue to serve as members of the Advisory Committee and regularly present at Council meetings on issues impacting people experiencing homelessness in local communities.

3.B.10	Develop a Tribal advisory group with expertise on the needs of Tribal communities to create recommendations for addressing their specific needs in preventing and ending homelessness.	Recruitment for the Tribal Advisory Board is open from February 13-March 31, 2026. It is anticipated meetings will begin in July, 2026.
3.C.23	Work with local partners to understand barriers to effective implementation of Housing First practices. Create guidance for state policymakers and provide best practices to help overcome those barriers.	<p>Cal ICH is developing guidance to support consistent implementation of Housing First policies in state and local agencies. The guidance is anticipated to be released in Spring 2026.</p> <p>Cal ICH has also previously released Recovery Housing Guidance, along with a Summary of the Guidance, to support system leaders and program administrators operating state-funded Recovery Housing Programs to effectively operate recovery and abstinence-focused programs and implement the required Housing First core components. This guidance was presented to the Council at the December 3rd Council Meeting.</p> <p>Cal ICH continues to provide technical assistance and guidance to state and local agencies as requested.</p>
3.C.25	Coordinate the Strategies, Tools, and Emergency Preparedness for Unsheltered Populations group in coordination with the Priority Populations Task Force to ensure inclusion of people experiencing homelessness in disaster response efforts. Support local jurisdictions in planning for future emergencies affecting people experiencing homelessness by developing a toolkit for leaders on the best practices and resources available for serving this population.	Work was completed on the 4-part recorded webinar series highlighting the HEART Toolkit. Cal ICH has paused STEP-UP convenings at the conclusion of the webinar series and will re-evaluate future meetings as needed to support future HEART iterations, including annual updates, as needed.
3.C.32	Facilitate knowledge sharing between Continuums of Care and present best practices for HMIS data management and collection through HDIS Connect sessions.	<p>Through the HDIS Connect Series, Cal ICH hosted a learning session for local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) administrators about the HDIS CoC Data Quality Dashboards to help CoCs use the dashboards accurately and efficiently.</p> <p>Cal ICH will continue to develop relationships with HMIS administrators through quarterly</p>

		HDIS Connect workshops. The next workshop is scheduled for April 29, 2026.
3.C.33	Facilitate opportunities for collaboration across local jurisdictions, Continuums of Care, and Tribal partners to expand knowledge of current initiatives and share successful strategies to improve statewide outcomes.	No update this quarter.
4.A.1	Provide technical assistance to state-funded programs addressing homelessness and their grantees that are required to comply with AB 977 (Gabriel, Chapter 397, Statutes of 2021) HMIS data entry requirements. Update AB 977 Data Summaries Dashboards so that state departments have insight into program trends and outcomes.	<p>Cal ICH held quarterly TA meetings with AB 977-administering departments in December 2025 and prepared for the next round of meetings planned for April 2026. Cal ICH continues to work with HCD staff to prepare for the initial implementation of Homekey+.</p> <p>Cal ICH also updated guidance material in accordance with 2026 changes to HUD Data Standards.</p> <p>Additionally, Cal ICH will release the next updates to the State Department Compliance Dashboards, AB 977 Data Summaries Dashboards, and HHAP, ERF, and FHC Program Outcome Dashboards in March 2026.</p>
4.A.2	Streamline data sharing with Council member departments and agencies by establishing policies and procedures.	<p>Cal ICH began transferring HDIS data to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and have begun providing technical assistance to CDCR staff on HDIS data structure, definitions, and usage.</p> <p>Cal ICH continues quarterly transfers of HDIS data to the Office of Technology Solutions and Integration (OTSI) within the Health and Human Services (HHS) Agency.</p> <p>Departments interested in pursuing a data sharing agreement with Cal ICH can reach out to HDIS@bcsh.ca.gov.</p>
4.A.4	Use McKinney-Vento data to document and understand the experiences of homelessness for youth in California schools.	No update this quarter.
4.B.8	Collect fiscal and outcome data from state departments and agencies administering state homelessness programs identified in an AB 799 (L. Rivas, Chapter 263, Statutes of 2024), beginning in Fiscal Year 2025-26,	Cal ICH presented a set of proposed outcomes measures to departments and agencies administering state homelessness programs. Cal ICH is incorporating departments' feedback into the development of the final

	<p>and make the data publicly available annually starting in 2027.</p>	<p>outcomes measures and will report back to Departments in spring 2026. Cal ICH has also requested fiscal and eligible use categories from departments and agencies administering state homelessness programs to continue development of the fiscal data reporting process.</p>
<p>4.B.9</p>	<p>Manage quarterly data uploads and implement improvements to increase HDIS data quality and accuracy, including by providing tools, trainings, and technical assistance for Continuums of Care.</p>	<p>Cal ICH finished updating the HDIS database to meet the new federally-mandated HUD FY26 HMIS Data Standards. Cal ICH is working on updating HDIS dashboards to reflect changes in demographic data collected pursuant to the new standards.</p> <p>Additionally, Cal ICH will release a major update to the CoC Data Quality Dashboard tool in spring 2026. This update will feature improved functionality and error-flagging to improve CoC responsiveness to data quality issues and HDIS data quality overall.</p>
<p>4.C.19</p>	<p>Develop measures and goals for state-funded homelessness programs to end homelessness among unaccompanied youth, survivors of domestic violence and their children, and unaccompanied women in alignment with SB 914 (Rubio, Chapter 665, Statutes of 2022) and SB 918 (Wiener, Chapter 841, Statutes of 2018). Improve coordination between the homelessness response system, youth service providers, Victim Service Providers, and those populations experiencing homelessness.</p>	<p>Cal ICH is incorporating updates into the HELP Act Dashboard – which displays progress towards goals in alignment with SB 914. Updates include adding data about single women with children (pursuant to AB 790) and about disability status.</p> <p>Cal ICH also completed a series of four listening sessions with Tribal Communities for individuals with lived experience and Tribal service providers regarding Tribal unaccompanied women and survivors of violence.</p> <p>Cal ICH is preparing for four listening sessions with Tribal Communities for youth who have experienced homelessness and their service providers.</p> <p>Additionally, Cal ICH has developed a best practices checklist to help communities improve cross-systems coordination and reduce barriers to serve the populations named in SB 914, leveraging feedback from focus groups of survivors and people with lived experience, service providers, Tribes, advocacy groups, the Advisory Committee, and the LEAB.</p>

4.C.20	Improve and enhance data tools to increase public understanding of homelessness services in California through expansion of the HDIS dashboards and open data portal, development of targeted support for Continuums of Care, and publishing of new CA System Performance Measure dashboards for CoCs.	Cal ICH measures system performance through the CA SPMs at the state and local level. CA SPMs for FY 2024-2025 were released in December 2025 and are available for download from the state’s Open Data Portal.
4.C.21	Analyze homelessness trends, gaps, and challenges across local areas to inform statewide efforts and identify specific areas of focus for the development of resources to support local systems of care.	No updates this quarter.
5.A.6	Identify best practices to increase access to state-funded homelessness programs and services.	Cal ICH continues to maintain and regularly update a resource library on the Cal ICH website which includes resources ranging from toolkits and materials released by state and federal partners to emerging, promising, and best practices to prevent and end homelessness.
5.A.7	Develop and distribute resources and guidance in partnership with the Cal ICH LEAB for local, state, and Tribal partners to support effective homelessness program development and implementation.	Cal ICH continues to facilitate the LEAB monthly meetings. To date, the LEAB has worked with four member departments to provide feedback and support on projects providing resources and guidance to end homelessness.
5.B.19	Utilize the State Funding and Programs Working Group to develop recommendations on how state partners can better coordinate and streamline state-funded housing and homelessness programs. Provide recommendations to the Council, Advisory Committee, and LEAB for their review and adoption.	In August 2025, Cal ICH paused the working groups and performed a review of opportunities for collaboration across existing groups within the state structure addressing homelessness. Recommendations as a result of this analysis were presented at the December 3 rd Council meeting. The working group pause will continue as Cal ICH prepares to become a new department on July 1, 2026, under the newly established California Housing and Homelessness Agency. A copy of the December 3 rd meeting and recording can be found here .
5.B.20	Utilize the Racial Equity Working Group to develop recommendations on how state partners should design, implement, and assess programs in order to address racial inequities present within the homelessness	In August 2025, Cal ICH paused the working groups and performed a review of opportunities for collaboration across existing groups within the state structure addressing homelessness. Recommendations as a result

	<p>response system. Provide recommendations to the Council and Advisory Committee for their review and adoption.</p>	<p>of this analysis were presented at the December 3rd Council meeting. The working group pause will continue as Cal ICH prepares to become a new department on July 1, 2026, under the newly established California Housing and Homelessness Agency. A copy of the December 3rd meeting and recording can be found here.</p>
<p>5.B.21</p>	<p>Utilize the Youth and Young Adults Working Group to develop recommendations on how state partners should design, implement, and assess programs in order to address the specific needs of youth and young adults experiencing homelessness. Provide recommendations to the Council and Advisory Committee for their review and adoption.</p>	<p>In August 2025, Cal ICH paused the working groups and performed a review of opportunities for collaboration across existing groups within the state structure addressing homelessness. Recommendations as a result of this analysis were presented at the December 3rd Council meeting. The working group pause will continue as Cal ICH prepares to become a new department on July 1, 2026, under the newly established California Housing and Homelessness Agency. A copy of the December 3rd meeting and recording can be found here.</p>
<p>5.B.22</p>	<p>Utilize the Re-Entry/Transitions Working Group to develop recommendations on how state partners should design, implement, and assess programs to address the housing needs of people exiting incarceration. Provide recommendations to the Council and Advisory Committee for their review and adoption.</p>	<p>In August 2025, Cal ICH paused the working groups and performed a review of opportunities for collaboration across existing groups within the state structure addressing homelessness. Recommendations as a result of this analysis were presented at the December 3rd Council meeting. The working group pause will continue as Cal ICH prepares to become a new department on July 1, 2026, under the newly established California Housing and Homelessness Agency. A copy of the December 3rd meeting and recording can be found here.</p>
<p>5.B.23</p>	<p>Utilize the Tribal advisory group to develop recommendations on how state partners should design, implement, and assess programs to address the specific needs of people experiencing homelessness in Tribal communities. Provide recommendations to the Council and Advisory Committee for their review and adoption.</p>	<p>Recruitment is open for the first cohort of California Tribal Representatives on the Tribal Advisory Board. Meetings are anticipated to start in July 2026.</p>

California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Event	Date	Notes
Housing California 2026 Conference: In the Home Stretch: California Housing and Homelessness Agency Implementation	March 19	
Housing California 2026 Conference: Improving Access to Housing through Coordinated Entry Policy Change	March 19	
Housing California 2026 Conference: California Housing and Homeless Agency and the New Housing Development and Finance Committee: Opportunity to Create a Streamlined and Efficient Affordable Housing Funding and Finance System in California	March 20	

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
1.A.2	Co-lead Transportation and Housing Coordination Workgroup, to pursue opportunities to create more affordable and transit-oriented housing development.	The BCSH and CalSTA Housing and Transportation Workgroup will focus on three themes in 2026, including housing and transportation actions that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The interagency workgroup coordinates on topics including budget and federal updates, along with other presentations during monthly meetings.
2.B.22	Better align policies, practices, and funding across State housing agencies and programs, while retaining significant focus on extremely low-income households and housing for people exiting and at risk of homelessness.	As part of the planning and implementation of the Governor’s Reorganization Plan, throughout the Winter and Spring, BCSH is engaging in extensive community engagement with the goal of enhancing partnerships and strengthening relationships through dialogue and transparency. BCSH is actively engaging with three working groups: Housing Finance; Local Government and Public Housing Authorities; and Ensuring Fair and Stable Housing Outcomes. In December, BCSH hosted Tribal listening sessions to discuss the

		Governor’s Reorganization Plan, and at the end of February, BCSH is meeting with Tribal Leaders in Pala.
5.A.5	Continue strategic communications to inform the public about the causes of homelessness, effective solutions, the state’s approach, and relevant programs.	In December, Secretaries Moss and Johnson issued a joint press release speaking out against the federal administration’s funding cuts to critical homelessness and housing services programs nationwide. In February, Secretary Moss will speak at the UC Berkeley Goldman School of Public Policy, discussing what it takes to lead big public systems with urgency and care across housing and homelessness, civil rights, and consumer protections. In March, BSCH will participate in various panels at the Housing California conference.

Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

Los Angeles County Fire Recovery:

BCSH continues to actively support the Los Angeles region’s fire recovery, participating in the LA County Housing Task Force, providing technical assistance to the Governor’s Office and state and local departments in the implementation of the Governor’s Executive Orders, and guiding discussions as the Los Angeles region pivots from immediate response activities to long-term recovery strategies. In December, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) submitted their final Housing Impact Assessment (HIA), and subsequently, the State shared the final HIA with relevant departments within the Los Angeles County region. In January, for the LA County Housing Task Force, BCSH helped facilitate an overview of California housing programs, authorities and tools that could be used to create a pathway to recovery, including affordable housing.

Reevaluating the Federal Funding Landscape:

In response to ongoing uncertainty surrounding federal funding for housing and homelessness programs, BCSH is closely monitoring developments, such as federal Executive Orders and proposed cuts to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) rental assistance programs, and working to strengthen its state-level partnerships to minimize program disruptions and protect core services.

Supporting Major Initiatives of BCSH Departments:

In addition to supporting BCSH departments involved in the LA County fire recovery efforts, BCSH has continued to provide strategic planning, technical assistance and coordination for key department priorities including funding opportunities such as the Multifamily Finance Super NOFA (which included a set-aside for Los Angeles jurisdictions affected by the January fires) and CalAssist Mortgage Fund for homeowners affected by eligible disasters (including the LA wildfires), implementation of Proposition 1 and Homekey+, accelerating delivery of Homekey projects, and supporting progress on the state’s Three-Year Action Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness in California. In January, the state secured commitments from over 150 financial institutions to offer additional mortgage forbearance of up to 90 days to LA fire survivors who are approved borrowers. In addition, in mid-February, the CalAssist Mortgage Fund expanded eligibility to ensure more survivors of eligible disasters can apply for mortgage assistance.

California Health & Human Services Agency (CHHS)

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Activity Reference	Activity	Update
1.A.6	Expand utilization of Mainstream vouchers to meet the needs of non-elderly Californians with disabilities who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.	No update
1.B.14	Strengthen the alignment of the State’s health care and housing responses to better serve people with complex care needs.	No update
1.B.22	Strengthen connections to shelter, housing, and safety net programs for immigrants, including newcomer populations, through increased coordination of immigrant integration efforts. Include opportunities to expand services tailored to the needs of immigrants (e.g. legal services) and ensuring equitable access to services and resources.	No update
1.C.35	Support Proposition 1 and Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) implementation by collaborating across state departments and agencies, providing coordinated guidance, engaging partners, monitoring implementation and outcomes, and supporting coordination of health, behavioral health, and housing resources at the local level.	CalHHS held the Behavioral Health Task Force quarterly meeting, January 21st where a panel presentation and discussion was held on the current Behavioral Health Transformation Investments and the legacy that is intended to continue in future administrations.
2.A.2	Facilitate CARE Act working group to support implementation efforts to deliver mental health and substance use disorder services to the most severely impaired Californians, including people experiencing homelessness.	CalHHS continues to hold and facilitate CARE Act working groups and most recently met on February 11 th where they discussed updates on implementation. CalHHS has also created a video series to share stories of those who have been impacted by CARE.
2.B.20	Continue to collaborate with participating state and local partners to support CalAIM implementation to strengthen the connection between housing, health, and human services, while leveraging other federal,	No update

	state, and local resources.	
2.B.21	Better align State-funded housing projects with local Homelessness Response Systems and their referral processes to improve access for people exiting homelessness.	No update
2.B.23	Create public-facing Technical Assistance documents that provide guidance to help navigate housing and health connections, including Behavioral Health Services Act resources.	No update
3.A.9	Provide adequate payment to individuals with lived experience when seeking their expertise and prevent any financial hardship that may result from changes in state-administered benefits.	No update
4.A.3	Combine HDIS and Health and Human Services data to understand connections between homelessness and health services, and to help monitor the goals of the Action Plan. Expand the number of participating departments.	OTSI has made progress in validating results from the new methodology, which has shown promising early results. We expect to have initial insights and reports available in the next few months.

California Department of Aging (CDA)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Event	Date	Notes
Elder & Disability Justice Coordinating Council (EDJCC)	March 5, 2026, 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Register here .	The EDJCC advises to increase coordination throughout the state and develops recommendations to prevent and address the abuse, neglect, exploitation, and fraud perpetrated against older adults and adults with disabilities. Areas of focus for EDJCC includes supports for housing protections and emergency preparedness and response to increase housing stability.

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1.B.20	Analyze opportunities for Proposition 1 and behavioral health modernization to be leveraged statewide and locally to improve access for older adults with behavioral health and housing needs.	Stable and safe housing has a direct impact on overall health and wellbeing. As part of a joint effort to strengthen behavioral health support for California’s older adults, CDA partnered with Insure the Uninsured Project (ITUP), and West Health to conduct the California Older Adult Behavioral Health Community Survey with 225 local/state government, nonprofits, community organizations, and health plans respondents. The 2025 California’s Behavioral Health Older Adult Survey Report found: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The greatest behavioral health challenge for older adults is social isolation and loneliness • The most significant gap in services is lack of behavioral health services focusing on older adults • Community-based organizations are a vital partner in addressing the behavioral health needs of older adults Behavioral health services should be delivered

		where older adults gather
1.B.24	Facilitate connections across AAAs, CoCs, county staff, and Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans to align services for older adults who are at risk of or currently experiencing homelessness.	No update this quarter.
1.B.31	Address housing needs of older adults and people with disabilities by streamlining access to information by advancing a No Wrong Door system approach, in support of Californians remaining in their own homes and communities.	No update this quarter.
1.C.41	Continue advancing Legal Service Program through Area Agencies on Aging, providing services that include support for elder justice, fraud prevention, rental disputes, and others.	No update this quarter.
2.C.34	Raise awareness among AAA and ADRC partners of resources and supports available to older adults at-risk of or currently experiencing homelessness, including strategies for outreach, identification, and service connection.	<p>The Disability and Aging Community Living Advisory Committee (DACLAC) advises the California Health & Human Services Agency, in addition to other state entities, on community living policies and programs, including but not limited to home and community-based services, transportation, and housing opportunities.</p> <p>The DACLAC meeting on February 12, 2026, included a presentation from the Department of Health Care Services on CalAIM and Transitional Rent to increase awareness about the new Transitional Rent benefit to support housing for older adults and people with disabilities.</p>
3.A.3	Document recommendations of the Disability and Aging Community Living Advisory Committee (DACLAC) and elevate relevant recommendations for the next iteration of the Master Plan for Aging.	<p>The DACLAC Housing Subcommittee continues to advocate for increasing access to affordable and accessible housing. In February 2026, the DACLAC Housing Subcommittee priorities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting Homelessness Prevention Programs • Supporting Tenant Rights and Protections

		Supporting Affordable Housing Funding and Preservation
3.A.4	Facilitate linkages and technical assistance across AAAs, CoCs, Community Based Organizations, County and City staff, and Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans to align services for older adults who are at-risk of or currently experiencing homelessness.	No update this quarter.
4.C.24	Using the findings from the non-Medi-Cal Home and Community Based Services Gap Analysis to understand the supply of affordable housing for older adults and people with disabilities, CDA will elevate the needs of underrepresented populations, and identify services in underserved areas.	No update this quarter. Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Gap Analysis Report
4.C.25	Continue building upon the Data Dashboard for Aging by expanding research and data functions and including housing and homelessness.	No update this quarter. Master Plan for Aging Data Dashboard
5.C.26	Explore shared housing, shallow rental subsidies, and other models that provide housing options for older adults who are insecurely housed or at risk of homelessness.	CDA continues to explore shared housing and rental subsidies program models and promising practices.

Additional Notes (Optional)

CDA continues to monitor release of the HUD 2025 Annual Homeless Assessment Report for data related to older adult demographics of individuals experiencing homelessness. CDA is interested in understanding current rates and trends of homelessness among older adults.

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR)

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	Long Term Offender Reentry Recovery (LTORR) Program: Residential program that provides housing, meals, programming, supervision, and support services that focus on the needs of individuals that have served long sentences.	The 2024 Budget Act included funding threshold increases for six LTORRs. The augmentation enables increased rates commensurate with Consumer Price Index (CPI) and an ongoing increase of two percent each fiscal year to address cost-of-living and other operational cost increases to sustain programmatic operations over time. The Fiscal Year 2025-26 Governor's Proposed Budget proposes funding threshold increases for an additional six LTORRs.
Strategic Investment	Male Community Reentry Program (MCRP): Expands the number of community reentry programs, which connect participants transitioning from corrections settings to jobs and local resources within the community prior to release.	The Division of Rehabilitative Programs (DRP) has executed agreements for four expansion sites in Fresno, Sacramento, and San Bernardino County for 435 new MCRP beds. California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) has also executed an agreement for a site in Alameda that will add 72 MCRP beds, for which funds were originally approved in the 2020 Budget Act. Additionally, DRP expanded capacity at current reentry sites by 58 beds beginning July 1, 2024. A Request for Information (RFI) released at the end of October 2025 to solicit for a fourth Los Angeles County site and a site in Riverside County. Further expansion beyond these plans will require additional funding.
1.B.15	Support older adults transitioning to community living from incarceration or other secured settings, leveraging opportunities through CalAIM Enhanced Care Management, Community Supports, and other state programs.	There is a significant need for appropriate care and housing for older adults transitioning from incarceration. CDCR has requested assistance and is collaborating with Cal ICH to identify opportunities and strategies to address current system gaps. In accordance with Senate Bill (SB) 108, CDCR collaborated with state and community partners to develop a report on

		alternatives to incarceration for individuals who are advanced in age, disabled or have significant medical needs, along with the current barriers to these alternatives. Once finalized, the report will be provided to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.
1.B.18	Establish referral processes to connect unsheltered supervised persons enrolled in Medi-Cal to housing services offered through CalAIM (e.g., Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports).	CDCR’s Division of Adult Parole Operations Behavioral Health Reintegration (BHR) clinicians are continuing to make Enhanced Care Management (ECM) referrals to the Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans. Effective October 1, 2025, BHR transitioned to the EIS created application for enhanced data tracking.
1.B.32	Improve access and connections to wrap-around services, including housing, for Returning Home Well participants transitioning from corrections who have higher needs for services.	The Fiscal Year 2025-26 Governor's Proposed Budget proposes \$12.9 million one-time General Fund in 2025-26 and 2026-27 to continue the Returning Home Well (RHW) Program for an additional two years, which will also enable CDCR to provide important wraparound services to RHW participants.
1.C.38	Strengthen connections and referral pathways with CoCs to improve access to housing and services resources for people exiting from prison.	CDCR continues to collaborate with Cal ICH to strengthen connections and referral pathways to Continuums of Care (CoCs).
2.A.17	Strengthen coordination across systems for people with disabilities who are institutionalized or are transitioning out of corrections settings. Ensure that services supporting reentry into the community include a focus on employment and independent living.	CDCR established a data sharing agreement and completed the first data match with the California Department of Developmental Services to identify on bi-annual basis incarcerated persons with developmental disabilities/intellectually disabilities (DD/IDs) who were clients of Regional Centers. This will not only help to better serve these individuals while incarcerated, but also help with reentry planning to ensure streamlined access to community-based DD/ID services, including housing and employment, when needed and as appropriate. CDCR’s Statewide Mental Health Program and BHR are also filing Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act petitions for individuals who meet CARE act criteria, and are in need of intensive support and engagement upon

		<p>release to ensure they have access to appropriate services and supports, including residential treatment, supported housing, etc.</p>
<p>4.C.23</p>	<p>Analyze existing data from all relevant CDCR programs and identify data-sharing opportunities to understand who is at risk of experiencing homelessness among people preparing to exit prison. Partner with Continuums of Care to begin planning efforts to address the needs of people pre-release and those under community supervision.</p>	<p>CDCR and Cal ICH have signed and completed a data sharing agreement to link Cal ICH Homeless Management Information Systems data with CDCR data to determine the extent to which individuals being released from CDCR are utilizing CoC services. The Office of Research (OR) and EIS worked with Cal ICH to set up an automated system where data files are uploaded to OR's server quarterly. In addition, CDCR has provided a presentation to the CA Department of Housing and Community Development's Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Grant Program team Office Hours to explore strategies for educating CoCs on utilizing CDCR's new Parole Population Housing Status Dashboard for local planning efforts.</p> <p>As reflected on CDCR's Parole Population Housing Status Dashboard, as of January 31, 2026, there were 3,171 unsheltered individuals on parole (sheltered+ unsheltered), with 73 percent of those unsheltered having a CDCR mental health and/or substance use disorder designation at the time of release.</p>
<p>5.A.2</p>	<p>Embed statutory Housing First requirements into CDCR recovery housing contract requirements, in order to provide participants with meaningful choices and minimize exits to homelessness. Report out on outcomes from participants in specified programs.</p>	<p>The contractual requirements related to Housing First are monitored through CDCR's Program Accountability Review (PAR) process. CDCR reports annually on the PAR findings related to Housing First in August for the prior fiscal year's date. In FY 24/25, PAR on community based programs reported that 97.2% "did assist participants with obtaining permanent housing (Housing First initiative)".</p>

California Department of Education (CDE)

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
1.B.25	Educate housing agencies on the specific barriers to housing faced by families with children and unaccompanied homeless youth who are identified through the education system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies) • E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE
1.B.26	Streamline support and warm handoffs between high school liaisons, youth, and their families for transition to higher education.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mtg with CCCC • Contact information exchanges between CDE and CCCC • Upcoming May webinar on credit accrual considerations for all vulnerable students including homeless, foster and American Indian. (Share the listserv announcement with all Cal ICH staff including CCCC)
1.C.40	Provide training to state housing and homelessness partners on the eligibility, rights, and educational protections under the McKinney-Vento Act. Promote coordination and collaboration through the California Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers implementing the McKinney-Vento Act to ensure services, coordination, and accountability at the local level for all Californians.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies) • E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE
2.A.6	Strengthen state-level communication and coordination between CDE’s Homeless Education Program and Higher Education liaisons. Share technical assistance and training opportunities to ensure continuity of services for all eligible students experiencing homelessness, with a focus on unaccompanied youth and young parenting students.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared Upcoming Statewide Homeless Education Conference with Cal ICH staff at monthly check in meetings. • Added announcement to the CDE updates • Partnerships for presentations at Statewide Conference include Cal ICH partners, such as CalKIDS.
2.A.7	Increase coordination across State programs and with County Welfare programs to ensure students are receiving the appropriate level of care and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies)

	connections to resources from cradle to career.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE
2.A.8	Strengthen mutual understanding between CDE and Higher Education local/regional partners. Focus on duties of the Local Liaison in McKinney Vento Act and in California Education Code as well as role of community college Basic Needs Centers and other services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies) E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE
2.A.9	Provide training to state housing and homelessness partners on the eligibility, rights, and educational protections under McKinney-Vento Act. Promote coordination and collaboration through the California Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers implementing the McKinney-Vento Act to ensure services, coordination, and accountability at the local level for all Californians.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies) E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE Once identified, CDE to work with HETAC to support communication and dissemination of guidance
2.C.32	Coordinate across departments and agencies to identify useful education data about children, youth, and their families experiencing homelessness (i.e. graduation rates, career technical education pathways, graduation exemption regulations, etc.). Identify ways to utilize this information within homelessness services, such as defining “at risk” or placement within a vulnerability index.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies) E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE Share and coordinate webinar regarding support for students who are homeless, foster, Native American regarding graduation considerations, exemption regulations and pathways.
2.C.33	Communicate and disseminate guidance to county offices of education, LEAs, and partnering agencies to strengthen support for students experiencing homelessness from local housing partners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies) E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE Once identified, CDE to work with HETAC to support communication and dissemination of guidance.
3.A.7	Ensure student voices are present within working groups and other bodies in order to provide recommendations and perspectives on how to prevent and end homelessness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support and nominate student voices and youth in workgroups and work for Cal ICH. Share resources, tools and all other information related to serving youth from Cal ICH with youth through the HETAC

	for children, youth, unaccompanied youth, and their families.	updates and with COEs for district level distribution; this has been done through listserv that is open beyond districts and county offices of education, as well as through HETAC updates at regional meetings from the CDE, Homeless Education Program.
3.C.28	Implement strategies for local systems to streamline family services between COEs, LEAs, Charter Schools, and CoCs to ensure equitable access to housing options.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies) i.e. CoC directory, state level leads with CoC’s, etc. • E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE • Share resources, tools and all other information related to serving families from Cal ICH through the HETAC updates and with COEs for district level distribution; this can be done through listserv that is open beyond districts and county offices of education, as well as through HETAC updates at regional meetings from the CDE, Homeless Education Program.
3.C.34	Support engagement and coordination with local systems of care for resource and funding connections. Strengthen local implementation of Coordinated Entry by working with state departments and agencies to include local educational agencies for eligibility in state-funded homelessness and housing programs. Ensure compliance with federal law allowing for McKinney-Vento eligibility for these services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies) i.e. CoC directory, state level leads with CoC’s, etc. • E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE • Share resources, tools and all other information related to serving families from Cal ICH through the HETAC updates and with COEs for district level distribution; this can be done through listserv that is open beyond districts and county offices of education, as well as through HETAC updates at regional meetings from the CDE, Homeless Education Program.
4.A.7	Include education data on youth identified as homeless in state reports and data collection efforts related to homelessness. This will help provide a broader picture of youth homelessness than what is currently included in Point-in-Time counts and other reporting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CDE has identified and publicly facing data on youth counts beyond the Point-in-Time count. • CDE has encouraged and supported COEs to actively participate in Point-in-Time count and share the numbers beyond that

		<p>window of youth identified and how they are served.</p>
5.A.8	<p>Continue to develop and distribute best practices to districts, charter schools, and county offices of education, on the implementation of legislative changes, including best practices in serving McKinney-Vento children, youth, and families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legislative Updates are presented at Regional meetings; updates include those beyond homeless education to include Cal ICH and national updates that directly effects youth. LEAs (district, charter schools, and county offices of education) are given overview of the legislative process at different points of the legislative year, this includes what the legislature is doing (i.e. recess)
5.A.9	<p>Support the implementation of the McKinney-Vento Act to ensure that the federal rights of students experiencing homelessness are upheld throughout California. Engage with state-level partners for alignment and understanding.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Share and development of resources, tools and all other information related to serving families through the HETAC updates and with COEs for district level distribution; this has been done through listserv that is open beyond districts and county offices of education, as well as through HETAC updates at regional meetings from the CDE, Homeless Education Program. The CDE is holding their 4th Annual Homeless Statewide Conference. Cal ICH lead agencies have been invited to present and share on a statewide, unique level that has a reach to over 600 attendees who all have direct contact with children, youth, families and district staff that work in homeless education. One vendor that will be present includes Cal Kids. The CDE is also partnering with the Head Start Collaboration Office at the California Department of Social Services and SchoolHouse Connection to offer a webinar series focused on early care and education for young children experiencing homelessness.
5.C.25	<p>Collaborate with LEAs and state-level educational partners to identify needs of students experiencing homelessness as the result of natural disasters and/or other emergencies, and develop strategies, resources, and tools to address those needs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HEART work.

Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

- Statewide conference
- Legislation sponsored by the SSPI AB 673 with a focus on Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	Prop 1's Behavioral Health Housing interventions: Provides funding for housing interventions that may include rental subsidies, operating subsidies, shared housing, family housing, non-federal share for Medi-Cal transitional rent, project-based housing assistance, including master leasing, capital development projects, and others.	No investment updates.
Strategic Investment	Transitional Rent (pending federal approval): Provides 6 months of transitional rent for eligible members making critical life transitions from certain settings or meet high-risk population criteria.	Transitional Rent is live for the Behavioral Health Population of Focus as of 1/1/26.
Strategic Investment	Cal AIM Enhanced Care Management (ECM) Services: Providing a whole-person, interdisciplinary approach to care management that comprehensively addresses the clinical and nonclinical needs of Medi-Cal Members with the most complex medical and social needs through systematic coordination of services and comprehensive care management that is community based, interdisciplinary, high touch and person centered.	No investment updates.
Strategic Investment	Cal AIM Community Supports: Providing housing-related services such as Housing Transition and Navigation Services, Housing Deposits, Housing Tenancy Sustaining Services, and other services (e.g., Recuperative Care, Short-Term Post-Hospitalization) services that address Medi-Cal managed care plan members' social drivers of health and help them avoid higher, costlier levels of care	No investment updates.
Strategic Investment	Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA): Modernizes the Mental Health Services Act to address today's behavioral health system	No updates at this time.

	and needs, with reforms expanding services to include treatment for people with substance use disorders. Prioritizes care for individuals with the most serious mental illnesses, provides ongoing resources for housing interventions, and continues investments in prevention, early intervention, and innovative pilot programs.	
1.A.13	Develop implementation plan to provide six months of transitional rent to eligible members making critical life transitions or meeting high-risk population criteria.	DHCS released the updated Community Supports Policy Guide on 4/30/25 which includes final policy guidance for Transitional Rent (see Volume 2 of Community Supports Policy Guide). Beginning on January 1, 2026, MCPs will cover Transitional Rent for the Behavioral Health Population of Focus (POF) as the first mandatory Community Support service. Phase-in dates for other POFs are to be determined.
1.A.19	Implement CalAIM to provide medically necessary recuperative care and/or short-term post-hospitalization placements for unhoused people who are exiting acute inpatient facilities and/or were recently hospitalized.	DHCS released the updated Community Supports Policy Guide on 4/30/25 which includes updates to recuperative care and short-term post-hospitalization housing (see Volume 2 of Community Supports Policy Guide).
1.B.31	Address housing needs of older adults and people with disabilities by streamlining access to information by advancing a No Wrong Door system approach, in support of Californians remaining in their own homes and communities.	No action plan update at this time.
2.A.1	Continue implementation of CalAIM Providing Access and Transforming Health Initiatives to support statewide implementation of Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports. Implementation includes regional collaborative planning and implementation, direct funding to local entities to support delivery of services, virtual “marketplace” that offers technical support, and funding services to transition from Whole Person Care to managed care coverage under CalAIM.	No action plan updates at this time.

3.A.2	Include individuals with lived experience in the implementation of the Behavioral Health Transformation (Proposition 1) via the Behavioral Health Transformation Implementation Workgroup, the Medi-Cal Advisory Committee, and other BHT partner opportunities.	The Behavioral Health Transformation Implementation Workgroup includes the representation of an individual with lived experience for ongoing policy feedback. Additionally, multiple public listening sessions have been conducted to solicit the input of individuals with lived experience in the implementation of the Behavioral Health Transformation.
3.A.8	Continue initiatives that include the perspectives of persons with lived experience in DHCS programs.	DHCS continues to seek input and feedback from individuals with lived experience throughout extensive stakeholder process.
3.B.16	Continued implementation of PATH Collaborative Planning and Implementation initiative, which includes county and regional collaboratives of managed care plans, providers, CBOs, county agencies, hospitals, Tribal partners, and other stakeholders to address ECM and Community Supports implementation issues and promote ongoing readiness.	No action plan updates at this time.
3.C.19	Communicate Cal AIM opportunities to broader audiences and range of stakeholders, aiming to fulfill the vision for Cal AIM to become a critical solution to homelessness.	DHCS continues to spread awareness about CalAIM initiatives and relevant updates through stakeholder engagement, conferences, webinars, and other broader forums.
4.B.10	Track and analyze trends in enrollment data for individuals experiencing homelessness within the Enhanced Care Management Program.	On January 29, 2026, DHCS released new data showing growth and impact from Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports.
4.B.11	Track and analyze trends in uptake data for individuals experiencing homelessness within Community Supports.	On January 29, 2026, DHCS released new data showing growth and impact from Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports.
4.C.27	Implementation of Medi-Cal Connect (previously Population Health Management Service) to develop better data-driven approaches and better understand risk for individuals experiencing homelessness.	No action plan updates at this time.
5.A.1	Advance best practices and lessons learned identified through experiences delivering CalAIM Enhanced Care Management and	No action plan updates at this time.

	Community Supports to members experiencing or at risk of homelessness.	
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Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

- DHCS is currently administering the Flexible Housing Subsidy Pools (“Flex Pools”) Technical Assistance (TA) Academy. The Flex Pools TA Academy offers flexible, tailored support from a team of Flex Pool faculty for the launch and scale of Flex Pools in localities at no charge. Flex Pools are a model to streamline the administration of housing subsidies and services in local communities, thereby improving health outcomes through housing stability.

California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Program	NOFA Release Date	Application Due Date	Available Funding	Eligible Applicants	Additional Information/Contact Info
Encampment Resolution Fund (ERF) Program	March 6, 2026 (anticipated)	June 30, 2026	\$100 million	All CA Counties, Cities and Continuums of Care (CoC)	HPDHomelessnessGrants@hcd.ca.gov
HOME Program Activities NOFA	January 21, 2026	Over-the-Counter until November 30, 2026	\$14 Million	State Recipient, CHDO, Developer, or Native American Entities	HOME@hcd.ca.gov
HOME Project Activity NOFA	January 29, 2026	Over-the-Counter until June 22, 2026	\$35 million	State Recipient, CHDO, Developer, or Native American Entities	HOME@hcd.ca.gov
CDBG Program	September 30, 2025	April 3, 2026	\$27 million	Non-entitlement Units of General Local Government	CDBG@hcd.ca.gov
Tribal HHAP Round 5 NOFA and Standard Agreement	September 2026	December 2026	\$14.25 million	California’s federally recognized tribes	Amy.Lopez@hcd.ca.gov TribalHHAP@hcd.ca.gov
Homekey+	November-2024	Applications accepted continuously until all funds are exhausted.	1.6 billion	Cities, counties, cities and counties, and all other state, regional, and Local Public Entities, including councils of government, metropolitan planning organizations, Public Housing Authorities, and regional transportation planning agencies designated in Section 29532.1 of the Government Code; Tribal Entities.	Homekey@hcd.ca.gov

Event	Date	Notes
ERF 5 NOFA Walkthrough (anticipated)	3/17/2026	Zoom
ERF 5 NOFA Walkthrough (anticipated)	3/24/2026	Zoom
Tribal Housing Grant Program Trust Fund (THGP) Advisory Committee Informational Workshops	3/12/2026	In-Person, 10am – 2pm Black Oak Casino Resort 19400 Tuolumne Rd. N, Tuolumne, CA 95379 Register here [uwedhmtab.cc.rs6.net]
Tribal Housing Grant Program Trust Fund (THGP) Advisory Committee Informational Workshops	3/24/2026	Virtual Presentation, 3:00pm Register here [uwedhmtab.cc.rs6.net]

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Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	Family Homelessness Challenge Grants: Grants for local jurisdictions to support the development and acceleration of innovative programs that expand promising practices and create solutions to address and end family homelessness.	HCD continues to monitor and provide technical assistance for FHC Rounds 1 and 2. The 100% expenditure deadline for both rounds is June 30, 2026.
Strategic Investment	Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Program: Funds to help young adults 18-24 years secure and maintain housing, with priority given to those formerly in the foster care or probation systems.	For FY 2025-2026, the TAY Program awarded \$56 million to 54 counties.
Strategic Investment	Homekey Tribal Program: Provides Tribal Entities funding to develop multifamily rental housing developments, including rehabilitation of existing housing, new construction of apartments, townhomes, or single-family rental homes, including manufactured housing, or conversion of non-residential space to residential housing.	As of 2/2/2026, 12 awards issued; 2 awards declined, which has exhausted \$81 million in total program funds.

Strategic Investment	Tribal Homekey+ Program: Provides Tribal Entities funding to develop multifamily rental housing developments, including rehabilitation of existing housing, new construction of apartments, townhomes, or single-family rental homes, including manufactured housing, or conversion of non-residential space to residential housing.	As of 2/2/2026, the THK+ Program has completed 19 pre-application consultation meetings and received 3 applications.
Strategic Investment	Tribal Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (Tribal HHAP): Grants for California Federally Recognized Tribes to support unique, culturally responsive interventions to prevent and address homelessness within their communities.	<p>Tribal HHAP NOFA for Round 4 was released on September 30, 2025, and the application deadline was January 30, 2026.</p> <p>Round 4 Highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications received: 69 • 86% percentage increase in application from Tribal HHAP Round 3 • NOFA funds available: \$28.5 million • Total requested: \$110,966,208.19 <p>Tribal HHAP Draft NOFA in the amount of approximately \$14.25 million is scheduled to be released in March 2026.</p>
Strategic Investment	Homekey+: Providing funding to build more permanent supportive homes faster for veterans and residents experiencing homelessness and mental health challenges.	As of January 2026, 40 projects have been awarded totaling an estimated \$675.6 million to create 1,908 units. Of those funds, approximately \$194.2 million has been awarded to create 486 units to house Veterans At-risk of or Experiencing Homelessness with a Behavioral Health Challenge. The most recent NOFA amendment prioritizes Projects serving the Veteran population in two ways: 1) prioritizes review of applications received on or after August 7, 2025, based on the inclusion of Veteran-serving units and 2) implements a \$30,000 per unit additional operating award for each Veteran unit in a Project.
Strategic Investment	Encampment Resolution Funding Program (ERF): Grants for local jurisdictions to develop coordinated strategies to resolve encampments and transition people experiencing homelessness in encampments into safe and stable housing.	HCD continues to monitor and provide technical assistance for all active rounds of ERF and expects to release a NOFA for ERF Round 5 by March 2026 for \$100 million.
Strategic Investment	Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP): Providing grants for local jurisdictions to support regional coordination and local	HCD has begun making awards for HHAP 6 applications that meet all thresholds. HCD is continuing to provide technical assistance to regions that have outstanding threshold issues

	<p>homelessness response to address challenges and increase permanent housing solutions for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.</p>	<p>and will continue to make awards on a rolling basis. HCD also continues to monitor and provide technical assistance for HHAP rounds 2 through 5, and to process HHAP 4 and 5 remainder disbursements when grantees have met all statutory requirements to receive them.</p>
<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<p>Multifamily Finance Super Notice of Funding Availability (Super NOFA): Streamlines four of HCD's rental housing programs to align eligibility criteria, scoring, and release of funds allowing for a coordinated single application and award process. Multifamily Housing Program (MHP): Provides low-interest, long-term deferred payment loans for new construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of permanent and transitional rental housing for lower-income households. Infill Infrastructure Grant (IIG): Promotes infill development by providing financing for infrastructure necessary for the development of affordable and mixed income housing. Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention (VHHP): Provides long-term loans for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of affordable multifamily housing for veterans and their families. Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant (FWHG): Provides funding for new construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition of owner-occupied and rental units for agricultural workers.</p>	<p>No update</p>
<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<p>Tribal Multifamily Finance Super Notice of Funding Availability (Tribal MFSN): Streamlines two of HCD's rental housing programs to align eligibility criteria, scoring, and release of funds allowing for a coordinated single application and award process. Multifamily Housing Program (MHP): Provides low-interest, long-term deferred payment loans for new construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of permanent and transitional rental housing for lower-income households. Infill Infrastructure Grant (IIG): Promotes infill development by providing financing for infrastructure necessary for the</p>	<p>As of 2/2/2026, the TMFSN program has completed 8 pre-application survey meetings and has not yet received any submitted applications.</p>

	development of affordable and mixed income housing.	
Strategic Investment	HOME American Rescue Plan Act (HOME-ARP): Assists individuals or households at risk of, or experiencing homelessness, and other vulnerable populations, by providing housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter.	As of January 2026, HOMEARP awarded \$134 million. This funding will help build more than 500 homes and provide supportive services to over 2,000 families. HOMEARP was a one-time program, and the funds have all been allocated.
Strategic Investment	HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME): Funding to create and retain affordable housing for lower-income renters, homebuyers, or homeowners by funding tenant assistance, or single- or multi-family acquisition and/or rehabilitation or new construction.	In the last quarter, the HOME Program awarded \$26 million, which will fund the production of more than 112 housing units and help over 250 households achieve housing stability.
Strategic Investment	Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG): Grants to address homelessness by providing funding for supportive services, emergency shelter/transitional housing, homelessness prevention assistance, and permanent housing.	<p>The ESG team will be amending all 52 Standard Agreements to add Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 second year funds to each standard agreement. The amendments are anticipated to start in February and will be completed this spring.</p> <p>In February 2025, HCD was awarded \$3 million for the Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing Program (ESG-RUSH) grant funds to respond to the LA wildfire Disaster in January 2025. HCD awarded \$2,887,500.00 to their subrecipient, the Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA). LACDA then awarded the funds to a subrecipient, Union Station, for Rapid Re- Housing assistance. To date, HCD and LACDA have made draws to administer the program and Union Station is working on two additional draws for Rapid Re-Housing for approximately \$700,000.</p> <p>In April 2025, HCD awarded LACDA \$358,930 in old 2022 ESG funds that had a remediation plan approved by HUD to be used for the same purposes as above for ESG-RUSH. LACDA has gone into contract with the same subrecipient, Union Station, and to date, they have drawn approximately \$51,000 in Rapid Re-Housing expenses.</p>
Strategic Investment	Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG): Funds community & economic development & disaster recovery	On September 30, 2025, the 2025 CDBG Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was released and subsequently amended on

	to create suitable living environments by expanding economic opportunities & providing appropriate housing to low-income households.	December 15, 2025. The 2025 CDBG NOFA makes available \$27 million in federal funds for housing, economic development, and community development activities. Eligible applicants are non-entitlement Units of General Local Government. The application portal opened on February 2, 2026 and will close on April 3, 2026.
Strategic Investment	Housing for a Healthy California Program (HHC): Creates supportive housing for individuals who are recipients of or eligible for health care provided through the California Department of Health Care Services, Medi-Cal program.	The HHC Program started in Fiscal Year 2018-2019 (FY18) and concluded in Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (FY20). There are total of twenty-one (21) HHC assisted projects, of which seven (7) are completed and occupied. As of February 2026, the status of the remaining 14 multifamily affordable housing developments with HHC/NHTF financing is comprised of two (2) projects that will start construction within the next 12 months; eight (8) projects are actively under construction and will close on permanent financing within the next 36 months; and four (4) project are actively working on closing permanent financing and the projects are fully leased by residents or expecting to be fully leased by residents within the next 12 months.
Strategic Investment	HOME-ARP Reentry Housing Pilot Project: Funding to develop units for re-entry populations and/or those exiting state and federal prisons and local jails.	No update.
1.A.1	Support the achievement of Statewide Housing Plan goals through the Regional Housing Needs Assessment, ensuring housing element compliance, and strengthen housing and homelessness accountability by providing technical assistance and, when necessary, enforcements through the Housing Accountability Unit.	No update
1.A.5	Publicize the inventory and map of State-Owned Excess Sites. Provide technical assistance to developers and local government on utilizing public lands for affordable housing development.	No update
2.C.30	Convene a working group, in alignment with AB 519 (Schiavo, chapter 742, statutes of	The Affordable Housing Finance Workgroup (AHFW) convened June 2025 and is expected

	2023), to develop and report policy recommendations to implement a single consolidated application and coordinated review process for affordable housing resources.	to meet through May 2026. Members include CDLAC, CTCAC, CalHFA, HCD, BCSH, representatives of local governments, tribal governments, affordable housing developers, other stakeholders, and advocacy organizations. Recommendations to the legislature to implement a single consolidated application and coordinated review process for affordable housing resources are currently under development.
2.C.31	Implement Memorandum of Understanding, in compliance with AB 2006 (Berman, chapter 646, statutes of 2022), to facilitate the collaborative coordination and development of processes to streamline compliance monitoring for housing developments where two or more agencies are involved.	No update
3.B.11	Provide pre-application and other technical assistance and training opportunities, participate in listening or feedback sessions, and adapt program guidelines and guidance, to enhance access to State homelessness and housing programs and resources, and other support services, for federally recognized Tribes, Tribal organizations, Tribal consortium, and Tribal entities in California.	No update

Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

New Addition:

Strategic Investment	Tribal Housing Grant Program Trust Fund (THGP) Advisory Committee: Convene an advisory body and accountability framework of the THGP Advisory Committee in alignment with AB 1878. The Advisory Committee will design and develop the THGP while identifying barriers and promoting equitable access for Tribal communities. The committee structure will consist of nine (9) Tribal voting members and four (4) non-voting State members. Eligibility requirements of Advisory Committee members: must be a member of a federally recognized Tribal government; nominated by Tribal Chairperson; and	THGP Advisory Committee informational workshops will begin in February 2026 through March 2026. Applications are due by March 30, 2026 at 5pm. For inquiries, TribalTrustFund@hcd.ca.gov
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	experience in Tribal housing, policy, governance, land, or law.	
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California Department of Public Health (CDPH)

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
2.A.3	Strengthen internal coordination across teams to increase housing and homelessness resources provided to California’s Tribal Communities.	CDPH has hired a Tribal Relations Coordinator. The Housing & Homelessness staff will coordinate with her on this activity once she is onboarded.
2.A.11	Strengthen internal coordination with the Center for Family Health and other teams to prevent homelessness among families and youth.	The Housing & Homelessness team is conducting a landscape analysis to assess where coordination can occur with the Center for Family Health. H&H staff plan on creating and recruiting for an internal cabinet to establish sustainable infrastructure for housing, homelessness, and health equity within the department. This approach ensures that the work related to housing and health is institutionalized and prioritized, rather than dependent on specific individuals
2.C.36	Connect housing services staff with free overdose reversal training and supplies, information to share with residents on where to access safer drug use supplies, and, for those who wish to reduce or stop their substance use, referrals to a variety of treatment options statewide, including Contingency Management and Medication for Opioid Use Disorder.	Find overdose reversal training and resources on the Harm Reduction web page OA Prev Harm Reduction Resources . CDPH has created a dashboard to monitor site traffic, aiming for increased visits as we promote these materials to CBOs and LHJs.
3.A.6	Incorporate people with lived experiences of homelessness in decision making on policies and issues related to homelessness, housing, COVID-19, and health, including through facilitation of a CDPH Lived Experience Advisory Board.	We have a proposal awaiting approval, seeking a philanthropic organization to fund a nonprofit that will pay LEAB members and support their professional development.
3.C.31	Support coordination between Local Health Jurisdictions and Continuums of Care and with State-funded homelessness programs. Implement opportunities to include Local Health Jurisdictions as eligible applicants within state funding programs.	CDPH gathered qualitative data from LHJs to assess their current coordination and collaboration efforts with CoCs. CDPH has analyzed this data and has completed a report. We plan to promote the report summer of 2026.

4.C.28	Track and measure families and youth under 18 experiencing homelessness, including population level surveillance and CDPH service provision	An intern is starting work this fall to identify data sources (e.g., MIHA; PIT counts) and work on a Maternal Homelessness data brief
4.C.29	Analyze mortality data for people experiencing homelessness, specifically focusing on deaths caused by climate-related factors.	Birth and death BUCP approved by OHE legal; resubmitted CPHS (IRB) approval under different category. Application in process; made some minor requested edits and resubmitted Sept 2025; BUCP is up for review in January 2026
4.C.30	Collect and analyze data on indoor air quality conditions at congregate shelters to identify any environmental health risks.	Last July, CDPH purchased over 700 portable air filtration units and distributed them to congregate shelters across the state. CDPH has partnered with UCLA to study the impacts these units have had on shelter indoor air quality. Initial base line surveys have been sent out to shelters. Follow-up surveys have been sent out to Northern and Central CA locations. Initial surveys have been sent to the LA region. We are planning a pilot project with air monitors in shelters in Bay Area County shelters to test the effectiveness of the PAC units. We have one shelter that has agreed to the pilot so far. Jan 2026 H&H team is identifying and reaching out to potential sites outside of bay area
4.C.31	Analyze data and create a dashboard to increase the availability of health data about people experiencing homelessness, including information about population, mortality, and housing instability among California’s birthing population.	<p>Population: analysis of 2014-2024 PIT data in progress; presented preliminary data to H&H workgroup; presented a poster at CDPH’s 2025 Epi Forum.</p> <p>Mortality: death data request in progress; application up for committee review in Jan 2026</p> <p>Births: H&H intern did work fall 2025 to identify data sources (e.g., MIHA; PIT counts)</p>
5.A.4	Finalize and distribute recommendations for water, sanitation, and hygiene services for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness. Ensure local health jurisdictions are aware of and understand the recommendations.	WaSH (water, sanitation, hygiene) Guidelines have been finalized and CDPH is supporting the distribution. Researchers presented Guidelines at our October internal CDPH H&H working group. Plan for all CDPH training in 2026 and distribution to LHJs.
5.A.13	Strengthen the Public Health Administrative Manual to promote and provide guidance for	We have initiated discussions to explore the process of making changes to the CDPH

	<p>recruiting, hiring, and retaining individuals with lived experience. Add equity, trauma-informed, and healing-centered engagement to grant requirements.</p>	<p>administrative manual. We are currently coordinating internally with other sections and branches within OHE on this action item.</p>
<p>5.B.16</p>	<p>Support communities in responding to climate change by working on projects such as developing public health strategies in partnership with the Center for Preparedness that are inclusive of the needs of people experiencing homelessness, improving air quality in congregate shelter, and responding to extreme weather.</p>	<p>CDPH is part of CAL ICH Step-Up working group and participated in the development of the HEART tool kit. We are conducting an internal Landscape analysis to identify ongoing work, data collection efforts, and potential collaboration opportunities.</p> <p>We will create and recruit an internal Cabinet to establish sustainable infrastructure for housing, homelessness, and health equity within the department. This approach ensures that the work related to housing and health is institutionalized and prioritized, rather than dependent on specific individuals</p>

California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	DOR Transition and Diversion Grant Program: Provide institutional transition and diversion services for people with disabilities, including for youth, individuals experiencing or at-risk of homelessness, and for those displaced by disasters.	No update
1.A.10	Provide institutional transition and diversion services for people with disabilities including youth, individuals who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness, and those displaced by disasters. Partner with State Independent Living Council.	No update
1.B.29	Structure programs to focus on integrating employment support across the spectrum of housing interventions.	No update
1.B.30	Pilot efforts to improve continuum of services for youth with disabilities to decrease justice involvement and to transition to independent living, education, and employment. Integrate innovative approaches across service delivery systems and initiatives.	On going OYCR and DOR statewide collaboration to serve youth in detention facilities as they exit or are due to exit, and who have expressed an interest in employment.
1.B.31	Address housing needs of older adults and people with disabilities by streamlining access to information by advancing a No Wrong Door system approach, in support of Californians remaining in their own homes and communities.	No update
1.C.37	Connect CoCs across California with DOR employment services, as well as disability and aging network partners, to improve coordination of services for individuals with disabilities who experience homelessness.	No update
2.A.13	Develop and strengthen collaboration with state agencies and external businesses around their hiring, retention, and advancement of employment of people with	Pathways to State Employment workshops to promote state employment opportunities and encourage hiring managers to create a

	disabilities with lived experience, including youth.	diverse workforce that includes individuals with disabilities.
2.A.17	Strengthen coordination across systems for people with disabilities who are institutionalized or are transitioning out of corrections settings. Ensure that services supporting reentry into the community include a focus on employment and independent living.	On going OYCR and DOR statewide collaboration to serve youth in detention facilities as they exit or are due to exit, and who have expressed an interest in employment.
2.B.24	Embed DOR employment services into housing programs to stabilize people experiencing homelessness through secure employment and increased incomes.	No update
2.B.25	Embed Independent Living Centers, Traumatic Brain Injury, Older Individuals Who Are Blind, and Assistive Technology programs and services into housing programs. Assist people who are unhoused with securing supports and increasing independent living skills as they transition to permanent housing.	No update
3.A.3	Document recommendations of the Disability and Aging Community Living Advisory Committee and elevate relevant recommendations for the next iteration of the Master Plan on Aging.	No update
4.A.6	Align Independent Living Center definitions within HDIS for people that are at risk of or currently experiencing homelessness.	No update
5.A.14	Provide guidance on best practices for serving people with disabilities within state-funded homelessness services and programs to improve cultural competency and capacity.	On going provision of resources and supports by DOR Community Rehabilitation Navigators (CRN)
5.B.18	Identify and implement models that integrate person-centered employment and independent living services into programs serving people who are experiencing homelessness.	Current interagency agreement provides for collaboration between DOR and AJCCs, and co-enrollment of individuals with disabilities interested in employment

California Department of Social Services (CDSS)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Event	Date	Notes
Ribbon-cutting ceremony for two new residential care facilities for the elderly (RCFEs) hosted by Guest Homes and WellPointe	December 15, 2025	On December 15, 2025, California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Housing and Homelessness Division (HHD) attended the ribbon cutting ceremony and grand opening of two Fresno Guest Homes locations. These two Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFEs) were granted a total of \$1,305,912, which creates a total of 6 beds for individuals who are receiving or applying for SSI/SSP and CAPI who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness.
Chafee Stakeholder Webinar	January 21, 2026	Hosted by the CDSS Transitional Age Youth Policy Unit (TAY) and the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC), Chafee Stakeholder Webinar presentations featured representatives from CDSS, CSAC, First Star, John Burton Advocates for Youth (JBAY), and the Foundation for CA Community Colleges. Housing resources were included in services/resources available to youth/NMDs accessing ETV vouchers or participating in other services shared during the webinar.
Probation Advisory Committee Meeting	January 22, 2026	The CDSS TAY Policy Unit provided updates and responded to inquiries regarding housing and other program resources. The audience included county probation staff.

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<p>Youth Engagement Project Quarterly Joint County/Youth Ambassador Meeting</p>	<p>January 27, 2026</p>	<p>Youth currently and formerly in the foster care system shared updates on their work as ambassadors in their respective counties. The CDSS TAY Policy Unit provided updates and responded to inquiries regarding housing and other program resources.</p>
<p>Child Welfare Directors Association TAY Subcommittee Meeting</p>	<p>January 28, 2026</p>	<p>The CDSS TAY Policy Unit provided updates and responded to inquiries regarding housing and other program resources. The audience included county child welfare staff and local/community service providers.</p>
<p>February Tribal Funding Convening</p>	<p>February 3, 2026</p>	<p>On February 3, 2026, CDSS’s Office of Tribal Affairs (OTA) hosted the first annual CDSS Internal Tribal Funding Convening at CDSS Headquarters in Sacramento. Facilitated by the Office of Tribal Affairs and CDSS leadership—including Director Jennifer Troia and OTA Director Laila DeRouen—the convening brought together Department staff who administer tribal funding to strengthen coordination, reinforce tribal consultation practices, and advance streamlined, transparent, and equitable funding processes that respect Tribal sovereignty.</p>
<p>Ribbon cutting ceremony for Foothill House of Hospitality</p>	<p>February 12, 2026</p>	<p>On February 12, 2026, CDSS-HHD attended the ribbon cutting and opening of Foothill House of Hospitality in Nevada County. The CCE Program granted \$6 million in funding for this project, which creates 27 units of Permanent Supportive Housing for individuals who are receiving or applying for SSI/SSP and CAPI who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness.</p>
<p>Sacramento and Sierra Regional Convening</p>	<p>February 19-20, 2026</p>	<p>This in-person regional convening (the fourth such convening across</p>

		<p>the state) was an opportunity for fifteen county and tribal grantees of CDSS housing and homelessness programs to connect with system leaders, service providers and industry experts in the housing and homelessness sectors. The goal of the convening (including virtual pre-meetings and follow up meetings) is to create more effective, unified solutions for addressing homelessness and housing instability, with the goals of improving program outcomes and reducing homelessness for program participants.</p>
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Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	<p>Community Care Expansion: Funds the expansion and preservation of licensed adult and senior care facilities, permanent supportive housing, recuperative care, and other housing options with supportive services for vulnerable older adults and adults with disabilities experiencing or at risk of homelessness including through a tribal set aside.</p>	<p>CCE set a goal of creating and preserving over 7,000 beds or units for SSI/SSP and CAPI applicants and recipients experiencing or at risk of homelessness. To date, the program has awarded grants to CCE Capital Expansion projects that have proposed to create 3,170 new beds and CCE Preservation programs to preserve 6,089 beds. Some projects serve individuals with behavioral health needs (incl. serious mental illness).</p> <p>As of January 2026, 13 CCE Capital Expansion housing projects, representing 679 beds/units, have completed construction, and are in the process of initiating move-in while 16 housing projects providing 1,085 beds/units have broken ground. Occupancy for 499 beds/units has been initiated, 164 beds/units have achieved 50% occupancy, and 145 beds/units have achieved 100% occupancy.</p> <p>As of January 2026, through CCE Preservation, 34 counties contracted with 208 facilities at risk of closure to preserve 6,089 beds.</p>

<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<p>CalWORKs Housing Support Program (HSP): State-funded, locally administered program in which counties provide flexible housing-related support, including housing navigation and rental assistance, to families experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness in the CalWORKs program.</p>	<p>Since the HSP's inception in 2014 through September 30, 2025, over 102,800 families were served, over 53,000 were permanently housed and 51% of families exited to permanent housing across the state. In Q1 of FY 2025-26, 56 counties were operating HSP and over 2,500 families were approved for HSP. Over 1,200 families were permanently housed and 57% of families who exited HSP exited to permanent housing. By comparison, 35% of participants receiving services overall through local homeless response systems in CA exited to permanent housing for Federal FY 2023.</p> <p>On March 26, 2026, HHD will host an HSP/BFH All Grantee Call for county and tribal grantees. This meeting will provide attendees with important CDSS updates, including budget reminders and status updates on the implementation of Senate Bill 146 requirements, as well as a refresher on available funding, including the different timelines for expenditure and invoicing for each tranche of funding. The meeting will also include an overview of technical assistance available to grantees. Additional all-grantee calls are tentatively scheduled for July and November 2026 to provide a space for discussion and thought partnership among grantees on important programmatic issues.</p>
<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<p>CalWORKs Homeless Assistance (HA): Provides payments for families in the CalWORKs program for temporary shelter for up to 16 days, to secure or maintain housing, including a security deposit and last month's rent, or up to two months of rent arrearages.</p>	<p>In Q1 of FY 2025-26, over 17,000 families were approved for temporary HA and over 3,200 families were approved for permanent HA.</p>
<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<p>Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP): State-funded, locally-administered program in which counties and tribal grantees provide flexible housing-related supports, including housing navigation, rental assistance, and legal services, to individuals likely eligible for disability benefits who are experiencing, or at risk of,</p>	<p>Since HDAP's inception in FY 2017-18 through September 30, 2025, over 33,600 participants were served by county programs, over 6,400 people experiencing homelessness were permanently housed, over 1,100 individuals at risk of homelessness were permanently housed/stabilized their living situation, and over 280 people whose housing status at entry was unknown were permanently housed. Overall, 47% of individuals who exited HDAP</p>

	<p>homelessness, with a focus on chronic homelessness.</p>	<p>since program inception exited to permanent housing across the state, with Los Angeles County data included starting at FY 2024-25 (due to Los Angeles County historical data tracking and reporting challenges from FY 2017-18 to FY 2023-24).</p> <p>In FY 2025-26 Q1, over 190 people were approved for HDAP, over 100 people experiencing homelessness were permanently housed and over 10 individuals at risk of homelessness moved into or were stabilized in permanent housing. Overall, 63% of individuals who exited HDAP in Q1 of FY 25-26 exited to permanent housing across the state (note that this includes Los Angeles County data as data tracking and reporting challenges were addressed for FY 2024-25 and more recent data). By comparison, 35% of participants receiving services overall through local homeless response systems in CA exited to permanent housing for Federal FY 2023.</p> <p>In addition, since program inception through September 30, 2025, over 29,900 disability applications have been submitted, over 7,500 disability applications were approved, and the program has a 79% approval rate for disposed disability benefits applications.</p> <p>In FY 2025-26 Q1, over 800 disability applications were submitted, over 200 disability applications were approved and there was a 78% approval rate for disposed disability benefit applications.</p> <p>Furthermore, through September 30, 2025, 191 participants have been enrolled in tribal HDAP, approximately 90 participants entered or retained permanent housing, and 56% participants exited to permanent housing.</p> <p>ACWDL dated November 10, 2025, announced \$40.2 million in new, FY 2025-26 one-time funding available to all 58 counties.</p> <p>County Fiscal Letter CFL 25-26-43 (January 13, 2026) provided final allocations to 55 counties that accepted FY 2025-26 one-time funding for HDAP based on counties' acceptance of funds. These FY 2025-26 allocations are available for expenditure through June 30, 2028.</p>
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		<p>On February 6, 2026, HHD hosted an HDAP/Home Safe All Grantee Call for county and tribal grantees. This meeting provided attendees with important CDSS updates, including budget reminders and status updates on the implementation of Senate Bill 146 requirements, as well as a refresher on available funding, including the different timelines for expenditure and invoicing for each tranche of funding. The meeting also included an overview of technical assistance available to grantees and concluded with a presentation from Dr. Margot Kushel on the Home Safe Program Evaluation released by the UCSF Benioff Homelessness and Housing Initiative. Additional all grantee calls are tentatively scheduled for June and October 2026 to provide a space for discussion and thought partnership among grantees on important programmatic issues impacting.</p>
<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<p>Home Safe: State-funded, locally-administered program in which counties and tribal grantees provide flexible housing-related supports, including housing navigation and rental assistance, to individuals in the Adult Protective Services (APS) intake process, or those who may be served through a tribe, or tribal entity or agency, and are experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness for reasons of abuse, neglect, self-neglect, or financial exploitation as determined by APS or tribal agency.</p>	<p>Since Home Safe’s inception in 2018 through September 30, 2025, over 18,500 county participants were served, over 4,400 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided for people at risk of homelessness, over 2,800 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided for people experiencing homelessness, over 330 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided to people whose housing status at entry was not collected/reported. Of those who exited the program, 61% exited to permanent housing.</p> <p>In FY 2025-26 Q1, over 570 people were approved for Home Safe, over 310 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided for people at risk of homelessness, over 130 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided to people experiencing homelessness or unknown housing status at entry, and 76% of those who exited the program exited to permanent housing. By comparison, 35% of participants receiving services overall through local homeless response systems in CA exited to permanent housing for Federal FY 2023.</p> <p>Furthermore, through September 30, 2025, 274 participants have been enrolled in a tribal</p>

		<p>Home Safe, approximately 170 participants entered or retained permanent housing, and 81% of participants exited to permanent housing.</p> <p>Per ACWDL dated November 3, 2025, \$75.6 million in new, FY 2025-26 one-time funding was made available to all 58 counties.</p> <p>County Fiscal Letter CFL 25-26-40 provides final FY 2025-26 one-time allocations to 56 counties for the Home Safe Program based on counties' acceptance of funds. This allocation is available for expenditure through June 30, 2028.</p> <p>In addition, Senate Bill (SB) 119 (Chapter 79, Statutes of 2025) indefinitely removes the dollar-for-dollar match requirement for Home Safe.</p> <p>On January 26, 2026, the UCSF Benioff Homelessness and Housing Initiative released its evaluation of CDSS's Home Safe Program, examining outcomes from the program's full expansion since 2022. The evaluation finds that Home Safe fills a critical gap in local homeless response systems by serving older and dependent adults involved with APS who are not reached by other programs, and demonstrates strong outcomes compared to other homelessness interventions—underscoring the importance of sustained funding to preserve program capacity and continuity of services. This report was further presented and discussed at the aforementioned HDAP/Home Safe All-Grantee call on February 6th</p>
Strategic Investment	<p>Bringing Families Home (BFH): State-funded, locally-administered program in which counties and tribal grantees provide flexible housing-related supports, including housing navigation and rental assistance, to eligible families experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness who are in the child welfare system or who receive child welfare services in accordance with tribal law or customs.</p>	<p>Since the program's inception in 2017 through September 30, 2025, over 11,400 families were served, over 4,300 families experiencing homelessness were permanently housed, and over 1,200 at-risk families' housing was stabilized through BFH. Overall, 62% of families that exited the program exited to permanent housing.</p> <p>In Q1 of FY 2025-26, over 400 families were approved for BFH, over 100 families were permanently housed, and over 60 families at risk of homelessness were stabilized in</p>

		<p>permanent housing. Overall, 72% of families who exited in Q1 of FY 25-26 exited to permanent housing. By comparison, 35% of participants receiving services overall through local homeless response systems in CA exited to permanent housing for Federal FY 2023-24.</p> <p>Furthermore, through September 30, 2025, 307 families have been enrolled in tribal BFH, approximately 140 families entered or retained permanent housing, and 80% of families exiting tribal BFH programs, exited to permanent housing.</p> <p>A total of \$73.1 million in new, one-time FY 25-26 funding was made available to all 58 counties as outlined in ACWDL dated November 3, 2025.</p> <p>CFL 25-26-45 (January 20, 2026) provides the final FY 2025-26 one-time allocations to 51 counties for the BFH Program based on counties' acceptance of funds and additional funding requests. This allocation is available for expenditure through June 30, 2028.</p> <p>In addition, Senate Bill (SB) 119 (Chapter 79, Statutes of 2025) indefinitely removes the dollar-for-dollar match requirement for BFH.</p> <p>On March 26, 2026, HHD will host an HSP/BFH All Grantee Call for county and tribal grantees. This meeting will provide attendees with important CDSS updates, including budget reminders and status updates on the implementation of Senate Bill 146 requirements, as well as a refresher on available funding, including the different timelines for expenditure and invoicing for each tranche of funding. The meeting will also include an overview of technical assistance available to grantees. Additional all-grantee calls are tentatively scheduled for July and November 2026, providing a space for discussion and thought partnership among grantees on important programmatic issues.</p>
Strategic Investment	Guaranteed Income (GI) Pilot Program: Provides grants to eligible entities that provide a guaranteed income to participants, with funding prioritized for pilot programs that serve individuals who age out	As of October 2024, the seven CDSS-funded pilot programs serving former foster youth and pregnant individuals across California's major regions completed enrollment. They offered guaranteed income payments of \$600 to

	<p>of extended foster care at or after 21 years of age, pregnant individuals, or older adults. GI participants must also be low-income residents of California.</p>	<p>\$1200 per month for 12 to 18 months to nearly 2,000 participants. Some participants concluded their payment programs and all support for the participants will end by April 2026.</p> <p>The Urban Institute is assessing the impact of California’s guaranteed income pilot by tracking how cash assistance affects participants’ financial stability, health, and well-being. Even though the results from the exit survey are anticipated by 2027 at the earliest, the Urban Institute has published a brief titled Early Participant Experiences from the Guaranteed Income Pilot Program.</p> <p>Future briefs will describe the feelings and experiences of participants as the potential effects of cash assistance accumulate and as participants prepare for the end of the program.</p> <p>For the GI Pilot for Older Adults, the California Department of Social Services selected GiveDirectly as the intended grantee, with enrollment anticipated to begin in Summer 2026. The program will serve low-income adults aged 60 or older living in San Joaquin County, with the goal of advancing guaranteed income as a “bridge” to longer-term supports, focusing on housing and income security.</p>
<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<p>Transitional Housing Placement Program: Offers transitional housing placements to 18 - 21-year-old non-minor dependents in Extended Foster Care (THP-NMD) and young adults that exited the foster care system on or after age 18, currently between ages 21-25 for up to 36 cumulative months (THP-Plus).</p>	<p>The CDSS-TAY Policy Unit continues to provide ongoing technical assistance to counties, providers, community agencies, and current/former foster youth related to the transitional housing program. This includes offering potential providers with information and resources necessary for becoming certified/licensed in their local community. This also includes connecting potential participants (current/former foster youth) with local county coordinators for the facilitation of program admission.</p>
<p>1.A.4</p>	<p>Utilize listening sessions, feedback opportunities, and formal Tribal consultation processes, as appropriate, to ensure intentional, structured engagement on guidelines for and implementation of CDSS Housing and Homelessness programs for</p>	<p>June 13, 2025, CDSS-HHD presented on the HDAP program to obtain input on the funding methodology for the FY 25/26 allocation.</p> <p>As part of the first ever Program Update Survey for tribal grantees of BFH, HDAP, and Home Safe (as outlined in All Tribal Leaders</p>

	<p>federally recognized Tribes, Tribal organizations, consortia, and entities. Offer clear guidance on the Tribal waiver process to address regulatory or programmatic barriers specific to Tribal grantees, thereby enhancing program access and effectiveness.</p>	<p>Letter 25-03, dated August 1, 2025), HHD is providing intensive, tailored budget-related technical assistance to support tribal grantees in completing the required budget template portion of the Surveys, as needed</p> <p>On September 24, 2025, HHD attended the Annual Tribal Consultation Summit (ATCS) to consult Tribes and Tribal Entities on proposed funding methodology for the FY 2025-26 tribal set aside for BFH, HDAP and Home Safe. The tribal set aside is comprised of one-time funds appropriated by the Budget Act of 2025. Tribes and Tribal Entities (both currently participating and interested) of the HDAP, Home Safe and BFH programs provided feedback on methodology for distribution of funds within tribal communities. HHD also presented the methodology options on September 25, 2025 at the Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting. HHD also provided the opportunity for written feedback on the proposed methodologies. The development process remains underway.</p> <p>On October 9, 2025, HHD invited Tribal grantees already operating one or more HHD programs to a listening session to obtain feedback on the same methodology options. Finally, on October 17, 2026, CDSS HHD attended Offices Hours, hosted by the CDSS Office of Tribal Affairs (OTA), to answer any outstanding questions about HHD programs, the upcoming funding opportunity, and the proposed funding methodology</p> <p>All Tribal Leaders Letter NO. 25-04 dated October 2, 2025 was released to notify eligible Tribal Entities of the opportunity to accept FY 25-26 planning allocations for the annual HDAP funding, and eligible Tribal Entities had until December 31, 2025, to submit a program funding request (PFR).</p> <p>On February 3, 2026, CDSS's Office of Tribal Affairs (OTA) hosted the first annual CDSS Internal Tribal Funding Convening at CDSS Headquarters in Sacramento. The CDSS-HHD provided an overview of available Tribal funding for CDSS-HHD programs at the Department Tribal Funding Convening.</p>
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1.B.31	Address housing needs of older adults and people with disabilities by streamlining access to information by advancing a No Wrong Door system approach, in support of Californians remaining in their own homes and communities.	CDSS is an active member of the No Wrong Door (NWD) State Leadership Council, led by the Department of Aging (CDA), the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR), and other state partners. As new NWD resources are developed through this Council, CDSS will continue working with CDA, DOR, and other state partners to determine how best to share CDSS program information across new resource platforms.
1.B.34	Continue expanding the statewide CalFresh Restaurant Meals Program to increase access to food for CalFresh Program participants experiencing homelessness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Between December 2025 and January 2026, the RMP expanded by 365 restaurants, significantly increasing food access to CalFresh participants experiencing homelessness. • As of January 2026, there are 6,248 active RMP restaurants within 50 California counties. * • As of June 2025, there are 1,805,526 CalFresh recipients experiencing homelessness were being served by the RMP. * • As of December 2025, an estimated \$8,897,464.29 in CalFresh dollars were spent on RMP transactions by CalFresh participants experiencing homelessness. * • As of December 2025, there were an estimated 540,603 transactions by RMP Households experiencing homelessness. * <p>NOTE: These estimates rely on the assumption that RMP participants experiencing homelessness use the program at roughly the same rate as other RMP participants, and that CalFresh RMP population rates remain steady over time.</p> <p>* This is point in time data as of January 2026.</p>
1.C.39	Provide technical assistance to support connections between non-minor dependents, former foster youth, and county and community agencies to assist eligible youth and young adults experiencing homelessness or at risk of experiencing homelessness to access housing programs and Independent Living Programs which	The CDSS-TAY Policy Unit within CDSS continues to provide technical assistance to county agencies, Tribes, current and former foster youth, Transitional Housing Program providers, and community agencies. Technical Assistance includes but is not limited to providing policy guidance and support, connecting youth and former youth to county

	<p>may lead to them obtaining permanent housing.</p>	<p>and community agencies to assist with their specific housing needs, and connecting youth and former youth to their local Independent Living Programs (ILP).</p> <p>Between December 2025 and February 2026, the CDSS-TAY Policy Unit participated in three case-specific technical assistance calls and had the opportunity to assist local county child welfare/probation staff with transitional planning for specific youth. This included providing policy guidance and support related to placement options for youth transitioning to Extended Foster Care and independent living. In December the CDSS-TAY Policy unit met with the Cal SAWS ABAWD unit to discuss THPP resources available to TAY youth in their program.</p> <p>The CDSS-TAY Policy Unit also met with DHCS CalAIM to learn about the new resource for TAY youth up to age 26, Transitional Rent.</p>
<p>3.B.11</p>	<p>Provide pre-application and other technical assistance and training opportunities, participate in listening or feedback sessions, and adapt program guidelines and guidance, to enhance access to State homelessness and housing programs and resources, and other support services, for federally recognized Tribes, Tribal organizations, Tribal consortium, and Tribal entities in California.</p>	<p>Tribal “Community of Practice” (CoP) technical assistance (TA) meetings for tribal grantees operating Home Safe, BFH and HDAP are held bi-monthly by Change Well Project, CDSS’s contracted TA provider, to discuss program updates, technical assistance needs, and key issues affecting tribal communities. These CoP meetings support participating tribal grantees in reviewing their progress, addressing challenges, and ensuring alignment with program policies, funding requirements, and best practices. Change Well Project and CDSS also continue to provide both intensive and light-touch support on a wide variety of program implementation and refinement activities through one-on-one TA with tribal grantees and other group learning opportunities.</p> <p>Resources for Tribal grantees, including invoicing templates, have been added to HHD’s Tribal Grantee webpage.</p>
<p>4.B.14</p>	<p>Share findings, insights, and lessons learned from Project Roomkey, Home Safe, and Bringing Families Home evaluations to inform and strengthen local homelessness response efforts.</p>	<p>January 26, 2026: The UCSF Benioff Homelessness and Housing Initiative has released its evaluation of CDSS’s Home Safe Program, examining outcomes from the program’s full expansion since 2022. The</p>

		<p>evaluation finds that Home Safe fills a critical gap in local homeless response systems by serving older and dependent adults involved APS who are not reached by other programs, and demonstrates strong outcomes compared to other homelessness interventions—underscoring the importance of sustained funding to preserve program capacity and continuity of services.</p>
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Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

Other Department Updates	Date	Notes
<p>SB 146 Individualized Housing Plan Outline – Website Launch and Implementation Feedback Period</p>	<p>January 30, 2026</p>	<p>CDSS-HHD is working with stakeholders to implement Senate Bill (SB) 146, which added Section 10618.9 to the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC). CDSS-HHD recently launched the Implementation of Housing Plans and Complaint Resolution Processes for CDSS-HHD Programs webpage, which provides an overview of SB 146, describes how CDSS is developing guidance and resources to implement SB 146 across its housing and homelessness programs, and provides updates on status of implementation.</p>

California Department of State Hospitals (DSH)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Event	Date	Notes
Opening of MHRC Community Inpatient Facility in Fresno County	Spring 2026	Funded by the IST Solutions budget package
Northern CA IST Infrastructure Program Activation	July 2026	Funded by the IST Solutions Infrastructure Program budget

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	Community Based Restoration (CBR) Program: Expands the number of residential treatment options to support community placement for individuals who have been deemed Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) on felony charges. Provides interim housing or facility placement with wrap around treatment and supports for up to two years, including planning for long term housing and treatment needs post-CBR participation.	As of January 2026, DSH has executed one small county CBR for 8 beds and is in contract negotiations with two potential counties interested in combined CBR/Diversion programs with a total of 85 beds for both program types. This expansion is in addition to the combined CBR and Diversion program established in Los Angeles County beginning in 2018-19 and expanded to a total of 1,005 beds by the end of 2024-25.
Strategic Investment	Conditional Release Program (CONREP): Implements additional residential treatment opportunities to support the safe transition of individuals from the state hospital to community treatment.	As of January 2026, DSH has contracted with multiple providers to establish a 60-bed Forensic Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) program across two regions of the state to serve individuals transitioning from a state hospital to the community via CONREP. DSH is in negotiations to expand the current program by up to 30 additional beds in FY 2026-27.
Strategic Investment	DSH Diversion Program: A collaboration between DSH and county governments to develop or expand diversion programs for individuals with serious mental illness who face felony charges and have been determined to be incompetent to stand trial, the program provides funding to counties to	As of January 2026, DSH has executed contracts with 20 counties and commenced contract negotiations with an additional four counties to contract for permanent Diversion programs and two counties to contract for combined Diversion/CBR programs that will

	support community mental health treatment and other services for these individuals.	provide 714 Diversion-only and 85 Diversion/CBR treatment slots annually. This expansion is in addition to the combined Diversion and CBR program established in Los Angeles County beginning in 2018-19 and has a total of 1,005 beds.
Strategic Investment	IST Solutions Infrastructure Program: Expands the availability of residential treatment and interim housing by up to 5,000 beds statewide to support ongoing sustainable diversion and community-based restoration programs for individuals with serious mental illness who have been found incompetent to stand trial.	As of January 2026, 13 award letters have been issued to counties, and one award letter has been issued to a CBO for infrastructure projects with proposed total capacity across the state of 1,642 beds to support permanent Diversion and CBR programs. In the last quarter, two projects (one from a county in Northern California and one from a Community Based Organization (CBO) in Southern California) were approved for funding. The Southern California facility opened in December and will begin admitting clients to Los Angeles County in Winter 2026.
1.B.15	Support older adults transitioning to community living from incarceration or other secured settings, leveraging opportunities through CalAIM Enhanced Care Management, Community Supports, and other state programs.	DSH has established pre-release Medi-Cal enrollment processes and contacts with all 58 counties for state hospital patients 65 years and older to improve continuity of care and connects to health and social services. Specific to Los Angeles County, DSH has improved processes to secure Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) placement when needed, in advance of discharge through centralizing DSH coordination with the county's long-term care (LTC) district 80. In addition, DSH continues to foster connections to Medicare enrollment counseling for older adults ensuring patients understand the benefit to timely Medicare/Medicaid enrollment. In the most recent quarter, DSH continues to expand Enhanced Care Management (ECM) partnerships across counties, including piloting referral processes with Los Angeles and San Diego Counties, to identify and link eligible DSH patients prior to discharge from the state hospitals. These partnerships will inform DSH policies and practices rolled out with other counties' ECM programs.
1.B.17	Explore opportunities created through CalAIM to increase continuity of care and access to community behavioral health	DSH continues to monitor implementation of 90-day jail in reach services and directly engaging county partners to identify potential

	<p>resources after treatment in the Department of State Hospitals.</p>	<p>adjustments to DSH protocols to enhance continuity of care for patients released to the community after discharging from a DSH treatment program to a jail setting. DSH has established collaborative partnerships with San Diego and Los Angeles Counties to help inform DSH policy and pilot processes to facilitate warm in reach services for those discharging from DSH to a jail setting for transition planning and linkage to services.</p>
<p>2.A.16</p>	<p>Strengthen collaborative efforts across state entities to prevent experiences of homelessness among people on parole supervision exiting Department of State Hospitals settings.</p>	<p>Over the last three quarters, DSH has strengthened its partnership and communication with local parole offices to support the discharge planning process for state hospital patients committed as an offender with mental health disorder (Penal Code 2962). DSH participates in monthly CARE Call for Statewide Petitioners workgroup to share information and experience with CDCR stakeholders to assist with the filing of petitions by CDCR for patients committed as an offender with a mental disorder (Penal Code 2962) court ordered released to parole. DSH continues to work with CDCR Division of Adult Parole Operations to support submission of new Medi-Cal applications; or reinstatement of Medi-Cal benefits for PC 2962 patients upon release from the state hospital and transition to state parole.</p>
<p>3.C.29</p>	<p>Optimize discharge planning in partnership with counties to allow for continuity of treatment when individuals are released from jail or referred to a Community, Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment Program.</p>	<p>DSH has established standardized processes to coordinate the submission of CARE petitions for eligible IST patients discharging from the state hospitals. As of August 2025, DSH continues working with its Early Access and Stabilization Services (EASS) and Jail Based Competency Treatment (JBCT) providers to pilot an expansion of CARE petition and related discharge coordination efforts.</p> <p>DSH has also established a standardized discharge packet of information for patients committed as incompetent to stand trial (IST). The information packet is currently provided to county jails upon discharge from a state hospital, and processes are being finalized for DSH to share the standardized packet with county behavioral health departments when</p>

		<p>planning for ongoing community care upon release from jail.</p> <p>DSH has established a process to provide CBH with a Notification of Release letter for all state hospital patients deemed incompetent to stand trial at the time of discharge. DSH implemented this process with the counties which included establishing a standardized process for CBH to request and receive DSH's discharge information packet. Additionally, DSH continues to provide patient notification and information to designated county CARE Act teams for all patients determined to meet eligibility and who have had a CARE petition or referral submitted on their behalf.</p>
<p>4.B.16</p>	<p>Evaluate Diversion and Community -Based Restoration program outcomes, ensure collection of client and service-level data, and find opportunities to link HDIS and DSH data to evaluate programs.</p>	<p>DSH has partnered with Policy Research Associates to conduct a phased evaluation of DSH's community continuum of care for IST treatment. In Phase 1 of the program evaluation, PRA analyzed quantitative services and outcome data for the IST pilot diversion program. Additionally, they interviewed staff at the county behavioral health programs and justice partners to provide qualitative data for their analyses. Because the pilot program was active through June 2025, a final report for that initial retrospective outcome evaluation of the pilot IST diversion program is not yet available.</p> <p>Currently, PRA is conducting the groundwork for Phase 2, which is the prospective evaluation of the permanent diversion programs and community-based restoration. As part of this, they have actively assisted in developing the permanent data dictionary, optimizing data collection, and conducting site visits with several of the counties who will be transitioning from the pilot to the permanent program.</p>
<p>5.A.12</p>	<p>Expand current educational, training, and technical assistance opportunities for local partners to address the housing and treatment needs of people in pre-trial mental health diversion or Community- Based Restoration (CBR) programs. Support local partners' planning for transitioning diversion</p>	<p>As of January 2026, DSH has one training project under development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSH continues to work with the American Psychiatric Association (APA), to expand its training and technical assistance, related to the treatment of IST population and supporting DSH's continuum of care,

	<p>or transitioning CBR clients to long-term/permanent housing and treatment.</p>	<p>using diverse formats such as webinars, lectures, and on-demand courses through an online educational platform. The educational opportunities will support treatment and housing providers and the broader IST stakeholder community (i.e. Sheriff, District Attorney, Public Defender, Courts/Judges, County Behavioral Health, etc.). As of January 2026, the educational platform has hosted 13 live webinars, has 14 live webinars scheduled through March 2026, and has pre-recorded trainings available for state and county staff in six clinical disciplines.</p>
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California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
1.A.2	Co-lead Transportation and Housing Coordination Workgroup, to pursue opportunities to create more affordable and transit-oriented housing development.	No update
1.A.9	Deploy Encampment Coordinators throughout each of Caltrans’s 12 district jurisdictions to help coordinate community partnerships and strengthen responses for people experiencing homelessness on the state right of way.	No update
3.B.17	Identify appropriate Tribal partners in each Caltrans District who can provide support to local services providers who meet unsheltered members of Tribal communities.	No update
3.C.20	Implement quality assurance strategies, including strengthening regular training, to implement Caltrans’s Encampment Coordinators Reference Guide and Maintenance Policy Directive 1001R. Strengthen partnerships to respond to risks and needs of people in encampments on Caltrans-controlled property.	No update
3.C.21	Work with partners to use available Caltrans property for temporary emergency shelter.	No update
3.C.22	Strengthen efforts to provide advance notification to local housing service partners regarding encampment removal activities to coordinate outreach and additional services.	No update
4.B.15	Conduct an annual statewide encampment survey and assess effectiveness of strategies used to address encampments on Caltrans property.	No update

Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

Caltrans engaged with local jurisdictions, especially San Francisco, ahead of the Super Bowl

After Action Briefing – D4 Super Bowl

- Early preparation helped implement maintenance efforts
- Approximately 30 encampments removed
- Overall went well with no major issues/surprises
- Was able to pivot after San Francisco requested additional encampment assistance

California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Program	NOFA Release Date	Application Due Date	Available, Funding	Eligible Applicants	Additional Information/Contact Info
Homekey +	Amended 08/07/2025	Continuous until funds are exhausted	Veterans \$1,033,000,000	Tribal entities, cities, counties, and all other state, regional, and local public entities, including councils of government, metropolitan planning organizations, public housing authorities, and regional transportation planning agencies designated in Section 29532.1 of the Government Code.	

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	Veterans Support to Self-Reliance Pilot: Provides a higher level of on-site supportive services for veterans aged 55+ with high-acuity and over who reside in permanent supportive housing (PSH) projects throughout California.	See 5.C.24.
1.A.12	Implement the Veterans Home master plans to continue providing care and services at eight state facilities across California.	Ongoing
1.B.16	Expand the Justice Involved Veteran Program by partnering with Federal entities to ensure Veterans released from the federal prison system are connected to CalVet and their community-based system of care.	Ongoing
1.C.35	Support Proposition 1 and Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) implementation by collaborating across state departments and agencies, providing coordinated guidance,	See the Prop. 1 (Homekey +) update in Section. 3 of this document.

	engaging partners, monitoring implementation and outcomes, and supporting coordination of health, behavioral health, and housing resources at the local level.	
3.C.26	Coordinate with the US Department of Veterans Affairs programs to connect Veterans to benefits and implement VA homeless programs.	CalVet continues to partner with VA HUD-VASH Regional Coordinator, and when possible, with SSVF grantees to assist potential Homekey+ applicants through pre-application consultations.
3.C.27	Connect local, state, and federal initiatives regarding Veterans experiencing homelessness at events intended to coordinate resources for Veterans experiencing homelessness, such as Stand Downs.	Ongoing
4.A.5	Review VA and local databases with HDIS to compare data on veterans experiencing homelessness.	No Update
5.A.3	Continue to develop and deploy Housing First training to sites funded by the Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention Program.	No Update
5.C.24	Implement the Veterans Support of Self-Reliance pilot program to identify and evaluate approaches that help aging, highly vulnerable veterans with a history of homelessness who are residing in permanent supportive housing. The goal is to support veterans to thrive within community-based housing with appropriate services and supports.	<p>The Veterans Support to Self-Reliance (VSSR) Pilot Program continues to deliver enhanced, on-site supportive services to high-acuity Veterans aged 55 and older residing in permanent supportive housing throughout California.</p> <p>To date, the program has served 539 Veteran participants—surpassing its original goal of 425. This data-driven, Veteran-centered initiative continues to demonstrate positive outcomes based on data reported by grantees and collected by CalVet and its technical assistance partner, Swords to Plowshares.</p> <p>The Impact Evaluation Report dated January 15, 2026, which reflects a longer timeframe and more longitudinal analysis, confirms and strengthens earlier findings. Results show reductions in falls and 911 calls, along with meaningful social impact, including decreased</p>

		isolation and increased engagement among participating Veterans.
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Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

Please list updates on any other programs or initiatives you are working on related to homelessness or housing that are not listed above.

Proposition 1 (Homekey+)

To date, Homekey+ has awarded \$636 million to 37 projects, creating 1,817 affordable homes statewide, including 454 units reserved for veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

New Awards

Homekey+ veterans projects total \$298.4 million and are expected to create 905 new permanent supportive housing (PSH) units (plus 17 manager units), including 454 units exclusively for veterans. Veteran-oriented awards for this quarter include:

- Edison House, the Housing Authority of the County of San Joaquin will receive \$10.6 million for a 34-unit acquisition and rehabilitation project in the City of Stockton. Edison House is an adaptive reuse project that will convert a nonresidential vacant medical building into 33 PSH, and one manager unit. Fourteen of these homes will be reserved for veterans.
- Elsie Housing in Sacramento, a new affordable housing project converting a Motel 6 at 7407 Elsie Avenue into 60 PSH units for people experiencing homelessness, including 16 veterans, is a partnership with the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) and California Supportive Housing under the state's Homekey+ program. SHRA will receive \$31.5 million in Homekey+ funding to acquire and rehabilitate a two-story hotel into 59 permanent supportive housing units and one manager unit

Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention (VHHP) Program

The Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention (VHHP) Program continues to expand California's affordable and PSH resources for veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness, particularly in areas of critical need.

On January 6, 2026, the anniversary of the Los Angeles Fire, the California Department of Housing and Community Development [announced](#) \$107.3 million in Multifamily Finance Super NOFA (MFSN–LA Disaster) awards to support communities affected by the disaster. This funding will support nine developments that will create 673 new affordable rental units. The announcement also included \$8.2 million in VHHP awards for two projects located in Los Angeles and Claremont, which together will contribute an additional 114 units to Los Angeles County's affordable housing inventory.

- **U.S. Vets project - West LA Campus Building 256** - This project is sponsored by a partnership between U.S. Vets and Kingdom Development and will add 40 veteran PSH units. This development will feature supportive services with individualized case management coordinated by the VA and U.S. Vets. The VHHP award is \$2.8M for adaptive reuse.
- **Mercy Claremont** - This project, on the former Solid Rock Church site on North Towne Ave. was awarded VHHP funds of \$5.4M for new construction. Mercy Housing California will develop 74 high-quality affordable apartment homes for veteran families and veterans who have experienced homelessness to include supportive housing, provided by Mercy Housing and the VA.

Veterans Support to Self-Reliance (VSSR) Pilot Program

The January 2026 interim evaluation of the Veterans Support to Self-Reliance (VSSR) Pilot Program shows promising progress in supporting aging and high-acuity veterans in PSH. Among veterans enrolled for at least one year, housing stability remains strong, with consistently low rates of negative exits such as eviction or return to homelessness. Participants demonstrated meaningful improvements in health and safety, including a statistically significant reduction in falls and increased engagement with daily living support such as housekeeping, medication assistance, and medical appointment accompaniment. Findings also indicate that enhanced, multidisciplinary service delivery, particularly peer support and assistance with activities of daily living, is associated with improved health behaviors, reduced habitability concerns, and better overall quality of life. These early results suggest the VSSR model is effectively strengthening veterans' ability to age in place while improving well-being and housing outcomes.

California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES)

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Investments	Domestic Violence Housing First (XD) Program: Provides victims/survivors of domestic violence with safe, permanent housing and ongoing, trauma-informed services tailored to address the individual needs of each victim/survivor that allows them to choose how to best rebuild their lives.	Period of Performance (PoP): January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026.
Investments	Domestic Violence Assistance (DV) Program: Provides local assistance for comprehensive support services to existing domestic violence providers throughout California, including emergency shelter to victims/survivors of domestic violence and their children.	PoP: October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026.
Investments	Homeless Youth and Exploitation (HX) Program: Provides comprehensive services to help homeless youth exit street life, with a focus on providing specialized services for youth experiencing sexual exploitation.	PoP: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026. Application period: closed until summer 2026.
Investments	Homeless Youth Emergency Services and Housing (YE) Program: Provides funding for food, shelter, counseling, and outreach services to locate homeless youth and link them with services, screen for basic health needs, and provide long-term stabilization planning with an emphasis on housing.	PoP: January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2026. Next Funding Opportunity is contingent on State Budget.
Investments	Homeless Youth Emergency Services Pilot (HY) Program: Provides funding to expand crisis intervention and stabilization services to homeless youth so the immediate crisis these youth face can be resolved, and they can focus on their futures.	PoP: April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2027. Next Funding Opportunity is contingent on State Budget.
Investments	Specialized Emergency Housing (KE) Program: Expands emergency shelter/emergency housing assistance and provide supportive services for	PoP: October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026. Application period: closed until summer 2026.

	victims/survivors of crime with specialized needs (e.g. elderly, youth, men, disabled, LGBTQIA+, non-English speaking, culturally or religiously marginalized, etc.) who cannot be served through a traditional shelter.	
Investments	Transitional Housing (XH) Program: Provides victims/survivors of crime with transitional/short-term housing assistance and a range of supportive services, including follow-up services that move victims/survivors into permanent housing.	PoP: January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2026.
Investments	Human Trafficking Victim Assistance (HV) Program: Helps human trafficking victims/survivors (sex trafficking and labor trafficking) recover from the trauma they experienced and assist them with reintegrating into society through comprehensive safety and supportive services using a trauma-informed, culturally sensitive, victim/survivor-centered approach.	PoP April 1, 2025 - March 31, 2026. Next Funding Opportunity is contingent on State Budget.
Investments	Native American Domestic Violence, and Sexual Assault (DS) Program: Provides supportive services to Native American women and their children, who are victims/survivors of domestic violence and/or sexual assault.	PoP: October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026.
2.A.4	Convene the Priority Populations Task Force as a response to natural and man-made disasters, to coordinate state resources, identify and address unmet needs, and ensure comprehensive operational preparedness and response to those at greatest risk, including people who are unhoused.	The PPTF continues to participate in local recovery efforts to support as needed. PPT activities vary and respond to the unique needs for each disaster.
2.A.5	Partner with FEMA Region IX in all facets of emergency management (planning, response, recovery, and mitigation). Coordinate with FEMA Liaison in the State Operations Center during disasters or emergencies and, during federally declared disasters, work with FEMA to facilitate federal response and recovery services.	Will partner with FEMA and other state/federal agencies in response to a declared disaster.

3.C.24	Engage Emergency Operations Centers, local communities, and Tribal partners to include their unhoused populations into emergency operations plans.	<p>The DEI office is available to assist the Community Planning Unit at Cal OES to ensure that local emergency plans are inclusive and provide TA to local government as needed.</p> <p>Counties will be required to include efforts and strategies to engage the unhoused population as a part of their local emergency plan. Cal OES continuously reviews the operation plans and provides feedback and support to strengthen this response. Cal OES has also hired a specialist to assist the review team with these plans.</p>
4.C.32	Use Geographic Information System, social vulnerability index, and other data sources to understand the impact of disasters on vulnerable communities, including people experiencing homelessness.	<p>The DEI office is working with Cal OES GIS staff to explore creating a GIS Map that would incorporate data on social vulnerability and disaster risks.</p> <p>Staff have completed training to support the development and on-going implementation of data mapping.</p>
5.B.17	Update the Listos California Disaster Guide for People Experiencing Homelessness. Provide disaster coordination resources and tools to support and encourage local communities to address the needs of people experiencing homelessness before, during, and after disasters. Disseminate these resources to subrecipients, local CBOs, Continuums of Care, and Tribal entities through technical assistance and training opportunities.	Listos California Disaster Guide for People Experiencing Homelessness is available on the Cal OES website. The guide is being updated with feedback from CBOs that serve this population.

Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

The Listos California Grant Program was funded at \$12.5 million for FY 2025-26. This funding continues emergency preparedness support for vulnerable communities which is sorely needed due to California’s intense and complex natural disasters.

California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Event	Date	Notes
CalHFA Board of Directors Meeting	March 17, 2026	

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Investments	Section 811 Project Rental Assistance Program: Project sponsors, who must have development financing from one of the state's housing agencies, apply for 20-year renewable project-based rental assistance funding to house Medicaid beneficiaries with disabilities, ages 18-61, who have resided in a long-term health care facility and desire to return to community living, or are homeless, or are at risk of institutionalization or homelessness.	The PRA 811 Round IV NOFA was published on the CalHFA website on December 27, 2024. Applications were accepted from January 30 to April 30, 2025. Seven developments were selected under this founding round (Round IV), creating 69 PRA units. An additional 18 eligible projects have been placed on a waitlist pending future funding opportunities. CalHFA received the final Cooperative Agreement from HUD on September 19 and has completed its internal review. CalHFA has signed the Cooperative Agreement and forwarded it to HUD for final execution on February 2, 2026, and is currently awaiting HUD's execution.
1.A.11	Continue the implementation of the National Mortgage Settlement Counseling program as a prevention strategy to help keep people in their homes and provide greater opportunity for people to stay housed and explore other service options as the opportunity arises.	Program is still ongoing, here's the most recent quarterly update. NMS Quarterly Update
2.A.19	Implement an advocacy plan for the Joint State Legislative Resolution of the federal Affordable Housing Tax Credit Improvement Act of 2023. Highlight the impact of federal housing programs and urge Congress to lower the 50% test to 25%.	CalHFA, along with its sister housing agencies, advocated for improvements to LIHTC (lowering the 50% test to 25% to allow more tax credits in the market)—which passed in July 2025 through Federal reconciliation.
2.C.30	Convene a working group, in alignment with AB 519 (Schiavo, chapter 742, statutes of	Working groups have been convened to develop and report recommendations. These

	2023), to develop and report policy recommendations to implement a single consolidated application and coordinated review process for affordable housing resources.	efforts are trying to incorporate upcoming Agency reorganization to properly utilize recommendations.
2.C.31	Implement Memorandum of Understanding, in compliance with AB 2006 (Berman, chapter 646, statutes of 2022), to facilitate the collaborative coordination and development of processes to streamline compliance monitoring for housing developments where two or more agencies are involved.	The multiagency team recently executed an Inter-Agency Agreement (IAA) to specify compliance monitoring requirements and agreements. As departments gear up for governmental reorganization of the housing agency in July 2026, the teams are looking for ways to coordinate and align, particularly around AB 519.
3.B.13	Conduct Tribal consultations and roundtable discussions to identify opportunities to improve Tribal communities' access to programs.	CalHFA completed all three listening sessions in Sacramento, San Diego and Bakersfield/Mettler. A report is being prepared to determine the Agency's path forward on tribal engagements.
3.B.14	Expand culturally competent outreach to ensure access to State-funded housing programs across racial, ethnic, gender, geographic, and affordability demographics, including with Tribal communities.	CalHFA set up an Underserve Community Committee to create and implement targeted outreach efforts to underserved communities.
4.B.13	Analyze time between funding approval and occupancy dates for CalHFA projects. Identify barriers to project completion.	No update

Section 3: Other Department Updates (Optional)

CalHFA has launched the [Cal Assist Mortgage Fund Program](#) to help California homeowners who are currently displaced due to a California disaster such as the Los Angeles wildfires or floods. It provides much-needed relief from mortgage payments for displaced families for 3 months, up to a maximum of \$20,000. The funds never have to be repaid, and it is free to apply. As of **February 9, 2026**, 793 homeowners have received \$6.5 million in grants (averaging \$8,200) toward their mortgage, with 81% of the grants going to homeowners who were affected by the Eaton Fire, 15% by the Palisades Fire and 4% other California disasters such as storms, floods and the Mountain Fire in 2024. On February 12, 2026, CalAssist Mortgage Fund held a media event announcing expansions including higher income limits and additional assistance available for each applicant, increasing from 3 months of mortgage payments to 12 months.

California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (CTCAC)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Program	NOFA Release Date	Application Due Date	Available Funding	Eligible Applicants	Additional Information/ Contact Info
CTCAC/ CDLAC 4% Program		02/03/2026		Bond Issuers/Developers	Round 1
CTCAC 9% Program		04/07/2026		Developers	Round 1
CTCAC/ CDLAC 4% Program		05/19/2026		Bond Issuers/Developers	Round 2
CTCAC 9% Program		07/21/2026		Developers	Round 2
CTCAC/ CDLAC 4% Program		09/08/2026		Bond Issuers/Developers	Round 3

Event	Date	Notes
CDLAC/CTCAC Meeting	January 13, 2026	Setting Credit Amount and Bond Ceiling/Pools
CDLAC/CTCAC Meeting	May 12, 2026	4% Awards - Round 1
CDLAC/CTCAC Meeting	June 22, 2026	9% Awards - Round 1
CDLAC/CTCAC Meeting	August 18, 2026	4% Awards - Round 2
CDLAC/CTCAC Meeting	October 6, 2026	9% Awards - Round 2
CDLAC/CTCAC Meeting	December 9, 2026	4% Awards - Round 3

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	Low Income Housing Tax Credit Programs: Allocates federal and state tax credits to the developers of affordable rental housing for low-income Californians and corporations	No update

	provide equity to build the housing in return for the tax credits.	
1.B.21	Examine and modify CTCAC regulations to ensure funding incentives are appropriately designed for people experiencing homelessness.	No update
1.C.36	Align CTCAC-funded projects with local homelessness response system referral processes in order to support tenants. Educate housing developers and operators regarding Coordinated Entry, Continuums of Care, Housing First, property management practices in PSH, and connections to services partnerships.	No update
2.A.19	Implement an advocacy plan for the Joint State Legislative Resolution of the federal Affordable Housing Tax Credit Improvement Act of 2023. Highlight the impact of federal housing programs and urge Congress to lower the 50% test to 25%.	H.R. 1 which was signed in July adopted these changes. CDLAC adopted emergency regulations in August 2025 to implement changes for Round 3 applicants.
2.C.30	Convene a working group, in alignment with AB 519 (Schiavo, chapter 742, statutes of 2023), to develop and report policy recommendations to implement a single consolidated application and coordinated review process for affordable housing resources.	Working group has been meeting regularly since May 2025.
2.C.31	Implement Memorandum of Understanding, in compliance with AB 2006 (Berman, chapter 646, statutes of 2022), to facilitate the collaborative coordination and development of processes to streamline compliance monitoring for housing developments where two or more agencies are involved.	The MOU was executed on 11/27/24 between CalHFA, HCD, and CTCAC.
3.B.12	Engage with Tribal entities and new developers to ensure success of existing set asides, address community needs, and increase utilization.	The tribal liaison has been attending webinars to learn more about building affordable housing for tribal communities.
4.B.12	Analyze and report on outcomes from Tribal and BIPOC developer set-aside programs, as well as other efforts to provide housing	No update

	opportunities for extremely low-income households.	
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California Workforce Development Board Community (CWDB)

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	Helping Justice Involved Reenter Employment (HIRE): Integrates workforce and reentry services and to promote equity and create economic opportunity for formerly incarcerated and justice-involved individuals through partnerships with community-based organizations with demonstrated success in serving the reentry population.	\$9.5M available for current grantees to continue their program
Strategic Investment	Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative: Supplements existing workforce and education programs by providing services to ensure the success of individuals either preparing to enter or already enrolled in workforce and education programs.	No updates
Strategic Investment	High Road Training Partnerships Resilient Workforce Fund Program: Funds training partnerships with high-road employers to directly increase the number of skilled workers from underserved populations in high-quality jobs in priority sectors.	No updates
Strategic Investment	Prison to Employment (P2E) Initiative: Integrates workforce and reentry services in all of California’s labor regions and promotes equity and creates economic opportunity for formerly incarcerated and justice-involved individuals.	No updates
1.B.27	Work with Caltrans for targeted hires in High Road Construction Careers and their projects via a Project Labor Agreement and/or Community Work Agreements and prioritize reentry and homeless populations.	Agreement between CWDB and Caltrans finalized.
1.B.28	Explore options for funding LWDBs to enroll people staying in shelters, or accessing other homelessness services, into job training and education.	No updates

2.A.12	Create partnerships with Local Workforce Development Areas and Jobs First Regions to provide employment and career training opportunities for Veterans.	No updates
2.A.18	Create partnerships with State agencies to support “pre-entry” for justice-involved people to access employment and/or job training to find housing and mitigate a return to experiencing homelessness and recidivism.	Currently working with AGs office on Connect CA
2.C.35	Develop collaborative workforce guidance, best practices, and potential training provider lists with DOR in support of people with disabilities.	In process of creating a framework for this
3.B.18	Develop new relationships and partnerships with Tribal Nations to begin development of workforce training programs.	No updates
3.C.30	Coordinate service delivery by identifying best practices, training opportunities, and peer-to-peer connections between the Local Workforce Development Boards	Happening via the regional tours for Jobs First
4.B.17	Track and report California Workforce Development Board program data for people experiencing homelessness, including participants served, career services provided, credentials received, and successful employment placements. Gather regional data on training and employment using input from the Jobs First High Road Training Collaborative.	We have data on this per each program
5.C.28	Develop policies to incorporate employment centers into state-funded housing programs, including both interim and permanent housing.	No updates

Higher Education: California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO)

Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates

Event	Date	Notes
California Higher Education Basic Needs Alliance Summit	Feb 10-11, 2026	Intersegmental basic needs summit- 800-900 basic need services practitioners from CCC, CSU and UC systems
Homeless and Housing Insecurity Program training	April 16, 2026	Training for HHIP cohort #2

Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program: Provides colleges, in partnership with local housing service agencies, funding to provide housing navigation and placement services, academic support, and case management services to homeless students or those at risk of becoming homeless.	CCCs continue to operate programs locally, meeting milestones pertaining to their Cohorts’ progression timeline. The Chancellor’s Office maintains ongoing oversight and offers technical support to the colleges.
Strategic Investment	Rapid Rehousing & Housing Security Program: Provides rental assistance and services to students who are experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness.	CSU no updates
1.A.7	Identify opportunities for expanding housing support for students who transfer between community colleges and other institutions of higher education.	Discussions have begun with Cal-ICH staff to identify opportunities for advancing this activity, such as hosting a professional development session for HHIP colleges on different housing and referral models for transfer students. Introductory sessions with Vice Chancellor Stacey Shears and representatives from the California Department of Education took place, October 10 th , 2025. Ongoing meetings anticipated to further identify cross-sectional opportunities for systemic housing support between K-12 and California Community Colleges. Staff at the CDE expressed interest in learning more about the college liaisons

		designated to support students experiencing homelessness.
1.B.23	Provide emergency housing assistance to CSU students who are experiencing temporary housing insecurity or homelessness.	CSU no updates
1.B.33	Implement and monitor Basic Needs Centers and expand programming targeting students involved with the justice and/or foster care systems.	Basic needs centers operations are ongoing across all CCCs. During 2025, colleges are focused on implementation of recently passed legislation, including Assembly Bill 2458 and Assembly Bill 2033.
1.C.42	Promote programs and funding for CCCs, UCs and CSUs—including the rapid rehousing funding and emergency housing assistance funding—in order to leverage these programs across the institutions responsible for the health, safety, well-being, and academic success of enrolled students.	CSU no updates
2.A.10	Promote programs and funding available to CCCs, UCs and CSUs, including rapid rehousing and emergency housing assistance funding. Successfully leverage these programs across institutions responsible for the health, safety, well-being, and academic success of enrolled students.	*Items 1.C.42 and 2.A.10 are the same items. Sent message to Cal-ICH about editing out the duplicate section and discussed in a one-on-one meeting. Multiple requests have been made to have this item removed.
3.A.5	Promote meaningful engagement of community college students within supports focused on preventing and ending their homelessness.	Colleges engage students on an ongoing basis regarding feedback on service offerings. The Student Senate for California Community Colleges has also identified as one of its priorities- expanding affordable student housing options.
4.C.26	Analyze higher education programs, including Basic Needs Centers data to find gaps in meeting the needs of students at risk of or experiencing homelessness, and identify inequities in service provision and outcomes.	HHIP colleges submitted their 24-25 Fiscal Report data via NOVA. Program Specialist and Analyst reviewed and followed up with HHIP colleges with more that 50% of carryover funds. These colleges submitted carryover spending plans to the Chancellor's Office. SG27 Management Information System data will be due 30 days after the end of the fall term. Program Specialist and Analyst are working with the Chancellor's Office research

		department to access, review and analyze SG27 data.
5.A.10	Continue to convene the California Higher Education Basic Needs Alliance intersegmental workgroup and annual Summit, with an emphasis on promoting best practices to coordinate with local homelessness response systems.	CHEBNA continues to convene monthly, with a primary focus on planning the 2026 Basic Needs Summit. The CHEBNA Basic Needs Summit will occur February 10–11, 2026, in Sacramento, California. The event will feature more than 190 workshops and plenary guest speakers, and over 826 individuals have registered. This year’s summit theme is “Opening Doors to Optimism and Strength.”
5.A.11	Maximize the impact of the Homeless and Housing Insecurity Program funding through ongoing, data-driven programmatic improvements and by encouraging collaboration with the network of Basic Needs Centers for students on campuses.	See response to item 4.C.26
5.C.27	Analyze various housing models and identify successful models that could be adapted for students at-risk of or experiencing homelessness.	As part of the CCCCO transition of HHIP college host sites, from pilot operations to permanent, ongoing program operations, we are requiring all participating colleges to establish or renew formal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) documents with local housing service providers. Colleges have identified various partners based on local needs and resources, including local Continuum of Care agencies and affordable student housing providers.