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**California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH)**

**Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Council Meeting	June 3, 2026	
HDIS Connect	July 29, 2026	Cal ICH will host a learning session for HMIS administrators.
Advisory Committee Meeting	August 5, 2026	

**Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions**

<b>Activity Reference</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Update</b>
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 May 6 <sup>th</sup> and included a discussion on an initiative to highlight various awareness months as they relate to homelessness and a review of proposed state legislation with potential implications. Information on Advisory Committee and Council meetings can be found on this webpage: <a href="https://bcsh.ca.gov/calich/meetings/">https://bcsh.ca.gov/calich/meetings/</a>
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.	No update this quarter.
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 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 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> meeting and recording can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
2.C.27	Assess and monitor compliance with California Housing First statute for state-funded programs among Council departments and agencies.	Following the enactment of the state budget, Cal ICH will confirm the programs that are required to implement Housing First requirements with state department partners and assess their compliance with the state statute. 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.	In March 2026, Cal ICH published the <a href="#">Statewide Homelessness Funding Navigator</a> , a new digital strategic funding guide and discussed the launch during the March Council meeting. Cal ICH has also developed a calendar of current and upcoming state homelessness funding opportunities, that is linked to the strategic funding guide page.
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.	In March 2026, Cal ICH released a <a href="#">Barrier Reduction and Cross-System Partnership Best Practice checklist</a> to support systems of care to better support survivors of domestic violence and unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness, pursuant to the requirements of the HELP Act (SB 914).

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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 staff continue to facilitate the LEAB. 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. During this last quarter, Cal ICH has been recruiting six new LEAB members to replace six members who will term out on June 30, 2026.
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.	Cal ICH is evaluating the design and recruitment for this advisory group to ensure Tribal communities have capacity to participate. Recruitment occurred March and April 2026; Cal ICH did not receive sufficient candidates for each California region. Therefore, the launch of the Tribal advisory group has been paused. Cal ICH will continue to utilize Tribal consultation and other forums to accomplish these tasks.
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 was developed with input from the Cal ICH Lived Experience Advisory Board.</p> <p>Cal ICH has previously released <a href="#">Recovery Housing Guidance</a>, along with a <a href="#">Summary of the Guidance</a>. These are intended 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. Cal ICH continues to provide technical assistance and guidance to state and local agencies as requested.</p>

<p>3.C.25</p>	<p>Coordinate the Strategies, Tools, and Emergency Preparedness for Unsheltered Populations (STEP-UP) 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.</p>	<p>The STEP-UP group will meet as needed to support future iterations of the Homeless Emergency and Active Readiness Toolkit, or HEART.</p>
<p>3.C.32</p>	<p>Facilitate knowledge sharing between Continuums of Care and present best practices for HMIS data management and collection through HDIS Connect sessions.</p>	<p>Through the HDIS Connect Series, Cal ICH hosted a learning session for local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) administrators about the latest version of the HDIS Data Quality tool. This session highlighted new features made to improve user experience. The discussion also included system-wide data quality trends and solutions to data quality issues.</p> <p>Cal ICH will continue to develop relationships with HMIS administrators through quarterly HDIS Connect workshops. The next workshop is scheduled for July.</p>
<p>3.C.33</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>No update this quarter.</p>

<p>4.A.1</p>	<p>Provide technical assistance (TA) 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>	<p>Cal ICH held quarterly TA meetings with AB 977-administering departments in April. Cal ICH continues to work with HCD staff to prepare for the initial implementation of Homekey+ and explained AB 977 requirements to HK+ grantees through a webinar in May. Cal ICH is collaborating with DHCS on project setup instructions for Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) grantees.</p> <p>Additionally, Cal ICH released updates to the State Department Compliance Dashboards, AB 977 Data Summaries Dashboards, and HHAP, ERF, and FHC Program Outcome Dashboards in May.</p>
<p>4.A.2</p>	<p>Streamline data sharing with Council member departments and agencies by establishing policies and procedures.</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 and California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). Cal ICH continues to provide technical assistance as requested by departments.</p> <p>Departments interested in pursuing a data sharing agreement with Cal ICH can reach out to <a href="mailto:HDIS@bcsh.ca.gov">HDIS@bcsh.ca.gov</a>.</p>
<p>4.A.4</p>	<p>Use McKinney-Vento data to document and understand the experiences of homelessness for youth in California schools.</p>	<p>No update this quarter.</p>
<p>4.B.8</p>	<p>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, and make the data publicly available annually starting in 2027.</p>	<p>Cal ICH incorporated feedback about proposed outcomes measures from departments and agencies administering state homelessness programs.</p> <p>Cal ICH is currently in the process of calculating an initial set of outcome measures. Data will be previewed with</p>

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		departments later this year. Cal ICH is currently in the process of developing the data reporting process, data criteria, and submission method for fiscal data to be collected for each program.
4.B.9	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>Cal ICH released an updated version of the CoC Data Quality Dashboard in April, featuring improvements to enhance the user experience and improve CoCs' ability to identify data issues.</p> <p>Cal ICH is continuing to manage quarterly data uploads and is processing data that CoCs uploaded in May.</p>
4.C.19	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>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>Additionally, Cal ICH published 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. Cal ICH is working on implementing methodological improvements to the CA SPMs for the upcoming release of CY 2025 CA SPMs in summer 2026.
4.C.21	Analyze homelessness trends, gaps, and challenges across local areas to inform statewide efforts and identify specific areas of	No updates this quarter.

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	focus for the development of resources to support local systems of care.	
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.	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 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 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> meeting and recording can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
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 response system. Provide recommendations to the Council and Advisory Committee for their review and adoption.	In August 2025, Cal ICH paused 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 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup>

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5.B.21	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.	In August 2025, Cal ICH paused 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 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> meeting and recording can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
5.B.22	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.	In August 2025, Cal ICH paused 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 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> meeting and recording can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
5.B.23	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.	The launch of the Tribal advisory group has been paused. Recruitment occurred March and April 2026; Cal ICH did not receive sufficient candidates. Therefore, the launch of the Tribal advisory group has been paused. Cal ICH will continue to utilize Tribal consultation and other forums to accomplish these tasks.

**Business and Consumer Services Agency (BCSH)**

**Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Southern California Associations of Governments (SCAG) 61st Annual Regional Conference and General Assembly	May 7, 2026	BCSH Secretary Moss will provide welcome remarks to over 800 Southern California leaders, innovators, and policymakers.
East Bay Housing Organizations (EBHO) Affordable Housing Month Webinar – Introducing the *NEW* California Housing and Homelessness Agency (CHHA)	May 7, 2026	BCSH Secretary Moss will provide closing remarks to the webinar which will feature BCSH Deputy Secretary of Housing Finance Christina Mun presenting on the new CHHA. Attendees will include approximately 80-100 EBHO member organizations that produce, preserve, and protect affordable housing opportunities for low-income communities in the East Bay
2026 Housing First Partners Conference	May 12, 2026	BCSH Secretary Moss will participate in a panel conversation titled “Homelessness at a Crossroads: When Evidence and Politics Collide”. The panel will explore how leaders navigate the intersection of evidence and politics in homelessness response, including how they sustain what works while adapting to shifting policy environments. Other panelists include Ann Oliva of the National Alliance to End Homelessness and Patrick Markee, author of “Placeless: Homelessness in the New Gilded Age”.
Pacific Southwest Regional Council of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials Annual Conference	May 28, 2026	BCSH Secretary Moss will provide keynote remarks at the annual conference that will be attended by approximately 150-170 Housing Authority practitioners and

		Commissioners from California, Nevada, and Arizona, with around 90% of attendees from California.
UC Berkeley Possibility Lab	May 29, 2026	BCSH Secretary Moss will participate in a panel conversation with Cal HHS Secretary Johnson and CalEPA Secretary Garcia on how California leaders are deploying meaningful engagement strategies to strengthen trust and increase community input.

**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. In recent workgroup meetings, participants heard from LA Metro's Joint Development Program and HCD's Excess Sites program, supporting the creation of affordable and transit-oriented housing. The H+T Steering Committee will sign a new charter before July 1, 2026, to memorialize the accomplishments of the Workgroup and recognize the new California Housing and Homelessness Agency.
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, over the last 16 months, BCSH has engaged in extensive community engagement with the goal of enhancing partnerships and strengthening relationships through dialogue and transparency. Many of these conversations have occurred under the auspices of three discrete workgroups: Housing Finance; Local Government and

		<p>Public Housing Authorities; and Ensuring Fair and Stable Housing Outcomes. On March 26, BCSH convened all three workgroups to discuss the challenges and opportunities related to Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH). The convening included a presentation from Dr. Carolina Reid of the Terner Center at Berkeley, and explored solutions related to preservation of legacy PSH projects, financing and operations of current and new PSH projects, and connections to supportive services to make sure tenants were stable and thriving. On April 3, the Local Government and Public Housing Authority and Ensuring Fair and Stable Housing Outcomes workgroups were briefed on the progress being made by the Housing Finance workgroup to create a more streamlined housing finance system and the new Housing Development Finance Committee (HDFC).</p>
<p>5.A.5</p>	<p>Continue strategic communications to inform the public about the causes of homelessness, effective solutions, the state’s approach, and relevant programs.</p>	<p>On April 13, BCSH Secretary Tomiquia Moss participated in a panel at the Tribal Nations Summit to highlight how the Administration has worked across agencies with tribal nations to support community development, address infrastructure inequities and advance wellness on tribal lands. The panel was moderated by the Governor’s Office of Tribal Affairs Secretary Christina Snider-Ashtari and included Cal HHS Secretary Kim Johnson, GovOps Secretary Nick Maduros, California Energy Commission Chair David Hochschild, Bishop Paiute Tribe Chairwoman Emma Williams, and California Rural Indian Health Board CEO Virginia Hedrick.</p> <p>On April 14, BCSH Secretary Moss and departments testified before the Assembly Budget Committee to outline the progress of the Governor’s Reorganization Plan, specifically the creation of the new California Housing and Homelessness Agency, and the new Housing Development Finance Committee, which will streamline and shorten the time it takes to build and</p>

		<p>renovate affordable housing in the state. On April 30, BCSH Secretary and departments testified on the same topics before the Senate Budget Committee.</p> <p>On April 24, BCSH Secretary Moss attended the LA Business Council’s Annual Housing, Transportation and Jobs Summit and participated on a panel to talk about aligning federal, state and regional housing priorities.</p>
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**Section 3: Other Department Updates**

**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.

**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, problematic rule-making, 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 mid-February, the CalAssist Mortgage Fund expanded eligibility to ensure more survivors of eligible disasters can apply for mortgage assistance and extended relief to cover up to 1-year of mortgage payments. As of May 12th, the CalAssist Mortgage Fund has awarded \$39.4 million in mortgage relief to 1,155 households, with funds going directly to mortgage servicers on behalf of homeowners.

**California Department of Public Health (CDPH)**

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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 established a Tribal Affairs Section. The Office of Health Equity is in the process of filling positions to have a fully staffed section. Once fully staffed, the Housing & Homelessness Equity Lead will coordinate with the section as well as the Tribal Health Equity Advisory Group (THEAG) and partners at the Tribal Information sharing meeting.
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 are finishing up recruiting for an internal cabinet. 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 <a href="#">OA Prev Harm Reduction Resources</a> . 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, seeking a philanthropic organization to fund a nonprofit to facilitate facilitate compensation of 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.	CDPH gathered qualitative data from LHJs to assess their current coordination and collaboration efforts with CoCs. CDPH has

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	Implement opportunities to include Local Health Jurisdictions as eligible applicants within state funding programs.	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	Have identified potential data sources (e.g., MIHA; PIT counts) related to family and youth homelessness.
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; Jan 2026 BUCP was approved by vital stats committee – sent back to OHE with minor edits
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 location. Initial surveys have been sent to the LA region. We are planning a pilot project with air monitors in shelters to test the effectiveness of the PAC units. We have one shelter that has agreed to the pilot so far and sensors have been installed. We are looking for additional shelters to participate.
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.	<b>Population:</b> analysis of 2014-2024 PIT data in progress; presented preliminary data to H&H workgroup; presented a poster at CDPH’s 2025 Epi Forum.  <b>Mortality:</b> death data request in progress; application approved – a couple administrative steps remain  <b>Births:</b> H&H intern did work fall 2025 to identify data sources (e.g., MIHA; PIT counts)

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 recruiting, hiring, and retaining individuals with lived experience. Add equity, trauma-informed, and healing-centered engagement to grant requirements.	We have initiated discussions to explore the process for making changes to the CDPH administrative manual. We are currently coordinating internally with other sections and branches within OHE on this action item.
5.B.16	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>CDPH is part of CAL ICH Step-Up working group and participated in the development of the <a href="#">Homeless Emergency and Active Readiness Toolkit (HEART)</a> that provides a framework to help local jurisdictions in California improve coordination between emergency planning and response agencies and homelessness response systems. 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> <p>We have started initial planning on a tool kit to prevent heat related illness and death among unhoused Californians who use substances.</p>

**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 (LTOOR) Program: Residential program that provides housing, meals, programming, supervision, and support services that focus on the needs of individuals that have served long sentences.	<p>The 2024 Budget Act included funding threshold increases for six LTOORs. The 2025 Budget Act included funding threshold increases for an additional six LTOORs. 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.</p> <p>The Fiscal Year 2026-27 Governor’s Proposed Budget proposes funding threshold increases for the remaining three LTOORs</p>
Strategic Investment	Male Community Reentry Program (MCRP): Expands the number of community reentry programs, which helps incarcerated persons successfully reenter the community by allowing participants to serve the end of their sentence (up to 2 years) in the community, providing treatment, and connecting them to jobs and local resources.	<p>The Division of Rehabilitative Programs (DRP) has executed agreements for four expansion sites in Sacramento, Alameda, Ontario, and San Bernardino for 397 beds. Additionally, DRP opened the MCRP Fresno with 110 beds in August 2025 and expanded capacity at current reentry sites by 58 beds in July 2024. DRP is currently evaluating and negotiating for three additional sites.</p>
1.B.15	Support older adults transitioning to community living from incarceration or other secured settings, leveraging opportunities through state programs.	<p>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.</p> <p>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. The report was provided to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.</p>

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 <a href="#">Fiscal Year 2025-26 Governor's Proposed Budget</a> 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 CallCH 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.	<p>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.</p> <p>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 release to ensure they have access to appropriate services and supports, including residential treatment, supported housing, etc.</p>
4.C.23	Analyze existing data from all relevant CDCR programs and identify data-sharing opportunities to understand who is at	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

	<p>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>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 <a href="#">Parole Population Housing Status Dashboard</a> for local planning efforts.</p> <p>As reflected on <a href="#">CDCR's Parole Population Housing Status Dashboard</a>, as of March 31, 2026, there were 2,958 unhoused individuals on parole (sheltered+ unsheltered), with 70 percent of those unhoused 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 Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES)**

**Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions**

Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	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.
Strategic Investment	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.
Strategic Investment	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.
Strategic Investment	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.
Strategic Investment	Homeless Youth Emergency Services Pilot (HY): 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.
Strategic Investment	Specialized Emergency Housing (KE) Program: Expands emergency shelter/emergency housing assistance and	PoP: October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026.

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	provide supportive services for 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.	Application period: closed until summer 2026.
Strategic Investment	Transitional Housing (XH): 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.
Strategic Investment	Human Trafficking Victim Assistance (HV): 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.
Strategic Investment	Native American Domestic Violence, and Sexual Assault (DS): 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	Will partner with FEMA and other state/federal agencies in response to a declared disaster.

	to facilitate federal response and recovery services.	
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**

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.

On May 6, 2026, Cal OES awarded \$7.75 million to 30 community-based organizations throughout California that applied through a competitive process. The remainder of funds will support a statewide campaign.

**California Department of State Hospitals (DSH)**

**Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Notes</b>
DSH Forensic Behavioral Health Forum	June 2026	Two-day conference for county stakeholders focused on programmatic support for CARE Court implementation
Northern CA IST Infrastructure Program Activation	July 2026	Funded by the IST Solutions Infrastructure Program budget

**Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions**

<b>Activity Reference</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Update</b>
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 May 2026, DSH has executed one small county CBR for 8 beds and is in contract negotiations with three potential counties interested in combined CBR/Diversion programs with a total of 135 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 May 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	As of May 2026, DSH has executed contracts with 20 counties and commenced contract negotiations with an additional county to contract for a

	<p>face felony charges and have been determined to be incompetent to stand trial, the program provides funding to counties to support community mental health treatment and other services for these individuals.</p>	<p>permanent Diversion program and three counties to contract for combined Diversion/CBR programs that will provide 636 Diversion-only and 143 Diversion/CBR treatment slots annually.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>As of May 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 second quarter of the year, 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 from Los Angeles County in Winter 2026.</p>
<p>1.B.15</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>As of May 2026, DSH continues to submit pre-release Medicaid applications for our older adult population across all 58 counties. Additionally, DSH continues to expand Enhanced Care Management (ECM) partnerships across counties, including standardized referral processes to identify and link eligible DSH patients prior to discharge from the state hospitals. These partnerships inform DSH policies and practices rolled out with other counties' ECM programs.</p> <p>DSH in partnership with DHCS established a MOU for access to DHCS' information system tracking Medicaid eligibility and enrollment. This will assist DSH in ensuring these benefits are reactivated or to assist in the benefit application process upon discharge from a state hospital.</p>

<p>1.B.17</p>	<p>Explore opportunities created through CalAIM to increase continuity of care and access to community behavioral health resources after treatment in the Department of State Hospitals.</p>	<p>DSH continues to monitor implementation of 90-day jail in reach services and directly engaging county partners to identify potential adjustments to DSH protocols to enhance continuity of care. . DSH has established collaborative partnerships with San Diego, Sacramento 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.</p> <p>DSH continues to host and attend learning collaboratives aimed at enhancing and expanding the understanding and awareness of CalAIM initiatives and the needs of DSH patients for greater referral and eligibility considerations.</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>As of May 2026, DSH continues to strengthen 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).</p> <p>DSH participates in a monthly CARE Call for Statewide Petitioners workgroup to share information and experience with CDCR stakeholders.</p> <p>DSH hosts and engages with the CDCR Division of Adult Parole (DAPO) during regularly scheduled Parole Decertification Meetings (PDM) designed to ensure effective discharge and reentry plans are established.</p> <p>DSH continues to work with DAPO 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</p>	<p>DSH continues to submit CARE petitions for eligible IST patients discharging from</p>

	<p>treatment when individuals are released from jail or referred to a Community, Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment Program.</p>	<p>the state hospitals. Numerous meetings with county stakeholders have resulted in a coordinated effort that has greatly enhanced the continuity of treatment.</p> <p>DSH continues working with its Early Access and Stabilization Services (EASS) and Jail Based Competency Treatment (JBCT) providers to expand CARE Act petition filing and related discharge coordination efforts.</p> <p>DSH continues to provide a standardized 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. Additionally, DSH provides CBH with a Notification of Release letter for all state hospital patients deemed incompetent to stand trial at the time of discharge.</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 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 or transitioning CBR clients to long-term/permanent housing and treatment.</p>	<p>As of May 2026, DSH has two training projects under development:</p> <p>DSH is hosting the fourth Forensic Behavioral Health Forum on June 2-3, 2026. The Forum will feature panel discussions from innovative community-based treatment programs, an exclusive training for practitioners in the L.E.A.P model of practice, presentations from state and national experts, and a discussion of how treatment can be paid for through MediCal and the other state investments in housing and behavioral health treatment.</p> <p>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, using diverse formats such as webinars, lectures, factsheets, and on-demand accredited 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 May 2026, the educational platform has hosted 41 live webinars, has an additional 10 live webinars scheduled through June 2026, published over 40 factsheets for clinicians/individuals and families, published four psychopharmacology tools, and has over 200 pre-recorded trainings available for state and county staff in eight clinical disciplines.</p>
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**California Department of Social Services (CDSS)**

**Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates.**

Program	NOFA Release Date	Application Due Date	Available Funding	Eligible Applicants	Additional Information/Contact Info
HDAP – Tribal Funding Update	n/a	Eligible Tribal Entities had until December 31, 2025, to submit a program funding request (PFR)	\$3 million set-aside of \$25 million in annual, ongoing HDAP funds for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26	Eligible federally recognized Tribes, tribal organizations (including but not limited to Tribal 638 Providers and Urban Indian Organizations), tribal consortia, and tribally-led nonprofits, referred to as ‘tribal grantees’	<p><a href="#">All Tribal Leaders Letter NO. 25-04</a> 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.</p> <p><b>Update:</b> As of April 2026, 18 continuing Tribal grantees and three new Tribal grantees accepted funding for FY 25/26 ongoing HDAP funding. The new Tribal grantees are currently in the process of being onboarded, including executing MOUs with CDSS and receiving technical assistance to plan their programs.</p>

Event	Date	Notes
CCE ribbon cutting of Insight Housing’s Dwight Way Center in Berkeley	March 5, 2026	Dwight Way Center includes 15 beds of permanent supportive housing for individuals with serious mental health diagnoses who have experienced homelessness, 26 beds of transitional housing for veterans experiencing homelessness, and 32 emergency shelter beds for women experiencing homelessness or acute crisis. The project received a \$1,229,740 CCE award to rehabilitate and expand an existing facility, with 20 beds (5 existing units)

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		and 15 new units) dedicated to the CCE population of individuals receiving or applying for SSI/SSP and/or CAPI and at risk of or experiencing homelessness. Learn more about the project here: <a href="#">Insight Housing Dwight Way Center- California Department of Social Services   Facebook</a> and <a href="#">WATCH: Dwight Way Center - Insight Housing.</a>
Probation Advisory Committee Meeting	March 19, 2026	The CDSS TAY Policy Unit provided updates and responded to inquiries regarding housing and other program resources. The audience included county probation staff.
Child Welfare Directors Association (CWDA) TAY Subcommittee Meeting	March 25, 2026	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.
The Youth Empowerment Summit (YES) annual convening	April 21, 2026	The CDSS TAY Policy Unit attended this convening, produced by the California Coalition for Youth to bring together young people, community leaders, and youth service providers from around California to explore, learn, share ideas, advocate, and work collectively to prevent, intervene, and end youth homelessness. The TAY supervisor participated in the panel discussion: How California invests in Ending Homelessness: A Cross-Agency Conversation.
Youth Engagement Project Quarterly Joint County/Youth Ambassador Meeting	April 28, 2026	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

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		inquiries regarding housing and other program resources.
CCE ribbon cutting of Alameda Point Collaborative project	April 30, 2026	CCE Sponsor, Alameda Point Collaborative, hosted a ribbon cutting event for the Alameda Wellness Campus: Medical Respite Center alongside LifeLong Medical Care and other community partners. The project will provide 50 medical respite beds to unhoused individuals with acute and chronic health conditions.
CCE groundbreaking event for EBALDC’s 34th & San Pablo project	May 29, 2026	CCE Sponsor, East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation (EBALDC) is hosting a groundbreaking for 34th & San Pablo Family Housing facility in Oakland. The facility will be providing 30 permanent supportive housing units for the CCE population of older adults who are at risk or currently experiencing homelessness.
<a href="#"><u>Bay Area Regional Convening hosted by the Change Well Project and CDSS Housing and Homelessness Division (HHD)</u></a>	June 9 & 10, 2026	The in-person regional convening (the fifth such convening across the state) is an opportunity for county and tribal grantees of CDSS HHD 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.

**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. The program has already met and is on track to exceed this goal, with a total of 7,631 beds/units created and preserved as of April 2026. Over time, more than 100,500 individuals are expected to be served through the CCE Capital Expansion Program alone, over the course of projects' 20-30 year use restriction periods. The program has awarded grants to CCE Capital Expansion projects that have proposed to create over 3,100 new beds. Some CCE Expansion projects and CCE Preservation programs serve individuals with behavioral health needs (incl. serious mental illness). As of April 2026, a total of 10 of the 61 CCE-funded housing projects representing 686 beds/housing units have initiated move-in, 3 projects representing 84 beds/units have completed construction, and an additional 17 projects representing 1,187 beds/units have broken ground.</p> <p>As of April 2026, through CCE Preservation, 30 counties have finalized contracts with 237 facilities at risk of closure, preserving 6,861 beds. The number of beds preserved is expected to grow as programs continue implementation.</p>
Strategic Investment	<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 December 31, 2025, over 105,000 families were served, over 54,200 were permanently housed and 51% of families who exited HSP exited to permanent housing across the state. Fifty-six counties operate HSP. From July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 over 4,600 families were approved for HSP. Over 2,400 families were permanently housed and 56% of families who exited HSP exited to permanent housing during this time period. 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 hosted an All Grantee Call for county and tribal grantees implementing HSP or Bringing Families Home (BFH). HHD provided an overview of technical assistance available to grantees, budget reminders, status updates on the implementation of the requirement for counties operating HSP or BFH to implement written housing plans and both local and state level complaint processes, as specified in Senate Bill 146, as well as a refresher on available</p>

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		<p>funding, including the different timelines for expenditure and invoicing for each tranche of funding. HHD also reviewed outcomes and preliminary findings from Abt Global’s HSP evaluation.</p> <p>Additional HSP/BFH All Grantee Calls are tentatively scheduled for July and November 2026 to provide space for discussion and thought partnership among grantees on important programmatic issues.</p>
Strategic Investment	<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>From July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 over 30,400 families were approved for temporary HA (THA) and over 6,300 families were approved for permanent HA (PHA).</p>
Strategic Investment	<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, homelessness, with a focus on chronic homelessness.</p>	<p>Since HDAP’s inception in FY 2017-18 through December 31, 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 200 people whose housing status at entry was unknown were permanently housed. Overall, 47% of individuals who exited HDAP since program inception exited to permanent housing across the state.</p> <p>From July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, over 390 people were approved for HDAP, over 170 people experiencing homelessness were permanently housed and over 30 individuals at risk of homelessness moved into or were stabilized in permanent housing. Overall, 62% of individuals who exited county administered HDAP in Q1 and Q2 of FY 25-26 exited to permanent housing across the state. 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 December 31, 2025, over 30,200 disability applications have been submitted, over 7,300 disability applications</p>

		<p>were approved, and the program has a 79% approval rate for disposed disability benefits applications.</p> <p>From July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, over 1,200 disability applications were submitted, over 400 disability applications were approved and the program achieved an 80% approval rate for disposed disability benefit applications.</p> <p>Furthermore, from program implementation through December 31, 2025, 192 participants have been enrolled in tribal HDAP, approximately 96 participants entered or retained permanent housing, and 47% participants exited to permanent housing.</p> <p><a href="#">ACWDL, dated November 10, 2025</a>, announced \$40.2 million in new, FY 2025-26 one-time funding available to all 58 counties. County Fiscal Letter <a href="#">CFL 25-26-43 (January 13, 2026)</a> provided final allocations to 55 counties that accepted FY 2025-26 one-time funding for HDAP. These FY 2025-26 allocations are available for expenditure through June 30, 2028. Allocation of the one-time FY 2025-26 tribal set-aside funding for HDAP is forthcoming under a separate cover following Consultation held with tribes in September 2025.</p> <p>Since facilitating the inaugural HDAP/Home Safe All Grantee call for county and tribal grantees on February 6, 2026, CDSS is planning to hold two additional HDAP/Home Safe All Grantee Calls, which are tentatively scheduled for June and October 2026. These calls will provide a space for discussion and thought partnership among grantees on important programmatic issues.</p>
Strategic Investment	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	<p>Since Home Safe’s inception in 2018 through December 31, 2025, over 19,100 county participants were served, over 4,600 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided for people at risk of homelessness, over 3,000 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided for people experiencing homelessness, and 360 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, 56% exited to permanent housing.</p> <p>From July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, over 1,100 people were approved for Home Safe, over 600 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided for people at risk of homelessness, over 290 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided to people experiencing homelessness, and over 60 instances of housing-related financial assistance were provided for people whose housing status at entry was unknown. Of those who exited the program, 70% exited to permanent housing. By comparison, 35% of participants receiving services overall through local homeless response</p>

	<p>reasons of abuse, neglect, self-neglect, or financial exploitation as determined by APS or tribal agency.</p>	<p>systems in CA exited to permanent housing for Federal FY 2023.</p> <p>Furthermore, from implementation through December 31, 2025, 309 participants have been enrolled in a tribal Home Safe, approximately 200 participants entered or retained permanent housing, and 82% of participants exited to permanent housing.</p> <p>Per <a href="#">ACWDL dated November 3, 2025</a>, \$75.6 million in new, FY 2025-26 one-time funding was made available to all 58 counties.</p> <p>County Fiscal Letter <a href="#">CFL 25-26-40</a></p> <p>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. Allocation of the FY 2025-26 tribal set aside funding for Home Safe is forthcoming under a separate cover following Consultation held with tribes in September 2025.</p>
<p>Strategic Investment</p>	<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 December 31, 2025, over 11,800 families were served, over 4,400 families experiencing homelessness were permanently housed, and over 1,280 at-risk families' housing was stabilized through BFH. Overall, 61% of families that exited the program exited to permanent housing.</p> <p>From July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, over 900 families were approved for BFH, over 170 families were permanently housed, and over 100 families at risk of homelessness were stabilized in permanent housing. Overall, 68% 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, from implementation through December 31, 2025, 325 families were enrolled in tribal BFH, approximately 230 families entered or retained permanent housing, and 83% 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 <a href="#">ACWDL dated November 3, 2025</a>. <a href="#">CFL 25-26-45 (January 20, 2026)</a> provides the final FY 2025-26 one-time allocations to 51 counties for the BFH Program based on counties' acceptance of funds</p>

		<p>and additional funding requests. This allocation is available for expenditure through June 30, 2028.</p> <p>In addition, <a href="#">Senate Bill (SB) 119</a> (Chapter 79, Statutes of 2025) indefinitely removes the dollar-for-dollar match requirement for BFH.</p>
Strategic Investment	<p>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 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>As of March 2026, the seven CDSS-funded pilot programs serving former foster youth and pregnant individuals across California’s major regions concluded disbursements. Depending on the site, they offered GI payments of \$600 to \$1200 per month for 12 to 18 months to nearly 2,000 participants. All grantees offered offboarding support, connecting participants with other benefits as needed.</p> <p>The Urban Institute is assessing the impact of California’s GI pilot by tracking how cash assistance affects participants’ financial stability, health, and well-being. The results from the exit survey are anticipated to be released by 2027. However, early findings were published by the Urban Institute in a brief titled <i>Early Participant Experiences from the Guaranteed Income Pilot Program</i>.</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 CDSS selected GiveDirectly as the grantee, with enrollment anticipated to begin in Fall 2026. The program will serve low-income adults aged 60 or older living in San Joaquin County who are on the waitlist for Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) or Project Based Vouchers (PBV). The program aims to advance guaranteed income as a “bridge” to longer-term supports, focusing on housing and income security, and evaluate if lump sum payments allow for meaningful shifts in housing outcomes.</p>
Strategic Investment	<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</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>

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	ages 21-25 for up to 36 cumulative months (THP-Plus).	
1.A.4	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 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.	No update
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.

<p>1.B.34</p>	<p>Continue expanding the statewide CalFresh Restaurant Meals Program to increase access to food for CalFresh Program participants experiencing homelessness.</p>	<p>As of March 2026, the number of restaurants participating in the RMP has grown to 6,118, significantly increasing food access to CalFresh participants experiencing homelessness.</p> <p>As of March 2026, there are 6,118 active RMP restaurants across 51 California counties.</p> <p>As of March 2026, there are 253,691 CalFresh recipients experiencing homelessness being served by the RMP.</p> <p>In March 2026, an estimated \$4,262,302.54 in CalFresh dollars were spent on RMP transactions by CalFresh participants experiencing homelessness.*</p> <p>In March 2026, there were an estimated 265,378 transactions by RMP Households experiencing homelessness.*</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> 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 March 2026.</p>
<p>1.C.39</p>	<p>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 may lead to them obtaining permanent housing.</p>	<p>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 current and former foster youth to county and community agencies to assist with their specific housing needs, and connecting current and former foster youth to their local Independent Living Programs (ILP).</p> <p>Between December 2025 and February 2026, the CDSS-TAY Policy Unit participated in five case-specific technical assistance calls and had the opportunity to assist local county child welfare/probation staff with transitional planning for specific current and former foster youth. This included providing policy guidance and support related to placement options for current and former foster youth transitioning to Extended Foster Care and independent living. In December, the CDSS-TAY Policy unit met with the CalSAWS 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>

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.	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. At the April 16, 2026 Tribal CoP, CDSS engaged with Tribes on the status of previously allocated funding, previewed the forthcoming tribal set-aside funding opportunity (from funding appropriated in FY 25-26), and provided important reminders and updates on data reporting, invoicing, and program update reporting. 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.  Resources for Tribal grantees, including invoicing templates, have been added to <a href="#">HHD’s Tribal Grantee webpage</a> .
4.B.14	Share findings, insights, and lessons learned from Project Roomkey, Home Safe, and Bringing Families Home evaluations to inform and strengthen local homelessness response efforts.	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. <a href="#">The evaluation</a> 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.

**Section 3: Other Department Updates**

Other Department Updates	Date	Notes
<a href="#">Cal ICH Statewide Homelessness Funding Navigator Webpage Launch</a>	March 23, 2026	Statewide Homelessness Funding Navigator is an interactive tool designed to help people with lived expertise, advocates, policymakers, leaders from local and Tribal governments, and Continuums of Care explore major State and Federal investments addressing homelessness in California.

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		<p>The Navigator brings together major homelessness-related funding opportunities administered by agencies and departments represented on the Council in one place, allowing users to quickly identify relevant programs and better align resources with local needs. The Navigator includes CDSS housing and homelessness programs.</p>
<p>CDSS Housing and Homelessness Division <a href="#">CalWORKs Homeless Assistance (HA), Senate Bill (SB) 1065 (Chapter 152, Statutes of 2020) changes to eligibility and administrative processes, ORD No. 1023-11</a></p>	<p>April 13, 2026</p>	<p><a href="#">Senate Bill (SB) 1065 (Chapter 152, Statutes of 2020) was</a> approved by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) and went into effect on April 13, 2026. These regulations were developed in response to legislation, SB 1065 which amended Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Section 11450 to expand and streamline the eligibility and administration of the CalWORKs HA Program through a series of policy changes impacting access to HA benefits.</p>
<p>Housing and Homelessness Division Data Report System (HHDRS) Post Implementation and Evaluation Report Surveys (PIERS)</p>	<p>April 30, 2026</p>	<p>CDSS-HHD is surveying counties for the HHDRS Post Implementation Evaluation Report. Surveys were shared with respondents on April 30, 2026 with a 30-day turnaround to complete.</p>

**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 behavioral health workforce development by the Department of Healthcare Access and Information, the County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California, HealthRIGHT 360, and SHARE!.
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 May 13th where they discussed updates on implementation and focused specifically on families and peers. CalHHS has also began working on intensive technical assistance to various underperforming counties to strengthen implementation and ensure

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		communities see results to get chronically mentally ill individuals off California’s streets and into support and housing.
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, state, and local resources.	On April 17, 2026, DHCS hosted a public webinar: “Accelerating Improvement with the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Collaborative Planning and Implementation (CPI) Best Practices and Sustainability Toolkits”. The webinar introduced the CalAIM Best Practices and Sustainability Toolkits, showed how they can strengthen partnerships, workflows, and referral networks, and outlined clear, actionable steps organizations can take to support long-term sustainability after PATH.
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.	On April 3, 2026, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) released an updated version of the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) County Policy Manual. The Policy Manual is updated to include Phase 2 Measures and Module 4, which were released for Public Comment in November 2025.
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.	CalHHS/OTSI continues this work and plans to release a Data Brief which presents initial baseline findings on service utilization among individuals appearing in both HDIS and CalHHS program data.

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4.C.18	Develop a data-based methodology for better identifying households at risk of experiencing homelessness. Measure those at risk of experiencing homelessness within specific social safety net programs (e.g. Medi-Cal, CalWORKs, etc.) to understand how those programs contribute to prevention of homelessness.	CalHHS has continued to convene cross-agency workgroups to align on data definitions and limitations.
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**California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA)**

**Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates**

Event	Date	Notes
CalHFA Board of Director’s Meeting	May 21, 2026	<a href="#">CalHFA Board Meeting Agenda</a>
CalHFA Board of Director’s Meeting	June 25, 2026	<a href="#">CalHFA Board Meeting Page</a>

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Activity Reference	Activity	Update
Strategic Investment	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.	No update, still waiting for HUD to execute the Cooperative Agreement.
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.  <a href="#">NMS Quarterly Update</a>
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%.	Completed—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. CalHFA recently went to DC and thanked members for their ongoing support of expanding housing tax credits

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.	Report recommendations were taken into consideration as HDFC is being developed and many of those recommendations will roll out after the Governor’s reorganization plan is complete.
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 Inter-Agency Agreement (IAA) was executed, and the new system was launched and went live. These changes will be incorporated into Housing Development Finance Committee (HDFC), once launched in July.
3.B.13	Conduct Tribal consultations and roundtable discussions to identify opportunities to improve Tribal communities’ access to programs.	Completed.
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 continues to outreach 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

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 12 months, up to a maximum of \$100,000. The funds never have to be repaid, and it is free to apply. As of **May 11, 2026**, 1,155 homeowners have been approved for \$39 million in grants (averaging \$33,700) toward their mortgage, with 78% of the grants going to homeowners who were affected by the Eaton Fire, 17% by the Palisades Fire and 5% other California disasters such as storms, floods and the Mountain Fire in 2024.

**California Department of Aging (CDA)**

**Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates**

Event	Date	Notes
<a href="#">Implementing the Master Plan for Aging in California Together (IMPACT)</a>	May 28, 2026, 10:00am - 12:00pm  Register <a href="#">here</a>	The IMPACT Committee advises the California Health and Human Services Agency (CalHHS) on the implementation of the <a href="#">Master Plan for Aging (MPA)</a> , and continues to advocate for development of accessible and affordable housing, rental subsidies, and other tailored advocacy for rent-burdened and precariously housed older adults and people with disabilities.
<a href="#">Disability and Aging Community Living Committee (DACLAC)</a>	June 4, 2026, 10:00am – 1:00pm  Register <a href="#">here</a>	DACLAC advises CalHHS on community living, inclusion, and integration across California. 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. The DACLAC Housing Subcommittee continues to advocate for increasing access to affordable and accessible housing.
<a href="#">Elder &amp; Disability Justice Coordinating Council (EDJCC)</a>	June 11, 2026, 10:00am - 1:00pm  Register <a href="#">here</a>	The purpose of the EDJCC is 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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Activity Reference	Activity	Update
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.	The MPA IMPACT Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for <a href="#">May 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 12:00 pm</a> will include an agenda item on Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) with an opportunity for stakeholders to hear updates and provide input on implementation.  The MPA <a href="#">Alzheimer’s Disease and Related</a>

		<p><a href="#">Conditions Advisory Committee (ADRAC)</a> met on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, and included agenda items on older adult behavioral health and issues related to isolation and loneliness, living alone with dementia, and BHS.</p> <p>As appropriate, recommendations from MPA <a href="#">Stakeholder Advisory Committee</a> meetings on BHS and housing will be shared in future Cal ICH updates.</p>
1.B.24	<p>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.</p>	<p>Community Solutions recently released the <a href="#">Conducting a Needs and Assets Assessment for Older Adults Experiencing Homelessness</a> toolkit, designed to guide stakeholders in understanding the needs of older adults experiencing homelessness and to support coordination at the local level.</p> <p>USAging’s <a href="#">Doors to Housing for Older Adults</a> initiative is working to support organizations in the aging and homelessness networks to form cross-sector partnerships to reduce homelessness among older adults. In California, this work was supported by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Aging and Independence Services of San Diego County</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Regional Task Force on Homelessness</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">San Bernardino Department of Aging and Adult Services – Public Guardian</a></li> </ul> <p>USAging in partnership with the National Alliance to End Homelessness and has developed <a href="#">trainings and resources</a> to support local Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) and Continuums of Care (CoC) to partner to prevent older adult homelessness.</p>
1.B.31	<p>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.</p>	<p>In 2025, CDA launched the <a href="#">Cal Community Connect</a> program, supported by the Administration for Community Living (ACL), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), in partnership with three AAAs by utilizing Community Health Workers (CHWs) to provide no-wrong door navigation services and streamlined access to long-term services and supports (LTSS) for older adults, adults with disabilities and their caregivers.</p> <p>Cal Community Connect partners have identified cross-cutting themes for CHW to support older adults, people with disabilities, and caregivers to navigate needed supports. Housing insecurity</p>

		<p>emerged as a dominant theme, including for older adults facing informal eviction. Without stable housing, accessing nearly every service becomes difficult or impossible for older adults. Partner organizations surfaced several upstream risk factors — recent widowhood, informal rental arrangements, family caregiver transitions, and benefit disruptions — that could serve as early CHW engagement triggers before housing loss and service disconnection occur.</p>
<p>1.C.41</p>	<p>Continue advancing Legal Service Program through Area Agencies on Aging, providing services that include support for elder justice, fraud prevention, rental disputes, and others.</p>	<p>The CDA Legal Assistance Developer (LAD) provides program and policy advice and guidance to departmental leadership, conducts research, works with State agencies and departments, and collaborates with internal and external stakeholders to improve access to legal services for older adults. The CDA LAD supports Legal Service Providers (LSPs) capacity to ensure that older adults have access to skilled legal counsel and necessary information as they navigate challenges related to housing stability, elder fraud, and financial exploitation. In addition, the updated California Statewide Guidelines for Legal Assistance for Older Adults is anticipated to be released by the end of July 2026 to support statewide consistency and strengthen service delivery.</p>
<p>2.C.34</p>	<p>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>	<p>Training was provided to Cal Community Connect CHWs on key housing findings from the Non-Medical HCBS Gap Analysis report and on the local housing and homeless response system and strategies for partnership and coordination to support older adults experiencing homelessness.</p> <p>CDA shared housing related information and resources with stakeholders and the aging network. Resources included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Gap Analysis Report</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Non-Medical HCBS Gap Analysis Report Appendix</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Landscape of California’s Home and Community-Based Services</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Older Adult Behavioral Health Resources for Stakeholders</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">California Interagency Council on Homelessness</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Statewide Homelessness Funding Navigator</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Local Coordination to Support People with</a></li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Disabilities Experiencing Homelessness California Department of Social Services Housing Programs</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Housing and Community Development Department</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Conducting a Needs and Assets Assessment for Older Adults Experiencing Homelessness - Community Solutions</a></li> </ul>
3.A.3	<p>Document recommendations of the <a href="#">Disability and Aging Community Living Advisory Committee (DACLAC)</a> and elevate relevant recommendations for the next iteration of the Master Plan for Aging.</p>	<p>During the <a href="#">DACLAC</a> meeting on February 12, 2026, members made the following recommendations related to housing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investing in a comprehensive support ecosystem [e.g., alignment among housing, Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS), In-Home Support Services (IHSS), Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS), accessible transportation, and other essential services].</li> <li>• Implementing rent controls indexed to Social Security Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA); expanding emergency and short-term subsidies to prevent displacement; prioritizing infrastructure policies, waivers, and funding allocations enabling extremely low-income residents to remain securely housed in their communities.</li> <li>• Develop reactive and proactive plans to mitigate the negative effects of H.R. 1 and changes in HUD funding allocations and regulations.</li> </ul>
3.A.4	<p>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.</p>	<p>Community Solutions recently released the <a href="#">Conducting a Needs and Assets Assessment for Older Adults Experiencing Homelessness</a> toolkit, designed to guide stakeholders in understanding the needs of older adults experiencing homelessness and to support coordination at the local level.</p> <p>USAgings’s <a href="#">Doors to Housing for Older Adults</a> initiative is working to support organizations in the aging and homelessness networks to form cross-sector partnerships to reduce homelessness among older adults. In California, this work was supported by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Aging and Independence Services of San Diego County</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Regional Task Force on Homelessness</a></li> </ul>

		<p>- <a href="#">San Bernardino Department of Aging and Adult Services – Public Guardian</a></p> <p>USAgging in partnership with the National Alliance to End Homelessness and has developed <a href="#">trainings and resources</a> to support local Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) and Continuums of Care (CoC) to partner to prevent older adult homelessness.</p>
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.	<p>No update</p> <p><a href="#">Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Gap Analysis Report</a></p>
4.C.25	Continue building upon the Data Dashboard for Aging by expanding research and data functions and including housing and homelessness.	<p>No update</p> <p><a href="#">Master Plan for Aging Data Dashboard</a></p>
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.	No update

### Section 3: Other Department Updates

California’s [Master Plan for Aging](#) (MPA) is a 10-year blueprint that reflects California’s future vision of and commitment to an age- and ability-forward state. The [MPA Implementation Tracker](#) is a publicly available resource for monitoring the implementation of California’s MPA. Partners can search for progress updates on MPA goals and initiatives. Goal 1: Housing for All Ages and Stages, 2025-2026 Initiatives 1 – 21, includes updates from state partners on housing related initiatives.

In April 2026, Capitol Weekly released an op-ed by Secretary of Health and Human Services, Kim Johnson, and Secretary of Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, Tomiquia Moss, titled [Housing for older Californians improves, but there’s more to do](#).

The National Alliance to End Homelessness released a blog titled [Why Continuums of Care and the Aging Network Must Work Together](#).

**California Department of Education (CDE)**

**Section 2: Action Plan Strategic Investments and Actions**

Activity Reference Number	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"> <li>• Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies)</li> <li>• E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> <li>• Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
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"> <li>• Mtg with CCCC</li> <li>• Contact information exchanges between CDE and CCCC</li> <li>• 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)</li> <li>• Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies)</li> <li>• E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> </ul>

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	Act to ensure services, coordination, and accountability at the local level for all Californians.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
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"> <li>Shared Upcoming Statewide Homeless Education Conference with Cal ICH staff at monthly check in meetings.</li> <li>Added announcement to the CDE updates</li> <li>Partnerships for presentations at Statewide Conference include Cal ICH partners, such as CalKIDS.</li> <li>Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
2.A.7	Increase coordination across State programs and with County Welfare programs to ensure students are receiving the appropriate level of care and connections to resources from cradle to career.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies)</li> <li>E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> <li>Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
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"> <li>Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies)</li> <li>E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> <li>Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>

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"> <li>• Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies)</li> <li>• E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> <li>• Once identified, CDE to work with HETAC to support communication and dissemination of guidance</li> <li>• Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
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"> <li>• Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies)</li> <li>• E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> <li>• Share and coordinate webinar regarding support for students who are homeless, foster, Native American regarding graduation considerations, exemption regulations and pathways.</li> <li>• Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
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"> <li>• Work with Cal ICH staff to identify the appropriate state agency, local level agency(ies)</li> <li>• E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> <li>• Once identified, CDE to work with HETAC to support communication and dissemination of guidance.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
3.A.7	<p>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 for children, youth, unaccompanied youth, and their families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support and nominate student voices and youth in workgroups and work for Cal ICH.</li> <li>Share resources, tools and all other information related to serving youth from Cal ICH with youth 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.</li> <li>Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
3.C.28	<p>Implement strategies for local systems to streamline family services between COEs, LEAs, Charter Schools, and CoCs to ensure equitable access to housing options.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance</li> </ul>

		Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.
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"> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• E-introduction to the appropriate staff to connect to CDE</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
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"> <li>• CDE has identified and publicly facing data on youth counts beyond the Point-in-Time count.</li> <li>• CDE has encouraged and supported COEs to actively participate in Point-in-Time count and share the numbers beyond that window of youth identified and how they are served.</li> <li>• Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
5.A.8	Continue to develop and distribute best practices to districts, charter schools, and county offices of education, on the	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legislative Updates are presented at Regional meetings; updates include those beyond homeless</li> </ul>

	<p>implementation of legislative changes, including best practices in serving McKinney-Vento children, youth, and families.</p>	<p>education to include Cal ICH and national updates that directly effects youth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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)</li> <li>• Working with our Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers to implement strategies to meet this goal.</li> </ul>
<p>5.A.9</p>	<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"> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• The CDE held their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Homeless Statewide Conference which was attended by LEAs, community partnerships and other state agencies.</li> <li>• The CDE continues its partnership 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. Two webinars have been done, and a survey was administered to continue the series.</li> </ul>
<p>5.C.25</p>	<p>Collaborate with LEAs and state-level educational partners to identify needs of</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The HEART toolkit is included on the Homeless Technical Assistance</li> </ul>

	<p>students experiencing homelessness as the result of natural disasters and/or other emergencies, and develop strategies, resources, and tools to address those needs.</p>	<p>Center web page and CDE staff have presented to COEs and LEAs on this toolkit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDE’s Homeless Education Technical Assistance Centers co-presented a session titled, Reducing Climate-Driven Displacement Through Student-Informed Planning. This session included early PLUS research and statewide survey findings on how districts are strengthening preparedness by engaging students as partners in climate resilience, wellness, and recovery planning while centering families experiencing homelessness.</li> </ul>
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**Section 3: Other Department Updates**

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

**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.	

Event	Date	Notes
National Coalition of Homeless Veterans Annual Conference	5.27.26 through 5.29.26	Washington DC. CalVet to present VSSR findings.

**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, engaging partners, monitoring implementation and outcomes, and	See the Prop. 1 (Homekey+) update in Section. 3 of this document.

	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>An Impact Evaluation study is being conducted by the Rand Corporation with a final report expected to be released in August of 2026.</p>

**Section 3: Other Department Updates**

**Proposition 1 (Homekey+)**

Championed by Gavin Newsom and approved by voters in 2024, is transforming California’s behavioral health system through a \$6.4 billion Behavioral Health Bond. The measure funds housing, treatment, and supportive services for veterans and people experiencing homelessness.

In November 2024, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) released a \$2.145 billion Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Homekey+ PSH projects. Of this funding:

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- \$1.03 billion is designated for veteran-focused projects
- \$1.11 billion supports other priority populations

Allocations are based on regional need, with dedicated set-asides for rural communities and youth experiencing homelessness. Applications are accepted and awarded on a rolling basis. To date, Homekey+ has awarded \$858 million to 50 projects, creating 2,500 affordable homes statewide, including 620 units reserved for veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

### **Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention (VHHP) Program**

The Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention (VHHP) Program continues to expand affordable and permanent supportive housing opportunities for veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness across California, particularly in high-need communities. The following has taken place since the last quarterly update:

#### **U.S. VETS E Street – San Bernardino**

On March 25, 2026, the VHHP Program celebrated the groundbreaking of U.S. VETS E Street in the City of San Bernardino. The new construction project received more than \$4 million in VHHP funding and will provide 31 housing units, including 30 units dedicated to veterans. Developed by U.S. VETS, the project will serve extremely low-income and chronically homeless veterans. Residents will have access to a career services center, memorial garden, and comprehensive on-site supportive services, including case management, mental health support, and legal advocacy.

#### **2700 International – Oakland**

On May 15, 2026, a groundbreaking ceremony was held for 2700 International in Oakland. Developed by the Spanish Speaking Unity Council of Alameda County, Inc., the new construction project received more than \$9 million in VHHP funding and once complete, the project will feature 75 units of which 22 will serve formerly homeless veterans.

#### **Liberty Lane – Redlands**

Liberty Lane celebrated its grand opening in the City of Redlands on April 1, 2026. The Spanish-style development received more than \$13 million in VHHP funding and includes 80 total units, with 62 reserved for veterans. Developed by A Community of Friends, the project serves homeless veterans with mental health disabilities as well as low-income families.

#### **Eucalyptus – Burlingame**

On May 15, 2026, the VHHP Program celebrated the grand opening of Eucalyptus, a new affordable housing community in Burlingame. Awarded \$7 million in VHHP funding, the development provides 69 housing units, including 18 dedicated to veterans. Developed by Adobe Housing Development, the project offers extensive on-site supportive services, including life skills training, educational support, individualized service plans, and mental health advocacy to promote long-term housing stability.

**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	No investment updates.

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	address today's behavioral health system 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 <a href="#">Volume 2 of Community Supports Policy Guide</a> ).  As of January 1, 2026, MCPs began covering Transitional Rent for the Behavioral Health Population of Focus (POF) as a mandatory Community Support service.
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.	No action plan updates at this time.
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.

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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.	No action plan updates at this time.
4.B.11	Track and analyze trends in uptake data for individuals experiencing homelessness within Community Supports.	No action plan updates at this time.
4.C.27	Implementation of 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 Community Supports to members experiencing or at risk of homelessness.	No action plan updates at this time.
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**Section 3: Other Department Updates**

All California counties have submitted their draft Fiscal Year 2026-2029 [Integrated Plans](#). These three-year roadmaps required under the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) show how counties will use all funding sources to meet statewide and local goals. This milestone reflects strong collaboration among DHCS, counties, cities, local partners, and stakeholders. DHCS is on track to provide feedback within legislatively required timeframes, with two early submissions already approved and the remaining plans moving through review. Once DHCS issues draft approval, counties must conduct a 30-day public comment period and hold a public hearing before the local behavioral health board. Plans must also receive approval from the County Board of Supervisors before final submission by the June 30, 2026, deadline. These steps ensure individuals with lived experience, families, providers, advocates, and other community members continue to have meaningful opportunities to help shape the final plans.

**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
HOME Program Activities	January 2026	Ongoing Over the Counter until funds are exhausted.	\$14 Million	Local government entities in Non-entitlement Jurisdictions  <a href="#">home-2024-appendix-a-eligible-home-jurisdictions.pdf</a>	<a href="#">home-2024-nofa.pdf</a>

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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.	The 100% expenditure deadline for FHC Rounds 1 and 2 is June 30, 2026. HCD will continue to support grantees as the deadline approaches.
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.	No updates
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-	As of 2/2/2026, 12 awards issued; 2 awards declined, which has exhausted \$81 million in total program funds.

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	residential space to residential housing.	
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 4/27/2026, the THK+ Program has completed 21 pre-application meetings and received 5 applications. On 4/3/2026, the THK+ Program issued its first award of \$9,659,176 to one project.
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.	Tribal HHAP issued conditional awards to 68 Tribes totaling \$28.5 million on April 24, 2026.  Tribal HHAP R5 Draft NOFA in the amount of approximately \$14.25 million is scheduled to be released in July 2026. Feedback listening sessions will be held in each region during June-July 2026.
Strategic Investment	Homekey+: Providing funding to build more permanent supportive homes faster for veterans and residents experiencing homelessness and mental health challenges.	As of April 17, 2026, the Homekey+ Program has created 2,471 housing units, including 620 units dedicated to veterans. To date, the program has awarded a total of \$858,798,137, consisting of \$797,866,227 in capital funding and \$43,667,910 in operating awards. In addition, the Homekey+ NOFA has been amended effective March 27, 2026 to offer additional flexibilities and incentives to prospective applicants interested in utilizing Homekey+ for Veteran-serving Projects.
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.	The following rounds have now ended; ERF-1 and ERF-2L. HCD continues to monitor and provide technical assistance for all active rounds of ERF.
Strategic Investment	Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP): Providing grants for local jurisdictions to support regional	The 100% expenditure deadlines for HHAP Rounds 2 and 3, as well as the 75% obligation and 50% expenditure requirements for the initial disbursement of HHAP Round 5, are all on

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	<p>coordination and local homelessness response to address challenges and increase permanent housing solutions for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.</p>	<p>June 30, 2026. HCD continues to monitor progress and provide technical assistance to grantees as these statutory deadlines approach and continues to process remainder disbursements for HHAP 4 and 5 as all statutory requirements have been met.</p> <p>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 and will continue to make awards on a rolling basis.</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>MFSN released the 2026 MHP Gap Funding NOFA on April 20, 2026. The NOFA makes approximately \$240 million available for projects that have not begun construction, maintain at least one current HCD award, and commit to applying for the next CDLAC/CTCAC bond and 4% credit cycle by September 8, 2026, with no state tax credit request. Projects will be subject to MHP Guidelines dated February 13, 2025. All applications will be due no later than 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time on June 5, 2026. Awards are expected to be announced in August 2026.</p> <p>23 out of the 29 Round 3 SuperNOFA projects have been executed Standard Agreements, and the remaining 6 are routing.</p> <p>Of the 10 projects awarded under the 2025 MFSN Disaster NOFA, 4 projects have executed Standard Agreements, 5 are routing.</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</p>	<p>As of 4/27/2026, the TMFSN program has completed 11 pre-application meetings and has received 2 applications.</p>

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	<p>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.</p>	
Strategic Investment	<p>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.</p>	<p>All funds are awarded; no further funds are available as this is one time funding. At the conclusion of the program over 450 permanent housing units and serve over 2000 individuals through the the supportive service program.</p>
Strategic Investment	<p>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.</p>	<p>HOME Program Activities is currently open. Please see above.</p>
Strategic Investment	<p>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>	<p>The ESG team is amending all 52 Standard Agreements to add Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 second year funds to each standard agreement. Of the 52 Standard Agreements, 11 amendments are fully executed and the remaining 41 are anticipated to be executed in May 2026.</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,</p>

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		<p>HCD and LACDA have made draws to administer the program totaling approximately \$48,000, and Union Station has submitted additional draws for Rapid Re-Housing bringing their total to approximately \$707,000 drawn.</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 \$112,000 in Rapid Re-Housing expenses with a recent additional draw submitted for approximately \$16,000.</p>
Strategic Investment	Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG): Funds community & economic development & disaster recovery to create suitable living environments by expanding economic opportunities & providing appropriate housing to low-income households.	No Update
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 (25) HHC assisted projects, of which twelve (12) are completed and occupied. As of this report, the status of the remaining thirteen (13) multifamily affordable housing developments with HHC/NHTF financing is comprised of one (1) 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.	Construction on the 32 unit permanent housing project exclusively for people exiting incarceration is expected to begin in August 2026.

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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 2023), to develop and report policy recommendations to implement a single consolidated application and coordinated review process for affordable housing resources.	No Update
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	No Update

	organizations, Tribal consortium, and Tribal entities in California.	
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**Section 3: Other Department Updates**

*New Addition:*

Strategic Investment	<p>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 at least nine (9) Tribal voting members and four (4) non-voting State members.</p>	<p>HCD staff has completed the application review for the THGP Advisory Committee. The inaugural meeting for the committee will be held in July 2026. For questions reach out to <a href="mailto:TribalTrustFund@hcd.ca.gov">TribalTrustFund@hcd.ca.gov</a>. Visit the website at <a href="#">Tribal Housing Grant Program Trust Fund Advisory Committee</a></p>
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**California Community Colleges (CCCO)**

**Section 1: Upcoming Important Dates**

Event	Date	Notes
Webinar HR1: Supporting Community College Students to Meet Work Requirements	05/27/2026	In partnership with the California Department of Social Services, the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office will present information to help counties better understand how California community college programs can support students in meeting newly imposed federal work requirements and maintaining access to public benefits.

**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.	<p>California Community Colleges (CCCs) continue to operate programs locally, meeting key milestones aligned with their cohorts’ progression timelines.</p> <p>On April 16, the Chancellor’s Office hosted a full-day, in-person training for Homeless and Housing Insecurity Program (HHIP) Cohort 2 colleges, with representation from all participating institutions.</p> <p>The training was led by Chancellor’s Office staff and featured peer trainers from HHIP Cohort 1 colleges. Sessions focused on implementation strategies, partnership development, service delivery and best practices for fostering a culture of care while maintaining strong program accountability. The agenda also included two dedicated sessions on data submission.</p> <p>The Chancellor’s Office continues to provide ongoing oversight, along with technical assistance and support to colleges as they implement their programs.</p>

Strategic Investment	Rapid Rehousing & Housing Security Program: Provides rental assistance and services to students who are experiencing housing insecurity or homelessness.	No Update
1.A.7	Identify opportunities for expanding housing support for students who transfer between community colleges and other institutions of higher education.	<p>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.</p> <p>In partnership with the California Higher Education Basic Needs Alliance (CHEBNA) partners, the Chancellor’s Office is embarking on a coordinated effort to strengthen intersegmental relationship-building to better support students transferring across segments.</p> <p>As part of these early efforts, the three systems will be working to establish a statewide intersegmental basic needs directory that will serve as a centralized resource for identifying campus-based contacts. The efforts will also include facilitated virtual regional forums designed to bring together basic needs practitioners from across segments. These forums aim to create space for relationship-building, information sharing and deeper understanding of the range of services and supports available at different institutions.</p>
1.B.23	Provide emergency housing assistance to CSU students who are experiencing temporary housing insecurity or homelessness.	No Update
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 2026, colleges will be focused on implementation of recently passed legislation, including Assembly Bill 148 and public benefit policy shifts that

		will increase student access to CalFresh benefits.
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.	No Update
3.A.5	Promote meaningful engagement of community college students within supports focused on preventing and ending their homelessness.	<p>Colleges engage students on an ongoing basis regarding feedback on service offerings. To support the collection of student feedback at a statewide level, the Chancellor’s Office recently commissioned two research studies, one focused on emergency financial aid and another on the early implementation of basic needs centers within the California Community Colleges system. Both studies incorporated opportunities to draw direct student feedback, ensuring that student perspectives were central to the findings. Information drawn from the student engagement, was then integrated into tools developed to help colleges implement best practices and strengthen support for students.</p> <p>In addition, the Chancellor’s Office supported a statewide basic needs survey, which provided students with an opportunity to share information about their current socioeconomic circumstances, including their housing security status.</p>
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.	Chancellor’s Office staff are partnering with colleges to support the submission of student services data through the Chancellor’s Office Management Information System (MIS). Within this process, the SG27 data element is used by colleges to identify and flag students receiving services through the HHIP program. SG27 data are due 30 days

		<p>following the conclusion of each academic term.</p> <p>Program staff will work closely with the Chancellor’s Office Research Department to access, review and analyze SG27 data. These efforts are intended to strengthen data-informed decision-making, improve program accountability, and better understand the reach and impact of HHIP services across colleges.</p>
<p>5.A.10</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>The California Higher Education Basic Needs Alliance (CHEBNA) recently hosted the 2026 Intersegmental Basic Needs Summit, held February 10–11, 2026, in Sacramento. The Summit convened a diverse group of nearly 850 attendees, including higher education practitioners, system and campus leaders, policymakers and community-based partners, all committed to advancing basic needs supports for students across California. The event featured more than 190 workshops, in addition to plenary sessions led by prominent guest speakers.</p> <p>Across the two-day convening, participants engaged in a wide range of sessions designed to highlight promising practices, elevate student-centered approaches and explore strategies for strengthening institutional and cross-sector responses to student basic needs. Among these offerings were numerous breakout sessions focused specifically on supporting students experiencing homelessness and housing insecurity. These sessions provided practical tools, programmatic examples and policy insights aimed at improving service delivery for students facing housing instability.</p> <p>In addition to the breakout sessions, the Summit featured a plenary session dedicated to strengthening housing infrastructure for college students throughout California. This session brought together experts and leaders from across systems to discuss current challenges, emerging models and opportunities to expand sustainable housing solutions.</p>

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.	<p>As part of the Chancellor’s Office transition of HHIP college host sites from pilot operations to permanent, ongoing programming, all participating colleges are required to establish or renew formal Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with local housing service providers. These agreements are intended to formalize partnerships, clarify roles and responsibilities, and ensure continuity and quality of services for students experiencing housing insecurity.</p> <p>Colleges have identified a range of partners based on local needs and available resources, including Continuum of Care agencies and community-based service providers. The Chancellor’s Office collects and reviews college-partner MOUs to better understand the variation in housing program models being implemented across the HHIP program. Information gleaned in this review process will be used to promote best practices across participating colleges.</p>

**California Workforce Development Board (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 to be awarded to existing grantees
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.	Current IAA completed for \$30M from SB 150
1.B.28	Explore options for funding LWDBs to enroll people staying in shelters, or accessing other	No updates

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	homelessness services, into job training and education.	
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.	No updates
2.C.35	Develop collaborative workforce guidance, best practices, and potential training provider lists with DOR in support of people with disabilities.	EDD and DOR have MOU for best support to people with disabilities in the AJCCs
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	
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.	No updates
5.C.28	Develop policies to incorporate employment centers into state-funded housing programs, including both interim and permanent housing.	No updates