



# **COUNTY LOCAL HOMELESSNESS PLAN TEMPLATE**

## **HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

May 9, 2022

## PURPOSE OF THIS LOCAL HOMELESSNESS PLAN TEMPLATE

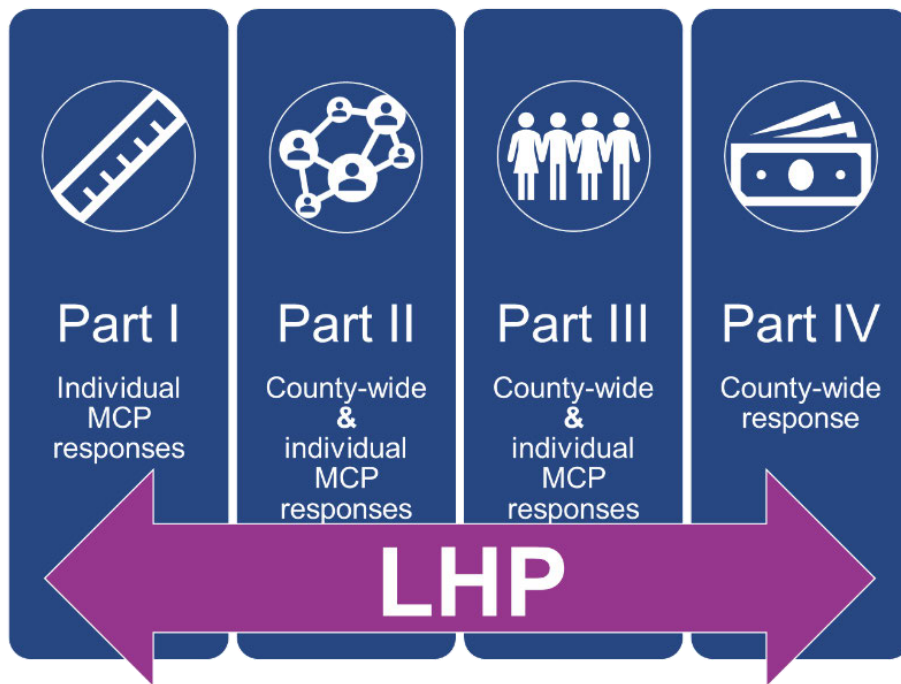
The Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP) is a voluntary incentive program through which Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans (MCPs) may earn incentive funds for improving health outcomes and access to whole person care services by addressing homelessness and housing insecurity as social drivers of health and health disparities.

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is providing this Local Homelessness Plan (LHP) Template as a required submission component for MCPs seeking to participate in HHIP.

MCPs must collaborate with their local Continuums of Care (CoCs) and, if applicable, other MCPs operating in the same county to complete **one county Local Homelessness Plan (LHP)** (this Word file template). In addition, **each MCP** must complete a unique MCP LHP (see separate Excel template for this submission). For counties where multiple MCPs operate, the MCPs should select one organization to submit the county LHP to DHCS. Unique MPC LHP Excel files can be submitted separately to DHCS.

**Completed county and unique MCP LHPs should be submitted to DHCS by June 30, 2022.**

### LHP Submission Components



Part I of the LHP Template is based on **unique MCP responses**. Parts II and III include **both** aggregate county-wide and MCP-specific responses; and Part IV is an **aggregate county-wide response**.

- **PART I: HHIP MEASURES**

This section includes the required measures each MCP must complete. As noted above, this section should be completed by **EACH MCP**, providing only MCP-specific information. MCPs must provide quantitative and narrative responses to these measures, which are intended to provide DHCS with information on current regional progress on and upcoming goals for each of the three HHIP priority areas:

- (i) **Partnerships and capacity** to support referrals for services;
- (ii) **Infrastructure** to coordinate and meet member housing needs; and
- (iii) **Delivery** of services and member engagement.

See excel template for this unique MCP LHP submission.

- **PART II: MCP STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS IDENTIFIED HOUSING AND SERVICE GAPS**

This section provides MCPs with a format to describe their specific strategies for addressing identified housing and service gaps in their service areas as well as how these strategies align with the aggregate county approach (as determined by all CoCs and MCPs collaborating in this county). The county approach should align with and aim to meet HHAP Outcome Goals. As noted above, this section includes *both* (1) an aggregate county-wide response and (2) MCP-specific responses, where *each MCP* must provide separate responses. See excel template for this unique MCP LHP submission.

- **PART III: LANDSCAPE ANALYSIS OF DEMOGRAPHICS, NEEDS, AND GAPS**

This section establishes a format for MCPs to provide the following required information:

- (i) A **local landscape analysis** that assesses the current number of people experiencing homelessness and existing resources which address homelessness. This landscape analysis is intended to align with the *Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program Round 3 (HHAP-3)* application landscape analysis, which utilizes data from the Homeless Management Integration System (HMIS), point-in-time (PIT) counts, and other local needs assessments.
- (ii) **Identification of the number of individuals and families served.** This response should include information on the demographics of those served, types of intervention services provided, and demographics of subpopulations that are underserved, relative to the proportion of individuals in that subpopulation experiencing homelessness.

- **PART IV: IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY**

This section requests the following required information be attached as an appendix:

- (i) **Identification of available funding currently being used, and budgeted to be used, to provide housing and homelessness-related services** to persons experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness, as described in the HHAP-3 assessment of state, federal, and local funds available.

## LHP SUBMISSION STRUCTURE

The following LHP Template for HHIP funding must be submitted in in full, including the following four parts:

- **PART I: HHIP Measures** completed by each MCP in the unique MCP LHP submission. See excel template for this unique MCP LHP submission.
- **PART II: MCP Strategies**, which includes both aggregate and unique MCP components, with county-wide strategies submitted as a part of this county LHP and MCP-specific components included in the unique MCP LHP submission
- **PART III: Landscape Analysis**, which includes both aggregate and unique MCP components, with the county-wide analysis submitted as a part of this county LHP and MCP-specific analyses included in the unique MCP LHP submission
- **PART IV: Funding Availability Assessment** included as an appendix to this county LHP submission

## MCP INFORMATION

Provide the name of the county for this county LHP submission and list the MCP(s) participating in the submission (each MCP is also required to submit a unique MCP LHP using the Excel template provided by DHCS).

County Name		
Santa Barbara County		
MCP Name	Lead Contact Person Name and Title	Contact Email Address
CenCal Health	Nicole Bennett, Community Supports Program Manager	nbennett@cencalhealth.org

## **PART I: HHIP MEASURES**

Each MCP participating in HHIP must complete the HHIP Measures via the MCP LHP submission. See MCP LHP excel template provided by DHCS.

Part I scoring: 190 points available

## PART II: MCP STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS IDENTIFIED HOUSING AND SERVICE GAPS

MCPs are required to work together, and with local partners, to identify key components of the county strategy in preventing and reducing homelessness over the two-year program period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023. The strategy should be informed by, and align with, the findings from the local landscape analysis (Part III of this LHP).

In preparing this narrative response, MCPs are strongly encouraged to use and/or adapt content from: (1) local strategic plans or action plans for preventing and ending homelessness; (2) prior HHAP applications and reporting; (3) the CoC's most recent applications under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s Continuum of Care program; (4) and/or other relevant local policy documents or plans.

**All MCPs in the county** should collaborate to provide one narrative response in the space provided below detailing the overall county approach in the space below. MCPs will also submit their own strategy (in the MCP Excel submission), which should align with the county strategy detailed below. See excel template for this unique MCP Part II submission.

Part II scoring: 100 points available (inclusive of both the county submission and unique MCP submission).

### STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS IDENTIFIED HOUSING AND SERVICE GAPS IN THE COUNTY

#### County Narrative Description (200-word limit)

The Continuum of Care, County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors and local cities adopted a Community Action Plan to Address Homelessness in 2021. This comprehensive plan includes five primary strategies to address housing and service gaps.

1. Increase access to safe, affordable housing;
2. Use best practices to deliver tailored support services;
3. Build a collective action plan;
4. Strengthen support system to obtain and maintain housing;
5. and Build provider capacity to address complex needs.

The Community Action Plan includes a detailed Implementation Work Plan that outlines specific strategies and actions, suggested community partners, timelines for accomplishing specific actions, and potential resources to be used. CenCal Health and the local health care system are critical partners in implementing and achieving key plan goals such as increasing housing inventory, expanding the shelter system, creating a culture of diversion and prevention, expanding supportive services to meet client needs, connecting clients to mainstream resources and creating a data driven culture for decision making. All strategies and goals rely on cross sector data sharing to improve care coordination and outcomes.

# PART III: LANDSCAPE ANALYSIS OF COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS, NEEDS, AND GAPS

## A. Landscape Analysis of County Needs and Demographics

**All MCPs in the county** should collaborate to provide a county-wide landscape analysis, using the table below, of current county needs and demographics, in alignment with the HHAP-3<sup>1</sup> landscape analysis utilizing relevant data from the Homeless Management Integration System (HMIS), 2019 PIT count data,<sup>2</sup> and other local needs assessments. See excel template for this unique MCP Part III submission.

If data is unavailable for the MCPs in the county, the MCPs must detail their approach to improving data connectivity and identification for future submissions, including timing for implementing the approach. Please submit this as a written attachment using no more than 1000 characters.

**Please use TABLE 1 below** to provide one county-wide response outlining key data regarding people experiencing homelessness in the county.

Part III scoring: 80 points available (inclusive of both the county submission and unique MCP submission).

**TABLE 1 (EXAMPLE ONLY — San Francisco County):**

	County	
	People Experiencing Homelessness	Source and Date Timeframe of Data
<b>Population and Living Situations</b>		
<b>TOTAL # OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS</b>	8,035	HUD PIT Count, 2019

<sup>1</sup> MCPs may also reference HHAP Round 2 (HHAP-2) applications if additional context is helpful for them, or if Round 3 applications are not yet available

<sup>2</sup> DHCS recommends using 2019 PIT count as it is the most recent count that includes unsheltered individuals, or the 2022 PIT count if it's locally available as it will be the most recent information

**Table 1. Landscape Analysis of County Needs and Demographics**

	<b>Number of People Experiencing Homelessness</b>	<b>Source and Date Timeframe of Data</b>
<b>Population and Living Situations</b>		
<b>TOTAL # OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS</b>	2850	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Sheltered</b> (Emergency Shelter (ES), Transitional Housing (TH), Supportive Housing (SH))	998	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Unsheltered</b>	1852	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b>Household Composition</b>		
# of Households <b>without Children</b>	2278	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Households with <b>At Least 1 Adult &amp; 1 Child</b>	127	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Households with <b>Only Children</b>	47	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b>Sub-Populations and Other Characteristics</b>		
# of Adults Who are Experiencing <b>Chronic Homelessness</b>	1128	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Adults Who are Experiencing <b>Serious Mental Illness</b>	977	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Adults Who are Experiencing <b>Substance Use Disorders</b>	886	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Adults Who are <b>Veterans</b>	173	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021

# of Adults with <b>HIV/AIDS</b>	13	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Adults Who are <b>Survivors of Domestic Violence</b>	582	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of <b>Unaccompanied Youth (under 25)</b>	294	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of <b>Parenting Youth (under 25)</b>	20	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Children of Parenting Youth</b>	17	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b>Gender Demographics</b>		
# of <b>Women/Girls</b>	1096	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of <b>Men/Boys</b>	1701	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Transgender</b>	18	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Gender Non-Conforming</b>	14	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b>Ethnicity and Race Demographics</b>		
# of People Who are <b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	1267	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino</b>	1475	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Black or African American</b>	211	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Asian</b>	22	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021

# of People Who are <b>American Indian or Alaska Native</b>	103	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</b>	20	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>White</b>	2262	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Multiple Races</b>	159	HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who did Not Disclose		HMIS APR 10/1/2020-9/30/2021

## B. Landscape Analysis of People Receiving Services

Please use **TABLE 2** to report the total number of individuals served county-wide. The data provided within Table 2 should represent **the most current and accurate way of estimating the annual number and demographics** of people participating in or being served by the different intervention types, including subpopulations that are underserved relative to their proportion of individuals experiencing homelessness in the jurisdiction. It is important to note that intervention types are not mutually exclusive, and individuals and households may be counted in multiple categories.

**MCP(s) must cite their data sources.** If data is unavailable for the MCP county submission, the MCP(s) must detail the approach to improving data connectivity and identification for future submissions, including timing for implementing the approach. Please submit this as a written attachment using no more than 500 words.

*Table 2 uses the following service terms:*

<b>Interim Housing</b>	Any program whose primary purpose is to provide temporary shelter for people experiencing homelessness, in general or for specific populations, and which does not require occupants to sign leases or occupancy agreements. Interim housing can include congregate shelter, bridge housing, temporary scattered-site arrangements, and transitional housing programs, among others.
<b>Rental Assistance</b>	Rental assistance programs provide subsidies that help people experiencing homelessness rent housing in the marketplace. Rental assistance typically pays a portion of the total rent and can be temporary or permanent and offered in a variety of program types.
<b>Supportive Housing</b>	Supportive housing is permanent housing for a specific target population—generally people with disabilities/special needs and long histories of homelessness—that is linked to onsite or offsite services that assist the resident to retain the housing, improve their health status, and maximize their ability to live and, when possible, work in the community.
<b>Outreach</b>	Programs that identify and engage people living in unsheltered locations, such as in cars, parks, abandoned buildings, encampments, and on the streets, reaching people who might not otherwise seek assistance or come to the attention of the homelessness service system. Outreach and engagement programs help to ensure that people’s basic needs are met while also supporting people to access and navigate pathways toward housing stability.
<b>Prevention/Diversion</b>	Programs that seek to prevent people from losing current housing or to prevent the need for services from the homelessness response system through a rapid return to housing, usually without expectation of ongoing support.

**Table 2. Landscape Analysis of County Services**

	Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)	Rapid Rehousing (RRH)	Transitional Housing (TH)	Interim Housing or Emergency Shelter (IH / ES)	Diversion Services and Assistance (DIV)	Homelessness Prevention Services & Assistance (HP)	Outreach and Engagement Services (O/R)	Other: [Identify]	Source(s) and Time-frame of Data
<b>Household Composition</b>									
# of Households <b>without Children</b>	541	581	178	1251	Not a program type in HMIS	111	1122	39	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Households with <b>At Least 1 Adult &amp; 1 Child</b>	36	275	17	99	Not a program type in HMIS	16	23	46	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Households with <b>Only Children</b>	0	█*	0	41	Not a program type in HMIS	36	█*	0	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b>Sub-Populations and Other Characteristics</b>									
# of Adults Who are Experiencing <b>Chronic Homelessness</b>	298	383	63	709	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	559	38	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Adults Who are Experiencing <b>Serious Mental Illness</b>	251	308	74	588	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	508	18	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of Adults Who are Experiencing	170	253	102	600	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	383	30	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021

<b>Substance Use Disorders</b>									
<b># of Adults Who are Veterans</b>	223	170	37	98	Not a program type in HMIS	31	60	25	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b># of Adults with HIV/AIDS</b>	█*	█*	0	█*	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	█*	0	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b># of Adults Who are Survivors of Domestic Violence</b>	70	234	30	323	Not a program type in HMIS	14	332	20	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b># of Un-accompanied Youth (under 25)</b>	13	88	█*	116	Not a program type in HMIS	35	202	█*	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b># of Parenting Youth (under 25)</b>	█*	37	█*	█*	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	█*	█*	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b># of People Who are Children of Parenting Youth</b>	█*	52	█*	█*	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	█*	█*	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b>Gender Demographics</b>									
<b># of Women/Girls</b>	244	791	70	615	Not a program type in HMIS	107	500	104	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b># of Men/Boys</b>	433	770	167	997	Not a program type in HMIS	117	723	112	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021

# of People Who are <b>Transgender</b>	0	█*	0	█*	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	14	█*	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Gender Non-Conforming</b>	█*	█*	0	█*	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	█*	0	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
<b>Ethnicity and Race Demographics</b>									
# of People Who are <b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	214	895	122	767	Not a program type in HMIS	115	501	128	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino</b>	425	647	110	834	Not a program type in HMIS	103	713	63	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Black or African American</b>	58	109	23	120	Not a program type in HMIS	14	88	█*	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Asian</b>	█*	22	█*	█*	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	█*	0	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>American Indian or Alaska Native</b>	17	112	13	54	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	56	█*	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</b>	█*	█*	█*	█*	Not a program type in HMIS	0	█*	█*	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021

# of People Who are <b>White</b>	511	1162	178	1336	Not a program type in HMIS	187	982	177	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021
# of People Who are <b>Multiple Races</b>	37	91	17	92	Not a program type in HMIS	█*	78	█*	HMIS 10/1/2020-9/30/2021

\* Data has been suppressed per Data De-identification Guidelines.

## PART IV: IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Please submit the HHAP-3 assessment of funding availability for your county (or the HHAP-2 assessment, if the HHAP-3 assessment is unavailable) as an appendix to this LHP Template.

Materials for each round of HHAP can be accessed on the [HHAP website](#).

Part IV scoring: 10 points available

**Please see HHAP-3 assessment of funding availability.**