Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC) Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) Collaborative Committee
July 12, 2024

Welcome and Introductions
Ami Rowland, Chair

Public Comments

Meeting Agenda

1. Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Overview – Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination
   a. Discussion related to the prioritization of a Coordinated Community Plan (CCP)

2. Orange County Youth Action Board Planning – Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination and Ami Rowland, Chair
   a. Approve establishment of a Youth Action Board to be recommended to the CoC Board for approval.

3. 2024 Point in Time Count and Housing Inventory Count Data – Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination and Ami Rowland, Chair

4. CoC Update – Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination

Next Meeting: Friday, September 13, 2024. Meeting may be cancelled in place of a special meeting.

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YHDP NOFO Overview
Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

YHDP Overview

Due Date for Application: August 29, 2024

Available funding amount $72,000,000

Expected to award 20 communities

Grant Terms

Communities will have 6 months to submit a coordinated community plan, if/when announced as awarded

U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Program-Specific Goals and Objectives

- The YHDP application should align with the following highlighted goals outlined in HUD's Strategic Plan:
  - Goal 1: Support Undeserved Communities
    - ➢ Fortify support for underserved communities and support equitable community development for all people.
  - Goal 1B: Reduce Homelessness
    - ➢ Strengthen Federal, State, Tribal, and community implementation of the Housing First approach to reducing the prevalence of homelessness, with the ultimate goal of ending homelessness.
      - o Prevent and End Youth Homelessness
      - o Build national momentum
      - o Promote equity in the delivery and outcomes of homeless assistance
      - o Highlight the importance of youth leadership
      - o Evaluate the coordinated community approach
      - o Expand capacity
      - o Evaluate performance measures
      - o Establish a framework for Federal program and Technical Assistance (TA) provider collaboration

Eligible Program Participants

Funds awarded under the YHDP must only be used to serve:

- Youth, a person who is age 24 or younger who initially qualify as homeless under paragraph (1) or (2) of the homeless definition in 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

  - Unaccompanied Youth - persons who are age 24 or younger, who is the only member of the household.

  - Pregnant or Parenting Youth – Individual heads of households who are age 24 or younger who are pregnant or who are the parents or legal guardians of one or more children who are present with or sleeping in the same place as that youth parent.

  - Transition Age Youth- persons between age 18 and 24.

- Youth who initially qualify to be served as stated in I.C.5 of Appendix A of the YHDP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Changes from Previous NOFO

Communities that have received an FY2016 or FY2017 YHDP community designation are eligible to apply for and receive an additional YHDP community designation under this NOFO.

The minimum number of youth required to be on a Youth Action Board is **increased** from three to **four** members.

Additional Special YHDP Activities are identified in Appendix A.

Appendix B is updated to reflect a new process for developing and submitting the Coordinated Community Plan (CCP) for HUD approval, including **a phased approach to CCP submission and approval**, as well as the **addition of a requirement to complete and submit a Continuous Quality Improvement Plan (CQI)** after the first year of project operation.

YHDP Application Components

YAB Integration – 20 Points

Community Need – 25 Points

Collaboration – 20 Points

Youth Collaboration – 20 Points

Data and Evaluation Capacity – 15 Points

Total: 100 Points

Youth Action Board (YAB) Integration 20 Points

HUD will award up to 20 points to applicants that demonstrate that the CoC actively engages potential YAB members, ensures that YAB members represent a diverse range of backgrounds and that the **YAB is fully integrated and prioritized in the CoC**.
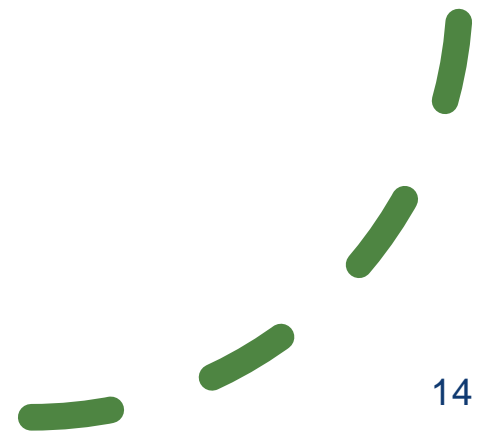
Community Need
25 Points

HUD will award up to 25 points to applicants that can demonstrate high need in the community **based on the number and needs of the community's youth experiencing homelessness**.

Collaboration 20 Points

HUD will award up to 20 points to applicants that can demonstrate **strong current community-wide partnerships** that are working to prevent and end youth homeless

Youth Collaboration 20 Points

HUD will award up to 20 points to applicants that **demonstrate how voices of youth with lived experience of homelessness are a crucial component** to addressing and ending youth homelessness.
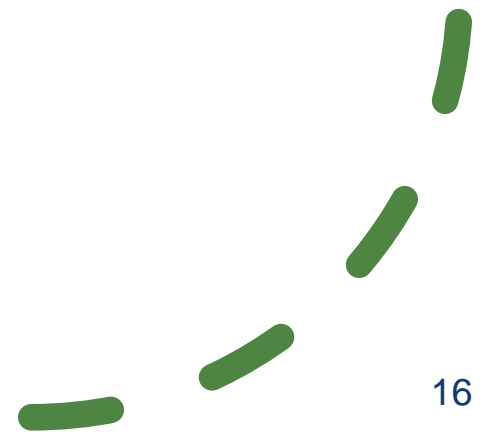
In order to receive points under this rating factor, **applicants must attach a communication of support for the application from the YAB**. This communication may be in written, audio, or video format.

Data Evaluation and Capacity 15 Points

HUD will award up to 15 points to applicants that can **demonstrate the community is effectively using data and project performance to assess and improve** its youth homelessness response system.

YHDP Application Activities Timeline

Date*	Activity
Thursday, June 6, 2024	FY 2023 YHDP Round 8 NOFO released by HUD
Tuesday, June 25, 2024	YHDP Planning Kick-Off Meeting
Thursday, June 27, 2024	TAY Collaborative Committee Planning Meeting
Tuesday, July 9, 2024	YHDP Planning Check-In Meeting
Friday, July 12, 2024	TAY Collaborative Committee Meeting: Approve establishment of a Youth Action Board to be recommended to the CoC Board for approval.
Monday, July 15, 2024	YHDP Planning Check-In Meeting
Monday, July 22, 2024	YHDP Planning Check-In Meeting
Wednesday, July 24, 2024	CoC Board Meeting: Approve establishment of an Orange County CoC Youth Action Board
Thursday, August 1, 2024	YHDP Planning Check-In Meeting
Monday, August 5, 2024	Meet with local young people with lived expertise for planning/feedback
Wednesday, August 7, 2024	YHDP Planning Check-In Meeting
Wednesday, August 14, 2024	YHDP Planning Check-In Meeting
Thursday, August 22, 2024	YHDP Planning Check-In Meeting
Monday, August 26, 2024	Goal submission date for the Orange County CoC YHDP NOFO application
Tuesday, August 27, 2024	Final YHDP Planning Check-In Meeting (if needed)
Wednesday, August 28, 2024	CoC Board Meeting: Update on YHDP application submission
Thursday, August 29, 2024	HUD Deadline for YHDP NOFO submission

* Please note: Dates are subject to change.

Orange County
Youth Action Board Planning

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination and Ami Rowland, Chair

Orange County Youth Action Board Planning

- Eligible Applicants for YHDP project funding (Project Applicants) are required to have a YAB and must receive the approval of the YAB for their project(s) through a letter of support.

- As shared in the YHDP NOFO, HUD will award up to 20 points to applicants that demonstrate that the CoC actively engages potential YAB members, ensures that YAB members represent a diverse range of backgrounds and that the **YAB is fully integrated and prioritized in the CoC**.

- At this time, there is recommendation to approve an establishment of a YAB to be recommended to the CoC Board for approval, to ensure that the YAB is fully integrated under the Orange County CoC.

Image Credit: huduser.gov/portal/Youth-Homelessness-Demonstration-Program.html#

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Recommended Action

a. Approve establishment of a Youth Action Board to be recommended to the CoC Board for approval.

2024 Point in Time Count and Housing Inventory Count Data

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination and Ami Rowland, Chair

Orange County 2024 Point In Time Count (PIT Count)

- The County of Orange in partnership with the Orange County CoC conducted the sheltered count the night of Monday, January 22, 2024. The unsheltered count process took place over three days, Tuesday, January 23, 2024, through January 25, 2024.

- The 2024 PIT Count identified a total 308 Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) of ages 18 to 24.

TOTAL	UNSHELTERED	SHELTERED
308 TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH Persons ages 18 to 24	**162** TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH Persons ages 18 to 24	**146** TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH Persons ages 18 to 24

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Comparison of Orange County 2022 and 2024 PIT Count

- In comparison to the 2022 PIT Count, the TAY subpopulation increased by 31.06% in the 2024 PIT Count.

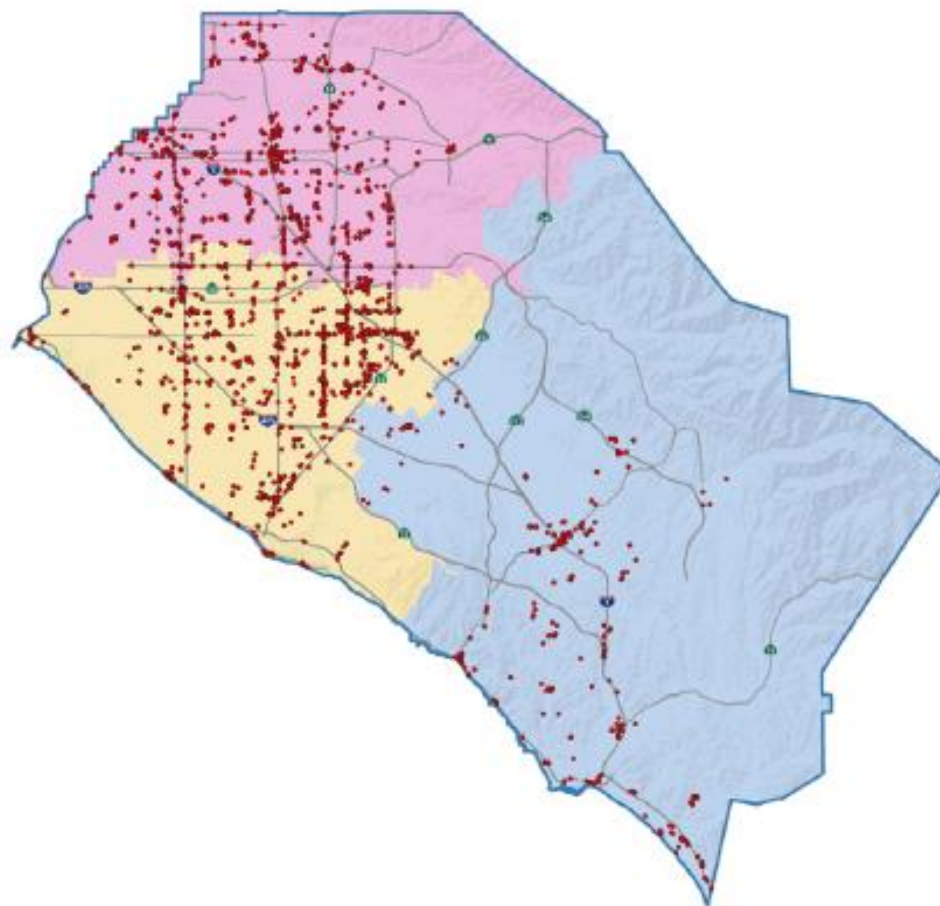|	2022 Point in Time Count	2024 Point in Time Count
Unsheltered	109 TAY	162 TAY
Sheltered	126 TAY	146 TAY
Total	235 TAY	308 TAY

31.06%

EVERYONE COUNTS
2024 Point In Time

7,322
Persons

4,173
UNSHELTERED TOTAL
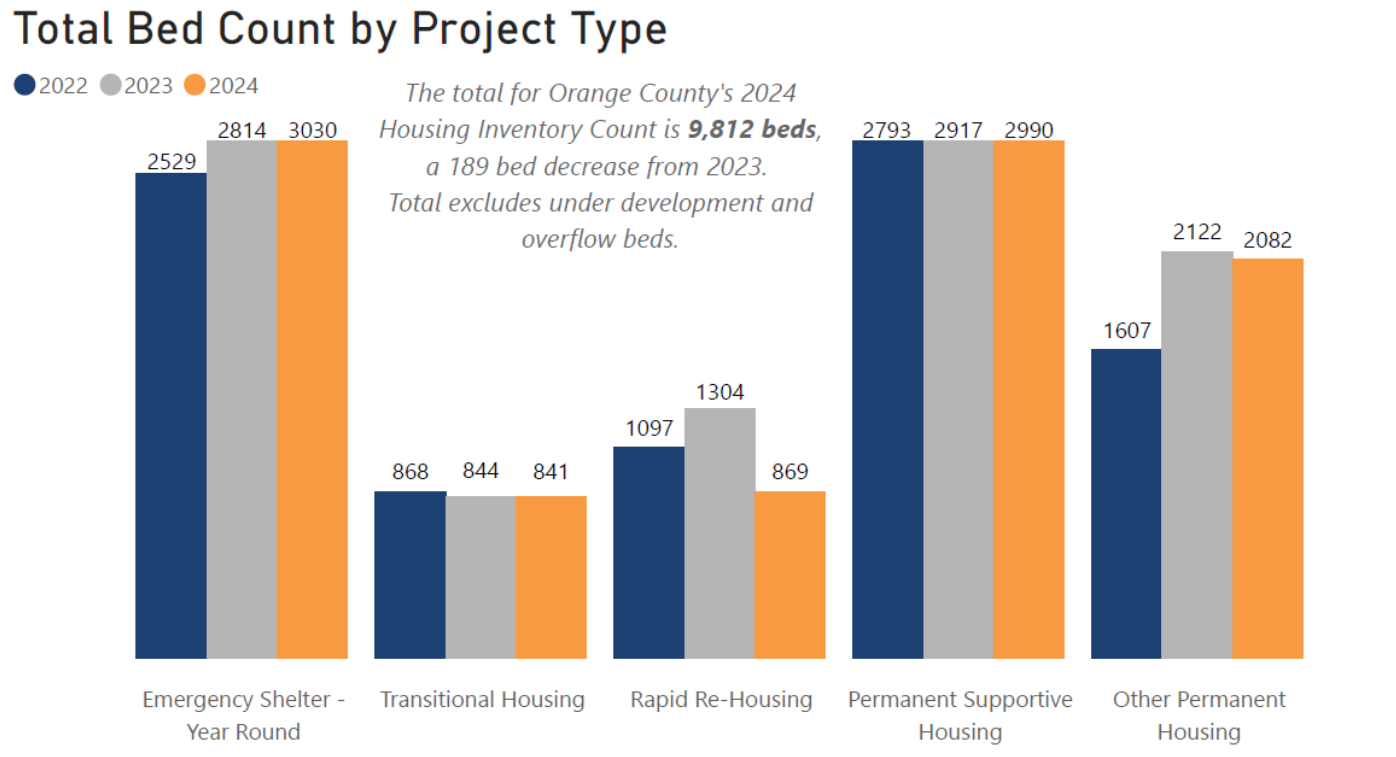
3,149
SHELTERED TOTAL

24

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Orange County 2024 Housing Inventory Count

- The Housing Inventory Count (HIC) is a point-in-time inventory of housing programs within a CoC that provide beds and units dedicated to serve people experiencing homelessness, or for permanent housing projects, that serve people experiencing homelessness as defined by HUD.

- The HIC occurs on the same night as the Point-in-Time Count (PIT). The total for Orange County's 2024 HIC is 9,812 beds, which was a 189 bed decrease from 2023.

Total Bed Count by Project Type

● 2022　● 2023　● 2024

*The total for Orange County's 2024 Housing Inventory Count is **9,812 beds**, a 189 bed decrease from 2023. Total excludes under development and overflow beds.*

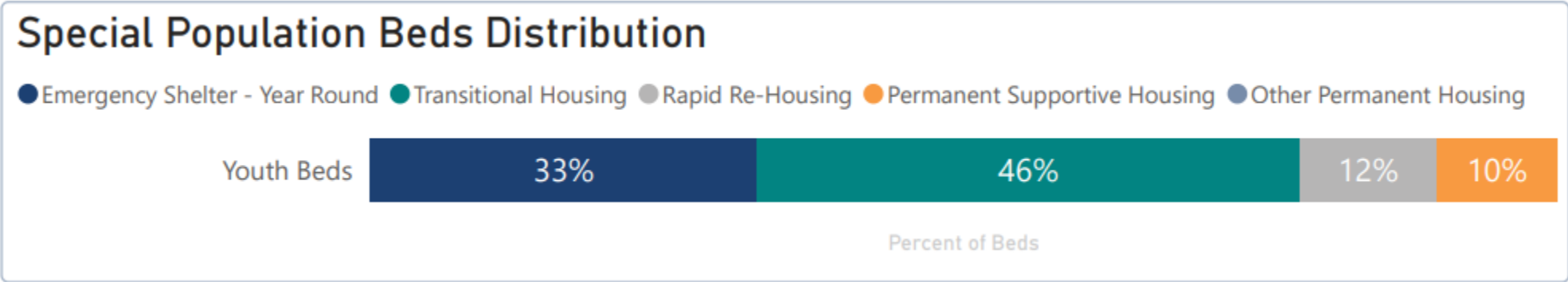| Project Type	2022	2023	2024
Emergency Shelter - Year Round	2529	2814	3030
Transitional Housing	868	844	841
Rapid Re-Housing	1097	1304	869
Permanent Supportive Housing	2793	2917	2990
Other Permanent Housing	1607	2122	2082

Orange County 2024 Housing Inventory Count

- In the 2024 HIC for the Orange County CoC, 138 beds out of 9,812 beds were specifically allocated to youth. 1.40% of all project beds in the Orange County CoC are youth dedicated beds.

Special Population Beds

Count of Beds

138

Youth Beds

Excludes under development, seasonal, and overflow beds.

Special Population Beds Distribution

● Emergency Shelter - Year Round ● Transitional Housing ● Rapid Re-Housing ● Permanent Supportive Housing ● Other Permanent Housing

Youth Beds	33%	46%	12%	10%

Percent of Beds

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Orange County 2024 Housing Inventory Count

- Orange County United Way as the HMIS Lead, identified that an increase in bed inventory is needed for youth beds and other special populations to align with the unhoused population according to the 2024 PIT.

- Approximately 255 more youth beds are needed to address the gap and align with the 2024 PIT Population.

Special Population	2024 PIT Population	Bed Inventory
Youth	4%	1%

2024 Point in Time Count and Housing Inventory Count Discussion

CoC Update
Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination

First Youth Homelessness Systems Improvement (YHSI) Grant Awardees Announced

- On June 6, 2024, HUD announced the award of $51.1 million in it's first ever YHSI Grant to 38 Communities across 26 states. Puerto Rico and Guam have been awarded the first of its kind grant.

- The goal of YHSI grants is to create a more seamless and coordinated system of care for youth experiencing or at risk of homelessness. These grants aim to improve the identification of youth in need and make it easier for them to navigate available services.

- Though the Orange County CoC was not awarded YHSI funding, the Orange County CoC plans to continue applying for future opportunities to serve more youth experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness.

- A list of awardees can be found here.

- Read the full press release here: HUD Makes $123 Million Available to Address Youth Homelessness | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

Upcoming Meetings

- **CoC Board** (IN PERSON): Wednesday, July 24, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
  - ❖ Location: County Administration South (CAS) County Conference Center Room 104, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701

- **Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee Special Meeting** (IN PERSON): Wednesday, July 31, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
  - ❖ Location: CAS County Conference Center Room 104, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701

- **Housing Opportunities Committee** (IN PERSON): Friday, August 9, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
  - ❖ Location: To be determined.

- **Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee**(IN PERSON): Tuesday, August 13, 2024, from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
  - ❖ Location: CAS County Conference Center Room 104, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701

- **Domestic Violence Committee** (IN PERSON): Tuesday, August 20, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
  - ❖ Location: The Village at 17th Street Large Community Room, 1505 17th St, Santa Ana, CA 92705
  - ❖ Meeting may be cancelled in place of a special meeting

Service Provider Forum Content Recommendations

- Is there a topic or training you would like to have covered in this meeting?
- Do you have someone to recommend as a trainer or presenter?
- As key stakeholders in Orange County, we invite you to share your recommendations on content you would like to see included for the upcoming Service Provider Forum meetings via SurveyMonkey at the following link or QR code:
  https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7C5CHP7
- **Please complete the survey by Friday, July 19, 2024**

Scan to take the survey!

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Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 6

- HHAP Round 6 has been included in the final budget deal of the FY2024-25 Governor's Budget.

- $1 billion in one-time assistance will provide local governments funding to combat the homelessness crisis - tied to increased accountability measures.

- A reimagined accountability unit will monitor the HHAP plans cities and counties submit and will ensure cooperation between various groups.

- The Office of Care Coordination will continue to provide updates as they arise.

Next Meeting:

Friday, September 13, 2024

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CoC Board and CoC Committee Materials can be found on the CoC webpage located at:
https://ceo.ocgov.com/continuum-care

For other inquiries, please contact the Office of Care Coordination at CareCoordination@ocgov.com