



COUNTY OF ORANGE
OFFICE OF CARE
COORDINATION

**Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC)
Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) Collaborative
Committee Meeting
September 4, 2025**

Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Tiffany Mitchell, Chair

Public Comments

Meeting Agenda

1. **Provider Announcements** – Dr. Tiffany Mitchell, Chair
 - a. Providers and members of the public are invited to share announcements and feedback related to youth homelessness
2. **Programming of Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Funding for Youth** – Felicia Boehringer, Interim CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination and HHAP Program Ad Hoc Membership
 - a. Discuss resource needs of young people experiencing homelessness and housing instability in Orange County to support recommendations for youth under HHAP Program Round 5 funding allocated to the Orange County CoC
3. **Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Vouchers:** Orange County Housing Authority (OCHA) Updates – January Johnson, Housing Manager and Rebecca Ricketts, Section Chief, OCHA
4. **TAY Collaborative Entry System (CES) Dashboard** – Daniel Garcia, CES Administrator, Office of Care Coordination
5. **CoC Update** – Jasmin Miranda, Interim CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination

Business Calendar

Provider Announcements

Dr. Tiffany Mitchell, Chair

HHAP Program Funding for Youth

Felicia Boehringer, Interim CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination and
HHAP Program Ad Hoc Membership

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Background

- At the February 26, 2025, CoC Board Meeting, the HHAP Program ad hoc was established to support the Office of Care Coordination (OCC) with the planning and programming of HHAP Program Round 5 funds allocated to the Orange County CoC.
- The HHAP Program ad hoc convened in August 2025.
- The HHAP Program ad hoc is interested in hearing from local providers about identified resource needs of young people experiencing homelessness and housing instability in Orange County
- Today's discussion will support the ad hoc's recommendations for programming of HHAP Program Round 5 funding allocated to the Orange County CoC.



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Questions and Discussion

- The Orange County CoC currently has budgeted youth set-aside funding under Rapid Rehousing and Operating Subsidies Interim Housing eligible use categories.
- For HHAP Round 5, a program recipient must use at least 10% of funds allocated under youth set-aside for services for homeless youth populations.

Eligible Use Category	Description	HHAP-6 Budget
RRH Youth Set-Aside	Including rental subsidies and incentives to landlords, such as security deposits and holding fees.	\$434,992.06
Operating Subsidies Interim Housing Youth Set-Aside	Including subsidies that support ongoing operation and availability of existing interim housing.	\$1,522,472.21

- ❖ What types of projects/activities would be most beneficial for young people ages 18-24 in Orange County within these eligible use categories?
- ❖ How would you rank/prioritize identified activities?

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Questions and Discussion

- If the Orange County CoC carved out funds from another HHAP-5 eligible use category, what funds would you like to see programmed to youth-supporting efforts?

Eligible Use Category	Description	HHAP-6 Budget
Services Coordination	Including access to workforce, education, and training programs and other services needed to promote housing stability in supportive housing.	\$869,984.13
Systems Support	Including incorporating regional data into housing needs, collaborating on regional housing strategies, funding HMIS and HHAP-5 regional planning and application process. HHAP-5 Changes: the 1% Planning allocation may be used to support the regional application process.	\$260,995.25
Permanent Housing Delivery	Delivery of permanent housing and innovative housing solutions, such as services for people in permanent housing programs (excludes RRH).	\$1,739,968.25
Prevention & Shelter Diversion	Prevention and shelter diversion to permanent housing, including homelessness prevention through rental assistance, RRH and other programs. HHAP-5 Changes: change of eligible population to include "at-risk" of homelessness, and prioritization of households with incomes at or below 30% AMI, who can pay more than 50% of their income in housing costs, and who meet criteria for being at highest risk of homelessness through data-informed criteria.	\$1,304,976.18

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Questions and Discussion

- What challenges have existed in previous CoC-funded projects for young people?
- As a system, how do we want to program resources for young people, to be most effective in meeting their needs?



FYI Vouchers: OCHA Updates

January Johnson, Housing Manager
and Rebecca Ricketts, Section Chief, OCHA



Orange County
**Housing
Authority**

Family Unification Program (FUP) and Foster Youth to Independence (FYI)

Empowering Youth Through Housing Stability

September 4, 2025



FOUR HOUSING AUTHORITIES IN ORANGE COUNTY

ANAHEIM HOUSING

201 S. Anaheim Blvd., Ste. 201,
Anaheim, CA 92805
(714) 765-4320

GARDEN GROVE HOUSING

11277 Garden Grove Blvd., Ste. 100
Garden Grove, CA 92840
(714) 741-5150

ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING

1501 E. St. Andrew Pl.,
Santa Ana, CA 92705
(714) 480-2700

SANTA ANA HOUSING

20 Civic Center Plaza,
Santa Ana, CA 92701
(714) 667-2200



ORANGE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY (OCHA)

- Covers 31 of 34 cities in Orange County
 - OCHA administers the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Programs for households who reside or work in all cities of Orange County except Anaheim, Santa Ana and Garden Grove
- Assists about 13,000 households
 - Who is eligible? Income-based
 - Veterans
 - Elderly persons (62+)
 - Disabled
 - Families and individuals
 - Homeless
- Program size limited by budget authority



- Separate funding
- No waiting list
- Applicants received through a referral process
- Depending on program, may reside outside OCHA's jurisdiction

SPECIAL HOUSING PROGRAMS

Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) (1089)

Homeless Veterans with case management and clinical services and referred by VA Long Beach/Coordinated Entry System (CES)

Mainstream (251)

Non-Elderly persons with disabilities who have exited from recuperative care or frequent users of Orange County emergency services and referred by Health Care Agency or CES.

Emergency Housing Vouchers (557) **No longer taking referrals.**

Eligible individuals/families who were:

- Experiencing homelessness
 - At risk of homelessness
 - Recently homeless
- Victims of Domestic violence or human trafficking

Family Unification (325)

Families for whom the lack of adequate housing is the primary factor in the separation of children from their parents or Youths referred by Social Services Agency

SPECIAL HOUSING PROGRAMS (cont'd)

Foster Youth to Independence (50)

Youth at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age who have left foster care and are homeless or at risk of homelessness referred by Social Services Agency

Non-Elderly Disabled II (50)

Non-elderly Disabled individuals transitioning out of skilled nursing homes and referred by Dayle McIntosh and other partner agencies

Continuum of Care

Previously known as Shelter Plus Care (up to 550)

Individuals with a disability who are experiencing homelessness and referred by CES

Why am I here?

- Introduce the Family Unification Program (FUP) and Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Initiative
- Highlight OCHA's role in the programs
- Explain how FUP and FYI work together to support youth
- Share some outcomes and next steps



What is the FUP?

- A U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) initiative that began in 1990
- Provides HCVs to:
 - Families at risk of separation due a lack of adequate housing
 - There is no time limitation on FUP family vouchers
 - Youth aging out of foster care (ages 18-24)
 - Time limited to 36 months with an additional 24 months if participating in Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program
- OCHA's FUP program began in 1992 and served youth since 2009

Goal of the program is to keep families safe and together and aid in preventing emancipated youth from experiencing homelessness



What is the FYI Initiative?

- A HUD initiative launched in 2019
- Provides HCVs to youth aging out of foster care
- Targets youth aged 18-24 who are homeless or at risk of homelessness
 - Time limited to 36 months with an additional 24 months if participating in the FSS program
- OCHA's applied for the FYI program in 2023

Goal of the program is to prevent homelessness and promote self-sufficiency among former foster youth



Eligibility criteria for FYI

- Youth aged 18-24
- Left foster care or will leave within 180 days
- At risk of homelessness
- Referred by a Public Child Welfare Agency (PCWA)
 - OCHA receives referrals from the Orange County Social Services Agency

FYI vs. FUP for Youth

Feature	FYI	FUP for Youth
Age Range	18–24	18–24
Referral Source	SSA	SSA
Voucher Term	Up to 36 months	Up to 36 months
Target Group	Youth aging out of foster care	Youth aging out of foster care



Why an FYI program?

Feature	FYI	FUP for Youth
Funding Mechanism	Non-competitive, rolling basis	Competitive NOFA process
PHA Participation	Open to all PHAs with an MOU with PCWA	Limited to PHAs awarded FUP funding
Focus	Exclusively youth	Youth and families at risk of separation
Service Coordination	Required MOU with PCWA for services	Encouraged but not always formalized
Launch Year	2019	1990

HUD launched FYI in 2019 in response to a growing awareness that youth aging out of foster care faced high rates of homelessness.



OCHA's role

- Administer Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) on behalf of FUP and FYI voucher holders
- Collaborate with OC SSA, OC Continuum of Care (CoC), and other partners
- Conduct outreach and landlord engagement
- Provide access to the FSS program



- MOU with OC SSA
 - OC SSA Commitments for support
 - Orange County United Way and other contracted parties to locate and secure housing
 - Children and Family Services Division for case management
 - Additional assistance can be obtained through Orangewood Foundation

Collaboration ensures wraparound services and long-term success

Community Partnerships



- OC SSA provides supportive services including:

- Case Management
- Education and Employment Support
- Life skills training
- Mental health and substance use services

- OCHA provides access to the FSS program
 - Increases earned income
 - Sets education goals
 - Builds savings through an escrow account

Supportive Services



Success Stories and Impact

- 90% of participants successfully graduated the FUP program
- 36% opted in to participate in FSS - extending their assistance
- 72% have increased earned income or completed education goals
- \$143,713 in current escrow savings earned by FSS participants

- Non-competitive funding opportunity until funding exhausted
 - Must be using 90% of current FUP/FYI vouchers
 - Apply for maximum of 25 up to two times a year
- Advocate for continued funding
 - House and Senate appropriations provide flat funding for FUP/FYI vouchers

Next Steps



Q&A



Orange County
**Housing
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TAY CES Dashboard

Daniel Garcia, CES Administrator,
Office of Care Coordination

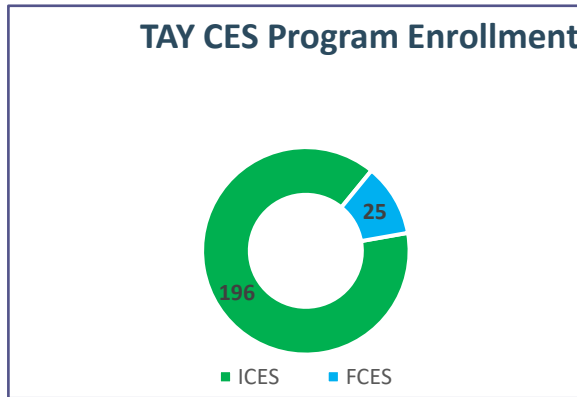
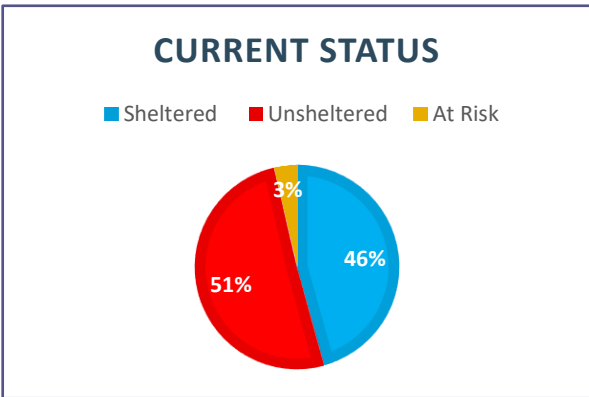
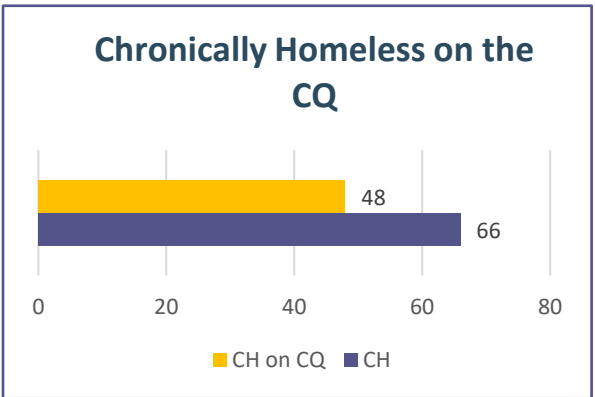
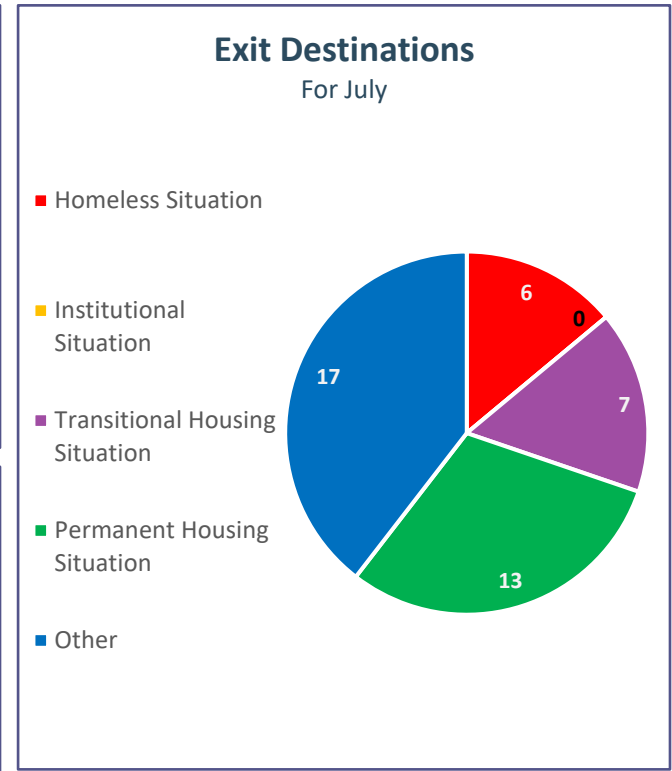
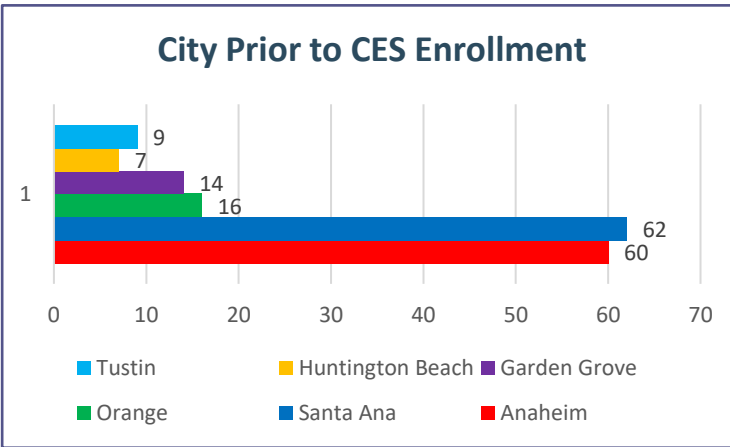
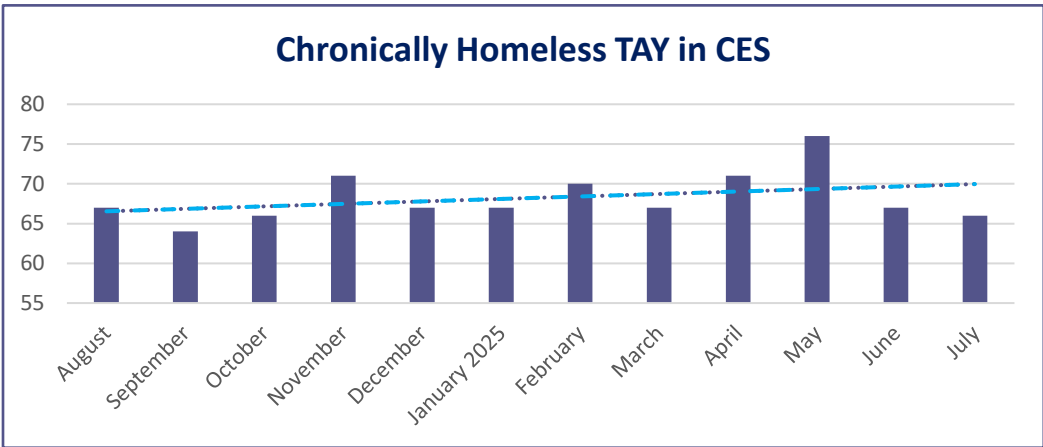
Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) Registry Dashboard

Active TAY in a CES Project 221	TAY Households on the CQ 140	TAY Households not on CQ 81	TAY Households Pending (matched) 3
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Currently, there are **221** households in the TAY subpopulation that are enrolled in a CES program. Of those households, there are only **140** TAY households that have had their Housing Interests assessed and are on the Community Queue.

There are **66** TAY households experiencing chronic homelessness, which decreased by **1** from June.

118 TAY households report having a disabling condition, and **102** households are experiencing mental health conditions.



As of 08/01/2025

CoC Update

Jasmin Miranda, Interim CoC Administrator,
Office of Care Coordination

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Lived Experience Compensation Framework

- At the June 24, 2025, meeting, the Orange County Board of Supervisors approved an amended contract between OCC and Orange County United Way (OCUW) to implement a Compensation for People with Lived Experience Program.
- The [amended contract between the OCC and OCUW](#) includes a scope of work that outlines three key components that define OCUW's role in supporting compensation for individuals with lived experience:
 1. Coordination of participation
 2. Financial management of compensation
 3. Overall program administration.
- At the August 27, 2025, CoC Board Meeting, the Lived Experience Compensation Framework was approved, establishing standardized compensation rates for People with Lived Experience who actively participate in CoC Committees, Working Groups, Ad Hoc groups, and other CoC-led initiatives.

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Lived Experience Compensation Framework

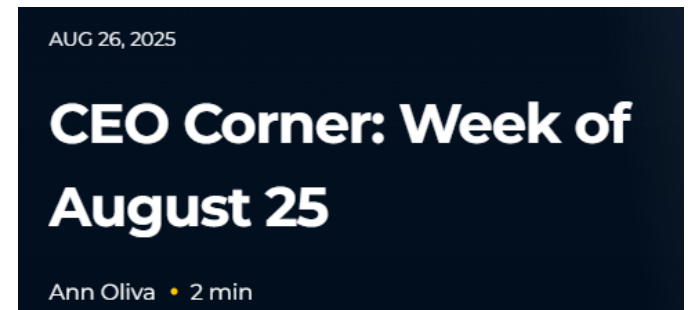
- Three (3) compensation roles have been proposed for both youth and adult Participants, each with a specific pay rate, as detailed in the Lived Experience Compensation Rate Determination Table.
- People with Lived Experience will receive compensation for 30 minutes of meeting preparation time for all meetings and an additional one (1) hour of compensation for travel to in-person meetings.

Role	Description	Rate
Storyteller	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sharing personal insights and experiences to inform and support committee work as members within CoC Committees, working groups, or ad hoc (i.e., LEAC and YAB member). Inclusive of members or individuals invited to present at or attend a meeting	\$45/hour
Advisor	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Providing an advisory role through leadership of a CoC Committee, working group, or ad hoc (i.e., LEAC Chair and Vice Chair)	\$50/hour
Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Serving on the CoC Board	\$55/hour

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Federal News Updates

- On July 24, 2025, the White House issued an Executive Order about homelessness.
- The National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH) Alliance staff members have written short blog posts explaining various impacts and implications of the July 24 Executive Order on homelessness.
- Stay tuned for any additional information on the Executive Order through the NAEH CEO Corner newsletter.
- **Reminder:** Focusing on reliable sources of information from trusted media outlets and advocacy organizations is key.
- NAEH Newsletter and Email updates:
 - Subscribe on their website: <https://endhomelessness.org/>



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OC Same-Day Solutions Fair

- Since the success of the first and second OC Same-Day Solutions Fair, the Office of Care Coordination has been working diligently to coordinate future event locations.
 - ❖ September 25 – Orange
 - ❖ November 20 – Placentia
- The Office of Care Coordination hosted the second Same-Day Solutions Fair in the City of Lake Forest on July 24, 2025.
 - ❖ Over 25 different organizations provided resources spanning mental health, substance use, housing, public benefits, basic needs, legal aid, and more.
- To host or participate in an upcoming Same-Day Solutions Fair, please contact the Office of Care Coordination.

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SOLUTIONS FAIR

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OC Same-Day Solutions Fair Outcomes

- **120** unduplicated households participated in the OC Same-Day Solutions Fair, including 20 families (households with minor children).
- **585** service engagements and provisions occurred.
- **288** informational engagements occurred – meaning individuals engaged with the various organizations present to receive general information about available services.
- State Senator Dr. Steven Choi and representatives from cities of Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, Irvine, Laguna Woods and Laguna hills attended the OC Same-Day Solutions Fair.



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Upcoming Meetings

- **Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee:** Tuesday, September 9, 2025, from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: County Administration South (CAS) Multipurpose Rooms 103/105, 601 N. Ross St., Santa Ana, CA 92701
- **Joint Meeting: CoC Board and Commission to Address Homelessness (Special Meeting):** Wednesday, September 10, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: CAS County Conference Center 104/105, 425 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Santa Ana, 92701
- **Domestic Violence Committee (Special Meeting):** Thursday, September 18, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
 - ❖ Location: The Village on 17th Street Community Room, 1505 17th St., Santa Ana, CA 92705
- **CoC Board Meeting:** Wednesday, September 24, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: CAS County Conference Center 104/105, 425 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Santa Ana, 92701

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2026 Point in Time (PIT) Count

- HUD requires that CoCs across the nation complete a biennial unsheltered count and an annual sheltered count of all people experiencing homelessness in the community on a single point in time during the last 10 days of January.
- The Office of Care Coordination in partnership with the Orange County CoC conducts an unsheltered Point In Time count every two years in Orange County.
- In August 2025, the Office of Care Coordination met with City Net, the lead agency for unsheltered count, to plan for the 2026 PIT Count.
- The Office of Care Coordination has also started facilitating recruitment for the PIT Count Planning Ad Hoc, with meetings set to begin in early September.
- Details for the 2026 PIT Count are being finalized and further updates will be provided in the future.

2026 PIT Count Dates

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

Thursday, January 29, 2026

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Remember to Keep your Individual and Agency General Membership Updated!

- The CoC Governance Charter identifies that each Individual Member and Agency that is a General Member of the CoC will be allowed one vote for the CoC Board election.
- The CoC Governance Charter states that a CoC Board member must be CoC General Member, either as an organization or individual. There is still time to become a CoC General Member if you are interested in applying for the CoC Board.
- You can view the [CoC General Membership](#) roster on the [CoC General Membership webpage](#)
- If you or your organization is not a General Member and wants to become one, please inform the Office of Care Coordination of your interest and fill out the [application](#).
- If your agency needs to update your authorized representatives for your agency, please submit an updated [application](#) to the Office of Care Coordination.

Please contact the Office of Care Coordination with any questions at

CareCoordination@ceo.oc.gov.

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Employment Opportunity: Staff Specialist – Extra Help

- The Office of Care Coordination is seeking qualified applicants to fill a **Staff Specialist – Extra Help position**.
- Extra Help or temporary/seasonal positions are estimated to last six months up to one year.
- Activities may include but are not limited to research, data collection and analysis, and compiling informational materials to share with the public.
- If you have any questions pertaining to this recruitment or if you are interested in the employment opportunity, please contact or submit your resume to Amanda Sanchez at amanda.sanchez@ceo.oc.gov.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND JOB DUTIES

- Provide administrative support to the Continuum of Care (CoC), Coordinated Entry (CES), and Special Projects teams.
- Develop and present community educational materials, newsletters, and/or presentations on data analysis.
- Assist in the application of federal, state, and local funding opportunities
- Support administration of meetings, including agendas, and coordination.
- Provide general contract assistance and technical support and work in collaboration with contracted service providers.
- Assist in the monitoring of Office of Care Coordination contracts, including preparation and review of monitoring checklists
- Financial monitoring, including invoice review and processing, and review of backup documentation to ensure compliance with funding regulations.
- Working with various organizational units to meet the Office of Care Coordination goals.
- Collaborate and with various levels of staff, including staff specialist, supervisors, managers, directors and colleagues in other County departments and agencies

Please assist us in sharing this employment opportunity with others!

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Employment Opportunity: CoC Manager

- The Office of Care Coordination is seeking qualified applicants for the position of **CoC Manager (Business Services Manager)**.
- This recruitment will close on **September 21, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. (PDT)**.
- The CoC Manager for the Office of Care Coordination will be an experienced, dynamic manager who will coordinate the CoC, its Board, Committees and related initiatives in support for the CoC Program and the County of Orange's efforts to address homelessness.
- Please review the job listing and apply for the position at the [Job Posting Link](#).
- If you have any questions pertaining to this recruitment, please contact Joanna Xue at joanna.xue@ceo.oc.gov or (714) 834-7338.



The poster features a photograph of three professionals (two women and one man) in an office setting, looking at a laptop and documents. The text is overlaid on the image. In the top right corner is the official seal of the County of Orange, California. The main text reads 'WE ARE HIRING!' in large, bold letters. Below that, it says 'Continuum of Care Manager' and '\$116,251.20 - \$161,012.80 Annually'. At the bottom, there is a green button with the text 'ocgov.com/jobs'.

WE ARE HIRING!

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Next Meeting:

*Thursday, November 6, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.,
at the Orangewood Foundation Conference Room,
located at 1575 17th St, Santa Ana, CA 92705*

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@ceo.oc.gov



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