Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC) Board Meeting
February 25, 2026

Public Comments

Board Member Comments

Business Calendar

CoC Committee Appointments

Felicia Boehringer, Interim CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination

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CoC Committee Chair Appointments

- The committee governance charters, adopted by the CoC Board on January 25, 2023, identify the Chair and Vice Chair appointment requirements for each committee as well as the committee purpose and responsibilities .
- All CoC Committee Chairs attend a planning meeting with the Office of Care Coordination prior to each committee meeting, and carry out additional responsibilities as outlined in **Attachment A**.

Domestic Violence (DV) Committee Chair

- At the February 17, 2026, meeting of the Domestic Violence (DV) Committee, Maricela Rios-Faust, as the current Chair of the committee, shared that she would be stepping down after being elected CoC Board Chair and had asked Shakoya Green-Long to consider serving as the new committee Chair.
- Shakoya Green-Long confirmed interest, and the DV Committee membership provided support for the nomination while expressing gratitude to Maricela Rios-Faust for her leadership.
- The appointment of Shakoya Green-Long to the Domestic Violence Committee Chair, will formalize the Chair appointment with the start of her current CoC Board term.

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Policies, Procedures and Standards (PPS) Committee At-Large Member

- The PPS Committee Governance Charter requires at least one (1) and no more than two (2) at-large members of the CoC Board to participate as PPS Committee members and provides the ability for CoC Committee Chairs to appoint a representative from their respective committees to the PPS Committee, should they be unable to participate.
- CoC Board Chair Maricela Rios-Faust and PPS Committee Chair Nishtha Mohendra agreed that appointing an additional at-large member to the PPS Committee would both create further opportunities for CoC Board members and help ensure the PPS Committee's quorum remains an odd number.
- The CoC Board is being asked to appoint Marisol Johnson as a new at-large member to the PPS Committee.

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Recommended Actions

a. Appoint Shakoya Green-Long as Chair of the Domestic Violence Committee.
b. Appoint Marisol Johnson to the PPS Committee as an at-large member.

Homebase's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Data Request

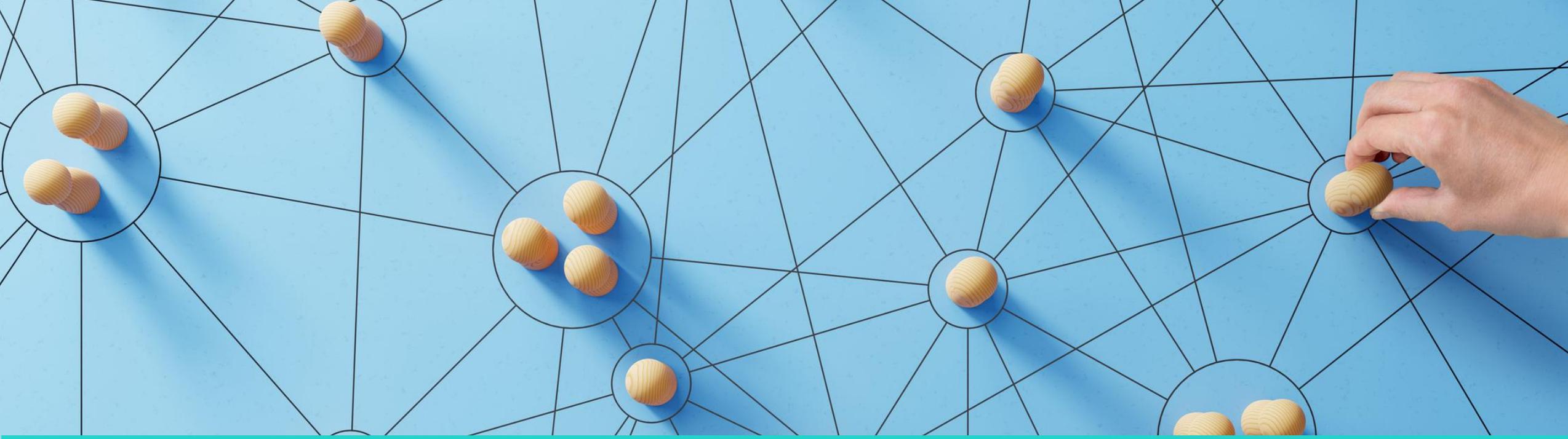Erin DeRycke, Director, Data Analytics, 2-1-1 Orange County (211OC), Orange County United Way;

Mark Mora, Senior Policy Analyst, Homebase; and

Riley Meve, Policy Analyst, Homebase

Background

- Data requests from entities not participating in HMIS are required to be approved by the CoC Board prior to any data being released

- In January 2026, Homebase was approved to receive aggregate data by project to support the Orange County CoC Fiscal & Resource Mapping Project, including project descriptor, funding source, bed inventory, and performance data

- Homebase noted that there may be a need to request additional data from the Orange County CoC

Data Request

- Authorizes the release of all relevant data needed by Homebase, in addition to the original CoC Board-approved request, to carry out the Orange County's CoC Fiscal and Resource Mapping project

- This request ensures a timely response and removes barriers to providing data needed to move forward with this analysis

- Data provided will not include any client identifying data

- Any additional data provided to Homebase will be shared with the CoC Board at a future meeting

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25 February 2026

Orange County Fiscal & Resource Mapping Project: HMIS Data Request

Project Summary

WHO Partnership between Homebase, County of Orange Office of Care Coordination, CoC, and local stakeholders.

WHAT Fiscal and resource mapping project to understand how funds in Orange County flow into the homeless response system, identify gaps, and inform future strategic investment.

WHEN Approximately 18 months

WHY To support the CoC Strategic Plan goal to "identify funding gaps and develop funding strategies to fill those gaps in alignment with [the] plan's priorities."

Homebase

Project Goals

- Identify funding gaps in the homeless system

- Increase transparency and accountability in how funds are invested

- **Assess system and intervention-type performance to understand impact of funding**

- Provide data to inform future strategic planning and funding decisions

- Strengthen collaboration between funders, providers, and stakeholders

Homebase

HMIS Data Request Update

- Homebase's initial HMIS data request was approved by the CoC Board on 1/21/26

- Homebase began receiving data from the United Way HMIS team on 2/12/26 with more data to come

- As Homebase analyzes the data, it's possible that additional HMIS data requests will be made to supplement the analysis

- The request of the CoC Board today is to authorize the Office of Care Coordination, as the CES Lead and CoC Administrative Entity, and Orange County United Way, as the HMIS Lead, to provide all relevant project-level aggregate data to Homebase to carry out the Orange County CoC fiscal and resource mapping initiative, in addition to the previously-approved HMIS data request

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Recommended Action

a. Authorize the Office of Care Coordination, as the CES Lead and CoC Administrative Entity, and Orange County United Way, as the HMIS Lead, to provide all needed, relevant data to Homebase, in addition to the original CoC Board-approved request, to carry out the Orange County's CoC Fiscal and Resource Mapping project.

CoC Program Funding Update

Zulima Lundy, Director of Operations, and

Felicia Boehringer, Interim CoC Manager,

Office of Care Coordination

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FY 2024 and FY 2025 CoC Program NOFO Competition

NOFO Reopening
- The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) reopened the FY 2024 and FY 2025 CoC NOFO Competition on January 9, 2026.

Funding Available to the Orange County CoC:
- Estimated Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) – $33,248,577
- CoC Bonus – $0
- DV Bonus – $0
- CoC Planning – $1,500,000

Application Due Date: February 9, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. PT

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Submission of FY 2025 CoC Program Project Priority Listing

- On February 6, 2025, the County of Orange's Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant submitted the final FY2025 Project Priority Listing to HUD.
- Following HUD guidance that most renewal applications and CoC Planning projects will carry over from the FY2024 CoC Application, only new expansion project applications were submitted along with their respective renewal project applications.
- New expansion projects, applied for using reallocation funding, were ranked according to the approved FY2025 Orange County CoC Program Priority Listing.

Rank	Project Applicant	Project Name	Project Component	Total Applied
1	Orange County's United Way DBA Orange County United Way	HMIS Consolidated Community Support NOFO Expansion	HMIS	$332,486
2	Interval House	Rapid Rehousing Program Expansion	RRH	$405,788
3	Families Forward	Rapid Rehousing for Families Expansion	RRH	$405,788

Impact of Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2026

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2026 sets the following requirements for **FY 2025 Funding** for timely contract renewals:

- HUD must immediately non-competitively renew all projects expiring in **Quarter One** (January through March) of 2026 for a 12-month period.

- If HUD does not make awards by April, HUD must non-competitively renew all projects expiring in **Quarter Two** (April through June) of 2026 for a 12-month period.

- If HUD does not make awards by July, HUD must non-competitively renew all projects expiring in **Quarters Three and Four** (July through December) of 2026 for a 12-month period.

- Projects renewed under this provision cannot be penalized or deemed ineligible for any new funding opportunity for FY25 or FY26.

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2026 sets the following requirements for **FY 2026 Funding**:

- $4.01 billion for the CoC Program

- HUD must keep Tier 1 funding – the amount of funding that is awarded based on local CoC priorities, also known as Annual Renewal Demand – at 60 percent or higher. This is an increase from the 30% HUD proposed in its now moot FY25 CoC funding competition.

- HUD must release the FY26 NOFO for the CoC program by June 1, 2026, and make awards by December 1, 2026.

CoC Program Funding Litigation Update

- On February 17, 2026, HUD filed an emergency motion for Case 1:25-cv-00636-MSM-AEM to dissolve the December 19, 2025, Preliminary Injunction that temporarily stopped the December 2025 NOFO, stating that there is no longer any immediate, irreversible harm to providers and their communities.

- In its filing with the court, HUD acknowledges the Department must noncompetitively renew expiring grants in the first quarter and likely the second quarter based on the direction from Congress included in the FY26 Transportation-Housing and Urban Development appropriation.

- HUD also expressed its intent, if their motion is granted, to proceed with opening the December 2025 NOFO by April 1, 2026, to run a 2025 CoC competition only including project awards expiring in the second half of the year (quarters 3 and 4).

  - *Note: this would include a majority (19) of Orange County CoC projects*

- HUD has asked the Court for an expedited ruling on their request by March 2, 2026.

- Yesterday, the National Alliance to End Homelessness legal team submitted a strong set of arguments in opposition. The Plaintiffs in the related litigation, led by states, also responded.

- At this time, the Office of Care Coordination continues to monitor updates of the litigation and will provide more concrete information as it arises.

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FY 2024 Orange County Continuum of Care Program Funding Summary

Project Components referenced below are as follows: Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), Rapid Rehousing (RRH), Joint Transitional Housing and Permanent Housing/Rapid Rehousing (Joint TH & PH-RRH), Supportive Services Only (SSO) and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

	Agency	Project Name	Start Date	End Date	Project Component	Annual Renewal Amount
Q1	American Family Housing	Permanent Housing Collaborative FY2024	1/1/2025	12/31/2025	PSH	$1,144,063
	Orange County Housing Authority	Jackson Aisle Continuum of Care TRA 2024 Renewal Project	2/1/2025	1/31/2026	PSH	$478,138
Q2	Orange County Housing Authority	#1 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA 2024 Renewal Project	6/1/2025	5/31/2026	PSH	$5,636,939
	County of Orange	Coordinated Entry System SSO Grant 2024	7/1/2025	6/30/2026	SSO	$1,576,249
	Orange County United Way	HMIS Consolidated Community Support NOFO 2024	7/1/2025	6/30/2026	HMIS	$691,976
	Families Forward	Rapid Rehousing for Families	7/1/2025	6/30/2026	RRH	$686,663
	Mercy House Living Centers	Mills End and PSH Leasing Consolidation	7/1/2025	6/30/2026	PSH	$689,061
	Mercy House Living Centers	Aqua PSH	7/1/2025	6/30/2026	PSH	$331,413
	Interval House	Rapid Rehousing Program	8/1/2025	7/31/2026	RRH	$302,387
	Mercy House Living Centers	OC PSH Collaboration Project II - Expansion	8/1/2025	7/31/2026	PSH	$2,755,224
	Interval House	Domestic Violence Transitional Housing- Rapid Rehousing Program	8/1/2025	7/31/2026	Joint TH & PH-RRH	$1,173,352
	Mercy House Living Centers	OC PSH Collaboration Project	8/1/2025	7/31/2026	PSH	$4,328,557
	Orange County Housing Authority	#3 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA 2024 Renewal Project	9/1/2025	8/31/2026	PSH	$1,189,035
	Orange County Housing Authority	#2 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA 2024 Renewal Project	9/1/2025	8/31/2026	PSH	$2,446,028
	Illumination Foundation	Stanton Multi-Service Center 2024	10/1/2025	9/30/2026	PSH	$561,027
	Human Options, Inc.	DV Bonus Project	10/1/2025	9/30/2026	Joint TH & PH-RRH	$2,003,427
	Illumination Foundation	Street2Home OC Expansion	10/1/2025	9/30/2026	PSH	$2,283,599
	Pathways of Hope	FY24 Reallocation - PSH for Seniors	10/1/2025	9/30/2026	PSH	$258,988
	Mercy House Living Centers	Mercy House -CoC Leasing - Renewal	11/1/2025	10/31/2026	PSH	$644,398
	Pathways of Hope	PSH for Families	11/1/2025	10/31/2026	PSH	$417,475
	Orange County Housing Authority	#4 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA 2024 Renewal Project	12/1/2025	11/30/2026	PSH	$2,904,126
	Friendship Shelter, Inc.	Henderson House Permanent Supportive Housing	12/1/2025	11/30/2026	PSH	$746,453
	TOTAL					**$33,248,578**

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Next Steps

- The Office of Care Coordination will be monitoring the updates related to the CoC Program NOFO litigation.
- FY2026 NOFO planning activities:
  - Consulting and collaborative discussions with local, regional, statewide, and national partners
  - Discussions with CoC-funded agencies
  - CoC NOFO Ad Hoc
- The CoC Board will be made aware of ongoing updates, as they arise.

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Webinar: HUD Office of Policy Development and Research Quarterly Update

- HUD's Office of Policy Development & Research (PD&R) will be hosting a PD&R Quarterly Update in Washington D.C. focused on homelessness and the path ahead for policymaking.

- Discussion will include examining HUD's role in addressing homelessness with an emphasis on addressing the root causes of homelessness, including mental illness and substance abuse, as well as discussing best practices that prioritize self-sufficiency, access to treatment programs, and community safety.

- A live webinar will be made available for those interested in participating virtually.
  - Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2026
  - Time: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. PT
  - Registration required: Register here

- For more information, visit HUD's PD&R Quarterly Update event webpage: https://www.huduser.gov/portal/event/quarterlyupdate-March2026.html
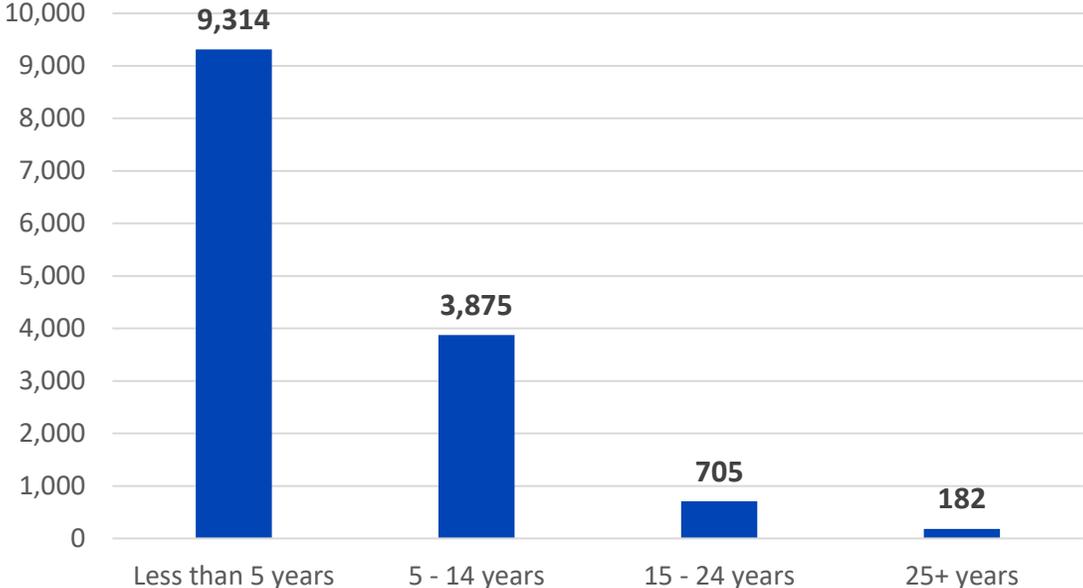
HMIS Data Quality Policy Recommendation

Erin DeRycke, Director, Data Analytics, 211OC, Orange County United Way and Felicia Boehringer, Interim CoC Manager, Office of Care Coordination

Background

- At the January 2026 CoC Board meeting, the HMIS Lead provided an update on the System Performance Measures (SPM) report, and noted that the Length of Homelessness measure has continued to increase year-over-year, resulting in points lost on the CoC Application

- This increase was largely due to clients that reported very old dates that their current episode of homelessness began, which is captured in the Approximate Date Homelessness Started (ADHS) field

- The initial proposal from the HMIS Lead was to target enrollments where clients said their current episode of homelessness was at least 25 years (ADHS prior to 1/1/2000), and the HMIS Lead would change these dates to the client's Project Start Date

- At the direction of the CoC Board, the HMIS Lead has discussed the development of a data quality policy to correct this field with the Lived Experience Advisory Committee (LEAC); Policies, Procedures, and Standards (PPS) Committee, and the Service Provider Forum

  - Note: the discussion at the Service Provider Forum included 63 attendees, representative of 32 agencies and some individuals

Approximate Date Homelessness Started

- The Approximate Date Homelessness Started (ADHS) field reflects the date the client's **current** episode of homelessness began, and it is used in measure 1b of the System Performance Measures to determine how long a client has experienced homelessness

- After analyzing the enrollments in the reporting period, there are approximately 887 enrollments with a reported ADHS that was before January 1st, 2010, meaning client's current episode of homelessness is over 15 years

- Of those, approximately 182 enrollments had a reported ADHS that was before January 1st, 2000, meaning client's current episode of homelessness is over 25 years

Category	Value
Less than 5 years	9,314
5 - 14 years	3,875
15 - 24 years	705
25+ years	182

CoC Committee Feedback

- Feedback from the LEAC, PPS Committee, and Service Provider Forum meeting participants can be referenced in **Attachment A**.

- Below is a summary of some key points that were shared:
  - The CoC committees were unsupportive of changing the client's ADHS to an arbitrary date
  - The HMIS Lead was asked to verify whether clients that reported an ADHS prior to 1/1/2000 was accurate
  - Most service providers stated that it was uncommon for a client's current episode of homelessness to be 25 years or more
  - More user training is needed to ensure accurate data is collected

Data Review

- The HMIS Lead reviewed the client histories for 112 clients that reported their current episode of homelessness was 25 years or more

- Of those 112 clients, the HMIS Lead determined that 97 (87%) of them had breaks in homelessness, which means the ADHS entered is incorrect
  - 60 clients (54%): The client reported a later date that their current episode of homelessness began in a previous enrollment
  - 12 clients (11%): The client had a permanent housing placement prior to the enrollment
  - 3 clients (3%): The client's Homelessness Verification or Chronic Homelessness Verification documentation lists a later date that their current episode of homelessness began
  - 22 clients (20%): The client reported being homeless multiple times in the past three years, and the client's HMIS history suggests breaks in homelessness

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Proposed Policy

- Identify client records with lengths of homelessness greater than 25 years indicated in the Approximate Date Homelessness Started (ADHS) field, and correct the ADHS field to a later date determined from the client's record, for the reasons listed below.

  - The client reported a later date that their current episode of homelessness began in a previous enrollment, signifying that the Approximate Date Homelessness Started in question is inaccurate.

  - The client had a permanent housing placement prior to the enrollment, which signifies a break in homelessness.

  - The client's Homelessness Verification or Chronic Homelessness Verification documentation lists a later date that their current episode of homelessness began, signifying that the Approximate Date Homelessness Started in question is inaccurate.

  - The client reported being homeless multiple times in the past three years, and the client's HMIS history suggests breaks in homelessness.

Implementation

- If approved, the HMIS Lead will correct data for Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, or Permanent Housing enrollments active during the SPM reporting period (10/1/24 – 9/30/25) that meet the policy criteria (approximately 97 enrollments)

- Corrections will be made prior to the SPM due date on March 4th

- Data will not be changed for enrollments where a later ADHS cannot be identified

- Agencies will be notified of the new ADHS date, and the reason for the change

- The HMIS Lead will provide additional training to reduce these errors for future reporting

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Recommended Actions

b. Approve the proposed HMIS Data Quality Policy, as recommended by the HMIS Lead.
c. Authorize the HMIS Lead to correct the Approximate Date Homelessness Started field, following approval of the recommended HMIS Data Quality Policy, for enrollments that were identified by the HMIS Lead as inaccurate according to the clients' HMIS records to support improved data quality for the Orange CoC, including the System Performance Measures (SPM) Report.

Orange County Coordinated Entry System (CES) Evaluation Update

Tom Albanese, LSW, Project Lead, Element Consulting Group, LLC and Dr. Shauntina Sorrells, CES Evaluation Advisory Group Member

Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC)

Coordinated Entry System (CES) Evaluation

Orange County CoC Board Meeting

February 25, 2026

Element Project Team

- **Tom Albanese**, LSW, Project Lead, **Element Consulting Group, LLC**

- **Lianna Barbu**, Principal Evaluator, OnPoint Solutions, LLC

- **Tanesha Travis**, Community Engagement Co-Lead, TSTJ Consulting, LLC

- **Heather Dion**, Community Engagement Co-Lead, Principle Strategic Advisors, LLC

- **Brooke Spellman**, Principal Investigator/Quality Assurance, Spellman Strategies, Inc.

- **Matt White**, Project Advisor, Housing Innovations, Inc.

Project Overview

What This Is

- **12-month, independent evaluation** of Orange County's Coordinated Entry System (CES)
- Led by **Element Consulting Group**, in partnership with the **Office of Care Coordination**
- Informed by ad hoc *CES Evaluation Advisory Group*

Why It Matters

- Ensure CES:
  - Meets **HUD requirements**
  - Functions **equitably and consistently** across SPAs and subpopulations
  - Connects people to the **right housing and services efficiently and effectively**
- Support **continuous improvement and innovation**, not just compliance

Project Overview

What We're Evaluating

- CES **core functions**:
  - Access • Assessment • Prioritization • Referral • Direct Assistance
- Performance and experience across SPAs and CES subpopulations
- Alignment between **needs, capacity, and resources**

How We're Evaluating CES

- **Mixed-methods, equity-driven evaluation** combining:
  - Quantitative data analysis (HMIS, HUD system performance, system modeling)
  - Qualitative input (people with lived experience, staff, providers, partners)
  - Policy and workflow review
- Examine CES performance **across regions/Service Planning Areas (SPAs)** and **subpopulations**
- Balance **HUD compliance requirements** with forward-looking system improvement and innovation opportunities

Key Questions

- *Is CES **compliant** with HUD requirements?*

- *Does CES **equitably, efficiently, and effectively resolve housing crises**?*

- *Are housing and service interventions more efficient and effective because of CES?*

- *Does CES connect people to the **right** <u>available</u> **housing and services**?*

- *Are housing and service resources available through CES **sufficient and appropriately targeted** by subpopulation and SPA?*

- *What are opportunities to improve CES to better meet local needs?*

Project Overview

How Results Will Be Used

- ✓ Identify **actionable improvements** to CES policies and workflows

- ✓ Identify opportunities to *further develop* **CES connections with other community systems and resources**

- ✓ Inform **CoC leadership and partner decision-making**

- ✓ Establish a **framework for ongoing CES evaluation and learning**

Major Milestones

January–February 2026	**Planning & Setup** **Final plans; shared understanding of scope, roles, and timeline**
February – August 2026	**Engagement & Analysis** **Data-informed understanding of CES performance, equity, and flow**
May – November 2026	**Findings & Recommendations** **Refined, community-informed findings and improvement options** **Actionable recommendations and framework for ongoing CES improvement**

Planning & Set-Up   **Engagement & Analysis**   **Findings & Recommendations**
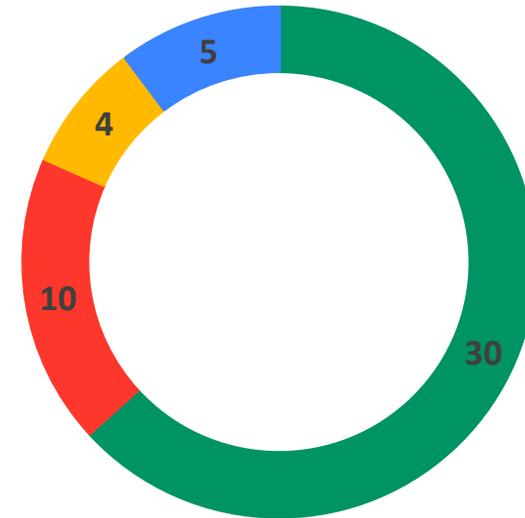
Questions & Answers

HMIS Lead Updates

Erin DeRycke, Director, Data Analytics,
211OC, Orange County United Way

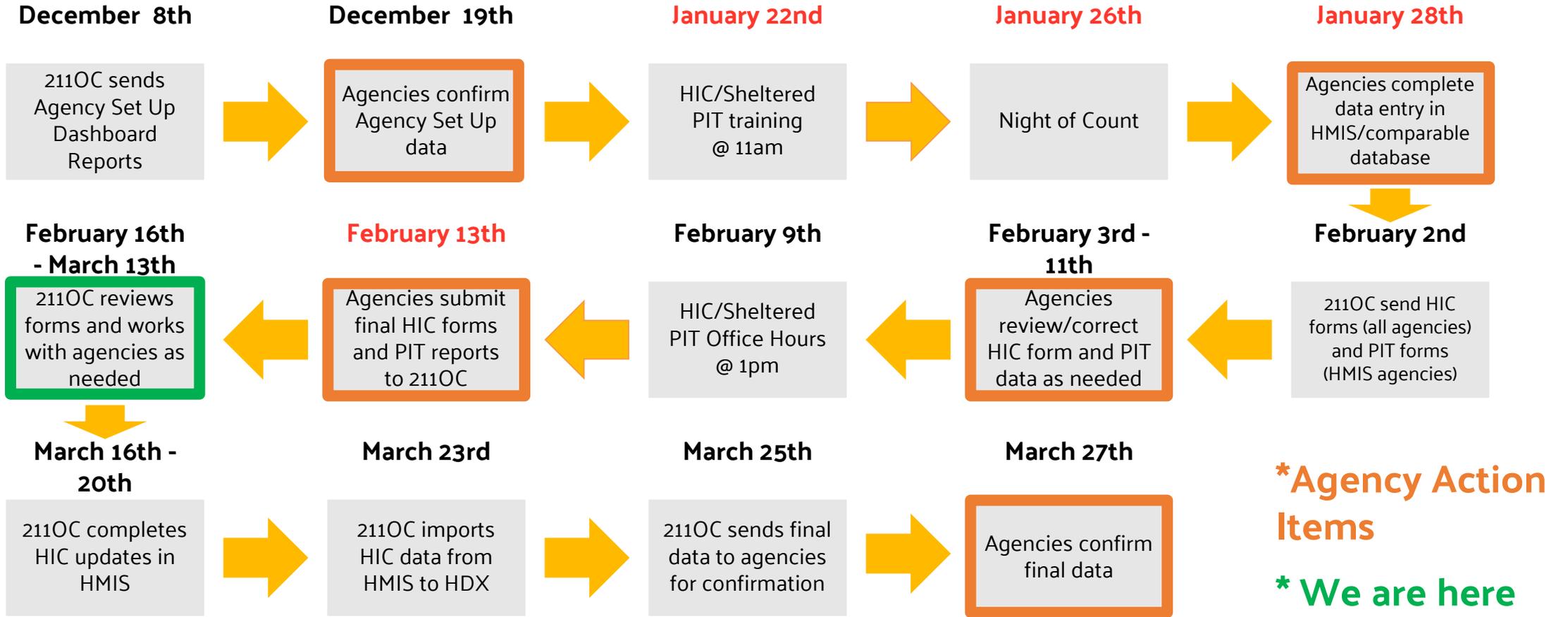# 2026 Housing Inventory Count and Sheltered Point-In-Time

- Annual HUD compliance reports

- Deadline for agencies to submit HIC and PIT data was February 13th

- HIC forms for 184 of 248 projects (74%) have been submitted so far

- Expected to be due to HUD April 2026

- ■ Submitted Required Documentation
- ■ Submitted, but missing documents
- ■ No submission; in communication
- ■ No submission; unresponsive

2026 HIC and Sheltered PIT Agency Timeline

December 8th

211OC sends Agency Set Up Dashboard Reports

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December 19th

Agencies confirm Agency Set Up data

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January 22nd

HIC/Sheltered PIT training @ 11am

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January 26th

Night of Count

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January 28th

Agencies complete data entry in HMIS/comparable database

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February 16th - March 13th

211OC reviews forms and works with agencies as needed

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February 13th

Agencies submit final HIC forms and PIT reports to 211OC

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February 9th

HIC/Sheltered PIT Office Hours @ 1pm

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February 3rd - 11th

Agencies review/correct HIC form and PIT data as needed

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February 2nd

211OC send HIC forms (all agencies) and PIT forms (HMIS agencies)

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March 16th - 20th

211OC completes HIC updates in HMIS

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March 23rd

211OC imports HIC data from HMIS to HDX

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March 25th

211OC sends final data to agencies for confirmation

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March 27th

Agencies confirm final data

*Agency Action Items

* We are here

2026 Pulse of OC: Executive Summary

- Needs Are Becoming More Complex

- Housing Instability Remains the Primary Driver

- Behavioral Health Needs Are Accelerating

- Seniors Are an Increasingly Vulnerable Population

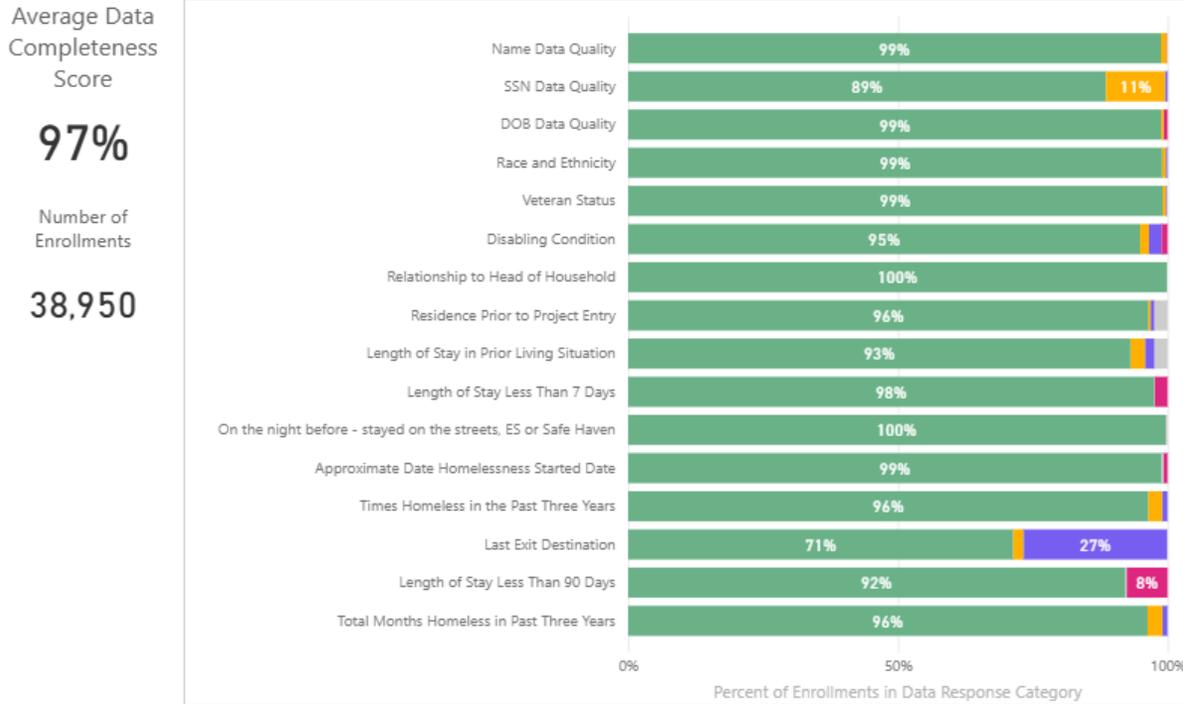- Prevention Is Expanding Amid Capacity Constraints

Together, these findings point to a system under increasing strain from more complex needs, constrained housing options, rising behavioral health acuity, and an aging population facing growing instability. Addressing these challenges requires shared data, coordinated planning, and aligned investment across sectors.

Data Request Updates

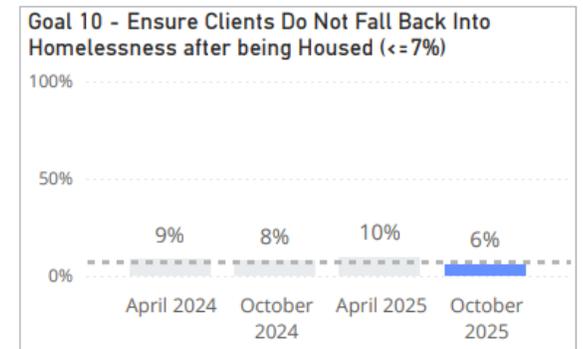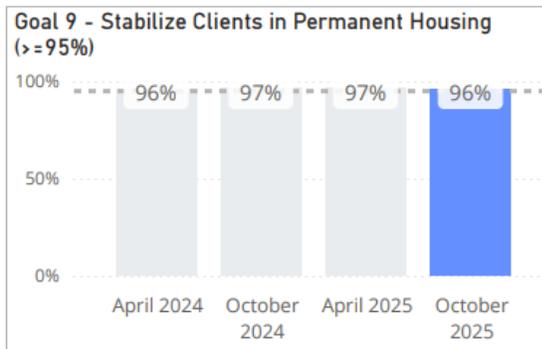| Requestor	Approval Month	Request Summary	Data Provided	New Update	Status
Homebase	January 2026	Aggregate project-level data to support the Orange County CoC Fiscal & Resource Mapping Project	Yes	Yes	Files have been sent; data request is completed
University of Chicago	April 2025	Increase understanding of homelessness and evictions in Orange County	No	Yes	Instructions for sending the data have been provided; HMIS Lead is preparing data to send
Advance OC	September 2024	Analysis on legal outcomes of those that experience homelessness to identify service gaps	Yes	Yes	Preparing a report to share results at the April CoC Board meeting
UCI & UCLA	May 2025	Evaluate the Orange County United Way Homeless Prevention and Stabilization Program (HPSP)	Yes; ongoing quarterly	No	Exports are sent quarterly through December 2027
CalOptima	May 2025	Coordination of appropriate housing related supportive services for households with records in HMIS and are CalOptima Health members	Yes; ongoing monthly	No	Exports are sent monthly through May 2027

Published Reports

Data Quality Report Cards (10/1/24 – 12/31/24)

Average Data Completeness Score

97%

Number of Enrollments

38,950

Data Category	Percent
Name Data Quality	99%
SSN Data Quality	89% / 11%
DOB Data Quality	99%
Race and Ethnicity	99%
Veteran Status	99%
Disabling Condition	95%
Relationship to Head of Household	100%
Residence Prior to Project Entry	96%
Length of Stay in Prior Living Situation	93%
Length of Stay Less Than 7 Days	98%
On the night before - stayed on the streets, ES or Safe Haven	100%
Approximate Date Homelessness Started Date	99%
Times Homeless in the Past Three Years	96%
Last Exit Destination	71% / 27%
Length of Stay Less Than 90 Days	92% / 8%
Total Months Homeless in Past Three Years	96%

Percent of Enrollments in Data Response Category

Project Performance Reports

- **Homelessness Prevention** (7/1/24 – 6/30/25)

- **Permanent Supportive Housing and Other Permanent Housing** (8/1/24 – 7/31/25)

- **Rapid Re-Housing** (9/1/24 – 8/31/25)

- **Transitional Housing** (10/1/24 – 9/30/25)

Goal 9 - Stabilize Clients in Permanent Housing (>=95%)

	April 2024	October 2024	April 2025	October 2025
	96%	97%	97%	96%

Goal 10 - Ensure Clients Do Not Fall Back Into Homelessness after being Housed (<=7%)

	April 2024	October 2024	April 2025	October 2025
	9%	8%	10%	6%

Upcoming Meetings and Trainings

- HMIS User Meeting
  - March 4, 2026; 10:00 – 11:00
    - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89407247911

- HMIS Data Element Collection Training
  - March 19, 2026; 1:00 – 2:00
    - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85806072872

Orange County Homelessness Updates

Douglas Becht, Director and Jasmin Miranda,
Interim CoC Administrator, Office of Care Coordination

System of Care Updates

Doug Becht, Director,

Office of Care Coordination

OC Same-Day Solutions Fair

- The Office of Care Coordination is scheduled to host the fourth OC Same-Day Solutions Fair on February 26, 2026, in partnership with Homeless Intervention Services of Orange County (HIS-OC).
- The Office of Care Coordination is working to schedule additional OC Same-Day Solutions Fairs in 2026.
- To host or participate in an upcoming OC Same-Day Solutions Fair, please contact the Office of Care Coordination (CareCoordination@ceo.oc.gov)

OC Same-Day Solutions Fair

- The Office of Care Coordination has been working to schedule recurring events with The HUB OC as well as in other cities throughout Orange County.

- Upcoming events:
  - ❖ March 30, 2026 – Orange (The HUB OC)
  - ❖ April 14, 2026 – Costa Mesa
  - ❖ May 13, 2026 – Orange (The HUB OC)

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2026 Point in Time Count

The 2026 Orange County Point-in-Time (PIT) Count was successfully conducted during the last week of January.

The PIT Count was a collaborative effort between:

❖ County of Orange

❖ CalOptima Health

❖ City Net – lead agency for unsheltered count

❖ OC United Way – HMIS lead agency for sheltered count

❖ Hub for Urban Initiatives – HUD methodology and survey tool design

❖ Orange County CoC

❖ All 34 Orange County cities

❖ Local, State, and Federal elected officials

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2026 Point in Time Count

- The sheltered count was conducted on the night of Monday, January 26, and the unsheltered count took place from the morning of Tuesday, January 27, through Thursday, January 29, with one Service Planning Area (SPA) counted per day.

- Come and Be Counted locations across the county were available for families and youth experiencing homelessness to be counted. For those unable to visit a location in person, OC Outreach & Engagement were able to arrange a team to conduct the count.

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2026 Point in Time Count

- Thank you to all the volunteers and partners who helped make the 2026 PIT Count successful.
- The Office of Care Coordination will continue to work closely with City Net to compile and review the data collected during the PIT Count.
- Final PIT Count data is expected to be finalized and released in the coming months.
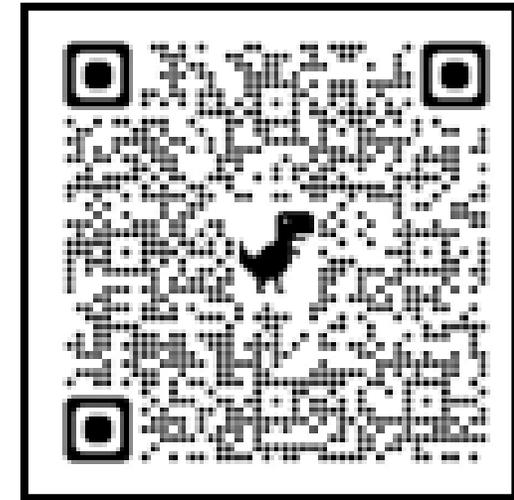
Orange County 3-Year Behavioral Health Integrated Plan

- The Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) requires counties to submit three-year Integrated Plans (IPs) for Behavioral Health Services and Outcomes.
- The OC Health Care Agency (HCA) Behavioral Health Services has posted the Orange County Behavioral Health Integrated Plan for a **30-day public comment period**, which closes on **Friday, March 27, 2026**.
- Following the 30-day posting, the Orange County Behavioral Health Advisory Board will host a Public Hearing.
  - Date : April 15, 2026, from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
  - Location: County Administration North Multi-Purpose Room
  - Address: 400 Civic Center Dr., Santa Ana, CA 92701

Orange County
3-Year Behavioral Health Integrated Plan
Fiscal Year 2026-27 through Fiscal Year 2028-29

Orange County 3-Year Behavioral Health Integrated Plan

- To access the draft Integrated Plan, please click here or scan the QR code.

- Within the link you will find the Draft Integrated Plan and an online public comment form.

- Links to the Executive Summary in the different threshold languages will become active on the website over the next weeks as the translations are completed

- For questions or to receive a hard copy of the draft Integrated Plan, please email bhsa@ochca.com or call 714-834-3104.

Business Calendar – Item #7

BHSA Housing Implementation Working Group

- In January 2026, the Office of Care Coordination (OCC) coordinated a BHSA Feedback Session for CoC-Funded Agencies to provide space for discussion around the potential for BHSA funds to support the Orange County CoC's housing and supportive service projects.

- During the feedback session, attendees discussed creating a working group as a next step, to continue conversations and support with implementation.

- The OC HCA's Behavioral Health Services will be partnering with OCC on the outreach and facilitation of a BHSA Housing Implementation Working Group, focused on implementation of the Housing component of Orange County Behavioral Health Integrated Plan.

- The Working Group will begin towards the end of March 2026 and involve a range of 7 – 9 members, inclusive of representation from OCC, CoC Board members, CoC-funded agencies, and other stakeholders within the Orange County CoC.

- Additional information will be forthcoming.

Homeless Prevention Framework Project

- The Office of Care Coordination has contracted with the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) to develop a comprehensive homeless prevention model rooted in best practices that ensures proactive utilization of all homeless prevention resources and prioritizes homelessness prevention efforts. Development will take place over three (3) phases.

  - ❖ Phase 1: Committee Structure and Workplan Development
  - ❖ Phase 2: Landscape Assessment and Partner Engagement
  - ❖ Phase 3: Recommendations for Orange County homelessness prevention program models

Commission to Address Homelessness Recommended Appointments

- At the February 18, 2026, meeting, the Commission to Address Homelessness (Commission) recommended the following appointments for approval by the Board of Supervisors:
  - ❖ Adam Foster, Chief of Police for the City of La Habra, as the Chief of Police Representative
  - ❖ Gina Cunningham, Executive Director of HomeAid OCLA, as the Affordable Housing Development Industry Representative
  - ❖ Kelly Bruno-Nelson, Executive Director of CalOptima Health, as the Medi-Cal Managed
  - ❖ Care Health Plan Representative
- The Board of Supervisors will take action to approve the recommended appointments to the Commission at a future meeting.

CoC Updates

Jasmin Miranda, Interim CoC Administrator,
Office of Care Coordination

CES Administrator for Individuals, Families, and Survivors Request for Proposals (RFP)

- The County of Orange's Office of Care Coordination is soliciting proposals from qualified organizations for CES Administrator(s) for Individuals, Families, and Survivors.
- These services are divided into three related programs:
  - Program A - CES Administrator for Individuals
  - Program B - CES Administrator for Families
  - Program C - CES Administrator for Survivor of Domestic Violence
- ❖ **Bid Title**: Coordinated Entry System Administrator for Individuals, Families, and Survivors
- ❖ **Project ID**: 017-2984502-SSP
- ❖ **Release Date**: February 4, 2026, at 4:48 p.m.
- ❖ **Question Submission Deadline**: February 25, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Due Date**: Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

- For more information, visit the following link: Coordinated Entry System Administrator for Individuals, Families, and Survivors RFP

Business Calendar – Item #7

National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) Revised Compliance Date

- On September 30, 2025, published the notice titled, "Economic Growth Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act: Implementation of National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE); Extension of NSPIRE Compliance Date for CPD Programs" (FR-6086-N-11) in the Federal Register.

- The notice further extends the compliance date for HUD's NSPIRE final rule for Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), CoC, HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and the Housing Trust Fund (HTF) programs until **October 1st, 2026.**

- This third extension of the compliance date will allow recipients and grantees additional time to implement HUD's NSPIRE standards. Additionally, HUD has determined that some types of units funded under the CoC and ESG programs may not meet certain requirements of the NSPIRE standards as they are applied to other HUD programs.

- HUD intends to publish standards specific to each of these programs before the compliance date.

- Please see the Notice for additional details on the compliance date extension.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Program Letters of Support

- The SSVF grant, administered by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), provides rapid re-housing and homelessness prevention services to Veterans experiencing homelessness, in effort to help Veterans secure and retain permanent housing.

- As part of the application process, agencies are strongly encouraged to provide letters of support from the local CoC, reflecting the applicant's engagement in the CoC's efforts to coordinate services.

- The Office of Care Coordination, as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC, received requests for CoC Letters of support from the following two (2) organizations as part of the application process for SSVF renewal funding: 1736 and Volunteers of America Los Angeles (VOALA).

- Given the existing involvement in the CoC, the Collaborative Applicant provided letters of support to both applicants.

Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) Letters of Support

- On February 15, 2026, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) announced the HVRP Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA).
- HVRP is an employment-focused, competitive federal grant program intended to enable veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness reach their full employment potential and obtain high-quality career outcomes.
    - As part of a new application requirement for Program Year 2025, organizations were required to provide a CoC Letter of support.
- Applications are due by March 6, 2026.
- The Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC received requests from four (4) organizations for a CoC Letter of support: America Works, Managed Career Solutions, Human Works Foundation and Orange County United Way.
- The Office of Care Coordination is in process of finalizing the letters of support to send to the listed agencies.

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Upcoming Meetings

- **Lived Experience Advisory Committee:** Wednesday, March 4, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
  - ❖ <u>Location</u>: Orange County United Way, 18012 Mitchell S, Irvine, CA 92614
- **CES Steering Committee:** Wednesday, March 4, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
  - ❖ <u>Location</u>: Orange County Housing Authority (OCHA) Conference Room A, 1501 E. St. Andrew Pl, 1st Floor, Santa Ana, CA 92705
- **Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) Collaborative Committee:** Thursday, March 5, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
  - ❖ <u>Location</u>: Orangewood Foundation Conference Room, 1575 E. 17th St., Santa Ana, CA 92705
- **Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee:** Tuesday, March 10, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
  - ❖ <u>Location</u>: CAS County Administration South (CAS) Multipurpose Rooms 103/105, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701

2026 Annual Calendar of CoC Activities

- The Office of Care Coordination will provide CoC Board members with updates regarding upcoming CoC activities.
- Calendar Year 2026 Quarter 1 activities are highlighted in this chart for reference.

March

- System Performance Measures (SPM) Report due to HUD
- **CoC Strategic Plan** – Implementation
- **CoC Fiscal and Resource Mapping**
- FY2026 Program NOFO Planning
- **FY2026 Program NOFO Ad Hoc Appointment**

April

- YAB planning and development
- **CoC Strategic Plan** – Implementation
- **CoC Fiscal and Resource Mapping**
- FY2026 Program NOFO Planning
- **FY2026 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc Meetings**
- PIT Count Data clean up and preparation for submission to HUD

May

- YAB planning and
- development
- HHAP Program Ad Hoc
- **CoC Strategic Plan** – Implementation
- **CoC Fiscal and Resource Mapping**
- FY2026 Program NOFO Planning
- **FY2026 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc Meetings**
  - o Meet with CoC Funded agencies

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 25, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
in the CAS Building Conference Center,
425 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Room 104/106, Santa Ana, CA 92701