



COUNTY OF ORANGE
OFFICE OF CARE
COORDINATION

**Lived Experience Advisory
Committee Meeting
July 1, 2026**

Welcome!



Public Comments

Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar

Recommended Action

1. Approve the LEAC Meeting Minutes from June 3, 2026

Business Calendar

2026 Orange County Point In Time Count

**Zulima Lundy, Director of Operations,
Office of Care Coordination**



EVERYONE COUNTS

2026 POINT IN TIME SUMMARY

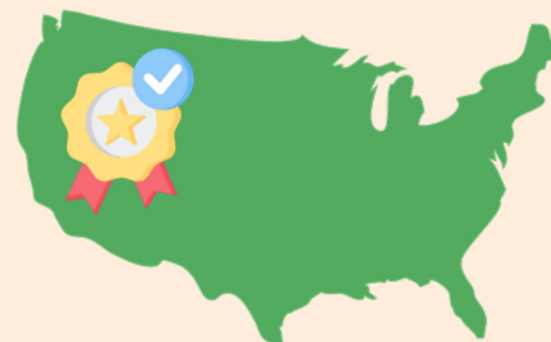




HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT



2026 marks the fourth
federally mandated
PIT Count

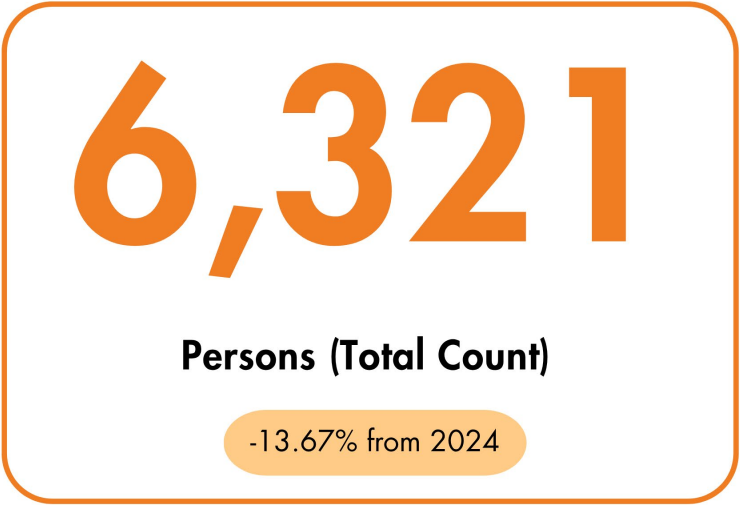
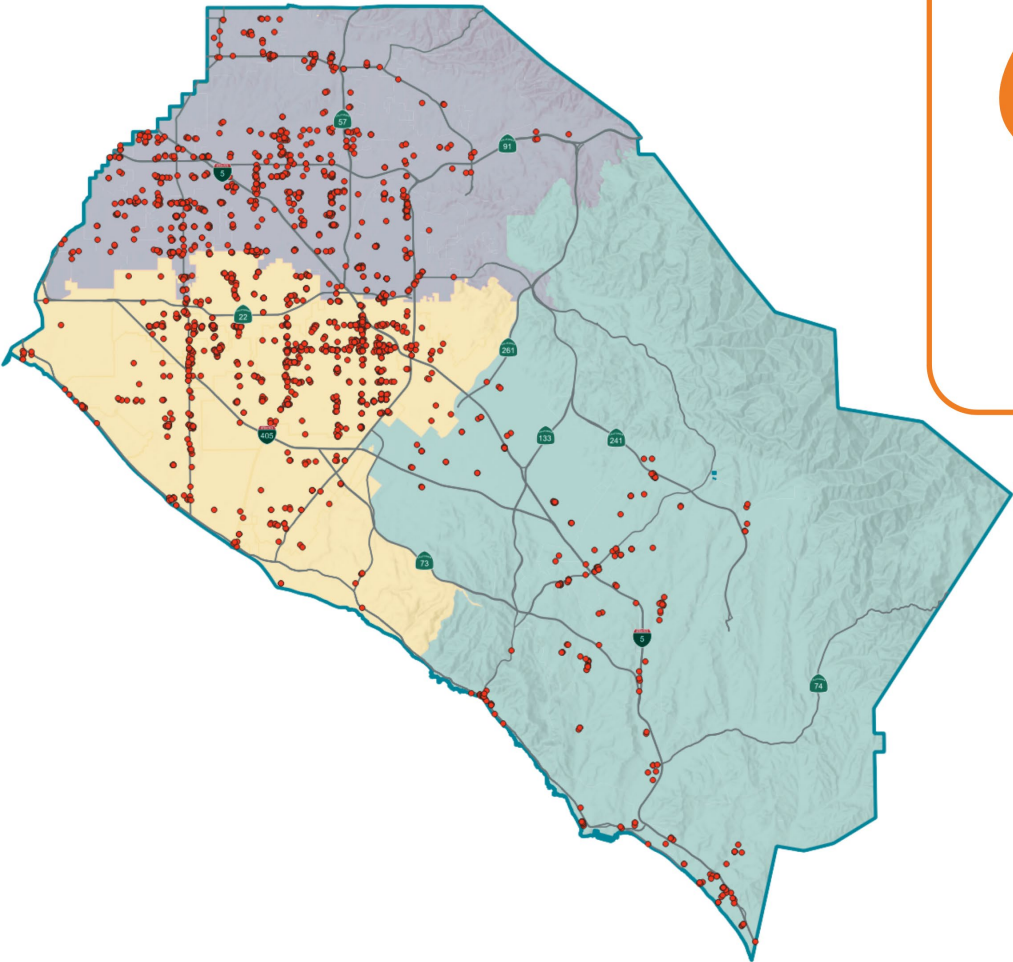
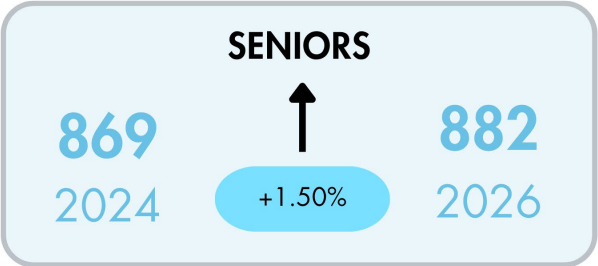
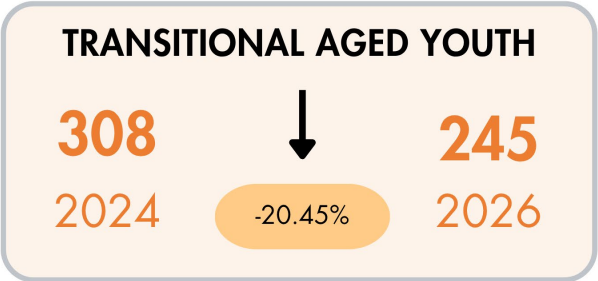
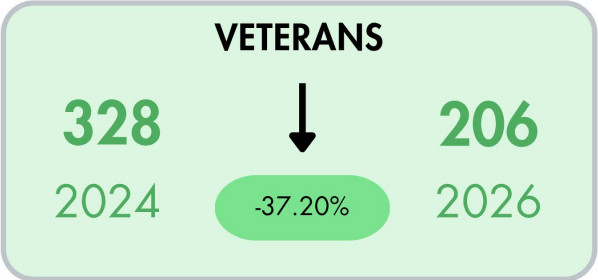


Aligns with National
best practices

*By keeping the methodology consistent, parallel comparisons
can be made between the four counts.*

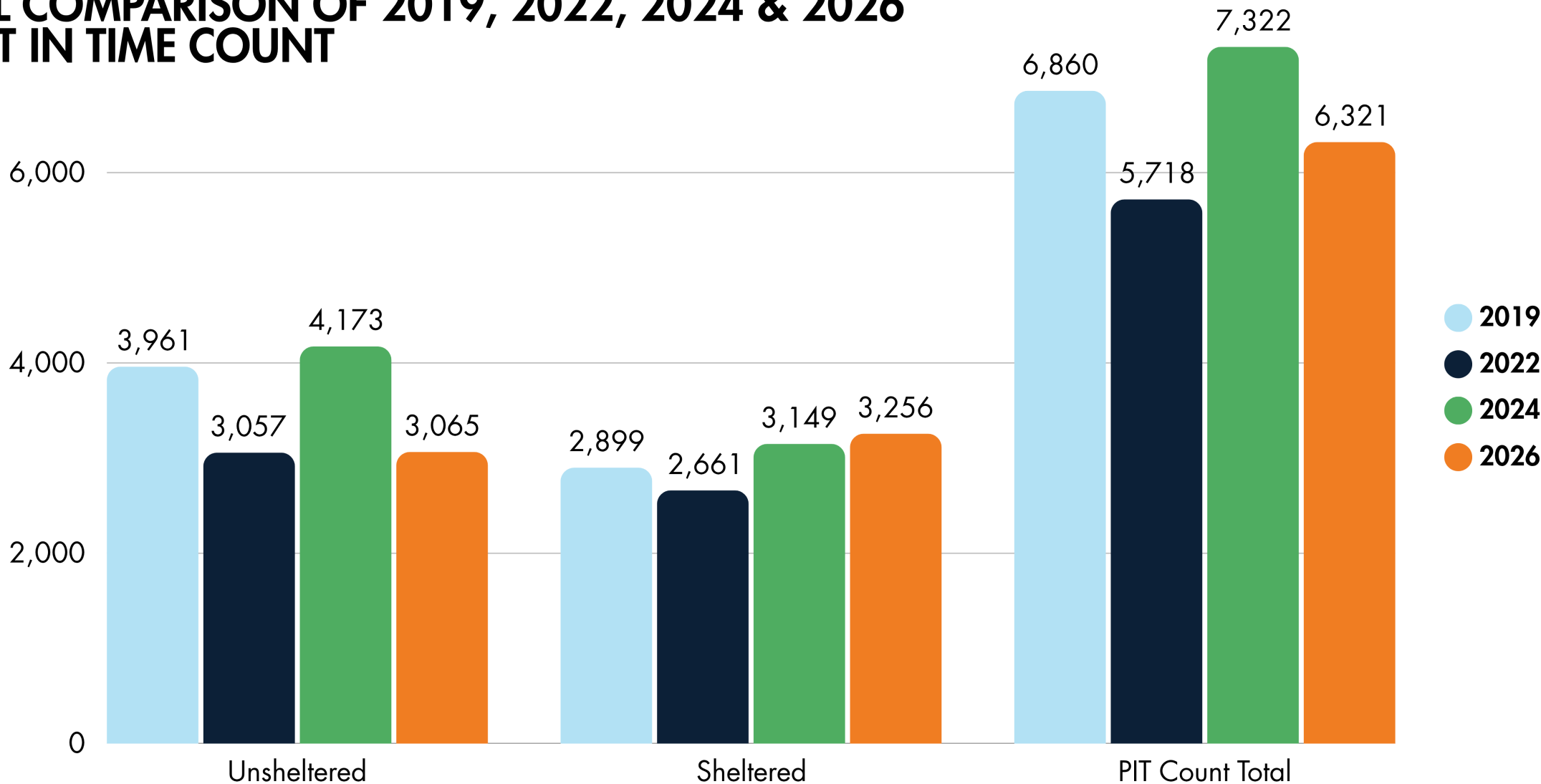


2026 POINT IN TIME COUNT BY THE NUMBERS



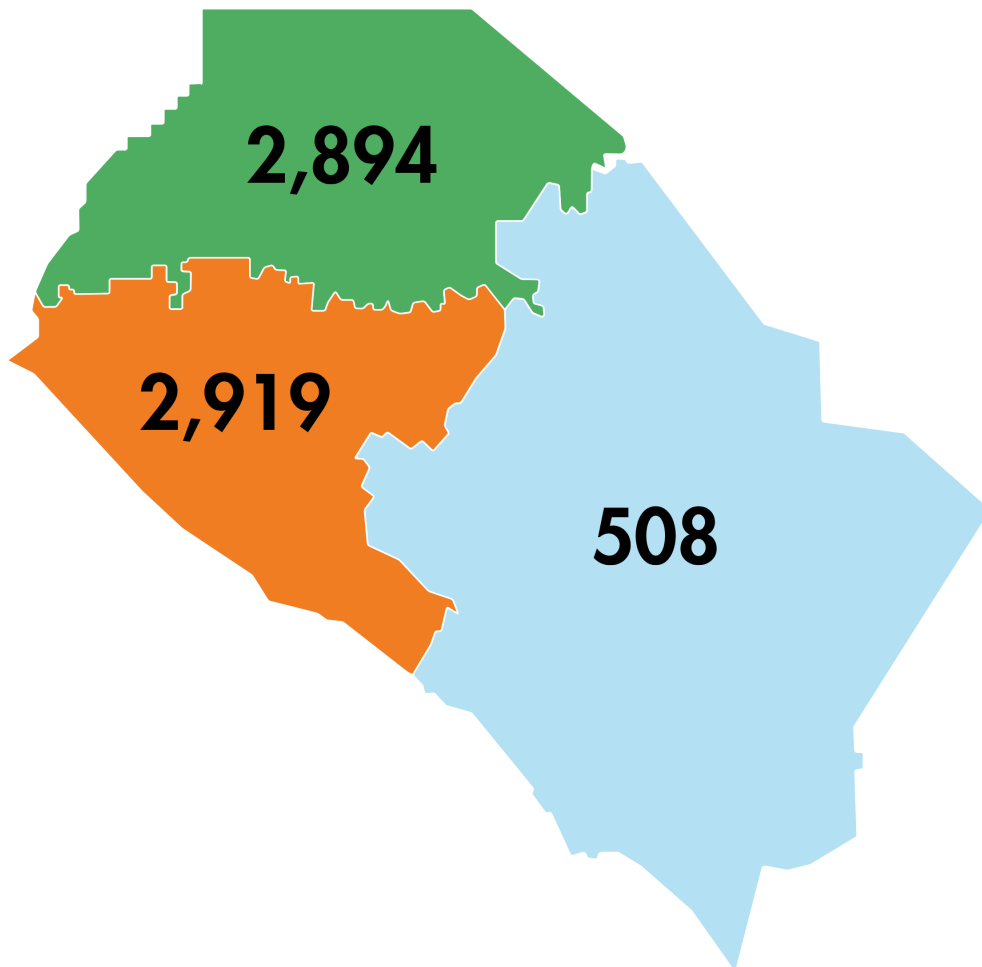


**TOTAL COMPARISON OF 2019, 2022, 2024 & 2026
POINT IN TIME COUNT**





TOTAL PIT COUNT BY SERVICE PLANNING AREA



North Service Planning Area



Central Service Planning Area

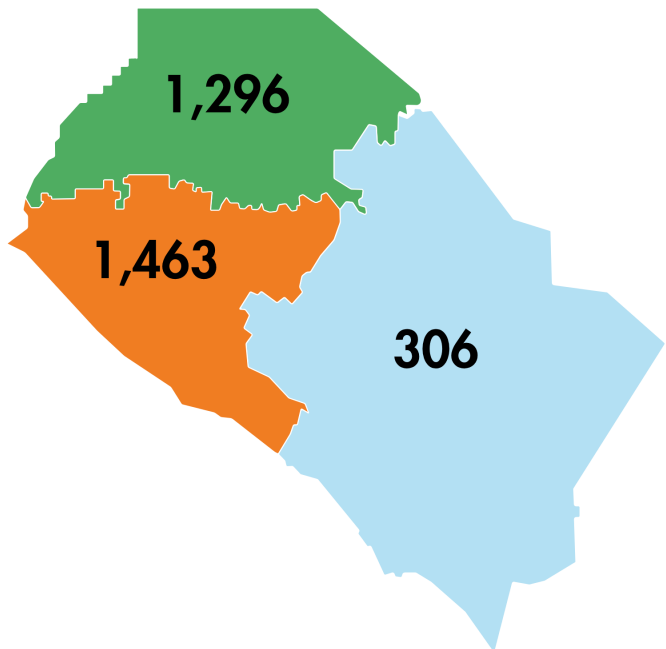


South Service Planning Area





UNSHELTERED VS SHELTERED COUNT



3,065

UNSHELTERED TOTAL

140

VETERANS

Persons who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves

93

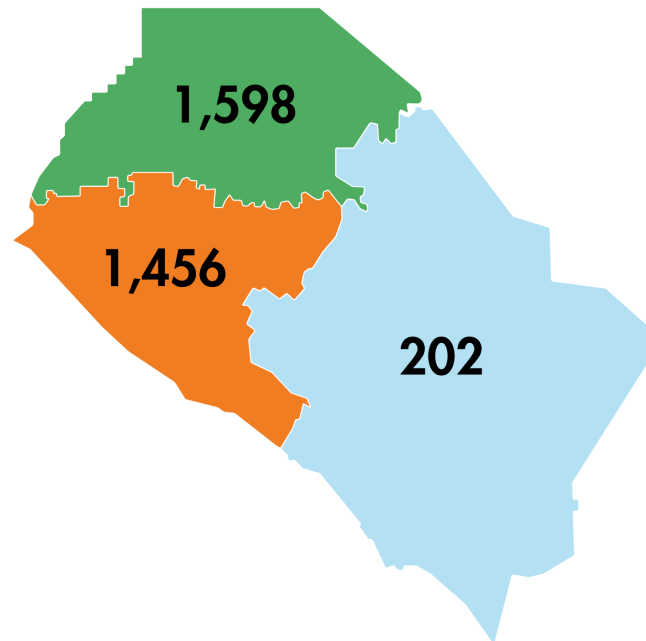
TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH

Persons ages 18 to 24

361

SENIORS

Persons ages 62 and older



3,256

SHELTERED TOTAL

66

VETERANS

Persons who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserves

152

TRANSITIONAL AGED YOUTH

Persons ages 18 to 24

521

SENIORS

Persons ages 62 and older



SUBPOPULATIONS AND DISABLING CONDITIONS

CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS

UNSHelterED

41.11%

1,235 Adults
increase from 2024 (38%)

SHelterED

53.78%

1,479 Adults
increase from 2024 (34%)

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

45.04%

1,353 Adults
decrease from 2024 (50%)

26.04%

716 Adults
increase from 2024 (23%)

PHYSICAL DISABILITY

34.82%

1,046 Adults
increase from 2024 (31%)

28.62%

787 Adults
decrease from 2024 (30%)

SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS

32.89%

988 Adults
increase from 2024 (31%)

37.85%

1,041 Adults
increase from 2024 (35%)

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY

19.74%

593 Adults
decrease from 2024 (17%)

0.40%

11 Adults
increase from 2024 (0.20%)

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

11.35%

341 Adults
increase from 2024 (10%)

8.44%

232 Adults
increase from 2024 (10%)

HIV/AIDS

1.76%

53 Adults
decrease from 2024 (2%)

2.22%

61 Adults
decrease from 2024 (7%)



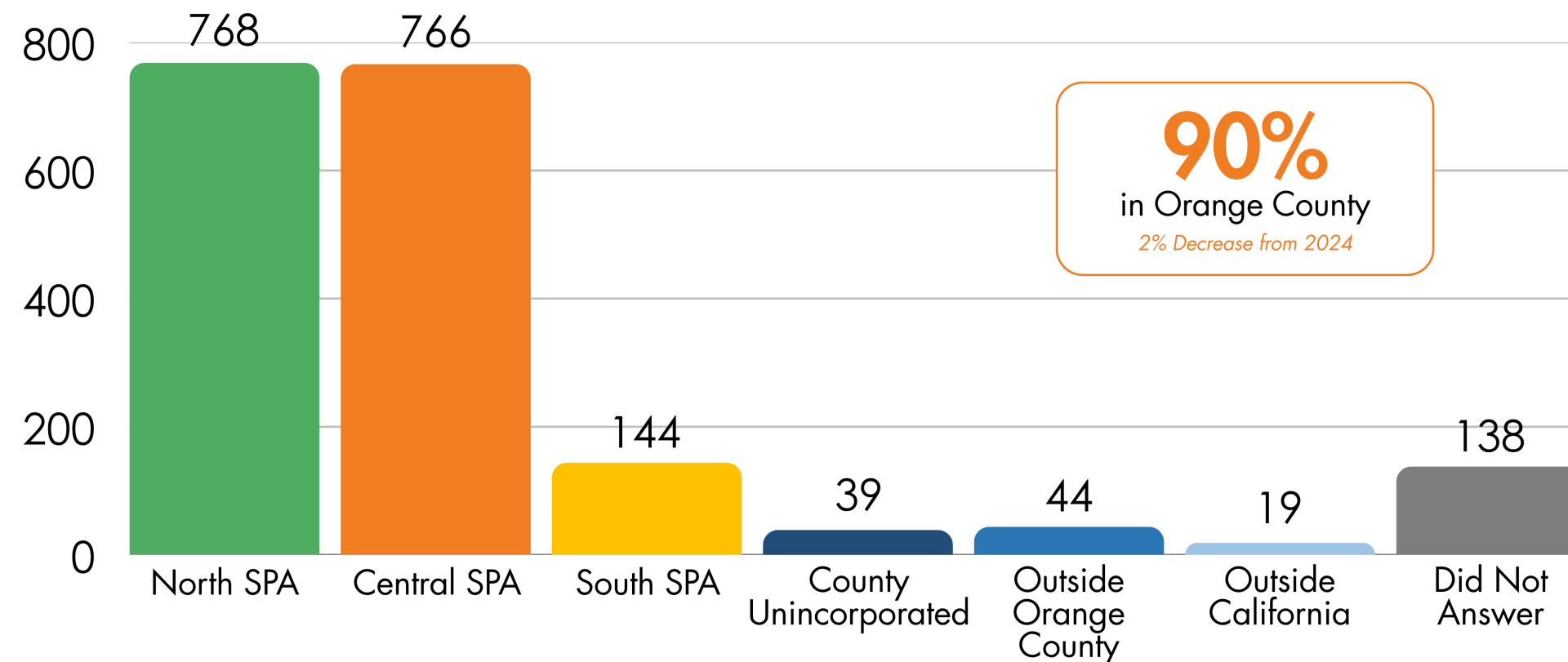


HOUSEHOLD STATUS

Population	Description	Unsheltered (2,805) Households	Sheltered (2,667) Households	Total (5,472) Households
Individuals	Households with only adults age 18 and older	2,767 Households 2,952 Adults	2,384 Households 2,413 Adults	5,151 Households 5,365 Adults
Families	Households with at least one adult 18 and older and one child 17 or younger	37 Families 112 persons in households: 52 Adults 60 Children	270 Families 829 persons in households: 337 Adults 492 Children	307 Families 941 persons in households: 389 Adults 552 Children
Unaccompanied Minors	Minors, 17 and younger not accompanied by an adult	1 Household 1 Minor	13 Households 14 Minors	14 Households 15 Minors



REPORTED CITY WHERE MOST SPENT TIME WHILE HOMELESS



City in North SPA
768 Adults, 40.04%

City in Central SPA
766 Adults, 39.94%

City in South SPA
144 Adults, 7.51%

County Unincorporated
39 Adults, 2.03%

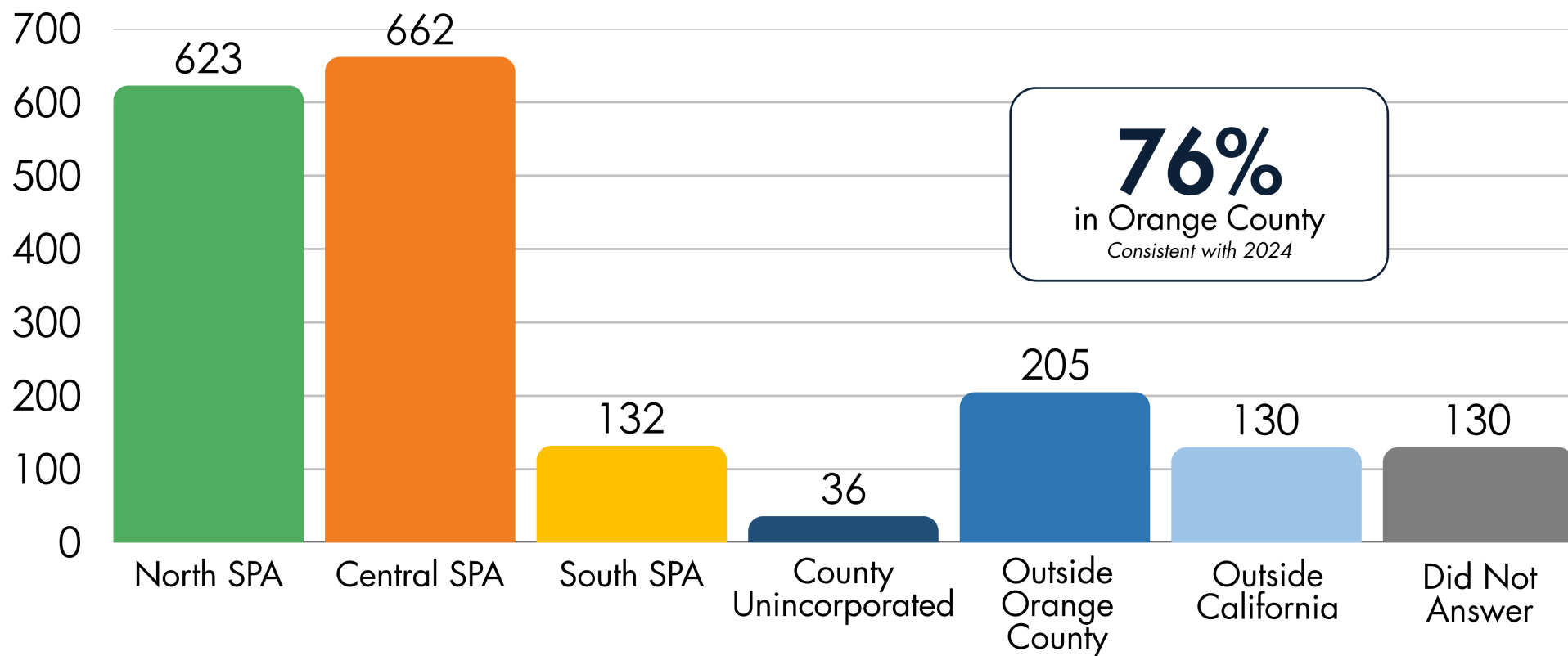
Outside Orange County
44 Adults, 2.29%

Outside California
19 Adults, .99%

Did Not Answer
138 Adults, 7.19%



REPORTED CITY OF LAST PERMANENT ADDRESS



City in North SPA
623 Adults, 32.48%

City in Central SPA
662 Adults, 34.52%

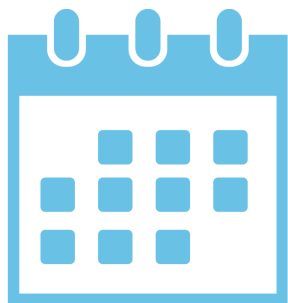
City in South SPA
132 Adults, 6.88%

County Unincorporated
36 Adults, 1.88%

Outside Orange County
205 Adults, 10.69%

Outside California
130 Adults, 6.78%

Did Not Answer
130 Adults, 6.78%



39.73%

762 Adults

Experiencing homelessness for
the first time in the past 12 months

8% decrease from 2024 (48.33%)



53.49%

1,026 Adults

Have family in Orange County

2% increase from 2024 (51.75%)



38.89%

746 Adults

Attending or have attended school
in Orange County

4% decrease from 2024 (43.09%)



58.50%

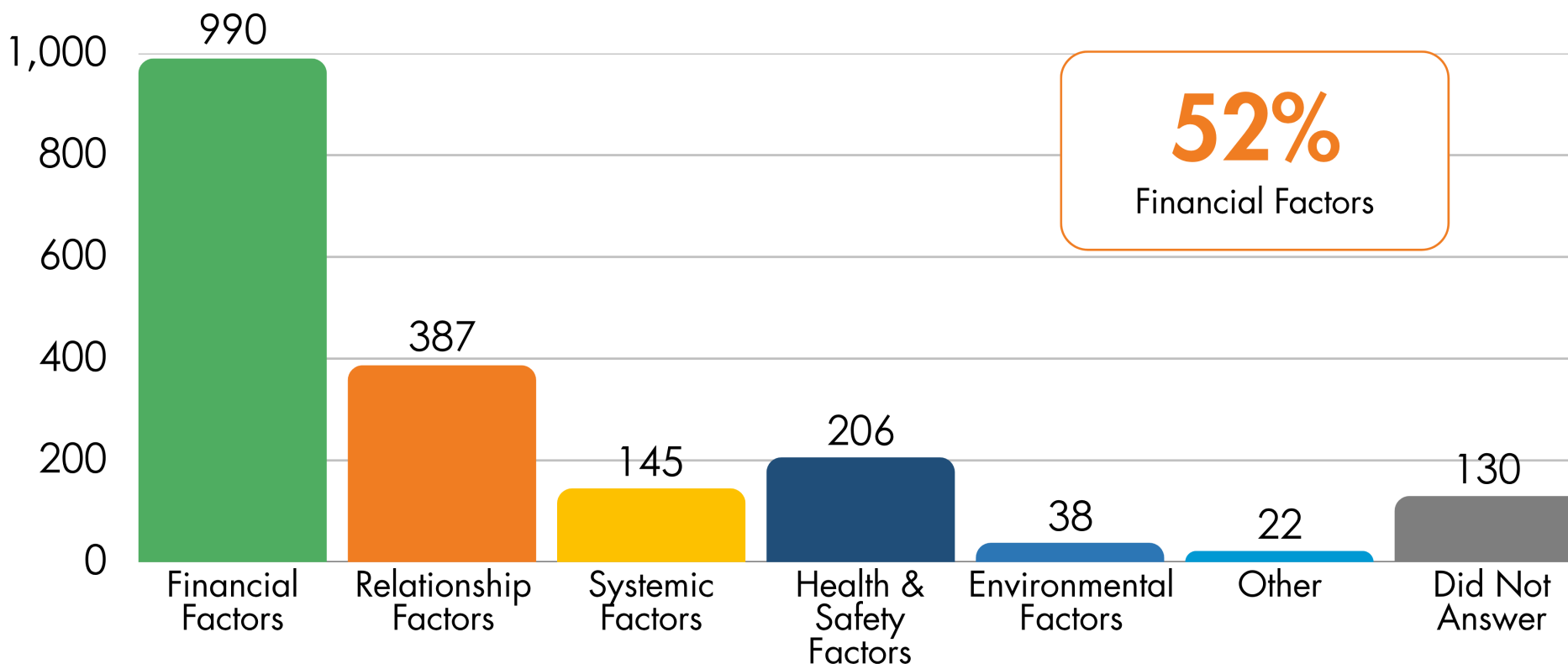
1,122 Adults

Currently working or have ever
worked in Orange County

5% decrease from 2024 (64.42%)



REPORTED MAJOR FACTORS THAT WERE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT IN CONTRIBUTING TO HOMELESSNESS



Financial Factors

990 Adults, 51.62%

Relationship Factors

387 Adults, 20.18%

Systemic Factors

145 Adults, 7.56%

Health & Safety Factors

206 Adults, 10.74%

Environmental Factors

38 Adults, 1.98%

Other

22 Adults, 1.15%

Did Not Answer

130 Adults, 6.78%



13.7%
*reduction in
overall
homelessness*



26.6%
*reduction in
unsheltered
homelessness*

- This is the first time more people are sheltered than unsheltered.
- Targeted prioritization and outreach efforts are increasing shelter access for highly vulnerable populations.
- These results reflect the impact of robust support, services, and housing provided by Orange County's System of Care.
- These results reinforce the need for Orange County to remain informed and engaged to create meaningful progress in the community.



THANK YOU TO THOSE INVOLVED

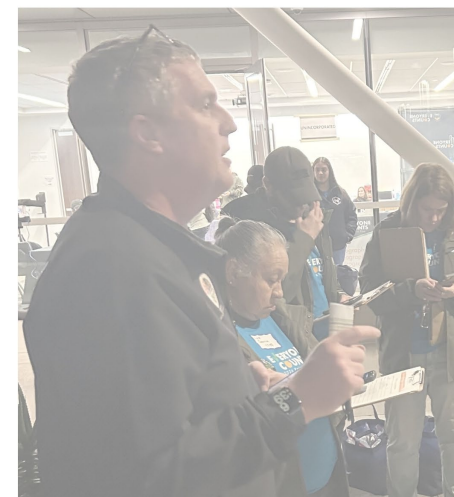
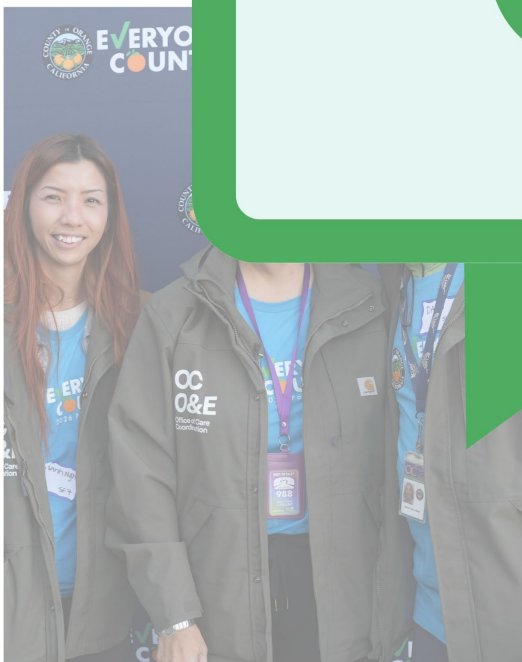
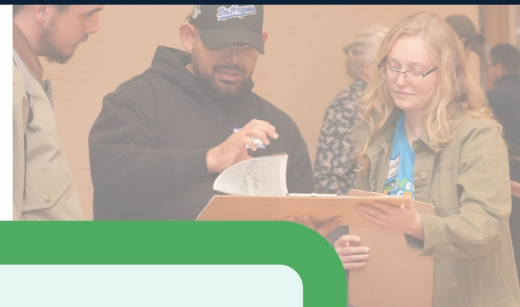
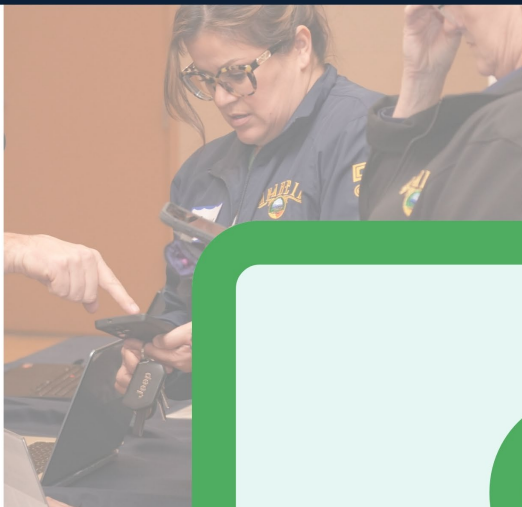
- **County of Orange** – including the County Executive Office, OC Community Resources, OC Information Technology, OC Public Works, and OC Sheriff's Department
- **Continuum of Care Board & Agencies**
- **Commission to Address Homelessness**
- **CalOptima Health**
- **City Net**
- **Institute for Urban Initiatives**
- **Nonprofit and faith-based service providers**
- **Orange County Board of Supervisors and local elected officials**
- **Orange County United Way**
- **All 34 Cities and law enforcement agencies**





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2026 Point In Time



Q & A

**Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 CoC Program Notice of
Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**

Zulima Lundy, Director of Operations,
Office of Care Coordination

Overview of the FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO

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FY 2026 CoC Competition and YHDP Grants NOFO

NOFO Release

- HUD released the FY 2026 CoC Competition and YHDP Grants NOFO on Monday, June 1, 2026.

Funding Available:

- CoC Program – \$4,010,000,000
 - At least \$430 million must be used for Permanent Housing projects including Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) or Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) for families with children.
 - Up to \$1.3 billion is set aside for new projects ranked in Tier 2, with selection priority for new Transitional Housing (TH) and Supportive Services Only (SSO) projects.
- Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus – \$104,000,000

ESTIMATED Funding Available to the Orange County CoC:

- Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) – \$37,335,446
- CoC Bonus – \$5,000,000
- DV Bonus – \$5,000,000
- CoC Planning – \$1,500,000

Application Due Date: Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. PT

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FY 2026 CoC Competition and YHDP Grants NOFO

1. **Improving Outcomes.** CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the NOFO to determine their effectiveness in reducing homelessness and increasing self-sufficiency. CoCs should prioritize projects that promote self-sufficiency, increase employment income over government assistance, and promote treatment and recovery.
2. **Creating Competition to Improve Innovation and Accountability.** Consistent with the FY2026 appropriation bill, HUD is setting Tier 1 at 60% and competing 40% of CoC ARD on the basis of merit between geographic areas.
3. **Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care.** HUD intends to restore the "continuum" to the CoC Program to help able-bodied people move to self-sufficiency. To the extent permitted by law, HUD is shifting its focus from awarding nearly 90% of CoC funding to Permanent Housing to expand opportunities for other components of the CoC Program.
4. **Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self-Sufficiency.** The NOFO provides communities opportunities to invest in treatment services and recovery housing, and ensures that recipients do not distribute drug paraphernalia or knowingly permit the use and distribution of fatal, illicit drugs on their properties. HUD encourages CoCs to utilize the full array of mainstream programs and local and private resources to provide housing and healthcare needed to maintain safe and stable housing.

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FY 2026 CoC Competition and YHDP Grants NOFO

5. **Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency.** CoCs should partner with workforce development centers, employers, childcare, and other supportive service providers to increase employment and employment income for program participants. CoCs should prioritize projects that help lead to long-term economic independence for individuals and families to exit homelessness to unsubsidized housing and prevent future returns to homelessness.
6. **Advancing Public Safety for All.** CoCs should work with law enforcement, first responders, and their state and local governments to reduce encampments, public camping, and public drug use in order to address barriers to maintaining housing and increasing self-sufficiency.
7. **Minimizing trauma.** One of the purposes of the CoC program is to minimize the trauma associated with homelessness 42 U.S.C. § 11381(2). CoCs should encourage providers to provide trauma informed care and ensure participant safety in programs, especially for youth and survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
8. **Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology.** HUD is committed to promoting equal access to CoC programs for homeless individuals and program participants regardless of their race or other protected status. To that end, the NOFO prohibits the use of federal funds being used for any type of racial preferences, even under the guise of "diversity, equity, and inclusion."

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Ranking and Tiering of Projects

Project Priority Listing and Tiering

- HUD will continue the Tier 1 and Tier 2 funding selection process.
 - **Tier 1** is equal to 60 percent of the CoC's ARD. The Orange County CoC Tier 1 is equal to approximately **\$22,401,268**.
 - Tier 2 is the difference between Tier 1 and the maximum amount of CoC Renewal (including DV Renewal), CoC Reallocation, DV Bonus, DV Reallocation, and CoC Bonus funds that a CoC applies for.
- HUD will conditionally select project applications in Tier 1 from the **highest scoring CoC collaborative application to the lowest scoring CoC collaborative application and according to the rank assigned by the CoC** on the CoC Priority listing, provided the project applications pass project eligibility thresholds.
- If a project application straddles the Tier 1 and Tier 2 funding line, HUD will conditionally select the project application up to the amount of funding that falls within Tier 1.
- All New and Renewal Project Applications must be ranked and approved by the CoC Board as recommended by the NOFO Ad Hoc.
- The NOFO Ad Hoc will recommend the ranking of the approved New and Renewal Project Applications in either Tier 1 or Tier 2 as described on pages 90 through 91 of the FY2026 CoC Program NOFO.

Renewal Funding

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FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO Scoring and Rating Criteria for Renewal Projects

- The Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant met with the FY 2026 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc to:
 - ❖ Review the CoC Program NOFO application process
 - ❖ Draft the proposed project performance measures, point allocations, and thresholds; and
 - ❖ Discuss feedback received from the CoC-funded agencies on the proposed project performance measures at the CoC-funded Agencies Meeting held on June 4, 2026.
- In the FY2026 CoC Program NOFO and as it relates to the CoC Score, HUD is awarding points for CoCs that demonstrate the use of objective criteria (e.g., cost-effectiveness, performance data, type of population served) to review, rate, and rank project applications and that these factors account for at least 50% of the total available points.
- **Changes:** The FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO Scoring and Rating Criteria was revised from previous years to ensure that there at least 50% of points are objective criteria and to include supportive service participation requirements.
- The Scoring and Rating Criteria was developed to support the evaluation of the FY2026 CoC Renewal Projects – including the project performance measures, thresholds and point allocations – and is being presented to the CoC Board for review and approval.

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CoC Renewal Funding

- The proposed changes to the FY2026 CoC NOFO Renewal Scoring and Rating Criteria and FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO Project Performance Measures will help ensure that the Orange County CoC meets the following criteria as detailed in the FY2026 CoC Program NOFO (pages 71 and 72). The FY2026 CoC Program NOFO states a CoC must:
 - Demonstrate it used objective criteria (e.g., cost-effectiveness, performance data, type of population served) to review, rate, and rank project applications and that these factors account for at least 50% of the total available points
 - Demonstrate that it used system performance measures in their local review, selection, and rating process and that these factors account for at least 25% of the total points available
 - For housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH) that the following measures were considered
 - Returns to homelessness;
 - Employment income; and
 - Supportive service participation requirements

CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding

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CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding Overview

- The exact funding allocation available to the Orange County CoC for CoC Bonus projects will be announced when HUD publishes the Estimated ARD Report.
- The Orange County CoC may have additional funding available for new projects through the reallocation process as the CoC NOFO local competition continues. As such, the total funding available for reallocation has not yet been confirmed.
- New projects eligible to be created through CoC Bonus and/or Reallocation funding as detailed in the FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO include:
 - ❖ Supportive Services Only (SSO), including Standalone or Street Outreach
 - ❖ Transitional Housing (TH)
 - ❖ Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
 - ❖ Rapid Rehousing (RRH)
 - ❖ Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
 - ❖ SSO – Coordinated Entry

DV Bonus Funding

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DV Bonus Funding

- The exact funding allocation available to the Orange County CoC for DV Bonus projects will be announced when HUD publishes the Estimated ARD Report.
- Eligible Project Types as detailed in the FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO include:
 - Rapid Rehousing
 - Transitional Housing
 - SSO-CE
- The NOFO Ad Hoc is recommending that only TH component projects be solicited as part of the local competition process due to HUD's emphasis on new SSO and TH projects .
- To support the solicitation of new DV Bonus Projects, the CoC Board is being asked to approve the Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC to create and issue a DV Bonus RFP.

CoC and General Updates

Cameron Pastrano, CoC Staff Specialist,
Office of Care Coordination

CoC Board Meeting Updates

Business Calendar – Item #3

CoC Board Updates (June 24, 2026, Meeting)

- **Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 CoC Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**

- b. Renewal Funding**

- 1) Approve the Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC to issue the CoC Renewal Project Application.
 - 2) Approve the FY2026 CoC Program NOFO Scoring and Rating Criteria for Renewal Projects, including the project performance measures, thresholds and point allocations, as recommended by the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc to evaluate renewal projects.

- c. CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding**

- 1) Approve the Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC to create and issue a CoC Bonus and Reallocation Request for Proposals to solicit new Transitional Housing and Supportive Services Only projects, as recommended by the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc.
 - 2) Establish a non-conflicted review panel to evaluate proposals received in response to the issued Request for Proposals.
 - 3) Approve FY2026 CoC Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria to evaluate proposals as submitted in response to the Request for Proposals.
 - 4) Recommend the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Lead to apply for an expansion project outside of the RFP process and to be funded by CoC Bonus or Reallocation funding in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

- d. Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Funding**

- 1) Approve the Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC to create and issue a DV Bonus Request for Proposals to solicit new Transitional Housing projects, as recommended by the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc.
 - 2) Establish a non-conflicted review panel to evaluate proposals received in response to the issued Request for Proposals.
 - 3) Approve the FY2026 DV Bonus Scoring and Rating Criteria to evaluate proposals as submitted in response to the Request for Proposals.

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CoC Board Updates (June 24, 2026, Meeting)

- **Coordinated Entry System (CES) Update**
 - a. 2-for-1 Match Policy Pilot Evaluation
 - b. CES Administrator Transition
- **Continuum of Care Builds (CoCBuils) NOFO**
 - a. Authorize the Orange County CoC's participation in the CoCBuils NOFO.
 - b. Establish an Ad Hoc comprised of non-conflicted members to support the local competition process for the CoCBuils NOFO.
 - c. Approve the issuance of a local competition process for the CoCBuils NOFO to provide Permanent Supportive Housing units in Orange County.
- **Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) and Youth Homelessness System Improvement (YHSI) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**
 - a. Authorize the Office of Care Coordination, as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC), to facilitate a local application process for the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) funding opportunity and prepare the Orange County CoC's YHDP application in response to the Youth Homelessness NOFO for FY2024 and FY2025.

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CoC Board Updates (June 24, 2026, Meeting)

- **Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program**
- **Orange County United Way United to End Homelessness's HMIS Data Request**
 - a. Approve Orange County United Way United to End Homelessness's HMIS data request to receive two exports of client-level data related to all HMIS enrollments for clients enrolled in the Whatever It Takes (WIT) project, for the reporting period of July 1, 2022, through May 31, 2026, for the first export -and the reporting period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, for the second export, to evaluate project effectiveness
- **HMIS Lead Updates**
 - a. 2026 Housing Inventory Count
 - b. HMIS Customer Portal

General Updates

Business Calendar – Item #3

Save the Date: Joint Special Meeting

- A joint special meeting of the Commission to Address Homelessness and the CoC Board has been scheduled.
 - **Date:** Tuesday, July 21, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 - **Location:** CAS Building Conference Center,
 - **Address:** 425 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Room 104/106, Santa Ana, CA 92701
- In accordance with the Brown Act, the agenda will be posted at least 24 hours in advance of the special meeting.

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New HUD CoC Guidance: PSH and CES Prioritization

- On June 16, 2026, HUD sent communication via the Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) Office email listserv, stating an intent to provide CoCs with clarity on program participant eligibility and with increased flexibility to prioritize individuals for Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH).
 - It should be noted that the information below is only guidance, as it is not accompanied by legislation.
1. **Transitioning Projects from Permanent Housing to Transitional Housing:** HUD has published new guidance on program participants' eligibility to move from Permanent Housing to Transitional Housing: [Program Participants' Eligibility to Move from Permanent Supporting Housing \(PSH\) / Rapid Re-Housing \(RRH\) To Transitional Housing \(TH\)](#)
 2. **Chronic Homelessness and PSH:** HUD has rescinded the [Notice on Prioritizing Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness and Other Vulnerable Persons in Permanent Supportive Housing](#) and the 2014 notice of the same name that preceded it, stating the former notice restricted how CoCs prioritize individuals and families for PSH and created unintended consequences in doing so.

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New HUD CoC Guidance: PSH and CES Prioritization

- **What does this mean?**
 - HUD no longer requires that all CoC Program-funded Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) must be dedicated to individuals and families that meet the definition of “Chronically Homeless.” Projects operating under prior year’s funding must continue to serve individuals and families that meet the eligibility criteria identified in the project’s current grant agreement.
- **How does this affect Coordinated Entry?**
 - The notice [CPD-17-01- Establishing Additional Requirements for a Continuum of Care Centralized or Coordinated Assessment System](#) remains effective. CoCs that changed their Coordinated Entry practices in order to comply with the requirement that all PSH beds be dedicated to chronic homelessness are no longer held to that requirement and may revise their Coordinated Entry practices.
- **How should CoCs prioritize available PSH units?**
 - PSH can only provide assistance to individuals with a disability or families in which one adult or child has a disability in accordance with 24 CFR 578.37(a)(1)(i). HUD encourages CoCs to prioritize homelessness assistance in a way that meets local needs best consistent with federal anti-discrimination and civil rights laws. This should include connecting individuals as quickly as possible with substance use disorder and mental health treatment, shelter, and Transitional Housing programs to facilitate recovery and self-sufficiency.
- **Do PSH projects have to keep units vacant while waiting for an eligible household to accept an offer of PSH?**
 - No. HUD recognizes that some persons, particularly those living on the streets or in places not meant for human habitation-require significant engagement prior their entering housing. Recipients of CoC-funded PSH are not required to allow units to remain vacant indefinitely while waiting for an eligible household (as identified in their grant agreement) to accept the offer of PSH. Instead, HUD recommends CoCs exercise due diligence when conducting outreach and assessment to ensure eligible households are identified and prioritized for assistance in accordance with their local prioritization standards.

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Upcoming Meetings

Please visit the [Orange County CoC webpage](#) for the full calendar of CoC Board and CoC Committee meetings, including details related to the location and Zoom webinar link, if available.

***Note:** Regular meeting agendas are posted at least 72 hours in advance in accordance with the Brown Act. Presentations are posted following the meeting.*

July 2026				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
		LEAC		
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
	PPS Committee			
20	21	22	23	24
	Joint Special Meeting	CoC Board		
27	28	29	30	31
				45

LEAC Member Comments

Robert “Santa Bob” Morse, Chair

Members of the LEAC may provide comments on matters not appearing on the agenda so long as the subject matter is within the jurisdiction of the LEAC

Thank you for joining!

Next Meeting: *Wednesday, August 5, 2026*

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Location: *Orange County United Way located at
18012 Mitchell S., Irvine, CA 92614*



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