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**Grant Awards Help Provide Critical Assistance to Homeless**

*Housing Authority and Affiliate- KEYS Receive \$2.65 million for Homeless Services*

(San Bernardino, CA) The Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino (HACSB) was awarded a one-year renewal grant for \$2.41 million from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for its various Continuum of Care programs that serve homeless families and individuals with disabilities. Its affiliate non-profit KEYS, also received \$236,605 for Housing navigators to also serve homeless families with children. HACSB and KEYS combined received \$2.65 million of the \$6.96 million awarded throughout San Bernardino County.

The Continuum of Care homeless programs build on the premise that housing and services need to be linked in order to ensure stable housing for this hard to serve population. Partnering since 1996, the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) refers families to the Housing Authority. HACSB provides rental subsidy and administers the housing assistance. Through KEYS, the housing navigators will provide housing navigation, case management, and other support referrals. While the DBH provides services ranging from job training, health care, supportive services, and educational services, allowing the tenant an opportunity to obtain economic and social independence, when otherwise, they may still be homeless.

“The renewal of this grant is critical to continue to provide housing assistance to 182 families. During these difficult economic times and the increase in demand for affordable housing, we are grateful that through this grant we can continue to serve these families,” states Daniel Nackerman, HACSB’s Executive Director.

This program is an important source of housing and social service assistance for homeless people with severe disabilities. “We look forward to the grant being renewed in the years to come, as it’s a great program for many individuals through the County,” reinforces Mr. Nackerman.

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*The Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino is one of the largest public housing agencies in California, providing the critical resource of housing to a clientele of which the majority are seniors, persons with disabilities and children. From providing housing and home ownership, to job training and childcare, the Housing Authority helps tens of thousands of people to elevate their lives every day. For more information on the Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino, please visit [www.hacsb.com](http://www.hacsb.com).*