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GRANT AWARDED TO PROMOTE SELF-SUFFICIENCY ACTIVITIES

Housing Authority Receives \$135,678 to Assist San Bernardino County Residents

(San Bernardino, CA.) The Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino (HACSB) was awarded \$135,678 by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to continue promoting self-sufficiency activities for participants of the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

The agency's Family Self-Sufficiency Program staff work directly with clients to develop a 5-year plan towards economic independence. As a family's income rises, an escrow credit is deposited into an interest bearing escrow account by the Housing Authority. If the family successfully completes its FSS contract, the family receives the escrow funds that it can use for any purpose, including paying educational expenses, starting a business or paying debts.

HACSB's Community Development Initiatives Department works directly with families to: 1) develop a personalized education and/or professional action plan; and 2) provide on-going case management assistance to ensure each family/individual is achieving their planned goals. Through its established partnerships, staff refers families to existing community resources, whether its access various educational programs, job training and placement, and/or to health and human services.

"Our agency is committed to helping each family succeed in their own personal endeavors by providing them with case management assistance and references to the various services offered throughout the County," explains Daniel Nackerman, HACSB's President/CEO.

Thanks to this renewed funding from HUD, Housing Authority families will continue to receive these much needed services which ultimately benefit the entire community as individuals become self-sufficient and more families in need of affordable housing are housed.

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The Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino is one of the nation's most progressive housing authorities. As the largest provider of affordable housing in the County, we proudly serve in excess of 30,000 people, most of whom are seniors, disabled individuals, and children. We also work on providing our families with the resources, skills, and motivation to achieve their personal goals. For more information on the Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino, please visit www.hacsb.com.