



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

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Homeless Veterans Receive Housing Assistance

Housing Authority Receives \$320,000 Grant for Services

(San Bernardino, CA) A new grant award for \$319,567 will **help house 50 homeless veterans in San Bernardino County**, thanks to a recent grant awarded to the Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino (HACSB) by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

HUD provides funding for homeless veterans through its Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program (HUD-VASH). This is a coordinated effort by HUD, local Veterans Affairs Medical Centers (VAMC) and Housing Authorities across the country to provide permanent housing for homeless veterans. Veterans participating in the HUD-VASH program rent privately owned housing and generally contribute 30 percent of their income toward rent. The Veteran's Administration (VA) offers eligible homeless veterans clinical and supportive services through its medical centers across the country.

HACSB is proud to partner with the Loma Linda Veterans Affairs Medical Center to provide this valuable program to our local homeless veteran population. **The vouchers awarded to HACSB over the past four years have offered a lifeline of supportive services through the VA coupled with housing assistance by HACSB.** With this recent HUD-VASH grant allocation, HACSB now has the ability to subsidize housing for 135 veterans.

"A commitment has been made at the federal level to end Veteran, long-term, chronic homelessness by 2015, and we fully support this endeavor and are honored to be able to provide housing assistance to an additional 50 veterans," states Dan Nackerman, HACSB's President/CEO.

HACSB and Loma Linda VAMC have made a great strategic partnership in supporting and providing assistance to our county's homeless veteran population and have contributed to reducing the number of homeless veterans. **On a national average, the total number of homeless veterans has dropped by 12% nationwide over the past year.**

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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