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More Veterans Get Housing

Housing Authority Grant Helps House 65 Additional Families

(San Bernardino, CA) A **new grant award for \$492,406 will help house 65 additional 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). **Nationwide more than 9,000 additional homeless veterans will receive assistance for housing under this new HUD allocation.**

HUD and the VA provide 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 VASH vouchers awarded to HACSB over the past five years have offered a lifeline of supportive services through the VA coupled with housing by HACSB. With this recent HUD-VASH grant allocation, **HACSB now has the ability to subsidize housing for 255 veterans.**

"A commitment has been made at the federal level and by our local board to end long-term, chronic veterans homelessness by 2015, and we are making unprecedented progress with this endeavor. We are honored to be able to serve our veterans through 65 more homes," states Daniel Nackerman, HACSB's Executive Director.

As First Lady Michelle Obama said in a *Joining Forces* speech in July 2014, "As Americans, the idea that anyone who has worn our country's uniform spends their nights sleeping on the ground should horrify us. And so it is truly our duty to right this wrong and put an end to veteran homelessness once and for all."

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.

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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.