



County of Fresno Report for FMCoC General Membership Meeting: January 11, 2024

Informational

1. The HHAP 1-4 annual reports were submitted to California Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal ICH) on December 15, 2023. The reports capture obligations and expenditures from program inception through September 30, 2023. The reports and report summaries will be provided at the February meeting.
2. The county released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for HHAP services on December 1, 2023. The RFP was open for a little over a month, to account for the holidays, and closed on January 9, 2024. Two review committees will evaluate the proposals and the recommended agreements will be shared at a future meeting.

The RFP included FMCoC and County HHAP funding from rounds 3 and 4 and prospective funding from rounds 5-8. This will enable the County to enter into 5 year agreements (3 base years + 2 optional one-year extensions), for continuity of services. It will also enable the County to spend more time evaluating the effectiveness of the services funded, rather than amending to extend each year. The services put out to bid were based on the need to maintain similar services in the community, with an emphasis on program strategies for exiting people to permanent housing and leveraging other resources to maximize budgets and outcomes. The services solicited include the following:

- a. Non-congregate Triage Center Emergency Shelter
- b. Bridget Housing (transitional shelter)
- c. Diversion
- d. Rapid Rehousing
- e. Youth Emergency Shelter and Bridge Housing
- f. Youth Rapid Rehousing

It is anticipated the agreements resulting from the RFP will begin July 1, 2024 and terminate June 30, 2029, if all extensions are exercised. However, depending upon future funding, they could terminate sooner.

3. The plan for the County's 2024 ESG allocation from HUD will likely be used to support the required match for the Housing and Disability Advocacy Program whose focus is people experiencing or at risk of homelessness who are likely eligible for disability benefits. The funding plan will be brought to the FMCoC for input in February as well.