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State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program (Round 6)

In completing and signing this form, the proposer acknowledges that the following items are included in the grant application submittal, in accordance with the instructions provided on pages 7 and 8 of the NOFA application. This checklist is required as the **First Page** of the package.

1. **Threshold Requirements**
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   - Applicant organization is compliant with site monitoring and has no outstanding findings.
   - Proposals must include:
     - A well written project narrative that clearly responds to each question in the application. The project narrative must not exceed 12 pages.
     - A comprehensive budget that details the expenditure plan and justifies the funding request.
     - All required attachments below must be included in the submittal.

   Application packages found deficient following a threshold review will not be considered and the project narrative will not be reviewed or submitted for scoring.

2. **To fulfill threshold requirements, the following are required attachments:**
   - ☐ 501(c)3 non-profit designation (government applicants do not need to submit non-profit designation).
   - ☐ Most recent single audit or IRS tax form 990 and Compilation Financial Statement.
   - ☐ A Client Demographics Report generated from the Homeless Management Information System for all projects operated directly by your organization for the period July 1, 2025, through June 20, 2026.
   - ☐ Board roaster with contact information.
   - ☐ Proposed project budget detailing all sources and uses, including HHAP-6.
   - ☐ Organizational Budget.
   - ☐ Written organizational policies and procedures demonstrating adoption of Housing First principles.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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INTRODUCTION

The County of San Joaquin and the San Joaquin Continuum of Care are pleased to announce the availability of funds under Round 6 of the State of California Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program. Funds must be used to pay for costs associated with eligible activities as described in the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) released by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in February 2025 (and amended in August 2026). All applicants for funding under this local NOFA must propose projects which serve people experiencing homelessness and demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the HHAP program and the State of California.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to review the information available at the HHAP program website (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-and-funding/programs-active/homeless-housing-assistance-and-prevention-grant-program) prior to preparing their application.

For questions and technical assistance, please contact San Joaquin County Neighborhood Preservation at fiscalneighborhood@sjgov.org or (209) 468-3175.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN 2PM ON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20, 2026.

Applications must be submitted either via email to fiscalneighborhood@sjgov.org or in person at the San Joaquin County Neighborhood Preservation's Office:

> Neighborhood Preservation
> 400 E. Main Street
> Stockton, CA 95202

Please Note: *Applications submitted by mail will not be considered. If application is submitted via email, please ensure that you obtain a confirmation response that the application has been received.*

HHAP ALLOCATIONS & GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

The total allocations for the two local jurisdictions which received funds in HHAP Round 6 are as follows:

- **County of San Joaquin** $5,399,638.58
- **San Joaquin Continuum of Care** $5,766,906.84

Applicants may apply for funding under this local NOFA for allocations from either or both the County of San Joaquin and the San Joaquin Continuum of Care and must clearly indicate which source(s) are being applied for and the exact amounts.

Please Also Note:

- Per statute Health and Safety Code (HSC) Section 50234(f), projects must provide housing and services that are Housing First compliant, and delivered in a low-barrier, trauma-informed, and culturally responsive manner. Individuals and families assisted with these funds must not be required to receive treatment or perform any other prerequisite activities as a condition for receiving shelter, housing, or other services for which these funds are used.
- Pursuant to HSC Section 50236, HHAP 6 is intended to sustain existing federal, state and local investments towards long-term sustainability of housing and supportive services. To achieve this, applicants shall develop plans which align with the state's priorities to:
  - Sustain existing investments towards long-term sustainability of housing and supportive services; and
  - Prioritize permanent housing solutions
- Applicants wishing to propose projects which intend to operate exclusively within the City of Stockton may apply for funds under this local NOFA *only* from the San Joaquin Continuum of Care allocation.
- The County of San Joaquin is making its allocation available *only* for projects which propose to operate outside of the City of Stockton or which operate countywide.
- Organizations proposing projects serving the entire geographic region of San Joaquin County which includes the City of Stockton are eligible to apply for both the County of San Joaquin and San Joaquin Continuum of Care allocations under this local NOFA. For example:
  - Organizations which may accept clients originating from outside of the City of Stockton, but which provide direct services only in the City of Stockton will not be eligible to apply for the County of San Joaquin allocation under this geographic restriction.
  - Organizations which have their administrative offices based in the City of Stockton, but which provide direct services both within and outside of the City of Stockton will be eligible to apply for the County of San Joaquin allocation under this geographic restriction.
- The County of San Joaquin reserves the right to determine at its discretion if a proposal will be eligible for funds under this geographic restriction.

Applicants wishing to apply for the City of Stockton allocation must do so through a separate process to be determined by the City of Stockton and are encouraged to contact the City of Stockton for additional information.

FUNDING PLAN

At their regular meeting of August 14, 2025, the San Joaquin Continuum of Care Board of Directors adopted local funding priorities for HHAP Round 6 following an extensive process of community-wide engagement and consensus building. In accordance with the directives of the Board of Supervisors and to ensure compliance with state requirements related to regional alignment in deploying funds under HHAP Round 6, the County of San Joaquin also adopted those priorities. Based upon those priorities, the County of San Joaquin submitted a joint application to HCD on behalf of both entities which included a "funding plan", a budget template developed by staff at HCD which cross-references project types with eligible use categories. HCD required all HHAP Round 6 recipients to specifically budget the local use of all funds within this funding plan and will refer to this funding plan as part of their monitoring for HHAP Round 6 expenditures by recipients and sub-recipients for all program funds.

Applicants under this local NOFA must propose projects which conform to the local funding plan for HHAP Round 6. Below is the list of project types and eligible activities for which local organizations may apply, reflecting the local HHAP Round 6 funding plan approved by the San Joaquin Continuum of Care and HCD. Additional information on the project types and eligible activities are outlined in HCD's HHAP Round 6 NOFA (https://www.hcd.ca.gov/sites/default/files/docs/grants-and-funding/calich/hhap-6-amended-nofa.pdf).

Permanent Housing

- **Operating Costs & Supportive Services:** Funds physical upkeep and daily facility operations. Provides critical resident care, including intensive case management, substance use and mental health treatment, and housing stability support within existing affordable housing, supportive housing, emergency shelters, and navigation centers.
- **Rental Assistance & Rapid Rehousing:** Offers rental subsidies for permanent housing programs. Includes wrap-around services, rental subsidies, security deposits, repair funds, and move-in expenses.

Interim Housing

- **Operating Costs & Supportive Services:** Funds operating subsidies for emergency shelters, navigation centers, and transitional units. Delivers stability-focused services like intensive case management and treatment referrals to help residents transition successfully into permanent housing.

Prevention and Shelter Diversion

- **Prevention and Shelter Diversion:** Targets individuals at immediate risk of homelessness, including individuals experiencing homelessness coming from encampment sites. Delivers safe alternatives to emergency shelters and provides targeted assistance to help individuals remain securely in their current housing.

Additionally, San Joaquin County and the Continuum of Care are making funds available for specific projects which propose to exclusively serve unaccompanied youth who are between 12 and 24 years old and experiencing homelessness.

AVAILABLE FUNDS

The County of San Joaquin is making funds available for the project types and eligible activities from the approved funding plan as follows:

Project Type & Eligible Activities	San Joaquin County Funds Available
Permanent Housing	
Operating Costs/Supportive Services - Permanent Housing	$485,967.47
Rental Assistance and Rapid Rehousing	$485,967.47
Interim Housing	
Operating Costs/Supportive Services – Interim Housing	$2,483,833.74
Prevention and Diversion	
Prevention and Shelter Diversion	$971,934.95
SUBTOTAL	**$4,427,703.63**
Youth Set-aside	
Operating Costs/Supportive Services – Interim Housing	$404,972.90
Rental Assistance and Rapid Rehousing	$134,990.97
SUBTOTAL	**$539,963.86**
TOTAL	**$4,967,667.49**

AVAILABLE FUNDS *(continued)*

The San Joaquin Continuum of Care is making available funds for the project types and eligible activities from the approved funding plan as follows:

Project Type & Eligible Activities	San Joaquin County Continuum of Care Funds Available
Permanent Housing	
Operating Costs/Supportive Services - Permanent Housing	$519,021.62
Rental Assistance and Rapid Rehousing	$519,021.62
Interim Housing	
Operating Costs/Supportive Services – Interim Housing	$2,652,777.14
Prevention and Diversion	
Prevention and Shelter Diversion	$1,038,043.23
SUBTOTAL	**$4,728,863.61**
Youth Set-aside	
Operating Costs/Supportive Services – Interim Housing	$432,518.01
Rental Assistance and Rapid Rehousing	$144,172.67
SUBTOTAL	**$576,690.69**
TOTAL NOFA	**$5,305,554.30**

The remainder of funds from both allocations have been set aside to pay for costs associated with administering the program.

Prior to the expenditure deadline of **May 11, 2029**, and ahead of the final state deadline on **June 30, 2029**, the County of San Joaquin will evaluate project statuses to allocate any remaining unspent administrative funds.

Organizations may propose project costs for up to the maximum available per eligible use category indicated for both allocations above. Organizations may propose project costs utilizing multiple eligible use categories from either or both allocations and may apply for up to the maximum available under each eligible use category within a single proposal, so long as those proposals conform to all other requirements indicated in state statute and the local NOFA.

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

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REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

Attachments are used for the Threshold Review. Failure to provide the required attachments or submission of partial or incomplete attachments may disqualify your proposal from review.

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By submitting this application, you acknowledge that:

- To the best of your knowledge, all information provided in this application is true and correct.
- This application as submitted has been duly authorized by the governing body of your organization.
- You are authorized by the governing body of your organization to submit this application on its behalf.
- Your organization will comply with all contractual obligations of the County of San Joaquin if funding is awarded.
- Your organization will comply with all provisions of the State of California Homeless, Housing, Assistance and Prevention program, as well as all applicable federal, state, and local statutes and ordinances, if funding is awarded.

SCORING

Proposals will be scored and ranked by an ad hoc committee of the San Joaquin Continuum of Care consisting of non-applicants and based upon objective criteria. In order to receive maximum points, applicants must clearly and thoroughly describe details of the project which address all the criteria reviewers will use to score and rank proposals. Prior to completing scoring and ranking, applicants may be contacted by a representative of the review committee for additional information and clarification regarding their proposals.

Please note that while these project rankings will be the primary basis for determining local project awards under HHAP Round 6, the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors and San Joaquin Continuum of Care Board of Directors are solely responsible for final determinations of local project awards and, prior to making final awards at their discretion, will consider multiple factors such as total funds requested per project type and the strategic regional deployment of funds. Any project scoring less than 80% will be denied funding.

The criteria which reviewers will use to score and rank project proposals under this local NOFA are as follows:

Section I: Organizational Details

Applicant Experience: 10 points

- Applicant organization demonstrates having the institutional experience and capacity to implement the proposed project activities.
- Applicant organization has successfully managed at least one other state/federal grant of a similar scope and complexity of the proposed project.

Participation: 10 points

- Applicant organization participates in the San Joaquin Continuum of Care (SJCoC) through:
  - Regular attendance at SJCoC Board of Directors, Standing Committees, and/or General Membership meetings or community homeless forums.
  - Participation in the Coordinated Entry System (CES).
  - Participation in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).
- Applicant engages and involves homeless or formerly homeless persons in project design and policy making at the organization and/or project level.

Section II: Funding Request

Overview of Funds Requested: 0 points

Provide summary information on the project and funding request, including:

- Number of Individuals / households to be served
- Amount of Funds requested per Eligible Use
- Eligible Use / Purpose

- Geographic Location of the Project
- Youth Set-Aside Compliance (if applicable)

Project Feasibility: 15 points

- Applicant's proposed project budget demonstrates a viable plan for rapid implementation of the program. Project proposes costs which are eligible and are likely to be impactful to the clients served. Project demonstrates cost effectiveness and is similar in cost to projects of comparable scope and complexity.
- Organization has the fiscal and administrative capacity to manage grant funds and meet all statutory expenditure deadlines.
- Organization has the capacity to sustain operations once grant cycle has concluded. OR the organization is proposing a time limited project and has a clear plan to spend down the funds.

Section III: Proposed Use of Funds

Project Design: 20 points

Quality of the proposed project in delivering activities to participants, including adherence to housing first, reasonableness of staffing plan and budget relative to project design, services offered, connections to mainstream resources, collaborations with community partners, and likeliness of the project to fill necessary system gaps and challenges, including disparities in homelessness.

Extent to which the applicant:

- Presents a proposal which clearly demonstrates a viable strategy for addressing the needs of the clients to be served within the context of the Core Components of Housing First and the strategies of the SJCoC.
- Describes a project which is feasible and viable within the budget and staffing plan presented.
- Demonstrates coordination with other agencies and providers to enhance service delivery, avoid duplication, and link participants to mainstream resources and critical services not provided by the project.
- Demonstrates the capacity to successfully serve a wide variety of clients, including those that are disproportionately impacted by homelessness.

Access to Services: 10 points

Extent to which the applicant:

- Proposes strategies to identify, engage, and retain homeless individuals and families with significant barriers and challenges (e.g., those experiencing chronic homelessness, those with disabilities, those exiting an institution, etc.).
- Can demonstrate the capacity to successfully serve diverse clients, including those with complex needs.

Section IV: Project Impact

Assessment of Impact: 15 points

Extent to which the project has a clear and effective plan in place to support proposed goals and objectives:

- Describes how the project's intended goals and objectives align with local needs.
- Outlines specific measures that will be used to track progress and impact.
- Demonstrates that there is a clear and effective plan to measure the project's goals and objectives.

Contribution to System Performance: 20 points

Extent to which the applicant:

- Describes the organization's approach to assessing client needs and exiting households to a permanent housing solution. Discuss any use of the Coordinated Entry System.
- Details how project activities will minimize the overall length of time individuals and households experience homelessness, including unsheltered homelessness.
- Mitigates racial and ethnic disparities using culturally responsive and trauma informed programs and practices. And/or addresses the needs of a sup-population with high unmet needs.
- Describes System Performance Measures (SPMs) that the project will actively impact, to achieve measurable progress for each selected measure.

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Section I: ORGANIZATION DETAILS

Name of Organization:	
Administrative Office Address:	
Contact Name:	**Title:**
Email Address:	**Phone Number:**
Organization Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):	
Per the HMIS, how many unduplicated households did your organization serve in Calendar year 2025:	
Does your organization have any outstanding findings related to site monitoring?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please list the finding(s) and explain the status of the proposed resolution to the finding(s).	

Applicant Experience

1. Describe your organization's experience and capacity to implement the proposed project activities.

Applicant Experience

2. Provide an example of a publicly funded project that this organization has managed, similar to the one being proposed.

Participation

3. Describe your organization's participation in the San Joaquin Continuum of Care, including use of the Coordinated Entry and the Homeless Management Information Systems.

Participation

4. To what extent does your organization involve those who are currently or formerly homeless in governance, policymaking, and/or service provision?

Section II. FUNDING REQUEST

Estimated Number of individuals (or households) to be served through this project:			
Total Amount of Funds Requested: $			
Total Amount requested from San Joaquin County **$**		**Total Amount requested from San Joaquin Continuum of Care** **$**	
HHAP Activities to be funded: Indicate the activity or activities proposed and funding requested per activity.			
☐ Operating Costs/Supportive Services - Permanent Housing	☐ Operating Costs/Supportive Services – Interim Housing	☐ Prevention and Shelter Diversion	☐ Rental Assistance and Rapid Rehousing
$	$	$	$
Location(s) and/or service area of project, e.g., specific addresses, "Countywide", City of Lodi, etc.			
Is this project applying for youth set-aside funding? If yes, describe how the project will ensure compliance with the requirements of the HHAP Round 6 NOFA related to the youth set-aside.		☐ Yes ☐ No	

Project Feasibility

5. Submit a full portfolio of all revenue sources to clearly illustrate how HHAP Round 6 funding will maximize service impact. Attach a comprehensive, detailed project budget. All projected costs must be eligible under program guidelines and demonstrate how HHAP 6 funds will be strategically leveraged alongside your current revenue streams to directly expand, enhance, and fortify client services.

Project Feasibility

6. Describe how your organization will ensure funds are fully expended by the required deadlines. Please include details regarding your organization's capacity to manage the fiscal administration of the grant and ensure use of funds align with allowable activities.

Project Feasibility

7. Describe how your organization plans to sustain essential project operations (including staffing) over time or describe the plan to conclude activities if funding is requested for a time-limited project not intended to provide on-going services (e.g. development projects, systems support initiatives, etc.).

Section III. PROPOSED USE of FUNDS

Project Design

8. Describe your project, target population, and any services that will be provided, within the context of the Core Components of Housing First and the strategies of the SJCoC. What approach will be used to accomplish the objectives of the project?

Project Design

9. Describe your budget and staffing plan. Please also include any consultants and/or professional services that will be hired through the grant funds. The project expenditure must align with the proposed budget.

Project Design

10. Explain how this project fits within the broader continuum of care. Explain how this project will work with other projects and agencies to identify clients, address needs, and successfully transition (exit) clients who have met established project objectives.

Project Design

11. Explain how this project will successfully serve a wide variety of individuals and households, including those that are disproportionately impacted by homelessness in San Joaquin County.

Access to Services

12. Explain how this project will identify, engage, and retain clients for the duration of services. Include any strategies or approaches for working with individuals and families experiencing complex challenges including those with health/behavioral health challenges, chronic homelessness, or other system involvement.

Access to Services

13. Provide any project specific data from the organization, demonstrating a capacity to successfully serve a diverse range of clients, including those with complex needs. If your organization has outcome data, include it in your response.

Assessment of Impact

14. Project Goals: State the overall goal or intended impact of the project. Describe how the project's goals and objectives align with local needs.

Assessment of Impact

15. Measures of Success: What *indicators* (or measures) will you use to track progress towards meeting goals. Be specific in listing the type of data that will be tracked.

Assessment of Impact

16. Data Collection Plan: Describe the organization's plan to measure the proposed goals and outcomes. Include how your organization uses HMIS or other data to record and track change over time.

Contribution to System Performance

17. Describe how your organization formally assess client needs and transition individuals into permanent housing (System Performance Measure 3- Number of people exiting homelessness into permanent housing). As part of your response, please detail how your agency utilizes the Coordinated Entry System (CES) to support these successful exits.

Contribution to System Performance

18. Describe how project activities will minimize the overall length of time individuals and households experience homelessness, including unsheltered homelessness.

Contribution to System Performance

19. Explain how this project will address/mitigate the racial and ethnic disparities pervasive among those experiencing homelessness. OR Explain how this project is designed to address the unmet needs of a protected sub-population of interest (e.g. veterans, youth, households fleeing violence, exiting an institution, etc.).

Contribution to System Performance

20. List all System Performance Measures (SPMs) from the chart below that this project will actively impact, and detail the specific, actionable strategies the project will utilize to achieve measurable progress for each selected measure.

Metric ID	System Performance Measure Description
M1a	Number of people experiencing homelessness who are accessing services
M1b	Number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness according to the unsheltered PIT count
M2	Number of people experiencing homelessness who are accessing services for the first time (in the past two years)
M3	Number of people exiting homelessness into permanent housing
M4	Average length of time (days) that people experienced homelessness while accessing services
M5	Percentage of people who return to homelessness within 6 months of exiting the homelessness response system to permanent housing
M6	Number of people successfully placed (into shelter, interim, or permanent housing) from street outreach

RESOURCES

For additional information on HHAP Round 6 requirements and the system performance measures, please see:

- HHAP Round 6 Notice of Funding Availability.
- HHAP Round 6 Enabling Statute: Assembly Bill 166, Chapter 48, 2024
- California Interagency Council on Homelessness, California System Performance Measures Guide, Last updated 8/2026.

All information may be found on the HCD website at: https://www.hcd.ca.gov/