HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO Accomplishments
As of January 31, 2020

The San Diego Housing Commission’s (SDHC) homelessness action plan, HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO, has created more than 8,700 housing opportunities in five years for individuals and families experiencing homelessness in the City of San Diego.

HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO, an effective, diverse funding and housing strategy, launched on November 12, 2014. The current phase of this action plan launched on July 1, 2017, and continues through June 30, 2020.

8,777
Total Housing Opportunities Created
November 12, 2014 – January 31, 2020

July 1, 2017 – January 31, 2020:
5,843
Housing Opportunities Created

Landlord Engagement and Assistance Program (LEAP): 2,145
SDHC Moving Home Rapid Rehousing: 342
Homelessness Prevention & Diversion: 2,426
  Prevention: 558
  Diversion: 200
  Family Reunification Programs: 1,668
SDHC Moving On Rental Assistance: 20
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Mainstream Vouchers: 83
New Permanent Supportive Housing: 850
  (Board approved and/or under construction; 43 units are completed)

SDHC Moving Home Rapid Rehousing participant,
Lola and her daughters

We’re able to have a sense of normalcy, a sense of security we didn’t have before. ”
–Lola

1 The Moving Home Rapid Rehousing program assisted 23 veterans through Housing Our Heroes from July 1, 2017, to September 30, 2017. These 23 have been subtracted from the total housing opportunities to avoid duplication.
November 12, 2014 – June 30, 2017:

2,934

Housing Opportunities Created

Housing Our Heroes: 1,000

Award Development Funds (Up to $30 million): 382
SDHC awarded $28.9 million toward the development of 382 units, of which 303 units are completed and 79 units are under construction.

Commit 1,500 rental housing vouchers: 1,952

Awarded to developments: 863
Committed to Project One for All (POFA): 733 (A partnership with the County of San Diego)
Committed at launch of initiative: 301 (Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing and Sponsor-Based Vouchers)
Committed to Action Central program: 55

Hotel Churchill Renovation: 72

Village North Senior - Property Acquisition: 44

SDHC-owned units (Rapid Rehousing): 25

Guardian Scholars: 100

Monarch School: 25

2 The 1,952 vouchers SDHC committed include the 382 units for which development funds also were awarded, the 72 units at Hotel Churchill and the 44 units at Village North Senior Garden Apartments. These units have been subtracted from the total to avoid duplication in counting.

3 Of the 733 vouchers SDHC committed to POFA, 87 are also included among the vouchers awarded to specific developments, so they have been subtracted from the total to avoid duplication.

4 Hotel Churchill includes 56 units set aside for veterans who previously experienced homelessness. These 56 units are included in the permanent housing secured for veterans through Housing Our Heroes, as well as the vouchers provided to Hotel Churchill, so they have been subtracted from the total housing opportunities to avoid duplication.

5 With the launch of Moving Home Rapid Rehousing on July 1, 2017, SDHC increased the number of SDHC-owned housing units committed to rapid rehousing to 50. SDHC has subtracted the 25 units initially committed to HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO on November 12, 2014, from the total to avoid duplication in the overall total of housing opportunities.