



HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO Accomplishments

As of October 31, 2020

The San Diego Housing Commission’s (SDHC) homelessness action plan, HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO, has created more than 9,200 housing opportunities in six years for individuals and families experiencing homelessness in the City of San Diego, and more than 600 additional new housing units are pending completion.

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.

9,265

Total Housing Opportunities Created
November 12, 2014 – October 31, 2020

604

New Housing Units Pending Completion
As of October 31, 2020

July 1, 2017 – October 31, 2020:

7,100

Housing Opportunities Created

Landlord Engagement and Assistance Program (LEAP):	3,005
SDHC Moving Home Rapid Rehousing:	367 ¹
Homelessness Prevention & Diversion:	2,834
Prevention:	704
Diversion:	282
Family Reunification Programs:	1,848
SDHC Moving On Rental Assistance:	20
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Mainstream Vouchers:	83 ²
New Permanent Supportive Housing:	897
(Board approved and/or under construction; 293 units are completed)	



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

–Lola

SDHC Moving Home Rapid Rehousing participant,
Lola and her daughters

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.

² LEAP will also help HUD Mainstream Voucher households, so they have been subtracted from the total to avoid duplication.



“It only became real when I put keys in that door. But it was that overwhelming for me that I fell on my knees and just sobbed like a child. It was just that emotional.”
 –Mark

Veteran who experienced homelessness, Mark, on moving into his new unit at Alpha Lofts

November 12, 2014 – June 30, 2017:

2,769

Housing Opportunities Created

Housing Our Heroes:	1,000
Award Development Funds (Up to \$30 million): SDHC awarded \$28.9 million toward the development of 382 units	382
Commit 1,500 rental housing vouchers:	1,980³
<i>Awarded to developments:</i>	859
<i>Committed to Project One for All (POFA):</i> <i>(A partnership with the County of San Diego)</i>	765 ⁴
<i>Committed at launch of initiative:</i> <i>(Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing and Sponsor-Based Vouchers)</i>	301
<i>Committed to Action Central program</i>	55
Hotel Churchill Renovation:	72⁵
Village North Senior - Property Acquisition:	44
SDHC-owned units (Rapid Rehousing):	25⁶
Guardian Scholars:	100
Monarch School:	25

³ The 1,980 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.

⁴ SDHC committed 765 vouchers to POFA. Of those, 280 vouchers have been committed to specific developments counted in other categories. So 280 POFA vouchers have been subtracted from the total housing opportunities to avoid duplication.

⁵ 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.

⁶ 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.