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San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC)
Budget Amendment to Fund Operator Agreements for
City of San Diego Bridge Shelter Programs
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SDHC – Budget Amendment for Bridge Shelters Operation Shelter to Home

- Launched April 1, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Temporarily repurposed parts of the San Diego Convention Center as a shelter for single adults experiencing homelessness in the City of San Diego.
- Moved single adults from the City’s Bridge Shelters and Interim Housing Programs into the Convention Center to allow for proper physical distancing.
- Moved 53 families, consisting of 151 individuals, from shelter at Golden Hall to motel rooms to facilitate appropriate physical distancing
- December 18, 2020: Mayor Todd Gloria announced the extension of Operation Shelter to Home through January, funded by unspent budgeted funds from prior months and state grants.
- City staff will present recommendations to City Council to further extend Operation Shelter to Home.



SDHC – Budget Amendment for Bridge Shelters Operation Shelter to Home (Continued)

- Helped more than 1,100 individuals and over 40 families obtain permanent or long-term housing since it launched.
- Collaboration among:
 - City of San Diego
 - County of San Diego
 - SDHC
 - Regional Task Force on the Homeless
 - San Diego Convention Center
 - Father Joe’s Villages
 - Alpha Project
 - Veterans Village of San Diego
 - Additional Service Providers



Operation Shelter to Home





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Bridge Shelter Programs Overview

- Operation Shelter to Home continues to offer clients the same services they received at the City of San Diego’s Bridge Shelter Programs, including:
 - Case Management
 - Housing navigation
 - 24-hour security
 - Meals
 - Showers
 - Restrooms
- Operation Shelter to Home also has provided an opportunity to integrate County of San Diego public health nurses, behavioral health services and primary care services from other service providers into the shelter setting.
- Supportive services offered through various organizations are also available throughout the shelter.





SDHC – Budget Amendment for Bridge Shelters Bridge Shelter Operator Agreements

- SDHC administers the agreements for the City’s Bridge Shelters based on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between SDHC and the City.
- June 16, 2020:
 - City Council approved an MOU with SDHC regarding the administration of Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program funds, which partially fund the City’s Bridge Shelter Programs.
 - Housing Authority authorized execution of agreements with Alpha Project, Father Joe’s Villages and Veterans Village of San Diego to operate the City’s Bridge Shelters during Fiscal Year 2021.
 - Bridge Shelter operated by Veterans Village of San Diego ceased operations as of November 30, 2020.





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Bridge Shelter Funding

- The Housing Authority’s June 16, 2020, action included authorizing SDHC’s President & CEO, or designee, to substitute funding sources for the Bridge Shelter agreements if funds are available.
- SDHC’s proposed expenditure of \$2 million in federal Moving to Work (MTW) funds would partially replace HHAP funds previously allocated to fund Bridge Shelter operations.
- Those HHAP funds would then be available to the City of San Diego to:
 - Support the continuation of Operation Shelter to Home, or
 - Replace Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) funds in other programs, which would then make HEAP funds available for Operation Shelter to Home.
- SDHC’s MTW funds are from resources that can support one-time investments in these programs.





SDHC – Budget Amendment for Bridge Shelters Staff Recommendations

That the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego:

- Authorize SDHC to amend its Fiscal Year 2021 budget in the amount of \$2,000,000 from federal MTW funds to fund operator agreements with Alpha Project and Father Joe’s Villages for the operation of the City of San Diego’s three Bridge Shelter programs. These MTW funds will partially replace previously allocated HHAP Program funds.
- Authorize SDHC’s President & Chief Executive Officer (President & CEO), or designee, to execute all necessary documents and instruments that are necessary and/or appropriate to implement these approvals, in a form and format approved by General Counsel, and to take such actions necessary and/or appropriate to implement these approvals.





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Questions & Comments

