

Housing & Homelessness Program Expansions

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About CDSS Housing & Homelessness Branch

- CDSS's Housing and Homelessness Branch (HHB) programs function at the intersection of housing and social services
- The State Budget has invested \$12 billion in housing and homelessness programs over the next two years
 - Just over **\$2 billion** of these funds were invested in CDDS/HHB programs over the next two years
 - Match requirements waived & eligibility expanded for many HHB programs
- HHB programs served over 100,000 individuals in 2020, more than any other state homelessness program.

Housing Support Program (HSP)

- HSP addresses the housing needs of families at risk of or experiencing homelessness in the **CalWORKs** program to help them obtain and keep permanent housing.
- The state budget appropriated **\$380 million** over two years in addition to the ongoing, annual appropriation of \$95 million
- Families **at risk of homelessness** may now be eligible for HSP

Bringing Families Home (BFH)

- BFH is intended to help reduce the number of families in the child welfare system experiencing or at risk of homelessness, to increase family reunification, and to prevent foster care placements.
- The state budget includes additional one-time investments totaling **\$185 million** over two years
- Families **at risk of homelessness** may now be eligible for BFH
- Match requirements are waived for the additional one-time funds

Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP)

- HDAP assists people experiencing or at risk of homelessness stabilize in housing while also advocating for benefits including SSI.
- The state budget appropriates **\$300 million** over two years in addition to the ongoing, annual appropriation of \$25 million
- Match requirements waived for one-time investments

Home Safe

- Home Safe provides homelessness assistance and prevention services for adult protective service clients, who are older and dependent adults experiencing abuse, neglect, or who are unable to care for their own needs
- The state budget includes additional one-time investments totaling **\$185 million** over two years
- Match requirements waived for these additional one-time funds

Project Roomkey and Rehousing Strategy

- PRK provides provide Non-Congregate Shelter for those experiencing homelessness as well as re-housing supports to access and stabilize in permanent housing.
- The state budget includes an additional one-time investment of **\$150 million**
- Allocation have been issued, deadline to accept funds are **September 10, 2021**

Community Care Expansion (CCE)

- CCE will fund the acquisition, construction, and/or rehabilitation of adult and senior care facilities in support of seniors and adults with disabilities that are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- The state budget includes **\$805 million** to support establishment of CCE

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