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<Recipient Name>
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Dear <insert name>,

Homelessness is an urgent humanitarian crisis in California with an estimated 172,000 unhoused individuals and countless others who are struggling to stay housed up and down the state. Right now, the state lacks a comprehensive and accountable plan to address this crisis effectively and equitably.

To make meaningful progress in helping those who are unhoused, California’s counties have come together to develop the [**AT HOME Plan**](https://www.counties.org/home-plan). This six-pillar framework is designed to make true progress to effectively address homelessness at every level – state, local and federal.

Our first priority is the “A” in AT HOME: **ACCOUNTABILTY**

Accountability is the foundation for the entire AT HOME Plan. To that end, we are building a coalition of committed local governments, organizations, businesses and individuals who believe in the urgent need for a framework of accountability when it comes to tackling homelessness in our communities.

**What does the AT HOME Coalition mean by “ACCOUNTABILITY?”**

* Clearly defined city, county and state roles and responsibilities making it clear which level of government is responsible for what. Today, this structure does not exist.
* Collaboration and coordination between the state, counties and cities from start to finish on countywide or regional plans that include measurable goals and outcomes.
* Ongoing funding commensurate with responsibilities for each entity within the plan which provides for maximum local flexibility while ensuring established goals and outcomes are met.
* Funding tied to results to ensure participating local governments adhere to clearly defined roles, such as for siting housing, providing supportive services, encampment outreach and prevention.
* Funded entities may be held accountable for goals and outcomes only to the extent that the state provides sufficient funding for the reasonable costs to achieve those goals.

I urge you to <pass a resolution in support of the AT HOME Coalition for Accountability/join our coalition> calling on the Governor and Legislature to adopt the Accountability Pillar of the AT HOME Plan as quickly as possible.

We must develop a comprehensive and data-driven plan that includes measurable outcomes and accountability for all levels of government to address homelessness – and **we must do it together**.

Sincerely,

<Name>
<Title>
<Contact Information>

See next page for AT HOME Coalition for Accountability resources

[Join the AT HOME Coalition for Accountability](https://www.counties.org/californians-homelessness-accountability)

[Learn more about the AT HOME Coalition’s call for Accountability](https://www.counties.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/csac_accountability_coaltion_fact_sheet.pdf?1681921979)

[Learn more about the AT HOME Plan](https://www.counties.org/home-plan)
 [Sample Resolution in Support of the AT HOME Plan](https://www.counties.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/at_home_-_support_resolution_3_28_23.docx?1680129311)