



The San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC) has earned a national reputation as a model public housing agency, creating innovative programs that provide housing opportunities for low-income and homeless individuals and families in the city of San Diego—the eighth-largest city in the nation, second largest in California.

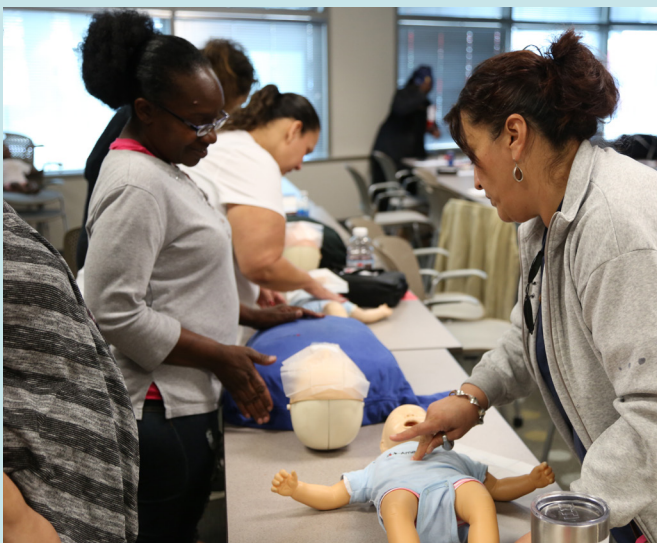
An award-winning, state-chartered public housing agency created in 1979, SDHC performs three major program functions that create affordable housing opportunities:

- Federal rental housing assistance provider for more than 15,000 low-income households, annually;
- Partner to address homelessness, including **HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO**, SDHC's landmark Homelessness Action Plan; and
- Affordable housing developer, investor and lender—producing more than 17,000 affordable housing units since 1981 through partnership developments and acquisitions.

## Governance

- SDHC is governed by the San Diego City Council, sitting as the Housing Authority of the City of San Diego (Housing Authority).
- SDHC President & CEO Richard C. Gentry is the Executive Director of the Housing Authority.
- The Housing Authority has final authority over SDHC's budget and major policy decisions.
- A seven-member Board of Commissioners oversees SDHC's operations and makes recommendations to the Housing Authority.
- The Mayor appoints Commissioners, who are confirmed by the San Diego City Council. All members must file an annual Statement of Economic Interest and disclose any potential conflicts of interest.

## Providing Rental Assistance



*SDHC Achievement Academy CPR Training Workshop – 03.23.17*

- SDHC's largest program provides rental assistance funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to more than 15,000 low-income households annually, with a waiting list of more than 75,000 households.
- The majority of SDHC's rental assistance households are seniors or individuals with disabilities.
- SDHC is one of only 39 housing authorities nationwide, out of 3,400, to receive a "Moving to Work" (MTW) designation from HUD. MTW status provides SDHC the flexibility to design and implement innovative approaches to provide Federal housing assistance.
- The SDHC Achievement Academy is a state-of-the-art learning and resource center and computer lab, which provides programs that emphasize career planning, job skills and personal financial education at no cost to Federal rental assistance participants or public housing residents.



## Addressing Homelessness

**HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO**, SDHC’s Homelessness Action Plan (2014-17) is an effective, diverse funding and housing strategy:

- Federal, State and City resources leveraged toward the creation of 523 permanent supportive rental housing units through new construction and acquisition, including the preservation of the historic Hotel Churchill.
- 1,853 Federal rental housing vouchers awarded to nonprofits and developments that are providing supportive services, combined with permanent housing.
- 25 SDHC-owned affordable rental housing units set aside year-round for rapid rehousing.
- Unprecedented partnership with San Diego State University to assist up to 100 students who have been homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- Collaboration with Monarch School to provide rental assistance for 25 families experiencing homelessness who have children at the school.
- Housing Our Heroes initiative to provide housing opportunities for 1,000 homeless Veterans in the city of San Diego.



*Luis, Formerly Homeless U.S. Navy Veteran and Hotel Churchill Resident*

The next phase of **HOUSING FIRST – SAN DIEGO** will build on these accomplishments with six programs to impact the lives of up to 3,000 homeless San Diegans:

- Homeless Prevention & Diversion Services
- Coordinated Street Outreach for Coordinated Entry
- Expanded Landlord Engagement
- Additional Rapid Rehousing Assistance
- New Permanent Supportive Housing
- Moving On Rental Assistance Program

## Creating & Preserving Affordable Housing



*Hotel Churchill – Downtown San Diego*

- Since 1981, SDHC has directed more than \$1 billion in loans and bond financing for real estate developments that produced more than 17,000 affordable apartments in the city of San Diego.
- SDHC’s First-Time Homebuyer Program has helped more than 4,500 low- and moderate-income families buy a home since the program began in August 1990. SDHC also has administered the County of San Diego’s First-Time Homebuyer Program since September 2014.
- More than 3,400 affordable rental housing units in the city of San Diego are owned and/or managed by SDHC, including SDHC’s nonprofit affiliate, Housing Development Partners (HDP).

For more information, visit [www.sdhc.org](http://www.sdhc.org)

