

Housing Authority of the City of San Diego Informational Report from the Executive Director Housing Authority Agenda Item #1 May 21, 2024

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- April 30, 2024: County Board of Supervisors action
 - Authorized allocating up to \$4.2 million to SDHC to assist City of San Diego households in the County's Emergency Temporary Lodging Program (ETLP).
 - o Funding requires an equal match from SDHC and/or City of San Diego.
 - Extended the County's ETLP through June 21, 2024.





- 443 City of San Diego families in hotels through the County program as of May 17, 2024
- 229 Families designated for SDHC housing assessments
 - 128 Housing assessment intakes completed
 - 9 Housing assessments scheduled
 - 50 Families declined the housing assessment
 - 13 Not responding to initial engagement
 - 13 Spoken to but have not taken the assessment.
 - 16 Files provided to SDHC were duplicate family referrals.





May 11, 2024: Housing and Resource Fair







SDHC Housing Unit Search Assistance

- All City of San Diego households eligible for and participating in the County's ETLP can receive housing search assistance from SDHC.
- SDHC staff experienced in housing searches for other programs will identify available rental housing units within the County of San Diego.
- Housing search workshops conducted to share basics of searching and locating a rental housing unit and information about online leasing platforms.
- Landlords encouraged to list their available units at <u>affordablehousing.com</u>





Financial Assistance for ETLP Families from the City of San Diego who Were Ineligible for FEMA

- Assistance for one move for the household, such as:
 - Application Fees
 - Security Deposit (up to two months)
 - Storage Costs
 - Hotel Expenses (up to two weeks for families that executed a lease and awaiting the unit's availability)
 - Moving Costs
 - Up to six months of rent
 - Landlord Leasing Bonus
- Assistance is subject to funding availability.

- Eligibility
 - City of San Diego household eligible for and currently residing in County's ETLP
 - Ineligible for assistance from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
 - Avoid duplication of benefits
 - Avoid risk of disqualification from ongoing FEMA assistance
 - Assistance from SDHC's program may adversely affect a family's continuing eligibility for further FEMA assistance.
 - FEMA may provide a larger total amount for up to 18 months.





Landlord Housing Restoration Assistance

- SDHC is exploring a contract with a local nonprofit organization to administer this initiative.
- The nonprofit's responsibilities would include:
 - Assess flood damage at housing units.
 - Contract with labor to complete necessary repairs to restore the unit and make it habitable.
- SDHC would provide funds from the County to the nonprofit to cover costs for labor and materials.
- Assistance is subject to funding availability.

- The landlord is required to lease the repaired unit to the family that previously occupied the unit.
 - If the previous tenant declines the unit, the landlord is required to rent to another City of San Diego family eligible for and participating in the County ETLP.
- Restrictions on lease terms and contract rent would apply to ensure the displaced family does not experience significant changes to their contract rent amount.





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