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Housing Authority of the City of San Diego Informational Report from the Executive Director

Housing Authority Agenda Item #1
February 13, 2024

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SDHC Storm Response Update

As of 7 p.m. Sunday, February 11, 2024

Housing Assessments Completed	
Total Assessments	590
Referred to Hotel*	336
Referred to SDHC's Midway Drive Property*	52
Referred to other resources	85
No Support Needed	117

Household Composition – Referred Households			
	SDHC's Midway Drive Referrals	Hotel Referrals	Total
# of Households	52	336	388
# of Adults	91	674	765
# of Children	43	351	394
# of Pets	26	229	255

**Not all referred households have checked in at hotels. Also, some have exited Midway Drive for different reasons, such as moving to a hotel closer to their children's school.*



SDHC Storm Response – Public Donations

Donations

- Lucky Duck Foundation:
\$100,000
- Illumina: \$50,000
- San Diego Food Bank:
Daily food for 150
households (411
individuals) at 12 sites
- Alpha Project:
182 hot meals daily across
three sites



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Multifamily Housing Finance

Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds

- 90 affordable housing developments
 - 11,917 total units
 - 10,307 affordable rental housing units
- Bond portfolio: \$2,269,898,949
- Calendar Year 2023
 - \$163,911,012 Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds issued
 - 4 affordable housing developments
 - 555 affordable rental housing units
- Bond Recycling
 - 7 affordable housing developments
 - 771 affordable housing units



Iris at San Ysidro Groundbreaking
\$31,500,000 Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds
Council District 8 – 87 affordable units



Cortez Hill Groundbreaking -
\$21,235,500 Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds
Council District 3 – 87 affordable units



Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Wait List Update

- As of November 30, 2023: 66,787
- Average Time on Wait List: 12 – 15 years
- December 2022: Wait List Update Outreach Began
 - Letters and emails to Wait List households
 - Multiple posts on SDHC social media accounts
 - Contracts with community-based organizations to serve as access points for those who needed in-person assistance with the Wait List update.
 - Casa Familiar
 - Chicano Federation
 - Logan Heights Community Development Corporation
 - Refugee Assistance Center
 - Horn of Africa Community
 - United Women of East Africa
- August 30, 2023 – December 31, 2023: Unresponsive households removed from Wait List
- Households may request reinstatement at original application date and time.





Raise and Expand Access with Community Help (REACH)

- Started to assist applicants with updating or completing Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Wait List applications.
 - Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) provided in-person or additional assistance.
- Now a pilot initiative for Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher programs.
 - CBOs provide assistance to applicants and participants
 - Gather verifications for SDHC applicants and certifications
 - Help complete forms
 - Provide general information
 - CBOs offer assistance in person and by telephone.



Raise and Expand Access with Community Help (REACH)

The REACH program focuses on providing assistance to current program participants who require additional help to access and utilize SDHC's online systems, complete routine program-related paperwork, and to help gather required verifications.

Community-Based Organizations (CBO) staff have a general understanding of the Housing Choice Voucher Program, required documents, general eligibility criteria, biennial and interim certifications, and the waitlist application. They will assist applicants and participants complete routine Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program paperwork.

CBO Services

REACH CBOs will provide SDHC program participants in person and by appointment assistance with the following items:

- Providing physical space for clients and supplies and equipment needed to access SDHC online systems, including, but not limited to computers, internet access, and scanners to scan and upload documents
- Completing certification paperwork
- Completing interim certification paperwork required to report changes such as household composition, annual income, medical expense deductions, and other changes
- Gathering verification documents, such as SSA/SSI benefit letters, proof of unemployment denial or award of benefits, CalWORKs/Adoptions Assistance/Foster Care payments, VA or other pension benefit documentation
- Assisting with filling out and completing Wait List applications and updating information on existing Wait List applications on the SDHC Rental Assistance Wait List Portal
- Creating email accounts required to create accounts in the Housing Commission's online portal and future applications

REACH Partners

These organizations will be available to take in person appointments to assist applicants in completing forms, assist with gathering information, and complete Waiting List Updates:

1. **Casa Familiar:** (619) 428-1115
119 West Hall Avenue, San Ysidro, CA 92173
161 West San Ysidro Boulevard, #B 101-102, San Ysidro, CA 92173
2. **Chicano Federation:** (619) 285-5600
3180 University Avenue, Suite #110, San Diego, CA 92104
3. **Logan Heights Community Development Corporation:**
(619) 858-0563
3040 Imperial Avenue, San Diego, CA 92104
4. **Refugee Assistance Center:** (619) 793-9019
4265 Fairmount Avenue, San Diego, CA 92105
5. **Horn of Africa Community:** (619) 583-0532
5348 University Avenue, Suite 101, San Diego, CA 92105
6. **United Women of East Africa Support Team:** (619) 501-7804
6523 University Avenue, San Diego, CA 92115

Request an Accommodation due to Disability

If you are a person with a disability and need a reasonable accommodation, please call the Housing Commission at (619) 231-9400

General Questions

If you are already receiving Housing Assistance from the Housing Commission and have general questions regarding your assistance, please call (619) 231-9400.

If you have questions regarding your Wait List application or registering for the new Housing Commission Wait List Portal, please contact the Wait List Call Center at 619-578-7640.

CBO staff are not subject matter experts regarding the Housing Commission policies and will not make policy determinations.

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Groundbreaking: Harrington Heights





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