On July 31, 2019, Governor Newsom signed into law the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program (AB 101, Chapter 159, Statutes of 2019). The HHAP program is a block grant program designed to provide jurisdictions with one-time grant funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges informed by a best-practices framework focused on moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and supporting the efforts of those individuals and families to maintain their permanent housing.

### Available Funding

HHAP funding is divided into three categories for distribution.

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<td>Continuum of Care (CoC) [Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code § 50218 (a)(1)]</td>
<td>$190,000,000</td>
<td>Based on each CoC’s proportionate share of the state’s total homeless population based on the homeless point-in time count.</td>
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<td>City/City that is also a County, with a population of 300,000 or more, as of January 1, 2019. [Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code § 50218 (a)(2)]</td>
<td>$275,000,000</td>
<td>Based on the city’s proportionate share of the total homeless population of the region served by the CoC within which the city is located, based on the homeless point-in time count.</td>
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<td>County [Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code § 50218 (a)(3)]</td>
<td>$175,000,000</td>
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### Eligible Applicants

The eligible applicants who may apply for HHAP program funds are the CoC, as identified by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), large cities (with a population of 300,000 or more), and counties. Successful applicants will be awarded HHAP program funds after entering into a contract with the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing
Agency (BCSH). The eligible applicants will administer their own funds separately; however, they are expected to demonstrate regional coordination as outlined in the HHAP program guidance. One of the threshold requirements is that the eligible applicants must submit a plan specifying alignment of funds and goals, strategies, and services, both short-term and long-term, to reduce homelessness and make it non-recurring.

For the allocations made to the large cities and the counties, those cities and counties are the administrative entity. For allocations made directly to a CoC, the administrative entity means a unit of general purpose local government (city, county or a city that is also a county) or a nonprofit organization that has (1) previously administered federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CoC funds as the collaborative applicant pursuant to Section 578.3 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and (2) been designated by the CoC to administer program funds. For this application, CoC and administrative entity are used interchangeably.

Redirection of Funds

The Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) acknowledges there may be jurisdictions who want to redirect their HHAP program allocation to their partnering CoC, large city (if applicable), or county. Therefore, eligible applicants will be allowed to redirect their HHAP program allocation to the CoC, large city (if applicable), or county that serves the same region it is connected to in lieu of directly applying for their program allocation. The following requirements must be adhered to when redirecting funds:

1. The jurisdiction must redirect their entire HHAP program allocation to a single CoC, large city (if applicable), or county that serves the same region.
2. Redirected funds shall be used in the jurisdiction entitled to the funds or to provide regional housing or services that serve the population living in the jurisdiction entitled to the funds.
3. The eligible applicant receiving funds must clearly identify the intended use of the redirected funds in their program application.
4. The eligible applicant receiving funds must comply with the expenditure deadlines as stated in Health and Safety Code § 50220(a-e). For example, if a large city receives funds from a county, the entire county program allocation must be contractually obligated by May 31, 2023. Funds not contractually obligated by this date would then revert to the CoC serving that region.
5. Eligible applicants who are giving and receiving the program allocation will also need to submit a binding resolution or agreement that redirects the funds from one entity to the other and is signed by both jurisdictions. Evidence of such an agreement/resolution must be submitted by midnight on February 15, 2020.

HCFC is requesting any eligible applicants wishing to redirect their program allocation in this way to submit their intent to do so by November 1, 2019. The Intent to Redirect Program Allocation form that must be completed can be found at www.bcsb.ca.gov/hcfc.
The HHAP Program Guidance will be released in October 2019 and will provide additional program information including timelines with key milestones and program deliverables. For questions, please contact Lahela Mattox, Director of Local Partnership Programs at 916-651-2770 or at Lahela.mattox@bcsh.ca.gov.