



## FACT SHEET

# Homekey Awards

### Announced October 28, 2020

*\$129.6 million awarded to nine jurisdictions for 17 projects (982 units)*

*The COVID-19 pandemic has put people experiencing homelessness at great risk and has disproportionately affected certain communities that could fall into homelessness. To address this, Project Roomkey, a state-led effort to acquire hotel rooms for individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and who are at highest risk of COVID-19, was created. It has served more than 12,000 people.*

*Building off the success of Project Roomkey, Homekey is California's innovative \$600 million program to purchase and rehabilitate housing, including hotels, motels, vacant apartment buildings and other properties, and convert them into permanent, long-term housing for people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. Administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development, additional awards are expected weekly until all \$600 million has been awarded.*

### **Two Alameda County hotels to serve as interim housing, eventually becoming permanent homes**

**Location:** Alameda County

**Region:** Bay Area

**Applicant:** Alameda County

**Project name:** Alameda County Homekey 2

**Award amount:** \$4,525,000

**Location:** Alameda County

**Region:** Bay Area

**Applicant:** Alameda County

**Project name:** Alameda County Homekey 3

**Award amount:** \$18,658,500

**About the project:** Alameda County will acquire two hotels, which will initially serve as interim housing with improvements to common space, outdoor space, accessibility features, and expanded support services space. To expedite the completion of this minor rehab, the county will contract with the current onsite provider who has

experience in efficiently executing these types of site alterations. The county expects the sites will operate as interim housing for up to two years after which the county will begin planning for phase 2, which will include comprehensive rehab to create studio units.

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### **Sacramento to purchase manufactured housing and create interim housing village**

**Location:** Sacramento

**Region:** Sacramento Area

**Applicant:** City of Sacramento

**Project name:** Sacramento Homekey 3

**Award amount:** \$2,550,000

**About the project:** This is the third Homekey site in the City of Sacramento. It includes purchase and installation of 11 two-bedroom, fully accessible manufactured housing units to serve 20 households in an interim housing village. The site provides a mix of shared housing and family units with supportive services serving women and children who are experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness and affected by COVID-19.

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### **Los Angeles County to create 81 more permanent homes with supportive services for residents**

**Location:** Los Angeles County

**Region:** Los Angeles

**Applicant:** Los Angeles County

**Project name:** County of Los Angeles Homekey 9

**Award amount:** \$11,750,000

**About the project:** Los Angeles County will purchase and rehab 81 units in a hotel that will be converted to permanent housing with supportive services for people experiencing homelessness and affected by COVID-19. All rooms contain kitchens/kitchenettes. Residents will move in in spring of 2021. Los Angeles County and nonprofit service providers will leverage other local funding resources and other state/federal funds to provide supportive services and rental subsidies.

**Commercial property and motel to become interim, and eventually permanent, homes in Marin County**

**Location:** Marin County

**Region:** Bay Area

**Applicant:** Marin County

**Project name:** Marin County Homekey 2

**Award amount:** \$6,270,000

**Location:** Marin County

**Region:** Bay Area

**Applicant:** Marin County

**Project name:** Marin County Homekey 3

**Award amount:** \$11,900,000

**About the project:** Marin County will acquire one vacant commercial property and convert it to 44 units to initially serve as interim housing. The county will also acquire a 70-unit motel and convert it to interim housing. Both sites will include exits to permanent housing through the county's Coordinated Entry System. Over time, units will be converted to permanent housing by pairing them with project-based housing vouchers.

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**Fresno to create homes for people experiencing homelessness  
revitalize neighborhood without displacing current residents**

**Location:** Fresno Housing Authority

**Region:** San Joaquin Valley

**Applicant:** Fresno Housing Authority

**Project name:** Fresno Housing Authority Homekey 1

**Award amount:** \$5,858,779

**Location:** Fresno Housing Authority

**Region:** San Joaquin Valley

**Applicant:** Fresno Housing Authority

**Project name:** Fresno Housing Authority Homekey 2

**Award amount:** \$3,759,124

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**Location:** Fresno Housing Authority

**Region:** San Joaquin Valley

**Applicant:** Fresno Housing Authority

**Project name:** Fresno Housing Authority Homekey 3

**Award amount:** \$5,306,163

**Location:** Fresno Housing Authority

**Region:** San Joaquin Valley

**Applicant:** Fresno Housing Authority

**Project name:** Fresno Housing Authority Homekey 4

**Award amount:** \$1,535,974

**About the project:** The acquisition of three motels are part of a major planned revitalization in Fresno in a neighborhood has struggled with gang violence in connection with drug and human trafficking. Homekey will provide catalytic funding to not only acquire the underutilized motels in the area, but also attract financing for new mixed-income housing and retail nearby. Thanks in part to Homekey, the City of Fresno estimates that it could immediately provide interim housing and services for as many as 500 individuals. To avoid concentrating poverty in the longer term, Fresno will tear down and replace motels with permanent supportive housing, multifamily housing, and neighborhood amenities, ensuring a one-for-one replacement over the next several years.

The Housing Authority will acquire a fourth motel that will house 13 individuals on an interim basis. Interim housing will offer low-barrier access to onsite, housing-focused services including diversion, housing placement, connection to community resources, and stabilization of health issues.

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## **City of Los Angeles to create 92 more permanent homes for highly vulnerable people experiencing homelessness**

**Location:** Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles

**Region:** Los Angeles

**Applicant:** Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles

**Project name:** Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles Homekey 13

**Award amount:** \$8,200,000

**Location:** Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles

**Region:** Los Angeles

**Applicant:** Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles

**Project name:** Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles Homekey 14

**Award amount:** \$7,674,492

**About the project:** The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles will acquire a 41-unit apartment building, comprised of 8 one-bedrooms, 23 two-bedrooms and 10 three-bedrooms. The project will provide permanent housing for highly vulnerable homeless individuals and families who are at risk of contracting COVID-19, as well as those who may be recovering from COVID-19.

The Housing Authority and city will acquire a 51-unit hotel, converting the property into interim housing. The Housing Authority and city will select a qualified housing owner-operator to operate the interim housing for up to five years and then make the improvements necessary to convert the property to permanent housing that will remain affordable for at least 55 years.

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**Purchase of two properties in San Mateo County will create 170 homes with supportive services**

**Location:** San Mateo County

**Region:** Bay Area

**Applicant:** San Mateo County

**Project name:** San Mateo County Homekey 1

**Award amount:** \$15,000,000

**Location:** San Mateo County

**Region:** Bay Area

**Applicant:** San Mateo County

**Project name:** San Mateo County Homekey 2

**Award amount:** \$18,048,000

**About the project:** San Mateo County proposes to purchase two properties, a 75-unit hotel and a 95-unit hotel, to provide service-enriched interim housing to people experiencing homelessness. San Mateo County will coordinate with a strong network of homeless outreach programs working with unsheltered individuals and a cohesive Coordinated Entry System that refers people into shelter programs to ensure that eligible clients will be moved into these units quickly. The program's interim housing services will provide comprehensive onsite services, as well as connections to additional off-site services to support residents in staying housed, both in interim housing and through the transition to permanent affordable housing.

## **South Lake Tahoe gets closer to “functional zero” homelessness with third Homekey award**

**Location:** South Lake Tahoe

**Region:** Sacramento Area

**Applicant:** Tahoe Regional Planning Agency

**Project name:** Tahoe Homekey 3

**Award amount:** \$2,400,000

**About the project:** The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency will purchase a 24-unit motel in the City of South Lake Tahoe to use as affordable housing, with 23 rooms and a manager's unit. This is the third Homekey project to be awarded in the City of South Lake Tahoe, to complete a portfolio operated by the Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless that will help the city reach “functional zero” homelessness.

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## **West Sacramento hotels to become interim housing for those in need**

**Location:** West Sacramento

**Region:** Sacramento Area

**Applicant:** West Sacramento

**Project name:** West Sacramento Homekey 1

**Award amount:** \$4,134,344

**Location:** West Sacramento

**Region:** Sacramento Area

**Applicant:** West Sacramento

**Project name:** West Sacramento Homekey 3

**Award amount:** \$2,114,982

**About the project:** These proposed projects will serve individuals and households experiencing homelessness in West Sacramento. The city will acquire two hotels to create an interim housing for current Project Roomkey participants. Residents will receive case management and other supportive services from partner agencies to assist them in obtaining permanent housing. The proposed projects will operate for a minimum of five years. The city intends to replace Homekey units on a one-for-one basis in their mixed-income affordable housing development pipeline.