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**California Department of Housing and Community Development Awards  
\$85.5 Million to Help People Experiencing Homelessness Who Frequently Use  
Healthcare Systems**

*Funds awarded to developers and counties will help build permanent homes, rehabilitate existing homes, and help with rent payments*

**SACRAMENTO** – The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) awarded a total of \$85.5 million to developers and counties throughout California in the first round of funding for the Housing for a Healthy California program. Funding for the program comes from both the federal National Housing Trust Fund and California’s Building Homes and Jobs Trust Fund.

Many people experiencing homelessness are frequent users of emergency rooms, inpatient care, and nursing homes, forced to use these expensive systems as a means for both healthcare and temporary housing. Housing for a Healthy California serves people experiencing homelessness or chronic homelessness who are also high-cost users of healthcare systems by creating permanent housing with supportive services. The program can also be used for rental assistance or to rehabilitate existing housing developments.

These awards follow Governor Newsom’s February statewide tour on homelessness, [100-day challenge to cities and counties](#), and announcement of [286 state-owned properties](#) immediately available to cities and counties to lease for \$1 to use for homeless solutions. Governor Newsom also released \$650 million in State Emergency Homeless Aid, featured more than \$1 billion in his [proposed budget](#), and continues to challenge cities and counties to partner with the state on immediate impact solutions to tackle homelessness.

With the awards listed below, developers (Article I) and cities and counties (Article II) can move toward acquisition, new construction, rehabilitation, rental assistance, and more to provide individuals and families safe, stable places to call home.

The 2020 Housing for a Healthy California funding for developers (Article I) was announced at the end of February 2020.

For additional information about Housing for a Healthy California, visit the [Housing for a Healthy California webpage](#) or email [HousingforHealthyCA@hcd.ca.gov](mailto:HousingforHealthyCA@hcd.ca.gov).

The California Department of Housing and Community Development is dedicated to the preservation and expansion of safe and affordable housing, so more Californians have a place to call home. Our team works to ensure an adequate supply of housing for Californians and promotes the growth of strong communities through its leadership, policy and program development. For more information, please visit [www.hcd.ca.gov](http://www.hcd.ca.gov) and follow us on Twitter, @California\_HCD; Facebook, @CaliforniaHCD; and LinkedIn.

## Housing for a Healthy California Program Funding Awards

\$85.5 Million Awarded – April 1, 2020

### Article I – Developers

Project Sponsor	Project Name	County	Amount Awarded
BRIDGE Housing Corporation	Berkeley Food and Housing HOPE Center	Alameda	\$3,443,026
Easy Bay Asian Local Development Corporation	Phoenix	Alameda	\$11,120,282
EAH Housing, Inc.	Matsya Villa	Alameda	\$3,379,011
American Family Housing	Cala Paloma	Orange	\$4,464,144
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,406,463</b>

### Article II – Counties

Applicant	Lead Service Provider	Purpose	Amount Awarded
San Mateo	San Mateo County Health System	New Construction	\$19,995,225
Los Angeles	Local Initiative Health Initiative for Los Angeles County	Rental Assistance	\$19,958,664
San Francisco	Felton Institute	Rehabilitation	\$6,798,810
Sacramento	Sacramento County Department of Health	Rental Assistance	\$9,900,900
Marin	Marin	Rental Assistance	\$2,830,392
Kern	Kern Behavioral Health and Recovery Services	Rental Assistance	\$634,946
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$60,118,937</b>

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