



California Interagency Council on Homelessness

ERF-3-R, Application

Part 1 (A): ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Application Window

- Window #1, 11/3/2023 - 1/31/2024
 Window #2, 2/1/2024 - 4/30/2024
 Window #3, 5/1/2024 - 6/30/2024

*Applications received after 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the application window will be reviewed and evaluated during the following application window. **Note, applications submitted after 5:00 p.m. on 6/30/2024 will not be reviewed.***

Eligible Applicant

Select the eligible applicant's jurisdiction type.

- CoC City County

Select from the list of continuums of care.

Humboldt County CoC

Part 1 (B) Contracting Information

Complete all elements of the below section. This information is required for contracting should this application be chosen for award.

Contractor Information

Contractor Name (the legal entity entering into contract with the State)

SoHum Housing Opportunities, Inc.

What is the Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN # or tax id number) for the contractor?

83-2347520

Tax ID Form

SHO Std204 Payee Data Record.pdf

Governmental entities will need to submit a GovTIN Tax Form, and Non-governmental entities will need to submit a STD 204 Tax Form. Links to each are below:

GovTIN: [Taxpayer ID Form \(ca.gov\)](#)

STD 204: [STD 204 - Payee Data Record \(ca.gov\)](#)

Who is the best contact person for this contract?

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The Authorized Representative has authority to contract on behalf of the eligible applicant

If this application is funded, what address should the check be mailed to?

Address

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Address Line 1

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Redway

City

California

State

95560

Zip Code

Attention to (if applicable):

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⚠️ This Application uses character limits ⚠️

Reaching these limits is not required, however competitive responses will address all parts of each

question asked.

Part 2: PROPOSAL OVERVIEW

Guidance:

In completing this application, applicants must identify the specific encampment that will be prioritized for resolution.

If an applicant proposes to prioritize a large, noncontiguous, or multiple site(s), the encampments may only be addressed through a single application if: (a) the justification for prioritizing the encampments is the same, **and** (b) the demographics and service needs of the residents of the encampments is sufficiently the same that, (c) the same set of services, and service providers, including outreach, interim and permanent housing programs, will be used to resolve the identified people's experience of homelessness in encampments.

Applicant must prepare a separate application for each encampment that does not meet the requirements of (a) – (c).

Proposal Summary

Summarize the proposed Encampment Resolution Fund (ERF) project, including an overview of all key components and/or phases of the project that will be funded in whole or in part with ERF-3-R resources. (1500-character limit)

The Project works with residents in prioritized encampments on State ROW and in a major area encampment to transition them into permanent living situations. A Safe Camp will be built to provide temporary shelter and support services to facilitate this process. Key components/phases:

- Case Managers identify and interview encampment residents to determine individual situations, needs and preferences. Participant information put into HMIS and Coordinated Entry.
- Admin staff hired, Safe Camp property purchased, planning completed with contracted engineering firm to accommodate 10 tiny houses interim shelters, 5 safe parking spaces; remodeling of existing structure for offices, kitchen, meeting space, laundry and bathroom/shower facilities; other site to prepare and secure the location.
- Purchase, deliver and install tiny houses; finalize site prep.
- Hire Rapid Rehousing Manager, Site Supervisors to supervise location and facilitate transition of clients into the Safe Camp
- Conduct ongoing regular interaction of Case managers with eligible clients both in and out of the Safe Camp to provide access to support services including IDs, health care, mental health services etc.
- Rapid Rehousing Manager works with Case Managers, clients in Safe Camp and in prioritized encampments to identify permanent housing options and provide financial support as needed.
- Case Managers and other support staff continue to monitor and meet with and support clients in permanent housing situations

People Served

Number of people currently residing in prioritized encampment site

53

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Potential inflow of people into the prioritized encampment site during the grant term.

80

Of people currently residing in prioritized encampment site, how many will be served by this proposal?

53

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Given the potential for inflow of people into the prioritized encampment site, how many people are projected to be served across the entire grant period?

110

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Of people projected to be served across the entire grant period, number of people projected to transition into interim housing.

90

#

Of people projected to be served across the entire grant period, number of people projected to transition into permanent housing

50

#

*This should include both people who transition directly into permanent housing **and** people who may first transition into interim housing.*

Is the prioritized encampment site part of a larger encampment area?

Yes No

Encampment Information

1. Briefly describe the characteristics of the people residing within the prioritized encampment site, including demographics, household compositions, disabilities, and projected service and housing needs. Include how this information was gathered. (1500-character limit)

The data on the characteristics of the people residing in the encampments is derived from approximately 20 surveys filled out by encampment residents. Information is also obtained through Case Manager intake and interviews at various service sites, including at the encampments and the emergency shelter and weekly warming centers. Some data is derived from HMIS and Coordinated Entry. The largest numbers of encampment residents are in the 18-49 age group with 60% male. Very few family groups are in the encampments, estimated 90% single individuals. Senior homeless is estimated at about 34% of total based on those seen at the warming center in Dec 2022 through March 2023. It is estimated that 60% have mental health or addiction issues. All have either no or very limited income through support services such as SSI. All are in need of interim housing and a path to permanent housing, the options for which are described elsewhere in this proposal. Encampment residents also need access to transportation, clean water, bathroom facilities, regular meals; also substance abuse, mental health and medical care services.

If this proposal seeks to serve a particular target population, specify and describe.

2. Briefly describe physical characteristics of the prioritized encampment site in which the people you are proposing to serve are residing. The description must include the specific location, physical size of the area, the types of structures people are residing in at the site, whether vehicles are present, and any other relevant or notable physical characteristics of the site. (1000-character limit)

The 4 prioritized encampments vary some but share common attributes. Encampments 1 & 2 occupy either side of R/W next to Bear Canyon Bridge N entrance to Garberville. Steep sites, one 200 sq. ft., one 600 sq. ft. Structures are mainly tents and lean-tos; no exact count of vehicles. Encampment 3 is in R/W on S Garberville Sprowel Creek freeway ramp, at least 40,000sq. ft. Again, most structures tarps or tents with some metal and wood reinforcement. Vehicles present at times; no exact count. Encampment 4 is the largest in the area comprising 7 individual camps along Redwood Drive going north from Redway, over a mile long and 500 to 1000 ft. wide. Again, similar structures to others. Currently 2 adjacent live-in vehicles; other vehicles vary. None of the sites have water, power or security. Amounts of trash piles at the sites vary with some worse than others. Regular trash pickup provided by the Eel River Cleanup Project with help of encampment residents. All sites are high fire hazard.

3. Why is this encampment site being prioritized? Applicant should identify any distinguishing needs and/or vulnerabilities of the people living in this encampment and/or any health, safety, or other concerns that led the applicant to prioritize this site over other encampments. (1000-character limit)

The 4 encampments sites are prioritized due to their location and situation. Three are in or adjacent to State R/W, the main identified State R/W encampments in the area. The fourth incorporates 7 individual camps, essentially one extended area, the community's largest encampment. All these encampments have residents with mental health, physical health and safety concerns. The encampments are also extremely vulnerable to creating fire hazards. The Redwood Drive encampment region is accessible and subject to disruption by people passing through. The encampments are also prioritized because the residents have regular interactions with RRHC Case Managers and other providers, many are entered into Coordinated Entry. They are likely to seek needed services, participate in interim housing and seek permanent housing. Also, several of the encampment residents have been active in providing feedback on their needs, preferences, the Safe Camp and their perspective on obtaining permanent housing.

ERF authorizing legislation requires funding be used for "prioritized" encampments. Applicants must, therefore, provide a justification for the prioritization of the encampment proposed to be served. Except in very small communities where it may be possible to justify prioritizing all of a small number of encampments for resolution using this fund source, ERF is not intended to be used to fund a community-wide encampment resolution program.

Attachment: Map

Bear Canyon North.pdf

Bear Canyon South.pdf

Sprowl Creek Camp.pdf

Redwood Drive North Two.pdf

Redwood Drive North One.pdf

Caltrans Encampment Photos.docx

Grange Safe Camp.pdf

The provided map should clearly indicate the area of the prioritized encampment. The map may also indicate the location of other key service, shelter, and housing resources described in this proposal.

4. Is the prioritized site on a state right-of-way?

No Yes - partially Yes - entirely

Attachment: Caltrans Letter of Support

Caltrans SHO Letter of Support 1-31.pdf

Projects entirely or partially on a state right-of-way must include a Letter of Support from Caltrans.

- This letter must include confirmation from Caltrans that they are aware of and in support of the ERF project, including the projected timeline, and that they will only take action on that encampment site in collaboration with and at least 2 weeks-notice to the ERF grantee, unless critical circumstances exist when an encampment poses an imminent threat to life, health, safety, or infrastructure and must be immediately addressed.
- This letter should be signed by the local Caltrans Deputy District Director of Maintenance (DDDM) or their designee.
- This letter may also include Caltrans role in the proposal and what Caltrans resources are being leveraged.

Proposal's Outcomes

5. What outcomes does this proposal seek to accomplish by 6/30/2027? Outcomes should be specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time-bound (SMART). (1000-character limit)

Expected Outcomes:

- Permanent housing for 60 encampment and/or Safe Camp participants during the 3 year grant period.
- 100 encampment residents provided support over the 3 year grant period, including access to services such as IDs, health care, mental health services, medical, housing vouchers etc.
- Van purchased to transport participants to services, assisting 150 people with 500 encounters over the 3 year grant period.
- 100 homeless encampment residents entered into Coordinated Entry system during 3 year grant period
- Safe Camp interim housing facility created during first year, including 10 tiny homes, 5 safe parking spaces, central building facility with kitchen, bathroom/shower facilities, laundry, community room, offices and storage.
- Interim sheltering in the Safe Camp Community provided to 80 prior encampment residents over the 3 year grant period.
- Use of Safe Camp Community facilities provided to 180 non Safe Camp residents in need over the 3 year grant period.

6. What are the primary activities the applicant will implement to achieve each of the proposal's outcomes? (1000-character limit)

- Rapid Rehousing Specialist works with Case Managers and other County resources to identify permanent housing options for prioritized encampment resident.
- Redwoods Rural Health Center (RRHC) Case Managers perform intake and provide services to encampment residents through street outreach, visits to encampments and elsewhere. Also provide entry into CES.
- Finalize acquisition of transportation van and Safe Camp property. Contracted engineer prepares plan for site preparation and remodeling of existing structures to serve as common facilities. SHO staff arrange for purchase, delivery and erection of tiny houses. Local contractors finish site prep, including site security.
- Encampment Residents identified by RRHC Case Managers occupy the Safe Camp with ongoing access to housing and other services.
- Case Managers, Site Supervisors, SHO Staff and others provide ongoing support for prioritized encampment residents to gain access to needed services, including permanent housing.

7. How will the applicant measure progress towards the proposal's outcomes? (1000-character

limit)

- Number of prior encampment residents successfully securing and sustaining permanent housing. Target is 60 to 80 over 3 year grant period
- Number of Encampment Residents provided support over the 3 year grant period, including number entered into Coordinated Entry. Target is 100.
- Successful completion of Safe Camp Community facility. Target is one year to provide 15 tiny homes, 5 safe parking spaces, common spaces with kitchen, bathroom/shower facilities, laundry, community room, offices and storage.
- Number of prioritized encampment residents and other homeless provided transportation services. Target is 150 people with 500 encounters over 3 year grant period.
- Number of prior encampment residents living in transitional Safe Camp facilities. Target is 80 over 3 year grant period
- Number of prior encampment, non-Safe Camp residents utilizing of Safe Camp general amenities. Target is 180 over 3 year grant period.

8. Are there any local ordinances, resources, or other factors that may hinder achieving the proposal's outcomes? If so, how will the applicant navigate these challenges? (1000- character limit)

No local ordinances exist that hinder achieving the proposal's outcomes. The Project will meet all local codes in constructing the Safe Camp. The County recently extended a Safe Parking ordinance by 2 years. The overall model for the Safe Camp Community was created in consultation with the Humboldt County Planning Department. All applicable County agencies and organizations providing homeless services have support the project and acknowledge the urgent need for homeless services to our area.

While resources in the area for electricity, sewer and water are limited, the identified Safe Camp property already has these services in place.

SHO will conduct community forums to combat possible negative community reactions, provide information on the Project and solicit community support. The Southern Humboldt Chamber of Commerce and the Southern Humboldt Business & Visitors Bureau have offered to participate and will help increase understanding and support in the local business community.

9. Does this proposal fund a standalone project, or is the proposed project one component of a larger initiative?

Standalone Larger initiative

Centering People

10. Describe how the perspectives of people with lived experience of homelessness meaningfully contributed to the content of this proposal? How will people with lived experience be part of the implementation of this ERF project? If individuals living in the encampment site were included in

the development of this proposal, describe how their input was obtained and how that input shaped the proposal. (1000-character limit)

- SHO volunteers circulated and collected surveys in encampments, and other service locations to determine encampment residents' concerns and needs, and to share plans for the Safe Camp Community. Most expressed strong support.
- Identified needs: housing (both interim and permanent), access to transportation, a secured camp area, clean water, bathroom facilities, and regular meals; also substance abuse, mental health and medical care services.
- RRHC and County Case Managers through client interactions and street outreach have informed homeless clients about the plans and gathered input.
- SHO volunteers, Case Managers, Eel River Cleanup Project (ERCP) and others who interact regularly with area homeless identified several potential volunteer monitors for the Safe Camp, a role some fill in the encampments. One such large encampment resident strongly supports the plan as long as individual preferences are respected. She also supported the need for a path to permanent housing.

11. Briefly describe how the proposal exemplifies Housing First approaches as defined in Welfare and Institutions Code section 8255. (1000-character limit)

SHO incorporates Housing First core components as a fundamental operating principle. The RRHC Case Managers are trained in Housing First and “actively employ evidence-based practices for client engagement, including, but not limited to, motivational interviewing and client-centered counseling.”

Selected key points:

- All participants accepted without rejection for any reason, such as substance abuse, poor financial history, criminal record or rental history.
- All the prioritized encampment residents are accepted, whether or not they choose to receive offered services.
- Enrollment or completion of mental health counseling, substance abuse or other programs is not a requirement for participation.
- Case Managers and other service providers prioritize participant needs and wishes, emphasizing engagement and problem solving.

The fundamental goal remains working with participants and informing them about their options to transition out of the encampments into permanent housing.

12. Describe how each of the following service delivery practices are incorporated into the outreach, interim shelter (if applicable), and permanent housing aspects of the proposed ERF project: (a) individual participant choice and (b) trauma informed care. (1000-character limit)

(a) All intake and communications by RRHC, or other Case Managers, Rapid Rehousing Specialist or other support staff will adhere to Housing First principles as described above, including prioritizing the participant's personal preferences and choices without exclusion based on those choices. This will occur at every level: street and encampment outreach, interim housing and follow-up when a participant transitions into permanent housing.

(b) The RRHC and DHHS Case Management and outreach staff are all trained to provide trauma informed care that emphasizes safety, choice, collaboration, trustworthiness and empowerment. They take regular trainings on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE), social determinants of health, and how to support unhoused community members through a crisis. These trainings are offered through HUD, SAMHSA, and others. As indicated they operate under the Housing First model, which proves that client led, trauma informed care has the highest success rate.

13. Describe how harm reduction principles will be incorporated into the outreach, interim housing (if applicable), and permanent housing aspects of this ERF project. (1000-character limit)

Harm reduction, like Housing First core principles is a key factor in the regular interactions Case Managers and all staff and volunteers have with project participants. Their entire focus is on providing services that improve their clients' health, dignity, and safety. Through their training and experience, they recognize the need to reduce the risks caused by substance abuse and addiction without requiring any change in behavior. Referral to substance abuse programs, mental health services and other treatment options will be made available if requested. This approach applies across the board to interactions in the prioritized encampments, in the Safe Camp and in follow up to participants placed in permanent housing. Although not a part of the Safe Camp requirements, participants may desire and choose 'abstinence only' housing as a permanent housing option.

14. Describe the services that will be provided to improve people's health, dignity, and safety while they continue to reside within the prioritized encampment site. (1000-character limit)

Many supportive services are offered to people who continue to reside in the prioritized encampments, whether by personal choice or while transitioning to interim or permanent housing. This will continue and expand. RRHC, DHHS and other Case Managers, as well as SHO, Food for People and other organizations will connect with regularly scheduled meal locations, food distribution and free supplies.

Sample services:

- Transportation to Baptist Church warming center, Mateel meals, Presbyterian Church food distribution and other services.
- Referral and transportation to mental health, health care, dental, other appointments.
- Assistance to obtain IDs, driver's licenses, housing vouchers or permanent housing.
- Transportation to sanitary facilities, including the bathrooms, showers and laundry in the Safe Camp Community.
- Connections to non-punitive law enforcement for any safety concerns or issues.
- Trash pickup from the prioritized encampment site by Eel River Cleanup Project (ERCP)

15. Identify what controls are or will be in place to ensure that all ERF-3-R funded parties will not penalize homelessness. The term "penalize homelessness" means to impose, by a governmental unit, criminal or civil penalties on persons who are homeless in a manner that is related to those persons' engagement in necessary human activities, including sleeping, resting, and eating. (1000-

character limit)

It is a fundamental principle of this project and a requirement for all Case Managers and other involved service providers or administrative staff that no penalties be imposed on the participants related to their necessary human activities. Every participant in any aspect of the Project, whether in the prioritized encampments, the Safe Camp, or placed in permanent housing, will be treated with respect and dignity. All service providers are extremely aware of this, just as they are trained to respect everyone they serve or interact with. The staff or volunteers who work directly in the Safe Camp Community will be hired or assigned based on their understanding that homelessness must not be denigrated or penalized. Trainings will be provided to staff and volunteers to reinforce this and other important factors in supporting and serving unhoused individuals. Any deviations from this policy will be addressed in an expedited manner to resolve and correct as quickly as possible.

16. Describe how this proposal considers sanitation services for people residing in the prioritized encampment. This may include but is not limited to non-intrusive, curbside waste removal and access to clean and available bathrooms. (1000-character limit)

The Eel River Cleanup Project (ERCP) regularly visits the prioritized encampments and provides trash pickup services in cooperation with camp residents who help bag and identify items for disposal. Pickup is completed on the boundaries of the encampments in a non-intrusive manner that does not interfere with the residents. SHO, RRHC and other community organization provide sanitation and bathroom access at the warming centers, community meal sites, and occasional free shower sites. RRHC and SoHum Health provide transportation as needed. Once the Safe Camp Community is in operation, it will also provide sanitation services and access to clean and available bathrooms to unhoused people beyond those staying within the Safe Camp.

Part 3: IMPLEMENTATION

Core Service Delivery and Housing Strategies

17. Describe the proposed outreach and engagement strategy, case management, and / or service coordination for people while they are continuing to reside within the encampment site. Quantify units of service to be delivered including the ratio of staff to people served, frequency of engagement, and length of service periods. (2000-character limit)

The primary strategy to engage people residing in the encampments is through contracted RRHC Case Managers. They provide ongoing access to services including health care and social services, transportation to appointments, financial management education, entry into the CES, program enrollments, food and emergency needs supplies.

Each consultation is a unit of service. The 2 grant funded Case Managers provide a minimum of 30 units of service per week to encampment residents with a ratio of 1:15. Most conversations will be at the RRHC Community Supports building in Redway or in the Safe Camp. Transportation to appointments through an ERF funded van will be provided to encampment residents as needed. The service period will be a minimum of 6 months per resident and will continue for the entire 3 year grant period.

The Rapid Rehousing Specialist will follow up on referrals from the Case Managers to make connections for encampment residents into permanent housing options and provide rental assistance. There will be an estimated 80 interactions over the 3 year grant period with a ration of 1:20 at any one time.

Additional services are provided through DHHS Case Managers/outreach staff; County, RRHC and other behavioral health staff; case managers and outreach workers from other specialized organizations. The county's HOME team sends two people down 1 to 2 times week to provide outreach. Estimate an additional 20 units of service per week with a ratio of 1:20 staff to people served. No exact length of service period as the service provided will vary for each encampment resident.

Community organizations, such as ERCP, Chamber of Commerce, Visitor's Bureau, and local service organizations, will be involved through volunteer work in the encampments. SHO will spearhead community meetings to inform community members and create opportunities to engage with encampment residents. No exact count of units of service; this will be ongoing over the 3 year grant period.

18. Describe the role of Coordinated Entry in the context of this proposal and how Coordinated Entry policies or processes will support and / or hinder the implementation of this proposal. (1000-character limit)

The Coordinated Entry System is the single entry point for homeless community members to access Housing Vouchers and Permanent Supportive Housing in Humboldt County. CES will support the project by identifying and prioritizing those most in need of assistance. RRHC is one of 6 organizations in the County that have access to enter people into the CES. The County DHHS will also be involved in CES entry. RRHC participates on the Coordinated Entry System Prioritization Committee, which reviews referrals into CES, ensures there is not duplication, and prioritizes the most at-risk individuals eligible for available housing. While CES can provide access to housing vouchers (HCV) and potential residence in a permanent supportive housing location, there is currently a long waiting list. This proposal prioritizes permanent housing for participants. The budget includes a Rapid Rehousing Specialist (RRS) and funds to cover participant rent and other rental services over the 3 year grant period.

19. Describe each of the specific (a) interim housing and (b) permanent housing opportunities that will be used to achieve the proposed outcomes of this ERF project. Demonstrate that any ERF-3-R funded interim housing capacity is either non-congregate or clinically enhanced congregate shelter. (2000-character limit)

(a) The Safe Camp will provide interim shelter options in 10 tiny houses and 5 safe parking spaces with the goal to create more in future phases. There are currently no other local interim housing options. North county interim housing options are available from other partner organizations, including:

- Betty's Blue Angel Village interim housing, Eureka, 40 adult individuals.
- Arcata House Partnership (AHP), Arcata, safe parking interim housing, 20 spaces; other interim housing assistance
- Humboldt Housing Authority and Redwood Coast Action Agency (RCAA), Eureka, assistance with connection to interim housing, no exact number

(b) There are no dedicated permanent housing solutions for the homeless in Southern Humboldt. There is one low income housing complex in Redway—Redwood Village Apartments managed by DANCO, 40 varied units with occasional availability. The project's primary permanent housing strategy will be to hire a Rapid Rehousing Specialist working with Case Managers, participants, rental agents, realtors and landlords to identify rental opportunities. There are now open units in the local market and several rental agents have agreed to help make connections. The Melville Apartments in Garberville currently has 20 vacancies of 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. The budget includes rent support and other rent charges for up to two years per anticipated participant. There are increasing permanent housing options in the north county. RRHC Case Managers have connections with Case Managers from other agencies who have agreed to follow up on referrals and check on the status of participants placed in permanent housing. Some placement options:

- The Grove, Arcata House Partnership, Arcata, 60 units.
- Pine Hill Village, RCHDC, Eureka, 30 units.
- Eureka Family Housing Apartments, Eureka Housing Authority, 80 units.
- Arcata Garden Apartments, Arcata, Housing Humboldt, 37 units.
- West Village Studios, RCAA and DANCO, Arcata, 78 units.

20. Demonstrate the applicant's commitment and ability to deliver permanent housing solutions to the people residing in the prioritized encampment, including by providing examples of prior successful efforts to permanently house similarly situated individuals. (2000-character limit)

The key to the success of this proposal in transitioning identified encampment residents is the hiring of an experienced Rapid Rehousing Specialist (RRS) who will work closely with the contracted RRHC Case Managers to assess each participant's individual situations and connect them to the best permanent housing options. The RRS will also manage and allocate the budgeted funds for rental support, relocations and other necessary costs involved in each individual placement.

SHO and RRHC have both delivered housing for homeless currently residing in the proposed encampments and elsewhere. In 2020 SHO obtained RoomKey funding for shelter and case management providing services for 18-20 of the most vulnerable unhoused in local motel rooms. Until recently, Redwoods Rural Health Center has continued these services under emergency housing and DHHS funding support. Although not permanent situations, these placements did stabilize people's living situations and helped prepare them for permanent housing options.

Since January, 2022, 66 people have been sheltered in one motel emergency shelter. Of these, 22 have transitioned to permanent supportive housing, 5 are preparing to move into supported housing, 11 have moved into private housing and 4 have found other permanent housing options for a total of 31.

Recent individual stories:

- A family in identified encampment had a birth in the camp. Mother and child were initially relocated mother into shared housing without father due to pet dogs. Working with SHO and CALWORKs they were able to obtain shelter in Eureka that also allowed 2 dogs to stay with them. Now working with SHO and RRHC to find permanent housing.
- SHO relocated a single woman from encampment into a permanent room in Garberville and is very satisfied with provision of services and current living situation.

21. Describe how this proposal is tailored to meet the needs and preferences of people residing within the prioritized encampment. (1500-character limit)

Approximately 20 surveys circulated in encampments and other locations to determine encampment residents' concerns and needs, and to share plans for the Safe Camp. Further input provided by RRHC and County Case Managers through client interactions and street outreach; resident input also obtained by Eel River Cleanup Project (ERCP) and others who interact regularly with area homeless. Several responsible encampment residents in the 40 to 60 age range volunteered to facilitate the project and work with participants in the Safe Camp.

Identified needs:

- Safe housing, whether interim or permanent. Rapid Rehousing Specialist (RRS) will facilitate this process.
- Showers, sanitation and laundry facilities. Safe Camp, warming centers and regularly scheduled outreach to address these needs.
- Help with obtaining services: IDs, health care, mental health services, housing vouchers. Ongoing Case Management through street outreach, appointments with encampment residents, contact with Safe Camp participants, and follow up with those placed in permanent housing to meet this need.
- Transportation to services. RRHC, SoHum Health and others to provide this service to encampment and Safe Camp residents, as well as those placed in local permanent housing
- Safe storage. Provided in Safe Camp, in safe parking spaces, in permanent housing.

Where applicable, identify the people, data, evidence, and / or other sources of information that was relied upon for this proposal.

Table 1: Projected Living Situations Immediately Following the Encampment

For people served who exit the encampment, what are the projected Living Situations Immediately Following the Encampment, including but not limited to, permanent housing, interim sheltering, and unsheltered?

Please provide responses in the table below. Add a row for each projected living situation. (250-character limit for each cell)

Briefly Describe Each Projected Living Situation Immediately Following the Encampment	Is This Permanent Housing?	Quantify the Capacity (e.g., number of beds/units, frequency of bed/unit availability)	Prioritized or Set-Aside for ERF-3-R?	Is this living situation funded by ERF-3-R and / or Leveraged Funds?	% of Served Persons Projected to Fall Within This Living Situation
Local Rentals with involvement of Rapid Rehousing Specialist	Yes Yes/No	Approximately 30 units currently available. Numbers vary. Units usually available	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF-3-R funded ERF/Lev/Both	25 %

Safe Camp Community Project	No Yes/No	15 units, anticipate 6 month turnover	Set-Aside Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF-3-R ERF/Lev/Both	25 %
Melville Rental Apartments Garberville, mostly 2BR	Yes Yes/No	Appx. 20 units, Mostly open	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF-3-R ERF/Lev/Both	8 %
Redwood Village Apartments, low-income, Redway, DANCO Development	Yes Yes/No	40 units, 2 available per year	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF/Lev ERF/Lev/Both	8 %
Arcata Safe Parking, Arcata CA, Arcata, run by Arcata House Partnership	No Yes/No	30, 3 month turnaround	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF/Lev ERF/Lev/Both	8 %
The Grove, Arcata, Arcata House Partnership	Yes Yes/No	60 units, limited availability	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF-3-R ERF/Lev/Both	8 %
West Village Studios, Arcata, RCAA and DANCO	Yes Yes/No	78 units, current availability, 10 annual turnover	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF/Lev ERF/Lev/Both	8 %
Arcata Garden Apartments, Arcata, Housing Humboldt	Yes Yes/No	37 units, limited availability	Neither Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF/Lev ERF/Lev/Both	5 %

Pine Hill Village, Eureka, RCHDC run	Yes Yes/No	30 units, limited availability	Neither Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	ERF/Lev ERF/Lev/Both	5 %
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Table 2: Permanent Housing Opportunities

A permanent housing opportunity is a combination of project and/or service provided to an individual with the goal of helping the individual obtain permanent housing. Of course, applicants cannot and do not need to provide every possible scenario; Cal ICH is looking to understand the primary, expected permanent housing opportunities for people projected to be served by this proposal.

Please provide responses in the table below. Add a row for each projected opportunity. (250-character limit for each cell)

Describe the Permanent Housing Opportunity	Prioritized or Set-Aside for ERF-3-R?	Quantify the Capacity of the Housing and Service Opportunity	Is this Housing Opportunity Funded by ERF-3-R and / or Leveraged Funds?
Rapid Rehousing Specialist works with Case Managers and individuals to determine needs and prioritize permanent housing solution through local rentals or other facilities	Set-Aside Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	Estimate 30 to 40	ERF-3-R ERF/Lev/Both
Housing Case Manager ongoing outreach to encampment residents to facilitate access to services and housing opportunities	Set-Aside Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	Estimate 60-80	ERF-3-R ERF/Lev/Both
Placement in local rental permanent housing	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	Estimate 40-60	ERF-3-R/Lev ERF/Lev/Both
Humboldt County Rentals through DHHS programs with DHHS Case Manager support	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	Estimate 10-15	Lev ERF/Lev/Both
The Grove, Arcata: AHP Case Managers coordinate with RRHC Case Managers and RRS to provide permanent housing and support support services.	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	Estimate 10-15	ERF-3-R/Lev ERF/Lev/Both
West Village Studios, Arcata: RCAA AHP Case Managers coordinate with RRHC Case Managers and RRS to provide permanent housing and support support services.	Prioritized Pri/Set-Aside/Neither	Estimate 10-20	ERF-3-R/Lev ERF/Lev/Both

22. Describe strategies the applicant will use to ensure that people are not displaced from the prioritized encampment into another unsheltered location. Include strategies that are in addition to/complement the interim shelter and permanent housing opportunities that are part of this proposal. (1000-character limit)

The primary strategy to mitigate people moving into other unsheltered locations will be their support from RRHC Case Managers and the Rapid Rehousing Specialist. The Managers will proactively contact encampment residents through street outreach, visits to encampments and interviews at warming centers, outreach offices or elsewhere. CES will keep people in the loop for permanent housing. Transportation services will get encampment residents to necessary medical or mental health services and obtain driver's licenses, medi-cal, Cal-Fresh or other support. In addition to Safe Camp interim housing and connections to permanent housing, housing options will be available through partner organizations--Arcata House, DHHS, Humboldt Housing Authority, RCAA, Betty's Blue Angel Village, and others. All have access to Coordinated Entry and HMIS to track people and provide services. RRHC Case Managers will also take the lead in assuring the connections are made and people do not remain unsheltered.

23. Describe specific strategies and/or services the applicant will use to prevent returns to unsheltered homelessness among people from the prioritized encampment who are sheltered and housed through this ERF project. Include whether these strategies will be funded with ERF-3-R funds and, if not, what other resources will be leveraged. (1000-character limit)

Similar to the above, the strategies to prevent return to unsheltered homelessness include:

- Regular communication by Rapid Rehousing Specialist with applicants, Case Managers, local rental agents and landlords to prioritize transition of program participants into permanent housing.
- For those remaining in the Safe Camp and in permanent housing in Southern Humboldt, regular contacts with contracted Case Managers to inform about ongoing needs and address any issues that affect their housing status.
- For those who out of the immediate area in other County interim or permanent housing, referral to partner case management services and regular communication with Southern Humboldt Case Managers.
- Regular contact with Safe Camp Site Supervisors to proactively address issues that could lead to participant leaving interim housing.

24. Describe how this proposal considers and plans for the dynamic nature of encampments including potential inflow of people into the geographically served areas. (1000-character limit)

The ongoing strategies to address additional inflow into area encampments include:

- RRHC, DHHS and other outreach interactions through street outreach, at warming centers, food distribution sites and other locations.
 - Case Manager referrals to Rapid Rehousing Specialist and other permanent housing options.
 - The specific funded RRHC street outreach program to identify and provide services to any inflow of unhoused people.
 - The Point in Time (PIT) surveys to also identify the influx and help direct people to available services.
 - Contacts with encampment residents through use of sanitation, supplies and other services. Case Managers and Site Supervisors will identify people using these services and provide support as needed.
 - SHO, RRHC, DHHS and others provide connections to free meal programs, Food 4 People, Food Pantry and other distribution programs. Also affords a means to identify and provide services to homeless arriving in the area.
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25. Describe how participants in this ERF project will be supported with continued access to, and storage of, their personal property while in the encampment, in interim housing (if applicable), and in permanent housing. (1000-character limit)

A safe monitored storage room and an outside secured shed are included as part of the Safe Camp site plan. This will be available to Safe Camp residents and, in limited capacity, other area homeless through the Case managers and site personnel. Additional storage is included in the interim housing and the Safe Parking vehicles. The site will be fenced and equipped with a security monitoring system continuously observed by Site Supervisors. Storage options will be a consideration for permanent housing placements, both in the immediate service area or in other placements.

26. Describe how participants in this ERF project who have service animals and/or pets will be supported while in the encampment, in interim shelter (if applicable), and in permanent housing. (1000-character limit)

- Safe Camp participants can have pets if they are on a leash, spayed or neutered and have all necessary shots.
- RRHC Case Managers, with support from DHHS Managers, will be able to help Safe Camp participants and other encampment residents determine the needs for their service animals and/or pets.
- Two local volunteers regularly visit camps and interact with homeless pet owners to connect them to free veterinarian services.
- Case Managers can provide referrals to the Sequoia Humane Society, Humboldt Spay/Neuter Network, Companion Animal Network and others that provide low cost spay/neutering vouchers or funds for veterinarian care.
- Site Supervisors will also ensure that resident pet needs are respected while the Camp rules are followed and pets are not disruptive to other residents or Camp activities.
- The Rapid Rehousing Specialists and Case Managers in consultation with other rehousing resources will work to accommodate pets in the transition to permanent housing.

Budget and Resource Plan

27. State the total amount of ERF-3-R funds requested.

\$3,498,431.13

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28. State the estimated dollar value of secured, non-ERF-3-R resources that will help meet this proposal's outcomes.

\$295,000.00

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29. Identify and describe each leveraged non-ERF-3-R resource and how that specific resource will be used to help meet the proposal's outcomes, including the permanent housing outcomes. (1000-character limit)

Currently leveraged non-ERF-3-R resources (primarily in-kind services):

- Participant allowable rent contribution as share of income.
- Community fundraising and donations.
- Local realtor assistance with placement into area permanent housing.
- Case Management and intake support from County DHHS for Coordinated Entry and referrals to interim and permanent housing.
- Additional transportation through vans operated by RRHC and SoHum Health to supplement ERF-3-R funded van.
- Case Management support from Arcata House Partnership (AHP) and Redwood Coast Action Agency (RCAA) for people placed in permanent housing in the Eureka/Arcata area.
- Planning and input from the Humboldt County CoC and Humboldt Housing and Homeless Coalition (HHHC).
- Safe Camp planning and layout services from the Humboldt County Planning Department.
- Encampment trash removal by Eel River Cleanup Project (ERCP) .

SHO will seek additional grant funding and community contributions to continue the project.

*Applicants are directed to provide a detailed description of other fund sources, and system capacity, that will be leveraged to achieve the outcomes proposed for the ERF-3-R funded project (**especially as it relates to meeting this proposal's permanent housing outcomes**) and, if applicable, to sustain the new programming beyond the end of the grant term.*

This includes prior ERF awards, HUD unsheltered NOFO, and other federal, state, and local funding sources.

Applications will be evaluated with the understanding that communities vary significantly with respect to the current availability of other fund sources that can be used as leverage for their proposed projects and to sustain the projects beyond the grant term.

In the absence of currently available resources, Applicants are encouraged to provide a specific plan for obtaining the funding necessary to sustain their project beyond the grant term if the project is intended to continue.

30. Describe how the proposal is a prudent and effective use of requested funding relative to the number of people it seeks to serve, the types of services and housing to be provided, and any benefits to the community's efforts to address homelessness that will extend beyond the grant term, including ongoing

expansion of interim and permanent housing capacity. Include an explanation of how the requested ERF-3-R amount was determined. (1000- character limit)

Southern Humboldt homeless are identified by multiple County agencies and other agencies as a fundamental unmet need.

Over the 3 years, 100 people will be provided interim safe housing and at least 40 to 60 will be transitioned into permanent housing. An additional 80 people will receive case management and access to services. This equals an average cost of about \$20,000 to \$25,000 over 3 years, even considering the large line item to pay rental costs for permanent housing.

Provided services include: access to permanent and interim housing; access to sanitation, laundry and kitchen facilities; case management entry into CES and support for multiple services; transportation as needed.

ERF-3-R funds will create the Safe Camp infrastructure costs that will continue beyond the grant period. The conduits to permanent housing developed by the RSS and Case Managers will also continue. SHO intends to acquire more property to expand the scope of the project.

Attachment: Standardized Budget

ERF Standardized Budget_HumboldtCountyCoC-SHO_01.24.xlsx

Applicants must use the [ERF-3-R Budget Template](#) available on [box.com](#)

Key Entities and Staff

31. First, describe the implementing organization and specific unit or office within the implementing organization that would administer ERF-3-R. Then, describe their role and primary responsibilities for this proposal. Finally, if these entities have managed a complex homelessness project or grant, describe how those experiences informed this proposal. (1500-character limit)

SoHum Housing Opportunities, Inc. (SHO) envisions a healthy community where every individual is acknowledged for their right to affordable shelter, basic sustenance, and opportunities to improve their lives. SHO is dedicated to the idea that adequate shelter for all benefits the whole community. Its mission is to explore all options for creating this, including safe, legal camping, interim housing villages, and eventually permanent housing.

SHO has had paid staff but does not at present. Board President, Patricia Rae, is the interim Project Manager. She is a retired nurse working on local emergency preparedness. SHO Board Members also provide critical professional expertise in finance, legal work, social media communications, fundraising and real estate. ERF-3-R funding and leveraged funds will cover hiring all key staff including administration, rehousing and case management.

In 2020, SHO obtained RoomKey funding for shelter and case management, providing interim housing in local motel rooms for 18-20 of the most vulnerable unhoused. RRHC has continued these services under emergency housing with DHHS funding support.

SHO has also provided or facilitated a variety of services to the area homeless including a free weekly lunch, 24hour emergency shelter during extreme weather, a weekly warming center with meals, a free shower facility at a local resort, and bagged lunches delivered three times a week to encampment trailheads during the height of the COVID pandemic

Table 3: Key Staff

Identify all staff positions (e.g. administrative, programmatic, development etc.) which are integral to this ERF project and to achieving the proposal's outcomes. For each position include the title, whether the position is filled or vacant, the approximate fulltime equivalent (FTE) of the position dedicated to the ERF project, whether the position is funded through ERF-3-R and/or Leveraged (i.e.non-ER-3-R) funds, and a brief description of the duties. Please provide responses in Table 3 below.

Title	Currently Filled Position?	FTE of Staffing for This Proposal	Funded by ERF-3-R and / or Leveraged Funds?	Brief Description of Duties
Project Manager	No Yes/No	.75 # FTE	ERF ERF/Lev/Both	Supervises all aspects of the project: interactions with encampment residents, efforts of RSS and Case Mgrs to obtain permanent housing, construction and operation of Safe Camp, necessary support contracts, contacts with. county agencies.

Rapid Rehousing Specialist (RRS)	No Yes/No	1 # FTE	ERF ERF/Lev/Both	Works with Case Managers to identify encampment residents ready to transition into permanent housing. Tracks available housing in immediate area and elsewhere. Maintains connections with landlords, housing agencies and other rehousing resources.
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RRHC Housing Case Manager	No Yes/No	1 # FTE	ERF ERF/Lev/Both	Contracted services with RRHC, one of two, focus on facilitating transition for encampment residents into permanent housing; also provides intake, monitoring and referrals to services.
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RRHC Outreach Case Manager	No Yes/No	1 # FTE	ERF ERF/Lev/Both	Contracted services with RRHC, one of two, focus on outreach to encampment residents; provide intake, monitoring and referrals; also facilitates transition to permanent housing.
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Administrative Ass't	No Yes/No	.75 # FTE	ERF ERF/Lev/Both	Supports Project Manager and Rapid Rehousing Specialist; maintains communications with funders, county officials and project partners; tracks rental support budget; monitors supplies, repairs and other Safe Camp needs; submits required reports.
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Camp Monitors	No Yes/No	3 # FTE	ERF ERF/Lev/Both	Supervises daily operation of Safe Camp; monitors camp traffic and safety; provides initial contact point for camp residents; makes arrangements for use of facility by case managers, county workers and other service providers.
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Van Driver	No Yes/No	.75 # FTE	ERF ERF/Lev/Both	Operates ERF funded van to transport encampment residents and other area homeless to needed services
Arcata House and RCAA Case Managers	Yes Yes/No	.30 # FTE	Lev ERF/Lev/Both	Case management services for encampment residents placed in permanent housing in Northern Humboldt.
DHHS Case Managers	Yes Yes/No	.5 # FTE	Lev ERF/Lev/Both	Additional Case Management services provided by County team; similar services to RRHC Case Managers, also with access to Safe Camp office space and other service locations.

32. First, describe key partners that will be responsible for implementing this ERF project and achieving the proposal's outcomes (e.g. service providers, public agencies, development entities etc.). Then, describe their role and primary responsibilities for this proposal. Finally, if these entities have managed a complex homelessness project or grant, describe how those experiences informed this proposal. (1500-character limit)

Key Partners:

- RRHC private non-profit health care and community service provider
- County public agencies: DHHS, Humboldt Housing Authority, County Planning Department
- Other non-profits: Arcata House Partnership (AHP), Redwood Coast Action Agency (RCAA), Eel River Cleanup Project (ERCP)
- South County Homes for All (SCHFA), ad hoc council of local organizations
- Southern Humboldt Realtors
- Whitchurch Engineering

Primary responsibilities:

- RRHC is the main contracted agency to provide case management, Coordinated Entry access, outreach to encampments, ongoing services to encampment and Safe Camp residents, access to permanent housing.
- DHHS provides additional encampment outreach and case management.
- Planning Department provides input on layout and requirements for Safe Camp.
- AHP, RCAA provide access to permanent housing and follow up with placements.
- SCHFA works with local residents to address community concerns and generate support and will be involved in project implementation.
- Housing Authority, local realtors facilitate permanent housing placement.
- Whitchurch Engineering provides planning for the Safe Camp.

Homelessness/Housing Experience that contributed to Project:

- Robert Ward of DHHS as director of CoC and HHHC has been involved in several complex homelessness grants
- Housing Authority, AHP and RCAA are all involved in ongoing complex homelessness projects
- SCHFA Council members were instrumental in the creation of Cedar Street senior housing.

33. Describe specific examples of how Local Jurisdiction(s) and the CoC have collaborated on the design and implementation of this proposal. (1000-character limit)

The County Planning Department has developed a Safe Camp Village Plan which informed this proposal.

The County Building Department has reviewed the planning for the project and indicated its support.

Robert Ward with DHHS, the CoC Director, has been closely involved with the project development and review. He has been instrumental in focusing its direction and details, including options for permanent housing. See CoC letter.

The CoC has reviewed the SHO request to submit the ERF-3-R application and approved SHO as a non-profit applicant within its jurisdiction. The CoC recognizes Southern Humboldt County, the area covered by the proposal, as an area of needed homeless services.

The County Board of Supervisors recently renewed a Safe Parking ordinance for 24 months that allows for safe parking interim sheltering. Southern Humboldt County was identified as an area of particular need. The District Supervisor, Michelle Bushnell, was instrumental in supporting the Safe Camp proposal.

Applicants may upload evidence of cross-jurisdictional collaboration such as MOUs, letters of support, or interagency agreements etc. in the field immediately below.

Optional Upload: Evidence of Cross-Jurisdictional Collaboration

Humboldt CoC and Minutes 1-24.pdf

AHP RRHC ERF-3-R Agreement.pdf

ERF-3-R Letters of Support.pdf

34. Identify any entities that have a right to and/or control of the property upon which the encampment site resides. Describe how applicant has engaged with these entities and confirm that each of these entities has committed to allowing the implementation of this proposal. (1000-character limit)

The 3 identified encampments on or adjacent to the Caltrans R/W are controlled by the State and Caltrans .The letter from Caltrans indicates their understanding and willingness to engage with the implementation of this proposal. The proposal for the Safe Camp Community and the methods for interacting with the homeless in the encampments on Caltrans R/W have been shared with the local Deputy District Director and Encampment Manager who have indicated their support for the process and timeline. The large North Redway encampment indicated in the maps covers several privately and publicly owned parcels. RRHC Case Managers, SHO and ECRP volunteers have spoken with the landowners, including the County Supervisor for the District. The entities that control the identified parcels are very eager to work with SHO to facilitate movement of residents to the Safe Camp Community or other interim and permanent housing. They are aware that these arrangements will be made once funding is secured.

Attachment: Letter of Local Acknowledgement

Local Jurisdictions have priority to apply for ERF programs on state right-of-ways. If a CoC is applying for an ERF project for an encampment that is entirely or partially on a state right-of-way before May 1, 2024, the CoC must include a Letter of Local Acknowledgment from each overlapping jurisdiction. This letter must confirm that the applicant has communicated with each overlapping Local Jurisdiction and that no overlapping jurisdiction intends to apply for ERF-3-R funds for this particular encampment.

Accelerated Timeline

35. How is your community currently supporting and / or engaging with people residing within the prioritized encampment? (1000-character limit)

SHO, RRHC and DHHS are the main entities that are supporting and engaging people residing in the prioritized encampments through a variety of services. These include: Case Management entry into CES, intake to determine eligibility and provide access to services, emergency shelter during severe weather, free lunches at various locations, bag lunches delivered to encampment trailheads weekly and a weekly warming center started by SHO and continued by the local Baptist Church. ECRP engages with camp residents and partners with them to remove waste.

The South County Homes for All (SCHFA) Council includes key community organizations, the local credit union, hospital, senior apartments and school district, that provide input and support to people in homeless encampments. SCHFA members attend meetings of local organizations to discuss the status of local homelessness and the projects that are being worked on to support encampment residents and aid their transition into permanent housing.

36. If this proposal is selected, in advance of receiving funding, what steps will your community take to support the people living in the encampment and swift implementation of this proposal? (1000-character limit)

- SHO will begin the first project phase by hiring project staff, finalizing property purchase and initiating arrangements to create the Safe Camp.
- Rapid Rehousing Specialist and contracted Case Managers, with other organizations, will engage people in the encampments and work to swiftly implement the transition to both interim and permanent housing.
- Project staff will continue to advance construction of Safe Camp site to complete construction within the first year.
- SCHFA will organize local forums to establish community support with CCRP at Cal-Poly Humboldt and the Redwood Coast Action Agency (RCAA). The Southern Humboldt Chamber of Commerce and the Southern Humboldt Business and Visitors Bureau will assist in the announcement and recruitment of individuals and organizations to participate in the forums.
- SHO, RRHC, DHHS, ECRP will continue to provide services to encampment residents during the program's implementation.

Table 4: Project Timeline

Cal ICH should be able to use the project timeline to understand the general parameters of the project and how it will be implemented.

This Standardized Project Timeline Template will not perfectly capture every nuance - that's Ok. However, applicants are strongly encouraged to provide incremental milestones for achieving the interim shelter and permanent housing goals set out in the proposal. For projects that include interim shelter and/or permanent housing development, the timeline should include major development milestones.

Where there is ambiguity, conflict, or silence, use your judgment.

Date	Milestone	Category	Additional Detail for Milestone
1/31/2024	SHO ERF-3-R Application Submitted	Project Management	
3/31/2024	Application approved	Project Management	

4/15/2024	RRHC contracted Case Managers update assessment of needs of encampment residents	People	This has already been ongoing, but more focus on meeting needs of encampment residents and determining those most eligible to move into permanent housing with ERF-3_R rental support
4/30/2024	Safe Camp property purchase finalized, site engineering begins	Place	Escrow closed and Cedar Street property in Garberville is purchased for Safe Camp, Engineering planning for site development initiated
4/30/2024	First encampment resident(s) transitioned into permanent housing	Project Management	RRHC Case Managers find and make arrangements to transition first encampment residents into local rental or other available housing
5/31/2024	Finalize hiring of Initial Project Staff	Project Management	First hires: Rapid Rehousing Specialist (RRS), Project Manager, Administrative Assistant
7/1/2024	RRS develops list of permanent housing options and eligible encampment residents	Place	RRS will work with Case Managers, local landlords, DHHS, AHP and RCAA Case Managers to determine permanent housing options and availability. RRHC Managers will make connections to eligible participants

7/31/2024	Site work begins on Safe Camp property	Place	Administrative staff arrange contracts with local contractors , recruits volunteers, arranges for supplies and equipment to create camp
7/31/2024	Transportation van purchase finalized, Van Driver hired	Project Management	ERF-3-R van for transportation of encampment residents and other area homeless to services and appointments.
12/31/2024	Placement of 10-15 encampment residents into permanent housing	People	RRS initial placements in local rentals and other facilities as available including through AHP, RCAA, Housing Authority, Humboldt Housing and others. Ongoing interactions with encampment residents, case managers and landlords.
5/31/2025	Purchase Pallet Homes	Place	Staff makes arrangements to purchase, deliver and construct pallet home interim shelter.
6/30/2025	50% of ERF Funds Expended / 100% Obligated	Project Management	Statutory Deadline for 50% of ERF funds to be spent and 100% Obligated
7/15/2025	Finalize Safe Camp Development, Hire 3 Safe Camp Monitors	Place	Complete all site development, building construction and renovation

8/1/2025	Transition 15 encampment residents into Safe Camp interim shelters	People	RRS and Case Managers facilitate transition of previously identified encampment residents into Safe Camp
11/30/2025	Formal Assessment of Initial Project Phase	Project Management	Admin staff, RSS, Case Managers, Safe Camp staff assess progress to date, number of placements in permanent housing, needs and adjustments
12/31/2025	Additional Placement of 10-15 encampment residents and safe camp residents into permanent housing	People	RRS continues work with local rentals and other facilities through AHP, RCAA, Housing Authority, Humboldt Housing and others. Ongoing interactions with encampment residents, safe camp residents case managers and landlords.
6/30/2026	Update Status of Encampments	People	Case Managers evaluate current occupancy of prioritized encampments and resident needs, including assistance with possible transition to permanent housing.

9/30/2026	Ongoing Search for Continued Funding	Project Management	Admin staff with SCHFA ad consultant support submit applications and seek additional funding as available through HUD, HHAP, HOME, local fund drives, community donors and more
12/31/2026	Placement of 10-15 encampment residents into permanent housing	People	RRS continues work with local rentals and other facilities through AHP, RCAA, Housing Authority, Humboldt Housing and others. Ongoing interactions with encampment residents, safe camp residents case managers and landlords.
6/30/2027	100% of ERF Funds Expended	Project Management	Statutory Deadline for 100% of ERF funds to be spent

Table 5: Projected Milestones

Answer the following questions in relationship to January 31, 2024. Cal ICH assumes disbursement will occur approximately 3-6 months after January 31, 2024.

Please provide responses in the table below including the month and year. (15-character limit for each cell)

Outreach to the people residing in the prioritized encampment site began / will begin mm/yyyy.	This proposal will reach full operating capacity in mm/yyyy.	The first planned exit of a person or household from the prioritized encampment will occur in mm/yyyy.	The last planned exit of a person or household from the prioritized encampment will occur in mm/yyyy.
01/01/2024	07/01/2025	04/30/2024	04/30/2027

CERTIFICATION

Before certifying, applicants are strongly encouraged to review the NOFA.

I certify that all information included in this Application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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This does not have to be an authorized representative or signatory.

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	ELIGIBLE USE CATEGORY	<S WORD DESCRIPTION	NAME OF ENTITY OR PART OF PROPOSAL	ERF-3-R PROPOSED BUDGET	LEVERAGED FISCAL SUPPORT	2 SENTENCE DESCRIPTION				
Guidance and Intended Use	Use drop-downs. See NOFA, III. A.	Enables Cal ICH to immediately understand the line item.	Enables Cal ICH to associate the line item with specific entities or parts of a proposal.	Only ERF-3-R Funds	Non-ERF-3-R Funds That WILL be Used to Support this Proposal	Enables Cal ICH to better understand the line item, context, and / or other pertinent information related to the proposed line item.				
PERSONNEL COSTS										
	Services Coordination	Program Manager 30 hours week \$35 an hour	SHO	72,800.00	0.75	32	145,600.00	Overall supervision of Safe Camp Community Program		
	Services Coordination	Site Monitors x3 40 hours week \$20 an hour	SHO	58,000.00	3.00	22	319,000.00	Onsite camp monitors, part of Safe Camp Interim Shelter		
	Delivery of Permanent Housing	Rapid Rehousing Manager	SHO	60,000.00	0.75	24	90,000.00			
	Services Coordination	Admin Assistant 30 hours week \$20 an hour	SHO	55,000.00	0.75	32	110,000.00	Administrative project support: reports, camp supplies etc.		
	Services Coordination	Van Transportation Driver	SHO	54,000.00	0.75	34	114,750.00			
	Services Coordination	Fringe Benefits SHHO Staff 25%	SHO				194,837.50	Employer benefit costs		
	Delivery of Permanent Housing	RRHC Housing Case Manager	RRHC	78,416.00	1.00	34	222,178.67			
	Street Outreach	RRHC Outreach Case Manager	RRHC	73,008.00	1.00	34	206,856.00	RRHC Case Management includes work on permanent housing		
	Services Coordination	Program Manager for Contracted Staffing	RRHC	105,457.00	0.20	34	59,758.97	RRHC Case Management supervision		
	Delivery of Permanent Housing	Northern Humboldt Case Managers	AHP/RCAA	60,000.00	0.30	30		50,000.00		
	Subtotal - Personnel Costs						\$ 1,462,981.13	\$ 50,000.00		
NON-PERSONNEL COSTS										
	Rapid Rehousing	Rental Fund to Support Permanent Housing	SHO/Participants		month	1,200	24 months	1,236,000.00	200,000.00	Rental fund to support transition into permanent housing
	Systems Support	Purchase of Transportation Van	SHO	70,000.00			4 months	70,000.00		Transportation for encampment, other homeless to services
	Interim Sheltering	Purchase of Property	SHO	220,000.00			1 month	220,000.00		Purchase of identified Garberville property
	Interim Sheltering	Site Engineering	Whitchurch Engineering				3 months	95,000.00		Building and site prep evaluation for Safe Camp
	Interim Sheltering	Road Work, Site Preparation, Building Remodel	Local Contractors/Residents				12 months	120,000.00	5,000.00	All necessary work in site prep, fencing, utilities installation etc.
	Interim Sheltering	Shelter, Electrical, Assembly, Hygiene, Laundry,	Palmer Shelter Co				3 months	120,000.00		Purchase, transportation, assembly, installation Safe Camp facilities
	Systems Support	Property, Liability Workers Comp Insurance	Comers Patterson Insurance				34 months	30,000.00		Insurance costs
	Systems Support	Supplies and Materials	Staples				34 months	6,000.00		Misc, as needed
	Services Coordination	Staff Travel	SHO				32 months	6,000.00		To support camp & services
	Services Coordination	Cellphone, Telephones for SHO staff	ATT - Frontier				32 months	6,250.00		To support Safe Camp
	Interim Sheltering	Security Systems	LVT Security		month	800	24 months	19,200.00		Ongoing Safe Camp Monitoring
	Interim Sheltering	Utilities	P.G&E/CSD/ECRP				24 months	20,000.00	10,000.00	Electricity, water, sewer, trash; also volunteer encampment trash pu
	Interim Sheltering	Supplies for Encampment/Safe Camp Residents	RRHC/SHO				32 months	10,000.00	10,000.00	Misc: tents, storage, hygiene, clothes, document fees, pet supplies
	Interim Sheltering	Food for Homeless/ Interim Shelter Meals	RRHC/SHO/DHHS				32 months	5,000.00	5,000.00	For lunch programs, encampments and Safe Camp
	Interim Sheltering	Travel for Encampment & Safe Camp Residents	SHO/RRHC				32 months	8,000.00		To appointments, shopping, errands etc.
	Interim Sheltering	Misc. Support	RRHC/SHO				32 months	7,000.00	5,000.00	Additional items as needed
	Systems Support	Indirect Costs	RRHC/SHO				32 months	10,000.00		Misc.
	Subtotal - Non-Personnel Costs							\$ 1,988,450.00	\$ 245,000.00	
ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS										
	Administrative Costs	Bookkeeping/HR/Consultant Services	SHO		month	1500	32 months	48,000.00		Consulting support services
	Administrative Costs	Office Supplies for Grant Management	SHO				34 months	6,000.00		Misc.
	Subtotal - Administrative Costs							\$ 47,000.00		
TOTAL BUDGET								\$3,498,431.13	\$ 395,000.00	

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January 31, 2024

To: California Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency

Subject: County of Humboldt – SoHum Housing Opportunity (SHO)- Encampment Resolution Funding Letter of Support

To Whom It May Concern,

Caltrans District 1 is supportive of SHO for their proposal of the Encampment Resolution Funding request. SHO currently is seeking funding to purchase and develop private property in the Garberville area for a safe camp community. SHO wishes to provide unhoused population with a stable place to live and develop a community with support from local outreach workers and other wrap-around services. This safe camp will be a transitional housing option with the goal for individuals to access and maintain permanent housing successfully. The camp would also address the need for improved local fire safety as several fires started in the camps during the last couple fire seasons have placed the entire community at risk. Trash from camps that affect river and waterways would also be contained.

Caltrans will commit the following resources to support this effort:

In the event this proposal is funded, we would expect our role in the project to include:

- Deepening our partnership with SHO and other Humboldt County social service providers in support of longer-term strategies for connecting individuals currently residing in encampments along State Route 101 with pathways to safe and stable housing outside the Caltrans R/W.

Garberville and surrounding areas are high-return probable areas. Focusing outreach efforts in these areas will be greatly beneficial to persons experiencing homelessness as well as keeping Caltrans' right of ways clear of debris and reducing the likelihood of potentially dangerous conditions. Caltrans District 1 is eager to partner with SHO so we can strengthen and expand the resources to connect homeless with new opportunities in the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tom Fitzgerald'.

Tom Fitzgerald
Deputy District Director, Maintenance & Operations
Caltrans District 1

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JANUARY 25, 2024

California Interagency Council on Homelessness

RE: Election of Administrative Entities for the Encampment Resolution Funding Program Round Three

The Humboldt Housing and Homelessness Coalition authorized SoHum Housing Opportunities and Arcata House Partnership to act as administrative entities on its behalf for the purposes of the Encampment Resolution Funding Program, Round Three at its January 10, 2024 and January 24, 2024 meetings respectively. We have attached the minutes from those meetings. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Aaron Zell
Co-Chair

Humboldt Housing and Homelessness Coalition

Humboldt Housing and Homelessness Coalition (HHHC) Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 10, 2024
1:30-3:00 p.m.
Via Zoom

In Attendance: Robert Ward (DHHS), Aaron Zell (DHHS), Kristen Raymond (City of Eureka), Dian Pecora (South County Homes for All), Anjali Browning (Arcata House Partnership), Saul Lopez (Nation's Finest), Thomas Steenblock (Open Door), Cheryl Churchill (Eureka Housing Authority), Rosemary Shultz (HCTAYC), Lorey Keele (RCAA), Sally Hewitt (DHHS), Leah Lamattina (HCOE), Leigh Pierre-Oetker (CCRP), Alisha Hammer (CCRP),

Agenda:

Welcome, Review Agenda, Approve Minutes

- The General Meeting went really well with approximately 60 people participating and great presentations. Leigh will check in with Devin regarding responses on SurveyMonkey. Humboldt Transit Authority (HTA) will be presenting at the March General Meeting.
- HDAP & CalWORKs Notices need to be reviewed in more detail by Robert and Aaron and will be removed from today's agenda.
- Moving forward, agendas will be sent as a Word document or PDF to ensure easy accessibility for EC.

CoC Approval of SoHum Housing Opportunities Application for Cal ICH ERF-3-R Funding

- The application for encampment funds is based around the safe camp model with work towards rapid permanent rehousing. They would be contracting with Redwoods Rural Health Center so as not to duplicate the work in Southern Humboldt. This application is due by January 31, 2024. The funding request would also include rental support and work with local property owners.
- South County Homes for All has been working to expand services in Southern Humboldt where the services are needed and are being well received.
- If the EC approves this request, Aaron and Robert will draft the letter of support and sign it.
- A discussion around the availability of rentals surfaced that availability is greater now than it was previously in Southern Humboldt, and scarce in the Eureka area. Conversations about availability continue with local property owners.
- Eureka Housing Authority maintains the waitlist for Laurel Canyon Apartments, with an average wait of 1-2 years. As of Monday, they are assisting Mother Bernard House.

Motion #1: (Churchill/Zell) Motion authorizing SoHum Housing Opportunities to act as an administrative entity for encampment resolution funding Round 3.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:43 p.m. Next Executive Meeting: January 24, 2024 at 622 H Street, Eureka (In - person meeting).

- All in favor, motion carries.

Level Setting for January 24th Strategic Planning Meeting

- This meeting will be in person from noon - 3:00 p.m. at 622 H Street (Open Door Downtown).
- Proposed topics for meeting:
 - **HMIS:** Strategic planning around the potential HMIS provider, including the rollout to services, training to make sure everyone is comfortable with the platform, and functionality (forms, inventory, etc.)
 - **Funding opportunities:** What is available, and understanding impacts on current programs.
 - **Needs assessment:** Gaps Analysis is a responsibility of the CoC to do on an annual basis. There is no specific guidance from HUD but it was discussed at the meeting in January 2023. Examples of what other jurisdictions have done are online and Robert will share them with the team.
 - **Countywide convening on homelessness:** Previously there was an analysis of city availability and a review of changes to ADUs. Can the CoC sponsor/host a similar event? If so, what would the goals and final product be? Are there partners that could join the event?
 - **Training:** Additional training for Executive Committee members and CoC members including roles and responsibilities, policies, better understanding of governance, and conflict of interest.
 - **Governance Charter update:** This should be reviewed and updated every year.
 - **Goal Setting for the Year:** This would include creating a work plan to achieve these goals. Previously, the goals were attached to the work plan by month which was very helpful.
 - **Safe Parking:** At the BOS meeting there was a lot of discussion around Safe Parking, and why there aren't more of these ordinances. Is this a priority for the CoC? While there is not currently any funding to sponsor these programs, it would be good to have a discussion and brainstorm how to make them more viable.
 - **Highlighting accomplishments of previous year**

Due to the time allotted, these proposed items need to be prioritized. There is agreement that goal setting with the work plan and accomplishments are at the top.

- The Governor's proposed budget was announced this morning, with revisions occurring in May.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:43 p.m. Next Executive Meeting: January 24, 2024 at 622 H Street, Eureka (In - person meeting).



Redwoods Rural HEALTH CENTER

Family Health Care

Redwoods Rural Health Center Letter of Intent and Support

For SoHum Housing Opportunities Encampment Resolution Funding Application

Since 1976, Redwoods Rural Health Center (RRHC) has provided responsive, preventive, high quality primary health care services, through a variety of healing disciplines to the rural and isolated communities throughout our 2,000 square mile service area in Southern Humboldt County, California. RRHC's preventive services encompass immunizations, cancer screening, women's health, diagnostic labs, dental care, counseling, and acupuncture. RRHC offers supportive services to address social determinants of health, such as transportation, food assistance, insurance eligibility, case management, telemedicine, patient self-management education and homeless outreach.

Support and Intent

This letter affirms Redwoods Rural Health Center's support for and intent to participate in the SoHum Housing Opportunities transitional housing project as detailed in their current application for Encampment Resolution Funding.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- **SoHum Housing Opportunities** is the Project Applicant and Lead Agency, and commits to the overall implementation of the Project, including coordination among the project partners, evaluation and reporting, and budget management.
- **Redwoods Rural Health Center** supports this Project and commits to partnering with SoHum Housing Opportunities to implement the transitional housing project, including:
 - Promote the project and refer clients
 - Offer onsite case management services support
 - Provide medical, dental and behavioral health/substance use counseling services
 - Apply organizational experience with connecting patients to telepsychiatric services to assist with medicine management for mentally ill homeless clients.
- SoHum Housing Opportunities and Redwoods Rural Health Center commit to completing a more detailed MOU regarding their respective Project Roles prior to initiation of the Project.

By signing below, Redwoods Rural Health Center indicates their intent to support and participate in the SoHum Housing Opportunities transitional housing project for betterment of the entirety of the Southern Humboldt County Region.

For Redwoods Rural Health Center: _____

Date: 1/17/2024

Tina Tvedt Schaible, Executive Director

January, 2024

To: California Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency
California Interagency Council on Homelessness
Encampment Resolution Funding Program, Round 3, Rolling Application

From: Southern Humboldt Housing Opportunities
PO Box 323
Redway, CA 95560
AND
Arcata House Partnership
1005 Eleventh St.
Arcata, CA 95521

Dear ERF-3-R,

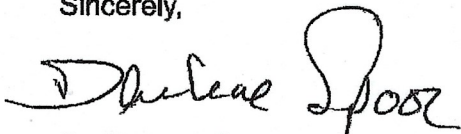
The two organizations, Arcata House Partnership (Arcata House) and Southern Humboldt Housing Opportunities (SoHum), are very pleased to share with you our mutual support of the applications both organizations are submitting for consideration for ERF-3-R funding.

Both Arcata House and SoHum are dedicated to the people of Humboldt County and are committed to supporting individuals who are experiencing homelessness. It is the hope of both organizations that with ERF-3-R funding, both organizations will be able to transition many people currently living in encampments into permanent housing.

To this end, Arcata House and SoHum are in agreement that due to the geographic distance of Humboldt County from North to South, any individuals who are permanently housed by either program in the Northern part of Humboldt County will receive on-going case management and supportive services through Arcata House Partnership, and any individuals who are permanently housed by either program in the Southern part of Humboldt County will receive on-going case management and supportive services by SoHum. Both organizations will ensure a warm hand-off of each individual who will transition to on-going case management with the other organization. Individuals will be asked to sign a release of information form and necessary information will be shared with the organization receiving the referral so that the newly housed individual's needs can best be addressed by the new case manager.

This strong collaborative agreement will undoubtedly strengthen the support of every person permanently housed. We look forward to implementing this program.

Sincerely,



Dr. Darlene Spoor
Executive Director
Arcata House Partnership



Patricia Rae
President
Southern Humboldt Housing Opportunities



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COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

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January 16, 2024

California Interagency Council on Homelessness

Re: ERF-2-R Application, SoHum Housing Opportunities, Inc. (SHO)

To Whom It May Concern,

As the Supervisor for District 2 of Humboldt County, I strive to support all the residents of my district, listen to their concerns, and provide needed services. A major area of importance for me in my life and my work is to meet the housing needs of the communities I serve. This has been a focus and passion for me for many years. I have had frequent direct contact with SoHum Housing Opportunities (SHO) and have supported and helped find funding for the many services they provide to the South County unhoused. My District, especially the Redway/Garberville area, often gets overlooked when project funding is available due to its relative isolation and smaller population, but the need for ways to help the homeless is very real.

I have been involved with SHO and its President, Patte Rae, in reviewing the Safe Camp Community Proposal. SHO is a key organization in this capacity and has a long track record of providing a variety of vital services and support to the unhoused. I believe that this project will have a major positive impact on the Southern Humboldt Community by answering the need for transitioning people out of encampments into interim shelters and providing a path to more permanent housing, as well as linking them to a variety of available services. It will also help improve the appearance and impact of the area on the many tourists who visit us for our area's unmatched natural beauty. This will create a significant economic benefit.

As it progresses, I will continue to partner with SHO and other support agencies to help advance this project and to secure other resources necessary to its success as well as to the development of further services for the community homeless.

I trust that you will give serious consideration to SHO's ERF-2-R application and recognize how important its funding is to address a major need in the lives of the residents of my district.

Sincerely,

Michelle Bushnell, Supervisor, District 2
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors



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California Interagency Council on Homelessness

Re: ERF-2-R Application, SoHum Housing Opportunities, Inc. (SHO)

June 20, 2023

To Whom It May Concern,

The Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is writing to give its endorsement and support for the ERF-2-R application submitted by SoHum Housing Opportunities (SHO). DHHS provides a variety of services to meet the health needs of all Humboldt County residents. We employ Case Managers who regularly work in the far south part of the County centered around Garberville/Redway to assess the situation there and to provide access to services. Working with homeless individuals and families is an important part of our focus, but in order to do this we must partner with local organizations with experience in the community. SHO is a key organization in this capacity and has a long track record of providing a variety of vital services and support to the unhoused in the area.

DHHS believes that there is a great need for services to South County, and that this area can be overlooked when seeking funding to meet its needs. The opportunity represented by the ERF-2-R grant addresses the urgent need for an interim safe place for unhoused people to stay while gaining access to available support services as they transition into more permanent housing and possible employment. DHHS has been involved in advising, reviewing, and supporting SHO as it has developed the Safe Camp Community Proposal. We will continue to partner with them and other support agencies in Southern Humboldt to help assure the success of this project and the development of further services to the community's homeless.

Thank you for considering the application from SHO. The County DHHS believes its approval will be critical to improving the lives of vulnerable community residents.

Sincerely,

Connie Beck, Director

Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services

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SoHum Health

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California Interagency Council on Homelessness

Re: ERF-2-R Application

SoHum Housing Opportunities, Inc. (SHO)

To Whom It May Concern,

Southern Humboldt Community Healthcare District (SoHum Health, Jerold Phelps Community Hospital, Southern Humboldt Community Clinic) are the major providers of hospital care and health care services to the Southern Humboldt Community and are located in Garberville, CA. We provide a wide variety of health services as outlined on our website: sohumhealth.org. We have worked closely with organizations, such as the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), that provide intake services to the unhoused and other people in need. SoHum Health also operates a modern, well-equipped mobile clinic that frequently provides health services to people living in camps or other individuals in need.

We recognize the urgent need in our area for an interim safe place for unhoused people to stay while gaining access to available support services as they transition into more permanent housing and possible employment. The Safe Camp Community Proposal from SoHum Housing Opportunities (SHO) represents an important step in that process. SHO has an impressive record of providing services to the homeless through emergency sheltering, delivery of meals to encampments, weekly warming centers, RoomKey interim housing and more. SHO works closely with a variety of agencies that serve our area.

SoHum Health gives its full support to the Safe Camp Community Proposal and will work closely with SHO to help in implementing and serving the facility once in place. We strongly urge you to approve their application. Feel free to contact me if you need further information.

Sincerely,

Matt Rees, Chief Executive Officer
SoHum Health



To: California Interagency Council on Homelessness

Re: ERF-3-R Application from SoHum Housing Opportunities, Inc. (SHO)

January 29, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

For over two years, the South County Homes for All Council (SCHFA) has supported a variety of community organizations that work to address the shortage of affordable housing, workforce housing, very low-income housing and options for the unhoused in our local community. Our mission is to "Grow Southern Humboldt's capacity to develop local housing and support people to get and stay housed." Council members include representatives from a variety of local organizations as can be seen from the attached Council Member list. The group meets regularly to share skills, experience and resources in order to open opportunities for the community.

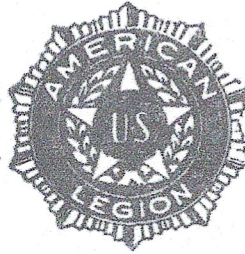
As part of its mission, SCHFA has been supporting services to the unhoused and exploring and fostering potential opportunities to move people into safer situations and, ultimately, permanent housing. The Council has been informed about the progress of the Safe Camp Community project during its development and considers it to be an important step in addressing our community's needs. We have encouraged SoHum Housing Opportunities, Inc. (SHO), to seek funding to move this project forward and the ERF-3-R represents a significant opportunity to make the Camp a reality.

We strongly endorse SHO's ERF-3-R application and highly recommend its approval.

Sincerely,

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Christina Huff, Southern Humboldt Senior Care, Inc.
Council Member, South County Homes for All



JOHN HAYNES VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDING
483 CONGER STREET
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To: Patte Rae and Team

We veterans of Garberville VFW and the American Legion have watched the work being done by your team in the last five years toward creating permanent housing for those houseless veterans and others in our community.

We applaud that which you have succeeded in attaining.

We fully support the creation of a transitional emergency location to shelter and to help our local homeless to be able to make the transition to permanent housing. We also will have an emergency shelter for catastrophic and inclement weather events when the rebuilding of the John Haynes Memorial Veterans hall is completed.

Sincerely,

Brian M. Ormond

For the Garberville Veterans Association

California State Senate

SENATOR MIKE MCGUIRE

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA'S SECOND SENATE DISTRICT



February 29, 2024

Tomiquia Moss, Secretary
Business, Consumer Services, & Housing Agency
801 Capitol Mall, Suite 601
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Secretary Moss:

I am writing to express my support for the Encampment Resolution Funding application submitted by SoHum Housing Opportunities, Inc. (SHO), in collaboration with the Humboldt Housing and Homelessness Coalition. SHO has a long history of working with the unhoused community in this area and is well-positioned to accomplish the project's goals and objectives.

This ERF award would provide much needed support to a rural area of Humboldt County that sorely needs more resources for its unhoused community. SHO's proposal prioritizes transitioning residents of four encampments, three of them on State Right-of-Ways, into permanent housing while also creating an interim Safe Camp facility that will continue to provide shelter and support services beyond the three-year grant period.

Key aspects of the proposal include funding for rent and other costs related to permanent housing; funding a vehicle to provide transportation for participants to necessary services; providing ongoing case management services to people in the identified encampments, in the safe camp and in permanent housing situations.

I respectfully encourage you to support this proposal and hope to see its successful implementation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at 707-445-6508.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mike McGuire'.

MIKE MCGUIRE
Senator



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February 13, 2024

California Interagency Council on Homelessness
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RE: Letter of Local Acknowledgment

Dear Cal ICH,

The County of Humboldt acknowledges the Encampment Resolution Funding application by the Humboldt County CoC targeting the four encampment sites in the vicinity of Garberville. The CoC has communicated with the County about its intent to apply. The County has no intention of applying for ERF-3-R funds for these or any other encampments. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Connie Beck



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Cal ICH Reviewers
March 25, 2024 ,

Jimmy Durchlag, our grant writer did a good job of creating a picture of our So Hum community when he clarified your questions asked on the ERF-R-3 application.

I would like to expand a bit more on who we are and the importance of obtaining this grant.

SoHum Housing Opportunities (SHO) 501 c3, serves a large, sparsely populated rural community in southern Humboldt county. Approximately one-third of the So Hum population resides in Redway and Garberville. Public transportation, communications and adequate housing are long-standing problems hindering access to services.

Our unincorporated community has a long history of working together to successfully create essential services needed for the well-being and safety of our residents.

Examples of such community services include: 18 volunteer fire departments, SoHumRescue Team, KMUD public radio station, Healy Senior Center with senior social and meal programs; Mateel Community Center; Redwoods Rural Health Center, FQHC; The Community Park, Our Town Square, Hospice, ERCP (picks up weekly garbage in towns and trail heads).

As demonstrated by the above examples, we are a concerned, active and engaged community. Historically, the work is volunteer generated and driven. The ERF-R-3 grant will support our efforts to fill the gap in public services. This is especially crucial as our local economy is rebuilding and recreating itself for sustainability in uncertain economic times. Developing this program will allow a safe, transitioning shelter as we continue to assist the more vulnerable in our unhoused community to interim / permanent housing.

Community concerns relate to out-of-control campfires, safety in sleeping on the streets and sanitation. We will continue providing the support to access social/medical services, food, and skills /job training. SHO's work includes building bridges of trust for both the housed and unhoused locally. Some of the unhoused were born and raised here, others had family or friend connections, some were attracted by the isolation and weather, or to work in a cannabis economy that no longer supports them. Many stayed and remained in camps spread throughout the forest, along the river and on Cal Trans easements.

Our SHO Board of Directors is prepared to be successful in the implementation of this grant. Our letters of support for this grant show our ability to reach out, collaborate and work together. We appreciate your guidance and feedback on this grant and are excited to continue working towards creating a solution for our local housing shortage. Our web page is www.sohumhousing.org, we are on Facebook at SoHum Housing Opportunities.

Please contact me if you need further clarification or have questions about our organization and community. I welcome the opportunity to speak with you further.

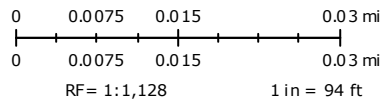
Sincerely,

Patricia (Patte)Rae
SoHum Housing Board of Directors, President
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Bear Encampment North

Humboldt County Planning and Building Department



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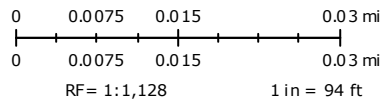
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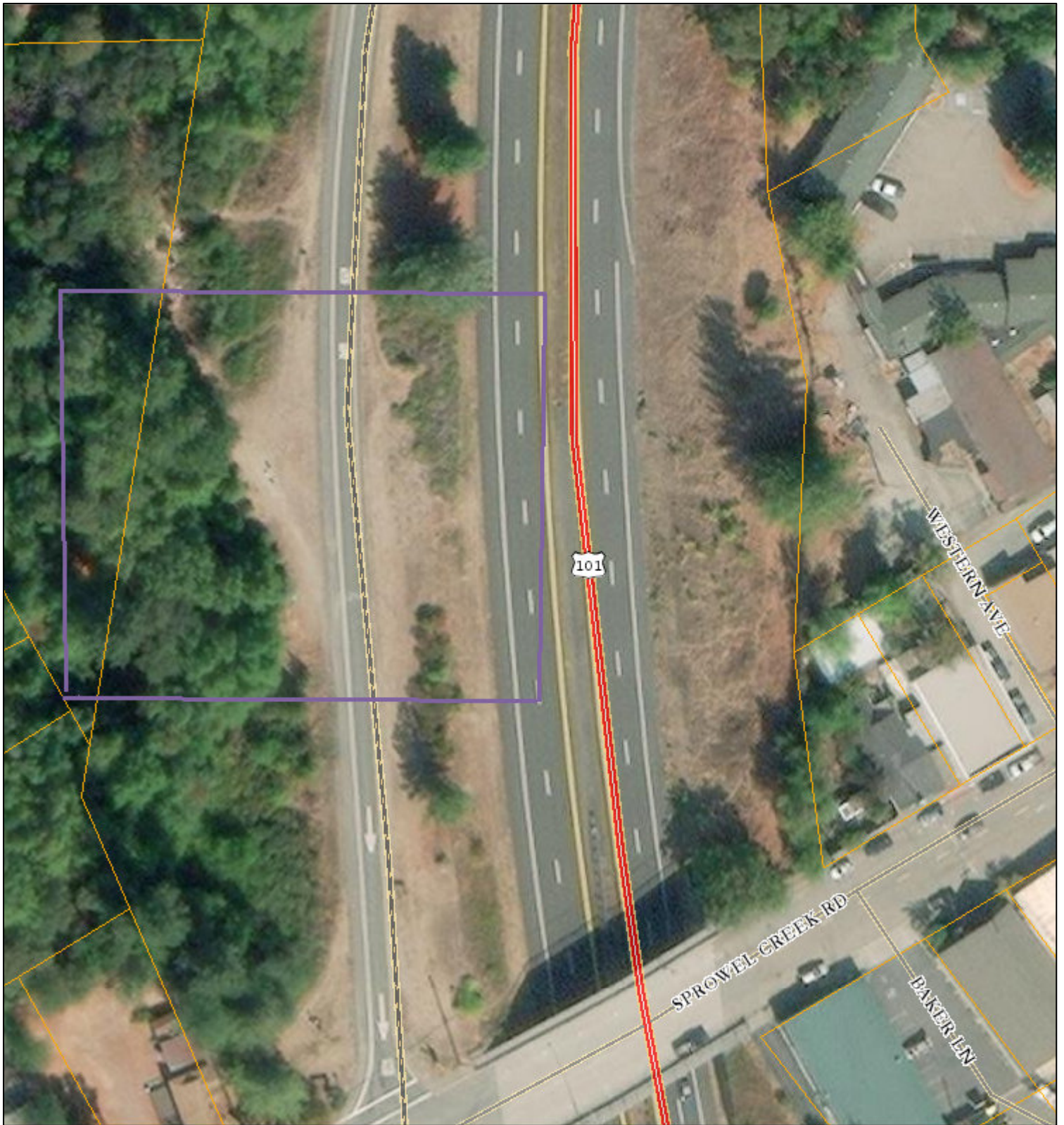
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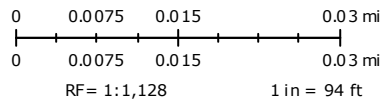
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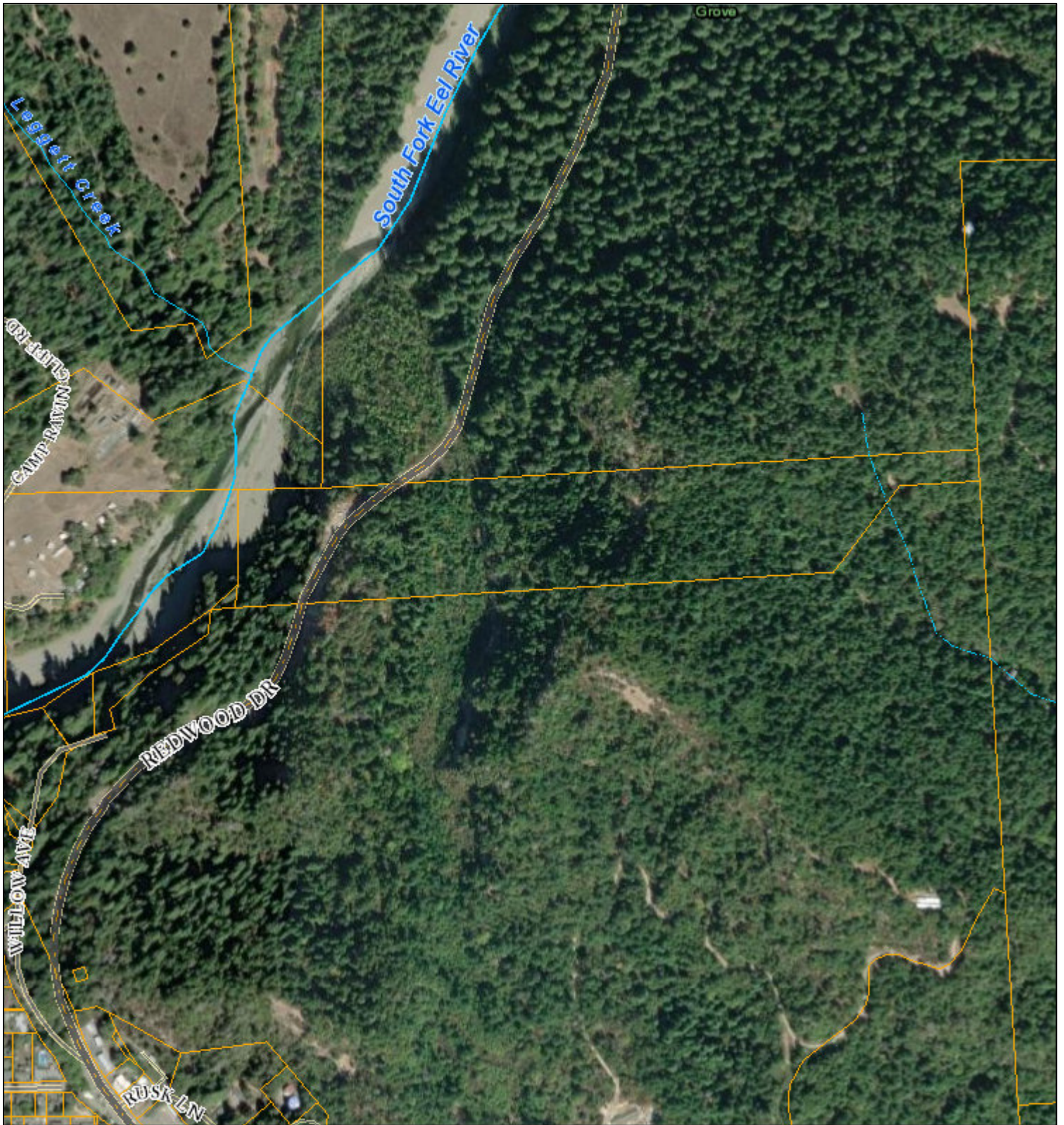
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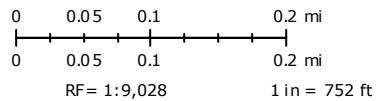
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Redwood Drive North One

Humboldt County Planning and Building Department

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| Highways and Roads | — Private or Unclassified | — Intermittent |
| Principal Arterials | — Major River or Stream | — Subsurface |
| Minor Arterials | Blue Line Streams | — City Boundary |
| Major Collectors | — Perennial 1-3 | — Counties |
| Minor Collectors | — Perennial >4 | — Parcels (no APN labels) |
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Encampment Photos on State Right of Way



North Bear Canyon Bridge Encampment on ROW



South Bear Canyon Bridge Encampment on ROW



Sprowl Creek Encampment on ROW

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