

Behavioral Health Department

Behavioral Health Bridge Housing: Program Updates and New Grant Acceptance



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Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Program

Round One: \$3.6 million over 3 years

Program Goal: Provide a stable living environment and comprehensive services to allow for successful navigation into permanent housing



30 Beds of interim, low barrier housing



Prioritizes unsheltered homeless individuals with serious mental illness or substance use disorders



Operated by Hospitality House

Core program elements:



Wrap around case management at interim housing sites



Maximizing CalAIM funding through partnership with Enhanced Care Management Team



Providing interim shelter to high risk clients including CARE Court participants and other court programs



Housing consists of combination of motel rooms and master leased houses



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Outcomes to date:

- 80 Individual Households served
 - 8164 Total Bed nights provided
 - 3060 services provided (linkage, basic needs, assessments, housing navigation etc.)
- Rapid referral and intake: 8% vacancy rate
- 50 participants enrolled in CalAIM Community Supports Housing Navigation services (63% of participants)
- 42 Program exits to date: 48% to perm housing, treatment or transitional living, 43% return to homelessness, 9% to other settings or institutions

Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Round Three

- **Successful competitive application for an additional \$3 million**
 - \$1.5 million for Housing Navigation including landlord recruitment and retention and rental subsidies (FREED Contract)
 - \$525,000 for Badger Lane remodel (AMI Contract)
 - \$975,000 for Glenwood project (Hospitality House contract)
- **These activities will accelerate permanent housing placements and make interim placements more affordable**
- **Complements Encampment Resolution Fund grant of \$2.5 million for similar activities**

Housing Navigation - FREED

Services to Landlords:

- Recruitment and retention
- Risk mitigation funds
- Cash incentives
- Unit repairs
- Landlord-tenant mediation
- Post-housing support

Services to Tenants:

- Direct rental assistance for 1 year
- Move in assistance and furnishings
- Ready to Rent trainings
- Assistance applying for long term subsidies

Badger Lane Project – AMI Housing

Existing County owned building located on same parcel as the Homekey funded Empire Mine Courtyard hotel conversion

Project will renovate the building into 7 units of BHBH program housing

Reduces program costs associated with high weekly hotel rates or leasing

Provides BHBH program operator with more control of the location

Will convert to Permanent Supportive Housing after June 30, 2027

Glenwood Project – Hospitality House

Modular Construction on land owned by Hospitality House

14-16 beds of dedicated BHBH program housing

Reduces program costs associated with high weekly hotel rates or leasing

Provides BHBH program operator with more control of the location

Can be converted to other uses including permanent housing after June 30, 2027

Request for acceptance of BHBH Round Three grant funds

The BHBH program supports unsheltered people in stabilizing through a safe living environment and supportive services

