



City of Santa Ana
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Staff Report
March 18, 2025

TOPIC: Appropriation Adjustment to Recognize Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Funds

AGENDA TITLE

Appropriation Adjustment to Recognize Initial Disbursement of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 5 (Non-General Fund)

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approve appropriation adjustment to recognize \$5,878,393 in funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in revenue account (no.12218002-52025 State Grant - Direct) and appropriate the same amount to expenditure account (no. 12218719-various) to address homelessness in the City of Santa Ana. *(Requires five affirmative votes)*

GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLIES: No

DISCUSSION

The Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program (HHAP) was signed into law on July 31, 2019, by Governor Newsom. The HHAP grant is the State's flagship program aimed at addressing homelessness at the local level. Initiatives such as the delivery of permanent housing, rapid rehousing, homeless prevention and shelter diversion, operating subsidies, street outreach, and a homeless youth set-aside are prioritized. HHAP Round 5 (HHAP-5) marks the City's fifth allocation of HHAP funding. The City leveraged early rounds of HHAP to enhance its homelessness response efforts by supporting critical initiatives such as the construction, purchase, and operation of the Navigation Center, street outreach and engagement services, and a permanent housing project for homeless youth and seniors.

In FY23-24, HHAP-4 was awarded to the City which introduced new rapid rehousing and services coordination programs while continuing to support key programs such as the Navigation Center and street outreach team. Resources will help drive the progress toward addressing homelessness and responding to the needs within the City.

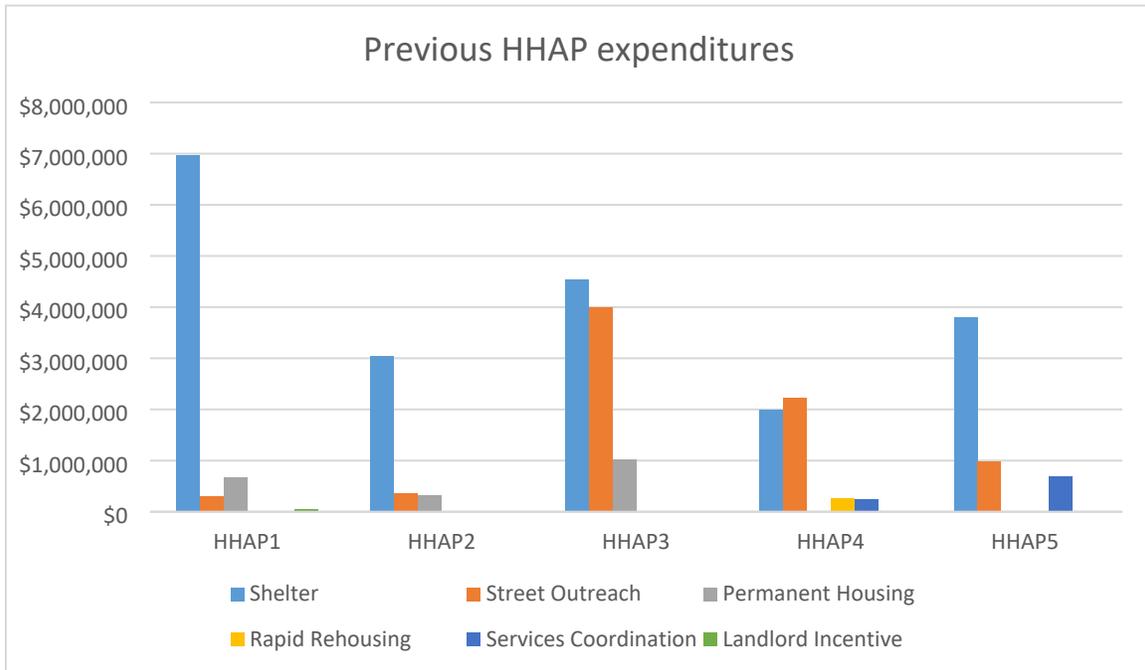
The State has allocated \$1 billion towards the HHAP-5 program, with the City receiving \$5,878,393.38 to further its local homeless response efforts. The planned investments of HHAP-5 are consistent with the previous four rounds of funding, but with a refined structure aimed at enhancing effectiveness. While the eligible uses for HHAP-5 remain

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largely unchanged from previous rounds, the HHAP-5 statute reorganizes them into three main categories: (1) costs that support permanent housing; (2) costs that support interim housing; and (3) costs that support service provision and systems support. This change represents a strategic alignment aimed at amplifying the focus on regional coordination, permanent housing, sustainability, and person-centered services. The overarching objective of HHAP funds remains unwavering – to effectively address and end people’s experiences of homelessness.



	Shelter	Street Outreach	Permanent Housing	Rapid Rehousing	Services Coordination	Landlord Incentive
HHAP1	\$6,963,182	300,000	673,773	-	-	50,000
HHAP2	3,034,179	349,999	318,510	-	-	-
HHAP3	4,540,991	4,000,000	1,029,035	-	-	-
HHAP4	2,000,000	2,227,153	-	270,000	239,295	-
HHAP5	3,800,000	979,066	-	-	687,839	-

A majority of HHAP-5 funds will be used for the operation and maintenance of the Navigation Center, followed by street outreach and engagement services. Consistent with Rounds 3 and 4, HHAP-5 grantees must set aside at least 10% of the grant allocation for services for homeless youth. Homeless youth is defined as unaccompanied youth between ages 12 – and 24-years old experiencing homelessness, including pregnant and parenting youth. Santa Ana intends to use the youth set-aside funds for the continuation of independent life skills training for foster youth holding a voucher through the Santa Ana Housing Authority.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of the appropriation will recognize \$5,878,393 in funds from the California Department of Housing and Community Development in the revenue account (no.

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12218002-52025 State Grant - Direct) and appropriate the same amount into the HHAP-5 Grant expenditure account (nos.12218719-various) for projected expenditures as follows:

Fiscal Year	Accounting Unit-Account	Fund Description	Accounting Unit, Account Description	Amount
FY 24-25	12218719-69011	Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Round 5	HHAP-5 Grant, Reserve Appropriation	\$5,878,393
Total				\$5,878,393

Any remaining balances not expended at the end of the fiscal year will be presented to City Council for approval of carryovers to FY 25-26.

EXHIBIT(S)

1. HHAP 5 Award Announcement
2. HHAP 5 Standard Agreement
3. HHAP 5 Awardee List

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