## State Council on **Developmental Disabilities** San Bernardino Regional Advisory Committee

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Who is this?

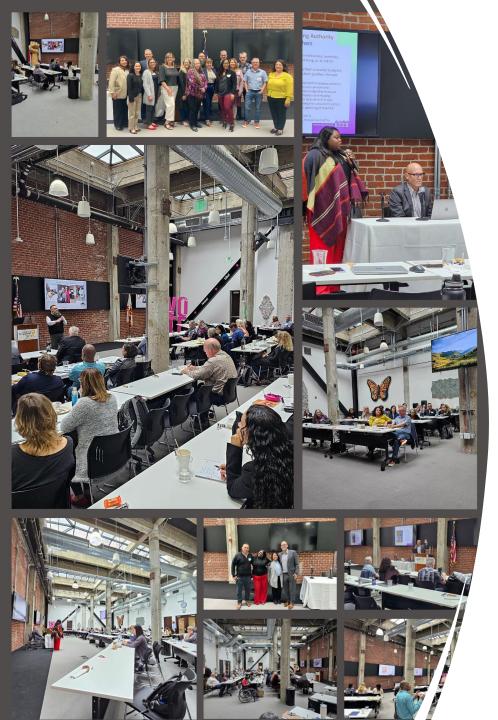


#### Lanterman Housing Alliance: <u>www.lantermanhousingalliance.org</u>

The Lanterman Housing Alliance was founded in October 2014. We are a statewide organization that serves as a catalyst for the creation of affordable, supportive housing for Californians with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). Our members collectively have secured thousands of units reserved for this vulnerable population. LHA's ability to bring together builders, regional centers, funders, policymakers, and other key stakeholders uniquely positions us to meet our objective to increase housing opportunities for people with I/DD. The Alliance's shared purpose is to network and communicate best practices and strategies to provide housing for people with developmental disabilities.

#### California Housing Foundation: www.chfcares.com

CHF supports the mission of the California Regional Centers by providing quality services and support programs designed to encourage and enable persons with a developmental disability to achieve their highest possible level of personal independence, choice, and productivity.



### Lanterman Housing Alliance 2023 Fall Summit

- LHA held its annual summit in Sacramento October 26th and 27th
- 60+ attendees from regional centers, service providers, housing developers, DDS, ARCA, and other stakeholders gathered at the California Endowment building
- Presenters from DDS, Regional Centers, and LHA members spoke about how to address housing within the DDS system
- The goal of the summit was to push forward conversations about the need for housing and shine a light on creative solutions

## LHA 2023 Fall Summit: DDS Report

- Buy-it-Once and Asset Management
  - CPP by-the-numbers:
    - \$455M leveraged to create 1,012 SFR
    - Capacity to provide homes to 3,984 individuals
    - Restrictive covenants, annual reports, and inspections to keep the assets well-maintained and in the system long-term
- Multi-family housing
  - CRDP
    - Uses: Development, Acquisition, Renovation, New Construction
    - Provides Use restriction, Affordability, Accessibility, and Leverage of housing resources
    - \$45M, 35 projects, 504 set-aside units



## LHA 2023 Fall Summit: ACRC

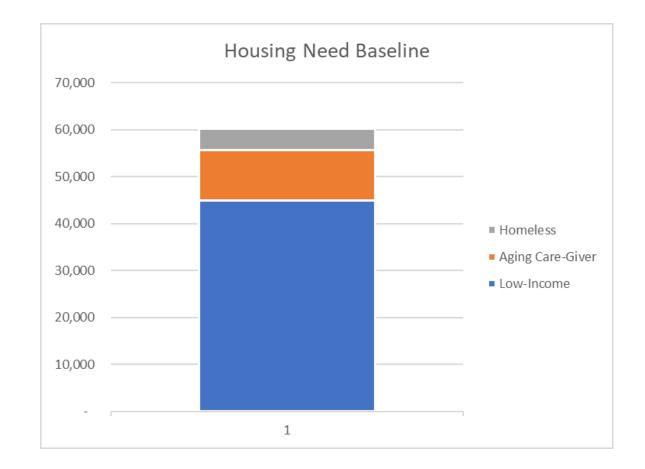
- John Decker presented on the philosophy around housing at that regional center and a number of programs that ACRC has created around housing including:
  - Coordinated Future Planning
  - Input for Housing Elements
  - Participation in CRDP
  - Housing Access Services
  - Assistive Technology
  - Relationships with Developers
  - Launch of Disability Housing Alliance
  - Training and Technical Assistance



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#### LHA 2023 Fall Summit: Housing Needs Data

- CHPC Housing Need Assessment: 41% of households are rent-burdened, 28% are severely rent-burdened
- Crisis within a Crisis: as many as 24,000 individuals with a developmental disability are living at home with parents who are above 70 years old
- Housing affordability by Zip Code: As many as 57,000 households are likely to be rent-burdened
- Continuum of Care data shows that 10.6% of respondents who are asked if they have a developmental disability respond that they do.
- Based on this information, we estimate a housing need of 60,000+ households





# RCeB

**Regional Center of the East Bay** 

### LHA 2023 Fall Summit: Housing Access Services

- Overview of housing access services:
  - Service Code 089
  - CMS Bulletin in 2015 created language
  - Not widely available
- Success Case Study: Housing Consortium of the East Bay
  - HCEB, RCEB, and Contra Costa County partnered to provide Non-Elderly Disabled Mainstream Vouchers to adults receiving RCEB services
  - HCEB created a process of assessment for eligibility, assisted with applications, identified appropriate housing, worked with landlords and property managers to ensure compliance, and facilitated move-ins

# LHA 2023 Fall Summit: Proposed Solutions for System Change

Legislative changes to the Welfare and Institutions Code:

- Change "locating a home" to "accessing affordable and accessible housing" in the menu of services
- Create a person-centered Housing Plan for those living in housing that is not appropriate due to cost, over-crowding, inaccessibility, uninhabitability, or instability, or who has made known a desire to live independently. Includes provision to gather data on the needs and outcomes of the plans
- Amend Language related to responsibility of housing costs and rental subsidies to make subsidies allowable, not just an exception
- Increase funding for housing costs: development, subsidy, access, etc. through the creation of a Community Housing Development Program funded through regional centers similar to CRDP
- Enact language that requires DDS and Regional Centers to collect and publish data on housing needs

Opportunities to give input:

- DDS is currently working to standardize the IPP process; LHA would like to see a robust section on housing need
- LHA continues to pursue changes to the CDER to add questions about housing need
- California is contemplating changes to its Medicare Waiver that would provide up to six months of transitional rent services, among other things. Comments are due by November 26







College Housing:

- CHF worked with IRC to identify a location close to San Bernardino Valley College
- Will be 6 two-bedroom units
- Residents will be enrolled either at the college or in a regional center approved vocational training program
- Rents will be no more than 1/3 of income including all utilities
- Interested individuals should contact their case worker at the reginal center

Goal of creating college programs for people with developmental disabilities

## Questions?

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