



Funders Together TO END HOMELESSNESS SAN DIEGO

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Funders Together to End Homelessness San Diego (FTEHSD) is an alliance of philanthropists and public and private grantmakers that invest in effective systems change with the goal of ending homelessness throughout San Diego County.

Philanthropy plays an important role in ending homelessness because its flexibility and quick decision-making allows it to fund innovative projects, provide seed money, and catalyze change that leads to breakthrough solutions and helps position our region to qualify for increased government funding. Through a funder collaborative like FTEHSD you will achieve greater impact by leveraging your investment with that of the other members and in alignment with public funds.


**SAN DIEGO COUNTY HOMELESSNESS
GREW 5% IN 2017**

**9,116
TOTAL HOMELESS
INDIVIDUALS**

 **12%**
YOUTH
(UNDER 24)

 **69%**
MEN

 **29%**
WOMEN

 **8%**
VETERANS

39%
SELF-REPORTED
MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE

20%
SELF-REPORTED
SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUE

77%
BECAME HOMELESS IN
SAN DIEGO

Source: Point in Time Count 2017

SOLUTIONS: WHAT WORKS TO END HOMELESSNESS?

Funders Together to End Homelessness San Diego invests in an evidence-based Housing First model, aligned with national best practices to end homelessness.

- **Permanent supportive housing**, which combines affordable housing with supportive services that target the specific needs of an individual or family.
- **Rapid re-housing and stabilization services** focus on quickly moving people experiencing homelessness out of temporary emergency shelter and into permanent rental housing and providing supports to help them remain housed.
- **Prevention** strategies, which keep at-risk people from becoming homeless, and **diversion**, which helps those about to enter emergency shelter identify better options, are also important. These strategies include: military and institutional discharge planning, rental subsidies, emergency cash assistance for rent and utilities, help with locating housing and negotiating with landlords, short-term case management, and connections to mainstream social services.

PRIORITY AREAS & DESCRIPTIONS	GRANTS & PROJECTS - FY17
<p>SYSTEMS-CHANGE Solutions to ending homelessness that have the potential to have a large community and systemic impact</p>	<p>Coordinated Entry System, North County Coordinator & Matcher – In support of a centralized regional approach to solving homelessness, FTEHSD provided supplementary funding for two staff positions that support the Coordinated Entry System (CES) serving clients in North County.</p> <p>Regional Task Force on the Homeless Administration - FTEHSD provided funding for administrative staff supporting the annual Point-In-Time Count. The Point in Time Count is a one-day, unduplicated count of sheltered and unsheltered homeless individuals and families across the United States. Our funds supported the San Diego portion of the count.</p> <p>Communities Assessment – FTEHSD recently posted an RFP to conduct a review and assessment of the efforts of other communities to end homelessness to understand the driving forces within the community that made these other efforts successful and how to nurture them in San Diego County.</p> <p>Diversion Trainings with SDHC & ARS – FTEHSD is working with the San Diego Housing Commission and Alliance for Regional Solutions to develop regional trainings on diversion techniques. Service providers will learn to help individuals and families seeking shelter find alternative housing options (such as staying with friends or family members or by intervening with landlords) so that fewer households enter homelessness.</p>
<p>FAMILY & CHILDREN/YOUTH Prepare the community to utilize upcoming funding opportunities</p>	<p>Youth Homelessness Summit – FTEHSD convened a summit featuring national experts on ending youth homelessness for funders as well as social services and housing providers to focus on the needs and opportunities for addressing youth homelessness in our region.</p>
<p>EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES Flexible grants for innovative projects</p>	<p>Bringing Families Home – This County of San Diego program aims to keep families together when they are homeless or at-risk of homelessness with rapid rehousing and housing navigators. FTEHSD provided \$100,000 in matching funds to draw down \$100,000 in additional state dollars.</p>

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