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**Landlord Incentives for Homeless Veterans Program**

The Housing Authority County of San Joaquin (“Authority”) has adopted a Landlord Incentive Program to encourage landlords to rent residential property to homeless Veterans through the Authority’s HUD-VASH rental assistance program. Funding for the Landlord Incentive Program is made possible through a grant award authorized by the City of Stockton to appropriate funding from the State of California’s Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP).

In addition to the rental assistance provided by the Authority, the HUD-VASH program includes case management and clinical services provided by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Services are provided at VA medical centers and community-based outreach clinics. Referrals for the HUD-VASH program are made directly from the VA after veteran’s statuses have been confirmed. Program eligibility is determined by the Authority.

The Authority has been approved to receive \$222,500 in HHAP funds which will be used to incentivize the HUD-VASH program. The incentives include security deposit assistance, unit repairs, utility assistance, application fees, vacancy loss payments, and a one-time leasing bonus. The Authority anticipates assisting at least 30 homeless Veterans with a rental subsidy through this program.

Homeless Veterans in need of permanent housing are urged to contact the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans (NCCHV) at 1-877-4AID VET (877-424-3838) for more information regarding the HUD-VASH program in San Joaquin County. Landlords who are interested in learning more about the Landlord Incentive Program may contact the Authority’s Landlord Hotline at (209) 460-4515 or email [landlordhl@hacsj.org](mailto:landlordhl@hacsj.org).