**Regional Community Action Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness in San Diego**

This Regional Community Action Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness in San Diego (Regional Plan) sets forth a shared vision and foundation for moving to action for ending homelessness throughout the San Diego region over the next five years. The Regional Plan identifies system and resource gaps, promotes evidence-based approaches for the homelessness crisis response system including person-centered orientations like Housing First, Trauma-Informed, and progressive engagement, places a focus on equity, and embraces the truth that HOUSING ends homelessness and EVERYONE can thrive in HOUSING with appropriate SUPPORT as needed.

The purpose of this Regional Plan, essentially a “Plan of Plans” that builds on and aligns all existing plans, is to commit to a shared vision, adopt a set of core principles, identify system priorities, goals, and strategies, and ensure strong measures and accountability. There is a critical need to ALIGN all plans, strategies, stakeholders, practices, and funding under a single vision and act collectively with intention, urgency, and compassion.

**Regional Vision to End Homelessness in San Diego**

*We will end homelessness across San Diego County using a housing focused, equity driven, and person-centered system approach.*

**System Goals**

1. Create a Strong and Equitable Regional System to End Homelessness
2. Aggressively Expand Permanent Housing Options
3. Meet the Needs of People Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness
4. Create safe, low-barrier, and housing-focused shelter
5. Reduce the flow of people entering homelessness

**People Goals**

1. End Veteran Homelessness Across San Diego County
2. End Youth Homelessness
3. Reduce Unsheltered Homelessness by 50%
4. Prevent and Reduce Homelessness Among Older Adults
5. End Family Homelessness

**Core Principles**

1. Act with urgency, compassion, and eagerness
2. Unified and committed leadership
3. Commitment to housing as the solution
4. Centering racial equity and social justice
5. Include and value the voices of those with lived experience
6. Shared accountability, responsibility, and transparency
7. Promote a person-centered homelessness response system
8. Value the critical role of homeless services providers
9. Data must drive decision making
10. Collaboratively seek and align funding to achieve impact

**Shared Measures**

1. **System Performance** – reducing length of time homeless, increasing housing placements, reducing returns to homelessness, and reducing first time homelessness
2. **Project Performance** – numbers of people served, length of time in programs, housing placements, occupancy rates
3. **Housing Inventory Measures –** increase homeless dedicated housing resources and interventions
4. **Reaching “Functional Zero”** – know everyone person by name, monitor inflow and outflow, ongoing process improvement