

# **Solving for Homelessness among Older Adults, People with Disabilities, and Other Populations**

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Webinar***



**Housing and Services**  
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# Welcome



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# Agenda

- Welcome and Housekeeping
  - Poll Question
- Solving for Homelessness: The Big Picture
- Ending Homelessness in San Diego: A Case Study
- Chat Question
- Q&A
- Recommended Technical Resources and Wrap Up

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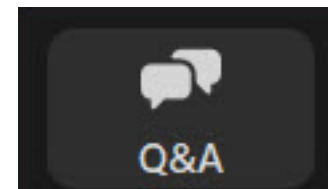
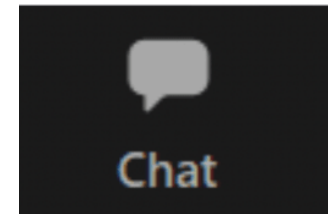
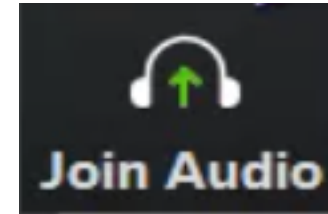
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# Poll: What Is Your Sector?

## Which best describes your organization??

- Disability or Aging Networks
- Health Care or Public Health Organization/System
- Mental or Behavioral Health Organization/System
- Housing or Homeless Services Organization/System
- Human/Social Services Organization
- Community Development Organization
- Association, Advocacy, Philanthropic, Education, or Research Organization
- Consumer
- Other



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Coordinating access to affordable,  
accessible housing and critical community services



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# Poll Results

# Solving for Homelessness



## **Housing**

- Affordable
- Accessible
- Healthful
- Safe

## **Supportive Services**

- Nutrition
- Health services
- Transportation
- Social engagement
- Legal assistance
- Housekeeping/chores
- Personal care



# Continuum of Care Program

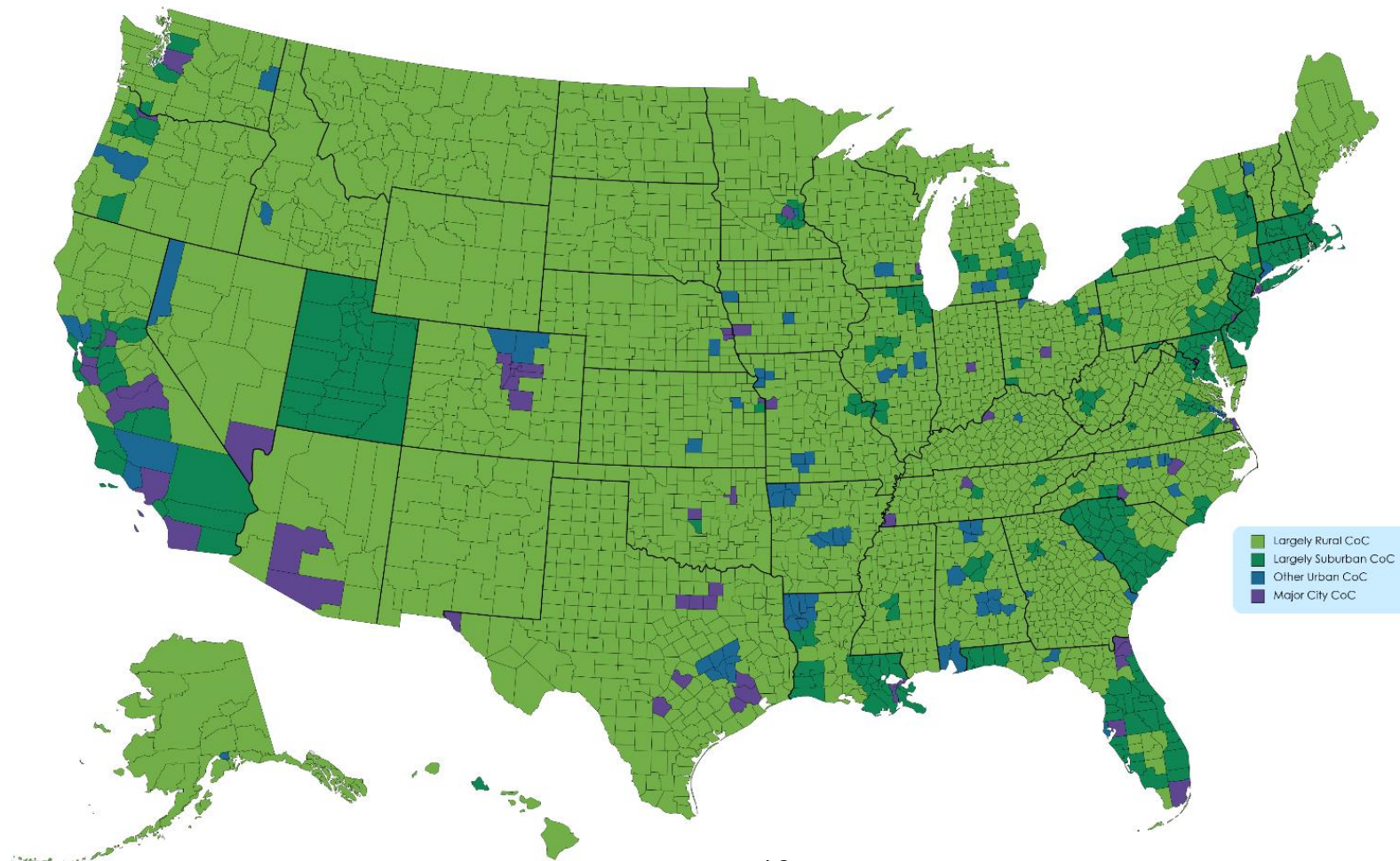


A Continuum of Care (CoC) is a regional or local planning body that coordinates housing and services funding for homeless families and individuals.

The CoC is designed to promote community-wide planning and strategic use of resources to address homelessness and improve coordination and integration with mainstream resources and other programs targeted to people experiencing homelessness.

# Continuums of Care

Introduced in 1994, Continuums of Care (CoCs) are community-driven processes to address local needs and prioritize projects locally



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# The Disability and Aging Networks

- Aging & Disability Resource Centers/No Wrong Door Systems
- **Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs)**
- **Centers for Independent Living (CILs)**
- Adult Protective Services
- Assistive Technology Act Programs
- Benefits Enrollment Centers
- Councils on Developmental Disabilities
- Elder Rights & Services
- Protection & Advocacy Programs
- University Centers of Excellence for Developmental Disabilities

Learn more at:

<https://acl.gov/programs/aging-and-disability-networks>

# The Disability and Aging Services Network

- Aging and disability organizations (AAAs, CILs, and other CBOs) reach into every community across the nation and serve diverse populations.
- Staffed by people who live in and know the community and culture.
- Decades of experience in helping people access and receive home and community-based services, housing and housing related services.
- Engage in partnerships to streamline access to services for the people we serve.

# “Backbone Organizations”

An entity in a community that organizes and supports an array of community-based organizations as they work together to serve the same people.

Examples:

- Continuums of Care
- Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and Centers for Independent Living (CILs)
- Community Care Hubs





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# San Diego Partnership for Age-Friendly Homelessness Solutions

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**AGING & INDEPENDENCE SERVICES**



## RTFH is the Lead Agency for the San Diego Continuum of Care (CoC)

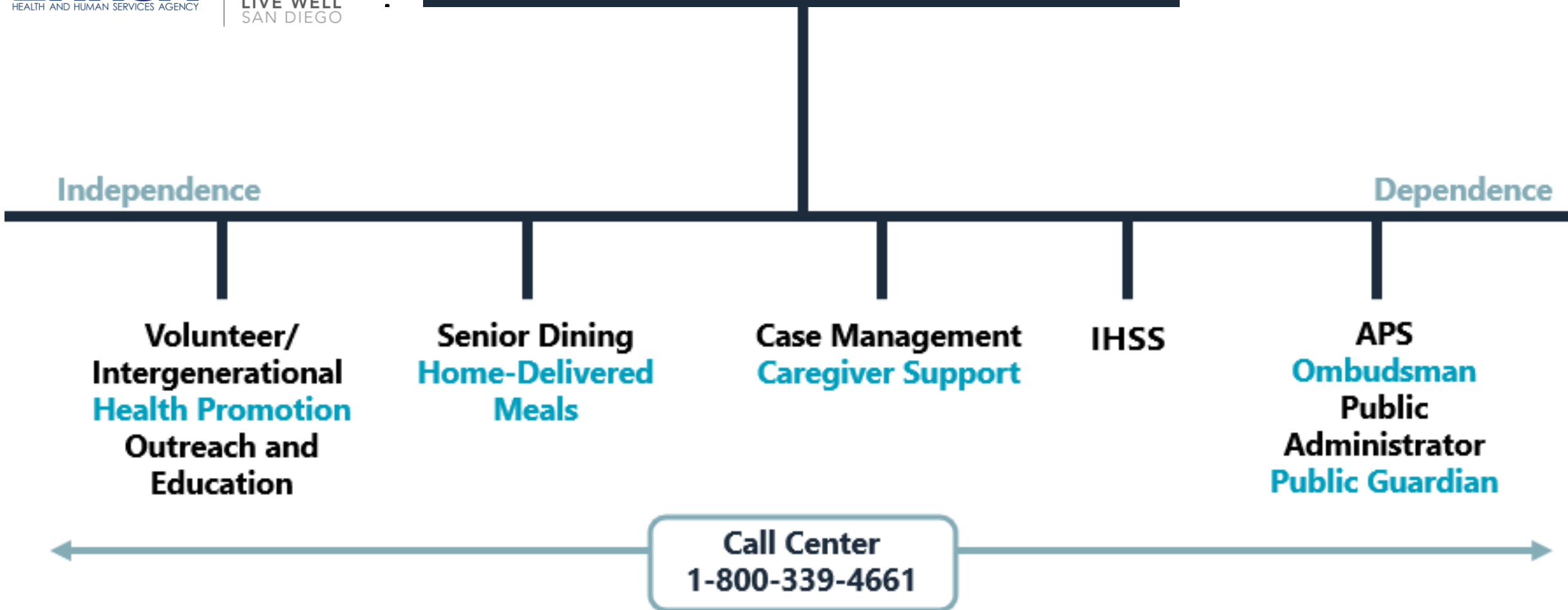
Community Regional Plan—system level coordinated strategies, population specific goals with housing outcomes focused—addressing unique needs of San Diego where Homelessness is Rare, Brief and One time.

A CoC is a regional planning body that coordinates housing and services for homeless families and individuals and promotes a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness

Person Centered, Racial Equity,  
Aging, Veteran, Youth & Families

|                                    |  |   |  |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Conduct annual Point-In-Time Count | Administer Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) | Promote best practices, trainings, and standards for assistance | Operate Coordinated Entry System (CES) |
| Policy, advocacy, and research     | Fund homeless services                                   | Collaborative Applicant for HUD CoC funds                       | Monitor system and program performance |

## AGING & INDEPENDENCE SERVICES



**Our Mission:** Aging & Independence Services improves quality of life, advances equity, and fosters dignity for older adults and persons with disabilities by providing information and essential services for health, safety and independence.

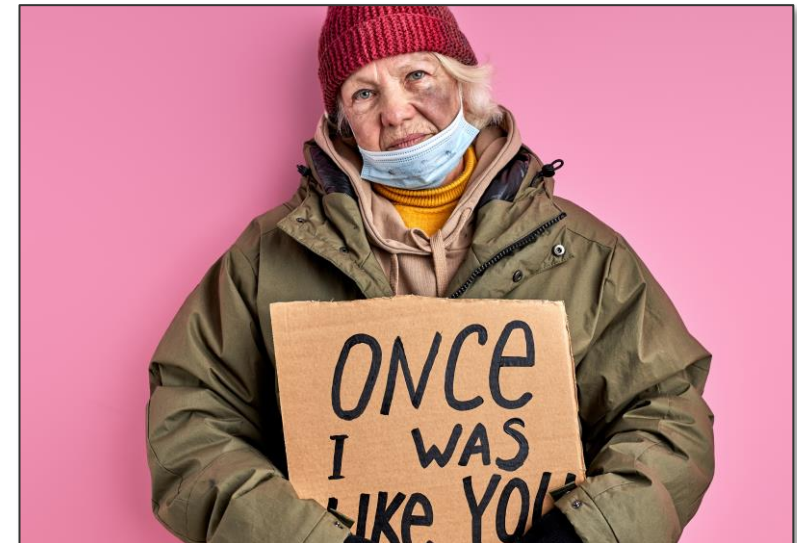




## Continuum of Care's Aging and Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee

### 4 pillars of action:

- Establishment of Shallow Subsidies and Flexible Funding
- Creation of Age-Friendly Shelters
- Implementation of Regional Training
- Connection with Employment Opportunities



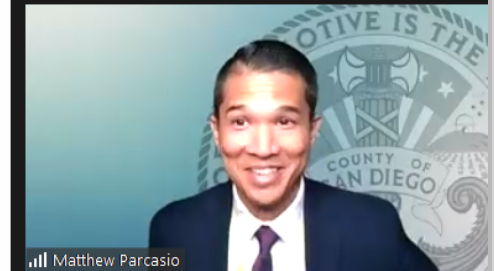
# Aging Resources 101: Training for Homeless Service Providers

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## Incontinence

1. Would you like to be placed in a bed near the bathroom?
2. Do you have an occasional accident, where you don't make it to the restroom?
3. Do accidents make day to day activity difficult?

# Resources

[Standards, Learning, and Training - Regional Task Force on Homelessness \(rtfhsd.org\)](https://rtfhsd.org)

Click on link above and then scroll down to “Training,” then click and scroll to the end of the trainings to see “Working with Older Adults.”

## Working with Older Adults Experiencing Homelessness Training

Below contains information regarding a training that was held 10/27/2022 in conjunction with documents that were a part of an abbreviated session completed at the first annual RTFH Solutions for San Diego Conference.

Aging Resources 101: Training for Homeless Service Providers

- For the video – [click here](#)
- For the PowerPoint – [click here](#)

AIS Activities of Daily Living/Independent Activities of Daily Living Assessment Tool – [click here](#)

Resource List provided by AIS – [click here](#)



# Chat:

What is 1 idea that you learned  
and can apply in your work?

# **Panel Discussion**

## **Q&A**

# **Technical Resources and Wrap Up**

# Roadmap (*Part 1*)

## Creating Cross-Sector Partnerships

Initial four aspects of planning cross-sector solutions to housing and homelessness.



# HSRC Website Tools on Housing, Health and Community Living

**Online Directories to  
Find Local Partners**



**Acronyms**



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# Find Out More in Your Area


## Homelessness Assistance Programs

Homelessness assistance programs provide funding to States and local governments and nonprofit providers to serve individuals who are affected by homelessness. Select among the tabs below to learn more about specific programs; application, data collection, local data and reports; and the populations affected by homelessness.

Programs ▾

Systems ▾

Data & Reports ▾



### Are you homeless or at risk of homelessness?

Contact an organization in your local community who can help.  
[Find Homeless Assistance](#)

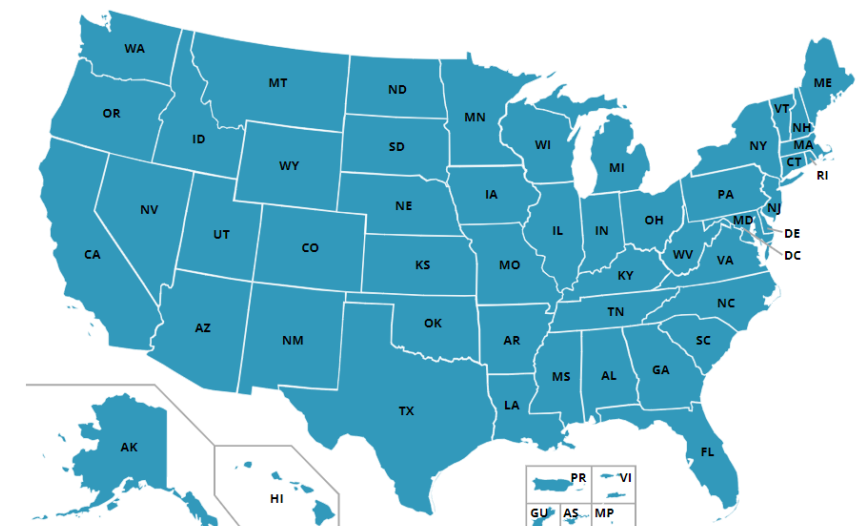
### What are HUD Homeless Programs Doing In Your Area?

View local contact information, reports, and data by selecting a state on the map or choosing a state in the dropdown menu.

Go to State:

Choose a State...

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# HUD Resource Links

**[www.hudexchange.info](http://www.hudexchange.info)**

Search for local grant recipients and/or programs

<https://www.hudexchange.info/grantees/>

Latest info on CoC: <https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/>

Get future funding opportunities by joining CPD's listserv, go to <https://www.hudexchange.info/mailinglist/>

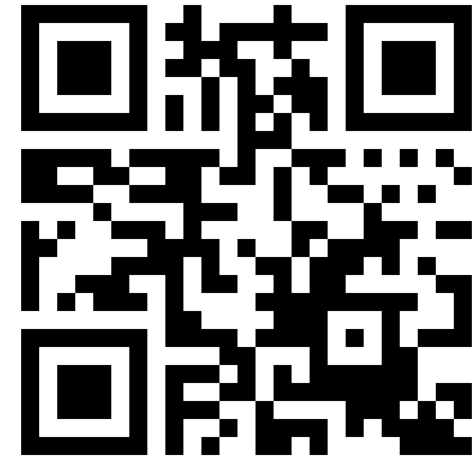
Submit Questions to the HUD Exchange Ask-A-Question at: <https://www.hudexchange.info/get-assistance/my-question/>



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