

## *No Place Like Home (NPLH) Round 2/Non-Competitive Funding RFP Questions & Answers*

**Question:** Are you able to provide a breakdown (total number) of people currently in VC that would qualify for an Assisted NPLH Unit? How about a breakdown of Fillmore residents and the Heritage Valley?

**Answer:** Since NPLH requires the use of Coordinated Entry System (CES) to place people into homes, we can request a report from the Human Services Agency that tells us how many people in CES are currently eligible for NPLH (Individuals with Mental Health Diagnosis and Families with Seriously Mentally Ill Children Who are Literally or Chronically Homeless or At Risk of Homelessness).

**Follow-Up Request:** Please provide 3 CES reports for the following geographic areas: 1) Countywide; 2) City of Fillmore; 3) Santa Paula / Piru.

**Follow-Up Response:** All of the CES data is self-reported until a client is being considered for placement into a NPLH unit at which time all actual eligibility is determined through Pathways to Home process. That being said, as of September 17, 2019 there are 573 NPLH eligible people in CES county-wide.

With regard to community specific data, currently the only CES partner provider is located in Santa Paula which means that CES only collects data for the Heritage Valley in Santa Paula. Currently there are 12-25 Heritage Valley residents in CES (self-reported) that could qualify for NPLH housing. Heritage Valley is considered Santa Paula, Fillmore and unincorporated Piru.

**Question:** Is there a provision or preference that the County must be the lead service provider in this case?

**Answer:** Yes. The County of Ventura Behavioral Health Department is the lead service provider and the eligible applicant for NPLH. However, applicant may and should build in usual services and leave room to incorporate the County's plan.

**Follow-Up Questions:** As the lead service provider for NPLH, does VCBH have a per unit services budget that we should build into projects? Does VCBH provide the funding for these services?

**Follow Up Response:** VCBH does not have a per unit services budget as NPLH requires project specific service plans and each individual that is housed will require a custom level of service. That being said, the cost per person at some of VCBH's established permanent supportive housing projects is approximately \$10,000 annually per client. Newly housed client tenants will require more time and resources than established client tenants.

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