

# *Aligning with the Coordinated Entry System to Best Serve Survivors*

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# Overview

- Background for the Alignment Process
- Update on Current Efforts
- Examine New Co-Located Positions
- Explore How to Improve Services for Survivors

# Background: Notable Achievements

Implementation of DV/IPV RRH Pilot and Learning Community

- Initially a \$1 million pilot projected to serve 88 households
- Since October 2017, 125 households assisted

Improved data collection through Point-in-Time Count demographic survey

- Able to identify people experiencing homelessness due to fleeing DV
- Survey also included questions to identify survivors of human trafficking

Increased resources for DV housing supports and coordination across the county

- Measure H funding opportunities for Bridge Housing, RRH, and training
- DV SPA coordination led by LAHSA's DV CES Coordinator
- \$5 million in new CoC funding for DV programming and systems alignment

Strong partnership with the DVHSC  
(led by Downtown Women's Center and Rainbow Services)

- Co-sponsored the first ever summit on DV and homelessness in LA in 2017
- Survivor Focus Group Report and Recommendations

# Current Efforts

- **Implementation of DV/IPV RRH Pilot and Learning Community**
  - Supporting agencies through implementation, including inviting the California Office of Emergency Services DV Housing First agencies to participate in the learning community to share promising practices for DV RRH model.
- **Development of VAWA Emergency Transfer Plan (ETP)**
  - Working with national consultants to develop and implement ETP per the CoC's policy *Housing Protections Under the Violence Against Women Act in the Los Angeles CoC*.
- **CES Policy Development and Implementation**
  - Finalizing CES Operations Manual to support alignment procedures for DV survivors through access, assessment, prioritization, and matching phases.
  - Secure matching process to connect confidential participants to permanent housing resources.

# Future Initiatives

## New Programming

- **Implementation of CoC-funded DV TH-RRH Program**
  - \$4 million in funding to create 177 RRH slots and 15 TH beds

## System Infrastructure

- **Implementation of DV CES alignment efforts**
  - \$1 million in funding to hire 8 SPA-based DV housing navigators/mobile case managers, DV data analyst, and DV manager
- **Develop secure comparable database for DV survivors**

## ETP Implementation

- **Phased implementation beginning with CoC-funded permanent housing, including robust training**

## Evaluations of DV/IPV RRH Pilot & CES Triage Tool

- **Goal: to use evaluation results to best inform future program design and implementation**
- **Goal: to partner with researchers to learn tool's ability to capture full scope of vulnerabilities for all populations (including DV)**

# Questions

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