

HOMELESS SHELTER SYSTEM PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK

1. Scope of Duties

- The Homeless Shelter System will be a partnership among the Cities and the County of Ventura. The partnership agreement will define each party's roles and responsibilities.
- The parties will provide oversight of the services, finances and operations.
- The parties will identify and develop the necessary resources to provide full services including case management and transition activities that facilitate stable, long-term housing.
- Each party will provide accountability, governance and direction to the participating entities of the Homeless Shelter System to ensure the overall service quality, safety, and long-term sustainability of the Homeless Shelter System.

2. Fiscal Responsibility

- The County has agreed to match the funding each city is willing commit for capital and ongoing operations for the Homeless Shelter System in each jurisdiction, recognizing that there are limits to the availability of funds. Match funding from the County is defined as a 50/50 cash match or the cash equivalent of other assets or in-kind resources provided to the Homeless Shelter System.
- The Cities are not obligated to seek or accept match funding from the County, and may request funding at a portion lesser than a 50/50 ratio.
- The Cities will hold any service provider contracts; the County will not be a party to such contracts but only a financial partner through a partnership agreement.
- The Cities will hold any lease or property agreements.
- The Cities and County will share equally in the total capital costs to establish a physical location in each community.
- The Cities and County will share equally in the total costs of the operating costs of the 24/7 year-round shelter.
- The Cities and County will share equally in the total benefit from additional revenue, funding, or grants that are dedicated to the sustenance of the Homeless Shelter System.
- Revenues and allocated funding for each jurisdiction that have been historically awarded or allocated and may be used for various social services needs shall remain under the control of each jurisdiction.

3. Reporting and Accountability

- At prescribed intervals, the goals and outcomes shall be reviewed and presented to each jurisdiction's governing body.