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## **AGENDA**

**FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026, 12:00 PM**

**Primary location:**

LACDA Headquarters  
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**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

Zella Knight, Chair  
James Brooks, Vice Chair  
Tara Barauskas  
Mary Canoy  
Crystal Clark  
Renee Contreras  
Connor Lock  
Ruthie Myers  
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3. **Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s)**

Regular Meeting of August 19, 2026

4. **Report of the Executive Director**

5. **Presentations**

Family Self-Sufficiency Program Graduate

6. **Public Comments** (3 minutes each speaker)

**Regular Agenda**

7. **Acceptance of Supplemental Funds Allocated to the LACDA for Fiscal Year 2026-27 and Authorization to Execute Funding Agreements and Incorporate Additional Budget Authority**

Recommend that the Board of Commissioners:

Authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to execute and/or amend the necessary funding agreements with the County for the following programs, and to incorporate the funds into the LACDA's approved FY 2026-27 budget:

- a. \$52,588,000 from the Affordable Housing Development Trust Fund (AHTF) for the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to provide capital funding for affordable housing developments and program administration.
- b. \$20,000,000 for the Portfolio Preservation Program to stabilize and preserve affordability of existing affordable housing projects.
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**8. Commissioner Comments or Suggestions for Future Agenda Items**

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**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, August 19, 2026**

The meeting was convened at 851 Via Carmelitos in Long Beach, California.

Digest of the meeting. The Minutes are being reported seriatim.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Knight at 12:15 p.m.

| <b><u>Roll Call</u></b> | <b><u>Present</u></b> | <b><u>Absent</u></b> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Zella Knight            | X                     |                      |
| Ruthie Myers            |                       | X                    |
| Tara Barauskas          |                       | X                    |
| James Brooks            | X                     |                      |
| Mary Canoy              | X                     |                      |
| Crystal Clark           |                       | X                    |
| Renee Contreras         | X                     |                      |
| Connor Lock             | X                     |                      |
| Takao Suzuki            | X                     |                      |
| Anna Swett              |                       | X                    |
| Pamela Williams         | X                     |                      |

**Agenda Item No. 3 – Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

On motion by Commissioner Canoy, seconded by Commissioner Brooks, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 17, 2026, were approved as presented.

**Agenda Item No. 4 – Report of the Executive Director**

Chief of Programs Tracie Mann reported that U.S. District Judge McElroy issued a final ruling in the litigation against the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) over its FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), following two lawsuits filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island challenging several aspects of the NOFO. On July 2, 2026, the National Alliance to End Homelessness filed suit, and a coalition of 23 states and D.C., led by the Attorney General of Washington, sued on July 7, 2026.

The judge's ruling invalidates HUD's FY26 CoC NOFO in its entirety, finding it violates the Administrative Procedures Act (APA). The central basis for this ruling is that HUD's \$1.3 billion set-aside would compel communities to shift funding away from statutorily identified effective activities (permanent supportive housing and rapid rehousing) towards transitional housing and supportive services-only projects. While HUD has the authority to incentivize communities to adopt alternative activities, the law requires that HUD first

conduct research and hold a public notice and comment regarding the effectiveness of those activities. Because HUD failed to conduct a notice-and-comment period for the set-aside, it violated the APA.

HUD has appealed the ruling that vacated the FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). HUD also requested an emergency stay to keep the competition moving, which the district court denied. It is expected that HUD will file a similar motion in the appeals court soon.

Tracie reminded the Committee that on June 11, 2026, HUD suspended the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) from participation in federal programs, citing alleged failures related to financial management, internal controls, conflicts of interest, and grant oversight. HUD's action would have prevented LAHSA from serving as the LA City and County CoC's Collaborative Applicant - the entity designated by the CoC to submit its grant applications. LAHSA was suspended weeks before the submission deadline for the FY 2026 CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), putting into jeopardy approximately \$241 million in federal homelessness funding for the Los Angeles region. A subsequent HUD Notice suggested that HUD may open the door to a more direct application model for providers or designate its own Collaborative Applicant. HUD's Notice also suggested that it was considering suspensions of other CoC Collaborative Applicants.

LAHSA sued to prevent disruption to the region's federal homelessness resources and to preserve the CoC governance framework established under federal law. The agency argued that HUD's suspension would interfere with the LA CoC's ability to compete for FY 2026 funds, destabilize providers that rely on those funds, and undermine the local planning process Congress designed CoCs to lead.

Additionally, HUD provided notice of its intent to modify the FY 2026 CoC NOFO, which would include a direct-to-HUD application process for eligible applicants in geographic areas determined by HUD as not meeting CoC program requirements.

Tracie reported that Judge David Carter of the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, who presided over this case, granted in part a motion for preliminary injunction filed by LAHSA and the Los Angeles City and County CoC. The court's order blocks HUD's actions in suspending LAHSA from serving as the LA CoC's Collaborative Applicant and performing other key CoC functions at least through the end of the litigation in early 2027.

While HUD had cited several longstanding problems as to why it suspended LAHSA, the Court did not conclude that these accusations were false. In fact, it repeatedly acknowledged that LAHSA has serious and well-documented problems. The Court's primary concern was HUD's timing and method. The Court determined that LAHSA's suspension was effectively a final agency action because it had immediate legal and practical consequences. The Court found it troubling that many of HUD's reasons for suspending LAHSA involved problems that HUD had known about for years or decades.

HUD failed to explain why these longstanding problems suddenly required an immediate emergency suspension in June 2026. For that reason, the Court concluded that LAHSA was likely to succeed on its claim that HUD's decision was "arbitrary, capricious, an abuse of discretion, or otherwise not in accordance with law."

The Court rejected HUD's alternative funding plan for individual service providers to apply directly to HUD instead of submitting the normal consolidated regional application. The Court found that HUD did not adequately explain how it would evaluate and rank individual applications, how local priorities would be preserved, how smaller providers would manage the additional application burden, or how the direct-application system complied with the structure Congress established.

The Court found that allowing the suspension to remain in effect could cause irreparable harm. LAHSA currently performs four important functions: Collaborative Applicant, HMIS Lead, CES Coordinator, and PIT Count Administrator. Abruptly removing LAHSA from these functions without a replacement could disrupt the entire homeless services network and potentially result in people losing housing, services, or access to available housing units.

The Court ordered that a preliminary injunction remains effective through October 27, 2026, and ordered the following:

1. HUD must distribute approximately \$241 million earmarked by Congress for the LA CoC for FY 2026 according to the priorities in the LA CoC's collaborative application.
2. LAHSA will temporarily remain the Collaborative Applicant for FY 2026, enabling the LA CoC to submit its regional application and fairly compete for nationwide federal homelessness grants, in the event HUD issues a new NOFO after its proposed 2026 application was invalidated last week by the ruling in Rhode Island.
3. During this temporary period, LAHSA will continue functioning as the HMIS Lead, CES Coordinator, and PIT Count Administrator.
4. The LA CoC must immediately begin accepting applications from organizations interested in taking over those roles for the FY 2027 funding cycle.
5. The LA CoC will submit its evaluation report of applicants to the Court by October 13, 2026.
6. HUD must respond regarding those candidates by October 20, 2026.
7. LAHSA leadership, the LA CoC, and legal representatives will participate in a scheduled status conference before Judge Carter on October 27, 2026, as the agency continues preparing the FY 2026 Consolidated Application and implementing ongoing regional governance reforms.
8. HUD must preserve and provide the administrative record explaining its decision to suspend LAHSA.
9. HUD must execute already-approved FY 2025 grant agreements, rather than withholding previously awarded funding.

Tracie reported that the preliminary injunction remains in effect for the FY 2026 funding cycle, pending any appeal by HUD, while the litigation proceeds to a potential trial on February 23, 2027. During the litigation, the court will also monitor the FY 2027 governance review process.

Although the order is temporary, it sends a broader signal: HUD may require accountability and reform, but abrupt changes to CoC governance and funding administration are vulnerable to challenge when the agency acts immediately without explanation, and the changes threaten service continuity and depart from the locally driven framework Congress established for CoC funding.

Tracie reported that on August 8, 2026, the Senate passed its continuing resolution (CR) in a 90-6 vote to fund federal agencies and provide a clean extension through December 11, 2026. The Senate bill also includes language to ensure Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) do not get any new funding during the extension. The CR also delays the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) proposed rule to allow federal agencies to terminate grants when the award no longer advances Federal agency priorities or the national interest, or to withhold funds from organizations promoting specific diversity concepts while placing greater emphasis on political appointees' roles in the grantmaking process. House lawmakers are expected to consider the Senate's CR when they return from August recess. The end of the Federal government's Fiscal Year is September 30th, and without a FY 2027 budget, a CR is needed to avoid a government shutdown.

Tracie reported that representatives Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez and Delia Ramirez and Senator Bernie Sanders reintroduced major legislation to improve public housing on August 6, 2026. The Green New Deal for Public Housing Act would provide much-needed investments in the nation's public housing stock to address the growing backlog of maintenance needs, including improvements in energy efficiency, resilience, and sustainability. The bill would establish two grant programs that would provide grants to Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) to support workforce development programs and to substantially rehabilitate their properties. Workforce development grants would prioritize creating high-paying jobs for subsidized housing residents, developing apprenticeships and other job training programs, and providing relocation assistance for residents impacted by construction. Capital grants can be used for deep energy retrofits, bringing buildings up to compliance with relevant codes and the "Americans with Disabilities Act," renewable energy, community programs such as childcare centers, and disaster resilience.

Tracie reported that HUD recently issued the Melania Trump Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) Initiative, creating substantive changes, importantly, defining "at risk of becoming homeless," amending the process for PHAs to apply for new vouchers, and removing the utilization threshold submission requirement for the award of new FYI vouchers to PHAs currently administering FYI and/or Family Unification Program vouchers. The LACDA is actively engaged with the County Departments of Children and

Family Services (DCFS) and Homeless Services and Housing (HSH) to determine the number of FYI vouchers we can request and maximize the request to the extent possible. The LACDA's request heavily relies on the number of referrals DCFS can send us, which is primarily based on where the former foster youth prefer to reside. Separate from our own efforts, the LACDA is also engaging with the other PHAs without an FYI voucher allocation, as well as those with FYIs, to encourage them to apply for new and additional FYI vouchers.

Tracie reported that on July 16, 2026, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released a final public charge rule rescinding the 2022 regulatory provisions, effective September 18, 2026. The Public Charge revision is expected to significantly restrict access to essential resources for millions of low-income immigrants and their children. DHS uses the public charge test to determine admission into the United States or approval for a green card. Under the current rule, implemented during the Biden administration in 2022, use of several health and social services is not considered in a public charge determination. These services include Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and housing assistance programs such as Public Housing, Housing Choice Vouchers, and Project-Based Rental Assistance.

As of September 18, 2026, the 2026 final public charge rule will allow DHS officials to consider public benefits when reviewing a green card application, and the 2022 public charge rule will no longer be in effect. DHS plans to issue guidance in its place that would give immigration officers enormous discretion to weigh negative factors in the use of public benefits when certain people apply for lawful permanent resident (LPR) status. The rule does not yet list benefit programs to be considered in future public charge assessments. The LACDA will continue to engage with our mixed-status families to ensure they are aware of their rights and the ability to contact the County's Office of Immigrant Affairs for further assistance.

Tracie reported that the LACDA was recently awarded 72 HUD Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers effective August 1, 2026. The LACDA also received a new administrative fee funding award as a result of HUD making \$10 million in additional administrative fees available to 289 eligible PHAs administering approximately 74,000 VASH vouchers. The LACDA received \$465,450 to assist in carrying out administrative responsibilities under the VASH program and support other eligible expenses incurred while administering the program.

Tracie reported that the LACDA successfully transitioned nearly all of our 1,500 Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) families to the HCV program. The only ones outstanding are the families who opted to transfer to another PHA's jurisdiction, and those PHAs do not have the ability to absorb them into their HCV programs. The LACDA has enough EHV funding to continue assisting these families (fewer than 100) for a while, but ultimately, they will need to port back to us to receive an HCV before the EHV funds completely run out.

Tracie reported that the LACDA's 16 site-based waiting lists opened on August 17, 2026, and will remain open until September 16, 2026, except in the case where any of the five sites with less than 100 units reaches 1,000 registrants. Once the cap is reached, the waiting lists will no longer be open for new registrants, even if that occurs before September 16. The LACDA website saw an unprecedented amount of high traffic on the first day the waiting lists were open, and we received over 25,000 callers. A total of 15,000 people had already registered within the first two days.

#### **Agenda Item No. 5 – Presentations**

Rental Assistance Demonstration Program Update

Presentation from In God's Hands

#### **Agenda Item No. 6 – Public Comment**

None

#### **Agenda Item No. 7 – Contracts for Public Housing Unit Cleaning Services**

**On motion by Commissioner Brooks, seconded by Commissioner Canoy, the following was approved:**

Recommend that the Board of Commissioners:

Authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute two one-year Contracts for public housing unit cleaning services (Contracts) with Lush Suds, LLC and Figueroa's Maintenance Services, in the shared total amount of up to \$250,000, using program funds included in the LACDA's approved Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget and future budget years, to be effective following approval as to form by County Counsel and execution by all parties.

Authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute amendments to the Contracts, following approval as to form by County Counsel, to extend the term for an additional four years, in one-year increments, with a shared annual compensation of \$250,000, using funds to be included in the LACDA's annual budget approval process.

Authorize the Executive Director or designee to amend the Contracts to modify the Statement of Work, add services, and increase the annual shared compensation by up to \$25,000 (10%) per year as needed for unforeseen costs.

Authorize the Executive Director or designee, upon his determination and as necessary and appropriate under the terms of the Contracts, to terminate any of the Contracts for convenience.

Find that approval of Contracts to provide public housing unit cleaning services is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**Agenda Item No. 8 – Housing Advisory Committee Bylaws**

Proposed revisions to the Bylaws of the Los Angeles County Housing Advisory Committee to comply with California law on teleconferenced meetings and other updates.

**Commissioner Knight proposed an amendment to the proposed Bylaws to clarify that the limitation on remote participation does not apply to members with a disability participating remotely as a reasonable accommodation pursuant to any applicable law. On motion by Commissioner Canoy, seconded by Commissioner Williams, the amendment was accepted.**

**On motion by Commissioner Brooks, seconded by Commissioner Suzuki, with Commissioner Williams abstaining, the Bylaws were approved as amended.**

**Agenda Item No. 9 – Commissioner Comments or Suggestions for Future Agenda Items**

Commissioner Knight requested future updates on the Continuum of Care.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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EMILIO SALAS  
Executive Director  
Secretary-Treasurer



September 16, 2026

TO: Housing Advisory Committee

FROM: Medina Johnson-Jennings, Director  
Housing Assistance Division

**SUBJECT: FSS PROGRAM UPDATE – AUGUST 2026**

The Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program is a HUD initiative intended to assist Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing participants achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency.

### ACTIVITIES

|                                       |                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| <b>NUMBER CURRENTLY ENROLLED</b>      | 327                                                                           | <b>As of September 1, 2026</b> , there were 298 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and 29 Public Housing (PH) FSS participants.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>NEW ENROLLMENTS</b>                | 12                                                                            | (11) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and (1) for Public Housing (PH).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>CONTRACTS EXPIRED</b>              | 3                                                                             | FSS contracts expired for Housing Choice Voucher and Self-terminated (HCV) (3) and (0) for Public Housing (PH).                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>REASONS FOR CONTRACTS EXPIRED</b>  |                                                                               | Employment (0); ITSP (0); Welfare-free (2); Self-Terminated (1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>DIRECT ASSISTANCE REFERRALS</b>    | 791<br>732<br>845<br>447<br>352<br>401<br>192<br>175<br>0<br>1027<br>989<br>0 | Job Referrals<br>Work Source/Job Fairs<br>Educational/Vocational/Job Training<br>Financial Literacy<br>Home Ownership Counseling<br>Credit Repair<br>Other/Utility/Legal Aid/Childcare Services<br>Computer Training<br>Small Business<br>Youth Services<br>Other: Community Resource Events<br>Free Tax Prep Pop-up Sites |
| <b>OUTREACH &amp; COMMUNITY EVENT</b> | 5                                                                             | Back-to-School Jams: Harbor Hills (8/1/26); Nueva Maravilla (8/3/26); SSS (8/6/26); Carmelitos (8/12/26)<br>Financial Management workshop (8/13/26)                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>GRADUATIONS</b>                    | 3                                                                             | (3) Request for Graduation for Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and (0) for Public Housing (PH).                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>2025 Graduates</b>                      | 34                                                            | <b>CY 2025</b> , there were (24) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and (10) Public Housing (PH) FSS graduates.                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Transitioned out of Housing Subsidy</b> | 4                                                             | (3) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and (1) for Public Housing (PH).                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Homeownership</b>                       | 1                                                             | (1) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and (0) for Public Housing (PH)                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Family Services/Goal Completion</b>     | 1<br>0<br>6<br>11<br>26<br>12<br>0<br>0<br>31<br>29<br>0<br>0 | GED<br>High School<br>Post Secondary<br>Vocational/Job Training<br>Job Search/Job Placement<br>Job Retention<br>Transportation<br>Health Services<br>Mentoring (Credit and Budget counseling)<br>Homeownership Counseling<br>Individual Development Account (IDA)<br>Child Care |
| <b>2026 YTD Graduates</b>                  | 18                                                            | CY 2026, there were (16) Housing Choice Voucher and (0) Public Housing (PH) FSS graduates                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Transitioned out of Housing Subsidy</b> | 2                                                             | (2) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and (0) for Public Housing (PH).                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Homeownership</b>                       | 0                                                             | (0) Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and (0) for Public Housing (PH)                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Family Services/Goal Completion</b>     | 0<br>0<br>5<br>5<br>13<br>6<br>0<br>0<br>13<br>14<br>0<br>0   | GED<br>High School<br>Post Secondary<br>Vocational/Job Training<br>Job Search/Job Placement<br>Job Retention<br>Transportation<br>Health Services<br>Mentoring (Credit and Budget counseling)<br>Homeownership Counseling<br>Individual Development Account (IDA)<br>Child Care |

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (626) 586-1670.



September 16, 2026

Housing Advisory Committee  
Los Angeles County Development Authority  
700 West Main Street  
Alhambra, California 90012

Dear Commissioners:

**ACCEPTANCE OF SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE LOS ANGELES  
COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 AND  
AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE FUNDING AGREEMENTS AND INCORPORATE  
ADDITIONAL BUDGET AUTHORITY**

**SUBJECT**

This letter recommends approval to accept additional funds from the County of Los Angeles (County) and to incorporate these funds as needed into the Los Angeles County Development Authority's (LACDA) approved Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 budget.

The LACDA's FY 2026-27 budget was approved by the Board of Commissioners on June 9, 2026, and did not include additional funding provided by the County for housing and community development programs. The County's 2026-27 Supplemental Budget was approved after the LACDA's FY 2026-27 budget. The LACDA's Board of Commissioners must approve the incorporation of these additional funds in the LACDA's budget.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS:**

1. Authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to execute and/or amend the necessary funding agreements with the County for the following programs, and to incorporate the funds into the LACDA's approved FY 2026-27 budget:
  - a. \$52,588,000 from the Affordable Housing Development Trust Fund (AHTF) for the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to provide capital funding for affordable housing developments and program administration.



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- b. \$20,000,000 for the Portfolio Preservation Program to stabilize and preserve affordability of existing affordable housing projects.
  - c. \$9,685,000 for Fair Housing Services and Open Doors Programs.
  - d. \$425,000 for the South County Public Housing Scattered Sites.
  - e. \$200,000 for façade repairs at the Norwood Library.
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to enter into a contract with Housing Rights Center in the amount of \$831,600 for Fair Housing Services through December 31, 2027.
  - 3. Find that acceptance of supplemental funds for the LACDA's FY 2026-27 budget are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because the actions are not defined as a project under CEQA.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The recommended actions will allow the LACDA to execute and/or amend the necessary funding agreements with the County in order to accept these funds and incorporate County funds into the LACDA's approved FY 2026-27 budget.

The County's FY 2026-27 Supplemental Budget was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on June 22, 2026. The County's budget includes additional funding appropriations for various LACDA programs and activities. These funds are being provided to advance crucial Board priorities and initiatives such as fighting homelessness, supporting residents and communities, and increasing affordable housing.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The LACDA will execute funding agreements or amendments to existing funding agreements with the County and all required documents necessary to accept and incorporate, as needed, up to \$82,898,000 in supplemental funds, included in the County's 2026-27 Supplemental Budget approved by the Board of Supervisors, into the LACDA's approved FY 2026-27 budget.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

On September 29, 2026, the Board of Supervisors approved the County's FY 2026-27 Supplemental Budget that includes new County funds allocated to various LACDA programs for FY 2026-27. Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Executive Director, or designee, to execute and/or amend funding agreements with the County for the following:

- \$52,588,000 in AHTF for NOFA projects to continue the development and administration of affordable housing projects located throughout Los Angeles County.
- \$20,000,000 for the Portfolio Preservation Program to implement the use of expanded monitoring systems for financially or operationally at-risk projects and to develop legal, regulatory, and financial tools to stabilize projects including modification to loan agreements.
- \$9,685,000 for the Fair Housing Services (\$924,000) and Open Doors (\$8,761,000) Programs.
  - Under Fair Housing Services, the Executive Director will be authorized to enter into an agreement with Housing Rights Center in the amount of \$831,600 to provide ongoing forums, materials, information, and workshops to educate the public about fair housing law/rights. The remaining \$92,400 will be utilized for LACDA's administration of the contract.
  - The Open Doors Program provides an enhanced customer service experience for property owners and increases the ability of families to utilize their Section 8 vouchers in a highly competitive rental market.
- \$425,000 for the South County Public Housing Scattered Sites operational costs.
- \$200,000 for the façade repairs at the Norwood Library to repair the existing brick façade of the building and to reseal the asphalt parking lot.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The acceptance of the additional funds is exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 58, Section 58.34(a)(3) because they involve administrative activities that will not have a physical impact or result in any physical changes to the environment. The activities are not subject to the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(3) and 15378(b) because they are not defined as a project under CEQA and do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The requested actions provide additional funds that will enable the LACDA to conduct program activities to benefit homeless, low- and moderate-income residents of the County and participating cities.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Emilio Salas".

EMILIO SALAS  
Executive Director

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