



# **Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention Program Key Dates and Stakeholder Engagement Process**

#### Governor signs AB 639 on October 10, 2013

#### Proposition 41 approved by voters in June 2014

#### Pre-Framework Design (March-July 2014)

- Over 20 stakeholder interviews conducted
- Site visits to public housing authorities, VA health networks, veteran service providers, and localities in Los Angeles, San Diego and San Jose
- Phone consultation with federal agencies, including federal VA, HUD, and United States Interagency Council on Homelessness

#### VHHP Guiding Framework released and workshops, July 2014-November 2014

 Six public information and listening workshops throughout the state (LA area, Riverside, Bay Area, Sacramento, Fresno, San Diego) with over 200 attendees and three State agencies

### Draft VHHP Guidelines released for comment (November 2014-February 2015)

- Two public listening sessions in Los Angeles and Oakland with over 100 participants attending and three State agencies
- Written comments received from over 40 groups
- HCD response to comments available February 2015 for final Guidelines and NOFA

# Round 1 NOFA and Guidelines (Release in February 2015; Awards in June 2015)

- Four Round 1 NOFA application workshops
- Three March workshops in San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego, co-sponsored by CSH and California Housing Partnership to strengthen projects and services in San Francisco. VA and VHHP participation
- Three public feedback sessions on the application process and Round 1 program design in Los Angeles, Oakland and Sacramento with video conferencing to Chula Vista, Fresno and Yountville with over 100 participating to develop Round 2 NOFA. Changes include:







- The application scoring system was simplified, and made more transparent. In connection with this change, the scoring advantage for supportive housing was increased;
- Clarification that project operating income could be used for case management expenses;
- The scoring for rental subsidies gives credit to projects that can deliver very low rents without external rental or operating subsidies.
- The requirement for case manager education was clarified.

## Round 2 NOFA released October 2015 anticipated awards in Spring 2016

 Four NOFA application information sessions and webinars (Oakland, Riverside, San Diego, Fresno)

#### **Anticipated Round 3 NOFA Stakeholder Engagement Process**

- Round 2 NOFA public feedback sessions: Spring 2016
- Formal Stakeholder Advisory Committee Process: November April 2016
- Round 3 Guideline/NOFA Public Hearings: Summer 2016