# Homeless Provider Forum

March 07, 2019

9:00a.m. – 11:00a.m.

# Welcome and Announcements

# Continuum of Care Updates

Zulima Lundy, County of Orange

## CoC Committee Updates

- Coordinated Entry
  - Individual Coordinated Entry
  - Family Coordinated Entry
- Data and Performance Management Committee
- Emergency Shelters

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Healthcare
System



# Healthcare for Homeless Veterans Program

**Coordinated Entry System** 

## **HCHV Programs**

### o HUD/VASH

partnership between the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and VA. Provides housing for eligible homeless Veterans and their families

### Grant Per Diem (GPD)

★ Housing resources funded by VA in partnership with community agencies

### Homeless Outreach

➤ Partner with community agencies to offer various VAHS to homeless veterans in the community

## Veteran Justice Outreach (VJO)

\* Legal/homeless services to veterans in criminal justice system



## **Coordinated Entry System**

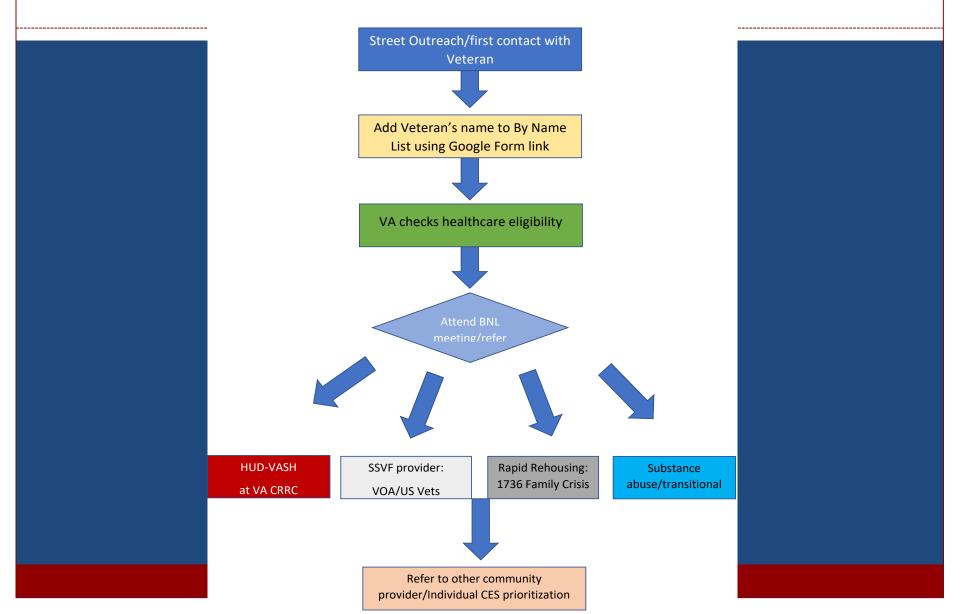
## Purpose

- coordinate and manage the homeless crisis response system's resources that allows users to efficiently and effectively get connected to interventions that will rapidly end their homelessness.
- CES includes a way to divert and prevent homelessness and also the ability to immediately access crisis response services like emergency shelter. Additionally, they must include processes to quickly access permanent housing.

## **Components of CES**

- 1) By Name List
  - o identifies all Veterans experiencing homelessness
- 2) Community Case Conferencing
  - case coordination, problem-solving, and case management between community providers who serve homeless Veterans
- 3) Community Assessment Tool
  - Vulnerability Index-Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT)
- 4) Data Sharing
  - Inputting information into HMIS

## **CES Work Flow Chart**



# **Questions?**

## **Contact Information:**

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# COUNTY OF ORANGE VETERANS SERVICES

# HEALTH CARE AGENCY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

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## The Need

Orange County is home to approximately 130,000 Veterans

Veterans are an underserved population at traditional treatment programs

Untreated behavioral health problems often lead to homelessness, unemployment, hospitalization, suicide, incarceration, violence, etc.



## Barriers for Veterans Seeking Behavioral Health Care



# County Behavioral Health Services for Veterans

OC4Vets

Court Support 4 Vets

Outside the Wire Drop Zone

Strong Families, Strong Children

# OC4Vets

#### Criteria:

- Military veteran or family member
- Presents with a need for Behavioral Health Services
- Resides within Orange County

#### Services:

- Screening and assessment
- Clinical case management
- Short-term therapy
- Peer support and navigation
- In-house Resource Specialist for housing and employment
- Community Outreach
- Referral and linkage to community resources

# Court Support 4 Vets



Support for Veterans involved with the legal system

#### Services:

- Screening and assessment
- Individualized service plans
- Clinical case management to navigate system
- Referrals and linkage to community resources
- Support during court proceedings

### Criteria:

- Residing in Orange County
- Veteran has an open case in an OC court and wants assistance

# Outside the Wire Drop Zone

- On-campus support for military connected students
- Assists the Veteran in the transition from military life to college life
- Staffed by Veterans who understand the distinct challenges, stressors and barriers that military connected students may face
- Staff recognize the experiences and strengths that military connected students bring to the college and community



# Strong Families, Strong Children

Behavioral
Health
Services for
Military
Families in
Orange
County

### Criteria:

- Residing in Orange County
- Military family member(s) desire help

### Services:

- Screening and assessment
- Individualized service plans
- Counseling
- Clinical case management
- Referrals and linkage to community resources

Utilizes evidenced based models

# Program Referrals and Questions

### Available to all Orange County Veterans and Families

Hours: Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Phone: (714) 480-6476

Located in the Orange County Veteran Services Office

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Please contact our office with any questions regarding any of our programs or to make a referral



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# Closing Remarks