

## THE REGIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING



### *Together we:*

Identify common problems,  
Search for useful solutions

### *Collectively we participate in:*

◆ Policy development ◆ Training ◆ Information sharing  
◆ Action strategies ◆ Program design

**WELCOME**

APRIL 16, 2010

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

### **1. HEARTH: Updates & Definitions**

*Continuing our dialogue about HEARTH, RSC will discuss new definitions of homelessness and updates on implementation of this landmark legislation.*

### **2. HMIS Data Standards**

*Almost a year after HUD published the draft HMIS data standards, the final regulations are finally public. Come learn about new data elements, new definitions, and how it all impacts policy at the local and federal levels.*

### **3. First Time Homelessness: A Cost Study Analysis**

*HUD recently released three studies on the cost of first-time homelessness for individuals and families. Do these comprehensive studies align with your own experience in the field? How can we use this important research in our advocacy? What impact, if any, could HUD's findings have on the mix of services provided in our communities?*

### **4. HPRP: Targeting**

*HUD reports that preventing homelessness is more cost-effective, but how do we really know who is truly at risk of homelessness? As communities continue to implement HPRP, we ask ourselves, "Are we serving the 'right' people?" Come share your experience.*

### **5. Meeting Clients Where They Are, A Regional Approach**

*As providers, do we follow the clients or must the clients follow the current system? As clients move throughout Bay Area counties, how do we coordinate housing and services efficiently and effectively? In short, how do we move beyond our jurisdictional silos?*

### **6. Prevention Pays: One State's Study of Runaway & Homeless Youth Programs**

*An Oregon report shows that every youth kept in school and off the street saves the state much more costly interventions in the future such as those associated with substance abuse treatment, incarceration, and the costs associated with adult chronic homelessness. Learn about this study as well as an upcoming event focused on transition-age youth.*

### **Reminder & Brief Updates**

**\*\*The next RSC is on July 23, 2010**

- *Housing California's Annual Conference will be at the Sacramento Convention Center on April 26-28, 2010.*
- *The Federal Youth Partners invite you to a conference about housing and services for transition-age youth in Oakland on July 8, 2010.*
- *The National Alliance to End Homelessness' Annual Conference on Ending Homelessness will be in Washington, DC at the Hyatt Regency Capital Hill Hotel on July 12-14, 2010.*