



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 20, 2007

10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

1. 2006 McKinney-Vento Continuum of Care Awards.

A look at the 2006 SuperNOFA results for the Bay Area: How much did continua get funded? Did funding increase from 2005? Who utilized the Hold Harmless option?

2. January 2007 Homeless Count Results.

How did your count go? What method did you use? What seemed to work well for you or what would you change? Does the process help you?

3. Mainstreaming the Response to Homelessness: Easing the way to Housing and Employment by Clearing up Legal Hurdles.

Several communities have instituted specialized courts to assist people in clearing up their legal record. Mental Health Courts and Homeless Courts have been launched in California. Hear through the experience of others how a homeless court works, why a community would want to establish one and how you can create one in your continuum.

4. Changing Homelessness at the State Level.

A conversation about the State Plan, emerging action, and a review of priorities recently set by CSH and Housing California.

5. McKinney Reform Or Having What We Really Need?

Review the first draft of a proposal for a Permanent Supportive Housing Block Grant, emerging from our Reed bill review last year. Staff have presented the concept to Speaker Pelosi's staff, who are awaiting this document.

6. Discharge Planning for Veterans from the Current War.

Are veterans from Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom becoming homeless in your county? There is interest from Sacramento in holding a hearing; what would we contribute as knowledge of the problem, or proposed solutions?

6. Reminders and Brief Updates.

- *Housing California Conference, Sacramento, April 23rd to 25th.*
- *Annual NAEH Conference, July 9-11, 2007*

Please see reverse side of the agenda for upcoming RSC meeting dates.