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Riverside Fights Homelessness with Federal Funds



United States Interagency Council on Homelessness Executive Director Philip Mangano announces funds for homeless programs in the city and county of Riverside at a press conference. (photo by Brenda Flowers)

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – United States Interagency Council on Homelessness Executive Director Philip Mangano joined Mayor Ron Loveridge and Supervisor John Tavaglione to highlight new federal homelessness resources coming to the Riverside area. The event took place in the Mayor’s Ceremonial Room in City Hall, on Wednesday, March 4.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is distributing \$1.6 billion in homeless grants to local housing and service programs nationwide. Programs and services within the city and county of Riverside will receive \$7.1 million, with significant portions of these funds going to: A Woman’s Place (\$80,591), the City of Riverside’s Homeless Street Outreach Program (\$240,968), Amelia’s Light Transitional Living Program (\$218,484), Operation SafeHouse – Main Street Transitional Living Program (\$135,756), Path of Life Ministries Transitional Housing Program (\$325,277), Whiteside Manor (\$884,051), Street to Home Chronic Homeless Project (\$744,120) and Riverside Safe Haven (\$350,857).

“These funds have arrived at the perfect time to help the homeless residents of Riverside,” said Mayor Loveridge. “The City and local agencies appreciate the federal government’s commitment to helping municipalities care for their most vulnerable residents.”

“I applaud the political will and commitment of Mayor Loveridge and Supervisor Tavaglione dedicated to Riverside and Riverside County’s efforts to reduce and end homelessness,” indicated Mangano. “In securing \$7.1 million in HUD-targeted homeless assistance resources and an additional \$5.6 million to prevent homelessness from the President’s economic recovery program, Riverside and Riverside County receive a tangible expression of partnership to end the long misery of homelessness for their poorest neighbors.”

The additional funding provided in the recovery plan is a dramatic increase to support local programs to keep persons and families from becoming homeless, including the large number of low-income renters who are at high-risk of becoming homeless because their landlords’ properties are foreclosed upon.

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