



THE HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM (HPRP) – 3/8/10

PROGRAM SOURCE: HPRP is a federal economic stimulus program funded through the American Recovery and Re-Investment Act.

DATE OF INITIATION: In San Mateo County, the HPRP program became operational in December 2009.

PARTICIPANTS: Samaritan House is the lead agency administering HPRP funds within a 12-agency collaborative working to prevent and alleviate homelessness. The 12 partner agencies include:

San Mateo County Partner Agencies

- Coastside Hope, El Granada
- Community Legal Services, East Palo Alto
- Community overcoming Relationship Abuse (CORA), San Mateo
- El Concilio of San Mateo County, East Palo Alto
- Fair Oaks Community Center, Redwood City
- HIP Housing, San Mateo
- Legal Aid Society of San Mateo County, San Mateo
- North Peninsula Neighborhood Services Center, South San Francisco
- Pacifica Resource Center, Pacifica
- Puente de la Costa Sur, Pescadero
- Samaritan House, San Mateo
- Shelter Network, Burlingame

FUNDING: Funding includes a Federal/State distribution of \$1.6 million and a County distribution of \$488,000.

GOALS: The goals of HPRP are (1) to provide short and medium-term rental assistance to people in need who would otherwise become homeless and (2) to rapidly re-house those who are already homeless. (<http://www.hudre.info/HPRP>)

SERVICES: HPRP services include:

- Financial assistance: short-term or medium term rental assistance, back rent, utilities and deposits.
- Housing relocation and stabilization services: housing placement and legal assistance (mediation/outreach with landlords, credit repair).
- Moving cost assistance, storage fees.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE: Since San Mateo County's HPRP programs began delivering services, the collaborative partners have distributed more than \$200,000 in HPRP assistance, preventing more than 250 individuals in almost 90 families from becoming homeless.