



**Programs
Serving
Homeless
Children &
Families**

Agenda Item No. 7

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Commission Meeting

Overview of Commission Investments

- Commission investments
 - Are balanced between emerging strategies, long Term Planning Efforts, and the need for immediate action
 - Have ranged from funding capital project (in partnership with Home Aid), start-up for new shelter, and/or expansion, or direct services.
 - Include a service mix
 - Outreach to Motel Families
 - Rapid Re-housing
 - Transitional Shelters

Network of Providers

Important to invest in a system of care for homeless children and families

- Variety of providers with different strategies to best address the multiple causes of homelessness
 - Emergency Cold Weather Shelter- Redirection Program
 - Motel Families
 - Transitional Shelter System
- Homeless Families with young children on the rise
- Newly Homeless (versus chronically homeless) continue to stress the system

FY 09/10 Financial Investments

- FY 09/10 budget includes funding for:
 - \$3,600,000 for capital projects
 - Includes carry over from FY 08/09 and is reduced by Emergency Shelter funding
 - \$828,884 Outreach to Motel Families
 - \$2,205,000 Transitional Shelter Operational Support
 - Does not include service pay out arrangement on Village of Hope or Hope Family Housing projects
 - \$167,000 Rapid Re-housing
 - Total funded amount is \$500,000 (\$167,000 is amount allocated for this fiscal year)
 - \$400,000 Emergency Shelter

Emerging Strategies

- Rapid Re-housing, to serve:
 - Newly homeless with willingness and skill set to become employed and independent (e.g. Families Forward Program)
 - Homeless due to chronic conditions with willingness to comply with receive on-going support (e.g. participate in case management and maintaining employment)
- Proposed 10 year Plan to end Homeless for Orange County includes national best practice models. Commission representative has been involved in planning effort.