

# TAY Housing in Los Angeles County August 29, 2023

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#### Questions:

Does a person have to be officially in HIMS or CES in order to work with Connect LA?

 A youth enrolling with Connect LA would be input into HMIS. If a youth is not currently working with CES and meets the HUD definition of homelessness they may be able to directly reach out to the case manager for the program. A referral from CES is not required.

Do you ensure that these are permanent housing options and not just temporary housing until they are able to find more permanent placement?

 For the Connect-LA program, there is a clinician and a case manager to provide long term and ongoing support. This is not a one touch program. If needed, the youth can be connected to permanent supportive housing resources since they can be dually enrolled.

Can you share about the house household program? Is there a formalized structure to match individuals to a host?

That would be a goal of the program- to create a roster or a formalized system to match
a host with an individual with a housing crisis. For now, the problem solvers program
helps individuals brainstorm who might be a good host home in case of housing
instability.

Are there any restrictions for undocumented individuals to access services?

- For the problem solvers and Connect-LA anyone in a housing crisis is able to receive services. In addition, HMIS does not collect immigration information.
- To qualify for HUD services under affordable housing, at least one person in the household has to have legal status.

How long is the Problem Solvers training?

• The training takes 1.5 hours and LAHSA is able to tailor the training to each agency to include role-play, etc.

Is there a spending limit for the Problem Solvers program?

Each financial category has a specific allotment. For rental and move in assistance, they
can only access funding once per calendar year. More information on caps will be
provided at the training.

Can the Problem Solving funding be used for children as well in cases where a youth is parenting?

 Yes, the funding is used to assist youth, youth with families, adults and adults with families.

## Additional Resources:

- <u>Problem-Solving Training for Key Partners (office.com)</u>
- 6997 Connect LA Flyer (lahsa.org)
- HUD Affordable Rental Housing Booklet
- Housing Counseling Services
- HUD Approved Housing Counseling Agencies
- TAY Shelter Options
- Host Home Program If you are interested in becoming a Host or having a presentation to your agency on how to collaborate, please connect to one of the providers that is geographically closest to you:

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