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## **Partnership HealthPlan of California Disbursing State Funds for Street Medicine Program to Provide Care for Unhoused Members**

FAIRFIELD – Partnership HealthPlan of California has awarded over \$550,000 in state Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) funds to community organizations through the Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP).

HHIP is a new DHCS program that provides immediate and specialized aid to Medi-Cal recipients experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity; this program is made to ensure our members have access to their health care no matter their housing status and assist them in achieving housing security. This street medicine grant will allow our providers to build capacity to deliver adequate medical care and social services to our members who are unhoused and unsheltered, by getting them services where they live and eliminate barriers to care access. The organizations receiving the funds, totaling 15 entities in 13 counties, are committed to improving the lives of marginalized groups by meeting members where they are and providing care in non-traditional settings.

Through HHIP, community-based housing agencies address homelessness by providing both rapid rehousing and interim housing for Medi-Cal families, youth, and disabled members, access and connection to housing services, as well as other social services in order to improve whole person health and bridge the gap to care for our members facing housing insecurity. HHIP works in tandem with CalAIM (California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal) – a multi-year initiative by DHCS – as part of a broader approach to wellness in caring for our members.

“It is an honor to award these funds on behalf of DHCS to community partners who are providing much needed, compassionate primary care to our unhoused community,” said Elizabeth Gibboney, Partnership chief executive officer. “Their direct outreach to members experiencing the hardships of housing insecurity is helping to improve the quality of their lives and the health of our community.”

Applications were reviewed this spring and funds will be disbursed over the summer. More information can be found at [www.partnershiphp.org/Community/Pages/CalAIM](http://www.partnershiphp.org/Community/Pages/CalAIM). Below is a list of the organizations awarded funding:

| Organization   | Counties Served | Funds Awarded |
|--|-----------------|---------------|
| Redwoods Rural Health Center                             | Humboldt        | \$50,000      |
| Adventist – Lake   | Lake            | \$50,000      |
| Adventist – Mendocino                                    | Mendocino       | \$50,000      |
| OLE Health   | Napa            | \$50,000      |
| Hill Country Community Clinic                            | Shasta          | \$50,000      |
| Shasta Community Health Clinic                           | Shasta          | \$50,000      |
| 4th Second   | Solano          | \$50,000      |
| Santa Rosa Community Health                              | Sonoma          | \$50,000      |
| West County Health Centers                               | Sonoma          | \$50,000      |
| CommuniCare Health Centers                               | Yolo            | \$50,000      |
| Ritter Center  | Marin           | \$40,000      |
| Lassen County (street outreach only)                     | Lassen          | \$10,000      |
| Modoc County (street outreach only)                      | Modoc           | \$10,000      |
| Siskiyou County Behavioral Health (street outreach only) | Siskiyou        | \$10,000      |
| Trinity County (street outreach only)                    | Trinity         | \$10,000      |

**About Partnership HealthPlan of California:** Partnership is a nonprofit community-based health care organization that contracts with the state to administer Medi-Cal benefits. Partnership provides quality care to over 700,000 Medi-Cal members. Beginning in Solano County in 1994 Partnership now provides services to 14 Northern California counties – Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Napa, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Trinity, and Yolo. Starting in 2024, Partnership will also serve Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sierra, Sutter, Tehama, and Yuba counties. Learn more about Partnership online at [www.partnershiphp.org](http://www.partnershiphp.org)