

# Homelessness and Older Adults

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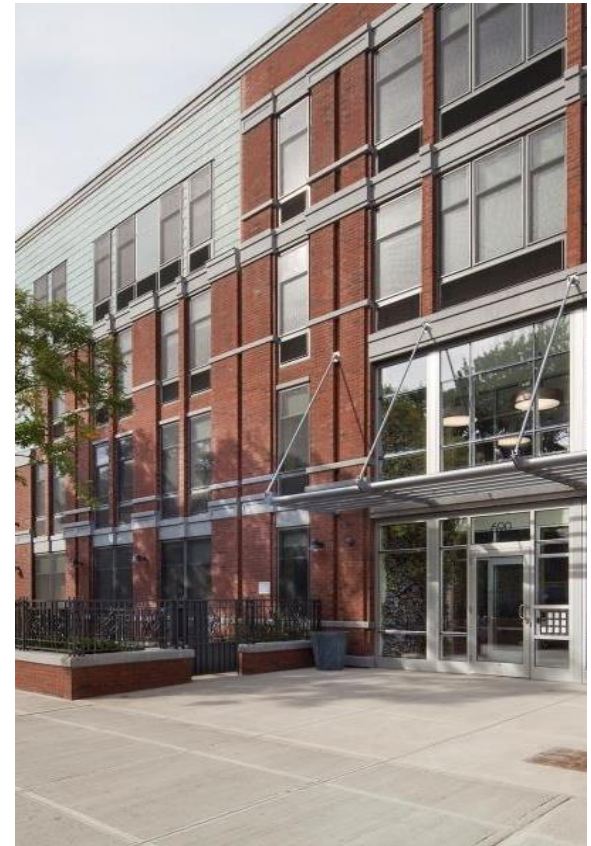
# Advancing Housing Solutions That



Improve lives of  
vulnerable people

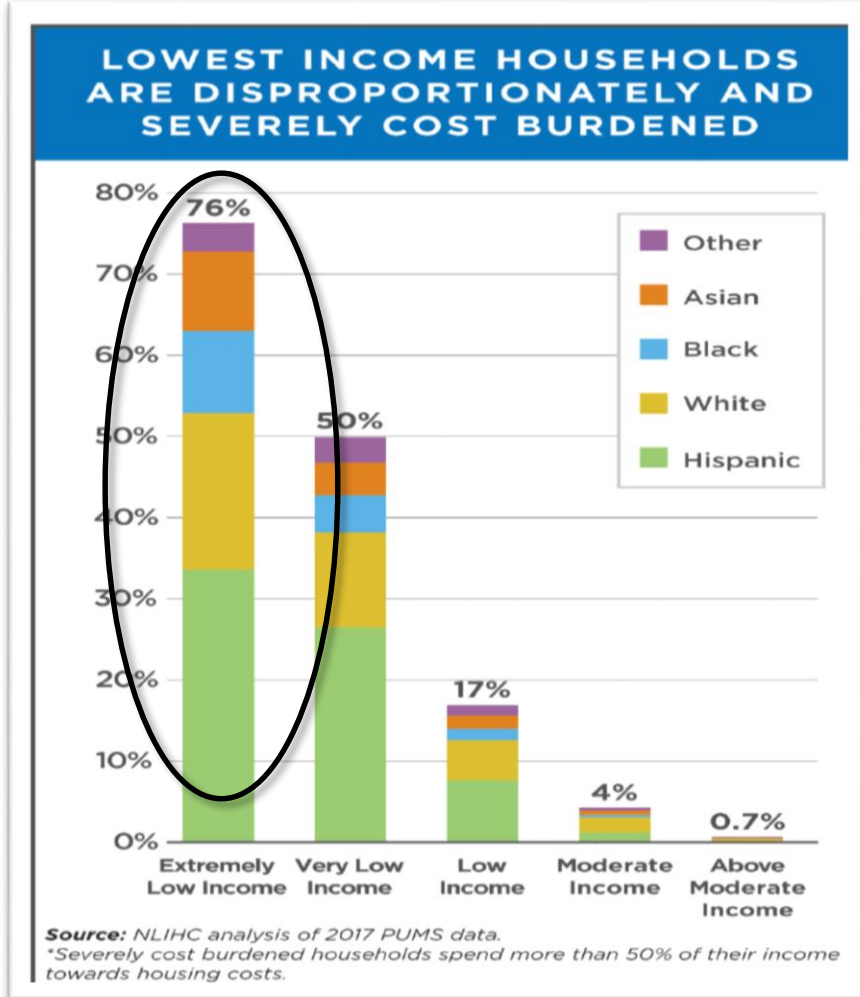


Maximize  
public resources



Build strong,  
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# California's Numbers



## 2018:

- 130,000 Californians experiencing Homelessness at any point in time
- 22% of Americans experiencing homelessness
- 37% of nation's residents experiencing chronic homelessness

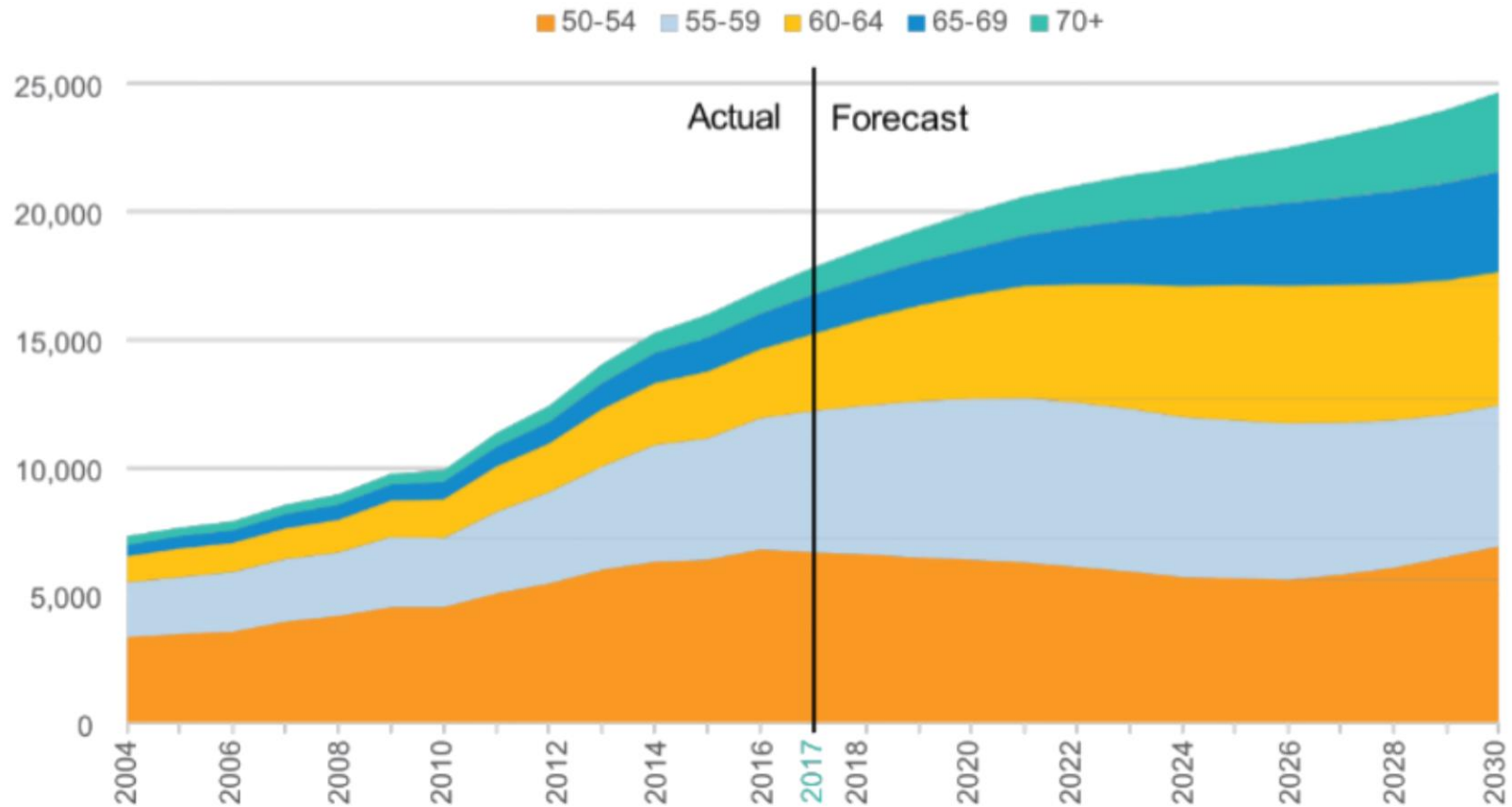
## 2019:

- Almost 10,000 Bay Area residents
- Significant increases from 2017:  
Alameda County increase of 43%, San Francisco increase of 17%



**3 in 4 extremely low-income households are severely cost-burdened (paying more than half of income in rent)**

# Forecasted Homeless Prevalence Among Older Adults



**Figure II-3 – Total shelter population forecast; age 50+: Actual counts (2004-2017) and forecast (2018-2030)**



# Implications of Graying of Our Homeless Population



**“50 is the new 75”**

Homeless older adults are almost 4 times more likely to have a chronic medical condition than adults under 50

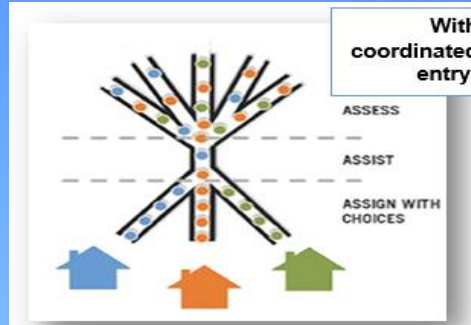
Older homeless adults are more likely to suffer from cognitive impairments and many have co-occurring mental health or substance abuse issues



## Affordable Home

# Homeless Systems Intended to Move People Into Permanent Housing as Quickly as Possible

### Coordinated Entry System



**Access** to housing and services through a “no wrong door” approach.

**Assesses** through a standardized assessment tool for the intervention needed for that household to exit homelessness.

**Assigns** housing and services interventions based on need. CES creates a centralized referral system to match the individual or family to the right housing program and unit.

**Affordable housing** offers project units with subsidies or rental assistance with private-market landlords. To entice landlords, housing providers often offer incentives. Tenants pay 30% of income on rent.

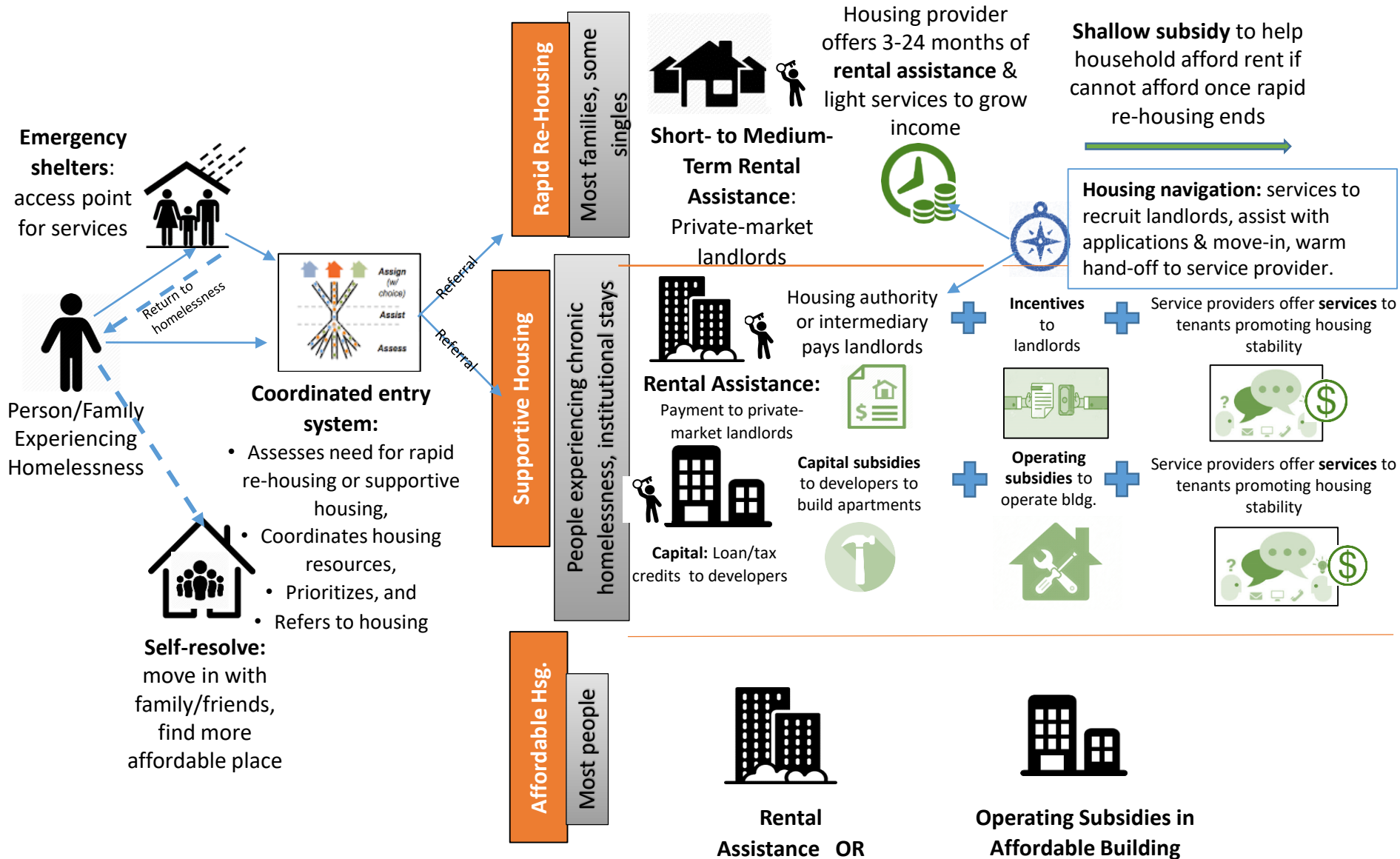


**Supportive housing projects** offer affordable housing & intensive services to people with high barriers to stability to access and maintain housing stability.



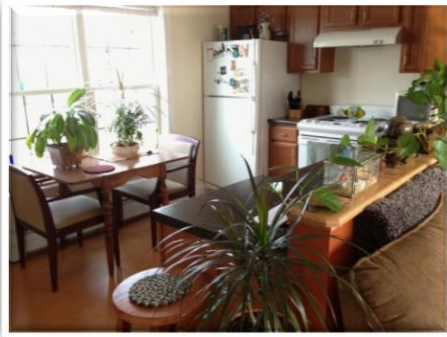
### Housing Interventions

# Interventions to Solve Homelessness



# High Quality Supportive Housing

A variety of housing models exist with common factors including:



*Located in within safe neighborhoods with close proximity to:*

- **Transportation**
- **Employment opportunities**
- **Services**
- **shopping, recreation and socialization.**



***Tenants** have a lease identical to those of tenants who are not in supportive housing.*

***Services are voluntary and consumer-driven. They focus on ensuring that tenants can obtain and thrive in stable housing, regardless of barriers they may face.***

**Growing model of pairing PACE & housing.** Affordable housing tenants can age in place or for supportive housing populations. In supportive housing, PACE offers intensive housing stability services and services the help keep people stably housed.

**Mable Howard Apartments, Berkeley.** Uses federally-subsidies operating support for seniors with services and health care from a Federally-Qualified Health Center.





# Typical Funding In Creating a Supportive Housing Project

- 35% for 4% Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (if local bond funding available) **OR** 60% for 9% LIHTC.
- 25% from state capital program.
- 40% combination of local city and/or county funding through local & federal dollars.
- Predevelopment loans to acquire property, architectural, etc.

## Capital Funding



- Project-based Housing Choice Vouchers **OR**
- Project-based homeless Continuum of Care (CoC) "Shelter Plus Care" vouchers, administered through housing authority.
- Supplemented through project cash flow in integrated affordable/supportive housing projects.

## Operating Subsidies

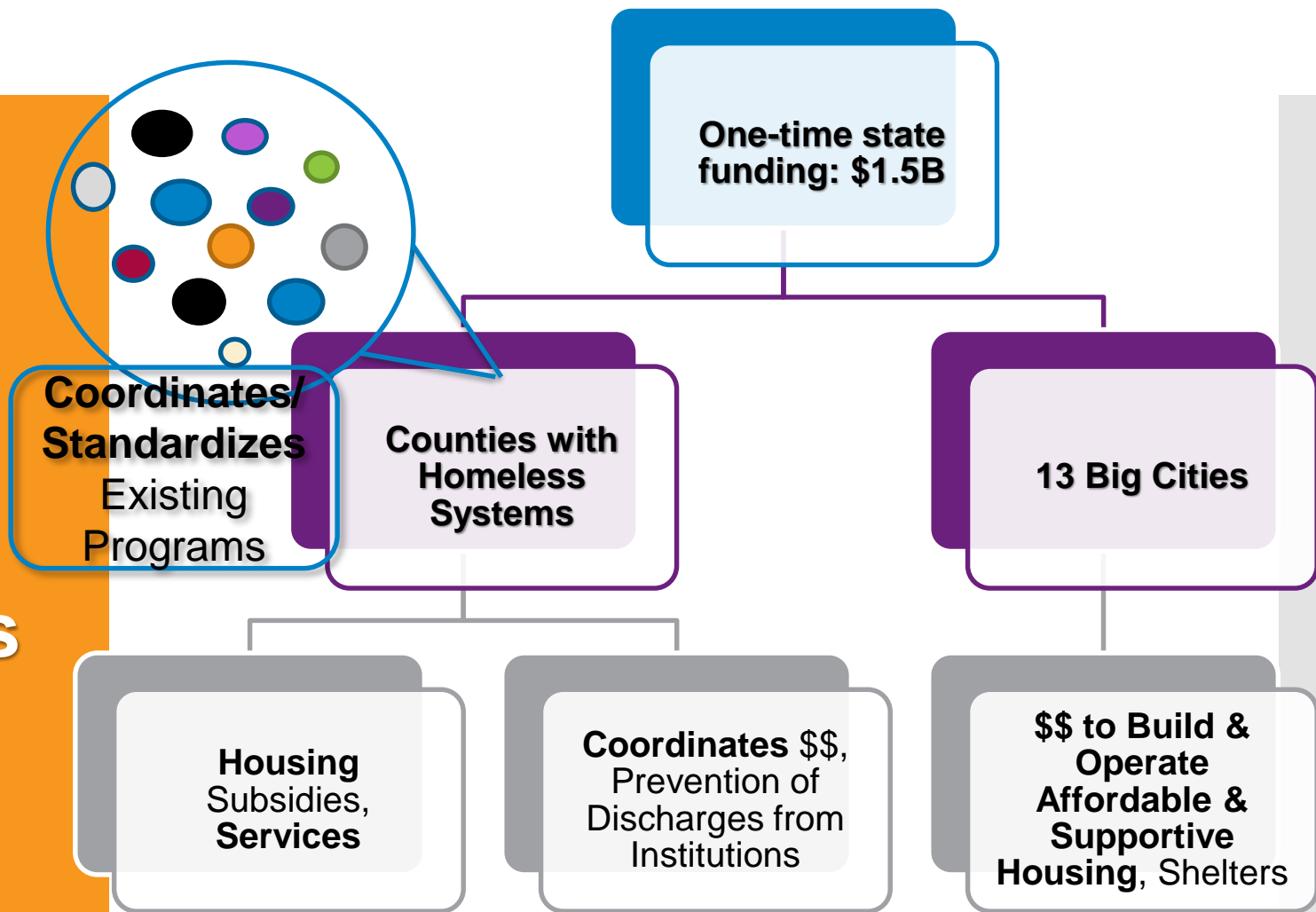


- Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)/Proposition 63 funding (only for people with serious mental illness).
- Project cash flow.
- County funding for services.

## Services Funding



# New State Budget Proposal Addresses These Needs



Evidence-based solutions through a structure that promotes regional collaboration, innovation, and accountability.

Sets structure for future, ongoing funding.

Coalition-supported.

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