



**HOUSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA**

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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF ANTICIPATED TERMINATION OF FUNDING FOR THE EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS (EHV) PROGRAM

Dear **(Landlord)**,

This letter serves as formal notice that funding for the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) program administered by the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara (HACSB) is anticipated to be exhausted on or about September 30, 2026. You are receiving this notice because you currently have one or more tenants receiving rental assistance through the EHV program.

The EHV program was created as a temporary COVID pandemic relief program to provide rental assistance for a limited time. At the inception of this program, housing assistance payments were projected to remain available through 2030, or until allocated funding had been expended.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has informed all housing authorities nationwide, including HACSB that available funding for the EHV program will not extend through 2030 as originally anticipated.

Based on current funding projections, HACSB anticipates that available EHV funds will be exhausted by **September 30, 2026**, and no additional housing assistance payments are expected to be available after this date. HACSB is closely monitoring the status of remaining funds and is exploring all potential options for stopgap funding beyond this September date.

If no additional funds are received, whether from HUD or another source, you will be provided with 60-day notice of termination of HAP contract at the end of July.

Should additional funding become available beyond September 2026, we will notify you immediately.

In response to this anticipated funding cessation from HUD, HACSB is currently:

- Reviewing all assisted households for possible transition opportunities or other available programs, where eligible.
- Coordinating with community partners and service providers regarding potential resources and support services.
- Encouraging households to begin preparing for possible changes in rental assistance.
- Suspending approval of new Housing Assistance Contracts (HAP), including moves, transfers, or portability requests under the EHV program
- Please note this notice only applies to your EHV households.

EHV participant families have also been mailed a notice containing this information.

HACSB remains actively engaged with HUD, local service providers, and community partners to monitor federal guidance and explore all possible funding opportunities and alternatives that may help extend or replace assistance for affected households.

We understand the uncertainty of this situation may create for both property owners and participating families, and we greatly appreciate your continued partnership and support throughout the administration of this program.

For your reference, we have included a list of the households currently under lease with your company that are receiving EHV assistance.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Tiffany Morten tmorten@hacsb.org, 805-897-1084 or Perla Vega a pvega@hacsb.org, 805-897-1024.

Sincerely,

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