Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) Update

County Administrator's Office

August 16, 2022





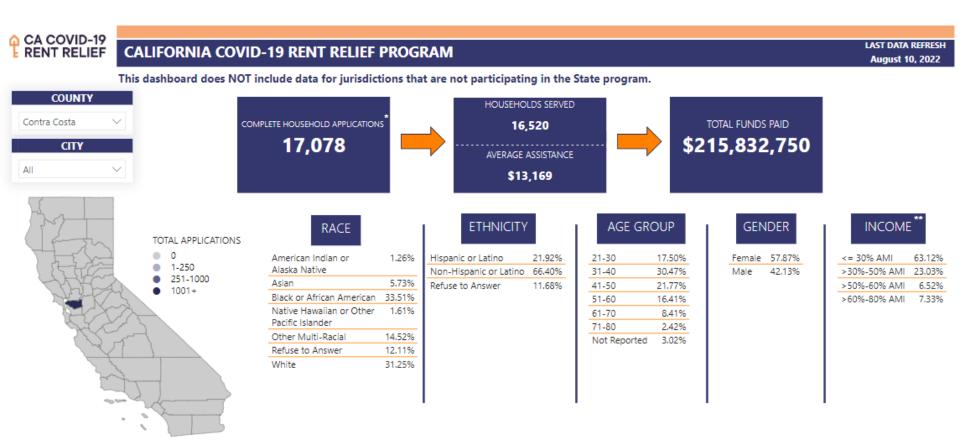
Agenda

- Major Updates
- ERAP Performance
- Landlord/Tenant Operating Indicators
- Recommendations



- Additional \$15 million of ERAP funds distributed for the benefit of Contra Costa households since last update
- Unlawful detainer filings disproportionately impacting East County
 - 800 cases outstanding (compared to 33 in Central)
 - 66 set for trial (compared to 16 in Central & 23 in Richmond)
- \$237,303 in one-time ERAP 2 Administrative funds remaining for allocation

Contra Costa ERAP Performance





Contra Costa Landlord/Tenant Services Available

Contra Costa County				
Rental/Eviction Protection Activitie	s, thru December 31, 2022	Phone	Website	End Date
Legal Assistance/Referral Clinics	Centro Legal De La Raza	(510) 738-3906	https://www.centrolegal.org/	12/31/2022
	Shelter Inc Courthouse		https://shelterinc.org/what-we-do/contra-	
	Clinics	(925) 335-0698	costa/	12/31/2022
	Congress of Neutrals -			
	Attorney of the Day	(925) 937-3008	https://www.congressofneutrals.org/	12/31/2022
			https://www.echofairhousing.org/tenantla	
Housing Stability/Counseling	ECHO Housing	(855) ASK-ECHO	ndlord-services.html	12/31/2022
	Contra Costa Crisis Center			
Service Navigation/Referrals	(211)	2-1-1	https://www.crisis-center.org/	11/30/2022
Landlord/Tenant Mediation	Congress of Neutrals	(925) 937-3008	https://www.congressofneutrals.org/	9/30/2022
		(525) 557-5008		5, 50, 2022
Rental Assistance	Shelter Inc.	(925) 335-0698	https://shelterinc.org/get-help/covid-19/	Until Spent



Contra Costa Crisis Center (211)

Contract: \$50,000 **Term:** December 31, 2022

Services: Provide intake and referral services to individuals seeking landlord/tenant services, including eviction, rental and legal assistance

Contra Costa Crisis Center (211)					
Operating Indicators, April-June 2022					
	April	May	June	Total	as %
Total Calls	404	403	403	1,210	
Referrals:					
Eviction Assistance	208	183	263	654	14.8%
Rental Assistance	1,013	951	902	2,866	64.8%
Legal Services	267	278	359	904	20.4%
Total Referrals	1,488	1,412	1,524	4,424	100.0%
Avg. Referrals / Call	3.7	3.5	3.8	3.7	

Shelter Inc. – Courthouse Clinics



Contract: \$70,000 **Term:** December 31, 2022

Services: Courthouse Clinics at the Pittsburg, Martinez and Richmond courthouses during unlawful detainer calendar hours to provide information and referrals to clients on day of court

Shelter Inc Courthouse Clinics					
Operating Indicators, April-June 2022					
	April	May	June	Total	as %
Courthouse Location:					
Martinez	8	1	4	13	16.9%
Pittsburg	7	13	6	26	33.8%
Richmond	21	11	6	38	49.4%
Total Clients	36	25	16	77	100.0%
Client Type					
Tenant	33	22	15	70	90.9%
Landlord	3	3	1	7	9.1%
Total Clients	36	25	16	77	100.0%
Resources/Referrals					
Tenant Legal	16	3	2	21	27.3%
Landloard Legal	3	1	-	4	5.2%
ERAP Info	1	-	-	1	1.3%
Financial Assistance	1	4	3	8	10.4%
General Information	11	18	14	43	55.8%
Total Referrals	32	26	19	77	100.0%

Congress of Neutrals – Unlawful Detainer Mediation



Contract: \$50,000 **Term:** September 30, 2022

Services: Trained mediators available during each unlawful detainer court calendar to accept judicial referrals and encourage parties to mediate landlord/tenant matters

Congress of Neutrals - Landlord/Tenant Mediations					
Operating Indicators, April-June 2022					
	April	May	June	Total	
Cases Mediated*	20	27	26	73	
Cases Resolved	15	20	20	55	
Cases Not Resolved	5	7	6	18	
Settlement (%)	75%	74%	77%		
Individuals Served	73	89	75	237	
* All cases referred were mediated this quarter					

Congress of Neutrals – Attorney of the Day Program



Contract: \$30,000 **Term:** December 31, 2022

Services: Attorneys of the Day recruited by the Contra Costa Bar Association to provide limited scope advice related to unlawful detainer actions

Congress of Neutrals - Attorney of the Day						
Operating Indicators, April-June 2022						
	April	May	June	Total		
Referrals Made	9	14	9	32		
Tenant	7	10	6	23		
Landlord	2	4	3	9		

ECHO Housing/Centro Legal – Housing Counseling/Legal Assistance



Contract: \$600,000 **Term:** December 31, 2022

Services: To fund tenant/landlord counseling and related legal services, including marketing/outreach, for eligible tenant households

ECHO Housing/Centro Legal				
Operating Indicators, April-June 2022				
	Total			
Individuals Served	251			
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Impacted by COVID	36			
Harassment	30			
Notice of Termination	42			
Rent Increase	12			
Illegal Behavior	13			
Unlawful Detainer	47			
Unable to Pay Rent	3			
Repairs	11			
* Services provided by CDBG-CV funds only; Does not include breakout of "issues" data from Antioch				



• Continue funding existing, ERAP program infrastructure through June 30, 2023 - \$167,500:

Contra Costa Crisis Center (211)	Outreach/Navigation	\$ 50,000
Congress of Neutrals	Mediation	\$ 67,500
Congress of Neutrals	Attorney of the Day	\$ 15,000
Shelter Inc.	Courthouse Clinics	\$ 35,000
	Total	\$ 167,500

- Allocate one-time funding of \$70,000 for additional legal services to address disproportionate impact of unlawful detainer filings in East County
- Continue referral of establishing an ongoing, unlawful detainer tenant defense program to future Finance Committee meeting

Questions



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- ALL CALLS ARE FREE & CONFIDENTIAL
- 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK
- MULTIPLE LANGUAGES AVAILABLE

CONTRA COSTA CRISIS CENTER crisis-center.org



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LLAME AL **2-1-1**

- TODAS LAS LLAMADAS SON GRATUITAS Y CONFIDENCIALES
- 24 HORAS AL DÍA, 7 DÍAS A LA SEMANA
- MÚLTIPLES IDIOMAS DISPONIBLES

