

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
FUNDING PRINCIPLES FOR INNOVATIVE HOUSING MODELS**

Housing developments that meet the following will receive funding priority:

1. Developments that provide the maximum benefit for the invested MHSA dollars (e.g. that produce or develop the maximum number of units for the MHSA dollars invested).
2. Developments that do not contribute to a net loss of affordable housing units through the displacement of moderate or low-income residents.
3. Developments that offer onsite supportive services.
4. Developments that further geographical diversity of permanent supportive housing for the Target Population throughout the County.
5. Developments with an existing funding commitment for operating/rental subsidies that make the units affordable for the occupant.
6. Developments that are feasible considering planning, zoning and other requirements necessary to obtain a building permit, State and Federal environmental clearances as applicable, etc.
7. Developments that will be built the soonest based on the proposed occupancy date.
8. Non-profit developers whose mission is public benefit.
9. Developments with an existing funding commitment for operating/rental subsidies that make the units affordable for the occupant.
10. Developments proposed by developers who can show successful prior experience in developing similar types of housing as demonstrated by owning and/or operating housing that has served a similar population and that has remained in good standing by, for example, meeting housing quality standards and has not received citations by health and safety and other oversight bodies.
11. Developments that are near public services such as, but not limited to, transit and health services.
12. Developments that are proposed by developers and their contractors that have experienced barriers from owning their own businesses, etc.