Item D.4 Description of Target Population to be Served

Describe the MHSA Rental Housing Program target population to be served in the development. Include a description of the following:

1. Age group, i.e., adults, older adults, children, transition-aged youth;
2. The anticipated income level of the MHSA tenants; and,
3. A description of the anticipated special needs of the target population to be served, e.g., physical disabilities, chronic illness, substance abuse, prior housing status, etc.

Response:

1. **Age group.** DMH, through its network of directly operated and contracted services providers will provide Mental health services to 10 units in Montecito Terraces for Older Adults, one of the identified Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) target populations under the Los Angeles County MHSA Housing plan. The Older Adults served in the MHSA Housing program at Montecito Terrace Apartments will be 55 years or older and have a diagnosis of serious mental illness (SMI) and be homeless.
2. **The anticipated income level of the MHSA tenants:** Older Adults in the program will be of very low or no income with an annual income not to exceed 30% of Area Median Income (AMI), and many older adults may have incomes considerably less than 50% AMI.
3. **A description of the anticipated special needs of the target population to be served, e.g., physical disabilities, chronic illness, substance abuse, prior housing status, etc.** Tenants may be unserved or underserved and may have been hospitalized, at risk of institutionalization or been involved in the criminal justice system. Individuals served may have a co-occurring substance abuse disorder, and may suffer from functional impairments. The MHSA program services are designed with comprehensive and intensive services in response to the varied, identified client needs. These services may include, but are not limited to: assistance with housing, food, transportation and/or clothing; individual goal/service planning; assistance in accessing and maintaining mainstream benefits; case management; independent living skills development; budgeting, money management and financial education; assessment, treatment and/or referral for addiction disorder, mental and physical health services; employment or volunteer services and opportunities; crisis intervention; community building; linkage to community-based services; assistance in maintaining tenant stability; and any other services as needed that respond to the special needs of this tenant population.