

# Shelter-in-Place (SIP) Rehousing Proposal

Board of Supervisors Budget and Finance Committee December 9, 2020

# SIP Rehousing: Commitments

- Exits to stability, not street
- 100% of SIP guests participate in Problem Solving Screening
- Coordinated Entry is the pathway to **equity**
- HSH believes Housing = Health Care, but hotels are NOT housing
  - SIP hotels have been an effective but *expensive* temporary solution which has successfully saved lives for COVID vulnerable individuals
  - A more **effective** and **long-term solution** to save lives for COVID-vulnerable individuals is **stable housing**

# Stakeholder Engagement: SIP Rehousing Proposal

Over the last two weeks HSH shared the updated SIP Rehousing and Site Demobilization Proposal with:

- Provider Networks
- Strategic Framework Advisory Committee
- HSH Provider Leadership
- HSH and CCC Staff
- City Partners
- Board of Supervisors
- LHCB
- Our City, Our Home Oversight Committee

In addition, the CCC distributed a packet of materials to each SIP Site including a Guest Notification Letter and SIP Guest Talking Points

### Developing the Rehousing Model

- No national templates on rehousing exist; worked with HUD TA to develop our own template/ approach including piloting a Housing Fair model
- HUD allows us to pivot Coordinated Entry to account for COVID vulnerability, which means more guests in SIP hotels will be prioritized for housing resources
- Diversion uptake is low nationally due to the pandemic; adjusting to create a pandemic approach, "Diversion Plus," a more robust intervention

### Addressing System and Operational Barriers

- Need to improve communication to hotel operators and within hotels to guests to reduce confusion about plan and timelines
- Barriers to housing in portions of existing portfolio are significant; working with providers and HUD TA to reduce barriers and speed up housing
- Lack of data about guests has made it difficult to plan rehousing interventions, but launch of preliminary rehousing plan and new DPH data now available has led to an **increase in data**

With more data, HSH has aligned the housing pipeline to the rehousing timeline and guest needs. New OCOH funding ensures we have the right interventions at the right time.

### Our system is interdependent:

Flexibility, and the understanding that our plans may need to change, will be essential as we adjust to the uncertainty of COVID response:

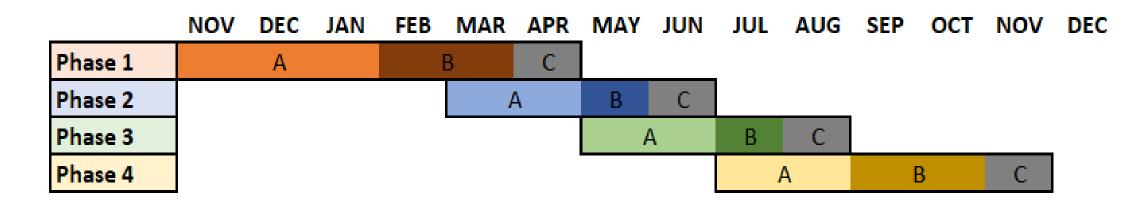
- Potential for additional shelter-in-place orders could delay the opening of new housing units
- A need to repurpose a hotel to support Isolation and Quarantine needs could change the timeline for demobilization
- Housing Fair approach could be paused or adjusted by pandemic
- Shifts in the rental market could change the pace at which we can house guests in scattered site units

## **Pandemic Prioritization**

Prioritization Category	Description of Population	Exit Strategies	Estimated Population Distribution
A. Housing Referral Status	People in SIP sites who are assessed as Housing Referral Status, including those with COVID vulnerabilities and those who are not COVID vulnerable but are prioritized through the Coordinated Entry assessment	<ul> <li>Adult PSH, including scattered site</li> <li>TAY PSH</li> <li>Senior PSH</li> </ul>	40%
B. Pandemic Prioritization: 60+ COVID Vulnerable	People in SIP sites who are not Housing Referral Status but are COVID vulnerable due to age (age 60+) and will likely require a permanent subsidy to exit the SIP hotels	<ul> <li>Senior scattered site PSH</li> </ul>	25%
C. Pandemic Prioritization: COVID Vulnerable <60	People in SIP sites who are not Housing Referral Status but have a medical condition making them COVID vulnerable and will likely require a temporary subsidy to exit the SIP hotels	<ul> <li>Adult Medium-Term Housing Subsidies</li> <li>TAY RRH</li> <li>Family RRH</li> </ul>	25%
D. Problem Solving Status, Non-COVID Vulnerable <60	People in SIP sites who are not Housing Referral Status and not COVID vulnerable and will likely require Problem Solving resources to exit the SIP hotels	<ul> <li>Problem Solving rental assistance grant (Diversion Plus)*</li> </ul>	10%

# SIP Rehousing: Proposed Timeline

Rehousing Timeline: Tentative



### KEY:

A: Rehousing across all hotels in phase

B: Consolidation of guests at 2-3 hotels; complete rehousing; demobilization of vacated sites

C: Final demobilization of hotels in phase

### Pandemic Prioritization Housing Options

### Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

Includes traditional PSH and scattered site options for adults and seniors, and traditional PSH for prioritized families and TAY (up to age 29)

Through pandemic prioritization, seniors (over age 60) who are not Housing Referral Status will be eligible for scattered site PSH (ongoing subsidies)

### Adult Housing Subsidies

Through pandemic prioritization, we will offer medium-term (24-month) subsidies to adults under age 60 who are not Housing Referral Status but have a documented COVID vulnerability

### Budgeted and Planned Housing Capacity

	Funded	Proposed Expansion (requires	
Permanent Housing - Adults	Capacity	funding)	Total Units
Adult PSH Vacancies/Turnover	400		400
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Adult PSH Pipeline Units	184		184
Adult PSH - New Homekey Units		280	280
Senior PSH Pipeline Units	59		59
Adult Flex Subsidy Pool	130		130
Senior Flex Subsidy Pool		600	600
Adult Housing Subsidy (24 months)		500	500
Adult Housing Subtotal	773	1380	2153

### Pandemic Prioritization Housing Options

### Rapid Rehousing (RRH)

RRH continues to be a primary intervention for families and TAY prioritized for housing.

### Problem Solving (Diversion Plus)

HSH is establishing "Diversion Plus" specifically for SIP guests allowing up to \$15,000 per person on rental assistance grants

### Budgeted and Planned Housing Capacity

		Proposed Expansion	
	Funded	(requires	
	Capacity	funding)	Total Units
Permanent Housing - TAY			
TAY PSH Pipeline Units	54		54
TAY Rapid Rehousing	23	100	123
TAY Housing Subtotal	77	100	177
Permanent Housing - Families			
Family Rapid Rehousing	60		60
Family Housing Subtotal	60	0	60
Prevention			
Diversion Plus		250	250
Prevention Subtotal	0	250	250
Total Funded and Proposed Capacity	910	1730	2640

## Aligning Housing to Client Needs

	Phase 1 Rehousing Needs (as of 11/16/20)	Housing Options Available and Planned
Rehousing proposal aligns the <b>pandemic</b> <b>prioritization</b> and <b>housing pipeline</b> to ensure the right housing resource is available based	Total Hotel Units: 567 Hotel Units Occupied: 450 Number of Guests: 489 Approx. # of TAY (18-28): <b>58</b> Approx. # of Adults (29-59): <b>299</b>	<ul> <li>Permanent Supportive Housing:</li> <li>Adult PSH: 315</li> <li>TAY PSH: 24</li> <li>Adult Flex Pool PSH: 130</li> <li>Senior Flex Pool PSH: 75</li> </ul>
on guests' needs during each phase.	Approx. # of Addits (27-57). 277 Approx. # of Seniors (60+): 132 Approx. # of Family Households: 0	Medium-Term Subsidies & Rapid Rehousing: • Adult Subsidies: <b>50</b>
An extended timeline gives additional time to connect guests to the resource they need to exit to stability.	Estimated Pandemic Prioritization: A. 200 (~40%) – PSH B. 120 (~25%) – Senior Flex Pool C. 120 (~25%) – Subsidy & RRH D. 50 (~10%) – Problem Solving	<ul> <li>Family RRH: 30</li> <li>TAY RRH: 45</li> <li>Problem Solving:</li> <li>Adult Diversion Plus: 70</li> </ul>
		An estimated 200+ units of capacity can be carried forward to later phases of rehousing.

# Prop C Funding Additional Immediate Needs

### Proposed Housing Investments:

- Immediate Expansion of Housing Resources
  - Newly acquired units of Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
  - Expand Flexible Housing Subsidy Pool for Seniors
  - Pilot 24-month housing subsidies for COVID-vulnerable adults under age 60

### **Proposed Prevention Investments:**

- Enhance Problem Solving Program
- Add Emergency Rent Subsidies to assist non-vulnerable clients in SIP hotels rehouse

Proposed Shelter & Hygiene Investments:

- Extend Timeline for Unwinding SIP Hotels
  - Wind down SIP Hotels via a fourphased rehousing process through November 2021
- Maintain COVID Sheltering Capacity
  - Maintain RV site for two years
  - Extend Safe Sleeping Villages for two years (otherwise slated to close March 2021)

### **One-Time Bonus for Frontline Workers**

# Gratitude

### Shelter in Place (SIP) Site Operators

**Bayview Hunters Point Foundation** Bay Area Community Services Catholic Charities Community Forward **Dolores Street Community Services Episcopal Community Services** Five Keys Heluna Health/United Council Hospitality House Larkin Street Youth Services **Providence Foundation** Safe House Urban Alchemy we hope

### **City Teams**

Controller's Office (CON) Department of Emergency Management (DEM) Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) Department of Public Health (DPH) Human Services Agency (HSA) Mayor's Office

COVID Command Center (CCC) and all the deployed DSWs from dozens of departments



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# Emergency Ordinance for SIP Hotels

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# COVID and People Experiencing Homelessness

- San Francisco has shown the nation what a **compassionate**, data driven approach can be for people experiencing homelessness during this pandemic
- As a result, lives have been saved and the COVID rates among people experiencing homelessness are **the same** as the general homelessness population which is not the case in other communities
- With that said, people experiencing homelessness began this pandemic in crisis and the fear and uncertainty for them is **immense**
- Those serving the homeless community have stretched and taken personal and professional risks every day. The City is deeply grateful to these heroes.

## Updated SIP Rehousing Proposal

The updated SIP Rehousing and Site Demobilization Proposal addresses the policy concerns raised through the Emergency Ordinance through:

- Extended timelines of SIP hotels
  - Phase 1 timeline extended through March 2021
  - Timeline extended through October 2021
- Improved projection of needs and resources
  - Adjustments in Coordinated Entry; **Pandemic Prioritization**
  - Defining housing resources; projected timeline and funding needs for expansion
- Improved data and reporting
  - Commitment to have data available through weekly reporting or through a
    public dashboard starting December 31, 2020

## SIP Emergency Ordinance: COVID-Vulnerability

SIP Hotels are a **temporary** emergency response that are intended for **COVID-vulnerable** individuals at highest risk from the virus

The proposed Emergency Ordinance expands eligibility of SIP hotels to all people experiencing homelessness regardless of COVID-status:

- Utilizes SIP hotels as temporary shelter without designated rehousing resources
- Expands the number of guests who are not FEMA reimbursable, increasing the City's fiscal commitment
  - San Francisco has already expanded the definition of COVID-vulnerable to age 60+

## SIP Emergency Ordinance: Rehousing Resources

The SIP Rehousing Proposal is **client-centered** and includes a clear **commitment** and projected resources needed to provide all SIP hotel guests with a **permanent solution** to end their homelessness based on their **unique needs**.

The proposed Emergency Ordinance allows guests the option to **not** accept housing resources and **remain** at SIP sites:

- Decreases guest engagement in assessment and rehousing process
- Individuals outside of the SIP system of care will have to wait longer for housing resources

# SIP Rehousing: Appendix 1

## Early Learnings

The following slides include additional information and input received that informed the updates to the SIP Rehousing Proposal

### Summary of Planning Process:

- Summer 2020: City conducted financial analysis as part of budget process to determine feasibility of a rehousing plan; SIP hotels continued expansion
- Summer/Fall 2020: HSH developed a preliminary rehousing plan acknowledging it would need to evolve, particularly as SIP hotels continued expansion during this time
- October/November 2020: City ended SIP hotel expansion and HSH launched preliminary rehousing plan; data gathered as part of Phase 1 informed lessons learned
- November/December 2020: New Governor's Fund creates a window to pause rehousing and apply lessons learned to revise the plan

### Input from guests included:

- Most, but not all, guests knew SIP hotels were temporary from the start of their stay
- Guests expressed a general message of gratitude for being kept safe from the pandemic and knowledge they feel "lucky" to have the room. This was paired with confusion and anxiety about what is next.
- Communication varies widely by site, some guests had lots of clear information from their providers other sites did not
- Guests expressed anxiety about the Rehousing phase ending and not knowing what steps they can be taking to participate in the process. Many were unaware of Coordinated Entry assessment.
- Many guests feel isolated.

HSH held recent input sessions to inform ongoing planning for SIP rehousing:

- 3 meetings with the HSH Strategic Framework Advisory Committee
- LHCB Meetings
- Focus group with current SIP guests organized by Miracle Messages
- CBO operators of hotels in Phases 1 and 2
- Housing providers
- Co-Chairs of HSN, SHPN, and HESPA

### Input from providers included:

- Need for in incentive pay for staff
- Concerns about safely moving guests during surge
- Concerns about the timeline; 60-90 more days for first phase and December 2021 end
- Interest in additional data regarding guests' needs and demographics
- Interest in more detail about housing options available for guests
- Improvements needed in Housing Fair logistics and operations
- Concern about communication to guests
- Need clear communication for Housing Referrals Status clients not in SIPs
- Need for more coordination with DPH to support behavioral health needs in housing and congregate shelter

# SIP Rehousing: Appendix 1

Client Demographic Data Data as of 11/30/20, subject to change as more assessments are completed

Preliminary equity analysis:

- HSH anticipates race and ethnicity data among SIP guests and those prioritized for housing will support our equity goals.
- HSH anticipates queer and transgender individuals are underrepresented within the SIP population, and we are developing plans to address this disparity

### SUMMARY OF HOUSING REFERRAL STATUS BY PHASE

### As of 11/30/20 – data subject to change

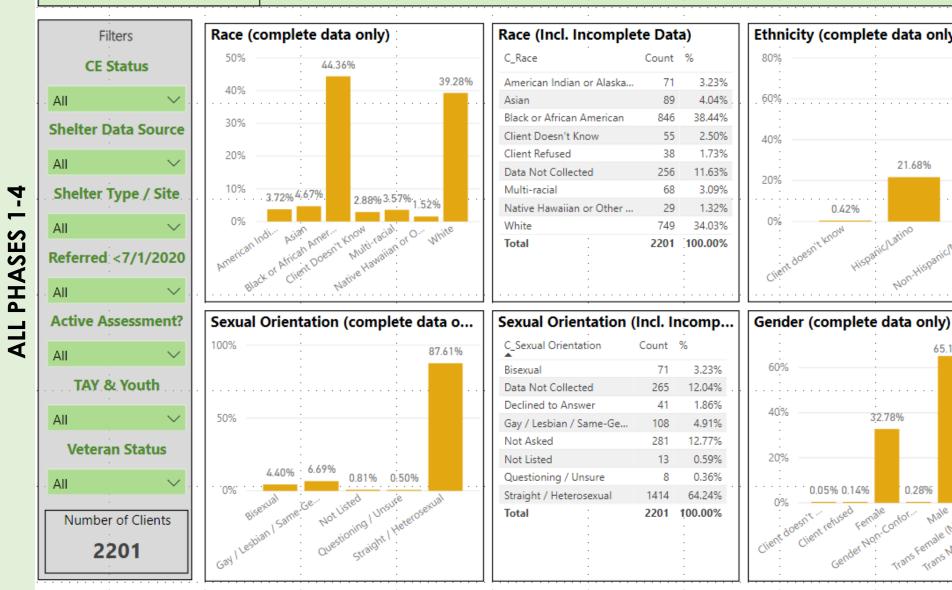
	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	PHASE 4	ALL PHASES
# of Clients	470	559	541	631	2201
# of Clients with Unknown CE Status	54	272	311	424	1061
% of Clients Assessed	88%	50%	33%	31%	51%
% of Assessed Clients that are Housing Referral Status	45%	42%	26%	60%	43%

NOTE: Housing assessments are typically conducted for the Head of Household only, which is not readily available information in SIP site data. A small % of clients that appear as unassessed with unknown Coordinated Entry status may be part of a household where the Head of Household was assessed. This is particularly true for family site 28 in Phase 3.



### Demographics



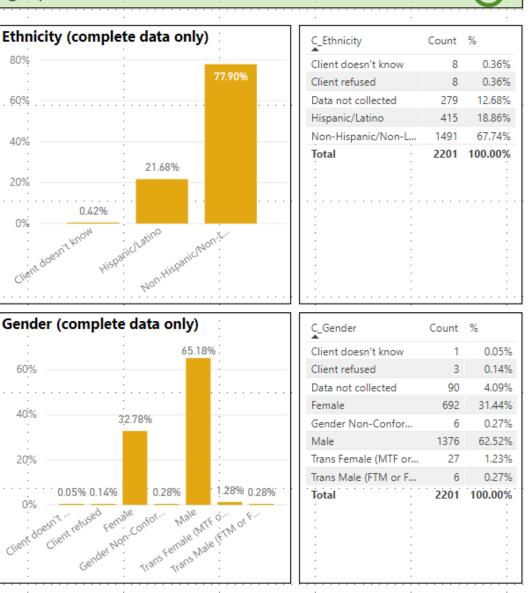


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### **SIP Wind Down BNL**

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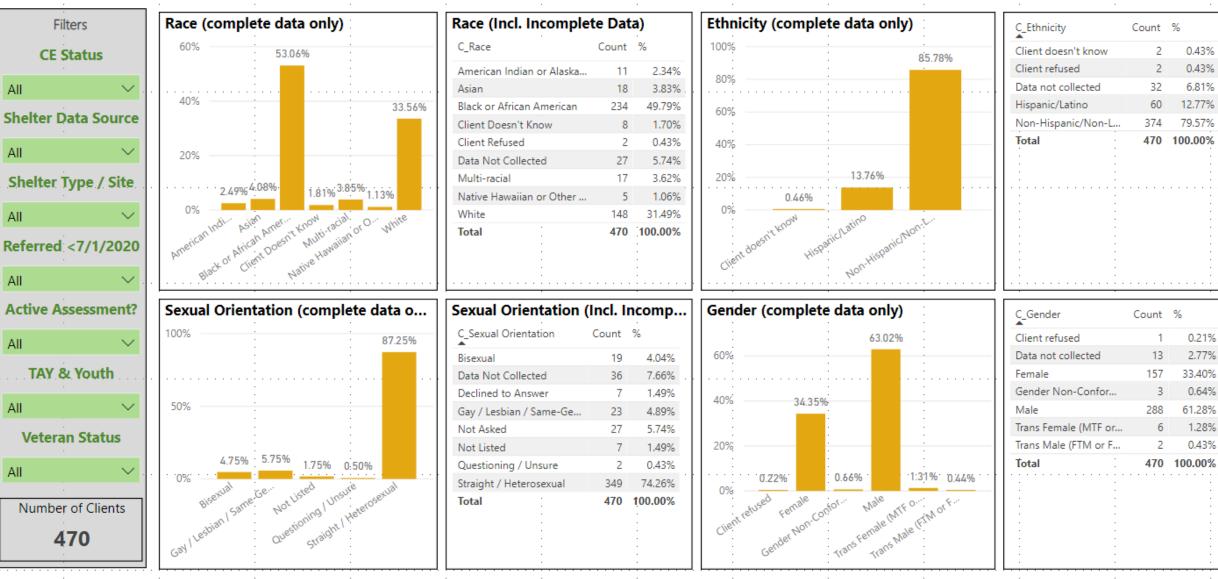




Data as of: 11/30/2020

### **SIP Wind Down BNL**

#### Demographics



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# SIP Rehousing: Appendix 2

## Aligning Clients and Capacity

The following slides provide information about the guests in each phase and housing capacity, both budgeted and planned, that align to guests' needs.

Data about clients is estimated based on reports drawn on 11/16/20 and subject to change. Capacity is based on budgeted units currently in the pipeline, and planned capacity that relies on new funding to be appropriated.

## Aligning Clients with Housing Capacity

Phase 1 Rehousing Needs (as of 11/16/20)	Housing Options Available and Planned	Phase 2 Rehousing Needs (as of 11/20/20)	Housing Options Available and Planned
Total Hotel Units: 567	Permanent Supportive	Total Hotel Units: 661	Permanent Supportive
Hotel Units Occupied: 450	Housing:	Hotel Units Occupied: 507	Housing:
Number of Guests: 489	Adult PSH: 315	Number of Guests: 557	<ul> <li>Adult PSH: 190</li> </ul>
	• TAY PSH: 24		• TAY PSH: 15
Approx. # of TAY (18-28): 58	Adult Flex Pool PSH: 130	Approx. # of TAY (18-28): 19	• Senior PSH: 30
Approx. # of Adults (29-59): 299	Senior Flex Pool PSH: 75	Approx. # of Adults (29-59): 329	<ul> <li>Senior Flex Pool: 100</li> </ul>
Approx. # of Seniors (60+): 132		Approx. # of Seniors (60+): 209	
Approx. # of Family Households: 0	Medium-Term Subsidies &	Approx. # of Family Households: 0	Medium-Term Subsidy:
	Rapid Rehousing:		Adults: 110
Estimated Pandemic Prioritization:	<ul> <li>Adult Subsidies: 50</li> </ul>	Estimated Pandemic Prioritization:	
A. 200 (~40%) – PSH	Family RRH: 30	A. 225 (~40%) – PSH	Rapid Rehousing:
B. 120 (~25%) – Senior Flex Pool	• TAY RRH: 45	B. 140 (~25%) – Senior Flex Pool	<ul> <li>Families: 30</li> </ul>
C. 120 (~25%) – Subsidy & RRH		C. 140 (~25%) – Subsidy & RRH	• TAY: 20
D. 50 (~10%) – Problem Solving	Problem Solving:	D. 55 (~10%) – Problem Solving	
	<ul> <li>Adult Diversion Plus: 70</li> </ul>		Problem Solving:
			<ul> <li>Adult Diversion Plus: 55</li> </ul>
	An estimated 200+ units of		
	capacity can be carried		
	forward to later phases of		
	rehousing.		

## Aligning Clients with Housing Capacity

Phase 3 Rehousing Needs	Housing Options Available or	Phase 4 Rehousing Needs	Housing Options Available
(as of 11/16/20)	Planned	(as of 11/16/20)	and Planned
Total Hotel Units: 552	<ul> <li>Permanent Supportive</li> <li>Housing:</li> <li>Adult PSH: 115</li> <li>TAY PSH: 5</li> <li>Senior PSH: 10</li> <li>Senior Flex Pool: 100</li> <li>Medium-Term Subsidies:</li> <li>Adults: 115</li> </ul>	Total Hotel Units: 743	Permanent Supportive
Hotel Units Occupied: 430		Hotel Units Occupied: 583	Housing:
Number of Guests: 541		Number of Guests: 625	• Adult PSH: 200
<u>Site 28:</u>		Approx. # of TAY (18-28): 17	• Senior PSH: 10
60 Family households = approx.		Approx. # of Adults (29-59): 312	• TAY PSH: 10
166 guests; RRH 60 units		Approx. # of Seniors (60+): 296	• Senior Flex Pool: 275
<u>Excluding Site 28, estimated 381</u>		Approx. # of Family Households:	Medium-Term Subsidy:
individuals:		0	• Adults: 225
Approx. # of TAY (18-28): 11 Approx. # of Adults (29-59): 209 Approx. # of Seniors (60+): 161 Estimated Pandemic Prioritization (excluding Site 28 households): A. 150 (~40%) – PSH B. 95 (~25%) – Senior Flex Pool C. 95 (~25%) – Subsidies & RRH D. 40 (~10%) – Problem Solving	<ul> <li>Rapid Rehousing:</li> <li>TAY: 20</li> <li>Family: capacity available from earlier phases</li> <li>Problem Solving:</li> <li>Adult Diversion Plus: 50</li> </ul>	Estimated Pandemic Prioritization: A. 250 (~40%) – PSH B. 150 (~25%) – Senior Flex Pool C. 150 (~25%) – Subsidy & RRH D. 60 (~10%) – Problem Solving	J