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RTFH HOSTS REGIONAL LEADERS AND OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS COLLABORATING ON HOMELESS STRATEGIES, FUNDING, AND BEST PRACTICES

SAN DIEGO, CA – TODAY, the Regional Task Force on the Homeless (RTFH) gathered representatives from local governments across our region to convene the first Homelessness Intergovernmental Roundtable.

"Leaders throughout San Diego met to discuss opportunities to collaborate with, and utilize the expertise of the RTFH. Our goal today was to open and maintain a dialogue with local decision-makers, provide access to resources and services, and share nationally recognized strategies designed to alleviate homelessness," said Councilmember Chris Ward.

This roundtable was the first in a series of planned quarterly meetings designed to bring local and regional government leaders together to review, collaborate, and address the impacts of the statewide homelessness crisis on our region.

"As the RTFH continues to implement best practices, we look forward to working side-by-side with San Diego's local governments to strengthen and expand our community's collective response to homelessness," said Tamera Kohler, Chief Executive Officer of the Regional Task Force on the Homeless.

Over the last several months, the RTFH has received approximately \$27 Million from California's Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP), SB 2 – the Building Homes and Jobs Act, and Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding through its Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP).

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The Regional Task Force on the Homeless (RTFH) is an integrated array of stakeholders committed to preventing and alleviating homelessness in San Diego, while providing essential data and insights on the issue of homelessness, informing policy and driving system design and performance.