

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:  Office of Land Use & Climate Innovation  
State Clearinghouse  
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County Assessor/Recorder/Clerk  
Attn: Fish and Wildlife Notices  
1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 260, MS A-33  
San Diego, CA 92101

FROM: County of San Diego, Department of Public Works  
Environmental Services Unit  
**Attn: Anissa Busch**  
5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 410, MS O-332  
San Diego, CA 92123

**SUBJECT: FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21108 OR 21152**

Project Name: HOPWA--Fraternity-House -- Housing Operations – Semi-Independent Living

Project Location: 687 Rivera Court, Vista, CA 92084 & 633 Ascot Drive, Vista, CA 92084

Project Applicant: County of San Diego  
Department of Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS)  
3989 Ruffin Road, MS-0231, San Diego, CA 92123-1152

Project Description: The proposed project involves funding to the Fraternity House program, which will strengthen housing stability for the region's most vulnerable populations through a continuum of services and programs that support individuals and families from homelessness to permanent housing. Funds will be used to operate approximately 57 semi-independent living opportunities and serve people with ongoing case management to help work toward self-sufficiency. Supportive services include access to a food pantry and assistance with relevant transportation to ensure clients can attend appointments, access resources, and meet daily needs.

Agency Approving Project: County of San Diego

County Contact Person: Kelly Salmons Telephone: (858) 694-4806

Date Form Completed: May 28, 2026

This is to advise that the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors (County decision-making body) has approved the above-described project on March 24, 2026 (#24) and found the project to be exempt from CEQA under the following criteria:

**Exempt status and applicable section of the CEQA ("C") and/or State CEQA Guidelines ("G"): (check only one)**

- Categorical Exemption:** Sec. G
- Declared Emergency:** Sec. C 21080(b)(3); Sec. G 15269(a)
- Emergency Project:** Sec. C 21080(b)(4); Sec. G 15269(b)(c)
- General:** Sec. C.
- Ministerial:** Sec. C 21080(b)(1); G 15268
- Preliminary Review:** Sec. G 15061 (b)(3) - It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment & the activity is not subject to CEQA.
- Statutory Exemption:** Sec. G

**Statement of reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project qualifies for a CEQA Categorical Exemption under Section 15061 (b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines because "the activity is covered under the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA." The proposed project involves funding for supportive services; therefore, it can be seen with certainty that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment; therefore, it is not subject to CEQA.

The following is to be completed only upon formal project approval by the appropriate County of San Diego decision-making body.

Signature:  Telephone: (858) 694-8750

Name (Print): David Estrella Title: Director

This Notice of Exemption has been signed and filed by the County of San Diego.

This notice must be filed with the Recorder/County Clerk as soon as possible after project approval by the decision-making body. The Recorder/County Clerk must post this notice within 24 hours of receipt and for a period of not less than 30 days. At the termination of the posting period, the Recorder/County Clerk must return this notice to the Department address listed above along with evidence of the posting period. The originating Department must then retain the returned notice for a period of not less than nine months. Reference: CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.