



# San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

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TO: Governing Board Delegates and Alternates

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RE: San Gabriel Valley Housing and Homeless Services Coordinating Council

## **Recommended Action**

Receive and file.

## **Background**

In April 2009, the Governing Board voted unanimously to:

- ✓ Adopt the regional homeless services strategy,
- ✓ Establish an ad hoc Homeless Services Committee that will spearhead the creation of the San Gabriel Valley Housing and Homeless Services Coordinating Council (“Coordinating Council”), and
- ✓ Allocate \$15,500 in matching funds for needed staffing resources to support getting the Coordinating Council organized and operational over the next six months.

COG staff has been working with the County to secure funding for the Council’s first year of operation as well as recruiting participants for the COG ad hoc homeless services committee (Committee). With funding in place, the Committee resumed meeting in December and recently approved a mission statement, guiding principles, and organizational structure for the Coordinating Council.

The Committee’s next step is to develop bylaws and membership agreement forms. Once these elements are finalized, the Committee will begin presenting this information to key stakeholder groups including not-for-profit and faith-based organizations, local government representatives, and the business and philanthropic community to invite participation.