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ACA	**Annual Community Assessment** (HUD is required to conduct an annual review of performance by grant recipients according to the provisions of the Housing and Community Development Act and the National Affordable Housing Act. We must determine that each recipient is in compliance with the statutes and has the continuing capacity to implement and administer the programs for which assistance is received.) *http://www.sdhda.org/Main/2006%20HUD%20Annual%20Community%20Assessment.rtf*
ACC	**Annual Contributions Contract.** (Annual Contracts with Public Housing Authorities for payments towards rents, financing debt services, and financing for modernization. This contract between HUD and the Public Housing Authority.) *http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/mfh/rfp/docs/samp_acc.pdf*
ACCESS	**Access to Community Care and Effective Services and Support** (ACCESS demonstration was designed to fund projects that integrate services for severely mentally ill people. ACCESS creates incentives to improve the integration of existing federal, state, local and voluntary services to homeless people. The grants will test alternative approaches to the development of an integrated system to improve the availability, quality and comprehensiveness of services, as well as to evaluate the effectiveness of these approaches). *http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/pre1995pres/930420.txt*
ACMIC	**Advisory Committee on Mental Illness and the Courts** (This committee is made up of a broad array of people with psychiatric disabilities, their advocates, family groups, lawyers, and law enforcement, and shares information on the various initiatives funded by the Court and others to better serve people with mental illness in the criminal justice and court context, including the special mental health courts) *http://olrs.ohio.gov/asp/OLRSQSp08.asp*
ACT	**Assertive Community Treatment** (ACT) Team is a team treatment approach designed to provide comprehensive, case management based social services to persons living on the streets and after they are placed in permanent housing if necessary. Services include health care, mental health care, and substance abuse treatment. *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Assertive_community_treatment*
AHAR	**Annual Homeless Assessment Report** *(measures homelessness over time, allowing researchers to expand their body of knowledge beyond more limited estimates in the past).* *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/ahar.cfm*
AOR	**Authorized Organization Representative** (Before submitting a grant application package, you must receive approval within your organization to submit applications on their behalf. This authorization protects an organization from individuals who may submit applications without permission). *http://www.grants.gov/applicants/aor_authorization.jsp*
APR	**Annual Progress Report** (The Annual Progress Report (APR) provides annual performance reporting on clients outputs and outcomes that enables an assessment of grantee performance in achieving the housing stability outcome measure. The APR fulfills statutory reporting requirements and provides the grantee and HUD with the necessary information to assess the overall performance and accomplishment of the grantee's program activities under the approved goals and objectives). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/hudclips/forms/files/40110-c.doc*
ARA	**Annual Renewal Amount** (The maximum amount that a Supportive Housing Program (SHP) grant can receive on an annual basis when renewed. It includes funds for only those eligible activities (operating, supportive services, leasing, Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and administration) that were funded in the original grant (or the original grant as amended), less the nonrenewable activities (acquisition, new construction, rehabilitation, and any administration costs related to these activities). It is used to calculate a CoC's Hold Harmless Need amount). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/training/web/relocation/overview.cfm*
ARRA	The **American Reinvestment and Recovery Act's** purpose is to create and save jobs, jumpstart our economy, and build the foundation for long-term economic growth. The Recovery Act specifies appropriations for a wide range of Federal programs and will increase or extend certain benefits payable under the Medicaid, unemployment compensation, and nutrition assistance programs. The legislation also reduces individual and corporate income tax collections and makes a variety of other changes to tax laws. *http://www.recovery.gov/*
ASHRAE	**American Society of Heating, Refrigerating & Air-Conditioning Engineering**, Inc. (the Energy Star standard for a multifamily building piloted by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Energy for gut rehabilitation or new construction of mid-or-high rise multifamily housing). *http://www.realreed.com/prst/pageview/browse.cgi?book=1931862664*
BCA	**Bureau of Criminal Apprehension** • Statewide repository for local law enforcement, incarceration, and court data on adults' interactions with the criminal justice system • Data limited to: arrests, charges, case dispositions, and sentences of adults for felony, grossmisdemeanor, and some misdemeanor offenses • BCA staff entered criminal history data from fingerprint cards submitted by law enforcement agencies, and if a positive match could be made, linked the new information to an individual's criminal history) *www.auditor.leg.state.mn.us/Ped/pedrep/0405ch1.pdf*

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CAD	Computer Aided Design (is the use of computer technology to aid in the design and especially the drafting of a part or product. It is both a visual (or drawing) and symbol-based method of communications whose conventions are particular to a specific technical field). http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Computer_aided_design
CalWORKs	The California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids program provides temporary financial assistance and employment focused services to families with minor children who have income and property below State maximum limits for their family size. Most able-bodied aided parents are also required to participate in the CalWORKs GAIN employment services program. http://www.ladpss.org/dpss/calworks/default.cfm
CAP	Community Assistance Program provides area residents with the ability to readily access resources and community services; which enrich the lives of families and individuals, enabling them to lead more productive lives. It is made up of a partnership of Water of Life Community Church and the city of Fontana. http://www.fontanacap.org/
CAPSBC	Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County is the designated "Community Action Agency" for San Bernardino County by the State of California and is one of the 1,000 Community Action Agencies nationwide dedicated to assisting low-income individuals and families to become stable and self-reliant. http://capsbc.org/
CCR	Central Contractor Registration (the primary registrant database for the U.S. Federal Government. CCR collects, validates, stores, and disseminates data in support of agency acquisition missions, including Federal agency contract and assistance awards. Please note that the term "assistance awards" includes grants, cooperative agreements and other forms of federal assistance. Whether applying for assistance awards, contracts, or other business opportunities, all entities are considered "registrants". Both current and potential federal government registrants are required to register in CCR in order to be awarded contracts by the federal government. Registrants are required to complete a one-time registration to provide basic information relevant to procurement and financial transactions. Registrants must update or renew their registration at least once per year to maintain an active status. In addition, entities (private non-profits, educational organizations, state and regional agencies, etc.) that apply for assistance awards from the Federal Government through Grants.gov must now register with CCR as well. http://www.ccr.gov/CCRPol.aspx
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant (Grants of up to $500,000 for eligible cities and counties to lend to identified businesses, or use for infrastructure improvements necessary to accommodate the creation, expansion, or retention of identified businesses. Eligible Activities: Creation or retention of jobs for low-income workers. May include loans or loan guarantees to businesses for construction, on-site improvements, equipment purchase, working capital, and site acquisition. May also include loans for business start-ups, grants for publicly owned infrastructure, and loan or grants for small business incubators.) http://www.hcd.ca.gov/fa/cdbg/
CDH	Community Development and Housing is a San Bernardino County department which administers a wide range of programs, many of which are funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to support local government and community organizations through capital-improvement projects, public services, housing and economic development. http://www.sbcounty.gov/eda/cdh/default.asp
CFDA	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (The Federal Program Information Act requires the General Services Administration (GSA) to provide federal assistance information to the general public through the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA), a free register which incorporates both federal agency and federal program information. This register acts both as a directory and as a dictionary, facilitating both recipients and the general public in finding information of a specific program). http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Administration_of_federal_assistance_in_the_United_States#Catalog_of_Federal_Domestic_Assistance
CFR	Compliance with Fair Housing and Civil Rights Laws (When procuring property and services under a grant, a State will follow the same policies and procedures it uses for procurements from its non-Federal funds. The State will ensure that every purchase order or other contract includes any clauses required by Federal statutes and executive orders and their implementing regulations. Other grantees and sub grantees will follow paragraphs (b) through (i) in this section). http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpo/grantees/cfr8536.cfm
CHDO	Community & Housing Development (Non-profit housing provider receiving minimum of 15% of HOME Investment Partnership funds). http://hud.gov/about/acronym.cfm
CIT	Crisis Intervention Team (Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) –specially trained deputies designated to handle situations involving the mentally ill in crisis. Crisis Intervention Team members only handle those incidents that do not rise to a level of a high-risk incident). www.ocso.com/LinkClick.aspx?link=Policies%2f6,4.0.pdf&tabid=233&mid=1807
CMHS	Center for Mental Services (the CMHS published methods for identifying the portion of each state's total population of adults experiencing serious mental illness (SMI) and of children experiencing serious emotional disturbance (SED)). http://akmhcweb.org/Docs/ASVII/ASVII-final-109.htm
CoC	Continuum of Care (Federal program stressing permanent solutions to homelessness. The Continuum of Care is a community plan to organize and deliver housing and services to meet the specific needs of people who are homeless as they move to stable housing and maximum self-sufficiency. It includes action steps to end homelessness and prevent a return to homelessness.) http://thecontinuumofcare.net/default.asp?page=home

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CSBG	**Community Services Block Grant** provides States and recognized Indian Tribes with funds to provide a range of services to address the needs of low income individuals to ameliorate the causes and conditions of poverty. The CSBG is administered by the Division of State Assistance in the Office of Community Services (OCS) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. http://www.cted.wa.gov/csbg
CSG	**Council of State Governments** (The Council of State Governments is the premier multibranch organization forecasting policy trends for the community of states, commonwealths and territories on a national and regional basis. CSG alerts state elected and appointed officials to emerging social, economic and political trends; offers innovative state policy responses to rapidly changing conditions; and advocates multistate problem-solving to maximize resources and competitiveness. CSG promotes excellence in decision-making and leadership skills and champions state sovereignty). *http://www.csg.org/about/mission.aspx*
CTED	**Community, Trade and Economic Development** (CTED is grouped into six divisions: Community Services, Housing, Local Government, Trade & Economic Development, Public Works Board and Energy Policy. Every division works toward our mission of investing in families, communities and businesses and many of our programs span one or more divisions). CTED invests in Washington's communities, businesses and families to build a healthy and prosperous future. *http://cted.wa.gov/site/21/default.aspx*
CWIT	**Center for Women in Transition** (The Center for Women in Transition was founded in November 1997 after a group of women working in criminal justice ministries met with a group of women who had been incarcerated and identified the basic causes of recidivism in women. This group determined the aids that recently released women need to reduce recidivism and re-establish healthy lives. The Center was established to provide these aids, beginning with mentoring and advocacy). *http://cwitstl.org/about_us/mission.html?PHPSESSID=88946e29b69c648dc321d3b063bd0edc*
DAAS	**Department of Aging and Adult Services** is a San Bernardino County department which provides quality services to the County's well and at risk elder/dependent adult populations. DAAS also administers the In-Home Supportive Services and Adult Protective Services to the County's at risk elderly and dependent adult populations. DAAS is committed to safeguarding the rights of vulnerable adults, supporting caregivers and promoting prevention. *http://hss.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/daas/default.htm*
DBH	The **Department of Behavioral Health** is a San Bernardino County Department which provides mental health services to the public. It is a progressive system of seamless, accessible and effective services that promote prevention, intervention, recovery and resiliency for individuals, families and communities. *http://www.sbcounty.gov/dbh/*
DDRG	**Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant** Program *(is intended to stimulate policy-relevant urban research in several ways: by encouraging doctoral candidates to pursue research topics in community, housing, and urban development; by assisting doctoral candidates in the timely completion of the dissertation research; and by providing an arena for new scholars to share their research findings). http://www.hud.gov/progdesc/ddrg.cfm*
DOC	**Department of Corrections** The mission of the Department of Corrections is to contribute to a safer State. This is done through offender management within correctional facilities and in the community. Recidivism, or offender rate of return to correctional custody for new crimes, is a key performance measure of community safety). *http://www.departmentresults.state.mn.us/corrections/DeptDetail.htm*
DOH	**Department of Health** The Department of Health was formally created in 1988, through The Transfer of Functions (Health and Social Security) Order 1988. Like many others, the department with responsibility for the nation's health has had different names and included other functions over time. In the 19th century, several bodies were formed for specific consultative duties and dissolved when they were no longer required. There were two incarnations of the Board of Health (in 1805 and 1831) and a General Board of Health (1854 to 1858) that reported directly into the Privy Council. Responsibility for health issues was also at times, and in part, vested in local health boards and, with the emergence of modern local government, with the Local Government Act Office, part of the Home Office. In the early part of the 20th century, medical assistance was provided through National Health Insurance Commissions. *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Department_of_Health*
DPH	**Department of Public Health** is a San Bernardino County department which provides community and preventive health services that promote and improve the health, safety, well being, and quality of life of San Bernardino County residents and visitors. *http://www.sbcounty.gov/pubhlth/*

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DPS	**Department of Public Safety** The Department of Public Safety , also called an Office of Public Safety, is a state or local government umbrella agency in the United States which serves to assist the certain agencies in their services by providing administrative, financial, and technical services and support for core public safety functions for some or all of the following: 1. Fire and EMS services - includes fire prevention and suppression, all types of rescue services and HAZMAT response. 2. Police and security guard licensing services - including crime prevention, suppression and investigation, uniformed patrol and response, and operates the Crimestoppers Program. 3. Emergency communications - operates the public interface emergency communications telephone system by providing the 9-1-1 and Enhanced 911 emergency telephone numbers. 4. OES or Office of Emergency Services - plans for and operates the Emergency Operations Center during calamities, disasters, special events and emergencies. 5. Inspections and code enforcement - usually building safety, which includes construction. 6. Animal control - This category could also include wildlife officers, dog catchers & etc. *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Department_of_Public_Safety*
DSHS	**Department of Social and Health Services** DSHS is Washington's social security department and is also responsible for overseeing health care in the state. Annually, 1.5 million people rely on DSHS for their services. *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Washington_Department_of_Social_and_Health_Services*
DUNS	**Data Universal Number System** *(A unique nine digit identification number for each physical location of the business.)* *https://eupdate.dnb.com/requestoptions/government/ccrreg/*
DVA	**Department of Veterans Affairs** The United States Department of Veterans [sic] Affairs (VA) is a government-run military veteran benefit system with Cabinet-level status. It is responsible for administering programs of veterans' benefits for veterans, their families, and survivors. The benefits provided include disability compensation, pension, education, home loans, life insurance, vocational rehabilitation, survivors' benefits, medical benefits and burial benefits.[1] It is administered by the United States Secretary of Veterans Affairs. *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_Department_of_Veterans_Affairs*
EDSRG	Early Doctoral Student Research Grant Program enables pre-candidacy doctoral students enrolled at an institution of higher education accredited by a national or regional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education to cultivate their research skills through the preparation of research manuscripts that focus on policy-relevant housing and urban development issues. The EDSRG program also seeks to fund research studies that may impact federal problem solving and policymaking and that are relevant to HUD's policy priorities and annual goals and objectives). *http://www.oup.org/programs/aboutEDSRG.asp*
EEO Survey	**Ensuring Equal Opportunities for Application** (Created in 2000, the EEO Survey was intended to further the goals of Executive Order 11246, as amended. The Executive Order requires that Federal Government contractors and subcontractors take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin." Section 202(1). Affirmative action under the Executive Order means more than passive nondiscrimination; it requires that contractors take affirmative steps to identify and eliminate impediments to equal employment opportunity. The affirmative steps include numerous recordkeeping obligations designed to assist the contractor, in the first instance, and also OFCCP in monitoring the contractor's employment practices). *http://www.dol.gov/esa/regs/fedreg/final/2006014922.htm*
EFSP	**Emergency Food and Shelter Program** was created in 1983 to supplement the work of local social service organizations within the United States, both private and governmental, to help people in need of emergency assistance. The McKinney-Vento Act of 1987 describes the program's purpose -- "To supplement and expand ongoing efforts to provide shelter, food and supportive services" for homeless and hungry individuals nationwide. The program is centered around quick response, public-private sector cooperation, local decision making and funds allocations to the neediest areas. *http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/efs.shtm*
EIT	**Electronic and Information Technology** (Any equipment or interconnected system or subsystem of equipment, that is used in the creation, conversion, or duplication of data or information. EIT includes: - telecommunication products, such as telephones; - information kiosks; - transaction machines; - World Wide Web sites; - Software and Operating Systems - Computers - multimedia (including videotapes); and - office equipment, such as copiers and fax machines. *http://www.itic.org/archives/articles/20040506/faq_voluntary_product_accessibility_template_vpat.php*
EITC	**Earned Income Tax Credit** The earned income credit (EITC) is a tax credit for certain people who work and have low wages. A tax credit usually means more money in your pocket. It reduces the amount of tax you owe. The EITC may also give you a refund. *http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=96466,00.html*

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EOI	**Education and Outreach Initiative** HUD awarded $3.1 million to groups that educate the public and housing providers about their rights and obligations under federal, state, and local fair housing laws). *http://www.hud.gov/local/tx/news/pr2008-01-15.cfm#grants*
EPA	**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency** (The mission of the Environmental Protection Agency is to protect human health and the environment. Since 1970, EPA has been working for a cleaner, healthier environment for the American people. EPA works to develop and enforce regulations that implement environmental laws enacted by Congress. EPA is responsible for researching and setting national standards for a variety of environmental programs, and delegates to states and tribes the responsibility for issuing permits and for monitoring and enforcing compliance. Where national standards are not met, EPA can issue sanctions and take other steps to assist the states and tribes in reaching the desired levels of environmental quality). *http://www.epa.gov/epahome/aboutepa.htm*
ESD	**Employment Security Department** - Helps Washington's workers and employers succeed in the global economy by delivering superior employment services, timely unemployment benefits, and a fair and stable unemployment insurance system. Employment Security Department is one of the largest executive agencies in Washington state government. The agency delivers employment services and manages unemployment-insurance benefits. Employment Security is headquartered in Olympia on the capitol campus and serves job seekers and employers at offices throughout Washington. *http://www.esd.wa.gov/newsandinformation/aboutesd/esdinfo/agency-information.php*
ES	An **emergency shelter** is a short term, safe and decent shelter provided as an alternative to the streets. *http://www.thecontinuumofcare.org*
ESG	**Emergency Shelter Grants** (The Emergency Shelter Grants program provides homeless persons with basic shelter and essential supportive services. It can assist with the operational costs of the shelter facility, and for the administration of the grant. ESG also provides short-term homeless prevention assistance to persons at imminent risk of losing their own housing due to eviction, foreclosure, or utility shutoffs.) *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/esg/index.cfm*
FEMA	**Federal Emergency Management Agency** The primary mission of the Federal Emergency Management Agency is to reduce the loss of life and property and protect the Nation from all hazards, including natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made disasters, by leading and supporting the Nation in a risk-based, comprehensive emergency management system of preparedness, protection, response, recovery, and mitigation). *http://www.fema.gov/about/index.shtm*
FHA	**Federal Housing Administration** (HUD Office of Housing. FHA is a United States government agency created as part of the National Housing Act of 1934. The goals of this organization are: to improve housing standards and conditions; to provide an adequate home financing system through insurance of mortgage loans; and to stabilize the mortgage market). *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Federal_Housing_Administration*
FHIP	**Fair Housing Initiatives Program** (FHEO Program. Program to assist state/local government, community groups and housing resource boards to combat housing discrimination). *http://hud.gov/about/acronyms.cfm*
FHOI	**Fair Housing Organizations Initiative** (provides funding that builds the capacity and effectiveness of non-profit fair housing organizations by providing funds to handle fair housing enforcement and education initiatives more effectively. FHOI also strengthens the fair housing movement nationally by encouraging the creation and growth of organizations that focus on the rights and needs of underserved groups, particularly persons with disabilities). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/partners/FHIP/fhip.cfm*
FMR	**Fair Market Rents** are primarily used to determine payment standard amounts for the Housing Choice Voucher program, to determine initial renewal rents for some expiring project-based Section 8 contracts, to determine initial rents for housing assistance payment (HAP) contracts in the Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy program (Mod Rehab), and to serve as a rent ceiling in the HOME rental assistance program. FMRs are gross rent estimates and include the shelter rent plus the cost of all tenant-paid utilities, except telephones, cable or satellite television service, and internet service. *http://www.huduser.org/datasets/fmr.html*
FPRN	**Final Pro Rata Need** (A CoCs PPRN is used in determining its Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN). A CoC's Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN) is the higher of: (a) of Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN) or (b) Hold Harmless Need (HHN). *http://www.hudhre.info/index.cfm?do=viewCoCGrantMaterials*
FSS	**Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinators** (Designed to assist low income families in becoming self sufficient and independent of all welfare and/or government assistance. The FSS Coordinator will help individuals set and accomplish their goals by supplying you with the tools and opportunities that are necessary for completion). *http://www.sha-online.org/Family%20Self-Sufficiency.htm*
GIS	**Geographical Information System** *(also known as a geographical information system or geospatial information system, is any system for capturing, storing, analyzing, managing and presenting data and associated attributes which are spatially referenced to Earth. In certain countries such as Canada, GIS is more well known as Geomatics. The other definition is, "GIS is a system or tool or computer based methodology to collect, store, manipulate, retrieve and analyses spatially (georeferenced) data").* *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GIS*

GMIS	Grant Interface Management System (Grant Management Information System (GMIS) has been designed, developed and fully deployed to meet P.L. 106-107's call to: "respond to the requirements of the law; respond to the need to more accurately account for federally appropriated dollars; respond to the need to provide information at the desktop; and pursue the concept of a 'paperless' Government." The needs identification for GMIS occurred in 1999 through a team representing all interested NIST Operating Units. GMIS became operational in 2002. As the Grants Line of Business matures, NIST is prepared to transition from GMIS to a Grants Management Consortium Lead). *www.grants.gov/section3/AnnualReport2006DOC.pdf*
GR	The County **General Relief** (GR) program provides loan assistance to indigent individuals and families in temporary need of housing, food, and/or transportation. General Relief is the only TAD program that is totally funded, as well as administered, by the County of San Bernardino. *http://hss.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/HSS/tad/default.asp*
HBCU	Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program (HBCUs were founded in the late 1800's to address the educational needs of Freed Slaves and Native Americans. Today HBCUs are the top producers of professional African American talent and remain extremely important to the needs of the black community). *http://hbcuconnect.com/*
HCH	Health Care for the Homeless (A primary and related health services program targeted to people experiencing homelessness. The HCH program (authorized in Section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act [PHSA]) makes grants to community-based organizations in order to assist them in planning and delivering high-quality, accessible health care to people experiencing homelessness. *http://www.nationalhomeless.org/health/hchprogram.html*
HCRV	Healthcare for Re-Entry Veterans The Healthcare for Re-Entry Veterans Program (HCRV), that is designed to help transition former veteran inmates back into the community. *www.legion.org/documents/legion/pdf/homelessnessassess.pdf*
HGAP	Homeless Grant Assistant Program The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act programs administered by HUD that award funds competitively require the development of a "Continuum of Care" system in the community where assistance is being sought. A continuum of care system is designed to address the critical problem of homelessness through a coordinated community-based process of identifying needs and building a system to address those needs. The approach is predicated on the understanding that homelessness is not caused merely by a lack of shelter, but involves a variety of underlying, unmet needs - physical, economic, and social. Funds are granted based on the competition following the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Programs. *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/*
HIC	Housing Inventory Chart is designed to be an accurate reflection of each Continuum of Care's (CoC) capacity to house homeless and formerly homeless persons. Thus, the HIC is a complete inventory of emergency shelter, transitional housing and permanent supportive housing beds available in the CoC. *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/library/hicqa.pdf*
HHN	Hold Harmless Need *(The HHN is the amount needed to fund the expiring renewal grants for one year. To provide communities with the maximum flexibility in addressing current needs, CoCs have the discretion to not fund or to reduce one or more SHP renewal project applications through the HHN Reallocation process and still receive the benefit of the hold harmless need amount if the CoC proposes to use that amount of reduced renewal funds for new permanent supportive housing or new dedicated HMIS SHP projects).* *http://www.hudhre.info or federalregister.gov/OFRUpload/OFRData/2008-09540_PI.pdf*
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services One of the largest federal agencies, the Department of Health and Human Services is the principal agency for protecting the health of all Americans. Comprising 12 operating divisions, HHS' responsibilities include public health, biomedical research, Medicare and Medicaid, welfare, social services, and more. *http://www.hhs.gov/faq/about/department/59.html*
HMIS	Homeless Management Information System (HUD has been directed by Congress to work with jurisdictions to gather homeless data by 2004. The following reports and materials provide communities with valuable direction and technical assistance resources on strategies to collect information on homeless persons. HMIS implementation presents communities with an opportunity to re-examine how homeless services are provided in their community, and to make informed decisions, and develop appropriate action steps. Because the implementation of HMIS systems varies from community to community, examples of local implementation covering the community planning process, software selection and implementation are available from a variety of communities). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/hmis/*
HOPWA	Housing for Persons with AIDS (CPD Program) (The HOPWA Program was established by HUD to address the specific needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families. HOPWA makes grants to local communities, States, and nonprofit organizations for projects that benefit low income persons medically diagnosed with HIV/AIDS and their families). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/aidshousing/programs/*
HPRP	Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program provides homelessness prevention assistance to households who would otherwise become homeless—many due to the economic crisis—and to provide assistance to rapidly rehouse persons who are homeless as defined by section 103 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. *http://www.hudhre.info/HPRP/*

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HSIAC	**Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities Program** (To assist Hispanic-Serving institutions (HSIs) of higher education expand their role and effectiveness in addressing community development needs in their localities, including neighborhood revitalization, housing and economic development, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income consistent with the purposes of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended). *http://www.oup.org/funding/nofa_HSIAC.asp*
HUD	**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development** (The Department of Housing and Urban Development is the Federal agency responsible for national policy and programs that address America's housing needs, that improve and develop the Nation's communities, and enforce fair housing laws. HUD's business is helping create a decent home and suitable living environment for all Americans, and it has given America's communities a strong national voice at the Cabinet level. HUD plays a major role in supporting homeownership by underwriting homeownership for lower- and moderate-income families through its mortgage insurance programs). *http://www.house.gov/platts/services/hud01.shtml*
HUDVET	**HUD Veteran Resource Center** The HUD Veteran Resource Center (HUDVET) was created for us as a result of a unique partnership between National Veteran Service Organizations and HUD. This directory is designed to increase your knowledge of and participation in the wide variety of HUD homeless assistance programs and services for veterans and other individuals who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/about/hudvet/index.cfm*
HVRP	**Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program** The Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program (HVRP) is the only federal program wholly dedicated to providing employment assistance to homeless veterans. HVRP is funded by DOL-VETS in compliance with the requirements of 38 United States Code, Section 2021, as added by Section 5 of Public Law 107-95, the Homeless Veterans Comprehensive Assistance Act of 2001. Section 2021 requires the Secretary of Labor to conduct, directly or through grant or contract, such programs as the Secretary determines appropriate to expedite the reintegration of homeless veterans into the labor force. The employment focus of HVRP distinguishes it from most other programs for the homeless, which concentrate on more immediate needs such as emergency shelter, food and substance abuse treatment. While these are critical components of any homeless program,and grantees are required to demonstrate that their clients' needs in those areas are met, the objective of HVRP programs is to enable homeless veterans to secure and keep jobs that will allow them to re-enter mainstream society as productive citizens. *http://www.nchv.org*
ICDBG	**Indian Community Development Block Grant Program** (The ICDBG Program provides eligible grantees with direct grants for use in developing viable Indian and Alaska Native Communities, including decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, primarily for low and moderate income persons. Eligible applicants for assistance include any Indian tribe, band, group, or nation(including Alaska Indians, Aleutes, and Eskimos) or Alaska Native village which has established a relationship to the Federal government as defined in the program regulations. In certain instances, tribal organizations may be eligible to apply). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/grants/icdbg.cfm*
ICH	**Intergency Council on Homelessness** The United States Interagency Council on Homelessness is a USA federal program and office created by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1986 (Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act) and whose charter is to "coordinate the Federal response to homelessness and to create partnerships between the Federal agencies addressing homelessness and every level of government and every element of the private sector". The ICH has asked major cities to come up with a 10 year plan to end homelessness. Many cities have come up with plans for this, although plans some are controversial because they involve the Housing first initiative which quickly gets housing for the homeless but which needs continuing support services to make the transition smooth and successful in long term outcomes. The ICH endorses the Housing First initiative as a step to end homelessness. *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Interagency_Council_on_Homelessness*
IDA **PROGRAMS**	**Individual Development Accounts** was established to provide quality, individualized services to enhance and support people with disabilities to prepare for, obtain or retain employment. Through active participation in their rehabilitation, people with disabilities achieve a greater level of independence in their work place and living environments. *http://www.bsu.edu/cecd/media/pdf/workforce_development.pdf*
IHDA	**Illinois Housing Development Authority** The Illinois Housing Development Authority finances the creation and the preservation of affordable housing throughout the state to increase the supply of decent and safe places for people of low or moderate means to live. *http://www.ihda.org/*
JLI	**Justice/Mental Health Leadership** It is important to clarify how the JLI relates to mental health courts—a term that generally refers to specialized dockets devoted to certain defendants with mental illness. There are over 100 self-identified mental health courts in the country. Mental health courts are just one of the many strategies that communities have employed to address problems at the intersection of mental health and criminal justice. The purpose of the JLI is to help judges lead collaborative, community-based efforts to improve outcomes for individuals with mental illness in the criminal justice system. In some communities, this may include the development of a mental health court; in others, it may not. The Consensus Project and the TAPA Center do not encourage or discourage the establishment of mental health courts, but rather view them as one of a number of options available to communities. Judicial leaders should facilitate the design and implementation of strategies based on the unique needs and attributes of their jurisdictions. *http://consensusproject.org/JLI/info/jli_about/what_jli*

KCVP	King County Veterans Program County aid to veterans was originally structured by the state to provide direct financial aid to indigent veterans or those in need of temporary financial assistance. Approximately 181,000 veterans live in King County (almost one-third of the state\'s total veteran population). King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties account for almost 85 percent of state's veteran population. Veterans alone (not counting their families) make up around 10 percent of King County's population. The number of veterans and persons currently serving in the military is growing in Washington State (and consequently in King County). The veterans relief fund was established by King County and first levied at a rate of $0.025 per $1,000 of assessed value but subsequent changes in state law limiting property tax increases (chapter 84.55 RCW) and a recent initiative, Initiative 747, have reduced the effective rate. The current millage is approximately $0.0088 per $1,000 of assessed value. Therefore, a home at an assessed value of $300,000 currently pays approximately $2.60 a year to support local veterans\' assistance programs. *http://www.arbornet.org/~tod/test.html*
LEAP	Lead Elimination Action Program (The LEAP Grant Program assists grantees in creating wide-ranging programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately owned housing by leveraging private sector funding. Applicants are not required to provide a match to participate, but receive higher points during review based on the amount of leveraged funds dedicated to the applicant's proposal). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/lbp/leap.cfm*
LEP	Limited English Proficiency (On August 11, 2000, Executive Order 13166, titled, "Improving Access to Services by Persons with Limited English Proficiency, was issued." Executive Order 13166 requires federal agencies to assess and address the needs of otherwise eligible persons seeking access to federally conducted programs and activities who, due to LEP cannot fully and equally participate in or benefit from those programs and activities. Section 2 of the Executive Order 13166 directs each federal department or agency "to prepare a plan to improve access to…federally conducted programs and activities by eligible LEP persons… Once finalized, such plans are to be filed with the Department of Justice as the central repository of agencies' plans." In compliance with Section 2 of Executive Order 13166, this Implementation Plan details the Department of Housing and Urban Development's initiatives and plans over the next twelve months to improve access to its federally conducted programs and activities by eligible persons with limited English proficiency (LEP)). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/promotingfh/whatislep.cfm*
LHCA	Local Housing Counseling Agencies (A housing counseling agency that directly provides housing counseling services. An LHCA may have a main office, and one or more branch offices, in no more than two contiguous states). *www.ruralhome.org/manager/uploads/2008SuperNOFA_Counseling.pdf*
MSI	Minority Serving Institutions (An MSI (Minority-Serving Institution) is one in which students from ethnic minority groups, including African Americans, Hispanic Americans, American Indians, Alaska Natives or Pacific Islanders, comprise a significant proportion of the enrollments and which has a commitment to the special encouragement of ethnic minority faculty, students, and investigators. The institutions listed in MOLIS are either HBCUs, HSIs, or Tribal Colleges and are MSIs, however, other institutions that fulfill the definition listed above are eligible). *http://minorityopportunities.nci.nih.gov/institutions/faqs.html*
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding (A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is a written agreement between two or more parties that defines the roles and responsibilities of each party with respect to the collaborative efforts of a particular program/project. A MOU is sometimes called a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). *www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/hcv/wtw/resources/bs8/mou_guide.pdf*
MPIN	Marketing Partner ID Number (Marketing Partner ID (MPIN) is a personal code that you create and register in CCR. The MPIN also allows you to access other government applications such as the Past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS), FedBizOpps, and FedTeDS. The MPIN acts as your password in these other systems, and you should guard it as such. You make up the code and register it in CCR. The MPIN must have 9 digits containing at least one alpha character (must be in capital letters) and one number (no spaces or special characters permitted)). *http://www.poa.usace.army.mil/contracting/default.asp*
MSOs	Multi State Organizations (The MSOs provide housing counseling services through a main office and branches, if applicable, in one state and branch offices located in two or more additional states. This definition was necessary because of the emergence of organizations that did not meet the existing definitions). *http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-19166.htm*
NACo	National Association of County Officials (The National Association of Counties (NACo) is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States. Founded in 1935, NACo provides essential services to the nation's 3,066 counties. NACo advances issues with a unified voice before the federal government, improves the public's understanding of county government, assists counties in finding and sharing innovative solutions through education and research, and provides value-added services to save counties and taxpayers money). *http://www.naco.org/Template.cfm?Section=About_NACo*
NLCHP	National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty (The mission of the National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty (NLCHP) is to prevent and end homelessness by serving as the legal arm of the nationwide movement to end homelessness. NLCHP is the only national legal advocacy organization dedicated to preventing and ending homelessness. Our attorneys go into courtrooms and the halls of our legislatures to protect the needs of society's most vulnerable members). *http://www.nlchp.org/about_us.cfm*

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NOFA	(HUD) **Notice of Funding Availability** (The SuperNOFA is the new streamlined way HUD notifies the public of, and distributes funding available through its competitive grant programs. Previously, HUD published a separate Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) in the Federal Register for each competitive grant program that it administers. Each NOFA described program details, including the grant's purpose, eligible applicants, the amount of funding available, acceptable activities under the program, application process and requirements, and pre-established factors used to determine who would be awarded grants. In a given year, HUD would issue as many as 40 NOFAs, each with its own publication and submission dates, application requirements, factors for award, and selection process). *http://www.hud.gov/nofa00/guidebook/part1.html*
OFM	**Office of Financial Management** The Office of Financial Management (OFM) formulates and prescribes Department-wide financial management, accounting, fiscal policies, procedures, and controls, as well as provides assistance to Department components in its implementation. OFM ensures the compliance with all laws, regulations, standards, and guidelines regarding these components. OFM also develops and maintains a Departmental financial system Commerce Business System (CBS). OFM provides quality financial information, services, and systems, to meet related needs of Commerce's program managers and administrators. *http://www.osec.doc.gov/ofm/default.htm*
OHS	**Office of Homeless Services** (Office of Homeless Services (OHS) is a the local public office working on housing the long-term homeless. The OHS works collaboratively with City, County Mental Health and Alcohol and Drug Boards, Metropolitan Housing Authority, Veterans Administration, homeless advocacy organizations, and nonprofit shelter and service providers to identify and promote an integrated service delivery effort aimed at placing people in permanent housing). *www.charityadvantage.com/mhs/clientsachieveoutcomes.asp*
OMB	U.S. **Office of Management and Budget** (OMB's) predominant mission is to assist the President in overseeing the preparation of the federal budget and to supervise its administration in Executive Branch agencies. In helping to formulate the President's spending plans, OMB evaluates the effectiveness of agency programs, policies, and procedures, assesses competing funding demands among agencies, and sets funding priorities. OMB ensures that agency reports, rules, testimony, and proposed legislation are consistent with the President's Budget and with Administration policies. In addition, OMB oversees and coordinates the Administration's procurement, financial management, information, and regulatory policies. In each of these areas, OMB's role is to help improve administrative management, to develop better performance measures and coordinating mechanisms, and to reduce any unnecessary burdens on the public. *http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/organization/role.html*
OMB Circular A-76	**Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76** (Policies & procedures to determine if work should be contracted or performed in-house). *http://hud.gov/about/acronyms.cfm*
OMB Circular A-102	**Office of Management and Budget Circular A-102** (Policies for Federal Departments for establishing & maintaining internal controls in programs & administrative activities). *http://hud.gov/about/acronym.cfm*
ORC	**Operational Research Consultants** (ORC, a WidePoint company and trusted partner to the federal government, delivers information security solutions to government and enterprise customers, thereby ensuring the fully compliant and trusted exchange and assurance of information. As an elite provider of information assurance and authentication services for business to government, government to government, and citizen to government, ORC's solutions are interoperable with legacy systems and integrate seamlessly with all leading software applications on the market). *http://www.orc.com/orc-main.jsp?tag=2*
PATH	**Project for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness** (The PATH (Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness) Program, is a formula grant program that funds the 50 States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and four U.S. Territories to support service delivery to individuals with serious mental illnesses, as well as individuals with co-occurring substance use disorders, who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) provides technical assistance to states and local providers funded by the PATH program. This includes on-site consultation, collection of annual reporting data, the development of an annual report to Congress, holding bi-annual meetings of PATH contacts, and identifying and disseminating best practices from the program. The PATH Consumer Involvement Workgroup's guiding vision was to encourage PATH programs to employ mental health consumers with homelessness experience as direct care staff). *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Projects_for_Assistance_in_Transition_from_Homelessness*
PEI	**Private Enforcement Initiative** (offers a range of assistance to the nationwide network of fair housing groups. This initiative funds non-profit fair housing organizations to carry out testing and enforcement activities to prevent or eliminate discriminatory housing practices). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/partners/FHIP/fhip.cfm*
PH	**Permanent Housing** is affordable housing in which residents pay no more than 30% of their income for housing costs. *http://www.thecontinuumofcare.org*
PHA	**Public Housing Authorities** (Public housing was established to provide decent and safe rental housing for eligible low-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities. Public housing comes in all sizes and types, from scattered single family houses to high-rise apartments for elderly families. There are approximately 1.2 million households living in public housing units, managed by some 3,300 HAs. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers Federal aid to local housing agencies (HAs) that manage the housing for low-income residents at rents they can afford. HUD furnishes technical and professional assistance in planning, developing and managing these developments). *http://www.hud.gov/renting/phprog.cfm*

P-HOP	**Police Homeless Outreach Program** A police-homeless outreach partnership in St Paul/Ramsey County creates tenancies for men and women experiencing chronic homelessness who have been living on downtown streets, in encampments, and in abandoned buildings. Police officers working the St. Paul "downtown beat" and responding to encampments and abandoned buildings are creating housing opportunities for men and women experiencing long term homelessness, using 30 state rental vouchers for the Police-Homeless Outreach Program (P-HOP). *http://www.usich.gov/innovations/20in20/innovation14.doc*
PITC	The **Point in Time Count** is required by HUD. They require that each emergency shelter, homeless transitional housing program and permanent supportive housing program report on the total number of persons staying at each of their facilities during the night of the point in time count. The requirement is that each facility (emergency shelter, homeless transitional housing program and permanent supportive housing program) listed as current or new on the county's annual housing inventory chart provide the total number of persons (adults plus children) served on the night of the point in time count (or as close to this night as possible). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/library/webcast101006/point_in_time_slides.pdf*
POC	**Point of Contact** (identification of, and means of communication with, person(s) and organizations(s) associated with the resource(s)). *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/POC*
PPRN	**Preliminary Pro Rata Need** (The PPRN amount is the dollar expression of relative homeless assistance "Need" assigned to a community or group of communities using U.S. Census Bureau data in the CDBG/ESG formula). *http://www.hudhre.info/index.cfm?do=viewCoCGrantMaterials*
PRN	**Pro Rata Need** (The PPRN amount is the dollar expression of relative homeless assistance "Need" assigned to a community or group of communities using U.S. Census Bureau data in the CDBG/ESG formula). *http://www.hudhre.info/index.cfm?do=viewCoCGrantMaterials*
PTSD	**Post Traumatic Stress Disorder** *(Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) is an anxiety disorder that can occur after you have been through a traumatic event. A traumatic event is something horrible and scary that you see or that happens to you. During this type of event, you think that your life or others' lives are in danger. You may feel afraid or feel that you have no control over what is happening). http://www.ncptsd.va.gov/ncmain/ncdocs/fact_shts/fs_what_is_ptsd.html*
REO	**Real Estate Owned** Property *(in reference to defaulted FHA insured properties). http://hud.gov/about/acronyms.cfm*
RFP	**Request for Proposal** (Used to solicit proposals for contracts under the negotiated procurement method.)
RFQ	**Request For Qualifications** (Used to solicit price quotes under the simplified acquisition procurement method.)
RHED	**Rural Housing & Economic Development** (The Rural Housing and Economic Development (RHED) Program provides for capacity building at the state and local level for rural housing and economic development and to support innovative housing and economic development activities in rural areas). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/programs/rhed/index.cfm*
ROI	**Return on Investment** (return on investment (ROI), or sometimes just return, is the ratio of money gained or lost on an investment relative to the amount of money invested. The amount of money gained or lost may be referred to as interest, profit/loss, gain/loss, or net income/loss. The money invested may be referred to as the asset, capital, principal, or the cost basis of the investment. ROI is usually given as a percent rather than decimal value). *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Return_on_investment*
RWA	**Ready, Willing and Able Temporary Labor Program** program employs people on a temporary basis to move them into permanent employment. RWA is fully integrated with SMOC's shelter, housing, and behavioral health programs. RWA is often a "first step" employment program that allows people the opportunity to engage (or re-engage) with the workplace. It also helps people maintain tenancy by providing a chance to earn income. Currently, the program has one director that screens, interviews, and hires applicants; and markets, establishes, and maintains relationships with local employers. *http://www.usich.gov/innovations/20in20/innovation15.doc*
S+C	**Shelter Plus Care** (Shelter Plus Care (S+C) is a program designed to provide housing and supportive services on a long-term basis for homeless persons with disabilities, (primarily those with serious mental illness, chronic problems with alcohol and/or drugs, and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) or related diseases) and their families who are living in places not intended for human habitation (e.g., streets) or in emergency shelters. The program allows for a variety of housing choices, and a range of supportive services funded by other sources, in response to the needs of the hard-to-reach homeless population with disabilities). *http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/splusc/index.cfm*
SBC	**San Bernardino County** *http://www.sbcounty.gov/*
SBCHP	**San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership** was formed by order of the Board of Supervisors in September 2007 to provide a more focused approach to issues of homelessness within the County. The Partnership consists of community and faith-based organizations, educational institutions, non profit organizations, private industry, and federal, state, and local governments. *http://hss.sbcounty.gov/sbchp/*

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SHFA	**State Housing Finance Agencies** (Any public body, agency, or instrumentality created by a specific act of a state legislature empowered to finance activities designed to provide housing and related facilities through land acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation throughout an entire state. SHFAs may provide direct counseling services or subgrant housing counseling funds, or both, to affiliated housing counseling agencies within the SHFA's state. "State" includes the several states, Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and the U.S. Virgin Islands). *http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?c=ecfr&rgn=div6&view=text&node=24:2.1.1.2.10.1&idno=24*
SHP	**Supportive Housing Program** (The Supportive Housing Program promotes the development of supportive housing and services that help homeless persons transition from homelessness to living as independently as possible. Each project submitted under SHP must be classified as one of the program components described below. In rare instances, a project may be classified as more than one of the program components). *www.mag.maricopa.gov/archive/PUB/homeless02/Exhibit2.pdf*
SHOP	**Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program** (The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (known as SHOP) provides start-up funds to national and regional nonprofit organizations and consortia administering this specialized model of developing affordable housing. The funds are considered start-up since they can be used only for site acquisition and on-site infrastructure development. These activities are often the most challenging and time-consuming components of a self-help program). *www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/shop/guidebook.pdf*
SIP	**Serial Inebriate Program** (Collaborative effort of enforcement and treatment services), an innovative and cost- saving partnership of law enforcement, treatment, and housing agencies that has reduced street homelessness in their city. *http://www.ich.gov/newsletter/archive/09-22-04_e-newsletter.htm*
SMOC	**South Middlesex Opportunity Council**, commits to a conversion strategy for its agency mission and resources with a goal of closing its emergency shelters in two years and transforming its agency-aide policy and practice to housing - focused solution. *http://www.usich.gov/innovations/index.html*
SPOC	**State Points of Contact** (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs," was issued with the desire to foster the intergovernmental partnership and strengthen federalism by relying on State and local processes for the coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance and direct Federal development. The Order allows each State to designate an entity to perform this function. Below is the official list of those entities. For those States that have a home page for their designated entity, a direct link has been provided below by clicking on the State Name). *http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/spoc.pdf- 65.0KB -*
SRO	**Single Room Occupancy** Dwelling (The Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Support Services Program was enacted into law in 1987 pursuant to Chapter 765 of the Laws of 1987, and is set forth in Title 2 of Article 2A of the Social Services Law. The purpose of this statute is to assist in preventing homelessness and institutionalization of low-income, mentally ill and other single adult populations with special needs. refers to a building that houses people in single rooms. This means that tenants often share bathrooms and kitchens. SRO may be used as an euphemism for flophouse). *http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/cgo/RFP/SRO/Appendix%20A2%20for%20Single%20Room%20Occupancy%20Program.doc*
SSA	The United States **Social Security Administration** is an independent agency of the United States federal government that administers Social Security, a social insurance program consisting of retirement, disability, and survivors' benefits. To qualify for these benefits, most American workers pay Social Security taxes on their earnings; future benefits are based on the employees' contributions. *http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Social_Security_Administration*
SSDI	**Social Security Disability Insurance** (Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) provides benefits to disabled or blind individuals who are "insured" by workers' contributions to the Social Security trust fund. These contributions are the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) social security tax paid on their earnings or those of their spouses or parents). *http://www.socialsecurity.gov/disabilityresearch/wi/generalinfo.htm*
SSI	**Supplemental Security Income** (The Supplemental Security Income Program (SSI) makes cash assistance payments to aged, blind and disabled people (including children under age 18) who have limited income and resources. The Federal government funds SSI from general tax revenues). *http://www.socialsecurity.gov/disabilityresearch/wi/generalinfo.htm*
SSO	**Supportive Service Only** are services provided to residents of supportive housing to facilitate residential independence. Examples include case management, medical or psychological counseling and supervision, childcare, transportation, and job training. *http://www.content.hud.gov/offices/cpd/library/glossary/s/*
TAD	**Transitional Assistance Department** is a San Bernardino County department which is responsible for administering the Department's financial support programs to persons in need of financial, and/or nutritional and/or medical assistance. *http://hss.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/HSS/tad/default.asp*