

**HOMELESS YOUTH AND EXPLOITATION PROGRAM**  
**Component: 40.20.351, 40.20.353**

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The Homeless Youth and Exploitation (HX) Program was developed pursuant to the 1986 Welfare and Institutions Code §13703 and California Penal Code §13837. The HX Program assists homeless youth in exiting street life and provides specialized services to youth involved in sexually exploitive activities.

A youth is considered homeless if he/she is under the age of 24 and does not have a permanent residence, has been pushed out of his/her home by parents or guardians, has run away from home, has aged out of the foster care system and is now homeless, is living in a shelter, and/or is living on the streets. A youth is sexually exploited if he/she is under the age of 18 and exchanges sexual favors for money, shelter, clothing, and/or other goods/services. Also included in this criterion is a youth who are involved in commercial exploitation such as stripping or pornography.

Services provided through the HX Program include:

- Food
- Counseling
- Shelter
- Referrals to other agencies
- Outreach services
- Screening for basic health needs
- Long-term stabilization planning

In addition to the above services, the HX Program educates the public on the issues and dangers that homeless youth in California, and elsewhere throughout the nation, confront each day.

**FUNDS AWARDED**

<b><u>Fiscal Year</u></b>	<b><u>Types of Funding</u></b>	<b><u>Total Funding</u></b>
FY 2014/15	State Victim Witness Assistance Fund (VWA) FY14	\$ 721,500
	State General Fund (SGF) FY14	\$ 356,000
FY 2015/16	VWA FY14	\$ 721,500
	SGF FY15	\$ 356,000
FY 2016/17	Unknown	

**2014/15 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS**

9,988      Number of youth provided outreach services.

<u>9,801</u>	Number of meals provided.
<u>661</u>	Number of youth provided shelter.
<u>1,796</u>	Number of in-person counseling sessions.
<u>1,073</u>	Number of group counseling sessions.
<u>978</u>	Number of youth that received basic health care.
<u>319</u>	Number of youth assisted with family reunification.
<u>705</u>	Number of youth assisted with a long-term stabilization plan.
<u>1,082</u>	Number of youth provided training on independent living and survival skills.
<u>1,217</u>	Number of referrals to other services offered by public and private agencies.
<u>483</u>	Number of youth provided follow-up support.

### **2015/16 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS**

Not Available

### **2016/17 PERFORMANCE STATISTICS**

Not Applicable