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June 18, 2026

Ben Kay, Chair
Los Angeles Continuum of Care Board
Gita O'Neill, Interim CEO
Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority
707 Wilshire Blvd. 10th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Transmitted via email: bkay@hopics.org , goneill@lahsa.org

Re: Notice of Findings and Proposed Remedial Action

Dear Mr. Kay and Ms. O'Neill,

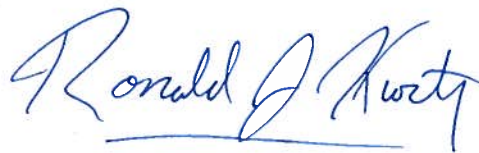
On June 11, 2026, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") suspended the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority ("LAHSA") from future participation in procurement and nonprocurement transactions as a participant or principal, with HUD and throughout the Executive Branch of the Federal Government, pending the outcome of a HUD-OIG investigation. As a result of this suspension, LAHSA is excluded from directly or indirectly participating in federal programs. As such, LAHSA may not carry out the programmatic functions delegated to it by the Los Angeles City and County Continuum of Care ("Los Angeles CoC"). Among other things, LAHSA is no longer eligible to serve as a collaborative applicant for the Los Angeles CoC, or apply for funding under HUD's Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO.

This letter also serves as written notice that HUD finds that the Los Angeles CoC and LAHSA, as the collaborative applicant, do not meet the requirements of 42 U.S.C. § 11360a and 24 C.F.R. part 578 subpart B. Because LAHSA may not participate in federal programs, it may not act on behalf of the Los Angeles CoC, either as its collaborative applicant or in its other delegated duties. Importantly, LAHSA is unable to submit applications for or receive funding through the FY 2026 CoC Competition. *See* 42 U.S.C. § 11360a. Further, because LAHSA is unable to act as its collaborative applicant or carry out other delegated responsibilities, the Los Angeles CoC is unable to execute its responsibilities as outlined in 24 C.F.R. §§ 578.7 and 578.9.

Consistent with 24 C.F.R. § 578.13, HUD is notifying the Los Angeles CoC and LAHSA that HUD intends to take remedial action to ensure the fair distribution of grant amounts to eligible projects within the Los Angeles CoC's geographic area. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 11360a(c) and 24 C.F.R. § 578.13(a), HUD may designate another body as a collaborative applicant or permit eligible entities to apply directly for grants, or take any other remedial action authorized by law. HUD has determined that, absent a contrary decision based on your response to this Notice, it would be in the public interest to allow eligible entities to submit their grant requests directly to HUD.

HUD is providing the Los Angeles CoC and LAHSA with an opportunity to respond, in writing, within 30 days from its receipt of this Notice. If the Los Angeles CoC and LAHSA elect not to respond or if HUD finds the information submitted insufficient to invalidate HUD's findings stated above, HUD will proceed with the actions described herein. As you know, the FY 26 Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity was published on June 1, 2026, so the competition is currently underway. The application submission deadline is August 26, 2026. Thus, a swift response would be appreciated. All communications should be sent to CPDFrontOffice@hud.gov. Please note that this action is separate from and does not affect the June 11, 2026, suspension of LAHSA or any rights or responsibilities regarding that action.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ronald J. Kurtz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Ronald J. Kurtz
Assistant Secretary for
Community Planning and Development