

A low-angle, upward-looking photograph of a modern building with a curved facade. The building features large, circular windows with white frames and a grid of vertical white lines. The sky is overcast and grey. A semi-transparent white banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the title and date. A solid blue banner is at the bottom, containing the city logo.

Homeless Services Bureau Staff Report

Continuum of Care Board
January 31, 2023

A nighttime photograph of the Long Beach skyline. The city lights, including several tall buildings and palm trees, are reflected in the calm water in the foreground. A semi-transparent white rectangular box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text "Operations Update".

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- Homeless Count was conducted on January 26th. There were nearly 300 people that participated in the Count across all of the roles. The specialized count was completed by Wednesday afternoon. All census tracks were completed.
- The City has received \$4 million in capital improvement funds from the state of California coming through Senator Lena Gonzalez's office. Funding will be used around facility upgrades at the MSC and ensuring that services can further be expanded.
- The Mobile Access Centers are operating 3 days a week in the downtown area. Tuesday 1 – 4 pm, Wednesday and Thursday 9am – noon. Will be expanding to 5 days a week within the next several months

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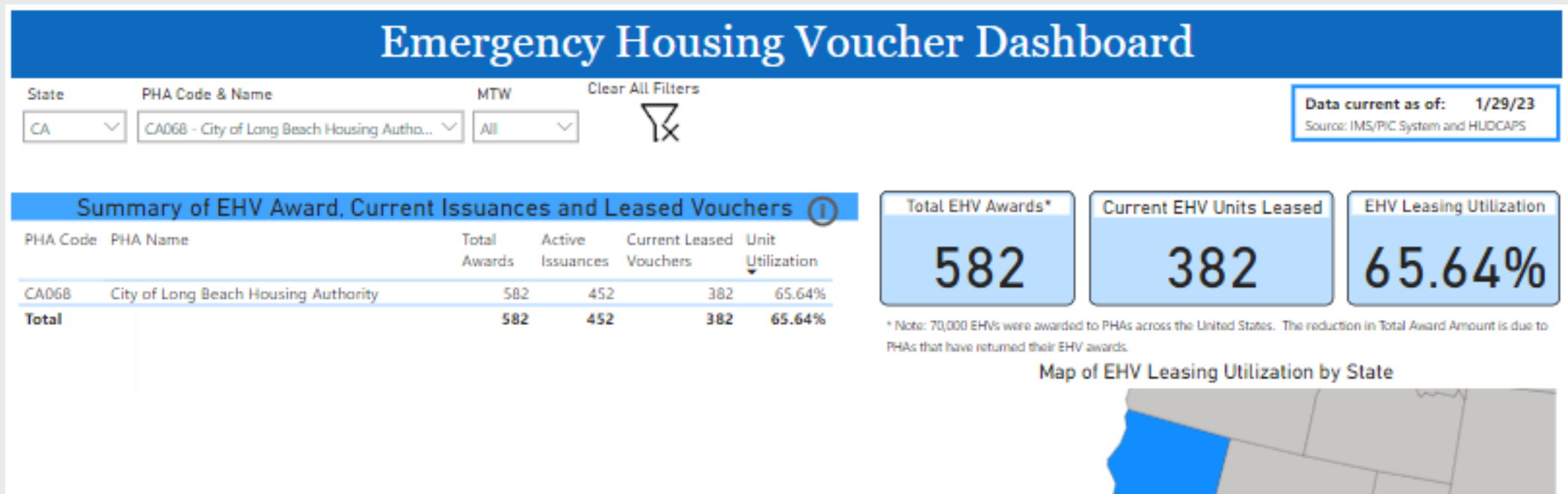
- The rapid rehousing and prevention RFP with Measure H and ESG funds, will be undergoing reviews to have recommendations for award within the next month
- The City will be announcing a 2nd winter shelter location within next week and will also be announcing additional details around additional safe parking as well as an RV waste disposal program
- The HSB has been meeting with agencies who have expressed interest in taking over the CoC supportive housing project – CH Healthy Homes
- HSB has begun conversations around the potential of transitioning administration of Shelter + Care grants from the Housing Authority to the agencies who have been providing the services.
- HSB will be conducting quarterly check-ins with all agencies around spend down and performance

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- The awards for the CoC NOFO are delayed and will likely be announced sometime in February.
- The registration for the CoC NOFO opened earlier this month. Registration allows the CoC to be eligible to apply for the NOFO as well as is the process for the CoC to apply for Unified Funding Agency (UFA) status.
- Longitudinal Service Analysis (LSA) data was submitted to HUD earlier this month.
- Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program round 4 funding allocations have been announced:
 - LB CoC: \$4,381,317.74
 - LB Big City: \$8,807,125.51
 - Total: \$13,188,443.25

Emergency Housing Vouchers

- Long Beach has been allocated 582 Emergency Housing Vouchers
- Additional supports and resources are being made to support with leasing up and fully utilizing all vouchers received





Thank you

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