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**Housing for Health OC Welcomes Pathways of Hope**

**Orange County, CA (January 4th, 2024)** **--** Pathways of Hope joined Housing for Health Orange County, Inc (HHOC) in their mission to serve the most vulnerable populations under the CalAIM initiative, along with six additional providers working with the HHOC community hub.

HHOC is a 501c3 established as a collaborative forum among service providers at the forefront of delivering supportive housing and navigation and enhanced care management services in Orange County as part of CalAIM: a long-term commitment to transform Medi-Cal, making the program more equitable, coordinated, and person-centered to help people maximize clients health and life trajectory. HHOC exists to provide centralized administrative and financial support to and to assist in co-designing best practices and standards of care to ensure quality outcomes for the clients served on behalf of CalOptima.

HHOC welcomed Orangewood Foundation, Teen Leadership Foundation and Casa Teresa in 2023. These organizations join Friendship Shelter, Jamboree Housing and Mercy House Living Centers, who piloted the Whole Person Care Program from 2019-2021 as a collaboration of community-based providers. Empowered to convene to define a continuum of care and to share and deepen understanding across all services, each organization serves a unique and vulnerable population of focus, who have come together to share their expertise and uplift these individuals and families out of chronic homelessness.

Pathways of Hope is a leader in providing access to food, shelter, and housing to those experiencing hunger and homelessness in North Orange County. In 2023, they successfully helped 233 individuals end their homelessness through their housing programs and diverted 136 families away from homelessness. HHOC could not be more excited to welcome Pathways of Hope to the collaborative and look forward to the impact we can make together.

For more information about Housing for Health OC, please visit housingforhealthoc.org and visit pohoc.org for information on Pathways of Hope.