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## **Sacramento Housing Authority receives HUD Region IX awards**

**Sacramento, Calif.** | The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Region IX has awarded the Sacramento Housing Authority Housing Choice Voucher Program with a High Performer status for excellence in housing operations. The award represents the highest designation that can be earned based on 14 assessment categories allocated in the Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP).

Public Housing Authorities (PHA) are measured on how well they are assisting eligible families find affordable, decent rental housing as intended by federal legislation. The Agency also received the 2019 HUD Region IX Program of the Year Award for operating the Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program. The VASH program provides rental assistance to formerly homeless, disabled veterans and their families. The Housing Authority currently administers 664 federal VASH vouchers in Sacramento County which is more than any other agency in Region IX. This is the second time the Housing Authority has received the Program of the Year recognition since the award was established in 2014.

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**SHRA** ([www.shra.org](http://www.shra.org)) is a Joint Powers Authority created by the City and County of Sacramento to represent both jurisdictions for affordable housing and community redevelopment needs. SHRA has a FY 2019 budget of \$192.7 million and 236.5 employees. The Agency owns and manages approximately 3,200 units of affordable housing and is one of the largest landlords in Sacramento. SHRA also administers approximately 12,900 rental assistance vouchers per month.