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Santa Monica Program Participants (SMPP)

For the purposes of the HSGP, an eligible Santa Monica Program Participant (SMPP) is defined as:

- An individual or household whose permanent address is in Santa Monica; or
- A student currently attending a Santa Monica public school (for school-based services)

For agencies applying to operate programs that serve "at-promise" youth,* two or more of the following risk factors must apply for program participants (child, youth, and/or caregiver):

- Youth is out of school and has not obtained a High School diploma, GED, or equivalent;
- Youth/child has behavioral health challenges, such as substance abuse issues;
- Youth/child has a history of physical and/or emotional abuse;
- Youth/child has a history of personal or family trauma (e.g. death of a caregiver, incarceration of caregiver);
- Youth/child is a member of a low-income household;
- Youth/caregiver is unemployed and not in school;
- Youth/caregiver has a history of incarceration or family history of incarceration;
- Youth/caregiver is gang involved or has family members that are gang involved; or
- A pregnant person (or their partner) with 2 or more of the previous risk factors

*An "at-promise" youth program provides assertive case management services for identified high-risk children, youth, and their families. These programs lead coordination of system-wide case conference meetings with local social service providers and respond to the holistic needs of the City's most vulnerable children, youth, and their families.

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If a program participant is a person or family experiencing homelessness, the following criteria would apply to be designated SMPP and be eligible for City-funded services (with the exception of school-based services):

- Individual/family experiencing homelessness whose last permanent address was in Santa Monica, and when they left that residence, they stayed within Santa Monica; or
- Individual/family who has a documented presence of experiencing homelessness in Santa Monica for five or more years; or
- Individual/family experiencing homelessness who are part of the Santa Monica workforce, having (worked full-time with pay within the city of Santa Monica for a minimum of 6 consecutive months; or who, within the past year, have been fired or laid off from a business in Santa Monica after having worked there with pay for at least 6 months.); or
- Individual/family experiencing homelessness who are on the Santa Monica Service Registry or identified by City staff as a high user of City resources and services.

A Santa Monica program participant is not:

- A student who lives outside of Santa Monica attending a private school in the City; or
- A Santa Monica College student who lives outside of Santa Monica and who has no other ties to the City (did not attend a Santa Monica public school); or
- An individual or family experiencing homelessness who recently arrived in Santa Monica or intermittently stays in Santa Monica who does not meet one of the homelessness criteria listed above.

Note: At any point during the grant cycle, staff may revise SMPP eligibility criteria in response to emerging needs.