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THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

TODD GLORIA

MAYOR

March 3, 2026

San Diego County Board of Supervisors
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 335
San Diego, CA 92101

RE: Fiscal Year 2025–2026 Second Quarter Operational Plan Status Report
and Budget Adjustments

Dear Supervisors,

As Mayor of the City of San Diego, I am writing in support of Item 13, the allocation of \$1.5 million in Fiscal Year 2025–2026 Unlocked Reserves, outlined in Appendix D of the Second Quarter budget adjustments, to extend the County’s agreement with the City of San Diego for the Casa Mariposa Domestic Violence Shelter.

The County was a vital partner in bringing Casa Mariposa online by investing \$5.4 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Combined with a state grant for tenant improvements and a significant contribution from the City of San Diego. That investment enabled the purchase and development of the \$11.2 million facility. Now that ARPA funds have been fully spent, this 50/50 City–County partnership will keep Casa Mariposa operating through Fiscal Year 2027.

Since opening, Casa Mariposa has proven to be an essential resource for domestic violence survivors and their families across San Diego County. It provides safe, anonymous shelter and trauma–informed services when people need immediate protection. Both the San Diego City Attorney and the San Diego County District Attorney refer survivors to Casa Mariposa, particularly during the period when protective orders are being sought and processed.

The City of San Diego is committed to keeping Casa Mariposa open as long as funding is available, and we intend to include \$1.5 million for its operation in the City's proposed Fiscal Year 2027 budget. This shared approach prevents any interruption in a critical safety net service, sustains shelter capacity, and ensures continued support for domestic violence survivors countywide.

On behalf of the people of the City of San Diego, I respectfully request your support for this item.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Todd Gloria". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Todd" and last name "Gloria" clearly distinguishable.

TODD GLORIA
Mayor
City of San Diego



**SEAN
ELO-RIVERA**

COUNCILMEMBER FOR
SAN DIEGO DISTRICT 9

March 3, 2026

RE: Support for Item #13: Fiscal Year 2025-26 Second Quarter Operational Plan Status Report and Budget Adjustments

Dear Chair Lawson Remer and Members of the Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of San Diego Council District 9, I am writing in strong support of the proposed \$47,400,000 million allocation in Unlocked Reserves for Housing, Infrastructure, Vulnerable Populations, and Sustainability delivered throughout the County. At a time of deep federal cuts and ongoing uncertainty, it is more important than ever that all levels of government work together to ensure these supportive service investments remain strong and fully funded for the families who depend on them. While housing costs remain high, wages have not kept pace with rent increases, and many working families continue to face financial instability, supportive services remain essential across San Diego County.

Eviction is not simply a housing issue, it is a destabilizing event that can lead to homelessness, job loss, school disruption for children, worsening health conditions, and long-term financial hardship. Preventing eviction is one of the most effective and fiscally responsible strategies available to reduce entries into homelessness and preserve community stability. City Heights Community Development Corporation's eviction prevention model provides timely rental assistance paired with case management, landlord coordination, and connections to income and benefits resources, helping residents stabilize before a crisis escalates.

Additionally, investing in Affordable Housing Development through Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans (PANA) will support the ability to thrive and live in San Diego when the rising cost of living is displacing families across out communities. This program represents a lifeline for families who have been priced out of homes in San Diego to find stable housing at an affordable rate.

By investing in affordable housing, the County not only supports individual households, but also reduces pressure on emergency shelters, behavioral health systems, and other public resources that bear significantly higher costs once a family becomes homeless.

Additionally, my office strongly supports allocated funding towards Hunger Relief services through the San Diego Food Bank. Due to funding cuts to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT), families, students, and children are left without groceries and nutritious food to sustain them. The San Diego community has been heavily impacted by SNAP and EBT cuts, and the San Diego Food Bank has been a vital organization providing groceries and meals to families in need.

Funding for such crucial services and programs is an urgent and ongoing need, and it will ensure that community-rooted, prevention-focused services continue to support the region.

We respectfully urge the Board of Supervisors to approve Item #13: Fiscal Year 2025-26 Second Quarter Operational Plan Status Report and Budget Adjustments to sustain this critical work, protect housing stability and vulnerable populations, and for residents across our region.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Sean Elo-Rivera
Councilmember, District 9
City of San Diego