

# Bay Area Community Health (BACH) SUD/MAT Services for Individuals Who Are Unhoused

- ▶ History of successful partnership with Abode to provide services to vulnerable populations in Livermore
- ▶ Funding from Alameda County and also the City of Livermore has supported mobile health and street health initiatives
- ▶ Partnerships with local city and county agencies have supported and enhanced the effectiveness of teams that have been deployed in the community to provide services
  - ▶ Abode for social services and housing navigation
  - ▶ Ashbury Church Shower Program
  - ▶ City Serve and COVID Safer Ground Hotel



# How Has BACH Helped Unhoused Individuals?

- ▶ Mobile services
  - ▶ Medical Assistant and Nurse practitioner provided medical care on mobile clinics-health screenings and medical interventions for those with acute needs
- ▶ Homeless Street Medicine
  - ▶ When possible the BACH team did outreach with Abode staff, and targeted their efforts towards individuals with high needs
  - ▶ Telehealth appointments were conducted with those who needed support at times when outreach providers were not in the field
  - ▶ Providers and medical support staff were also able to order labs, do screenings, and address chronic health conditions

# SUD Support for Individuals In Encampments

- ▶ Utilize Homeless Street Health (HSM) Model (launching 11/2020)
  - ▶ Subcontract with Abode Services to provide an 1.0 FTE RN and .3 FTE medical provider
  - ▶ Send a provider who is x-waivered and able to prescribe medications (MAT) to assist with treating problematic substance use
  - ▶ Partner with local pharmacy so clients can access it to fill prescriptions
  - ▶ Refer clients to BACH's mobile unit for MAT treatment
  - ▶ Assign a substance abuse counselor to go out with HSM team and/or mobile clinic team for low intensity counseling and care coordination and linkage to tele-health appointments with substance use treatment services
  - ▶ Partner with Axis Health Center to refer patients with primary care, behavioral health, substance use treatment needs
  - ▶ Social Worker from Abode can assist clients with getting assigned to a medical home, on Medi-Cal, document ready for housing support services, and linked to any other necessary social services
  - ▶ Possible inclusion of harm reduction support with HSM and/or mobile teams