CoC Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE NOFO

Purpose

- Provide an Overview of the Supplemental NOFO

- Define Key Terms and Concepts

- Offer links to additional information

U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Actions

❑ Unprecedented Action

❑ *Announced Competition – June 22, 2022*

   ○ NOFO focused on Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness

❑ Identified Areas that Qualify as Rural

❑ *Published Funding Available to each CoC and Rural Area*

❑ *Hosted Webinar to Answer Questions – August 11, 2022*

❑ *Preleased Application Packets and CoC Guidance*

❑ *Established an 'help desk' to ask questions*

❑ *Made resources available on the HUD Exchange*

NOFO "BIG PICTURE"

▶ Two funds in one NOFO
- One for UNSHELTERED homeless
- One for RURAL Homelessness

➤ HIGHLY Competitive
- Maximum of 10 CoCs funded in a state
- CA has 44 CoCs

What's in the NOFO for our CoC?

► San Bernardino CoC can apply for:

o $15,642,926   Unsheltered Funds

o $0   Rural Funds

o Applications are due to HUD no later than October 20th **BUT there are other local due dates in order to get maximum points from HUD. At least 30 days ahead.**

o See Local Applications timeline.

How will the CoC be chosen? (1)

- The NOFO describes the purposes and goals for these funds
- Evaluated based on how the CoC will meet these purposes and goals
  - **Reduce Unsheltered Homelessness in areas of greatest need (based on 2019 PITC)**
  - Provide Assistance on Tribal lands
  - **Expanding housing opportunities, leveraging healthcare**
  - Advance equity for over-represented/under-served groups
  - **Include persons with Lived Experience in homelessness**
  - Employ a housing first approach

How will the CoC be chosen? (2)

MAJOR points:

- Focus on persons with Severe Service Needs
- Leverage Housing and Healthcare Resource that are not CoC or ESG
  - 50% of total housing requests*
  - 50% of health care services not paid for by CoC or ESG*
- Partner with Public Housing Authorities
- Create a 15-page community plan (70 of 100 points)

▶ NOFO Provides an outline detailing the rating factors that add up to 100 points, lists the number of points available, and how to receive maximum points. (starts on page 40)

What are Severe Service Needs?

Any combination of factors:

- ▶ Facing significant challenges / functional impairment
  - ▶ Physical, mental, developmental, or behavioral health difficulties regardless of the type of disability
  - ▶ Requires a significant level of support to maintain permanent housing (level of support not the disability)
  - ▶ High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs (Emergency rooms, jails, psychiatric centers)
  - ➤ History of living unsheltered, repeated or continuously
  - ➤ Vulnerable to illness or death
  - ➤ Vulnerability to victimization (assault, trafficking, or sex work)

Eligible Project Types- Unsheltered NOFO

▶ Permanent Supportive Housing

▶ Rapid rehousing

▶ Support services only – Coordinated Entry

▶ Support services only – Other*

▶ Joint TH-RRH Projects

▶ HMIS

▶ CoC Planning Costs (3% maximum)

Rules about Project Activities

Must be NEW project or services – not existing

Cannot replace other funding (local, state, etc.)

Cannot be acquisition, rehab, new construction

All grants are for 3-years

Must be operational by September 2024

Provide 25% match in addition to the housing or healthcare leveraging resources

Who can apply for Project Grants?

▶ The organization selected by the CoC as the Collaborative Applicant must submit the 3-part Application Package on behalf of the CoC.

▶ Units of Government, non-profit organizations, and tribal territories are potential applicants, subject to Threshold Review. For-Profit organizations and Individuals are not eligible to apply.
  ○ Threshold reviews of the Applicant Organization and the Proposed Project
  ○ If the Applicant or the Project do not meet threshold requirements, HUD will not fund the project.

What is in the Application to HUD?

▶ The Application Package consists of
- o Consolidated Application (region-wide application) and required attachments
- o Priority Listing giving the rank-order of projects approved by the CoC to be included in the application package to HUD
- o Listing also shows projects that were not selected

▶ Copies of each application and required attachments

How do I get my project included?

▶ HUD requires the local CoC conduct a Threshold Review and to review, score, and rank all applications from eligible Organizations for eligible projects.

▶ The details of this process will be covered in another presentation.

What is in the Application for my Project?

- HUD created a Project Application

- The Project Application is in HUDs electronic system, called *E-snaps*

- Follow the instructions given by the CoC on how to complete and submit your project application for local rating and ranking

- To be sent to HUD, all Project Applications and the required document need to be prepared in e-Snaps and pulled into the Priority Listing by the Collaborative Applicant

Next up:

What you need to do to be part of the local process and when do you need to do it.