ALLIANCE FOR HOUSING
OAKLAND COUNTY'S CONTINUUM OF CARE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS-New DV Bonus Project(s)

The Alliance for Housing is requesting proposals for funding under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Program.

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is for Alliance for Housing, Oakland County Continuum of Care (CoC) partners to work with the Alliance to support those experiencing domestic violence (DV) in the community. The CoC is looking for proposals to expand these services to include a project that will provide Support Services Only for Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) specifically for DV; and a Rapid Rehousing (RRH) project for a new RRH project specifically for the DV population. Please see the FY2022 NOFO for full requirements. The DV bonus amount for Oakland County is $493,576. Out of the proposals received the Alliance Prioritization Committee will choose one DV SSO-CE and one DV RRH project to be added to the new applications in the FY22 HUD Tier 1 & Tier 2 ranking process. Agencies are eligible to apply for both.

- Potential sub-recipients must meet the eligibility requirements of the CoC Program as described in 24 CFR part 578 and provide evidence of eligibility required in the application (e.g., nonprofit documentation)

- Potential sub-recipients must demonstrate the financial, management capacity and experience to carry out the project as detailed in the project application as well as administer Federal funds. Demonstrating capacity may include a description of the sub-recipient experience with domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking.

- Potential sub-recipients must address their involvement with Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)/comparable system.

- Project applicants must submit the required certifications as specified in the NOFO, for example, SAM registration Unique Entity ID. Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are found at 24 CFR 578.15, must also comply with SSO/RRH requirements at 24 CFR 578.37.

The two projects that the Alliance for Housing will be accepting applications for in the HUD FY22 DV bonus applications are:

1. **Supportive Services Only Projects for DV Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE)** to implement policies, procedures, and practices that equip the CoC's coordinated

entry to better meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, human trafficking (e.g. to implement policies and procedures that are trauma-informed, client-centered or to better coordinate referrals between the CoC's coordinated entry and the victim service providers coordinated entry system where they are different).

Project descriptions should include a plan incorporate a measurement tool to determine vulnerability for those attempting to flee DV (Cat 4) to integrate with the community established thresholds and prioritization policies within the community's coordinated entry system.

2. **Rapid Rehousing (RRH) component project** Projects must follow a Housing First approach. RRH project can provide medium term rental assistance (3 – 24 months). This allocation will only fund a new RRH project that serves DV. This can include admin and support services in addition to the housing portion. Please include numbers of households served within the RRH component in the concept paper.

Interested applicants are requested to submit a 2-4 page concept paper for each of the described projects above, with a proposed budget including 25% match (in-kind or cash) depending on the project type. All proposed projects may only request HUD funding for activities and services as allowed under the HUD FY22 NOFO under the above two categories, as defined in Section II.B.f.(2)(c) in the NOFO. Please read the Continuum of Care FY2022 NOFO in its entirety before submission. Your concept paper should address the following components:

- Description of the proposed project
- A trauma informed approach
- A client centered approach
- Housing First approach
- Community need
- Capacity/Experience
- Performance measurement outcomes
- Leveraging
- Linkage to mainstream resources
- How agency addresses racial disparities
- Describe how your agency involves those with lived expertise

Concept papers can be submitted to Ashley Burton via email at Aburton-alliance@oaklandoaklandhomeless.org by **Monday August 29, 2022 at 5:00PM** No proposals will be accepted after this timeline.

Concept papers will be judged by the Alliance Prioritization Committee. The committee will only fund one project per component (i.e. one new DV RRH and one new DV SSO- CE project). Agencies are eligible to apply for both.

For additional information please contact Leah McCall at lmccall-alliance@oaklandhomeless.og

Bonus Scoring

Scoring for project proposals for the HUD FY22 DV bonus:

1. 5 points: Partial response
    10 points: Full response that provides examples
    SSO-CE AND RRH:
    Provide a clear explanation of how the project will use a housing first approach, client centered approach and trauma informed approach.

2. 5 points: Partial response
    10 points: Full response – including copy of sample job description
    SSO-CE:
    Provide explanation how receiving this project will enhance policies and procedures within the CoC and coordinated entry in the community for this population. What specific areas will you address within this project? Provide a sample job description that funds received would support.

3. 5 points: Partial response – just narrative
    10 points: Narrative with data included
    RRH:
    Provide data to quantify the need for this project and how creating a new RRH project will fill a gap in Oakland County.

4. 5 points: Partial response
    10 points: Full response – including all areas of below explanation
    RRH:
    Provide previous RRH performance or how you as a new applicant are currently serving survivors of DV, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking and human trafficking and how your agencies ability to house survivors and meet safety concerns will be met.

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