

Orange County Continuum of Care Board Special Meeting July 12, 2022

Public Comments

Continuum of Care Supplemental to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness Notice of Funding Opportunity Zulima Lundy, Director of Operations, Office of Care Coordination

- The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is making approximately \$322 million in funding available through a Continuum of Care Supplemental to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness Notice of Funding Opportunity (CoC Special NOFO).
- Funding will be utilized to support communities in developing plans to address rural and unsheltered homelessness, particularly in communities with very high levels of unsheltered homelessness.
- CoC Special NOFO grant term is three years
 - \$19,846,828 available for Orange County CoC
 - \$6,615,609 available for renewals
- Application due date October 20, 2022

- HUD's Homeless Policy Priorities
 - 1. Unsheltered homelessness.
 - 2. Involving a broad array of stakeholders in the CoC's efforts to reduce homelessness.
 - 3. Advancing equity.
 - 4. Use a Housing First approach.
- HUD Funding Process:
 - HUD will select CoC's for funding based on the CoC score, meaning the highest scoring CoC will have its rated and ranked projects that pass threshold conditionally selected for funding, until there are no more funds available.

- Eligible project types for this funding:
 - 1. Permanent Housing
 - o Rapid Rehousing
 - Permanent Supportive Housing
 - 2. Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing
 - 3. Supportive Services Only
 - 4. Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS).
- Target Population
 - Participants must meet the criteria of homelessness, and
 - Have Severe Service Needs, and/or
 - Underserved Communities.

- Application Requirements
 - Develop a plan for serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness with severe service needs
 - 2. Demonstrate leveraging of both mainstream housing and healthcare resources
 - 3. Demonstrate how to support underserved communities, identify barriers that led to many disparities in communities being served and support equitable community development to address barriers.
 - 4. Demonstrate how resources funded under the CoC Special NOFO will contribute to reducing unsheltered homelessness
 - 5. Identify steps taken to ensure traditionally marginalized populations will be able to meaningfully participate in the planning process

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- Activities involved in the application process:
 - 1. Establish a CoC Special NOFO Ad Hoc comprised of non-conflicted members
 - Facilitate stakeholder engagement and feedback to develop a CoC Plan for Serving Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs
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Recommended Actions

- a. Authorize the Orange County Continuum of Care's participation in the CoC Special NOFO.
- Approve the issuance of a local competition process for the CoC Special NOFO to address unsheltered homelessness in Orange County.
- c. Establish an Ad Hoc comprised of non-conflicted members to support the local competition process for the CoC Special NOFO.

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Rapid Rehousing Services Recommendations

- On March 23, 2022, the Orange County CoC Board approved the recommendation to issue Request for Proposals for Emergency Shelter Operations and Request for Proposals for Rapid Rehousing Services to be funded with Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Round 1 and/or Round 3.
- The Office of Care Coordination released a request for proposals on April 5, 2022, seeking qualified organization to provide Rapid Rehousing services across the North, Central and South Service Planning Areas, focused on the following populations:
 - Individuals
 - Families
 - Transitional Aged Youth (TAY)

Rapid Rehousing Services Recommendations

 Based on evaluation of the proposal review panel membership, the proposals from Covenant House California, Families Forward and People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) were recommended for award.

Agency	Population Focus	Households to be Served	Contract Term	Funding Amount
Covenant House California	Transitional Aged Youth	40	September 15, 2022- June 30, 2024	\$1,021,269
Families Forward	Families	25	September 15, 2022- June 30, 2024	\$964,718
PATH	Individuals	175	September 15, 2022- June 30, 2024	\$2,200,000

Recommended Action

- a. Approve the following Rapid Rehousing Services Recommendations:
 - Covenant House California for Rapid Rehousing Services for Transitional Aged Youth for the term of September 15, 2022, through June 30, 2024, for an amount not to exceed \$1,021,269.
 - ii. Families Forward for Rapid Rehousing Services for Families for the term of September 15, 2022, through June 30, 2024, for an amount not to exceed \$964,718.
 - People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) for Rapid Rehousing Services for individuals for the term of September 15, 2022, through August 31, 2024, for an amount not to exceed \$2,200,000

Orange County Homelessness Updates Zulima Lundy, Director of Operations, Office of Care Coordination

CoC Board Seat Nomination Process

- The Office of Care Coordination is now accepting nominations for the CoC Board seat vacancy for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program Funded Agency or Recipient Agency Representative through Friday, July 15, 2022.
- To self-nominate or nominate a candidate(s), please email the Office of Care Coordination at <u>CareCoordination@ochca.com</u>. In your email, provide the following information for the candidate you are nominating:
 - 1. Name
 - 2. Email
 - 3. Phone Number
 - 4. Have you alerted this person you are nominating them?
- The Office of Care Coordination will collect and confirm nominations.
- Once confirmed, candidates will be asked to complete a Candidate Interest Form to provide more information regarding the qualifications and experience the candidate brings to the position.
- Completed candidate interest forms are due to the Office of Care Coordination by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, July 15, 2022.
- The <u>Candidate Interest Form</u> can be found on the CoC Board Nomination and Election webpage.

Information on the CoC Board nomination process and timeline, including a recording of the CoC Nomination Process Overview Webinar, can also be accessed on the

CoC Board Nomination and Election webpage.

Date*	Timeline Tasks		
6/14/2022	Convene Nominating Committee		
6/22/2022	Update to the CoC Board		
6/30/2022	Presentation of process and overview of nomination process to the CoC. Nomination Process opens.		
7/15/2022	Nomination process closes		
7/22/2022	Nominee candidate interest forms are due		
7/29/2022	Virtual review of voting process. Nominees given opportunity for 5-minute presentations.		
8/1/2022	Voting will open		
8/8/2022	Voting will close		
8/12/2022	Meet with the Nominating Committee to confirm candidates to present for ratification		
8/24/2022	Nominees with the most votes will be presented to the CoC Board for ratification		
9/28/2022	First CoC Board meeting for new member		

*Note: Dates are subject to change

Funding Opportunity

COVID-19 Temporary Isolation Shelter Services Program RFP

The purpose of this Program is to provide temporary isolation shelter services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Orange County who are COVID-19 positive and/or symptomatic in order to help and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by providing non-congregate shelter.

- Bid Title: COVID-19 Temporary Isolation Shelter Services
- Bid Number: 017-2272502-HH
- Bid Starts: July 05, 2022, at 4:27 p.m.
- Bid Ends: July 22, 2022, at 2:00 p.m.
- For more information, visit the following link: <u>COVID-19 Temporary</u> <u>Isolation Shelter Services</u>

Next Meeting

Wednesday, August 24, 2022, from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.



