

NOTICE TO NON-PROFIT AGENCIES AND UNITS OF GOVERNMENT <u>REQUEST FOR INTENT TO SUBMIT NEW PROJECTS</u> <u>2019 HUD CoC COMPETITION</u>

Background

To request funds in the homeless Continuum of Care Competition, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires each local area called a "Continuum of Care" (CoC) to gather and rate local projects and submit one Consolidated Application through a Collaborative Applicant. In San Diego, the Regional Task Force on the Homeless (RTFH) is the Collaborative Applicant.

The 2019 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the CoC Competition was released on July 3, 2019. The NOFA describes the type of projects that are eligible for funding under the competition.

Request for Agency Intent to Submit Form

The RTFH, as the Collaborative Applicant for the 2019 Competition, requests non-profit agencies or units of government to declare their **intent to submit** an application for one or more **new projects (which can include an expansion of an eligible renewal project).** Filing a declaration of interest using the intent form does not obligate the organization to apply, does not guarantee that the project will be included in the Consolidate Application, and does not imply an obligation of funds from HUD, the RTFH, or other sources

Organizations that wish to submit one or more new project applications must submit the attached Intent to Submit Form <u>no later than July 23, 2019</u>. Please note that filing the Intent to submit form is a preliminary step to the application for funds. A request for the formal application will be issued later this month. Potential applicants are encouraged to file Intent forms for any project under active consideration. Intent forms are non-binding and can be withdrawn at a later date.

Types of New Projects Eligible to Declare an Intent to Apply

New projects can include: Permanent Housing, Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Rehousing Housing, Joint TH-RRH, or a Transition Project. Note that new Transitional Housing or Safe Haven applications are not allowed under the FY 2019 NOFA. New projects may also apply for bonus projects in two categories: Domestic Violence or CoC Bonus. Please refer to the 2019 NOFA and the Summary and Highlights documents for detail on project types. The 2019 NOFA and the Summary and Highlights are posted at https://www.rtfhsd.org/nofa/.

Organizations with eligible renewal projects may apply for expansion of an existing project if the project appears on the HUD-approved Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW) and is expiring in calendar year 2020. The existing project would apply for a new project if they want to expand the existing project.

The RTFH as the Collaborative Applicant and HMIS Lead Agency can also apply for HMIS dedicated projects, the Coordinated Entry System, and a non-renewable CoC Planning Grant. Reallocation means an agency or

organization currently using HUD CoC funds is requesting that some or all funds from an existing grant will not be requested during the competition. This is referred to as voluntary reallocation and also means the funds will be made available through the CoC local review process to fund new and/or expanding projects.

Please note:

- □ The level of funds available for new projects has not yet been finalized. Potential funds are estimated at: approximately \$1.7 for Domestic Violence bonus projects; \$1.04 million for CoC bonus projects; and \$430,000 in reallocated funds.
- □ Please indicate if your project could be 'scaled' to various levels of funding.
- Each project must match 25% of project costs. This may be achieved through cash or in-kind contributions but must be documented in the application and supported by a letter of commitment dated in accordance with the NOFA.
- Appropriate documentation of site control is required at the time of application.

The Intent to Submit forms will be screened for eligibility. Final project eligibility requirements are contingent upon guidelines described in the 2019 HUD Request for Applications. All eligible projects seeking funds through the 2019 CoC program competition will be required to submit a full proposal application in accordance with local requirements and HUD guidelines as required in the NOFA. Questions regarding the completion of the Intent to Submit Form can be submitted to the NOFA Technical Assistance team via e-mail to: <u>deme.hill@rtfhsd.org</u> and <u>pleslie@pointloma.edu</u>.

Organizations that do not currently have a HUD CoC project need to contact Myleya Griffin at <u>myleya.griffin@rtfhsd.org</u> to have a NOFA dropbox created for you. Please be prepared to give contact information for the two individuals in your organization who will be the point of contact for the CoC NOFA local process. This is an important step for communication for submitting an application.

Forms must be <u>received</u> by 5:00 pm, July 23, 2019 to the *Documents Used by Multiple Projects* folder in your agency's 2019 AGENCY NOFA Dropbox.

or via U.S. Postal Service:

Regional Task Force on the Homeless 4699 Murphy Canyon Road San Diego, CA 92123 ATTENTION: Deme Hill – 2019 CoC NOFA

Thank you

Filing this Intent to Submit Form assists the region in planning for success in the national competition bringing vital funds and programming to end homelessness in San Diego. Thank you for expressing your interest in the 2019 Continuum of Care Competition.