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From: Bob Atchley, Senior Planner, City of Springfield, MO

Re: FY 2023 Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Opportunity

### **NOTICE: OAEH Request for Project Applications for HUD CoC Funding**

The Springfield/Greene, Christian, and Webster Counties Continuum of Care (DBA Ozarks Alliance to End Homelessness - OAEH) is seeking project applications for eligible project types in response to the FY 2023 Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). This Notice summarizes Threshold Requirements for CoC Project Applications, the OAEH Application Process, Methods for Applying for a New Project, Component Definitions, and Available Funding. Please direct questions to Bob Atchley at [batchley@springfieldmo.gov](mailto:batchley@springfieldmo.gov).

**In order to assist agencies with new or renewal project applications, the OAEH will hold a virtual application training on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87154721617?pwd=OG11WTZkTExnMCtONTZUOUk0OHJQdz09>

**Interested parties should RSVP to Emily Fessler - [efessler@cpozarks.org](mailto:efessler@cpozarks.org). This training is mandatory for any agency submitting a new project application. If you or someone from your agency cannot attend this training, please contact Emily Fessler as soon as possible to make accommodations.**

*Who should attend:* Any agencies (non-profits or governmental entities) who plan to apply for funding through this grant application process. Interested applicants are strongly encouraged to review the following:

- [FY23 NOFO](#)
- [HUD's CoC Competition Page](#)
- OAEH Application Timeline, Process, and Supporting Documents

### **Threshold Requirements of HUD CoC Funded Projects**

*All CoC funded projects are required to comply with all federal rules and regulations listed in the [NOFO](#), as well as participate in the OAEH. Requirements include (but are not limited to):*

- Provide the following documentation to HUD via the agency's e-snaps application to determine eligibility: HUD form 50070, HUD form 2880, Agency Code of Conduct, SAM Registration, and UEI number. Other documents may be required
- All requirements listed in the [NOFO](#)



- Utilize Housing First principles in the implementation of the project
- Participate in the OAEH Coordinated Entry System and follow all policies and procedures related to the Coordinated Entry System, including regular program-level attendance at Case Conferencing Meetings
- Participate in Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) or OAEH approved comparable database and comply with all policies and federal mandates surrounding use of HMIS
- In order to be eligible to submit an application for funding, an agency must have been an active member of the OAEH for 12 months prior to grant announcement. CoC funded projects must meet attendance requirements, currently 75% of quarterly General Membership and 75% of Systems & Services Committee Meetings.

### **OAEH Application Process**

Agencies must complete the following steps to successfully apply for CoC funding for ANY project:

#### Agency Intent to Submit

Agencies who wish to apply for CoC funding for **ANY** project (including New or Renewal must submit an Intent to Submit to the CoC Lead Agency, the City of Springfield, by August 18, 2023, by 12:00 p.m. (NOON). The Intent to Submit may be delivered in person to 840 Boonville, Planning Department, Attn: Bob Atchley or emailed to [batchley@springfieldmo.gov](mailto:batchley@springfieldmo.gov).

#### Project Grant Application in E-Snaps and Supplemental Documentation

All interested applicants must create a profile and complete an online application for CoC funding in e-snaps, HUD's online application system, by August 28, 2023, by 12:00 p.m. (NOON). Applications must be submitted in PDF format to Bob Atchley, either by email ([batchley@springfieldmo.gov](mailto:batchley@springfieldmo.gov)) or in person to 840 Boonville, Planning Department, Attn: Bob Atchley.

#### OAEH Ranking

Project applications in e-snaps will be reviewed by the OAEH NOFO Committee, and any Bonus Project(s) will be invited to formally apply. The selected bonus project, any reallocation projects, and new and renewal projects will be reviewed by the OAEH NOFO Committee and prioritized during the OAEH Rank and Review process.

### **Methods for applying for HUD CoC funds for a New Project**

There are three ways that agencies can apply for funding for a new project:

#### CoC Bonus Funds

- a) Any agency can apply for CoC Bonus dollars for a new or expansion project for permanent housing



- b) The OAEH will accept applications for Permanent Housing (Joint TH/RRH, PSH, or RRH) applications to serve households. Applications that demonstrate coordination with housing providers and healthcare organizations (as defined in the [NOFO](#)) and those that demonstrate a plan to use funding to improve System Performance Measures will be prioritized

#### DV Bonus Funds

Any agency can apply for Domestic Violence Bonus dollars for Rapid Rehousing or Joint Transitional Housing/Rapid Re-housing projects to serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

#### Re-allocation of a current CoC Renewal grant

If an agency has an existing CoC Renewal grant, an agency can choose to voluntarily reallocate those funds to create a New project to offer Permanent Supportive Housing or Rapid Re-Housing.

### **Component Definitions**

**Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Project** (TH: RRH) is a program type for households who have identified an interest in congregate housing prior to finding permanent housing within the community, or in situations where the permanent housing stock is not readily available. In order to be compliant with Housing First Model, the choice between the two housing types needs to be made by the client, not the program, and needs to steer away from focusing on deeming any person “housing ready.” It should be noted that, unless under very specific circumstances, the project should work on a permanent housing location within a few days of enrollment, similar to other RRH projects.

**Permanent Supportive Housing** (PH: PSH) is a non-time limited housing option available to persons who are homeless AND have a disability. New projects submitted during the 2023 competition must be either 100% dedicated to persons experiencing chronic homelessness, as defined by HUD, or a Dedicated Plus Project. More information on the Dedicated Plus Projects can be found in the [NOFO](#). Projects following this program type will be expected to demonstrate their due diligence in utilizing this option to prioritize the most acute and vulnerable persons within the community. A checklist showing a sample chronic qualification check sheet can be found [HERE](#).

**Rapid Re-Housing** (PH: RRH) emphasizes housing search and relocation services and short- and medium-term rental assistance to move literally homeless households (with or without a disability) as rapidly as possible into permanent housing. More information on implementing a RRH program can be found [HERE](#).



**Available Funding for New Projects or Expansion Projects (expand current CoC funded project)**

<b>Funding</b>	<b>Eligible Applicants *</b>	<b>Eligible Components</b> (see description below)	<b>Amount</b>
CoC Bonus Funding	Any agency can apply for a new or expansion project	Permanent Housing (Joint TH/RRH, PSH, or RRH) applications to serve adult only households. <i>Applications that demonstrate coordination with housing providers and healthcare organizations (as defined in the <a href="#">NOFO</a>) and those that demonstrate a plan to use funding to improve System Performance Measures will be prioritized.</i>	\$82,703
DV Bonus Funding	Any agency can apply for a new or expansion project	RRH or Joint TH/RRH to serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous traumatic or life-threatening conditions related to the violence against the individual or a family member in the individual's or family's current housing situation.	\$118,148
Reallocation of Current CoC Renewal Grant	Any agency with an existing CoC Renewal Grant	Permanent Housing (Joint TH/RRH, PSH, or RRH)	Determined by Agency

\*(non-profit or governmental entity that meets threshold criteria listed above)

**NOTE:** In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines, if you need special accommodations through the competition process, please notify the Planning & Development Department at 417-864-1037 as soon as possible to ensure our ability to accommodate your needs. In accordance with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) guidelines, language assistance is also available.