Homeless Services Questions and Responses

1)Question:

How much funding is available?

Response: The existing contracts total \$1,618,237.00. The entity would need to consider the amount necessary to administer and manage this amount of funding to homeless programs.

2)Question:

What are the eligible budget line items costs?

Response: Eligible line item budget costs include administrative costs necessary to manage the ten current homeless grantees of the state.

3)Question:

Is this for multiple project applications? Or is this for the management of the overall funding?

Response: This request is specific to the management of the current homeless WVDHHR homeless services grantees

4)Question:

Will you fund just one entity? Or multiple? The Press Release states "the selected entity" will continue to fund existing BCF contracted programs and collaborate with...."

Response: One entity will be funded

5)Question:

Is the selected entity obligated to continue funding the existing programs or can they entity make a competitive process for allocating funding to programs not historically funded?

Response: The selected entity is required to work with the department to develop performance-based outcome measures to evaluate and assess sub-awardee performance. If sub-awardees do not meet the revised outcome

performance measures the selected entity would then be authorized to cease funding and reallocate funding to a new shelter, an existing shelter, or other prevention services and programs as agreed upon by the department; provided that consideration must be given to shelter availability within a defined catchment area.

6)Question:

How do the existing programs request their funding? Is this a pass-through grant where the selected entity will provide reimbursement to the program(s) or will the program(s) request funding directly from DHHR?

Response: The grantees will receive pass through funding from the selected entity. The selected entity will be provided the funding to then subaward to the various programs. How the selected entity will complete this should be part of the entity's proposal.

7)Question:

Will this pay for Rental Assistance (Permanent Housing Rapid Rehousing)? The Applications states on page 5, the services are housing (emergency, temporary – is this different than emergency, transitional, permanent?). Rapid Rehousing is a permanent housing option, so is that an eligible cost that the selected entity can subcontract or provide?

Response: This funding announcement will pay for services required to administer and manage the departments homeless program. The selected entity will be authorized to modify the required services existing programs provide to guarantee homeless service recipients obtain the best outcomes.

8)Question:

The New Vendor checklist states a Behavioral Health License as a requirement for receiving funding. Does this apply to the grantee or just the subcontract providers?

Response: Behavioral Health Provider License is not a requirement to receive funding.

9)Question:

Can an existing State Office that manages other (federal) shelter funding apply?

The application Press Release states "applicants are limited to HUD Exchange Continuum of Care program providers." Is this limited to the Continuum of Care LEAD Agency for the

geographic area or can any individual agency that is funded Continuum of Care (such as Bartlett House, North Central WV Community Action, Telamon Corp, etc.) apply?

Response: The funding announcement is limited to the WV Continuums of Care

10)Question:

I have what I think is a clear conceptual understanding of what this grant is seeking to accomplish. As I look at the notice of intent to apply it gets directly to the essence of the grant. How much do you intend to apply for? I need more information in order to answer that question. I need to know the total amount of the grants currently given to the existing shelters in the state. Absent access to data any answer is a random guess. Where do I access the data that will help inform my answer to that question

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