

Notices: Questions Asked and Answered

2022 Competitive Housing Development Request for Grant Applications (RFGA)

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SERIOUS AND PERSISTENT MENTAL ILLNESS

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Questions + Answers

Housing Type and Population

1. I am interested in funding for transitional housing, I am emailing you for clarification if transitional housing falls under the current round of funding for supportive housing. Also, do I need to register with Oregon Buys because I am unable to open up the link for community engagement to review the funding application?

A: This funding is specifically for supportive housing and not for transitional housing. You do not need to register with OregonBuys to submit an application under this funding application process. Our unit does not manage the Measure 110 funds. You would need to contact program staff for this program directly.

2. Some applicants have expressed difficulty accessing the website to download all of the notice and application materials.

A: Please go this site:

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HSD/AMH/Pages/SDOH.aspx>

If you cannot make it work email richard.f.malloy@dhsosha.state.or.us and he will assist you.

3. In the application it appears that we can apply for one or the other (forgivable loan, grant), or both, is this correct?

A: For Supportive Housing you may apply for the forgivable loan for the acquisition, renovation or new construction financing. There is no grant for Start Up Costs for Supportive Housing. Start Up Cost funding only applies to licensed residential treatment homes or facilities.

4. I have reviewed the FAQs and watched the webinar re: the RFGA for licensed residential homes and facilities. I cannot find information about whether or not there will be a federal funding component of the zero interest deferred payment loans. Where can I find documentation about the answer to this question. I am asking for single audit purposes. Our

CPA is telling us that from an audit perspective, forgivable loans sometimes do have a federal funding component.

A: The funding is sourced from \$65,000,000 in State of Oregon General Fund and \$65,000,000 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) which is federal. Note that is not a “deferred” loan but rather a forgivable loan. Deferred loans are usually paid in full at the end of the term and the only instance would be required to be repaid would be in a situation of default as a result of non-compliance due to not housing the target population.

5. I am told that the second solicitation opening 9.01.22 will prioritize youth and seniors. Please clarify if there are to be priority populations within the rolling solicitations.

A: At this time the next solicitation has not been drafted therefore no priorities have been set. Regarding priority populations with rolling solicitations these priorities have not been set.

6. Can a county be an applicant?

A: Yes, a county could apply.

7. Would a county or government entity would be better fit to apply for Supportive Housing or Licensed Housing versus a third party who would hold and manage the property?

A: As the funder of this program we are not in a position to provide advice on alternatives to ownership of a proposed project.

8. Does the Supportive Housing grant provide access to rental subsidies?

A: No, the Supportive Housing grant is actually a forgivable loan for capital costs only.

9. There have been a few questions about a potential SUD (substance use disorder) funding application.

A: At this time the SUD application process has been indefinitely postponed. We apologize for any inconvenience, but the focus is on licensed housing projects until further notice.