Notices: Questions Asked and Answered

2022 Competitive Housing Development Request for Grant Applications (RFGA)

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SERIOUS AND PERSISTENT MENTAL ILLNESS

April 29, 2022

Notices
The two RFGAs posted to the OHA SDOH webpage Friday, April 29, 2022 for contained this paragraph on page 1:

The not-to-exceed amount that OHA HSD may award collectively under this RFGA and the RFGA for Supportive Housing both posted on April 29, 2022, is $101 million.

A change has been made in the amount stated. The not-to-exceed amount OHA HSD may award collectively under both RFGA posted is $112 million.

Any questions that we receive after 12 pm on Wednesdays will be answered on the subsequent Q&A next week.

Questions + Answers

Housing Type and Population

1. Q: Can Supportive Housing be for those who are mild or moderate in severity?
   A: See the definitions noted in Attachment A in the Notice, page 27.

2. Q: Do Supportive Housing projects need to serve 100% SPMI?
   A: No, it doesn’t need to be 100%, but the portion of the project funded by OHA must serve persons with SPMI.
Funding and Eligible Uses of Funds

1. **Q:** Is this a bricks grant (e.g. building), or can use the funds for program operations, e.g., for Supportive Housing, can the funds be used to pay rent for people or just to buy a Supportive Housing building?

   **A:** Supportive Housing funding is for acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction of housing facilities. These funds may not be expended for operations, rent subsidies for persons to occupy the Supportive Housing.

2. **Q:** Are organizations who were not part of the initial award permitted to apply for this grant.

   **A:** Yes. There is no requirement to have a planning grant award to apply for this RFGA.

3. **Q:** If we are still in the Planning Grant stage is it too early to apply?

   **A:** No, you can apply until July 29th 2022 by 11:59 pm.

4. **Q:** Can the funds be used for startup and the first two month of operations for Supportive Housing, or is that only for Licensed Residential homes and facilities?

   **A:** Startup funds may only be used for Licensed Residential homes and facilities but not Supportive Housing.

5. **Q:** If we already have residential housing that is in bad need of repair, could the funding be used for renovations, as opposed to acquiring a site?

   **A:** Only in the case if the residential housing is intended to be renovated and will be result in additional housing units for supportive housing occupancy.

Application Requirements and Budget

1. **Q:** Are these two different applications? Can a provider apply for both and offer both services?

   **A:** Yes, there are two separate applications, and you can apply either one or both.