

FAQs for NOFA #2023-9

Homeless Housing Response and Capacity Building NOFA

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Question 1: Who is eligible to apply for HOME ARP development resources?

Answer: Nonprofit organizations, federally recognized Tribes, Public Housing Authorities, local governments, and for-profit developers are eligible to apply for HOME ARP development resources through the NOFA.

GHAP Capacity Building resources have the same applicant eligibility with the exception of for-profit developers which are not eligible entities to apply for GHAP Capacity Building funds.

Question 2: What does “primarily serves” mean for the GHAP CB grant?

Answer: For the purposes of this grant “primarily serves” means that the project will be supporting a specific geographic community (or communities) and that members of that community will likely make up the majority of their resident population. The organization may have programs or events for the general public or also serve other regions but the majority of its time and resources in this project are focused on serving specific geographic community or region.

Question 3: What type of information should I provide to show that my GHAP CB project has the required partnerships in place?

Answer: Documents such as a Memorandum of Understanding, Letter of Commitment, or other documentation outlining and demonstrating commitment and support from entity leadership to work towards capacity building will suffice.

Question 4: What does supporting documentation mean in the GHAP CB grant portion of the NOFA?

Answer: This depends on the context in which it is mentioned. Supporting documentation of expenses can include (but aren't limited to): paid invoices from consultants, snapshot pages from accounting software, payroll reports, and other receipts. Elsewhere it may refer to organizational documents such as: workgroup charters, strategic housing plans, partnership agreements.

Question 5: Can my organization apply for the HOME ARP development funds and also the GHAP CB grant?

Answer: No. You may be the primary applicant on one or the other but not both. Your organization may be the primary applicant for HOME ARP development funds and also be listed as a key partner on another entity's GHAP CB application (see Section G, page 23 of the NOFA).

Question 6: Can my organization apply more than once for the GHAP CB grant?

Answer: No. Only one application will be accepted per primary applicant entity.

Question 7: Can an entity apply for multiple HOME ARP development projects in the same or different geographic regions?

Answer: Yes, the NOFA does not limit the number of different projects an applicant may request for funding consideration.

Question 8: Does the primary applicant for the GHAP CB grant need to be the same entity that will be the sponsor on the future HOME ARP development application?

Answer: No

Question 9: We don't plan to serve a specific PSH/Veteran/DV survivor population and wanted to confirm whether or not we could still qualify for the GHAP capacity building grant with a project with a normal low-income housing 30%/60% MFI resident population?

Answer: No. There are other capacity building resources being programmed for general affordable housing development projects, these are specifically targeted to applicants with an intent to develop service enriched housing projects in rural communities.

Question 10: What is the cap for indirect costs/administrative costs for GHAP CB?

Answer: This GHAP CB grant has an 15% cap on indirect/administrative costs. Native nations applicants may request flexibility in this cap due to their specific NICRA needs.