2017 Mainstream Voucher Program: Opportunity for CoC-PHA Partnership

Technical Assistance Collaborative and National Alliance to End Homelessness

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Agenda

• Introductions
  • Marie Herb and Lisa Sloane, TAC
  • Steve Berg, NAEH

• Mainstream Voucher NOFA Overview

• Developing a Partnership for the Mainstream Program
  • Identifying PHA Partners
  • What You Can Offer PHAs
  • Mapping out the Program

• Fred Swan, Housing Opportunity Commission of Montgomery County, Maryland

• Questions
Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC)

A national nonprofit organization based in Boston, Massachusetts, TAC advances proven solutions to the housing and community support services needs of low-income people with disabilities and people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

TAC Focus Areas
- Adult, Youth, & Family Homelessness
- Housing First
- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Rapid Re-Housing
- Affordable Housing
- Community Integration
- Mental Health & Substance Use
- Medicaid
- Children & Transition-Age Youth
- Health Care Integration
- Housing & Supportive Services for Veterans

TAC Services
- Strategic Planning
- Policy & Systems Design
- Financing & Reimbursement Optimization
- Program Development
- Evaluation & Quality Improvement
- Customized Technical Assistance & Training
The National Alliance to End Homelessness is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization whose sole purpose is to end homelessness in the United States. We use research and data to find solutions to homelessness; we work with federal and local partners to create a solid base of policy and resources that support those solutions; and then we help communities implement them.
Overview of 2017 Mainstream Voucher Program NOFA
Available Funding

• $100 million
  • $13 million - FY17 Funds
  • $87 million of $385 million - FY 18 Fund

• Nearly $300 million remaining from FY 18 for future NOFAs
• Minimum award $75,000; maximum award $5 million
• HUD expects to make 40 awards
• June 18 application deadline!
Who Can Apply for these Funds?

- Only PHAs that administer housing choice voucher (HCV) assistance and non-profits that already administer HCV mainstream assistance are eligible to apply.
- Indian Housing Authorities (IHAs) are not eligible to apply.
HUD Partnership, Goals and Target Populations

- HUD partnered with HHS to design this NOFA with representatives from the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services (CMCS), the Administration for Community Living (ACL), and the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE).
- Helps further the goals of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) by helping persons with disabilities live in the most integrated setting.
- Encourages partnerships with health and human service agencies with a demonstrated capacity to coordinate voluntary services and supports to enable individuals to live independently in the community.
- Incentivizes PHAs to assist non-elderly persons with disabilities who are:
  - Transitioning out of institutional or other segregated setting,
  - At serious risk of institutionalization,
  - Homeless, or
  - At risk of becoming homeless
Who is eligible for the vouchers?

- Eligible household: A household composed of one or more non-elderly person with disabilities, which may include additional household members who are not non-elderly persons with disabilities. A household where the sole member is an emancipated minor is not an eligible household.

- Non-elderly person with disabilities (for purposes of determining eligibility): A person 18 years of age or older and less than 62 years of age, and who:
  - (i) Has a disability, as defined in 42 U.S.C. 423;
  - (ii) Is determined, pursuant to HUD regulations, to have a physical, mental, or emotional impairment that:
    - (A) Is expected to be of long-continued and indefinite duration;
    - (B) Substantially impedes his or her ability to live independently, and
    - (C) Is of such a nature that the ability to live independently could be improved by more suitable housing conditions; or
  - (iii) Has a developmental disability as defined in 42 U.S.C. 6001.
Who is eligible to receive these vouchers?

All categories of homelessness under the HUD definition:

• Category 1: Literally homeless (shelter, unsheltered, in a place not meant for human habitation)

• Category 2: At risk of homelessness (losing their housing within 14 days and have no subsequent housing identified)

• Category 3: Homeless under other Federal programs (RHY, DOE, etc.)

• Category 4: Fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence

• AND...
Who is eligible to receive these vouchers

Households at risk of homelessness:

• Different than HUD’s Category 2 definition of homelessness
• Covers households who are at risk of homelessness due to their housing instability
• Check the NOFA for specific requirements the household would have to meet
Competitive NOFA

Scoring Criteria – 100 points

• Capacity and Experience: Up to 60 points
  • PHA Capacity and Demonstrated Commitment to Provide Housing for Persons with Disabilities (Up to 25 points)
  • Partner Agency Capacity (Up to 15 points)
  • Geographic Jurisdiction (Up to 10 points)
  • Admission Preference for target populations (10 points)

• Leveraging Resources: 30 points

• Achieving Results and Program Evaluation: Up to 10 points
ASPE Evaluation—Conclusions and Lessons Learned

• Rating criteria are largely based on findings from a study on the Non-Elderly Disabled Category 2 Voucher Program (NED 2) [link](https://aspe.hhs.gov/system/files/pdf/76986/Cat2Housing.pdf).

• Study Conclusions:
  • Ensure good communication and strong partnerships between PHA and service partners.
  • PHA assign dedicated program staff to track and monitor program.
  • Service partner assign staff with housing knowledge.
  • Relax rules governing voucher portability.
Capacity and Experience (60 points)

PHA Capacity and Demonstrated Commitment to Provide Housing for Persons with Disabilities (Up to 25 points)

- Up to 10 points for each: Section 811 PRA, NED2 Vouchers, or similar
- Up to 5 points for each: system to track/monitor referrals
- Up to 5 points for each: leveraged resources for home modifications, rent deposit, move in costs, furniture
- Up to 3 points each: incentives for accessible housing
- Up to 3 points each: partner with accessible housing registry, housing search for accessible units
- Up to 5 points each: other similar experience
Capacity and Experience

Partner Agency Capacity (Up to 15 points)

- Up to 5 points each: Securing accommodations
- Up to 5 points each: Transitioning people from institutions to community
- Up to 5 points: Coordinating voluntary services
- Up to 5 points: Other similar assistance
Capacity and Experience

Geographic Jurisdiction (Up to 10 points)

• 10 points: Portability allowed prior to leasing; or
• 10 points: Statewide program; or
• 5 points: Consortium, cooperative agreement or other
Capacity and Experience

Admission Preference for target populations (10 points)

• PHA/non-profit will provide a certification statement agreeing to grant a preference in their administrative plan for persons with disabilities who are transitioning out of institutional and other segregated settings, at serious risk of institutionalization, homeless, or at risk of becoming homeless.

• Update to administrative plan must be completed within one calendar year of award date.
Leveraging Resources (30 points)

- 10 points: coordinating outreach and referral
- 10 points: training and coordination of program implementation
- 4 points: housing search assistance
- 3 points: move-in assistance
- 3 points: referring, coordinating or providing Home and Community Based Services
Achieving Results and Program Evaluation (Up to 10 points)

- 5 points: Detailed program evaluation plan provided
- 10 points: Detailed program evaluation provided and centralized tracking will be used by PHA and partners
Developing Your Partnership
Identifying PHA Partners

You have relationship with PHAs!
• You have relationships with PHAs!
• PHAs are CoC members.
• PHAs participate in CoC funded projects.

No relationship with your PHA?
• See HUD links to PHAs
• TAC’s Voucher Database
• “Six Degrees of Separation”
HA Contact Information by State (Map)

https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/pha/contacts/
# PHA Contact Information

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Database of Vouchers for People with Disabilities (TAC)

http://www.tacinc.org/knowledge-resources/vouchers-database/
What You Can Offer PHAs

Relationships with the target population

- People with disabilities who are homeless
  - People experiencing chronic homelessness
- People with disabilities who are at risk of homelessness
What You Can Offer PHAs

Experience implementing CoC Tenant-based Rental Assistance Programs.

- System to track/monitor referrals
- Housing Search
- Security deposit
- Furniture and move-in costs
- Move-in assistance
- Coordinating service/supports
- Providing tenancy supports
What You Can Offer PHAs

Coordinated Entry to identify applicants.

• System to track/monitor referrals
• Coordinating outreach and referral
Map Out Important Activities with the PHA

• Outreach – who will be identifying persons in the target population(s)?
• Tracking referral and leasing – how will you make midcourse corrections if needed? How will you know a correction is needed?
• Housing Search – how will housing search be made available to participants? How will accessible units be identified or nonaccessible units be made accessible?
• Move-in – who will provide funds for move-in such as security deposit, furniture, move-in costs. Who will assist with the actual move-in?
Map Out Important Activities with Your Partner(s)

- Reasonable accommodations – who will assist the tenant in making requests?
- Supports – how will voluntary services be made available to tenants? How will partners help tenants to sustain tenancies? How will partners assist if tenant is not complying with lease requirements?
- Portability – how will partners assist a participant to port their voucher and identify services/supports in their new locale?
- How will you sustain your partnership with your PHA and other partners? Regular meetings? Single point of contact for each partner?
- Will you hold regular meetings with services providers to address any issues or concerns?
Fred Swan, Director of Resident Services
Housing Opportunities Commission of
Montgomery County, Maryland
Questions and Resources
AAQ and Other Resources

For additional questions, please submit a question to the CoC Program AAQ.

- [https://www.hudexchange.info/program-support/my-question/](https://www.hudexchange.info/program-support/my-question/)
- Fill out the required information and select “CoC Program” from the drop down menu under “My question is related to”

HUD Mainstream NOFA Website


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