

July 25, 2022

From: Bob Atchley, Senior Planner, City of Springfield, MO

Re: Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care Special Opportunity to Address

Unsheltered Homelessness Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

## **NOTICE: OAEH Request for Project Applications for HUD CoC Funding**

The Springfield/Greene, Christian, and Webster Counties Continuum of Care (DBA Ozarks Alliance to End Homelessness - OAEH) is seeking project applications for eligible project types in response to the Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care Special Opportunity to Address Unsheltered Homelessness Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). This Notice summarizes Threshold Requirements for CoC Project Applications, the OAEH Application Process, Methods for Applying for a New Project, Component Definitions, and Available Funding. Please direct questions to Bob Atchley at <a href="mailto:batchley@springfieldmo.gov">batchley@springfieldmo.gov</a>.

## **Program Description:**

The purpose of this Special NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness (Special NOFO) is to target efforts to reduce unsheltered homelessness, particularly in communities with very high levels of unsheltered homelessness and homelessness in rural areas. Through this Special NOFO, HUD will award funding to communities to implement coordinated approaches -- grounded in Housing First and public health principles -- to reduce the prevalence of unsheltered homelessness, and improve services engagement, health outcomes, and housing stability among highly vulnerable unsheltered individuals and families. HUD expects applicant communities to partner with health and housing agencies to leverage mainstream housing and healthcare resources.

The Springfield/Greene, Christian and Webster Counties CoC does not qualify to apply for Rural Homeless Set Aside funding.

In order to assist agencies with project applications, the OAEH will hold a virtual application training on July 29, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Interested parties should RSVP to Michelle Garand at <a href="majarand@cpozarks.org">majarand@cpozarks.org</a>. This training is mandatory for any agency submitting a project application.

Who should attend: Any agencies (non-profits, faith communities, or governmental entities) who plan to apply for funding through this grant application process.

Interested applicants are strongly encouraged to review the following:

- COC Special Project NOFO
- HUD's CoC Special NOFO Competition Page



OAEH Application Timeline, Process, and Supporting Documents

#### **MO-600 Maximum Award**

The HUD CoC Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside Maximum Award Amount for the Springfield/Greene, Christian, and Webster Counties Continuum of Care (MO-600) totals \$1,087,968.

Our local Continuum of Care is not eligible for Rural Set Aside funding under HUD definition for this NOFO.

**Grant Term**: 3 Years

## **Eligible Projects:**

- Permanent Housing
  - Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH)
  - Permanent Housing-Rapid Re-housing (PH-RRH)
- Joint TH and PH-RRH
- Supportive Service Only
  - Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE)
  - Street Outreach (SSO-SO)
  - Standalone SSO
- HMIS
- CoC Planning (for Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside Only)

\*Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside may not be used for Acquisition, new construction, or rehabilitation activities.

### **Threshold Requirements of HUD CoC Funded Projects**

All CoC funded projects are required to comply with all federal rules and regulations listed in the NOFO, as well as participate in the OAEH. Requirements include (but are not limited to):

- Provide the following documentation to HUD via agency's e-snaps application to determine eligibility: HUD form 50070, HUD form 2880, Agency Code of Conduct, SAM Registration, and DUNS number. Other documents may be required.
- Utilize Housing First principles in the implementation of the project
- Participate in the OAEH Coordinated Entry System, and follow all policies and procedures related to the Coordinated Entry System, including regular program-level attendance at Case Conferencing Meetings
- Participate in Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) or OAEH approved comparable database and comply with all policies and federal mandates surrounding use of HMIS
- Participate in the OAEH as an active member. CoC funded projects must meet attendance requirements, currently 75% of monthly Systems and Services Committee Meetings and 75% of quarterly General Membership Meetings.

## **OAEH Application Process**



Agencies must complete the following steps to successfully apply for CoC funding for a new project:

## **Agency Intent to Submit**

Agencies who wish to apply for CoC funding for ANY project (including New or Renewal must submit an Intent to Submit to the CoC Lead Agency, the City of Springfield, by August 5, 2022 by 12:00 p.m. (NOON). The Intent to Submit may be delivered in person to 840 Boonville, Planning Department, Attn: Bob Atchley or emailed to <a href="mailto:batchley@springfieldmo.gov">batchley@springfieldmo.gov</a>. Intent to submit forms are located <a href="mailto:Here">Here</a>.

# <u>Project Grant Application in E-Snaps and Supplemental Documentation</u>

All interested applicants must create a profile and complete an online application for CoC funding in e-snaps, HUD's online application system, by September 19, 2022 by 12:00 p.m. (NOON). Applications must be submitted in PDF format to Bob Atchley, either by email (<a href="mailto:batchley@springfieldmo.gov">batchley@springfieldmo.gov</a>) or in person to 840 Boonville, Planning Department, Attn: Bob Atchley.

## **OAEH Ranking**

Project applications in e-snaps will be reviewed by the OAEH NOFO committee and prioritized during the OAEH Rank and Review process. .