

# The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

# **Planning Department**

Housing and Community Development Division 420 W. Main, Suite 920 Oklahoma City, OK 73102

# NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY FOR HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) 2022-2023

#### **Introduction:**

The City of Oklahoma City Planning Department Housing and Community Development Division (City) is soliciting proposals from experienced service providers for 2022-2023 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) funds in the amount of \$1,146,166 allocated to the City of Oklahoma City by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for use in providing housing and services to meet the needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS.

Applicants may submit proposals for all or part of the available funding under this solicitation. Submittals must be made electronically during the period starting June 8, 2022 and ending 5:00 pm July 8, 2022.

A technical assistance/question & answer meeting will be held on June 15, 2022 from 10:00 am to 10:30 am. This meeting will occur virtually through Zoom. Attendance is <u>required</u> for all proposing agencies.

Zoom meeting log in: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81371585639

Or call in (audio only) 1(346) 248-7799

Meeting ID: 813 7158 5639

Please contact Jerod Shadid at (405) 297-3608 or **jerod.shadid@okc.gov** for any questions you may have regarding this solicitation.

The City will review each proposal in regard to conformance with the guidelines outlined below as well as HUD's HOPWA program requirements. This solicitation outlines the type of programs requested and criteria that must be followed by each entity wishing to be considered for funding. Applicants can apply for all or part of the funds available. Available funds are drawn on a reimbursement basis.

The CoC Board will make recommendations for funding to the City Council during the City Council meeting on August 2, 2022

Applicants with projects approved for funding will enter into an Operating Agreement, which will define HOPWA program regulations and special project terms and conditions.

The solicitation and application form for the HOPWA program is available online at <a href="http://www.coalitiontoendpoverty.org/">http://www.coalitiontoendpoverty.org/</a> All submissions must be made electronically.

All applications will need to be submitted via e-mail to **jerod.shadid@okc.gov** cc: **lindsay.cates@okc.gov** 

## **Section I. Eligible Applicants:**

Applicants must be private nonprofit (registered 501c3) organizations and must demonstrate sufficient experience for the proposed activity or project and must have current capacity to administer and carry out this project.

### **Section II. Program Goals:**

- Establish or better maintain a stable living environment.
- Reduce the risk of homelessness.
- Provide for an individualized comprehensive housing and services plan, including case management and improved access to and usage of HIV/AIDS treatment and other health care.
- Encourage the self-sufficiency and stability of participants by securing eligible mainstream resources and other services that bolster independence as well as employment for participants when feasible. (Mainstream programs may include Food Stamps, Ryan White Services, SSI, WIA and similar Federal and State programs).
- Coordinate with other public / private agencies serving persons with HIV/AIDS.
- Provide confidentiality for program participants.

The funds must be used within the Oklahoma City Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area (EMSA), a seven county area of central Oklahoma (Canadian, Cleveland, Grady, Logan, Lincoln, McClain, and Oklahoma counties). Any program funded in whole or in part with HOPWA entitlement funds must serve eligible persons living anywhere within the EMSA, including those not within the jurisdiction of the City. Residents of the proposed housing must be individuals or families whose incomes meet federal and local guidelines.

## **Section III. Eligible Activities:**

Applications can include one or more of the eligible HOPWA activities:

- Housing information services including, but not limited to, counseling, information, and referral services to assist an eligible person to locate, acquire, finance and maintain housing. This may also include fair housing counseling;
- Acquisition, rehabilitation, conversion, lease, and repair of facilities to provide safe and decent housing;
- New construction:
- Project or tenant-based rental assistance, including shared housing arrangements;
- Short-term rent, mortgage, and utility payments to prevent homelessness;
- Supportive services, including health (eligible persons only), mental health services, assessment, permanent housing placement, drug and alcohol abuse treatment and counseling, customized employment services, day care, personal assistance, nutritional services, intensive care when required, and assistance gaining access to local State, and Federal government benefits and services;

Applicant administrative expenses cannot exceed a maximum of 7% of the grant request—the City retains 3% of the grant.

#### **Section IV. Available Funding:**

\$1,181,614
- \$35,448 (City Admin.)
\$1,146,166 (7% Program Admin. is available for any program funded)

#### **Section V. Proposal Submission:**

Each application must be submitted via e-mail by the stated deadline to <a href="mailto:jerod.shadid@okc.gov">jerod.shadid@okc.gov</a> cc: <a href="mailto:lindsay.cates@okc.gov">lindsay.cates@okc.gov</a>. The CITY reserves the right to request other project-related information at any time during the proposal review process. Successful applicants must submit a signed Anti-collusion Affidavit prior to contract award.

## **Section VI. Evaluation Criteria:**

Other Scoring Elements	Scoring Description	Possible	Actual
		Score	Score
Previous Experience	Experience serving PLWHA, compliance with previous funding	0-15	
	requirements, or no monitoring issues		
Capacity	Agency has the ability to undertake the proposed work. Agency has	0-10	
	internal quality controls, internals fiscal accounting controls, and		
	budget monitoring procedures that are adequate to manage a		
	program of this size and type.		
Proposed Goals	Agency provided attainable and measurable goals and outcomes for	0-10	
	the program.		
EMSA Area	Agency has a plan of how it will serve the seven county EMSA area.	0-10	
Data Quality	Agency has a process and plan to collect, enter and report project	0-10	
	level data		
Supportive Service Plan	Description of plan to ensure that that all HOPWA participants will	0-15	
	receive supportive services, including a plan for providing care as a		
	resident's health status changes.		
Collaboration with	Agency is actively collaborating with community partners.	0-10	
community partners			
Statement of Work	Overall description of proposed project, goals, and policies	0-20	
TOTAL SCORE		0-100	