Notification and Solicitation Availability of Grants for Homelessness

Date: July 6, 2018

The Macon County Continuum of Care (CoC) announces the availability of grants to prevent and end homelessness through the United States Department of Urban Development's "Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Fiscal Year 2018 Continuum of Care Competition." The CoC is open to, and it will accept and consider proposals from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program Grants.

Applications must be submitted electronically to the Macon Country Continuum of Care (IL-516) using e-snaps by July 23, 2018 at 5pm. See instructions below.

The CoC will notify applicants of acceptance, rejection, or modification of their projects no later than **August 6, 2018**

<u>Organizations that have not received CoC funding in the past are encouraged to apply.</u> All interested organizations are urged to contact the CoC and read the NOFA in its entirely **before** submitting an application. Select this <u>link</u> to download the NOFA. Select this <u>link</u> to access critical instructions and guidance from a HUD website.

Organizations with track records of serving <u>victims of domestic violence</u> are especially urged to consider applying for Domestic Violence Bonus funds (see below). Please contact the CoC for assistance.

Please understand that HUD has specific requirements for applicants, including:

- The Continuum of Care will carefully review the qualifications of the applicant and the proposed project to assure that they meet HUD's threshold requirements.
- Projects that (1) are eligible; and (2) that meet HUD's threshold requirements; and (3) that
 demonstrate need; and (4) that demonstrate organizational capacity, will be accepted and
 ranked in priority order using an objective process. The ranking process will be posted on this
 website.
- Individuals, for-profit organizations, and unincorporated entities are not eligible to apply.
- Under the Domestic Violence Bonus, organizations may apply for targeted projects serving victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and/or trafficking. These projects may be: Rapid Rehousing; Joint Transitional Housing and Permanent Housing/Rapid Rehousing; and specialized Coordinated Entry.
- Only three types of projects are eligible: Rapid Rehousing; Permanent Supportive Housing for persons with disabilities who experience long-term or repeated homelessness; and Joint Transitional Housing and Permanent Housing/Rapid Rehousing. The NOFA provides details on each of these.
- Applicant organizations must use the e-snaps system to submit their proposals. If interested, you are strongly urged to create an "Applicant Profile" in e-snaps immediately. Select this <u>link</u> to access the log-in page for *e-snaps*. If you do not have an *e-snaps* user account, select "Create a Profile" from the *e-snaps* log-in page. The CoC will provide assistance with this step upon request.

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