

**2018 Continuum of Care Grant
Proposed Grant Application
Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Domestic Violence
Bonus Funding Opportunity**

South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium is currently soliciting applications for Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Domestic Violence Bonus Projects. Applicants should utilize a Housing First approach for assisting people experiencing homelessness. Eligible projects include:

- New Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) projects that meet the requirements where 100 percent of the beds are dedicated to individuals and families experiencing chronic homelessness.
- New Rapid Re-housing projects (RRH) that will serve homeless individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth.
- New projects for Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus funding to provide housing or support services for Coordinated Entry for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. Projects may provide Rapid Re-housing, joint Transitional and Rapid Re-housing, or Support Services only for Coordinated Entry (SSO-CES).

Housing First Definition: A homeless assistance approach that is guided by the belief that people need basic necessities like housing, before attending to less critical issues. Housing First asserts that client choice is valuable in the selection of housing and support services participation. Support services are offered, but participation is not required as a condition to receive housing services. Homelessness is understood as first and foremost a housing crisis.

Permanent Supportive Housing Definition: Permanent housing intervention with indefinite leasing or rental assistance paired with supportive services to assist those experiencing homelessness with a disability, or families with an adult or child member with a disability, achieve housing stability.

Rapid Re-Housing Definition: Permanent housing intervention that emphasizes housing search and relocation services and short and medium term rental assistance to move homeless persons and families (with or without a disability) as quickly as possible into permanent housing. RRH connects families and individuals experiencing homelessness to permanent housing and tailored assistance that is time-limited. Project goals in RRH for those experiencing homelessness; obtain housing quickly, increase self-sufficiency, and remain housed.

Funding will come from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Community Planning and Development. Information on the CoC Program can be found at <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/>. The definitions used in this application were also obtained from this source. Funds can be used for new construction, rehabilitation, operating, and leasing. Please carefully read the description for this funding program before completing an application. **Supportive Service expenses for housing programs should be extremely limited and applicants should consider including funding for supportive services from additional sources.**

Pre-Application

Application deadline is 5:00 p.m. (CST), Monday, July 23rd, 2018. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Pre-Applications can be submitted as an e-mail attachment to: davis@sdhda.org, or fax the form to (605) 773-5154 (Attn: Davis Schofield), or mail it to Davis Schofield, South Dakota Housing Development Authority, PO Box 1237, Pierre, SD 57501. **ONLY SUBMIT THE PRE-APPLICATION.** Do not submit any other information or materials.

Selection Process:

No funding will be awarded based on a Pre-Application. Prior to the full application process, pre-applications will be reviewed for basic program eligibility, the amount of funding available and other criteria by the Policy and Advisory Committee (PAC). The PAC is comprised of formerly homeless people and community/state professionals – including staff from the South Dakota Housing Development Authority who serves as support for the PAC.

The pre-application will convey basic information on the proposal to help determine its eligibility for HUD funding, relationship to the South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium goals, project feasibility, applicant experience and capacity to undertake the project in a timely manner.

Eligible Applicants: Pre-applications will only be accepted from eligible public non-profit agencies, private non-profit agencies, units of government and public housing authorities. A private non-profit is any agency with tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code. Tribes, tribal housing authorities and for profit entities are ineligible for Continuum of Care funding.

Applicants must understand that the type and amount of funding requested will significantly impact the entire South Dakota Housing for the Homeless Consortium application and its competitiveness for funding. Please read the following very carefully:

1. **Capital Funding:** Funding for acquisition, rehabilitation, and new construction. Projects requesting capital funding may be single site or scattered site housing models. However, if the project also requires funding for operations or supportive services, refer to Items 2 and 3 below. A high-quality proposal that requests capital funding but has assurances of adequate funding from other sources for supportive services may rank higher in the selection process.

2. **Operating Funding:** Operating costs are those associated with the day-to-day operation of the supportive housing project.

3. **Service Funding:** Supportive Housing Program (SHP) funding for supportive services is extremely limited. To be considered for higher ranking, applicants should consider maximizing other (non SHP) funding for the service portion of the application.

Completing this application does not automatically qualify your proposed project for inclusion into the 2018 Continuum of Care Grant process. The Policy and Advisory Committee (PAC) for the Housing for the Homeless Consortium will use this information to make determinations of eligibility only.

Project Information (please type or print)

Project Name:	
Applicant Name:	
Project Address	
Project Sponsor's Name:	
Sponsor's Address (street, city, state, & zip):	
Amount of funding Requested:	
Authorized Representative of Project Sponsor (name, title, phone number, & fax):	

Program Components/Types

Please check the box that best classifies your proposed project. Check only **one** box. The components/types are:

- New Permanent Supportive Housing projects where all beds will be dedicated for use by chronically homeless individuals and families **or** new Permanent Supportive Housing projects for individuals and families experiencing homelessness were chronic individuals will be given a preference in housing.

- New Rapid Re-housing projects for homeless individuals and families who enter directly from the streets or emergency shelters, youth up to age 24, and victims fleeing a domestic violence situation.

- New projects for Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus funding to provide housing or support services for Coordinated Entry for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. Projects may provide Rapid Re-housing, joint Transitional and Rapid Re-housing, or Support Services Only for Coordinated Entry (SSO-CES).

Project Narrative

1. **Project narrative.** Please provide the following:

a. Project description: _____

b. Total funding requested and the percent of this request for housing the following activities. acquisition, rehabilitation, new construction, leasing of housing, and operations for supportive housing: _____

c. The type of housing (apartments, group home) proposed, if applicable: _____

2. **Homeless population to be served.** Briefly describe the following:

a. What are the identified characteristics and needs for housing and supportive services? _____

b. Where will participants come from? Indicate percentage coming from: (e.g., streets, emergency shelters, transitional housing for homeless persons who came from street/shelters or other). Permanent housing projects may only serve those who come from the street, emergency shelter or transitional housing: _____

c. Explain outreach plan to identify and offer services to those experiencing Homelessness:

3. **Housing where participants will reside.** For applicants requesting SHP funds for Permanent Supportive Housing for chronic or non-chronic homeless individuals and families, or Rapid Re-Housing Program funding for homeless individuals and families, youth up to age 24, and victims fleeing a domestic violence situation. Demonstrate each of the following:

a. The TYPE (e.g., apartments, group home) **and** SCALE (e.g., number of units, number of persons per unit) of the proposed housing to fit the needs of the participants: _____

b. The COMMUNITY AMENITIES (e.g., medical facilities, grocery store, recreation facilities, schools, etc.) that will be readily ACCESSIBLE (e.g., walking distance, bus, etc.) to participants: _____

4. **Supportive Services the participants will be offered and plans associated.** Demonstrate for each:

a. TYPE (e.g., case management, job training) **and** SCALE (the frequency and duration) of the Supportive Services offered to fit the needs of the participants: _____

b. WHERE the Supportive Services will be provided **and** WHAT transportation will be available to participants to access offered services: _____

c. Details of plan to ensure that all participants experiencing homelessness will be offered assistance to; identify, apply for, and obtain benefits for each of the following mainstream health and social services programs for which they are eligible: SSI, TANF, Medicaid, EBT, CHIP, Workforce Investment Act and Veterans Health Care programs: _____

5. **Accessing Permanent Housing.** Describe specifically how participants will be assisted **both** to OBTAIN **and** REMAIN in PERMANENT HOUSING. _____

6. **Self-sufficiency.** Describe specifically how participants will be assisted **both** to increase their INCOMES **and** to maximize their ability to LIVE INDEPENDENTLY. _____

7. **DV SSO-CES.** Describe specifically plans to utilize funding to implement policies, procedures, and practices that equip the CoC's Coordinated Entry System to better meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. _____
