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# ***Planning for the Year Ahead: FY17 Homeless Services Resources***



**District of Columbia Interagency Council on Homelessness  
Department of Human Services**

**The Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness**

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# Today's Agenda

- I. Welcome/Introductions/Meeting Purpose
- II. Key Funding Streams
- III. Changes in FY17
- IV. Transition Period
- V. Realignment of Locally-funded PSH
- VI. Other Notes/Reminders
- VII. Questions



# I. Introductions

- ❖ Interagency Council on Homelessness
  - Responsible for strategic planning, policy development, strategic partnerships, and interagency coordination
  - Serves as CoC Governance Board (per HEARTH Act)
- ❖ Department of Human Services
  - Lead on homeless service system operations
  - Receives majority of local dollars for homeless services
- ❖ The Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness
  - CoC Collaborative Applicant (per HEARTH Act); administrative agent for HUD McKinney-Vento dollars
  - HMIS Administrator (per HEARTH Act)
  - Administrative Agent for significant percentage of local dollars via DHS.



## II. Key Funding Streams

- ❖ HUD Continuum of Care dollars
- ❖ DHS Management Contract
- ❖ DHS Sole Source Contract
- ❖ DHS PSHP Resources
- ❖ Other DHS Funding (Depends on Appropriations)
  - RRH-Individuals
  - Youth Homelessness
  - Family Homelessness Prevention
  - Shallow Subsidy



# HUD Continuum of Care

- ❖ Annual competition; HUD NOFA outlines funding availability, requirements, and evaluation criteria.
- ❖ Timing varies, but typically fall/early winter (with awards the following spring)
- ❖ Collaborative Applicant (TCP) responsible for assembling District's application.
- ❖ Amount of resources available to the District depends on our performance as a community.
- ❖ (Non-conflicted) work group of ICH Data and Performance Mgmt Committee responsible for rating/ranking project proposals.
- ❖ Because of delay in executing grant agreements, HUD requires applicants to have match resources.

# DHS Sole Source Contract



- ❖ Funds are intended to help fill gaps in services in the community, help with match for the Federal resources, etc.
- ❖ Issued as a “sole source” to TCP due to their designation as the community’s Collaborative Applicant under the HEARTH Act.
- ❖ In FY16, the total cost of this contract was \$18.5M.
- ❖ TCP distributed funds to 30 nonprofit providers for approximately 60 programs.

# DHS Management Oversight Contract



- ❖ Larger, competitively solicited “management oversight” contract in which the Prime Contractor subcontracts with providers for services and site management, but centrally procures security, food, maintenance, and janitorial services.
- ❖ The Prime is also responsible for training, monitoring, and performance oversight.
- ❖ The Prime is responsible for the direct provision of services for any facility/program for which no bids are received.
- ❖ In FY16, the total cost for this contract was \$93.2M
- ❖ TCP is currently the Prime Contractor.
- ❖ FY16 was the final option year on the current contract.
- ❖ DHS recompeted this contract over the summer; a new contract will be awarded on or before Oct 1.



# III. Key Changes Coming in FY17

- ❖ Management Contract will include:
  - Those programs in District-owned buildings (eg, NY Ave, 801 East, DC General, hypothermia locations).
  - Centrally procured services for those sites (food, security, janitorial services, maintenance).
  - Funds for Family Re-Housing and Stabilization Program (FRSP) case management.
    - FRSP subsidies will be paid by DCHA beginning Oct 1
- ❖ Services being de-scoped from Management Contract:
  - Eligibility Function at VWFRC (being insourced to DHS)
  - Youth Programs (will be eligible to compete under SS)
  - Street Outreach (will be eligible to compete under SS)
  - Hotline/Transportation (separate competitive grant process)
  - FRSP Subsidies (being paid by DCHA)

# Changes to Management Contract, Contd.



- ❖ Contract includes clarified expectations/requirements.
- ❖ Prime Contractor will be required to recompete all subcontracts.
- ❖ During the recompete, providers should expect a greater emphasis on performance and alignment with Opening Doors (the Federal strategic plan) and Homeward DC (the District's strategic plan).

# Changes to the Sole Source Contract



- ❖ Resources for those programs operated in provider-owned or leased facilities.
  
- ❖ Process will mirror HUD CoC process
  - Each year, DHS (or its designee) will issue a notice of funding availability, outlining funding priorities, threshold requirements, match requirements, etc.
  - Projects will be rated and ranked according to criteria set forth in the funding notice.
  - Similar to management contract, providers should expect a stronger focus on performance and alignment with the Homeward DC plan.



## IV. Transition Period

- ❖ To allow for the re-compete of subcontracts, existing contracts will be extended for up to 4 months.
- ❖ Exception is those services being de-scoped from the management contract.
  - If this impacts your program, DHS and/or TCP have already had conversations with your agency.
- ❖ After the extension period, all providers will need to re-compete to continue receipt of funding.

# V. Realignment of Locally-Funded PSH



- ❖ Previously, funding of PSH has occurred under multiple different funding vehicles.
  
- ❖ In order to ease administration and create more consistency in requirements, we are realigning all programs funded with local dollars under DHS Human Care Agreements.
  
- ❖ This includes:
  - Scattered Site PSH (PSHP program)
  - New Projects funded through the Consolidated RFP
  - Legacy PSH in District Owned Buildings

# Realignment of Locally-Funded PSH, Cont.



- ❖ Does NOT include support for Federal S+C programs.
  - Providers can apply for resources via the Sole Source Grant.
  
- ❖ Data Entry Considerations
  - DHS uses Housing The Homeless (HTH) – a Quickbase application – to manage their PSH contracts (including review of case notes to process/approve invoices).
  - However, this means we lose track of clients in HMIS, which is problematic when it comes to evaluating system outcomes and generating reports for EOM and HUD.
  - We are working on a technological fix that minimizes double data entry. Additional information forthcoming.



## VI. Notes/Reminders

- ❖ Future meetings will be scheduled to go into more detail
  - Bidders conferences for Mgmt and Sole Source Competitions
- ❖ Given increased focus on performance, we are working on providing as much technical assistance and capacity building support as possible.
  - Transitional Housing Conversion TA (offered last year)
  - ICH/DPM Performance Clinics and Performance & Quality Improvement Process (launched this summer – will be ongoing)
  - Technical Assistance for FRSP providers (launching in Oct.)
  - Housing First support (launching later this fall)
- ❖ Participate in ICH to stay informed of policy and programmatic changes, funding opportunities, and technical assistance opportunities.
  - <http://ich.dc.gov/events>



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