



H O M E W A R D

Strategic Partnerships Toward Ending Homelessness

Continuum of Care Builds

Notice of Funding Opportunity
September 11, 2024





CoCBUILDS - Purpose & Opportunity

- This opportunity targets efforts to address and reduce persons experiencing homelessness by adding new units of permanent supportive housing (PSH) through new construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation through one-time CoCBUILDS awards under the CoC Program.
- HUD is encouraging CoCs to leverage funds provided for construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of new PSH units with other funding sources to maximize the amount of housing that can be directed to meeting the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness.



CoCBuils - Purpose & Opportunity

The Polk County/DSM CoC is eligible for up to \$5,000,000 for a single PSH project

- HUD expects to make approximately 25 awards from the funds available under this NOFO.
- Available funds from this NOFO may assist rural areas in the development of new PSH units for eligible individuals and families and/or converting hotels or motels from their original use to permanent supportive housing may be more cost-effective than constructing new units.
- Estimated Project Start & End Dates- 10/01/2025-10/01/2030
- Grant terms may be two, three, four, or five years.
- Projects must match all grant funds with no less than 25 percent of funds or in-kind contributions from other sources
- Must include capital costs for new construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of new PSH units
- No more than 20% of costs can cover other eligible CoC program costs (Project-Based Rental Assistance, Supportive Services, & Operating)
- No more than 10% of the total amount requested can be used for Administration



CoCBuils - Goals

- Increase housing opportunities for people with high risk of levels of need.
- Increase the supply of permanent supportive housing units within CoC geographic areas to address individuals and families experiencing homelessness where one member of the household has a disability.
- Encourage coordination between housing providers, health care organizations, and social service providers.
- Ensure access to resources for projects to expand opportunities for new PSH units in States with populations less than 2.5 million.
- Ensure new PSH units are conveniently located near local services; e.g., walking distance, near reliable transportation services, provide access to telehealth.
- Affirmatively further fair housing by addressing barriers which perpetuate segregation, hinder access to areas of opportunity for protected class groups and concentrate affordable housing in under-resourced areas.
- Support Underserved Communities- Reduce Homelessness
- Ensure Access to & Increase the Production of Affordable Housing
- Advance Sustainable Communities- Strengthen Environmental Justice & Integrate Health & Housing



CoCBuils - Program Specific Requirements

Applications must address:

Advancing Racial Equity:

- You analyzed the racial composition of the persons or households who are expected to benefit, directly or indirectly, from your proposed award activities;
- You identified any potential barriers to persons or communities of color equitably benefiting from your proposed award activities;
- You detailed the steps you will take to prevent, reduce, or eliminate these barriers; and
- You have measures in place to track your progress and evaluate the effectiveness of your efforts to advance racial equity in your award activities.

Affirmative Marketing & Outreach- Any outreach or marketing conducted under a HUD award must be conducted broadly throughout the local area and nearby areas and targeted to reach any eligible persons in demographic groups that would be unlikely or least likely to be aware of the benefits of a HUD award absent such efforts, or entities that serve such groups.

Experience Promoting Racial Equity- Must demonstrate that the applicant has the experience and/or the resources to effectively address the needs of underserved communities, particularly Black and Brown communities

Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing- Must discuss how the applicant will carry out the proposed activities in a manner that affirmatively furthers fair housing in compliance with the Fair Housing Act and its implementing regulations and how applicants will meet the requirements of the definition of affirmatively furthering fair housing. If the applicant will carry out proposed activities with an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), the proposed activities should be consistent with the AFH's fair housing goals and with fair housing strategies specified in the jurisdiction's Consolidated Plan or Public Housing Agency Plan.



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Forms & Items Needed:

- Certification of Consistency Form- Form HUD-2991 must be completed and dated between June 1, 2024, and October 31, 2024.
- Grant Application Detailed Budget Worksheet (HUD-424-CBW)- Normal indirect cost rules under 2 CFR part 200, subpart E apply.
- SAM.gov- Information in SAM must be current for all times during which you have an active Federal award or an application or plan under consideration by HUD.
- Unique Entity Identifier- Must have valid UEI that is registered and active on SAM.gov.

Environmental Review:

- Projects selected for conditional award must be able to:
 - provide proof of site control (24 CFR 578.25) prior to execution of the grant agreement; and
 - execute the grant agreement with HUD no later than September 1, 2025.
- Additionally, projects selected for conditional award must:
 - have a completed environmental review before awarded funds can be drawn for project activities.; and
 - meet the timeliness standards outlined in 24 CFR 578.85 for new construction or rehabilitation activities.



CoCBuils - Rating Factors

HUD's application is based on 100 points and has a minimum score of 60 points.

The submission to HUD will include:

- A 25-page narrative
- Double-spaced
- 12-point Times New Roman font
- Each rating factor has a maximum number of pages

HUD will review applications to determine project eligibility and whether the applications meet eligibility and quality thresholds.

HUD will conditionally select applications based on CoCBuils application score using the following process:

- From all the applications for projects in states that have a population of 2,500,000 or fewer, HUD will select the highest scoring applications until a cumulative total of \$65,000,000 has been selected;
- Select the highest-scoring projects remaining, regardless of the population of the state in which the project is located. If there are not enough eligible projects submitted, HUD intends to add the remaining amount to this amount.



CoCBuils – Next Steps

Depending on the interest:

- If there is more than one eligible organization interested in this opportunity, the CoC will hold a local competition process which will include completion of the application, followed by the development of the 25-page narrative for submission to HUD.
- If there is one eligible organization interested in this opportunity, the CoC will work collaboratively with the applicant to complete the required 25-page narrative for submission to HUD.



CoCBuils – Next Steps

- Confirm intent to apply by email to aarthur@homewardiowa.org by 5 p.m. on Thursday, September 19th
- Applications are due by 5 p.m. on October 11th.
- If more than one application is received, the Homeward Grant Committee will review and score the applications.
- The Homeward Board to approve the application at October 28th meeting.
- The Des Moines City Council to approve the application at November 4th meeting.



Questions

Thank You!

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