

Subject: FY2017 HUD SuperNOFA CoC – Call for Ltr of Intent for New Project(s)

We are pleased to announce that HUD has released its FY2017 SuperNOFA for Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Assistance Program application. This is a competitive application process that is due to Washington, DC on September 28, 2017.

New projects may be created using available funds through **the Permanent Housing (PH) Bonus:**

- New **Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)** projects that meet the requirements of DedicatedPLUS as defined in Section III.A.3.d. of this NOFA or new **PSH** projects where 100 percent of the beds are dedicated to chronic homelessness.
- New **Rapid Re-Housing (RRH)** projects that will serve homeless individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth, who meet the following criteria:
 - a) residing in a place not meant for human habitation;
 - b) residing in an emergency shelter;
 - c) persons meeting the criteria of paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless, including persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence situations;
 - d) residing in a transitional housing project that was eliminated in the FY 2017 CoC Program Competition;
 - e) residing in transitional housing funded by a Joint TH and PH-RRH component project (see Section III.A.3.h. of this NOFA); or
 - f) receiving services from a VA-funded homeless assistance program and met one of the above criteria at initial intake to the VA's homeless assistance system.
- New **Joint Transitional Housing (TH) and PH-RRH** component projects as defined in Section III.A.3.h. of this NOFA to better serve homeless individuals and families, including individuals or families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence.

In the FY 2017 CoC Program Competition, CoCs may create new Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to better serve homeless individuals and families. The Joint TH and PH-RRH component project includes two existing program components—transitional housing and permanent housing-rapid rehousing—in a single project to serve individuals and families experiencing homelessness. For more information about new Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects, see Section V.G.2.c(2) of this NOFA for additional information.

If funded, HUD will limit eligible costs as follows, in addition to other limitations found in 24 CFR part 578:

- 1) capital costs (i.e., new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition), leasing of a structure or units, and operating costs to provide transitional housing;
- 2) short- or medium-term tenant-based rental assistance on behalf of program participants to pay for the rapid rehousing portion of the project;
- 3) supportive services;
- 4) HMIS; and
- 5) project administrative costs.

The County is seeking a new project(s) that meets the criteria listed above (New RRH and/or New Joint TH-RRH/PH-RRH). Currently, due to the Union County CoC renewal burden, Union County organizations interested in applying for a new project may only apply for funds in

the ***approximate amount of \$282,967***. Please note that any agency seeking to apply for these funds must serve ***new*** program participants.

The County is asking that **Project Sponsors for renewal and new projects be vigilant in submitting all requested information accurately and timely as requested by the County.** With HUD's tight time frame there will be no room for extensions. ***Please be advised it is the responsibility of the renewal project sub-recipient organization to ensure all information listed in the proposal is accurate/complete as the County is preparing and submitting the proposal on behalf of your organization.***

Again this year all projects will be ranked (new and renewal) and renewals may be at risk of reduction or loss of funding.

To be clear, any new project submitted in the FY2017 SuperNOFA CoC application will be ranked last in order to preserve renewal demand to the fullest extent.

In order to have a ***new project*** considered in the consolidated application for funding, we are inviting the ***Executive Directors*** of homeless assistance provider agencies and faith-based organizations to submit a Letter of Intent to apply ***no later than Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 3:00pm*** to the attention of:

Maureen Glenn
Union County Department of Human Services
mglenn@ucnj.org

The letter should include the telephone number and e-mail address of the person with whom the County will interact to complete the application for funding. *Your letter of intent should include an abstract of the proposed project identifying the project type [PSH, TH-RRH and PSH-RRH], project activity (leasing or rental assistance), including the eligible costs, target population: chronically homeless/ homeless youth/ homeless families, number of ***new*** housing units (scattered site/sponsor based), number of ***new*** beds per unit, location of housing structure (scattered site/sponsor based), and estimated project budget amount.*

For those interested applying for a new projects, ***attached*** for your reference and review is a sample application for the FY2017 CoC SuperNOFA application competition.

In order to expedite this technical application process, upon review of your Letter of Intent we will email you further instructions. ***All interested new project sponsors will be asked to attend a Technical Assistance Meeting (date/location/time to be determined).***

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office:

- Maureen Glenn at (908) 527-4838 or email mglenn@ucnj.org
- Christina Topolosky at (908) 527-4839 or email ctopolosky@ucnj.org

+All funds requested would be required to meet the 25% match, with the exception of leasing budget category, per the CoC Interim Rule (<https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2035/coc-program-interim-rule-formatted-version>).