



HUD CoC Special NOFO – Application Process Overview

Application and Rating Criteria

- Applicants had the opportunity to apply for one or both strategies (Permanent Supportive Housing and/or Joint Component – Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing)
- The application questions and criteria were the same for both strategies
- The RFP was composed of the following sections and rating criteria:
 - **TELL US WHO YOU ARE (10 points)**
 - Experience reflects a history of providing services that are focused on helping individuals gain safety, improve health and racial equity, and address barriers to securing housing.
 - An acceptable response will acknowledge the needs of the target population and include a plan that addresses the types of assistance that will be provided by the project applicant, or other partners, to ensure program participants served by this project will move into appropriate permanent housing as well as either remain in or move to other permanent housing once assistance is no longer needed.
 - **WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO? (20 points)**
 - Applicant has a logical, thorough plan to address the needs identified in this procurement process.
 - Applicant proposes to implement services within KCRHA’s jurisdiction and with the intended populations.
 - The ratio of direct-service staff to participants supports housing-focused services.
 - Applicant clearly explains and understands the fidelity-based Housing First Model.
 - Applicant clearly explains a realistic timeline which aligns with KCRHA’s priorities.
 - Applicant provides detail about the anticipated number of people housed and anticipates serving an underserved population.
 - Applicant proposes a program which leverages housing and other community resources to maximize permanent housing and health outcomes
 - **HOW IS YOUR WORK ADVANCING RACIAL EQUITY & SOCIAL JUSTICE? (35 points)**

- Applicant demonstrates how they empower their customers' potential and demonstrates an understanding of the historical systemic forms of oppression which harm the communities they serve.
- Applicant has a strong history and/or commitment working with and supporting low income BIPOC communities and individuals impacted by institutional racism.
- Applicant demonstrates how they currently or plan to include people with lived expertise into their program operations, policy development and leadership.
- Applicant effectively communicates how they 'share power' and respond to customer feedback by including customer voice in their planning, implementation, and evaluation of services.
- **TELL US ABOUT YOUR PARTNERSHIPS (25 points)**
 - Applicant clearly describes who and how they will partner with other agencies and/or other community stakeholders to accomplish their proposed program.
 - Applicant effectively demonstrates how they will leverage resources to create a more coordinated system of care that will improve housing and health outcomes.
 - Applicant proposes culturally responsive and identity affirming approaches within their partnerships.
 - Applicant's budget and explanation reflect a financially equitable partnership.
- **TELL US ABOUT YOUR DATA AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (5 points)**
 - Applicant explains their knowledge and capacity to collect and manage HMIS data or acknowledge areas of needed growth and capacity.
 - Applicant has experience or has the ability to meet reporting requirements with state, local and/or federally funded programs.
 - Applicant adequately describes its revenue, financial health, and financial management systems.
 - Applicant has a fiscal management system which maintains checks and balances and follows Generally Accepted Accounting Principles to safeguard all funds that may be awarded under the terms of this funding opportunity. If applicant lacks fiscal management capabilities, applicant identifies its fiscal sponsor.
- **HOW MUCH FUNDING IS NEEDED AND WHY? (5 points)**
 - Staff positions and ratios are designed to meet the needs of its customers.
 - Applicant explain each budget item and its use clearly.
 - Budget items seem logical and cost effective.

- If funds are being used from other sources, the applicant clearly lists the fund source(s) and budget allocations are clearly explained.

Applicant Overview

KCRHA received a total of four (4) applications for this funding process. Below is a high level overview of the applications which are currently being reviewed by the rating panel.

Agency	Name of Program	Type of Program	Amount Requested	# Being Served	Communities Being Served	Location
DESC	SHARP	PH-PSH	\$328,375.00	140	Chronically homeless single adults, veterans	Unclear - We serve and house people across King County
DESC	Woodland	PH-PSH	\$2,964,702.80	100	Chronically homeless single adults, literally homeless sing adults	817 N. 50th St and 4905 Aurora Ave. N., Seattle, WA 98103
Plymouth Housing	Blake House	PH-PSH	\$1,569,889.20	112	Single Adults, Survivors of DV, sexual assault, dating violence, stalking	1014 Boylston Avenue Seattle, WA 98104
St. Stephens	Nike Manor	Joint Component - TH-RRH	\$230,953.00	25-30	Families	For Transitional Housing component: Kent, Washington. For Rapid Re-housing component: various locations depending on client need and choice.

Rating Panel Overview

- The rating panel for this funding process involves a total of twelve (12) members.
- All members of the rating panel are subject matter experts and the majority of raters self-identify as having lived experience with homelessness and/or poverty:
 - Six (6) raters are part of the Lived Experience Coalition (LEC);
 - Three (3) raters are staff at KCRHA;
 - One (1) rater works with the Seattle Office of Housing;
 - One (1) rater works with King County Housing, Homelessness, and Community; Development Division; and
 - One (1) rater works for a nonprofit provider who did not apply for this RFP.
- Each panelist is currently reviewing each application. An average of the 12 scores will be used to help determine final funding recommendations.
- Rater's will meet on Tuesday, October 4th to discuss their ratings and determine a draft ranking for the A/C
- The draft rating and ranking will be sent to the A/C on October 4th for review prior to the A/C meeting on October 5th.