

New Projects

1. CARES, Inc. (Corporation for AIDS Research, Education and Services, Inc.)

a. Schenectady CoC Planning

Project Description: This grant funds the Collaborative Applicant for coordination and facilitation of the CoC's processes; including strengthening the current CoC system, assisting with the development and implementation of a coordinated assessment system, project evaluation and monitoring, conducting an annual gaps analysis and Point-in-Time Count, participating in the Consolidated Plan, and preparing and submitting the CoC's application to HUD.

2. Bethesda House of Schenectady

a. Beacon Residential Program

Project Description: Beacon Residential Program will provide PSH to a target population of very low or no-income 16 single adults (16 units) who are chronically homeless as defined by HUD. Individuals will be living with disabilities including physical disabilities, mental illness, chemical dependency, learning disorders and other cognitive impairments that make success in a structured environment difficult. Bethesda House serves the hardest to serve individuals, often barred from other agencies due to these conditions. The project plan for addressing identified housing and supportive service needs follows the Housing First model, focusing on moving people into housing directly from streets and shelters without preconditions of treatment acceptance or compliance.

3. Schenectady Community Action Program, Inc.

a. SCAP PHP for Chronically Homeless Households

Project Description: This Project will serve chronically homeless households, through utilization of 12 scattered-site units (with an estimated 16 beds), where the head of household has one of the three disabilities defined as mental illness, chronic addiction, or HIV/AIDS. The project builds upon SCAP's current PHP project. The goal of SCAP's PHP is to provide permanent housing through subsidized rent, as well as assistance building social and economic support systems to draw from now and during future times of need. A Case Manager is assigned to each household to ensure that needs are being met and the household is able to maintain their housing and improve household income to move towards self-reliance. However, SCAP's PHP is a low-demand program that uses a Housing First approach, the proposed program will accept all referrals from partners and the Coordinated Entry Process as long as the household meets disability and HUD's income requirements. Participants will not be required to take part in outside services.

Renewal Projects**1. New Choices Recovery Services***a. New Choices, 34 Unit***Expiring Grant Number: NY0103L2C071508**

Project Description: This rental project provides housing assistance and case management services for permanent housing for individuals/families with disabilities. Our primary target population is individuals with substance abuse histories.

*b. New Choices, 25 Unit***Expiring Grant Number: NY0102L2C071508**

Project Description: This rental project provides housing assistance and case management services for permanent housing for individuals/families with disabilities. Our primary target population is individuals with substance abuse histories.

2. CARES, Inc. (Corporation for AIDS Research, Education and Services, Inc.)*a. Schenectady County Portion of the Capital Region HMIS***Expiring Grant Number: NY0106L2C071508**

Project Description: This is a data collection program which holds client level data. Participation in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) is a requirement for all recipients of CoC and Emergency Solutions Grant funds.

3. Bethesda House of Schenectady, Inc.*a. Pathways to the Future***Expiring Grant Number: NY0801L2C071505**

Project Description: This project provides leasing, operating, and support services for residents in permanent supportive housing. The project follows the housing first model with a number of supportive services available upon client request. The project includes some units designated for chronically homeless disabled adults.

*b. Liberty Consolidated***Expiring Grant Number: NY0097L2C071508**

Project Description: This project provides leasing, operating, and support services for residents in permanent supportive housing. The project follows the

housing first model with a number of supportive services available upon client's request. The project includes some units designated for chronically homeless disabled adults.

c. The Lighthouse

Expiring Grant Number: NY0113L2C071508

Project Description: The Lighthouse residence provides permanent supportive housing for ten formerly chronically homeless disabled adults. The Lighthouse is a housing first model with a ninety-five percent success rate of participants remaining continuously housed for more than three years.

d. Coordinated Entry

Expiring Grant Numbers: NY1034L2C071500

Project Description: The Coordinated Entry is a required process for all CoC-funded program to participate in. The referral and housing placement process will ensure that households experiencing homelessness will receive appropriate assistance. The Schenectady CoC's Coordinated Entry process is a "no wrong door" approach. It is implanted so that client centered services are allocated as effectively as possible and are easily accessible no matter where people present.

4. Mohawk Opportunities, Inc.

a. Permanent + Supported Housing

Expiring Grant Number: NY0575L2C071507

Project Description: This project provides rental subsidies to six formerly homeless individuals with disabilities related to mental illness.

b. Supported Housing Program

Expiring Grant Number: NY0111L2C071508

Project Description: This program provides rental subsidies to thirteen formerly homeless individuals with disabilities related to mental illness.

c. Permanent Housing for Chronically Homeless

Expiring Grant Number: NY0576L2C071507

Project Description: In the past year, this program served eight individuals with histories of chronic homelessness and diagnoses of severe mental illness through the provision of rental subsidies and supportive services.

5. SAFE Inc., of Schenectady

a. *Project SAFE/Life Skills Program*

Expiring Grant Number: NY0105L2C071508

Project Description: This program serves 80 individuals annually who have a dual diagnosis of homelessness and substance abuse or mental health disorders. The individuals in the program are provided with advocacy to ensure that they find and remain in safe permanent housing. These individuals are also provided with supportive services to ensure that they are able to increase their skills and/or income to help them become more self-sufficient.

6. City of Schenectady

a. *Schenectady YMCA Shelter Plus Care (20 Bed)*

Expiring Grant Number: NY0108L2C071508

Project Description: This project serves twenty men ages eighteen and up who are Schenectady County Residents and are currently homeless with a disability. Each YMCA resident receives a room and a case manager in addition to other personal effects. All the men of the Shelter plus Care program are connected to an outpatient provider to address their disability. The case managers at the YMCA have weekly conferences with the clinical provider to ensure attendance and the follow through of the clinical requirements at the Residence Program.

b. *Schenectady YMCA Shelter Plus Care (10 Bed)*

Expiring Grant Number: NY0107L2C071508

Project Description: This project serves ten men ages eighteen and up who are Schenectady County Residents and are currently homeless with a disability. Each YMCA resident receives a room and a case manager in addition to other personal effects. All the men of the Shelter plus Care program are connected to an outpatient provider to address their disability. The case managers at the YMCA have weekly conferences with the clinical provider to ensure attendance and the follow through of the clinical requirements at the Residence Program.

7. YWCA of Schenectady

a. *Rosa's House*

Expiring Grant Number: NY0578L2C071507

Project Description: Rosa's House is permanent supportive housing for sixteen formerly homeless women with disabilities. Case management services are provided to assist the residents with skills necessary to maintain permanent

housing, obtain employment, and continue treatment for mental health and addiction issues.

b. Rosa's House Expansion

Expiring Grant Number: NY0664L2C0714504

Project Description: Rosa's House Expansion is permanent supportive housing for 4 households (women with disabilities and their children). Case management services are provided to assist the residents with skills necessary to maintain permanent housing, obtain employment, and continue treatment for mental health and addiction issues.

8. Schenectady Municipal Housing Authority

a. SMHA Shelter Plus Care

Expiring Grant Number: NY0109L2C071508

Project Description: This program provides permanent housing to Schenectady County Residents who are homeless and disabled due to serious mental illness, chronic substance abuse, and/or HIV/AIDS. The program is funded to provide 46 units of housing.

9. Schenectady Community Action Program, Inc.

a. Sojourn House

Expiring Grant Number: NY0110L2C071508

Project Description: This is a transitional housing program for homeless pregnant and/or parenting women and their children--the only program of its kind in Schenectady County. Sojourn is a congregate care facility that provides comprehensive services including meals, transportation, case management, housing location, and supportive services.

b. Permanent Housing Program

Expiring Grant Number: NY0104L2C071508

Project Description: This project provides 27 units of housing and comprehensive support services to homeless families with a diagnosed mental illness, substance abuse, or HIV/AIDS condition who live in scattered site apartments. HUD funding pays for rental subsidies and case management.

a. SCAP Rapid Rehousing

Expiring Grant Number: NY1035L2C071500

Project Description: SCAP in partnership with the Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York administers a Rapid Rehousing project in Schenectady County that serves homeless households coming directly from the streets or emergency shelters. SCAP will assist households move into stable housing quickly, utilizing a Housing First approach. Program components involve identifying a housing location, providing legal and eligible financial assistance (including short and/or medium term tenant-based rental assistance; security deposits not to exceed two months of rent; advance payment of last month's rent), tenant rights and responsibilities education, landlord/tenant mediation services, habitability inspections, case management services and connection to support services.