

NEW PROJECTS

CORPORATION FOR AIDS RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND SERVICES, INC. (CARES)

1. Rockland County CoC Planning Project (2019)

Project Description: CARES is requesting funding to support the operations of the CoC. Proposed funds will support 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, conducting 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. Rockland County UFA Project (2019)

Program Description: CARES is requesting funding to support the Rockland County CoC. The purpose of this project is to complete all of the duties noted within 24 CFR 578.11. Staff funded through this project will work collaboratively with the CoC Board of Directors and soon to be developed Finance Committee to complete the following tasks: (1) apply to HUD for funding for all of the CoC's projects, (2) enter into a grant agreement with HUD and into legally binding agreements with sub-recipients (3) develop policies to monitor and require that sub-recipients establish fiscal controls and review them annually (4) obtain approval from CoC membership in advance of requesting grant amendments from HUD. Staff will work with HUD Regional office to ensure (1) legal agreements with sub-recipients have been entered into in a timely manner, (2) that the organization receives and distributes funds for all projects on a timely manner and (3) that the organization shares administrative funds with sub-recipients. Project staff will ensure sub-recipients establish necessary fiscal controls and fund account procedures and will monitor sub-recipients for compliance with CoC Program regulation annually. In addition, project staff will submit all required reports and audits to HUD.

3. CSC DV Bonus RRH Project (2019) (Expansion)

Program Description: The Center is requesting \$117,533 to expand its current Rapid Rehousing project and provide housing for additional domestic violence victims who are residing in the Center's emergency residential shelter. Under the proposed project, the Center will provide a minimum of three additional permanent housing units to 3 homeless families (3 adults and 6 children) who are victims of domestic violence (DV) for the duration of a full 12 month period. This project receives referrals directly from the Center's emergency residential shelter, where victims and their children can safely flee from their abusers and regain their independence. The Center's emergency residential shelter works closely with the community's Coordinated Entry System by accepting referrals from outside agencies working with DV victims, and works to ensure eligible clients are quickly moved into available permanent housing units and are prioritized based on their vulnerability. This project will operate under the "Housing First" model, in which clients will not be screened out based on income, active or history of substance abuse, criminal background, or having history of DV. In addition, clients will not be terminated from the program if they fail to participate in supportive services, fail to make progress on a service plan, lose or fail to improve income, are victims of DV, or engage in activities not outlined in the lease agreement.

4. DSS Bonus RRH program (2019) (Expansion)

Program Description: The Dept of Social Services (DSS) is requesting funding to expand its RRH to include a required employment component. Currently, DSS administers/operates a RRH & PSH Program. The majority of head of household participants are disabled and unable to work due to physical/mental impairments, substance abuse issues, or developmental delays. The purpose of the Bonus RRH program is to encourage potential program participants to advance educational and career opportunities, expand technical skills, and increase employability. The DSS-RRH Bonus program would address many of these factors by providing supportive services and rental assistance to program participants for up to twenty-four months. The new program will create an additional two two-bedroom and one one-bedroom units for employable single or family households, who are either homeless or at risk of homelessness. Potential participants will be screened and prioritized using the Coordinated Entry (CE) system. DSS staff will provide educational and employment services to assist participants in meeting the specific employment goals with the objective of becoming financially self-sufficient and able to stay stably housed at the end of the two-year program.

RENEWAL PROJECTS

ROCKLAND HOSPITAL GUILD INC.

1. Clue Community Housing (2019)

Grant Pin: NY1240

Program Description: Rockland Hospital Guild Inc. (RHG) is requesting funds to support and house those individuals that the program has previously served and intends to prioritize support to people with severe and persistent mental illness. Moreover, we would like to expand this reach to those specifically who are parents and/or families with mental illness.

ROCKLAND COUNTY

2. RC DSS-RRH Program (2019)

Grant Pin: NY0991

Program Description: The Rockland County DSS Rapid Rehousing Program provides rent subsidies for scattered site housing for homeless families. The program assists with providing access to housing, employment and support services to maintain long-term self-sufficiency. The program provides 2 2-bedroom units. This program helps to fill a gap in long term housing assistance for families until they are able to achieve stability and self-sufficiency. The program seeks to end family homelessness in the County, stabilize families in permanent housing, develop skills for self-sufficiency, and promote financial self-sufficiency. housing, develop skills for self-sufficiency and promote financial self-sufficiency.

3. DSS RRH Combined (2019)

Grant Pin: NY0991

Program Description: The Rockland County Department of Social Services (DSS) seeks funding to continue providing rental subsidies to homeless individuals and families, through its' rapid re-housing programs. The program receives referrals through the Coordinated Entry

process, which ensures prospective program participants are prioritized based on the highest vulnerability scores and chronic homelessness.

4. RCDSS-RCCoC PSH (2019)

Grant PIN: NY1178

Program Description: The Rockland County DSS PSH Program will provide 8 Households with PSH programs. Funds requested will be utilized to assist homeless individuals and families who are chronically homeless with a documented disability into permanent housing.

5. RCDSS Coordinated Entry (2019)

Grant Pin: NY1239

Program Description: The Rockland County Coordinated Entry (CE) process is designed to address community need and prioritize applicants for homeless services with the focus on PSH and RRH programs. Many of the County's homeless population suffer from a disabling condition and mental health issues, as documented in HMIS and in recent PIT counts. The target population for the CE project is chronically homeless (as defined by HUD), living with disabilities including mental illness, substance abuse, learning disorders, and other cognitive impairments. The Department of Social Services (DSS) will be the lead agency in CE and is applying for funding to directly support its development and implementation. The grant would fund a dedicated staff member to CE activities, including: policies/procedures, records and reporting, community outreach, system review and planning.

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6. Rockland CoC HMIS (2019)

Grant Pin: NY0535

Program Description: CARES requests funding to support an HMIS program in Rockland County, NY. The Rockland CoC HMIS collects client level data from agencies throughout the county. Participation in the HMIS is a requirement for all recipients of CoC, Emergency Shelter Grant and/or Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing funds.

HELPING HANDS INTERFAITH COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF ROCKLAND COUNTY, INC. (HELPING HANDS)

7. Helping Hands - Rapid ReHousing 2 (2019)

Grant Pin: NY1179

Program Description: The Rapid Rehousing Program provides rent subsidies for scattered site housing for singles. The program assists with providing access to housing, employment and support services to maintain long-term self-sufficiency. This program fills a gap in long term housing assistance for singles until they are able to achieve stability and self-sufficiency. The program seeks to end chronic homelessness in the County, stabilize singles in permanent housing, develop skills for self-sufficiency, and promote financial self-sufficiency.

CENTER FOR SAFETY AND CHANGE, INC.

8. CSC DV Rapid Re-Housing (2019)

Grant Pin: NY1051

Program Description: The Rapid Rehousing Program provides rent subsidies for scattered site housing for families experiencing domestic violence. The program assists with providing access to housing, employment and support services to maintain long-term self-sufficiency. The project includes 5 units. This program fills a gap in long term housing assistance for families until they are able to achieve stability and self-sufficiency. The program seeks to end chronic family homelessness in the County, stabilize singles in permanent housing, develop skills for self-sufficiency, and promote financial self-sufficiency.

9. CSC DV RRH Combined (2019)

Grant Pin: NY1051

Program Description: The Center's Domestic Violence Rapid Re-housing Project will provide 8 permanent housing units to 8 homeless families (8 adults and 12 children) who are victims of domestic violence (DV) for the duration of a full 12-month period.