

NEW PROJECTS

CARES of NY, Inc.

Franklin/Essex UFA Project

Program Description: CARES requests funds to support the Franklin Essex CoC. The purpose of this project is to complete all duties noted within 24 CFR 578.11. Staff funded through this project will work collaboratively with the CoC Board of Directors and Finance Committee to complete the following tasks: (1) apply to HUD for funding for all CoC 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, and (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 organizations receive and distribute funds for all projects in a timely manner, and (3) that organizations share 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.

Franklin/Essex CoC Planning Project

Program Description: CARES requests funds 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, 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.

Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe – Family Advocate Rapid Rehousing

Project Description: The Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe requests funds to support a Rapid Rehousing program. The project will serve 10 households dedicated to the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe community members experiencing homelessness in the southern portion of the territory. This proposal directly responds to the barriers faced by indigenous people in retaining and maintaining housing stability both on and off the territory, by providing short-term and long-term financial (security deposits) and support services (i.e., financial literacy, addiction support referrals, educational training, etc.).

STOP Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence/BHSN – New Days Housing Initiative 2024-2025

Project Description: STOP Domestic & Sexual Violence/BHSN requests funds to support their 2 unit/4 bed new project, a Rapid Rehousing Program that is centered on providing rental support and supportive services to survivors of domestic violence. This proposal directly responds to the

gaps in services in Franklin and Essex Counties, as it is the only domestic violence rapid rehousing program in the area.

RENEWAL PROJECTS

CARES of NY, Inc.

Franklin Essex HMIS

Grant Pin: NY1269

Program Description: CARES requests continued funding for the HMIS program. This is a data collection program that holds client-level data. Participation in HMIS is a federal requirement for all recipients of CoC and Emergency Solutions/Solutions to End Homelessness Program (STEHP) funds.

NY 520 Coordinated Entry Project

Grant PIN: NY1447

Program Description: CARES of NY, Inc. requests continued funding to support the NY520 CoC which currently has 49 households on the Coordinated Entry priority list, and of these households, 10 are families with at least one child. Coordinated entry helps the CoC move toward the goal of ending homelessness by improving speed, accuracy, and consistency of the client screening and assessment process by targeting scarce resources more efficiently and accurately. Coordinated entry helps communities identify service needs, gaps and strengths across the system and reduces system inefficiencies, overall costs, and recidivism.

NY 520 DV CE Project

Grant PIN: NY1448

Program Description: CARES of NY, Inc. requests continued funding to provide resources necessary for CARES to continue the review, development and implementation of policies, procedures, and practices to equip the CoC's current Coordinated Entry system to more safely and effectively meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and/or stalking. With funding, CARES plans to complete a thorough review of current CE to identify all current safety, confidentiality and access issues and barriers; research and review best practices for the inclusion of domestic violence survivors into the larger CE system; create and implement appropriate and sustainable policies, procedures and protocols that are trauma informed, client centered, and align with the Housing First model.

Franklin County Community Housing Council, Inc. (FCCHC)

FCCHC - Homeless Program

Grant PIN: NY0177

Program Description: FCCHC requests continued funding to support a PSH program in Franklin County. FCCHC's homeless program provides case management and leasing funds to 22 homeless individuals/families in Franklin County. FCCHC obtains the needed third-party verification and begins a thorough assessment and housing search process to move the household from

homelessness into permanent supportive housing. All households are provided with support services and referrals which will provide the most stability to the household. These typically include mental health counseling, assistance with life skills, assistance with food and transportation, and educational goals.

STOP Domestic Violence

STOP North Country Freedom Housing

Grant PIN: NY1370

Project description: STOP Domestic violence requests continued funding to provide rental support and supportive services for individuals who identify as survivors of domestic violence, as well as their children in Essex County, NY. This rapid Rehousing program will follow the Housing First model. Funding will be used to provide 12 months of rental assistance for 2-one-bedroom apartments, and 3-two-bedroom apartments.

New Days Housing Initiative

Grant PIN: NY1450

Program Description: STOP Domestic Violence requests continued funding to provide rental support and supportive services to individuals who identify as survivors of domestic violence, and their children. Funding will be used to provide 12 months of rental assistance for 2 two-bedroom apartments. This Rapid Rehousing project will follow the Housing First model, aimed at reducing the amount of homelessness among the DV population of Franklin and Essex Counties.

St. Joseph's Recovery Center

Solace House

Grant PIN: NY1449

Program Description: St. Joseph's Recovery Center requests continued funding to support a Permanent Supportive Housing program in Saranac Lake, NY. St. Joe's has operated a Veteran's specific 820 housing facility in Saranac Lake NY since May of 2014 which serves veterans struggling with SUD, SMI including TBI, and homelessness. St. Joseph's will partner with a local community developer who has recently created a recently renovated space, close to a Veteran service agency and shares physical connection to the Saranac Lake VA Clinic office building. The program will be staffed by a dedicated part-time Case Manager, funded through existing grants, that works closely within the St. Joe's Housing Department and utilizes services and resources available via the St. Joe's continuum of care to facilitate a Housing First approach to rapidly provide stable, permanent housing to program participants. The program will work closely with the St. Joe's LGBTQ Liaison to operate as a resource for LGBTQ homeless Veterans and conduct outreach at community events and with partnering organizations. The program will prioritize admission for individuals with the longest lengths of time homeless and work to rapidly house participants by utilizing resources and partnerships to focus on meeting the Social Determinants of Health for each participant.