

NEW PROJECTS

Mohawk Indian Housing Corp.

UFA 520 MIHC McGee Road Rapid Rehousing 2024

Program Description: MIHC operates the McGee Road Rapid Rehousing units for almost 10 years with emergency housing as the focus for 12 years. The first type of housing to address both needs of our community. The nature of the housing falls under rapid re-housing. MIHC work closely with Akwesasne Housing Authority and Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe (SRMT), a member of FEHC. The target population includes those released from incarceration, drug and/or alcohol treatment centers, domestic violence shelters, emergency shelters, and the homeless population living in a place not meant for human habitation without a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. This proposal will allow MIHC to continue operating without the loss of income from tenants unable to pay monthly rent when life choices made additional difficulties obtaining and maintaining adequate employment opportunities, or supports for rental assistance to maintain adequate living situation.

Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe

UFA 520 Rapid Rehousing for Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe 2024

Program Description: This project proposes to serve individuals from the Akwesasne community who are homeless, reintegrating from incarceration or substance abuse programs, or those who have experienced domestic violence. There are 3 transitional units available on SRMT property, 2 beds each. Participants are eligible to stay for a maximum of 6 months and will receive assistance finding employment, transportation to and from appointments, referrals to necessary services (health care, behavioral health, probation, etc.), and finding suitable housing. Due to the possibility of minor children living on the property, sex offenders, those with violent offenses, and those in active use of illegal substances are ineligible for transitional housing.

CARES of NY, Inc.

UFA 520 CE Project Expansion 2024:

Program Description: CARES of NY, Inc. requests expansion 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.

BHSN New Days Housing

UFA 520 STOP New Days Housing Initiative Expansion

Program Description: The target population of people our program is seeking expansion funds for are survivors of domestic and/or sexual violence. Housing has become increasingly challenging as inflation continues to raise housing costs, assistance amounts remain the same, and additional staffing is needed to meet the needs of our clients. With the expansion funds, we will increase capacity for staff to provide direct housing supports and assistance with Rapid Rehousing, including relationship building with landlords, partnerships with housing programs, and site visits/searches outside the majority of crisis work being provided. Additionally, we intend to implement a supplemental portion of rent after the six month timeframe as to ease the financial challenges of self-sufficiency from no payment to full payment. This will be a timeframe in which staff are able to provide additional assistance with financial planning and life skills to maintain self-sufficiency.

RENEWAL PROJECTS

CARES of NY, Inc.

UFA 520 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/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.

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 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.