HeadingHome
RAMSEY
A regional initiative to end homelessness
in Saint Paul and Ramsey County

Heading Home Ramsey
2023 HUD CoC NOFO
Local Competition Application

Instructions:

Organizations wishing to have a new project, renewal project, or expansion project application(s) considered in the Heading Home Ramsey local competition for inclusion in Heading Home Ramsey's collaborative application for the 2023 HUD CoC Program Competition **must complete the appropriate application in e-snaps and submit a completed local application by August 23, 2023 at 8pm CST**. Local applications as well as all supporting documentation (see Required Documentation and Optional Documentation lists below) should be sent as PDF files in one email to Alyssa Keil, alyssa.keil@co.ramsey.mn.us.

Required Documentation:

1. Completed e-snaps application (saved, not submitted, in e-snaps)
2. Completed local application (questions contained in this document)
3. Copy of applicant's most recent audited financials and findings
4. Award letters, commitment letters, or grant agreements on funder's letterhead documenting match sources totaling no less than 25% of the total amount requested through the 2023 HUD CoC Program Competition

Optional Documentation:

1. Letter of commitment/MOU detailing partnership between applicant and healthcare provider. (See question 4 under Housing Services)

Project Information

Project Name: _____

Organization Name: _____

Application Type:

☐ Renewal

☐ Expansion

☐ New

NOTE: Applicants applying for an expansion project may fill out one local application for both the renewal and expansion portions of the project **if** the applicant feels that the information provided in the local application is the same for both application types. If information will differ between the renewal and expansion portions of the project, applicants should fill out separate local applications. To indicate that the local application should be used in evaluating the renewal and expansion applications for a single project, check both the Renewal and Expansion boxes above.

Equity Factors

All project types

1. Describe the applicant's and proposed sub-recipient's, if applicable, board of directors and managerial/leadership staff. Include 1) the way(s) in which the individuals comprising these groups are representative of the homeless community; 2) the number of people with lived experience of homelessness on the board of directors, if known.

2. Describe the applicant's process for receiving and incorporating feedback from more than one person with lived experience.

3. Describe how the applicant has reviewed internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and has planned to develop and implement equitable policies that do not impose undue barriers.

4. Describe applicant's plan to review program participant outcomes with an equity lens, including the disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, age, and/or underserved populations.

5. List the month and year of most recent racial equity training offered by applicant to applicant's staff. If applicant has not offered a racial equity training to staff, enter N/A.
   Most recent training (MM/YYYY):

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), Rapid Rehousing (RRH), Joint Transitional Housing-Rapid Rehousing (TH/RRH), and Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) projects

6. Describe applicant's plan to identify and implement programmatic changes needed to make program participant outcomes more equitable.

7. Describe applicant's plan to work with the HMIS lead agency and/or local HMIS administrator to develop a schedule for reviewing HMIS or comparable database data with disaggregation by race, ethnicity, gender identity, age, and/or other underserved populations.

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8. Describe applicant's experience and capacity to effectively address the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals, including non-binary and trans individuals, within the proposed project.

9. Describe applicant's experience and capacity to effectively address the needs of individuals living with a disability/disabilities within the proposed project.

Housing Services

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), Rapid Rehousing (RRH), and Joint Transitional Housing-Rapid Rehousing (TH/RRH) projects

1. Describe applicant's experience or understanding of utilizing a Housing First approach. This includes 1) eligibility criteria; 2) process for accepting new clients; 3) process and criteria for exiting clients; 4) if program participants will live in housing units *not* owned by applicant/subrecipients, landlord engagement strategies that support access to housing for clients with housing barriers.

2. Demonstrate how the proposed project meets the needs of the clients to be served. This includes 1) Demonstrated understanding of the needs of the clients to be served. 2) Demonstration that type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served. 3) Demonstration that type and scale of all supportive services, regardless of funding source, meet the needs of clients to be served. 4) Demonstration of how clients will be assisted in obtaining mainstream benefits. 5) Establishment of performance measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable, and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.

3. (Optional) If applicable, describe how the proposed project will leverage housing resources with housing subsidies or units not funded through the CoC or ESG programs.

4. (Optional) If applicable, describe how the proposed project will leverage health resources, including a partnership commitment with a healthcare organization.

5. What percentage of beds will be filled with participants referred through coordinated entry (or alternate, community-approved system for DV)
Percentage:

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If less than 100%, explain where non-CE referrals will come from and the reason for not utilizing CE referrals.

Joint Transitional Housing/Rapid Rehousing (Joint TH/RRH) projects

6. Describe how the proposed project will provide enough rapid rehousing assistance to ensure that at any given time, a program participant may move from transitional housing to permanent housing.

Coordinated Entry

Supportive Services Only - Coordinated Entry projects

1. Describe applicant's capacity/ability to support participants on the priority list to ensure they are prepared to receive a CE referral.

2. Describe how the applicant will ensure that the centralized or coordinated assessment system is easily available/reachable for all persons within the CoC's geographic area who are seeking homelessness assistance.

3. Describe the strategy for advertising the proposed project and its services that is designed specifically to reach individuals experiencing homelessness with the highest barriers within the CoC's geographic area.

4. Describe the standardized assessment process, or plan to create one, that will be used by the applicant to ensure that housing resources are offered to the most vulnerable households seeking assistance.