

Continuum of Care Board Meeting July 12, 2022



## Background

- On June 22, 2022 HUD released the supplemental Unsheltered / Rural Homelessness Notice of Funding Opportunity
- The NOFO is a response to increasing rates of unsheltered homelessness throughout the country and the difficulty of navigating services in rural areas

Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside \$267,5000,000

Rural Homelessness Set Aside \$54,500,000 Applications are due on October 20, 2022



### **Details**

- Long Beach CoC is registered as an eligible bidder through the usual annual registration process
- NOFO competition process is largely aligned with the requirement and process for the annual competition
- Awarded programs will be included into the larger FY-22 NOFO process for programs
- Long Beach is eligible to be awarded up to \$5,193,648
- The initial grant term for projects will be 3 years, and then may be extended
- A maximum of 10 CoC's per state can be awarded funding
- Collaborative process must be conducted in creating and submitting proposals as part of this NOFO



## **HUD Policy Priorities**

HUD has identified the following Policy Priorities associated with this NOFO

#### **Unsheltered Homelessness**

• Persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness report significantly greater health challenges and experiences of trauma and violence

#### Unsheltered and Households with Severe Service Needs in Rural Areas

• Rural areas often lack resource to meet some of the most vital and pressing needs of people experiencing homelessness

#### Providing Assistance on Tribal Lands

• Ensuring increased access for our Indigenous/Native American people

#### Involving a Broad Array of Stakeholders

• Homelessness is a complex issue impacting communities and can not be ended by homeless service agencies along but needs a diverse and wide range of stakeholders bringing resources and will together

#### **Advancing Equity**

• There continues to be a number of groups that are overrepresented in who is experiencing homelessness. HUD is wanting to see that communities are addressing disproportionalities within their planning and policies.

#### **Housing First Approach**

• HUD wants to see programs that work to get those within the greatest needs into housing as quickly as possible with no service participation requirements or preconditions.



## **Eligible Program Types**

CoC's are eligible to apply for the following program types

CoC Planning Projects – Up to 3%

UFA Costs – Up to 3%

Permanent Supportive Housing

Rapid Rehousing

Supportive Services Only

Joint TH – RRH

**HMIS Costs** 



# **Planning and Application Process**

Activity	Deliverable Date
Planning Process with Stakeholder Groups (Lived Experience, Healthcare, Housing, Elected Offices, Providers, Community Members)	August 12, 2022
Ad Hoc to Review Planning Process Findings and Recommendations	August 16, 2022
Request for Funding Proposal Release	August 19, 2022
RFP Applications Due	September 16, 2022
RFP Review Panel Meeting to Discuss Proposals	September 26 – 30, 2022
Recommendation and Ranking the CoC Board for Approval	October 11, 2022
Letter of Supports Due	October 14, 2022



## **Scoring Overview**

- The Unsheltered Homeless NOFO will score CoC's on a scale of 100 points
- CoC's must score 50 points to be eligible for funding
- Initial analysis shows that the maximum points that Long Beach CoC could score is 94 points, due to lost points from system performance metrics
- There are four areas that comprise 33 points where the CoC needs commitments and letters of support to be able to score well
  - Lived Experience Letter of Support, Commitment from our PHA, Commitment from Health Care System, Landlord engagement
- Long Beach will receive 10 Bonus Points for the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness



## **Next Steps**

- Homeless Services Bureau staff will begin setting up community listening sessions and workgroups to engage people interested in the planning process
- Ad HOC group members will be identified
- Plan to address unsheltered homelessness will be constructed building of the recent plan created for the HHAP Round 3 funding



