DOAJY HOUSING PROGRAMS

Division of Energy, Housing, and Community Resources

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GOALS



- Increase understanding of DEHCR programs.
- Showcase how programs can be strategically layered to provide stronger support throughout communities.
- Strengthen collaboration across agencies to enhance service delivery and impact housing opportunities in communities.





AGENDA

- Review Of Key Housing Programs
- Discussion
- Debrief
- Questions





WHO WE SERVE

- DEHCR administers programs to assist low- and moderate-income households through a mix of federal and state funds.
- Programs include funding for homebuyers, homeowners, renters, and people experiencing homelessness.



FUNDING SOURCES & PROGRAM TYPES

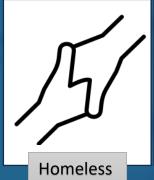




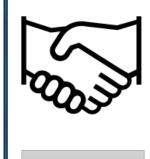








Services





Case Management

Development





TENANT BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE (TBRA)

- Funding Cycle: July 1 June 30, two-year contract
- Method: Competitive
- Match: 25% best effort (not required)
- Eligible Recipients: Governmental entities and private, non-profit organizations
- Eligible Activities: Security deposit, rental, and utility assistance
 - Households must have an income at or below 60% CMI and be homeless or at risk of homelessness







STATE SHELTER SUBSIDY GRANT (SSSG)

- Funding Cycle: January 1 December 31
- Method: Competitive
- Match: No match required
- Eligible Recipients: Governmental entities, community action agencies, or other private non-profit or for-profit organizations
 - Must provide housing-related services and/or shelter specifically target to people who are experiencing homelessness
- Eligible activities: Emergency shelter and case management









HOMELESS CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES (HCMS)

- Funding Cycle: July 1 June 30
- Method: Competitive
- Match: No match required
- Eligible Recipients: Agencies running shelter facilities and/ or motel voucher programs who use either the HMIS database or an HMIS comparable database
- Eligible Activities: Intensive case management in financial management, employment, ensuring school continuation for children, enrolling unemployed or underemployed parents in W-2 or the Food Share employment and training program







EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG)

- Funding Cycle: October 1 September 30
- Method: Annual allocation to local homeless coalitions/CoCs
- Match: 100% match required
- Eligible Recipients: Local units of government and public/private not-forprofit agencies
 - Must provide housing-related services and/or shelter specifically targeted to people who are homeless
- Eligible Activities: rapid re-housing, homelessness prevention, emergency shelter, street outreach











HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM (HPP)

- Funding Cycle: October 1 September 30
- Method: Annual allocation to local homeless coalitions/CoCs
- Match: No match required (often used as match to ESG)
- Eligible Recipients: local units of government and public/private not-forprofit agencies
 - Must provide housing-related services and/or shelter specifically targeted to people who are homeless
- Eligible Activities: Rapid re-housing & homelessness prevention











HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HAP)

- Funding Cycle: October 1 September 30
- Method: Annual allocation to CoCs, competitive for agencies
- Match: No match required
- Eligible Recipients: Local units of government, community action agencies, private nonprofit organizations, and organizations operated for profit
 - Must have a history in the implementation of housing programs
- Eligible Activities: Housing costs & supportive services to facilitate the movement of homeless individuals and families to independent living









CDBG CV EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

- Funding Cycle: TBD
- Method: One-time contract
- Match: No match required
- Eligible Recipients: Local units of government, community action agencies, private nonprofit organizations, and organizations operated for profit
- Eligible Activities: Shelter operations, motel vouchers, rent and/or utility assistance (including arrears)











WISCONSIN EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE (WERA) – HOUSING STABILITY

- Eligible Activities:
 - Case Management
 - Landlord Engagement
 - Eviction List
 - TBRA
 - CoC Coordinated Entry
 - Housing Counseling
 - Rental Application Fees
 - Legal Fees
 - Court costs to maintain housing







HOME AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP)

 Two activity types that can work together, separately or with other programs.

Supportive Services:

- Funding Cycle: July June
- Method: Competitive
- Match: Not required
- Eligible Recipients: Local government, housing authority, non-profit, or a religious society
- Eligible Activities: short/medium term rent/utility assistance, case management, legal services, childcare, employment assistance and training, substance abuse treatment services, transportation, housing search and counseling, among others











HOME AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP)

Rental Housing Development:

- Funding Cycle: Ongoing
- Method: Competitive
- Eligible Recipients: Local government, housing authority, non-profit, or forprofit developer
- Match: Not required
- Activities: Acquire, construct, and/or rehabilitate rental housing, operating and capacity building (for non-profits only)
- No maximum subsidy per unit
- Can be paired with programs such LIHTC and HOME







RENTAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (RHD)

- Funding Cycle: Ongoing
- Method: Competitive, June and October application
- Eligible Recipients: Non-profit or for-profit developer
- Match: Required
- Activities: Rehabilitation, New Construction, or Acquisition
- Maximum subsidy per unit based on square footage, number of bedrooms and unit designation, maximum award \$1,000,000







HOMEBUYER AND REHABILITATION (HHR)

- Funding Cycle: Two-year contract with renewal at one year
- Method: Competitive, biennial
- Eligible Recipients: Non-profit/non-governmental
- Match: Required
- Activities: Homebuyer (New construction, Acquisition, Acquisition/Rehabilitation) and Homeowner Rehabilitation







HOUSING COST REDUCTION INITIATIVE (HCRI)

- Funding Cycle: Biennial
- Method: Competitive
- Match: Not required, except for capacity building
- Applicant Eligibility: Non-profit, Local units of government and Local housing organizations
- Activities: Homebuyer Down Payment
 Assistance or Foreclosure Prevention







COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) – HOUSING PROGRAM

- Funding Cycle: DEHCR awards 7 Housing Regions approximately \$18.5 Million per grant period (2 years)
- Match: No match required
- Eligible Recipients: Local units of government
- Eligible Activities: Rehabilitation of dwelling units & removal of architectural barriers (accessibility) with the goal of improving necessary health and safety home issues, homeownership opportunities, payment of relocation costs and benefits
- Provides no-interest deferred payment loans to low- and moderate-income (LMI) homeowners and first time LMI homebuyers









DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What are the current funding streams in your community?
- What are the current gaps in your community?
- What other DEHCR funding sources could be used to meet those gaps?
- Are funding sources already being used in tandem?
- What other funding sources could be strategically layered with current funding?
- How can agency collaboration be strengthened within your community?





DISCUSSION DEBRIEF

- What did you discover is working well in your community?
- Where could improvements be made?
- Are there programs missing in your community that would be helpful?
- Did you learn new ways to work with programs that your organization already administers?
- What unanswered questions do you still have?



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APPENDIX - HOUSING GRANT CHART

Grant	Homebuyer Assistance	Homeowner Assistance	Rental/Utility Subsidy	Homeless Services	Rental Development	Case Management	Match Required
CDBG CV Emergency Assistance			>	>			
CDBG Housing Program	>	>					
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)			>	>		>	✓
HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP)			>	>	>	>	
Homebuyer and Rehabilitation (HHR)	>	>					✓
Homeless Case Management Services (HCMS)				>		< >	
Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP)			< >	>		< >	
Housing Assistance Program (HAP)			~	>		< >	
Housing Cost Reduction Initiative (HCRI)	V	>					
Rental Housing Development (RHD)					>		~
State Shelter Subsidy Grant (SSSG)				>		<	
Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA)			>				
Wisconsin Emergency Rental Assistance (WERA)						V	