

Missouri Housing Innovation Program FY 2021 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

NOFA Date: October 1, 2020

Purpose:

The Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC) hereby notifies interested organizations of the availability of \$810,000.00 in Missouri Housing Innovation Program (MoHIP) funds to support Missouri Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry efforts and for Homeless Management Information System services (HMIS) in the state of Missouri. MoHIP funds will be allocated through a competitive application process.

Deadline:

Applications for funding will be accepted by MHDC until 5:00 p.m. CDT on Friday, October 30, 2020. The application period will close and no further submissions will be available after the deadline. The anticipated funding period for program year 2021 will run January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Any funds recaptured will be reallocated at the discretion of MHDC.

Requirements:

- An applicant must be a nonprofit or for-profit corporation, limited partnership, or limited liability company, must be validly formed pursuant to applicable state law, must be in good standing with the state of Missouri, and must be a participant in the Continuum of Care for the applicable geographic region(s) of operation. Local units of government, whether acting in their own name or through a commission or other office of the governmental unit, may also apply for MoHIP funds with the approval of the applicable Continuum of Care. MoHIP funds will not be awarded to individuals.
- All **proposals must be submitted through MHDC's online platform** and in compliance with the Application Guidance.
- Applicants requesting the HMIS component must be a Continuum of Care designated HMIS lead agency.
- Applicants requesting the Coordinated Entry System (CES) component must be a Continuum of Care recognized CES access point.

Introduction to MoHIP:

MoHIP aims to provide flexibility to Continuums of Care to address their evolving needs, diminish the burden of coordination of care across large geographic areas, and aid in sustaining and improving the HUD required CES.

Program Specifications:

- CES
 - o Provide pre-screening, access, assessment, and referral services for those experiencing a housing crisis upon entry to the homeless service delivery system
 - o Collaborate and engage service providers within the Continuum of Care to maximize referral potential and quickly assist clients with the most appropriate housing services
 - Provide prevention, diversion, and housing search services to help clients quickly resolve homelessness
 - o Progressive engagement strategies to maximize community resources

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- HMIS
 - o Provide data to MHDC or appointed agency in a timely manner
 - O Support homeless provider agencies in their use of HMIS in order to record and track accurate data
 - o Collaborate with each Continuum of Care in their service area and attend housing meetings on a regular basis
 - o Build reports and forms for MHDC's housing assistance programs upon request

Cap on Funds Requested:

Applicants may not request funds in excess of \$100,000 per grant type with a combined total of \$200,000 per CoC, per grant cycle.

Submission:

All submissions will be completed through MHDC's online platform. No hard copies will be required.

Please submit applications via the MHDC Online Grant Interface: https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=mhdc

Contact Information:

If there are any questions, please contact:

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