CSH Request for Proposals Coordinated Entry

May 20, 2019





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Skilled Assessor Function

- Complete housing assessments with participants on the Homeless Management Information System
 - Standardized Housing Assessment
 - Observational Housing Assessment

Qualifications

- Engagement skills
- Strong understanding of literal homelessness and chronic homelessness
- Able to observe disabilities
- Comfortable with technology and using databases



Vision

- Improved access to Coordinated Entry,
- High quality assessments,
- Consistent communication across the system
- Effective follow up and linkages

Strategy

- Currently there are 170 people playing this role in our system
- Goal: About 50 assessors including dedicated assessors
- This smaller cohort of assessors will be trained in:
 - Diversion
 - Sharing what intervention households are eligible and prioritized for if any
 - Effectively connecting participants to other supports and housing outside of Coordinated Entry



- The Center for Housing and Health oversees and provides training and technical support to Skilled Assessors and Access Points
- Deployment Plan
 - 2 Skilled Assessors at the Catholic Charities Call Center
 - Access Points
 - Large shelters
 - As needed, determined using community feedback
- Recommendation
 - With a total budget of \$453,000, we expect to create 9 positions
 - Agencies are encouraged to apply for multiple positions



Supporting Survivors of Domestic Violence



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CSH received a DV grant that includes planning, technology, and four direct service positions:

- One Skilled Assessor
- Two Housing System Navigators
- One Housing Locator



Supporting Survivors of Domestic Violence

Qualifications

- Partners applying to support survivors of domestic violence should demonstrate related experience with this population.
- Selected agencies will be expected to participate in the Coordinated Entry Domestic Violence workgroup.
 - This group will provide guidance and expertise to work related to expanding access to housing for survivors.



For Both Areas

Expectations:

- Demonstrated successful performance of substantially similar work
- Relevant project work
- Experience and expertise
- Years of relevant experience
- Rate reasonableness and overall cost of services



Budget



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Skilled Assessor Funding Available

A total of \$453,000 is available for one year contracts in program funding.

- Agencies may include expenses for:
 - Travel, equipment, and supplies
 - <u>An additional \$28,000 is available for admin costs for</u> <u>all agencies combined.</u>

DV Funding Available

- A total of \$280,000 is available for one-year contracts.
 - Agencies may include expenses for travel, equipment, direct client support
 - <u>An additional \$25,000 is available for admin costs for</u> <u>all agencies combined.</u>





25% match is required

This can include in-kind donations

Overhead costs can be included

- This can be up to 10%
- Agencies will be expected to bill CSH monthly



Timeline



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- Info Meeting on May 20th
- Application due Tuesday, May 28th
- CSH will respond by June 7th
- Contracts begin August 1st



Questions



THANK YOU!

