Snapshot: Office for Grant Programs

Reducing Homelessness



HUD's Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) provides flexible federal funding that can be used to accomplish community priorities, from increasing affordable housing stock to addressing the impacts of climate change. CPD is dedicated to ensuring our funding can empower local communities to invest in more affordable, equitable, and sustainable futures.

Addressing the nation's homelessness crisis is a key component of achieving HUD's mission of creating strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all. Across the country, communities are using CPD funding to pursue creative strategies to prevent homelessness and provide essential services and housing opportunities for unhoused people.

CPD funding is available to cities across the country through both competitive grants and non-competitive grants allocated by formula. Cities who do not receive funding directly can access CPD funding through their state.

To see how much funding your community receives visit www.hudexchange.info/grantees/allocations-awards/



A Closer Look



CPD funding activities that support preventing and responding to homelessness:

- Rapid Rehousing rental assistance to help families and individuals experiencing homelessness to quickly obtain safe and stable housing.
- Expansion of a homeless shelter to provide comprehensive, one-stop services.
- Construction or purchase of an emergency or non-congregate homeless shelter.
- Supportive services to help obtain and maintain housing such as assistance with moving costs, child care, education, employment training, and more.
- Homeless prevention services or housing counseling.
- Permanent supportive housing to provide stable long-term housing and services to people who have experienced chronic homelessness.
- Planning activities, including engaging people with lived experience of homelessness in community planning to end homelessness.

Key takeaways:

- CPD programs can be a critical resource for addressing homelessness.
- Permanently rehousing people is the best strategy to end homelessness.
- The local HUD field office can assist with matching priorities with eligible CPD funding to meet community needs.

Find more resources by searching homelessness at hudexchange.info/resources



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