Tribal Housing and Urban Development Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Expansion Grant Application Review Training

Rating Factor 2
Need
Rating Factor 2: Need

Up to 20 points
Rating Factor 2: Subfactors

2.1 – Identified Needs (Up to 10 points)

2.2 – Supporting Information (Up to 5 points)

2.3 – Severity of the Problem (Up to 5 points)
Subfactor 2.1: Identified Needs  (Up to 10 points)

As required by the 2017 Appropriations Act, HUD will consider need when reviewing applications received under this NOFA.

Applicant must address the following components in its workplan narrative:

1. Reasons why the applicant is interested in a Tribal HUD-VASH grant;

2. Discussion of the magnitude (estimated number) and severity of the applicant’s homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness population;

3. The extent to which specific gaps or weaknesses in services, housing, or opportunities have been identified and how it will be addressed;
4. Steps taken to identify or estimate the applicant’s total homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness population, including those that may be eligible for VA benefits; and

5. Identify the estimated number of the applicant’s eligible homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness population that could be served under the Tribal HUD-VASH program. Resources to determine Veteran eligibility for VA supportive services are available online: https://www.va.gov/health-care/eligibility/.

6. Existing grantees (if applicable): In addition to components #1-5 above, existing grantees must include an explanation of why additional Tribal HUD-VASH funds are needed in order to continue addressing the needs of its eligible homeless or at risk of homelessness Veteran population
Subfactor 2.1: Identified Needs (Continued) (Up to 10 points)

HUD will award points as follows:

(10 points)
The applicant fully addressed all of the components outlined in this Subfactor.

(8 points)
The applicant was either missing one of the components outlined in this Subfactor or the need justification addressed all of the required components but lacked detail to warrant full points under this Subfactor.

(5 points)
The applicant was missing more than one of the components outlined in this Subfactor.

(0 points)
The applicant did not address any of the components described above to receive points under this Subfactor.
Subfactor 2.2: Supporting Information (Up to 5 points)

- Applicants must demonstrate need for the Tribal HUD-VASH program by providing supporting information verifying the presence of Veterans that are homeless or at risk of homelessness in their Indian area (the area where the Tribe or TDHE is authorized to carry out affordable housing activities).

- The supporting information must correlate with the identified needs discussed in Subfactor 2.1.
Examples of acceptable documentation may include, but are not limited to:

1. Point-in-Time counts;
2. Waiting lists with homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness;
3. Number of overcrowded households with residents that are at risk of homelessness;
4. A list of eligible Veterans from the Tribal Veteran’s Representative;
5. Data from the local VA;
6. U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey (ACS) data; and
7. Any supporting documentation demonstrating to HUD’s satisfaction the presence of homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness.
Subfactor 2.2: Supporting Information (Continued) (Up to 5 points)

HUD will award points as follows:

**(5 points)**
The applicant provided supporting information that correlates with the identified needs discussed in Subfactor 2.1.

**(3 points)**
The applicant provided supporting information. However, not all of the information submitted correlates with the identified needs discussed in Subfactor 2.1.

**(0 points)**
The applicant did not provide supporting information, or the information submitted does not correlate with any of the identified needs discussed in Subfactor 2.1.
Subfactor 2.3: Severity of the Problem (Up to 5 points)

- Applicant must indicate;
  - 1) Severity of the identified homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness population. Points will be awarded based on how the estimated number of identified homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness compares to the number of rental housing units requested by the applicant.
  - HUD will use information submitted for Subfactors 2.1, 2.2, and 3.1 for this Subfactor review.

- The narrative must include an estimated number of identified homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness compares to the number of rental housing units requested by the applicant.
Subfactor 2.3: Severity of the Problem (Continued) (Up to 5 points)

- HUD will award points as follows:

(5 points) The estimated number of identified homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness is at least three times the number of rental housing units requested by the applicant.

(3 points) The estimated number of identified homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness is at least twice but less than three times the number of rental housing units requested by the applicant.

(1 point) The estimated number of identified homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness is at least equal to but less than twice the number of rental housing units requested by the applicant.

(0 points) The estimated number of homeless Veterans or Veterans at risk of homelessness is less than the number of rental housing units requested by the applicant.
End of Rating Factor 2 Module

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