Eviction Protection Grant Program FR-6500-N-79 Questions and Answers

ELIGIBILITY

Are law school clinics eligible?

The grant is available to governmental entities and to non-profits. If the clinic is part of a law school that is a non-profit or a state institution, it would be eligible.

Are housing counseling organizations eligible?

The core of this grant program is legal services. If the housing counseling organization includes legal professionals who provide legal services to low-income individuals, the organization can apply if it meets the other requirements.

Are individuals eligible to apply?

Individuals, foreign entities, and sole proprietorship organizations <u>are not eligible</u> to compete for, or receive, awards made under this announcement. Governmental entities and non-profits that receive grant funding for the program will provide legal assistance to low-income tenants at risk of or subject to eviction.

SERVICES

Is this funding opportunity available only for programs that serve rural communities?

No. A portion of the funds will be awarded to rural-serving programs, but not every applicant is expected to serve rural areas.

Can the funding be used to expand an existing program that does not currently serve rural communities so that it can serve nearby rural communities?

Yes. The grant funding can be used to expand capacity of existing organizations to serve more tenants at risk of or subject to eviction. If an organization proposes to expand its operations to reach tenants in underserved communities, which can include rural communities, funding can be used for that purpose, subject to restrictions on administrative costs.

Will a program that provides only legal services, representing tenants once an eviction notice has been filed, have a chance of receiving funding? Or is the organization required to provide other services to assist tenants?

The applicant should identify the needs in its service area, in accordance with Rating Factor 2, and its plans for addressing those needs in accordance with Rating Factor 3.

Is a legal provider required to have partnerships with non-legal organizations to have a chance of receiving funding?

Partnerships are not required. The applicant should identify the needs in its service area, in accordance with Rating Factor 2, ands it plans for addressing those needs in accordance with Rating Factor 3.