

July 10, 2017



Chicago's Homeless System

- Background
- Plan 2.0
- DFSS Strategic Framework

Overview of CPS Families in Transition Project (FIT)

- Joint collaboration between the DFSS and the HomeWorks Campaign to address homelessness impacting families in the most at-risk communities.
 - Project partners: CPS, DFSS, Chicago Low-Income Housing Trust Fund (CLIHTF), Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH), and the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless (CCH)
- Primary goal: Connect 100 homeless families with permanent supportive housing

Families in Transition (FIT) Targeting

- FIT targets families enrolled in Students in Temporary Living Situations (STLS) at six CPS Schools
 - Earle, Ellington, Howe, Lowell, Nicholson, and Ward Elementary Schools
 - Families may be living in shelter or in doubled up situations
 - Any family meeting STLS eligibility in these schools may be assessed. Families will be prioritized for housing based on Vulnerability Index score via the Coordinated Entry System standardized assessment tool.

FIT Implementation Timeline

June	Family meetings at all 6 schools Collected permission to contact forms
July	DFSS RFP released Coordinated Entry for Families begins
August	Housing providers selected Outreach to families begins for assessments Unit identification begins in conjunction with LIHTF
September	School begins Outreach and assessments continue Housing matches begin
Late fall	First cohort of families housed

RFP Scope of Services

- Permanent Supportive Housing Program Model (see CoC Program Models Chart) - funding for case management and intensive support services
- Selected applicants will work with CLIHTF to identify units and complete housing applications
- Referrals will come from the Coordinated Entry System, but will prioritize FIT families
- Selected applicants will work in coordination with CSH and housing navigators as well as identified schools

Performance Measures

- 85% of participants will remain permanently housed for 12 months
- 80% of participants who exit program to enter Permanent Housing
- 85% of participants without a source of reportable income at program entry will obtain cash benefits
- 85% of participants without a source of reportable income at program entry will obtain non-cash benefits

Performance Measures

- 85% of participants will maintain/increase benefits, employment or a combination of both
- 50% of households served will move into housing within 30 days of CES referral to agency
- The remaining 50% of households served will move into housing within 60 days of CES referral to agency

Selection Criteria

General Selection Criteria

- Application scoring

• Homeless Selection Criteria

Facility Assessment

- Facility Requirements
- Required Facility Assessment
- Consider Cybergrants file size limits and required format when preparing to upload

RFP Timeline

July 24, 2017 Applications due by 12:00pm

July 31, 2017 DFSS aims to notify selected applicants

August 2017 Contracts executed

Contract Term

- The term of all contracts awarded with this RFP will be from August 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018.
- Based on funding availability, DFSS may extend contracts for one additional year.
- DFSS will allocate a total of \$437,500 for awards under this RFP at a fixed rate of \$7,500 per family per year for a maximum of 100 families.

Cybergrants Overview

- Go to either DFSS or City's Funding Opportunities website link to:
 - register your organization
 - access the web-based application
- Funding Opportunities website:

<u>https://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/obm/provdrs/FundingOp</u> <u>portunities.html</u>

• DFSS website:

www.cityofchicago.org/fss

• Application link:

https://www.cybergrants.com/pls/cybergrants/ao_login.login?x_gm_i d=5130&x_proposal_type_id=45914

Cybergrants Technical Support

- City's Funding Opportunities webpage contains instructions on:
 - Agency registration
 - Submitting application(s)
- If you need further assistance, you can email them at <u>cgsupport@cybergrants.com</u>. Allow 24 hours for a response. Plan accordingly.

Application Tips

- Review Permanent Supportive Housing Program Model as names, descriptions and/or outcomes may have changed.
- Applicants MUST select Permanent Supportive Housing
- Review the questions prior to starting your application and make sure you address the question in its entirety.
- Be sure all required files/attachments are uploaded.
- Once you submit your application, you will be sent an email confirmation. Please keep this as a receipt of submission.



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Permanent Supportive Housing Services: Housing Support for Families In Transition (Fit)



Key RFP Dates

- RFP Release: Monday, July 3, 2017
- RFP Due Date: Monday, July 24, 2017 12:00 PM (noon)

-No late applications will be accepted