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SHELTER PLUS CARE (S+C): TENANT-BASED, SPONSOR-BASED, PROJECT-BASED OR MODERATE REHABILITATION FOR SINGLE ROOM OCCUPANCY (SRO) DWELLINGS

Overview: In August 2011, HUD is expected to release the annual Super Notice of Funding Availability (SuperNOFA) including the Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Programs (Supportive Housing Program, Shelter Plus Care, and Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy Dwellings). The purpose of the programs is to fund projects that assist homeless persons to move to self-sufficiency and permanent housing in the local Continuum of Care. For more information on HUD's Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance and NOFA application, please visit:

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/coc/>

The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) intends to submit an application for Shelter Plus Care on behalf of unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County and for jurisdictions with which they have agreements. The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) is responsible for developing a consolidated Continuum of Care application on behalf of most jurisdictions in the County of Los Angeles (with the exception of Glendale, Long Beach and Pasadena which are responsible for their own respective Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Programs).

The proposed project must serve the chronically homeless, homeless veterans, homeless families, or homeless youth. A proposed project may be submitted to only one Housing Authority.

Program Description: Shelter Plus Care (S+C) provides permanent housing and supportive services for homeless persons with disabilities (e.g., serious mental illness, chronic problems with alcohol and/or drugs, and AIDS or related diseases) and their families. The program allows for a variety of housing choices, and a range of supportive services funded by other sources, in response to the needs of the hard-to-reach homeless population with disabilities. The S+C program provides funding for rental assistance and requires grantees to identify service dollars. This gives applicants the flexibility in devising appropriate housing and supportive services for homeless persons with disabilities. The match requirement is supportive services equal to the

dollar amount of the rental assistance requested. S+C funds will only cover rental assistance and will not pay for services.

Eligible Activities: The only eligible activity is rental assistance (tenant-based rental assistance, sponsor-based rental assistance, project-based rental assistance, and SRO Moderate Rehabilitation). *Please note that HACoLA has an agreement with the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) to utilize awarded S+C Vouchers for units in the City of Los Angeles including Project-Based Vouchers, however, projects within HACoLA's jurisdiction will be given priority.*

S+C Components

Tenant-based Rental Assistance (TBRA): An applicant under the TBRA component may request funds to provide rental assistance on behalf of participants who choose their own housing units. This assistance is provided for 5 years. Applicants must contract with unit owners directly.

Sponsor-based Rental Assistance (SRA): Under the SRA component, an applicant may request a 5-year grant to provide rental assistance through a contract with a nonprofit organization or sponsor. The housing units to be used must be owned or leased by the sponsor.

Project-based Rental Assistance (PRA): An applicant under the PRA component may request grant funds to provide rental assistance through a contract with a building owner for an existing structure. An applicant must enter into a contract with the building owner for the full 5- or 10-year assistance period, based on whether the property needs to be rehabilitated. Participants must live in an assisted unit on a specified property, and do not retain the rental assistance if they move.

Moderate Rehabilitation for Single-Room Occupancy Dwellings (SRO): An applicant must subcontract with a public housing agency (PHA) to administer the rental housing assistance. This component is designed to add standard SRO units to the local housing supply and to use them to assist homeless persons with disabilities. The units to be used must be in need of moderate rehabilitation. Rental assistance for SRO units is provided for a 10-year period. Owners are compensated through the rental assistance payments, some of the rehabilitation costs, as well as the other costs of owning and maintaining the property.

Next Step: For a HACoLA 2011 Shelter Plus Care New Project Application, potential applicants should send an e-mail to Maureen Fabricante or Georganne Colvin of the Assisted Housing Division at maureen.fabricante@lacdc.org or georganne.colvin@lacdc.org, respectively. An electronic application will be returned to the incoming e-mail address. You may also call Ms. Fabricante at (562) 347-4761 or Ms. Colvin at (562) 347-4821 for information on the application process.