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## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

## **HOMELESS HOUSING AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The NYS Homeless Housing and Assistance Corporation (HHAC) and the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) will make funds available funds under the Homeless Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP) through an open Request for Proposals (RFP). The RFP was released Monday September 1, 2020 and HHAC will accept applications, by mail only, beginning on October 9, 2020.

Please check the OTDA website listed below and details in the RFP to confirm before submitting an application.

Under HHAP, grants and loans are provided to acquire, construct and rehabilitate housing for persons who are or would otherwise be homeless. Eligible projects may provide permanent, transitional or emergency supportive housing to homeless single individuals or families. Projects targeting populations eligible under the Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative (ESSHI) are also eligible for HHAP capital funds. Not-for-profit corporations and their subsidiaries, charitable organizations, municipalities, public corporations, public housing authorities, and certain joint-ventures are eligible to apply for HHAP funding.

The State Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 included an appropriation of \$128 million, of which \$5 million may be reserved for the development of projects serving homeless persons with HIV/AIDS, and another \$5 million may be reserved for the development of projects services homeless veterans. Additionally, up to \$1 million may be used for emergency shelter repairs in local social service districts with a population of less than five million.

This RFP is an open-ended RFP, meaning proposals will be accepted for consideration on a continuous basis until it is determined funds are no longer available for award or this methodology no longer serves a purpose for HHAC. Funding will be made available and awards announced subject to an appropriation and the approval of the Commissioner of OTDA and the Homeless Housing and Assistance Corporation's Board of Directors.

The RFP and Application are available to be downloaded from OTDA's website at the internet address listed below.

## http://otda.ny.gov/contracts/2020/HHAP/

On Wednesday **September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 1:00pm** HHAP will hold a WebEx to go over the RFP and highlight changes from the previous RFP. A link will be added to our website.