**Addenda III**

**Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust**

**Request for Applications**

**Response to written questions**

How many emergency shelter beds are currently funded through the current Primary Care contracts under the various categories?

In 2018 the Primary Care solicitation yield 779 beds.

Why is the category in emergency shelter households 25 and older with no children when adults under 25 are referred to these beds through coordinated entry?

Through this solicitation we are attempting to create an equitable bed inventory for unaccompanied and parenting youth ages 18-24, and singles and families whose head of household is 25 or older. We are using Point-in-Time data to determine the need.

Can we apply for multiple categories under emergency shelter in one application or do separate application need to be submitted for youth, singles, families etc.?

Only one Emergency Shelter application should be submitted by respondent. In the application (Attachment 2, Q.27) you can chose multiple populations to serve.

In the 2018 RFA included ES-PH beds which are funded under the emergency shelter contract at the agreed per diem rate.  Are these beds still eligible?

Yes, you may renew these beds under the ES category.

Requesting confirmation on the review of APRs and that they will reviewed in like categories i.e. adults without children not compared to families or youth, but to other adults without children.

We will breakout for Selection Committee members the performance by household type.

Under Challenge Grant Plus, please confirm that the services the awarded provider needs to provide are the Homeless Prevention Helpline and outreach case management for unsheltered persons, (specifically items a & f) for persons who select #5 on the Homeless Helpline and cannot be placed in shelter.

Yes and it would also include persons who select option 1 on the helpline.

Under Specialized Outreach (Mental Health and SUD) what is the current level of funding?

The total solicited through the CARES Act was $1,000,000, and the Trust solicited $635,300 for Specialized Street Outreach in 2018 using F&B funding.

DCF/ESG Homeless Prevention: $200K (100% match required) – What is the funding period for these dollars? Can we use these dollars to help fund ongoing housing for clients currently served with ESG funds?  Is the Trust providing the match for ESG?

Homeless Prevention must be available to the general public, predominantly for people facing eviction but also applicable to persons being discharged from institutions, doubled up families and overcrowding to name a few examples. For a full list of eligible activities refer to our standards here: <https://www.homelesstrust.org/resources-homeless/library/providers/standards-of-care/homeless-prevention.pdf>. The match for this activity will be provided by the Homeless Trust to the successful respondent(s). The match requirement is 100%.

TANF Homeless Prevention: $46,582 (no match required) – What is the funding period for these dollars?  Can we use these dollars to help fund ongoing housing for clients currently served with ESG funds?

All state contracts run July 1-June 30, the first year of awards are subject to be August 1-June 30 because the timing of this solicitation. The Florida Legislature created Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, a Homelessness Prevention Grant program to provide emergency financial assistance to families facing the loss of their current housing due to a financial or other crisis. The intent of the program is to assist families to prevent them from becoming homeless, and to enable them to remain stably housed following the assistance provided. 100% of the TANF application shall be available to fund new Prevention. Homeless Prevention must be available to the general public.

What is the total estimated square footage of the Krome facility?

The plot sits on 653,375 square feet or 15 acres, the facility is approximately 50,000 sq/ft.

Does Krome have flexibility for the operation or must it operate as a PSH with tenants and leases.

Krome will be bridge permanent housing, which is not time limited but can also refer into other permanent housing options when appropriate. We are in the process of developing CoC Standards of Care for Project Based Rental Assistance, while a lease may not be required, some type of occupancy agreement will likely be required.

What are the minimum insurance coverages required for Krome?

As part of addenda the Trust provided Attachment 11 Krome Budget that assumes cost of Property and Liability insurance at $200,000 per year

Do you have an idea what the utility cost will be for Krome?

As part of addenda the Trust provided Attachment 11 Krome Budget that assumes cost of utilities (Electric, Water & Sewer, Gas and Phone) at $200,000 per year

So does the provider budget $200k for utilities and $200k for insurance from the 1.35 million available for Krome?

Respondents will be provided projected costs for property tax/insurance and utility budget line items. Voluntary and required Support Services will be available on Attachment 11 Krome Budget. All respondents must include costs for Case Management, Food, Transportation, Maintenance/Repairs, Supplies and Equipment at a minimum. The total cost of the projected and required fields will be subtracted from the total available. The total available remains $1,350,000. Providers will also have the flexibility to project costs for fewer households, meaning you will not have to provide a proposal for the full 112 beds.

If occupants are treated as tenants , how are utilities charged per unit, if separate meters are not available?

Utilities will be included in the rent because separate meters are not contemplated. Your budget should not assume collection of rent, any rent collected will be reinvested into to program. Rent collection would be based on 30% of the tenant income.

Do we have to factor in costs for food?

Yes, as part of addenda the Trust provided Attachment 11 Krome Budget that will require the cost of food: catered or prepared onsite. Please consider the cost of providing three meals per day.

Can this project be specific for males only?

It makes sense to plan housing with a shared bathroom as same sex. Currently single males is a population that is underserved, but we would like the flexibility to serve females if the need arises.

Is this a cost reimbursement, per diem or utilization of units. How will this contract be invoiced and would an advance be available for start up at contract execution?

The agreement will be cost reimbursement. The Trust can advance up to two (2) months of the proposed budget in the first year.

Will the recording for the Pre-Application Workshop be emailed for applicants to view?

You can access the recording here: <https://miamidade.zoom.us/rec/share/--3hlkcUA4GqEkCn7-5OyBgYTJOids9bL8yfoW4hJ6fPVQBiwaA7nKwwhzB8MOaE.C9LE53jv_FygS9Nv> use passcode: $7bAy$1y

Would the Homeless Trust consider doing a percentage increase in option years 2 and 3? It could be a 2-4%, with the understanding that expenses are increasing over time.

No.

Manny can you please provide the system performance measures and indicate which measures apply to Krome?

For scoring criteria A.4.-A.9 respondents participating in HMIS must submit an Annual Progress Report (APR) for renewal project(s) or similar project for new project applications between 10/1/20-9/30/21. Respondents who do not participate in HMIS may submit a record of system performance from an equivalent database that is validated by a third-party payer that provides a compelling explanation of the agency’s performance considering HUD System Performance Measures.

The scoring criteria includes:

Expedited access to, or retention in, permanent housing - Length of Time between Project Start Date and Housing Move-in Date (8 Points)

Income data quality at project start (4 Points)

Adults who Gained or Increased Income from Start to Exit, Average Gain (8 Points)

Percentage of persons coming directly from places not meant for human (4 Points)

Average time between project start date and move in date, percentage below 30 days (4 Points)

For more information on HUD’s System Performance Measures visit: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/system-performance-measures/#guidance>

In the preapplication workshop it was mentioned that the veteran case management grant is an automatic renewal.  Is this including the current F&B Funding that Advocate Program and Camillus House currently receives from Food & Beverage?  This funding is expected to end on 09/30/2022.

The Support Services match for the Public Housing and Community Development (PHCD) Health Choice Vouchers (HCV) is not part of the competitive solicitation, but it is being included automatically in the Homeless Trust budget for renewal.

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For the ESG Homeless Prevention – Does the $200,000 amount include the match funding from the Homeless Trust?  So it’s 100K from ESG and 100K from the Homeless Trust?

Respondents can apply for up to $200,000 of state ESG Homeless Prevention. The Trust will match the state ESG award(s) with an additional $200,000 of F&B match so that respondents meet the 100% match requirement imposed by the state and federal government. Respondents do not apply for the match, it is awarded automatically to the successful respondent(s).

Is the TANF funding only for emergency financial assistance or can funding be used for supportive services and financial assistance?

The current agreement between the Trust and the state includes emergency financial assistance and case management.

Our Specialized Street  Outreach teams began in May 2021. The HMIS APR that you are proposing is 10/20 to 9/21, and would only reflect 5 months.  I am wondering if it would make more sense to compile APR for a 12 month period (from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022.)  This would provide a more complete snapshot of performance.

You may submit an APR for an amended period, 12 months if available, if your renewal project was not operating during the entirety of the previous fiscal year.

Is it possible for 3 vendors to come together and apply as 1 for this contract?

Respondents may submit a collaborative application. I would highly recommend one agency lead the application and include a memorandum of understanding with the other parties defining each partners role.

Do separate applications and budgets are needed when applying to SO  (formerly MOA discharge planning -$340.000 grant ) and Specialized Street Outreach (1.2 MM grant) ?

Yes, separate applications and budgets would be needed to apply for MOA and Specialized Street Outreach in this competition.

Is the $340.000 for SO (formerly MOA discharge planning) intended for only one provider?

The Selection Committee may choose one or more proposal to administer the MOA.

Will the HT provide new training on Pre-CTI and CTI for incoming provider's employees? Could volunteers in an organization use those trainings?

Since we recently provided extensive CTI training, we have not yet made any arrangements to provide future training, but the training materials are on our website.

Could Hotel stays be budgeted on a SO application?

No

Housing Navigator requirement for SO applicants...... Could it be a contracted third party?

Yes

a realtor?

Yes

Would an independent audit for the financial statement closed on 12/31/19 be good enough? Providers who are currently not under contract with the Trust must submit a current Independent Audit as part of their response to the solicitation. Contracted providers will be required to submit the current Independent Audit as part of the contracting phase.

Could you please list examples of expected training for mediation or diversion?

Here is a free online training: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eWdh-pF5CLg>

Could relocation or diversion expenses be included in the SO budget? Under what concept? Yes, relocation/diversion may be billed in the Street Outreach budget, line items (1) assistance with moving costs or (2) transportation

Would question #12 in the RFA application be applicable for SO or ES proposals ?

Yes

How would Housing First  requirement/ threshold impact a SO application.... ?

The Core Components of Housing First that apply to SO include 1) Few to no programmatic prerequisites to obtain services and housing at entry means no programmatic preconditions such as demonstration of sobriety, completion of alcohol or drug treatment, or agreeing to comply with a treatment regimen upon entry into the program; 2) Low barrier admission policies means screening does not exclude persons with no or very low income, poor rental history and past evictions, or criminal histories; 3) Rapid and streamlined entry into housing means models make efforts to help people experiencing homelessness move into permanent housing as quickly as possible, streamlining application and approval processes, and reducing wait times; 4) Support services, with the exception of monthly Case Management contacts, are voluntary, but can and should be used to persistently engage tenants to ensure housing stability.

For RRH: Would a group Home  for  6 to 8 people in shared rooms be considered for funding under this grant?

No, there is no opportunity to apply for RRH in this solicitation.

A FARR certified recovery residence hosting 6 to 8 people in recovery (from SUD) in a shared / group home could never meet a Housing First approach  as it is required for the residents to pass a drug screening to come into the house and random tests are performed to ensure the recovery ambience. Despite that fact, a Certified Recovery Residence has proved to be a great option to house people coming from Treatment or that are in recovery, most of whom were previously homeless. Would this type of housing be considered for funding under this grant? No, we are not looking to fund treatment with this solicitation.

In attachment 3: what does "Priority # " is referring to?

Please answer “N/A” to this question

Would a house hosting migrant families (2/3 families - 1 family per room) be considered for funding under this grant? This would be a transitional housing / emergency housing solution where the family can stay for a short period of time waiting for a longer term solution (relocation, diversion, independent annual rental independently).

Yes

If the answer is yes under which category of project should this be proposed?

Emergency Shelter, but it would have to meet the Emergency Shelter Standards of Care found here: <https://www.homelesstrust.org/resources-homeless/library/providers/standards-of-care/emergency-shelter.pdf>

Would Outreach destined to help migrant families be considered under the Specialized outreach grant?

Yes, assistance to migrant families can be provided as part of Specialized Street Outreach.