Notice of Funding Availability
Supportive Housing for Homeless Families Fund

Bidders’ Conference

Presented by:
First 5 LA Commission
Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles

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Presentation Overview

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The First 5 LA Funding Initiative

• First 5 LA Commission Motion
  “... approving an allocation of $25 million to provide permanent supportive housing for homeless mothers and families previously involved in or transitioning out of our child welfare system and for families at risk of homelessness with children age prenatal to five years old . . “

• Key Concepts in the Motion and Conditions
  – $25 million spending allocation
  – Permanent supportive housing
  – Children prenatal-5 yrs. old and their parents and families who:
    • Are homeless or at risk of homelessness; and
    • Had or have some connection with DCFS
  – Prompt action to release a competitive NOFA and award funds in December 2012
  – Consider geographic need and coordination with Family Solution Centers
  – Convene an independent panel of experts to advise on funding parameters, eligible projects and grantees
Housing Issues for At-Risk Children & Families

• **Scale of Need**
  – At least 3,000 children prenatal-5 yrs. old are homeless
  – Thousands more are at risk of homelessness
  – Many, or most of these children or families, have or had contact with DCFS
  – Highest concentration of need = SPA 6 (South)

• **Primary Need: Housing stability (safe, affordable, permanent)**

• **Collateral Need: Comprehensive Supportive Services**
  
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<td>Substance abuse services</td>
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<td>Mental health services</td>
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<td>Financial literacy and other life skills</td>
<td>Trauma services</td>
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<td>Conflict resolution skills</td>
<td>Benefits enrollment &amp; advocacy</td>
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<td>Parent job training, placement and retention skills</td>
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* Per [Homeless Children 0-5 in Los Angeles County](#), A Report to the First 5 LA, Commission July 2012*
Program Description

- Capital Development Fund ($11 million)
- Gap Financing Fund ($5 million)
- Rental Assistance & Services Fund ($7 million)
Unique Considerations

• Target Population (Sec 2.2)
• Aged-Out (Sec 2.2.1)
• DCFS Involvement (Sec 2.2.2)
• Sex Offender Restrictions (Sec 2.2.3)
• Service Plan focus on Self-Sufficiency (App 4)
• Agreement/Contract execution soon after Nov 29, 2012 (App16-21)
• HMIS reporting for housing & rental assistance (Sec 8.3.1)
• Service funding must be spent within 2 years of occupancy (Sec 5.1, Addendum 1)
Capital Development Fund

• Purpose
• Eligible Uses
• Per Project Maximum: -$3 million for capital
  -$500,000 for transition reserve
  -$200,000 for supportive services

• Long Term Operating Subsidy
• Set Asides: 35% - 50%
• “Aging Out”
• Services: Lead Service Provider Requirements
• Design
Gap Financing Fund

- **Purpose**
- **Eligible Uses**
- **Per Project Maximum:**
  - -$2 million for capital
  - -$500,000 for transition reserve
  - -$200,000 for supportive services

- **Threshold Requirements**
- **Long Term Operating Subsidy**
- **Set Asides:** 35% - 50%
- **“Aging Out”**
- **Services:** Lead Service Provider Requirements
- **Design**
Rental Assistance & Service Fund

• Purpose
• Family Needs Assessment
• Eligible Uses
• Per Project Maximum
  • $1.2 million for rental assistance
  • $200,000 for supportive services
• “Aging Out”
• Disbursement
• Expenditure Requirements
• Service Requirements
  • Lead Service Provider requirement
Threshold Requirements

- **All Applicants (10.1)**
  - Applicant Status
  - Agency Involvement in Litigation and/or Contract Compliance Difficulties
  - Signature Authorization Form
  - Consistency with Consolidated Plan & Local Support Letter
  - Supportive Services

- **Capital Development & Gap Financing Funds (10.2 & 10.3)**
  - Zoning
  - Site Control
  - Environmental Reports: Phase 1 & 2, LBP & Asbestos Surveys & Termite Report
  - Article 34
  - Affordability
  - Rents
  - Relocation
  - Sustainable Building Methods
  - Acquisition only: Certificate of Occupancy & PNA
  - Gap Financing Only: Approvals from existing lenders/investors, Recorded Notice to Proceed & most recent Application & Certificate for Payment

- **Rental Assistance & Service Fund (10.4)**
  - Financial Checklist
# Scoring Threshold

## Minimum Score Required (11.1)

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<th>Capital Development Fund</th>
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<td>Development Feasibility</td>
<td>280*</td>
<td>164.5</td>
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<td>Supportive Services</td>
<td>266</td>
<td>280*</td>
<td>532</td>
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<td>Total Overall Points</td>
<td>700</td>
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Draft Addendum

• NOFA Timeline (Sec 1.2)

• Sex Offender Restrictions (Sec 2.2.3)

• Service funding expenditure requirements for Capital & Gap Financing Fund (Secs 3.1 and 4.1)

• Appeals (Sec 6.4)

• Relocation (10.2.7)
 Draft Addendum

• Development Feasibility for Capital Development Fund (Sec 11.2)

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<td>Project is acquisition-only to be ready for occupancy within 6 months AND long-term operating subsidy committed</td>
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<td>Long-term operating subsidy committed and all construction and permanent financing sources committed with the exception of Low-Income Housing Tax Credits</td>
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<td>Permanent financing subsidy committed of at least $250,000</td>
<td>225</td>
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How to Apply

- Capital Development & Gap Financing Funds
  - Appendix 1 Application

- Rental Assistance & Service Fund
  - Appendix 2 Application
NOFA Timeline

• September 27, 2012 – Last day to email questions to:  
  – agallardo@first5la.org

• October 5, 2012 – NOFA Addendum issued

• October 19, 2012 – Applications due by 12:00 noon at:
  – 2 Coral Circle, Monterey Park, CA 91755

• November 13, 2012 – Declination Letters

• November 28, 2012 – Last day to appeal

• November 29, 2012 – First 5 LA Commission to approve awards