

Program #10052F - Safety off the Streets - Domestic Violence Shelter

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Program Offer Stage: As Requested

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

A Home for Everyone has prioritized expanding shelter for vulnerable populations. Domestic violence shelters provide immediate safety and offer crisis intervention support to survivors and children fleeing domestic violence or experiencing homelessness as a result of a recent incident of intimate partner violence. These shelters provide year-round beds and are accessed by hundreds of survivors annually, 78% identifying as people of color.

Program Summary

Domestic violence (DV) is a significant contributing factor to homelessness and housing instability. Nearly four in ten women who experience domestic violence will become homeless as a result. Additionally, leaving an abusive relationship is often the most dangerous time, and survivors are frequently navigating multiple complex systems, such as child welfare, the civil legal system, and immigration. Access to a confidential emergency shelter and trauma-informed, survivor-driven services are critical for survivors seeking to establish safety for themselves and their children.

This offer supports confidential, domestic violence shelter beds, as well as crisis intervention services that are vital to protecting the health and safety of individuals and children fleeing domestic violence. Funds support shelter operation costs, staffing, limited client assistance, and wrap-around support services at four DV emergency shelters. Services include intensive DV advocacy and support, safety planning, provision of basic needs, co-advocacy within DV continuum service providers, and information and referrals to community-based services and housing programs.

This offer supports four shelters in two models: facility-based emergency shelter and master-leased units. The three facility-based confidential shelters offer 24-hour security and staff seven days a week. One shelter also utilizes four scattered site master-leased apartments to provide safety and wrap-around crisis intervention services for survivors. These scattered site units allow multi-generational and/or larger families directly impacted by DV to access services. All four shelters offer a 90-day length of stay with the possibility for extension and jointly serve more than 100 individuals per night. To ensure that survivors who are at greater danger are prioritized for these confidential shelter beds, all shelters use a coordinated triage system and a common, locally-developed screening tool (Safety and Stabilization Assessment) to articulate survivors' needs and match survivors with available shelter space.

Additionally, this program supports emergency vouchers that can be used to assist survivors in staying safe when shelter beds are full, act as bridge voucher to housing when survivors are currently homeless and in the process of attaining a permanent housing placement, and finally as a respite for women and children who are ill and unable to safely stay in the shelters. This funding provides 18 additional safe "year-round equivalent" beds for the DV system.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY17 Actual	FY18 Purchased	FY18 Estimate	FY19 Offer			
Output	Number of year-round confidential emergency shelter beds	90	120	120	120			
Outcome	Number of individuals receiving emergency shelter services*	352	484	430	484			
Output	Number of year-round equivalent emergency domestic violence voucher beds	20	16	16	16			
Outcome	Number of individuals served with domestic violence emergency vouchers	462	350	350	350			

Performance Measures Descriptions

*In FY 2018, 30 shelter beds were added to the system, and are still in the process of being fully incorporated.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2018	2018	2019	2019
Contractual Services	\$934,890	\$245,397	\$956,620	\$520,190
Total GF/non-GF	\$934,890	\$245,397	\$956,620	\$520,190
Program Total:	\$1,180,287		\$1,476,810	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues							
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$245,397	\$0	\$520,190			
Total Revenue	\$0	\$245,397	\$0	\$520,190			

Explanation of Revenues

State Homeless Assistance Program (SHAP) \$520,190

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2018: 10052F Safety off the Streets - Domestic Violence Shelter

With the increased funding from the State for the State Homeless Assistance Program (SHAP) an additional 30 beds of emergency shelter were added to the Domestic Violence system. These funds were added mid year in FY 2018 during the State rebalance.