



FY 2017 Mainstream Voucher Program FR-6100-N-43

This is a summary of the NOFA and is not a substitute for a thorough review of the NOFA, which can be found at https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/hcv.

Due Date: June 18, 2018

Amount of Funding Available: \$100 million

Number and Amount of Awards Anticipated: Minimum award of \$75,000. Maximum award of \$5 million. NOFA expects to make 40 awards.

Eligible NOFA Applicants: Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) and nonprofits that already administer Housing Choice Vouchers.

Overview: This NOFA makes available up to \$100 million by combining the FY17 Appropriation of \$13 million for Mainstream Vouchers with \$87 million of the \$385 FY18 Appropriation for Mainstream Vouchers. (The remaining FY18 funds will be issued through a future NOFA.) The target beneficiaries for the Mainstream vouchers are households that include one or more non-elderly persons with disabilities (NEDs).

While not a requirement, HUD is providing points/incentives for PHAs that target funds to assist NEDs who are transitioning out of institutional or other segregated settings, at risk of institutionalization, homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Note that the definition of homeless is not limited to chronically homeless individuals; nonetheless the household must qualify as disabled in order to be eligible for these resources. The NOFA encourages PHAs to establish formal partnerships with state and/or local health and human services agencies that can provide outreach, referrals and supports.

Scoring Criteria: 100 points total

- *Capacity and Experience: Up to 60 points*
 - PHA Capacity and Demonstrated Commitment to Provide Housing for Persons with Disabilities (Up to 25 points)
 - Up to 10 points for each: Section 811 PRA, NED2 Vouchers, or similar
 - Up to 5 points for each: system to track/monitor referrals
 - Up to 5 points for each: leveraged resources for home modifications, rent deposit, move in costs, furniture
 - Up to 3 points each: incentives for accessible housing

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- Up to 3 points each: partner with accessible housing registry, housing search for accessible units
 - Up to 5 points each: other similar experience
 - Partner Agency Capacity (Up to 15 points)
 - Up to 5 points each: securing accommodations
 - Up to 5 points each: transitioning people from institutions to community
 - Up to 5 points: Coordinating voluntary services
 - Up to 5 points: Other similar assistance
 - Geographic Jurisdiction (Up to 10 points)
 - 10 points: portability allowed prior to leasing; or
 - 10 points: statewide program; or
 - 5 points: Consortium, cooperative agreement or other
 - Admission Preference for target populations (10 points)
- *Leveraging Resources (30 points)*
 - 10 points: coordinating outreach and referral
 - 10 points: training and coordination of program implementation
 - 4 points: housing search assistance
 - 3 points: move-in assistance
 - 3 points: referring, coordinating or providing Home and Community Based Services
- *Achieving Results and Program Evaluation (Up to 10 points)*
 - 5 points: detailed program evaluation plan provided
 - 10 points: detailed program evaluation provided and centralized tracking will be used by PHA and partners

Other Items of Note:

- Nondiscrimination requirements for Partnerships e.g. cannot have one agency serving a single population as sole route to referrals for the program. Eligible people with disabilities must also be able to apply directly to the PHA.
- PHA must agree to participate in a potential program evaluation.