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Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

A Home for Everyone (AHFE) has prioritized supported housing programs to meet the needs of families with long-term experiences of homelessness and at least one family member who has a significant disability. This program creates longer-term rent assistance vouchers and wrap around support services to help move 20-25 of the hardest to house families (60-100 total people) from family shelters into permanent housing. Supportive housing strategies are nationally recognized best practices and can leverage existing market-rate and new affordable housing.

Program Summary

The Executive Committee of A Home for Everyone (AHFE) adopted a set of recommendations to significantly reduce: (a) unmet need for permanent housing, (b) the over-representation of people of color among the homeless population, and (c) unsheltered homelessness among women, Veterans and people with severe and persistent mental illness. Within AHFE priority populations are families with long-term experiences of homelessness and at least one family member who has a significant disability.

Between 2015 and 2017, the number of people in chronically homeless families in emergency shelter increased by more than 30%. Other families experiencing homelessness also face multiple barriers to housing and will require long-term assistance to gain and retain housing. These families are disproportionately families of color, are among some of the hardest to house, and are the longest-term stayers in our family shelters. This program expands supportive housing resources to serve these families, offering them access to permanent housing while freeing up scarce and expensive shelter capacity for other families.

Offering a combination of longer-term rental support and appropriate ongoing support services has proven to be an effective and cost effective way to end the homelessness of this population. This program will expand supportive housing programming for highly vulnerable, long-term shelter families with children by providing rental assistance vouchers and wrap-around services to 20-25 families. While not a permanent rental subsidy, the proposed 24 month subsidy is long enough to leverage existing market-rate and newly developed or acquired affordable housing and to use progressive engagement strategies to either transition families off of subsidies altogether or, if needed, onto a more permanent subsidy program.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY17 Actual	FY18 Purchased	FY18 Estimate	FY19 Offer
Output	Number of people in families placed into or retained in permanent housing	N/A	N/A	N/A	75
Outcome	Percentage of people retaining housing at 6 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	90%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2018	2018	2019	2019
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$600,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$600,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$600,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: