

# PARTNERS IN CARE

Oahu's Continuum of Care

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*Our mission is to eliminate homelessness through open and inclusive participation and the coordination of integrated responses.*

## Domestic Violence PIC RFP Amendment – 8/8/2019

### 1F. Domestic Violence Bonus Projects

**Priority - Include the two items below as part of your response to RFP question A anticipated project outcomes**

#### **1F-4a. PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Project Applicant Capacity.**

- a. Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors = \_\_\_\_%
- b. Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors = \_\_\_\_%

*Please also describe how you calculated the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention, and the data source (e.g., HMIS, comparable database, other administrative data, external data source).*

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**Optional - As you complete your DV Bonus application using the RFP instruction provided, please integrate information that responds to questions 1F-4b to 4e to the best of your ability. Doing this will allow us to provide the information requested by HUD regarding the overall quality of our DV Bonus Projects and help improve the competitiveness of our application.**

#### **1F-4b. DV Survivor Housing.**

Applicants<sup>1</sup> must describe how project applicant<sup>2</sup> ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were assisted to quickly move into permanent housing.

#### **1F-4c. DV Survivor Safety.**

Applicants must describe how project applicant(s):

**1.** ensured the safety of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:

- (a) training staff on safety planning;*
- (b) adjusting intake space to better ensure a private conversation;*
- (c) conducting separate interviews/intake with each member of a couple;*
- (d) working with survivors to have them identify what is safe for them as it relates to scattered site units and/or rental assistance;*
- (e) maintaining bars on windows, fixing lights in the hallways, etc. for congregate living spaces operated by the applicant;*
- (f) keeping the location confidential for dedicated units and/or congregate living spaces set-aside solely for use by survivors; and*

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<sup>1</sup> Applicant refers to the CoC,

<sup>2</sup> Project applicant refers to the individual organizations who are requesting DV Bonus funding for PH-RRH and Joint PH-RRH Projects

2. measured its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served.

**1F-4d. Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches.**

Applicants must describe:

1. project applicant's experience in utilizing trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors; and

2. how, if funded, the project will utilize trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:

*(a) prioritizing participant choice and rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with participants' preferences;*

*(b) establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;*

*(c) providing program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participant with information on trauma;*

*(d) placing emphasis on the participant's strengths, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans include assessments of program participants strengths and works towards goals and aspirations;*

*(e) centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination;*

*(f) delivering opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and*

*(g) offering support for parenting, e.g., parenting classes, childcare.*

**1F-4e. Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors.**

Applicants must describe how the project applicant met services needs and ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were assisted to quickly move into permanent housing while addressing their safety needs, including:

- *Child Custody*
- *Legal Services*
- *Criminal History*
- *Bad Credit History*
- *Education*
- *Job Training*
- *Employment*
- *Physical/Mental Healthcare*
- *Drug and Alcohol Treatment*
- *Childcare*