

Funding Availability for Public and Indian Housing Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Program

Program Overview

Purpose of Program. The purpose of the Public and Indian Housing Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Program is to provide grants to Public Housing Agencies, tribes/Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs), Resident Organizations and nonprofits, including grassroots, faith-based and other community based organizations for the delivery and coordination of supportive services and other activities designed to help Public and Indian housing residents attain economic self-sufficiency.

Available Funds. A total of \$49,675,000 is available for funding in

Fiscal Year 2003. Of this, \$14,902,500 is allocated to Neighborhood Networks.

Transfer of Funds. HUD may transfer funds between the two Resident Service Delivery Models (RSDM) programs and the Homeownership Supportive Services program in the event that funds in one or more categories are remaining after all qualified applications have been funded. If transfer of funds does become necessary, HUD will give first priority to Homeownership Supportive Services (HSS), second priority to RSDM-Family and third priority to RSDM-Elderly. HUD does not have the discretion to transfer funds for the Neighborhood Networks category to any other funding category within this NOFA. If remaining funds under the Neighborhood Networks funding category are too small to make an award, they will be used to partially fund

applications in rank order regardless of region in the existing center category.

Match. At least 25 percent of the grant amount is required as the grant match.

Eligible Applicants. Eligible applicants are Public Housing Agencies (PHAs), tribes/TDHEs, resident management corporations (RMCs), resident councils (RCs), resident organizations (ROs), Intermediary Resident Organizations (IROs), City-Wide Resident Organizations (CWROs) and nonprofits including grassroots, faith-based and other community based organizations that have resident support or the support of tribes. Tribes and TDHEs are not eligible for the Neighborhood Networks funding category. The following chart summarizes the funding categories available under ROSS, eligible applicants and application procedures.

Grant	Eligibility	Application procedure
Resident Services Delivery Model-Family (RSDM-Family).	PHAs, Resident Management Corporations (RMCs), Resident Councils (RCs), Resident Organizations (ROs), Intermediary Resident Organizations (IROs), City-Wide Resident Organizations (CWROs), nonprofits, Indian tribes, and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs).	Submit application per SuperNOFA and Program Section requirements.
Resident Services Delivery Model-Elderly and Persons with Disabilities.	PHAs, Resident Management Corporations (RMCs), Resident Councils (RCs), Resident Organizations (ROs), Intermediary Resident Organizations (IROs), City-Wide Resident Organizations (CWROs), nonprofits, Indian tribes/TDHEs.	Submit application per SuperNOFA and Program Section requirements.
Homeownership Supportive Services (HSS).	PHAs, Resident Management Corporations (RMCs), Resident Councils (RCs), Resident Organizations (ROs), Intermediary Resident Organizations (IROs), City-Wide Resident Organizations (CWROs), nonprofits, Indian tribes/TDHEs.	Submit application per SuperNOFA and Program Section requirements.
Neighborhood Networks (NN)	PHAs and nonprofits with expertise in this area	Submit application per SuperNOFA and Program Section requirements.
Service Coordinator	PHAs which were recipients of this grant in FY1995.	Renewal Program only. New applications will not be considered. Grantees will not go through the SuperNOFA process. HUD will send a letter to 1995 grantees indicating procedure for applying.

Number of Applications Permitted.

General. Applicants including PHAs, tribes/TDHEs, ROs, RCs, and nonprofits, including grassroots, faith-based or other community-based organizations that have resident support or the support of tribes may submit an application for more than one funding category, however applicants must submit separate applications for each funding category. NOTE: Applications from PHAs, tribes/TDHEs, ROs, RCs, RAs and nonprofit organizations targeting the same public housing development/population will not all be funded. HUD suggests that in these cases, applicants work together to submit one application. Otherwise, the highest scoring application will be funded. Nonprofits may submit more than one application provided that they

will be serving residents of distinct Public Housing Authorities.

Joint applications. Two or more applicants may join together to submit a joint application for proposed grant activities. Joint applications must designate a lead applicant. Both lead and non-lead applicants are subject to threshold requirements. Joint applications may include PHAs, RAs, IROs, Tribes/TDHEs, and nonprofit entities on behalf of resident organizations. Joint applications involving nonprofits must also provide evidence of resident support. The maximum funding for joint applications cannot exceed the amount of funding applicants would have collectively received had they applied individually.

Grant term. The grant term for funding for each funding category under

the ROSS program is thirty-six months from the execution date of the grant agreement.

Extensions. The field office may grant one six-month extension, as long as the request for an extension occurs no less than one year of grant expiration. Other extensions require approval from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Office of Public Housing and Voucher Programs.

Additional Information

If you are interested in applying for funding under any of these funding categories, please carefully review the application requirements provided for each grant category below.