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AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE

NEVADA HOUSING DIVISION
SUPPORTIVE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND (SHDF)
FY2025

Pre-applications for the Supportive Housing Development Fund ("SHDF") opened for submission on Wednesday September 25, 2024, in ZoomGrants. **Please Note: The SHDF pre-application submission date has been extended to close at 5 p.m. on October 14, 2024.** All pre-applications will be screened by Housing Division staff members for minimum eligibility requirements. Parties who are interested in applying for a grant from the SHDF must complete a pre-application. The full application for the SHDF will open on **October 15, 2024**, for all qualified pre-applicants with a deadline of **November 15, 2024**, for complete submission.

NHD Announces Program Guidance, Pre-application and Application Openings for the Supportive Housing Development Fund

Assembly Bill 310 of the 2023 Legislative Session was signed into law by Governor Joe Lombardo on June 15, 2023, and subject to the availability of funds appropriated for such a purpose, created the SHDF. The goal of the SHDF is to increase the supply of quality supportive housing, build the capacity of the supportive housing industry to reduce homelessness and inappropriate institutionalization, and evaluate the effectiveness of such interventions in Nevada.

In Nevada, the critical need for supportive housing to address chronic homelessness is underscored by a complex interplay of social, economic, and systemic factors. The shortage of affordable housing and rising housing costs correlates to a rise in homelessness which necessitates innovative and comprehensive solutions. Nevada's current affordable housing supply is grossly under-serving Nevadans with complex barriers to housing stability with zero or extremely low-income combined with physical, cognitive, and behavioral health diagnoses. Supportive housing is one evidence-based solution to this pressing issue considering its combination of affordable living spaces and on-site services, supportive housing provides a necessary foundation by offering a sustainable housing solution with services for those with complex needs. Research suggests that housing-first supportive housing models following the fidelity principles recommended by the [Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration's PSH Toolkit](#) have high success rates at keeping tenants who historically have been high utilizers of emergency services stably housed longer than other interventions and decreasing the public cost of healthcare, criminal justice and the homeless response system.

The SHDF was created to increase infrastructure, capacity, and supply for this evidence-based housing intervention. Projects awarded these one-time funding opportunities will be required to adhere to fidelity standards as outlined throughout this document and additional information referred to therein. Technical assistance will be available for awardees to build capacity and

standardized processes that support successful data collection, outcomes tracking, and reporting practices that can be leveraged to prove the need and success of future ongoing funding streams like this. Compliance with all grant requirements, meaningful participation with technical assistance, and open communication with Division staff will be expected for all awardees.

Pursuant to regulations adopted by the Nevada Legislative Commission on September 13, 2024, the following entities are eligible to apply for a grant from the supportive housing grant program:

- 1) A public or private nonprofit charitable organization that is registered and in good standing with the Secretary of State;
- 2) A housing authority; or
- 3) A local government.

The SHDF has \$32,200,000 total available. Applications are being accepted for \$31,100,000 across these four categories for supportive housing projects: Supportive Services, Supportive Services and Operations, Organizational/Project Capacity Building, and/or Supportive Housing Project Planning. The Housing Division will release Requests for Proposals for the remaining \$900,000 to support the statewide supportive housing capacity building initiative and the SHDF program evaluation, respectively.

Please note, for projects that are not seeking planning funds, there must be another source of public funds already committed. The SHDF does not directly fund construction or rehabilitation – these funds are for the supportive services needed by tenants with an income at or below 30% of area median income for the county where the household is located. Additionally, these funds are not available for transitional or temporary housing – tenants must have a 12-month lease with the ability to renew the lease in accordance with NRS 118A. Finally for this notice, please be aware that projects must serve tenants with a disabling behavioral health or physical health condition as defined under “Tenant Eligibility” in the SHDF Program Guidance. Please refer to the SHDF Program Guidance for more information on all funding opportunities including eligibility requirements and the total available funding across the various categories.

Pre-Applications: Not later than **October 15, 2024**, the Division will provide written notice to each applicant of the pre-application determination of the Division concerning the approval or rejection of an application submitted pursuant to this section. Approved pre-applicants will be electronically notified via ZoomGrants to proceed with submission of a full SHDF application.

Complete Applications: Not later than 45 days after the application deadline of **November 15, 2024**, the Division will review each application submitted to the Division and, if applicable, consult with the Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing created by NRS 232.4981. The Division will provide written notice to each applicant of the final determination of the Division concerning the approval or rejection of an application submitted pursuant to this section.

If you do not have the link for portal access once the pre-application and application process is open, or, if you have questions, please contact NHD by email at nhdgrants@housing.nv.gov.