

Grantee: Washington, DC

Grant: RHP-DC

October 1, 2021 thru September 30, 2022

Grant Number: RHP-DC	Obligation Date:	Award Date: 08/16/2021
Grantee Name: Washington, DC	Contract End Date:	Review by HUD: Original - In Progress
Grant Award Amount: \$6,821,771.00	Grant Status: Active	QPR Contact: No QPR Contact Found
LOCCS Authorized Amount:	Estimated PI/RL Funds: \$0.00	
Total Budget: \$6,821,771.00		

Disasters:

Declaration Number

No Disasters Found

Narratives

Program Summary:

On December 20, 2019, the Recovery Housing Program, was signed into law and funded through the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2020 (Public Law 116-94). The program was authorized under Section 8071 of the SUPPORT Act. On November 25, 2020, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that the District of Columbia (District) would receive \$1,226,000 for the Recovery Housing Program (RHP). HUD began preparing the pilot program and, before completion, announced on February 25, 2021, that the District would receive an additional \$1,058,604. This draft document serves to outline the proposed uses for \$2,284,604 in RHP funds from grant years 2020 and 2021. The District will use the funds to support RHP housing through acquisition, development and/or rental assistance for persons with a substance use disorder (SUD). The SUD units will be occupied by individuals or families earning 80% or less of the area median income (AMI) based on household size, who have at least one family member with a SUD. Each household living in a SUD unit will receive supportive services based on their need by local partners. RHP housing is limited to twenty four months or until permanent housing is achieved, which ever occurs first.

On July 15, 2022, HUD approved the FY21 and FY22 RHP Action Plans. The District must substantially amend its approved RHP Action Plans to use these FY25 funds. The District will continue to fund the previously approved activities and proposes increasing current funding levels as stated below:

Resources

FY 21 (PY 2020) \$1,226,000

FY 22 (PY 2021) \$1,058,604

FY 23 (PY 2022) \$1,634,034

Medicaid and 1115 Waiver

The Pilot Program to Help Individuals in Recovery from a Substance Use Disorder Become Stably Housed (Recovery Housing Program) was authorized under Section 8071 of the Support for Patients and Communities (SUPPORT) Act.

Substantial Amendment # 1 - On August 16, 2022, the District submitted to HUD a substantial amendment to allocate the FY 23 funds, \$1,266,000.00 to existing activities. The substantial amendment did not receive any feedback during the 15-day comment period, August 2-16, 2022, or at the public hearing held on the platform Public Input, on July 27, 2022.

Substantial Amendment # 2 - On August 16, 2023, the District submitted to HUD a substantial amendment to allocate the FY 23 funds, \$1,634,034.00 to existing activities. The substantial amendment did not receive any feedback during the 30-day comment period, July 10-August 10, 2023, or at the public hearing held at the MLK, Jr. Memorial Public Library on the platform Public Input, on July 18, 2023.

Substantial Amendment #3 -



On May 7, 2024, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that the District of Columbia (the District) would receive an allocation of \$1,637,131 in Recovery Housing Program (RHP)[1] FY 2024 (FY 25) funds. RHP allows the District to provide funding for stable, transitional housing for individuals in recovery from a substance use disorder. Funding is for a maximum of two years per individual or until the individual secures permanent housing, whichever is earlier.

Resources:

Grant Numbers and Award Amounts

Grant Number
Award Amount
Date of Award
B-20-RH-11-0001
\$1,226,000
November 25, 2020
B-21-RH-11-0001
\$1,058,604
February 25, 2021
Total Allocation
\$2,284,604

Substantial Amendment #1

Grant Number
Award Amount
Date of Award
B-22-RH-11-0001
\$1,266,000
May 17, 2022
Substantial Amendment #2
Grant Number
Award Amount
Date of Award
B-23-RH-11-0001
\$1,634,034
February 27, 2023
Substantial Amendment #3
Grant Number
Award Amount
Date of Award
B-24-RH-11-0001
\$1,637,131
May 7, 2024

Administration Summary:

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) will partner with the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH), the Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF), and the Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH) to administer, in a coordinated effort, the RHP funds. DHCD will be responsible for overall compliance of the program. DBH will be responsible for identifying treatment plans based on individual needs of SUD clients, DHCF will be responsible for assisting in health care financing of the program and ICH will assist in identifying the needs of the homeless community participating in the program.

The RHP funds will fund the acquisition and construction of extremely low-income affordable housing for persons living with a substance use disorder (SUD) and or provide rental assistance for said households. DHCD will award the RHP acquisition and construction funds through a comprehensive Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Rental assistance will be administered through one of the district partners with experience managing rental assistance funds and compliance of interagency agreement will be conducted by DHCD.

Prior to project completion, DHCD will coordinate with District partners to ensure beneficiaries receive supportive services to provide a holistic approach to recovery. Currently, DHCD anticipates using Medicaid and 1115 Waivers to fund outpatient services, known as Level 1 treatment, outlined in the RHP housing resident’s recovery plan.

The District will use up to three percent of the allocation to address technical assistance needs:

- 1. Developing or strengthening care coordination models.
- 2. Payment models, including value-based purchasing strategies.

3. Identifying and coordinating with non-Medicaid funding sources to support housing access and stability among individuals with SUD.

Use of Funds - Method of Distribution:

DHCD will carry out the the distribution of the acquisition and construction funds through a coordinated Request for Proposal (RFP) process, spearheaded by DHCD. Upon execution of grant and or loan agreements, all funds will be dispersed on a reimbursement basis to ensure compliance with all federal and local laws. DHCD will coordinate the rental assistance program with another District agency for distribution to households through a current government rental assistance program. All funding is limited to up to twenty four months or until a recipient secures permanent housing, which ever comes first. Eligible subrecipients, who will provide supportive services as RHP partners will be experienced in substance use programs, homeless programs and/or housing programs. The District will spend up to five percent of its allocation on administrative expenses in accordance with 2 CFR 200.

Use of Funds - Activities Carried Out Directly:

- The District will develop a project(s) Per the SUPPORT Act Section II, M, (i) Expansion of Limited Clientele National Objective to include RHP assisted housing. HUD is imposing a waiver and alternative requirement to the limited clientele national objective criteria at 24 CFR 570.208(a)(2) and 570.483(b)(2)(i)(B) to the extent necessary to enable the use of the limited clientele national objective for acquisition, rehabilitation, reconstruction, or new construction activities assisted by RHP funds that provide stable, temporary housing to individuals in recovery from substance use disorder, when at least 51 percent of the individuals benefitting are low- or moderate-income persons.
 - FY 2021 Consolidated Request for Affordable Housing Projects
 - The above document will be used to issue an RFP for an RHP acquisition and construction project. Currently we do not have a project in mind. We will coordinate an RFP to assist in identifying a project. DHCD understands that RHP units are temporary transitional housing for up to twenty four months or until the household secures permanent housing; whichever comes first and while a household is actively participating in recovery. The National Objective will be Low Moderate Income - Limited Clientele. All beneficiaries will earn less than 80% area median income, but the District is targeting this funding to households earning 30% or less area median income.
 - The District is currently preparing for a 2024 RFP and that process will be used to select the RHP project. The 2024 RFP is not posted on the Agency's website.
 - Lease, rent, and utility (depending on the structure of programs funded, may make sense to provide funding for rent and utilities) will be carried out by the District through current rental assistance programs. Households may recieve up to twenty four months of rental assistance while participating in SUD recovery. The National Objective will be Low Moderate Income - Limited Clientele. All beneficiaries will earn less than 80% area median income, but the District is targeting this funding to households earning 30% or less area median income.

Use of Funds - Eligible Subrecipients:

- Community-Based Organizations
- Community Health Organizations

Use of Funds - Criteria for Evaluation:

The District will distribute RHP funds using a RFP process similar in form to its Consolidated RFP. For purposes of distributing RHP funding, the District will prioritize entities serving beneficiaries with the highest needs, beneficiaries who have substance use disorders and are extremely low income, including those who are unemployed or have inconsistent workforce attachment.

Definitions - Individual in Recovery:

Recovery is a process of change through which individuals improve health and wellness, live a self-directed life, and strive to reach their full potential.

Definitions - Substance Use Disorder:

Substance use disorders occur when the recurrent use of alcohol and or drugs causes clinically significant impairment, including health problems, disability, and failure to meet primary responsibilities at work, school, or home.

Anticipated Outcomes:

Anticipated Goals

1. Create Medicaid benefit for person-centered housing supports.
2. Identify opportunities to increase support for beneficiaries experiencing SUD in managed care organization contracts.
3. Expand the range of housing opportunities available to individuals with SUD.

Anticipated Outcomes

1. Housing Affordability/Accessibility - RHP funds will provide sixteen households, actively involved with their recovery, affordable house for up to twenty four months, or until permanent housing is secured; whichever comes first. The FY 24 Amendment does not include an increase in beneficiary households served due to increased costs in construction, rent, utilities and inflation. The District will strive to assist as many households as possible, the number of households served will be identified in the RHP Performance Reports.
2. Stable Access to SUD Services - District partnership with Continuum of Care partners to provide supportive services for individuals and families impacted by a substance use disorder.
3. Meet Live. Long. D.C. strategic plan to create a person-centered system of care that comprehensively addresses the opioid epidemic.

Expenditure Plan:

Eligible Activity	Proposed Budget
Administration (VS CAP)	\$114,230.00
Technical Assistance (VS CAP)	\$66,570.00
Acquisition of Real Property	\$1,000,000.00
Construction (Hard and Soft Costs)	\$601,836.00
Lease, Rent, and Utility Assistance	\$700,000.00
Proposed Budget Total	\$2,264,636.00

Eligible Activity	Current Approved Budget	FY 2023 Proposed Amendment	Proposed RHP Budget with Amendment
Administration (VS CAP)	\$114,230.00	\$63,700.00	\$177,530.00
Technical Assistance (VS CAP)	\$66,570.00	\$37,000.00	\$106,510.00
Acquisition of Real Property	\$1,000,000.00	\$708,240.00	\$1,138,240.00
Construction (Hard and Soft Costs)	\$601,836.00	\$708,240.00	\$990,076.00
Lease, Rent, and Utility Assistance	\$700,000.00	\$708,240.00	\$888,240.00
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Citizen Participation Summary:

DHCD began working with local partners during the winter of 2020 to develop a plan to use the RHP funds. The local partners specialized in substance use disorders and included government and non-governmental entities. Their discussions and decisions are the basis for the RHP Action Plan.

In addition to the local partner meetings, DHCD began soliciting citizen comments for the RHP funds while the local partners were meeting. DHCD included the RHP funds and the desire for housing targeting individuals and families in substance use recovery during the FY 21 and FY 22 Annual Action Plan cycles, providing citizens and stakeholders 40 days to ask questions and present comments on the use of the RHP funding.

On December 17, DHCD posted the completed document on the DHCD website, www.dhcd.dc.gov, for a 15-day citizen comment period, which will end at 5:00 pm on December 31. In addition, DHCD will allow the public to comment on the document between January 19 – February 3, 2022, and hold a public meeting via WebEx on January 27, 2022, at 6:30 pm.

To date, DHCD nor its partners have received comments on the RHP project or RHP Action Plan.

Substantial Amendment #1

On March 24, 2022, DHCD held a Needs Assessment Public Hearing, where DHCD highlighted the HUD approved RHP Action Plan. There were no comments received at this meeting on the RHP Allocation Plan.
On May 17, 2022, DHCD informed the District's partners, listed in the Partner Coordination section, that there was a FY 23 RHP allocation of \$1,266,000. The partners decided to allocate the funds across existing activities.
On July 27, 2022, DHCD held a public hearing for the FY 23 Annual Action Plan and included a synopsis of the FY 23 RHP Substantial Amendment. There were no comments received from this meeting on the FY 23 RHP Substantial Amendment.
On August 2, the substantial amendment was posted to the DHCD website for a 15-day public comment period. At the conclusion of the public comment period no comments were submitted for the FY 23 Substantial Amendment.
All citizen outreach was conducted in accordance with the District's Citizen Participation Plan.

Substantial Amendment #2

On March 14, 2023, DHCD held a Needs Assessment Public Hearing, where DHCD highlighted the HUD approved RHP Action Plan. There were no comments received at this meeting on the RHP Allocation Plan.
DHCD then informed the District's partners, listed in the Partner Coordination section, that there was a FY 24 RHP allocation of \$1,634,034. The partners decided to allocate the funds across existing activities.
On July 18, 2023, DHCD held a public hearing for the FY 24 Annual Action Plan and included a synopsis of the FY 24 RHP Substantial Amendment. There were no comments received from this meeting on the FY 24 RHP Substantial Amendment.
On July 14, 2023, the substantial amendment was posted to the DHCD website for a 30-day public comment period. At the conclusion of the public comment period no comments were submitted for the FY 24 Substantial Amendment.
All citizen outreach was conducted in accordance with the District's Citizen Participation Plan.

Substantial Amendment #3

The District is required to provide a 15-day comment period for the FY 24 RHP Amendment. The comment period will begin on July 10, 2024, and end at 5:00 pm on July 25, 2024.
The District will submit the proposed amendment and all public comments to HUD by August 16, 2023, through the Disaster Recovery Grant Reporting System (DRGR).

In Addition, on May 23, 2024, DHCD held a Needs Assessment Public Hearing, where DHCD highlighted the HUD approved RHP Action Plan. There were no comments received at this meeting on the RHP Allocation Plan.
On August 1, 2024, DHCD held a public hearing for the FY 25 Annual Action Plan and included a synopsis of the FY 25 RHP Substantial Amendment.
There were no comments received from this meeting on the FY 25 RHP Substantial Amendment.
All citizen outreach was conducted in accordance with the District's Citizen Participation Plan.

Postings and Advertisements
Document Type
Posting Location
Date of Posting
Ad #/DC Register Number #
Proof Uploaded to Box (Tear Sheets, Screen Shots, etc)
NA Public Hearing Notice
DC Register
May 3, 2024

<http://dcregs.dc.gov/Common/noticedetail.aspx?noticeId=N135927>.

NA Public Hearing Advertisement
Washington Times

May 9, 2024

Hard copy attached to the document upon submission.
Website Language
DHCD Website

<https://dhcd.dc.gov/event/public-hearing-needs-assessment-hearing-draft-fy25-annual-action-plan>

NA Social Media Post
Facebook, Instagram, and X
May 9, 2024
May 15, 2024

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/pEGSjzRBB7osfgZX/?mibextid=qi2Omg>
IG: <https://www.instagram.com/p/C6xJz13NDNG/?igsh=aG81c3g3a2RxejBv>
X: https://twitter.com/DCDHCD/status/1788728137301254263?t=_Pjf0NxrgPyVEQojaB9GrA&s=19

Email Bulletin
GovDelivery
May 9, 2024
May 16, 2024

Email blasts were sent to more than 17,000 GovDelivery subscribers
Public Hearing Notice
DC Register
July 26, 2024

N137022
<https://dcregs.dc.gov/Common/DCR/Issues/IssueCategoryList.aspx?DownloadFile={99473E16-AE04-4AE7-B60E-2C301465158C}>
Public Hearing Advertisement
Washington Times

Website Language
DHCD Website

<https://dhcd.dc.gov/event/public-hearing-draft-fy-2025-annual-action-plan>

Public Hearing Social Media Post
Facebook, Instagram, and X
July 25, 2024
August 1, 2024

FB: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/axb5rf95oSmCsDjh/?mibextid=qi2Omg>
IG: <https://www.instagram.com/p/C93f7LExBYG/?igsh=d29qNTI0eTRxc2p0>
X: <https://x.com/DCDHCD/status/1816642400829239608?t=8bSxGu6z07HJ-BrcxkjbjA&s=19>

Email Bulletin
GovDelivery
July 11, 2024
July 25, 2024
July 31, 2024

Email blasts were sent to more than 18,000 GovDelivery subscribers
Public Hearing Recording
YouTube
August 1, 2024

<https://youtu.be/nE6Ahw5U77o>

Partner Coordination:

DHCD, located at 1909 martin Luther King Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20020, (formerly at 1800 Martin Luther King Avenue, SE, Washington, DC, 20020) coordinated with the following organizations to develop the RHP Action Plan
DC Learning Collaborative Team, 975 F Street NW, #303, Washington, DC 20004
Interagency Council on Homelessness/Continuum of Care, 1350 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 233, Washington, DC 20004
DC Department of Health, 899 North Capital Street NE, Washington, DC 20002
DC Department of Behavioral Health, 64 New York Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20002
DC Department of Health Care Finance, 441 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001

Subrecipient Management and Monitoring:

DHCD, as the Participating Jurisdiction (P.J.) for HUD, will be responsible for ensuring compliance monitoring and programmatic compliance for the RHP program. The [FY 2021 RFP Compliance and Monitoring Guide](#) will be used to monitor the affordable housing development and the following documents will be used to monitor community based organizations which assist in providing supportive services.
Documents to be reviewed during monitoring:

- 1. Application
- 2. Award Letter
- 3. Executed Grant Agreement
- 4. Budget
- 5. Work plan
- 6. Performance Reports (Reports submitted to NBAP staff)
- 7. Payment Requests
- 8. Cost Allocation Plan
- 9. Fringe Benefit Report (If Applicable)
- 10. Non-expendable property inventory report
- 11. Board minutes for the year
- 12. Conflict of Interest declaration for board and staff
- 13. Position Descriptions of new staff (where applicable)
- 14. Program publications-pamphlets, brochures, information flyers
- 15. Sign-in sheets for workshops etc.
- 16. Organization Audit (A-133 Compliant)
- 17. Certificates of Insurance and Certificate of Clean Hands
- 18. Consultant Agreements (if applicable)
- 19. Organizational charts
- 20. Program/Policies and Procedures Manuals
- 21. Debt to Income Ratio of Clients (Review of Client File)
- 22. Any other items listed in the grant agreement
- 23. Review of Client Management System (If Applicable)

Pre-Award/Pre-Agreement Costs:

DHCD did not have any pre-award or pre-agreement costs.

Additional Information for Citizens/Stakeholders

DHCD is working with the Deputy Mayor’s Office for Health and Human Services (DMHHS), the District Department of Behavioral Health (DBH), the District Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF), the District Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH), and the existing Recovery Housing providers in the Behavioral Health and Substance Use Continuum of Care to develop this plan. DHCD will submit this plan and comments received in December to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. DHCD will then provide a second opportunity for citizens and stakeholders to submit comments in January and attend a public hearing. Any future funds received for this program or any deviation from this plan, citizens and stakeholders will be given another 15-day comment period to respond pursuant to the District’s Citizen Participation Plan.

Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Budget	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Obligated	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00

Total Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Funds Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Funds Expended	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
HUD Identified Most Impacted and Distressed	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Match Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Progress Toward Required Numeric Targets

Requirement	Target	Projected	Actual
Overall Benefit Percentage			
B-20-RH-11-0001	.00%	.00%	.00%
B-21-RH-11-0001	.00%	.00%	.00%
B-23-RH-11-0001			
B-24-RH-11-0001			
Overall Benefit Amount			
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-23-RH-11-0001			
B-24-RH-11-0001			
Limit on Public Services			
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-23-RH-11-0001			
B-24-RH-11-0001			
Limit on Admin/Planning			
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-23-RH-11-0001			
B-24-RH-11-0001			
Limit on Admin			
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$61,300.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$52,930.20	\$.00	\$.00
B-23-RH-11-0001			
B-24-RH-11-0001			
Most Impacted and Distressed			

B-20-RH-11-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
B-23-RH-11-0001			
B-24-RH-11-0001			

Overall Progress Narrative:

The District is in the project development stage of the RHP program and has not expended any funds.

Project Summary

Project #, Project Title	This Report	To Date	
	Program Funds Drawdown	Project Funds Budgeted	Program Funds Drawdown
9999, Restricted Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-20-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
B-21-RH-11-0001	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00