

## **NDHG Award Outline**

Eligible Recipients – must be either a private nonprofit organization or units of general purpose local government.

Maximum amount to request = \$25,000

Match Requirement = 25%

NDHG's focus is on homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing activities to include short-term rental assistance and services to stabilize and rapidly re-house individuals and households who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Up to \$50,000 may be set aside to administer HMIS.

### ***Homeless Prevention Component***

- Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services – annual income below 50% median family income
  - Financial assistance costs
    - Rental application fees
    - Security deposits
    - Last month's rent
    - Utility deposits
    - Utility payments
    - Transportation - The transportation costs of travel by program participants to another state. This will be a one-time payment per program participant. In order to pay for transportation cost to relocate people to destination outside the state, the program participant must agree to:
      - Program participant must provide written documentation that they have housing in place at their destination.
      - Program participant must sign a form agreeing that this is a one-time assistance and acknowledge that they will not be eligible for the same assistance in the future.
      - Program participant must agree to let us keep track of this assistance and allow us to share this information with other homeless service providers in the state.
- Short-term Rental Assistance - This activity will be included in the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing components. This funding can be used to pay above the Fair Market Rent established by HUD, only if all other resources for finding rental assistance at the Fair Market Rent have been exhausted. Program participants should be encouraged to pay a portion of their rent if possible. Subrecipients **must** complete and file a rent reasonableness form for rental assistance above FMR.
  - Short-term rental assistance up to 3 months of rent
  - Payment of rental arrears for up to 6 months of rent in arrears, including any late fees
  - Rental assistance may be tenant-based or project-based

Note: Separate leases must be completed for each tenant if two or more are living together in an apartment and if one or more tenants are eligible for NDHG funding and the other tenants are not eligible for NDHG funding.

### ***Rapid Rehousing Component***

- Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services
  - Financial assistance costs
    - Rental application fees
    - Security deposits
    - Last month's rent
    - Utility deposits
    - Utility payments
  - Transportation - The transportation costs of travel by program participants to another state. This will be a one-time payment per program participant. In order to pay for transportation cost to relocate people to destination outside the state, the program participant must agree to:
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The above list is not all inclusive. For more information, please review 24 CFR Parts 91 and 576 and the North Dakota Homeless Written Standards and/or NDHG Program Distribution Statement for complete program information. All documents can be found at:

<http://www.communityservices.nd.gov/community/NDHG/>