Grant and Per Diem Program Transition in Place (TIP)

Fiscal Year 2018 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)
Introduction

• Call will be lectured for the benefit of all participants.
• Copy of today’s presentation is posted on the GPD website www.va.gov/homeless/gpd.asp
• Today’s call is being recorded and will be posted on GPD website at a later date.
GPD TIP NOFA

- November 6, 2017 VA announced NOFA for TIP.
  - Current GPD TIP grantees whose grants end September 30, 2018.
  - New applicants willing to serve homeless Veterans under TIP model.
- VA expects to fund approximately 500 beds over a 2-year period (October, 1, 2018 thru September 30, 2020).
- Applicants may apply for a minimum of 5 beds and a maximum of 25 beds.
Traditional Transitional Housing

Veteran in Transitional Housing -> Services end -> Veteran moves to *permanent housing*
Transition in Place

Veteran completes TIP Programing

Veteran receives services for up to 24 months. Veteran remains in their housing as services transition out.
Frequently Asked Questions

• Can you explain the how “average number of beds” during the award period works?

• Can TIP be set up as “shared housing” (roommates)?
TIP Model Description

• TIP is *transitional housing* - maximum stay is 24 months.
  • Expected that Veterans will transition in place in approximately 6 to 12 months.
  • Extensions may be granted after 12 months.
• As Veterans assume responsibility for the housing and services end, units must be replaced to continue the service.
• Model does not support Veteran transition to HUD-VASH.
TIP Model Description

• Applicants applying under this NOFA must own or lease apartments intended as permanent housing for an individual or single family.

• Apartments/living units must meet the inspection standards outlined at title 38 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 61.80 (GPD regulations).
TIP Model Description

• TIP Housing must meet the following characteristics:
  • Private access without unauthorized passage through another dwelling unit or private property;
  • Sanitary facilities within the unit;
  • Basic furnishings; and
  • Suitable space and equipment within the unit to store, prepare, and serve food in a sanitary manner.
Frequently Asked Questions

• What is the per diem rate for TIP?

• How much can the Veteran be charged for “rent”?
Performance Metrics

- VA established performance targets for all successful applicants.
  - Discharge to permanent housing is 75 percent;
  - employment of individuals at discharge is 50 percent;
  - negative exits are less than 23 percent.
Program Design Considerations

- **Traditional Transitional Housing.**
  - Time limited.
  - Services focus on preparations for housing readiness.
  - Housing ranges from various congregate living settings to individual units.

- **Transition in Place**
  - Time limited.
  - Services focus on sustaining housing.
  - Living unit for the individual and/or family receiving services.
Program Design Considerations

Housing Owned By Organization

- Can access housing stock organization owns quickly.
- Internal familiarity with homeless population.
- May ease inspection process.
- Enough housing stock for the project?

Housing Leased by the Organization

- Ongoing development of housing stock.
  - Housing specialist
- Could be broader housing base for project.
- Negotiations with landlords.
Program Design Considerations

• Scattered site versus single location.
  • Logistics in support-one location vs. multiple locations.
  • Logistics in site approval (system to inspect new locations).
• Consumer choice in location.
Program Design Considerations

- Sustaining housing and assuming responsibility for housing is primary focus.
  - Type and intensity of services based on Veteran needs that change over time.
    - Early intensity with gradual phase out of services
    - Increased responsibility for Veteran over time.
    - Availability of on-call staff for support and response to crisis.
- Role and responsibilities of tenant
Program Design Considerations

• Relapse prevention and response.
• Openly discuss the benefits and challenges associated with the transitions that will occur when living on their own.
• Communicating potential consequences of bad decisions.
Program Design Considerations

- Home visits – different process considerations from facility based monitoring.
  - Supporting daily activities involved in maintaining a household.
  - Daily contact/monitoring
  - Support for activities living in the community.
    - Awareness of public transportation.
    - Where laundry is done.
    - Where is the grocery store, library, community center.
Participant Agreement Information

- GPD is only authorized to provide *transitional housing*, there are detailed guidance in the NOFA about participant agreements for TIP.

  - *Lease with participant – not allowed till transition*

  - *Lease Guarantors – not allowed*

  - *Sub-leases – allowable as defined in the NOFA*
Frequently Asked Questions

• Is a Veteran who is accepted for HUD-VASH appropriate for TIP?

• Is TIP considered a permanent housing destination by HUD?
Resources

• Next Technical Assistance calls
  • Low Demand – December 6\textsuperscript{th} 2pm eastern
  • Service Intensive and Service Centers – December 7\textsuperscript{th} 2pm eastern
• Question and Answer – December 12\textsuperscript{th} 2pm eastern
  • Submit questions to gpdgrants@va.gov
Resources

• GPD website www.va.gov/homeless/gpd.asp

• Email support gpdgrants@va.gov

• GPD Office 877-332-0334