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SSVF COVID-19 Response

Office Hours for May 8, 2020

Updated Guidance and FAQ available at
www.va.gov/homeless/ssvf

[Link to Audio](#)



WEBINAR FORMAT

- Webinar will last approximately 45 minutes
- Participants' phone connections are “muted” due to the high number of callers
- Questions can also be submitted anytime to SSVF@va.gov



- **Topic Updates- Unemployment Compensation**
 - The SSVF Program Office has aligned our guidance related to the \$1200 stimulus payments and the \$600 additional unemployment compensation, provided in the CARES Act, with HUD and other federal agencies. Based on 24 CFR 5.609 and 24 CFR 5.611(a) (Part 5), HUD and other federal agencies have determined that this would be excluded as it is temporary and time limited to deal with the COVID-19 crisis. SSVF grantees **should not include** this when calculating and determining income eligibility.



- Budget Updates
 - Approval Letters going out now.
 - Resubmission requests in GIFTS, due by COB today.
- HHS Drawdowns
 - Accelerate and discuss with FISCAL doing this frequently.



Grantees have responded to the need to address COVID-19

- TFA 57% \$113,399,515
- Labor 28% \$55,723,150
- OTNP 7% \$14,490,597
- Admin 8% \$15,725,717



CARES BUDGET

- Focus on TFA
- Minimal funding for all other non-essential spending
- Focus on staff, safety, and remote resources
- Minimal increase in staffing
- Lower admin costs



NEXT STEPS

- Finalize any budget concerns
- Drawdown, drawdown, drawdown!
- Regional Coordinator Lifeline
- Resources
 - SSVF Webpage COVID-19 Guidance
 - SSVF Technical Assistance
 - Other SSVF Grantees



Questions?