

Yolo County Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)

## Notice of Funding for Homeless Services and Housing Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP)

The Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) grant funding on September 5, 2018. The full <u>NOFA</u> can be found on the <u>HCFC website</u>.

The HEAP Program will provide grants to administrative entities designated by the local continuum of care (CoC) to address the homelessness crisis throughout California.

## **APPLICATION QUICK FACTS**

Eligible agencies within the Davis/Woodland/ Yolo County Continuum of Care (CA-521) (also known as the Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)) are eligible to receive an estimated combined total of \$1,341,828. HPAC must designate an Administrative Entity to receive the funds, and the Administrative Entity will establish sub contracts with the agencies selected through the local competition process.

#### ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES:

The parameters of this funding source are intentionally broad, and the examples provided are not exhaustive. Interested applicants are encouraged to be creative and craft programs that meet specific needs that have been identified in the local community.

Applicants should specify how the proposed activity is directly related to providing immediate emergency assistance to people experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of homelessness, and that those uses are aligned with California's Housing First policy. Eligible uses include, but are not limited to:

- Services: Street outreach, health and safety education, criminal justice diversion programs, prevention services, navigation services, and operating support for short-term or comprehensive homeless services.
- Rental assistance or subsidies: Housing vouchers, rapid re-housing programs, and eviction prevention strategies.
- Capital improvements: Emergency shelter, transitional housing, drop-in centers, permanent supportive housing, small/tiny houses, and improvements to current structures that serve homeless individuals and families. Some communities are discussing solutions to address homelessness and the public health crisis by using funds for handwashing stations or public toilet and shower facilities.
- At least five percent of HEAP funds must be used to establish or expand services meeting the needs of homeless youth or youth at risk of homelessness. Administrative costs are capped at five percent of program funds. This does not include staff costs directly related to carrying out program activities.

#### YOLO HEAP PROJECT RANKING

CoCs will be required to hold a local funding competition and use an objective ranking system to determine the project applications to be selected as sub recipients of HEAP funds. Projects selected cannot equal more than the CoC's HEAP Allocation of \$1,341,828.



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## **APPLICATION TIMELINE**

- o Applicants must express their intent to apply to the County Homeless Team at Emily.Meza@yolocounty.org by Friday, October 5, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.
- o Applicants must submit a Project Proposal to the County Homeless Team at Emily.Meza@yolocounty.org by October 24, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.
- Project applicants will be notified regarding the status of their proposal no later than **5:00pm on** November 30, 2018.

Additional details regarding the timeline and project selection process can be found in the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) Local Competition Timeline and Selection Process.