

November 9, 2020

To All Interested Parties:

I am pleased to announce the availability of two Request for Qualification (RFQ) processes in the Seattle Human Services Homeless Strategy and Investments (HSI) Division.

1. 2020 Shelter Surge
2. 2020 Street to Housing Rapid Rehousing Program

The 2020 Shelter Surge RFQ will identify eligible homeless services agencies to operate and provide supportive services at approximately 425 new single adult emergency shelter spaces. Beginning in December 2020, the Seattle Human Services Department (HSD) expects to have access to approximately 300 temporary shelter units located at leased hotel properties and 125 units of new enhanced shelter spaces. Through this RFQ process HSD is also identifying agencies to support the possible expansion of the tiny house village program in FY 2021.

The 2020 Street to Housing Rapid Rehousing RFQ will select one service provider to provide program enrollment and support to participants at the single adult shelter surge hotel buildings. This intentional linkage of shelter to Rapid Rehousing programming is designed to produce faster and more successful exits to permanent housing. The onsite Rapid Rehousing provider will focus on identifying housing options, move-in and rental assistance, and case management services and supports. HSD estimates that through an expedited process approximately 231 households will be enrolled into Emergency Solutions Grant – Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funded Rapid Rehousing program.

Shelter Surge & Street to Housing Rapid Rehousing RFQs Timeline*	
Funding Opportunity Released	Monday, November 9, 2020
**Webinar Information Session <i>(Note: participation and registration is highly recommended, but not required to submit an application)</i> Download WebEx prior to the webinar Need help? http://help.webex.com	Thursday, November 12, 2020 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM RSVP to: lisa.gustaveson@seattle.gov Join from the WebEx app : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting number (access code): 146 892 1448 • Meeting password: Z65gUTNxpW3 Dial in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1-206-207-1700,1468921448##
Last Day to Submit Questions to lisa.gustaveson@seattle.gov	Monday, November 16, 2020
Application Deadline (electronic only)	Monday, November 23, 2020
Notification (Planned)	Wednesday, December 2, 2020
Estimated Contract Start Date	December 2020

*HSD reserves the right to change any dates in the RFQ timeline. Any updates, including responses to questions, will be posted on [HSD's Funding Opportunities webpage](#).

**Please contact the Street to Housing RFQ coordinator for accommodation requests: Lisa Gustaveson at lisa.gustaveson@seattle.gov.

Completed applications are due by **Monday, November 23, 2020 at 5:00 PM PST**. Applications must be submitted through the [HSD Online Submission System](#). No faxed, e-mailed, or mailed applications will be accepted.

The expedited timeline for this RFQ is driven by the need for immediate action to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. HSD recognizes this abbreviated timeline could result in logistical and planning challenges for agencies to respond. HSD may decide to repeat the process again in the first quarter of 2021 if an adequate number of applications to meet the program scopes are not received during this solicitation. Agencies who submitted RFQ applications for the 2020 Shelter Surge and/or the Street to Housing Rapid Rehousing may be considered during a second RFQ process.

Sincerely,

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