



# REPORT

**DATE:** For the Agenda of June 7, 2002 **Item 102**

**REPORT NO.:** HCR02-052

**SUBJECT:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Super Notice of Funding Availability (SuperNOFA) Applications (Citywide)

## SUMMARY

**Issue:** Should the Housing Commission authorize grant applications to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the 2002 SuperNOFA?

**Recommendation:** Authorize grant applications under the 2002 SuperNOFA for the Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Resident Service Delivery Model program, the ROSS Neighborhood Networks program, and four (4) Shelter Plus Care renewal applications under the Continuum of Care program, and seek Housing Authority approval to amend the FY03 Housing Commission Budget to reflect addition of awarded funds and to execute all required documents.

**Fiscal Impact:** Successful applications will result in the receipt of \$500,000 from a ROSS Resident Service Delivery Model grant, \$100,000 from a ROSS Neighborhood Networks grant, and approximately \$572,256 from the four (4) Shelter Plus Care renewal grants.

**Previous Related Actions:** The Housing Commission has previously authorized three (3) successful applications for funding under HUD's ROSS programs and these Shelter Plus Care applications represent requests for renewal of four (4) previously authorized grants. On May 10, 2002 the Housing Commission authorized applications under two (2) other grant programs included in this same 2002 SuperNOFA.

**Future Related Actions:** This action will be calendared for Housing Authority approval on June 25, 2002.



## **BACKGROUND**

The SuperNOFA is the process that HUD uses to notify potential applicants of available funding through its competitive grant programs. The SuperNOFA for Federal Fiscal Year 2002 was published March 26, 2002. The applications included for approval in this Report represent the final applications to be submitted in response to the 2002 SuperNOFA.

## **DISCUSSION**

San Diego Housing Commission staff is requesting authorization to apply for the following programs:

- (1) Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Program – Resident Services Delivery Model:** The objective of the ROSS Resident Service Delivery Model program is to link residents of public housing to supportive services and empowerment activities that promote self-sufficiency. The \$500,000 sought in this year's application will focus on serving the residents of 346 public housing units, primarily in the San Ysidro and Nestor areas of South Bay. This proposal seeks to build upon successful collaborations with the San Diego Community College District and community-based agencies who provide a comprehensive package of employment preparation, job development and supportive services. The funding will also support services provided at the Learning Opportunity Center (LOC) within the Alaquinas Drive public housing site. The application deadline is June 18, 2002.
- (2) Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Program – Neighborhood Networks:** The purpose of the Neighborhood Networks Program is to support community technology centers in public housing sites. The goal of these centers is to increase the use of computer technology, reduce welfare dependency, promote economic self-sufficiency, and provide expanded educational, job training and development opportunities to empower public housing residents. The \$100,000 sought through this application will help support the efforts at the LOCs located at the Juniper and Market Street developments. The application deadline is July 10, 2002.
- (2) Continuum of Care Program Shelter Plus Care Renewal Applications:** Shelter Plus Care grants provide funding for rental assistance for homeless clients with special needs. The Housing Commission contracts with non-profit partners who are required to provide matching services that address the needs of the clients served. These Shelter Plus Care programs are included within the Continuum of Care plan for the City of San Diego. This year, authorization is sought for applications to renew the Shelter Plus Care programs operated by the following non-profit partners: Stepping Stone of San Diego (\$144,432), Pathfinders of San Diego (\$131,076), Center for Social

Support and Education (\$184,488) and The Association of Community Housing Solutions (\$112,260.) Together, these applications total \$572,256 and will provide supportive housing for a total of 81 individuals. The application deadline is June 21, 2002.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

Do not seek funding under these programs. This is not recommended as it would result in the reduction or loss of valuable resources that support self-sufficiency and/or provide supportive housing assistance.

### **CONCLUSION**

The funding applications described in this report will support the Housing Commission's goals to "Further resident initiatives including opportunities for self-sufficiency and self-improvement" and to "Forge partnerships with others in the community to expand housing opportunities and integrated services."

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by,

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Attachments:

- 1: Proposed Budget for ROSS Resident Services Delivery Model Grant
- 2: Proposed Budget for ROSS Neighborhood Networks Grant
3. Proposed Budget for Continuum of Care Program Shelter Plus Care Renewal Grants