



FY2017 SVHC NEW PROJECT RANKING SUMMARY

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The Program Monitoring and Ranking Committees convened on Wednesday, August 23rd, 2017 to observe presentations and review the Statements of Interest submitted by the following agencies for new project funding for FY2017:

- Commonwealth Catholic Charities requested \$290,422 for Rapid Re-Housing for singles, with a goal of providing no more than four months of assistance to leverage Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) services and to secure additional funding for those who need it. The project is proposing to serve 29-35 individuals in 10 units and can begin October 1, 2018, or July 1, 2018 should the CoC determine a sooner deadline is needed. The agency's current average stay in other RRH programs it administers is 3.5-4 months with case management and assistance with obtaining income. The project will take the most vulnerable clients from the Service Coordination Committee (SCC) for singles, which may include some designated for PSH, but will maintain the 4 month goal in RRH. Individuals are eligible to enter TBRA from RRH as they maintain their homeless status.
- Norfolk Community Services Board requested \$333,505 for Permanent Supportive Housing for persons with Serious Mental Illness and with or without co-morbid medical and/or substance abuse. The proposed project would serve 12 Chronically Homeless adults using a Housing First approach in scattered site units, but would also accept some households with children if needed. There are currently 80-100 individuals awaiting PSH on the SCC by-name list as the rate of turnover in PSH units does not meet the need in the community; the project will take all clients from SCC. All staff will be SOAR certified. The proposed project start date is July 1, 2018 with the first client move in date of September 1, 2018. Members discussed applying for an expansion for Shelter + Care and dedicating beds to CH, which would leverage the new project.
- New Vision Youth Services requested \$124,450 to assist with limited financial assistance and support services to address housing barriers for youth. The project will require residents to reside in Norfolk to receive services, monitoring and case management, and will work with landlords and apartment complexes that are familiar with HUD programs. Members discussed if the program qualified as RRH or PSH; the request only represents a portion of the program. The Committee recommended the grant request reflect a majority of funding for housing, with a



minority of funds representing services, as HUD is not supposed Support Services Only grants this year. Members requested the agency continue to participate with the CoC and attend future Program Monitoring Committee meetings.

- YWCA of South Hampton Roads requested \$80,436 for six Rapid Re-Housing units for victims of Domestic Violence. The agency originally requested funding for the new Joint Transitional Housing – Permanent Housing Rapid Re-Housing (TH-PH-RRH), however, expansion grants must be the same project type as existing funded projects. If the agency receives bonus funds for a RRH project, they would consider merging both HUD-funded TH and RRH projects to create the new TH-PH-RRH program type if allowed. Currently, Transitional Housing clients are high barrier, without job history, higher lethality, etc., resulting in a slower transition to PH. The TH project serves 11 households; with Rapid Re-Housing as an additional resource, the TH units would turnover at a faster rate. Entries into the program would come from the DV hotline and Emergency Shelter. Due to the HUD requirement that all clients must enter through Coordinated Assessment, there were some technical questions on how the project should move forward.

The Ranking Committee utilized the updated new project ranking tool which evaluates each project based on a 130 point scale to assess eligibility, experience and agency capacity. Each member of the Ranking Committee completed the ranking tool on each project, for a total of 130 possible points. Rankers were instructed to recuse themselves from considering projects in which they had a financial interest. Upon completion of the presentations and the new project ranking tools for each project, the Ranking Committee deliberated and came to the following conclusions:

- Commonwealth Catholic Charities Rapid Re-Housing project received 106 points on the new project ranking tool and was recommended to apply for the permanent housing bonus funds. The Ranking Committee also recommended the project revise the budget to the bonus funding amount available of \$227,399.
- Norfolk Community Services Board Permanent Supportive Housing project received 99 points on the new project application ranking tool and was not recommended to pursue funding at this time.
- The YWCA Rapid Re-Housing project received 69 points on the new project application tool and was not recommended to pursue funding at this time.
- New Vision Youth Services received 32 points on the new project application tool and was not recommended to pursue funding at this time. The Committee recommended the agency continue to collaborate and partner with the CoC.