

Allegheny County
Department of Human Services
Request for Proposals Q&A
RFP for HUD Permanent Supportive Housing Program

April 12, 2016

7. Are we permitted to list Allegheny County Department of Human Services as a reference?

No, please do not use Allegheny County Department of Human Services or anyone who works at DHS as a reference.

April 6, 2016

6. What are the locations of the current 9 apartments that are already occupied?

The current 9 housing units are located in East Liberty.

5. Who is responsible to pay for the apartments? Is the agency the lease holder and then we sublet to the clients? If we are to serve those already in the apartments, do they have an income and pay rent to us?

The leases for the apartments are in the agency's name. If a participant has an income, there is an occupancy fee of 30% of their monthly income. If a participant does not have an income, then he or she does not pay rent. Most of the current participants in the Program have income.

4. The RFP says, "The Successful Proposer will initially serve the participants currently in the Program. Going forward, the Program will serve adults with substance use disorders, regardless of conviction history." What is the expectation to provide more individuals with services? If we are to provide more services/supports to more individuals, then are we to be securing apartments for them or do we assist in finding apartments for them to rent and then we provide in home supportive living services?

The Successful Proposer will house a participant in their established housing units or will assist a participant in finding an apartment outside their own units. The budget is to manage 9 housing units. DHS encourages Successful Proposer(s) to direct the remaining budget or any additional funds to support more participants, services and/or apartments.

3. Is there money within funding for some of the required items such as moving costs, utility deposits, food assistance?

These items fall under supportive services and are included in the budget.

March 22, 2016

2. My understanding from the RFP is that \$84,887 per year is allocated to fund the leases of 9 units per year. Can you tell me what the monthly lease rates for the 9 units are?

Based on HUD's Fair Market Rent value, a one bedroom unit is \$630 per month for this contract year through November 30, 2016. With the contract extension that would begin on December 1, 2016, the HUD Fair Market Rent level would increase to \$657 per month for a one bedroom unit.

1. Would referrals for this program come through Allegheny Link?

Yes, referrals will come directly through Allegheny Link.