



## Eastern PA CoC Fall Meeting of the General Membership. Agenda

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TIME	AGENDA ITEM	PURPOSE
10:00 a.m.	<b>Welcome!</b> <i>Alisa Baratta,</i> Eastern PA CoC Board President, Executive Director at Third Street Alliance for Women & Children	
10:10 a.m.	<b>Health Care Partnerships</b> <i>Deanne Malacsics Best,</i> The Lehigh Conference of Churches Director of Programs, <i>Wendy Melius,</i> Center For Community Action Executive Director	Healthcare and housing leveraging
10:50 a.m.	<b>Department of Corrections Homeless Assistance Program</b> <i>Luis Resto,</i> Eastern PA CoC Board Member, Division Director for Reentry Services PA Dept. of Corrections	Available Funding
11:05 a.m.	<b>Home ARP</b> <i>Kimberly A. Polm,</i> HOME Program Manager, PA Department of Community & Economic Development	Update on future funding opportunity
11:35 a.m.	<b>10-minute Break</b>	
11:45 a.m.	<b>Training Opportunities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emergency Shelter Training</li> <li>• Housing First training</li> </ul> <b>New initiatives</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on forming the People with the Lived Experience committee</li> <li>• Youth Homelessness Workgroup</li> </ul> <i>Leigh Howard, DMA</i>	<b>CoC Updates!</b>  What's Happening in the Eastern PA COC

12:00 p.m.	<b>Coordinated Entry Update</b> <i>Leslie Perryman,</i> Eastern PA CoC Board Member, Director Crossroads Community Services/Street 2 Feet Outreach Center	
12:10 p.m.	<b>New PHARE application</b> <i>Hellen Kelly,</i> DMA, Associate	
12:25 a.m.	<b>Updates from The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence</b> <i>Maria Williams,</i> Director of Housing, Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence	
12:40 p.m.	<b>Resources for Migrants and Refugees</b> TBA	
12:55 p.m.	<b>Closing remarks</b> <i>Alisa Baratta,</i> Eastern PA CoC Board President, Executive Director at Third Street Alliance	
1:00 p.m.	<b>Meeting adjourned</b>	



# HOME-ARP NCS UPDATES

Continuum of Care  
Non-Congregate Shelter  
10/16/2023

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# HOME-ARP: QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

- Homeless
  - Homeless –as defined at 24 CFR 91.5 (1), (2), and (3)
- At-Risk of Homelessness
  - As defined in 24 CFR 91.5
- Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking Victims
  - Definitions are drawn from the VAWA regulations at 24 CFR 5.2003 and Human Trafficking as defined in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 and amended in 22 U.S.C. 7102
- “Other Populations”
  - Families requiring services or housing assistance to prevent homelessness
  - Individuals or families at the greatest risk of housing instability

## HOME-ARP: PREFERENCES

- DCED is giving preference to the following two QPs:
  - Homeless
  - Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Human Trafficking

## HOME-ARP: ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- DCED selected activities to best prioritize the needs of the Commonwealth
  - Development of affordable rental housing
  - Supportive Services
  - Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter
  - Administration

Activity	Amount
Development of affordable rental housing	\$35,000,000
Supportive Services	\$11,475,523
Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter	\$15,654,720
Administration and planning	\$10,964,160
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$73,094,403</b>

## HOME-ARP: NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- **ONLY** units of local government are eligible to apply for NCS activity funds in Electronic Single Application (ESA)
  - Units of local government may submit applications on behalf of other agencies such as non-profit organizations, CHDOs, and private developers.

**Organizations MUST coordinate with their local unit of general local government, if they would like to develop a HOME-ARP Non-Congregate Shelter.**

# HOME-ARP: NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER – ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- HOME-ARP Eligible Activities:
  - Acquisition of structures
  - New construction, with or without land acquisition
  - Rehabilitation of existing structures (examples – nursing homes, motels, etc.)



## HOME-ARP: NON-CONGREGATE SHELTER – ELIGIBLE COSTS

- HOME-ARP Eligible Costs:
  - Acquisition costs
  - Demolition Costs
  - Development hard costs
  - Site Improvements
  - Related Soft costs
- HOME-ARP funds cannot be used for any ongoing Operating Costs of a Non-Congregate Shelter
- Up to 5% may be requested for administrative costs in your HOME-ARP applications

# HOME-ARP: NCS APPLICATIONS

- While working with your local governments, please consider the following:
  - **Pre-Application Discussion with a HOME-ARP Grant Manager\***
  - **Resolution\***
  - **Citizen Participation Report\***
  - **Language Access Plan and Four Factors Certification\***
  - **Certification of Capacity\***
  - Copies of Executed Agreements with Other Entities
  - Audited Financials
  - Leveraged Funds (secured sources & uses)
  - Timetable (three-year completion)
  - Site Control
  - Rehabilitation Standards
  - Anti-Displacement Plan

**\*Templates provided by DCED  
for the application.**

## HOME-ARP: APPLICATION TIMELINE

- Application submission is anticipated to begin in the 1st quarter of 2024
- Application cycle will be announced via DCED CD&H Alerts and Updates
  - To sign up, send an email to [DCEDHOME-ARP@pa.gov](mailto:DCEDHOME-ARP@pa.gov)

## HOME-ARP: RESOURCES

- [CPD Notice 21-10](#)
- [CPD Notice 21-10 Appendix](#)
- [Pennsylvania Allocation Plan](#)
- [Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency](#)

# HOME-ARP: UPDATES – Q & A





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Community Corrections Centers

Housing Assistance Program

REACH – (Reentrants Attaining  
Community Housing)

Department of Corrections/Office of  
Reentry



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- Eligibility for Community Corrections Centers – Generic group home housing for reentrants released from a state correctional facility without an approved home plan in the community. Not available to reentrants that max out from their sentence and no longer under state supervision.
  - State Community Corrections Centers
  - Contracted Facilities
  - Funds are allocated from the general budget
- Contracted facilities include treatment facilities. The reentrant can transition to a group home or to a home plan once they complete treatment.
- 31 CCC/CCFs throughout the commonwealth
- Population - 2001 as of 8/1/23
- Population housed in a community corrections centers are not considered homeless and do not qualify for funding.

# Reentry Services

- 12 SERVICE CATEGORIES
  - Sex Offender Treatment
  - Day Reporting
  - **Housing Assistance**
  - Mentoring
  - Workforce Development
  - Family Reunification
  - Outpatient Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Services
  - Cognitive Behavioral Intervention (CBI)
  - Outpatient Mental Health Treatment
  - Batterers' Intervention
  - State Drug Treatment Program (SDTP) - State Intermediate Punishment (SIP)
  - **REACH - ReEntrants Attaining Community Housing**

**82 Providers, 200+ Locations**



# HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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# Housing Assistance Program

- Target Population

- Reentrants housed in a community corrections center or in the community.
- Eligibility:
  - Unable to secure housing (currently residing in a CCC/CCF, emergency shelter,  $\frac{3}{4}$  house or rooming house where the individual shares amenities, i.e. bathroom and kitchen, with other residents, or other place not meant for human habitation); and
  - Secured verifiable employment (20+ hours per week for 4 weeks) or have a verifiable source of income such as social security, disability, etc.
  - Exclusion: any reentrant that is mandated by the paroling action for placement in a residential program.
  - 259 reentrants placed in housing in FY22/23

# HAP Requirements

- Employment or verifiable income
- Apartment must be within 30 to 45% rent to income
- Case management and educational components
- Low need – \$2,100 for any expense associated such as rent and security deposits
- High need - \$6,300 for any associated expense
  - Baseline math for both above is \$700 per month for rent
  - All services are contracted to a provider under contract to the department to provide HAP

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# REACH



\$1 million in new DOJ funds will fund outcome-based incentives to expand HAP for reentrants unable to earn income.

Goal	Target Population	Geography
To get harder to serve reentrants out of CCCs and into permanent housing solutions	Reentrants unable to earn income Reentrants with disabilities Senior reentrants	Lackawanna County Dauphin County Allegheny County

#### Launch Timeline



1. Pending no-cost extension approval from DOJ



# REACH Eligibility Criteria

An individual who at the point of referral is determined by Department of Corrections (DOC) to be:

- A. Released from a State Correctional Institution and currently residing at a community corrections center<sup>1</sup>;
- B. Currently under state parole supervision or special probation, with at least one year remaining on supervision;
- C. Returning to or currently residing in Allegheny, Dauphin, or Lackawanna counties, or adjacent counties; *AND*

## Adults with Disabilities and/or Limited Income:

- D. Older than age 18; *AND*
  - a. Has a diagnosed disability that prevents full-time employment as determined by a doctor's certification; *OR*
  - b. Unable to earn income equal to or more than 100% of the federal poverty income guideline<sup>2</sup> including any public assistance/benefits, after DOC-funded supports have been exhausted<sup>3</sup>

**OR**

## Older Adults with Limited Income:

- E. 55 and older; *AND*
  - a. Unemployed or on fixed income (SSI, pensions, retirement savings); *OR*
  - b. Unable to secure income equal to or more than 100% of the federal poverty income guideline<sup>2</sup> including any public assistance/benefits

1. Community Corrections Centers: Harrisburg, Scranton, York, Firetree Capitol Pavilion, GEO Scranton, Scranton Pavilion, Keystone, Create Lancaster


2. Currently \$14,580 for an individual

3. This may include Family Reunification, Workforce Development, and/or Mentoring services offered by PADOC



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# REACH Continued

- Allotment of \$8400 for associated costs
  - Enhanced case management
  - Incentive payments for meeting certain goals – discussed in a slide below.
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# DOC will incentivize vendors to achieve three outcomes for reentrants via grant-funded bonus incentives

Outcome	Definition	Timeframe	PROPOSED Price	Payment Method	Data Source
<b>Initial Housing Placement</b>	Tenant secures a signed lease, sublease, or occupancy agreement in an initial housing placement, which may include transitional or permanent housing.	Within 6 months of date of approved referral	\$720 <i>(20% of total pool)</i>	Individual	Vendor Self Report
<b>Permanent Housing Placement</b>	Tenant secures a lease for permanent housing in their name with a minimum 1-year lease term.	Within 12 months of date of approved referral	\$1,800 <i>(50% of total pool)</i>	Individual	Vendor Self Report
<b>Recidivism Reduction</b>	Avoidance of new incarceration, excluding technical parole violations.	Measured at 21 months <sup>1</sup> after date of approved referral	100%: \$1080 50%: \$540 <i>(up to 30% of total pool)</i>	Cohort	DOC

1. Approximately 15 months after date of placement into initial housing

# Funding

- For Residential programing (CCC and CCF)
  - 43M
- Nonresidential
  - 1.1M
- Approximate total for 22/23 FY
  - 44.1M

# Contracting with the PADOC

- The following documents are available on the DGS ITQ website <https://www.dgs.pa.gov/Materials-Services-Procurement/Procurement-Resources/Pages/ITQ-Documents.aspx>:
- Reentry Services Statement of Work – includes general and service-specific requirements
- Attachment A – Reentry Services Rate Card
- Attachment B – Home Plan Brochure
- Terms & Conditions
- Terms & Conditions Appendix A
- Business Associate Agreement



# Contracting Continued

- All responses to the Reentry Services ITQ will be handled through the Jaggaer system: <https://solutions.scquest.com/apps/Router/SupplierLogin?CustOrg=CommonwealthPA>.
- If you need assistance accessing your account, please use the contact information on the Jaggaer home page.
- Once you are in the Jaggaer system, you will need to complete the following steps in Supplier Registration:
- Ensure your Company Overview is complete

# Contracting Continued

- Under 'Business Details', commodity codes can be accessed by searching re-entry services. New commodity codes end in ITQ-350 through ITQ-360. Please make sure you select the corresponding codes for all services you wish to provide through this contract.
- Ensure your Addresses and Contacts are correct
- Under ITQ Pre-Qualification Questionnaire, you will submit all required documents. Please ensure your narrative includes all required components in the Statement of Work, as well as any required licenses or certifications, and a list of proposed service locations.



# Contracting Continued

- Acknowledge the ITQ Terms and Conditions
  - After you have completed the steps above and uploaded all required documents, you will see green checks next to all steps. This is an open solicitation where new vendors can apply at any time.



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