

# COVID-19 Rent Relief Program (CVRRP) Expanded Partner Network

Kickoff Meeting – September 8 & 9, 2020 Presenter: Jennifer Chang, PHB

#### Welcome!

#### **Online Meeting Protocols and Tips**

- 1. Be patient and respectful.
- 2. Check that your speakers and microphone work properly.
- 3. Mute your microphone/phone when not speaking.
- 4. Following the presentation, send questions by chat or hand raising.
- 5. Introduce yourself before speaking.

#### **Overview**

The COVID-19 Rent Relief Program (CVRRP) will prevent evictions for low income households in Multnomah County.

- The priority is to reach Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) households and communities.
- Resources will assist 1,013 households (\$6,000/household):
  - Up to \$6,077,700 for rent assistance (in soft allocations)
  - Up to \$540,000 for organization's administration costs

# **Program Eligibility**

#### Applicants must meet all three requirements:

- Resident of Multnomah County (housed or unhoused)
- Experienced COVID-19 impact
- Household income at or below 80% Area Median Income (AMI)

80% Area Median Income Guidelines			
Family Size	80% Median	Family Size	80% Median
1	51,600	5	\$79,600
2	\$58,960	6	\$85,520
3	\$66,320	7	\$91,440
4	\$73,680	8	\$97,280

## **Eligible Expenses**







**RENT ARREARS** 



\*UTILITY PAYMENTS AND ARREARS

(\*CHANGES MAY OCCUR TO THIS ITEM BEING ELIGIBLE)



SECURITY DEPOSITS



APPLICATION FEES

#### Partner Organization's Responsibilities

- 1. Commit to an assigned number of households to refer.
- 2. Conduct outreach (remote or in person) to identify eligible households.
- 3. Fill out all forms and information for a complete application.
- 4. Submit applications to Home Forward (fiscal entity).
- 5. Track submitted applications based on contracted goal.
- 6. Invoice PHB for administration costs (final invoices due January 15, 2021)

All CVRRP funds must be spent prior to December 30, 2020.

# **Application Forms**

#### Required:

- 1. Intake Form
- 2. Multnomah County Release of Information (ROI)
- 3. Agreement to Assign Rental Assistance
- 4. W-9 Form from landlord (must be signed within last 12 months)

#### Optional:

- CVRRP Guarantee of Payment Form
- Certification of Income Eligibility

View sample forms: https://www.portland.gov/phb/news/2020/8/6/covid-19-rent-relief-program-cvrrp-expanded-partner-network

# **Application Forms (cont.)**

- All application forms will be available online for download. We can also email them to you if preferred.
- There will be an online, secure portal for submitting application. If you need to deliver paper forms, let us know and we will work out an alternate plan.
- Do not submit applications via email. This is not a secure method.
   Applications received in this way will not be accepted.
- Forms will be translated into Spanish, Russian, Simplified Chinese and Vietnamese.

#### **PHB Contract - Insurance Needs**

- State requirement: Workers Compensation Certificate
- Insurance:
  - If meeting with applicants in-person: \$1,000,000 general liability
  - If conducting 100% remote intakes or your agency doesn't have this level
     of General Liability insurance, a waiver or reduction can be requested
- Auto Liability:
  - If driving to remote locations to conduct intakes, will require auto liability
  - If only driving to work/one location or if your agency does not own any vehicles, a waiver of auto liability can be requested

# **Timing and Expectations**

- Contracts executed this month.
- Program will start once contract is executed.
- PHB will reimburse your agency for administration costs (submit monthly).
- Progress will be monitored on a monthly basis and contracts may be adjusted in late October or early November to ensure full deployment of resources.

## **Next Steps**

- PHB will send draft contracts in the next two weeks:
  - Organizations need to submit required insurance
  - Confirm/establish City-approved vendor setup
- Home Forward will send draft MOU's in the upcoming weeks.
- Organizations begin planning outreach strategy to identify households.
- CVRRP Application Packet and Submission Process Meeting
  - September 17, 2020 10:30 to Noon, via Zoom: <u>HERE</u>

# Questions