



**Office of Temporary
and Disability Assistance**

Consultation with Service Providers

Lessons Learned, Feedback, and Future Opportunities

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Today's Webinar Topics

- Status of BHHS contracts, accomplishments, and updates
 - Homeless Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP)
 - Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative (ESSHI)
 - Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)
 - New York State Supportive Housing Program (NYSSHP)
 - Operational Support for AIDS Housing (OSAH)
 - Solutions to End Homelessness Program (STEHP)
 - Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus program (ESGCV)
 - New York State Balance of State Continuum of Care (BoS CoC)
 - Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)
- Challenges facing service providers
- New opportunities
- Your feedback



Bureau of Housing – Status of Contracts

Program	Status
HHAP	RFP remains open; applications are being reviewed.
ESSHI	Round 6 RFP released August 2, 2021; applications are being reviewed and renewals processed.
HOPWA	Year 4 renewals
NYSSH	New awards are pending.
OSAH	Year 4 renewals
STHP	Year 3 renewals
ESG-CV	Contracts have been established.
ENHP	Year 4 renewals

Homeless Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP)

- RFP released September 1, 2020 and rolled over in April for SFY 2021-22
 - **SFY 2020-21:** 66 applications received and over \$250M requested
 - SFY 2021-22 (to date): 27 applications received and approximately \$100M requested
- By the numbers:
 - 86 projects in development
 - 32 currently in construction
 - 384 operational projects with 571 buildings and 11,287 units

Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative (ESSHI)

- RFP released August 2, 2021
 - Funding for at least 1,200 qualifying individuals is available
 - Approximately 210 applications received
- By the numbers (OTDA):
 - 1,710 units locked-in to date
 - Over \$14M claimed as of October 1



Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)

- RFP released June 19, 2018
 - Awards: 11
 - Appropriation: \$2.99 million
- HOPWA CV
 - Amendments: 11
 - Appropriation: \$441,321
- By the numbers:
 - 2019: 355 households received housing subsidy assistance
 - 2020: 366 households received housing subsidy assistance



New York State Supportive Housing Program (NYSSHP)

- SFY 2020-21: 180 contracts and \$34,572,747 in total funding
- By the numbers (SFY 2020-21):
 - 18,715 units in total
 - 1,942 family units
 - 16,443 single adult units
 - 330 young adult units
- SFY 2021-22 (new RFP that accepted consolidated applications):
137 applications received and over \$40.6M requested

Operational Support for AIDS Housing (OSAH)

- RFP Released March 14, 2018
 - Awards: 7
 - Appropriation: \$982,000
- By the numbers:
 - 42 units for families
 - 190 units for singles

Solutions to End Homelessness Program (STEHP)

- 67 contracts valued at \$16.3M annually
- Contract term: October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2024
- By the numbers:
 - 1,250 served in Street Outreach
 - 7,400 served in Shelters
 - 2,800 served in Rapid Rehousing
 - 10,100 served in Prevention



Emergency Solutions Grant COVID (ESG-CV)

- 55 contracts valued at \$56.1M, including outreach funds for the Emergency Rental Assist Program (ERAP)
- Contract term: March 7, 2020 – September 30, 2022
- By the numbers, as of quarter end June 2021:
 - More than 9,600 persons served
 - 22 providers assisted with Street Outreach services
 - 76 providers assisted with Emergency Shelter
 - 69 providers assisted with Rapid Rehousing
 - 82 providers assisted with eviction prevention



Emergency Needs for the Homeless Program (ENHP)

- RFP Released June 1, 2018
 - Awards: 3
 - Appropriation: \$1 million
- By the numbers:
 - Over 87,000 individuals served with emergency food, crisis intervention, eviction prevention, and/or summer youth services.



New York State Balance of State Continuum of Care (BoS CoC)

- NY-525 now includes 8 counties across NYS: Cattaraugus, Clinton, Fulton, Herkimer, Montgomery, Putnam, Schoharie, and Sullivan.
- 2021 PIT Count: 331 sheltered and 10 unsheltered
- 156 Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) referrals submitted to date
- FY 2021 CoC Program Competition:
 - NOFO released by HUD on August 18th; due November 16th
 - BoS CoC collaborative application in progress

If your county is interested in joining the BoS CoC, contact Sarah Watson (sarah.watson@otda.ny.gov).



Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)

- New York State appropriated \$2.6B from the U.S. Treasury
- Over 250,000 applications received and \$1.8B in arrears obligated/paid to date
- #1 in obligated or paid funds among all state-run programs, according to NLIHC
- Funding still available in 8 jurisdictions where allocations have not yet been exhausted
- Additional State funds allocated for rental assistance:
 - \$125M for landlords whose tenants vacated the unit or are unwilling to participate in ERAP
 - \$125M for tenants between 80-120% Area Median Income (AMI)
 - \$25M to provide legal services in areas of the state where free assistance is not available



Challenges

- **Construction and Development:**

- Increased material costs
- Increased lead time
- Material and labor shortages
- Health/safety concerns and delays

- **Operations:**

- Overstretched staff
- Occupancy rates
- Decreased revenue
- Limited housing stock

- **Services:**

- Staffing shortages
- Lack of affordable units
- Damaged landlord-tenant relationships
- Health/safety-minded case management

What challenges are you facing?



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New Opportunities

- **Construction and Development:**
 - Affordable housing development never stopped!
 - Exception for stored materials
- **Operations:**
 - Technology solutions
 - PPP loans
- **Services:**
 - Unprecedented funding available (which can also be a challenge)
 - Increased landlord incentives

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Thank you!