

SOCIAL SERVICE FOR THE HOMELESS

2017 HUMAN SERVICES

FUNDING PRIORITIES SUMMARY

State Fiscal Year (FY) July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017 Social Service for the Homeless
Estimated – \$225,881

Subgrant Term: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

Match Requirements: None

Minimum Funding Request: \$1,000

Funding Specifications: Social Services for the Homeless (SSH) funding targets at-risk/homeless individuals and families. The Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) must be utilized in order to become a State approved SSH service provider. Eligible activities are as follows:

- Emergency Shelter
- Hotel/Motel Placement
- Case Management
- 24-Hour Emergency Response
- Prevention of Homeless activities (rental subsidies, rent/mortgage assistance and utility assistance)

For 2017, the following funding distinction will be observed:

Approximately 75% of SSH funds are earmarked to provide the variety of services listed above for those individuals and families ineligible for assistance through Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), General Assistance (GA) and supplemental Security Income (SSI).

Approximately 25% of the funds are earmarked specifically to provide short-term (four months), non-recurring assistance to working families and **cannot** be used for:

- Persons receiving SSI
- Single persons or couples without dependent children
- Families with income over 250% of the Federal Poverty Index
- Any assistance that would require benefits for more than four months
- Transitional Housing
- Families currently serving a TANF sanction or whose TANF case was closed due to sanction

Based on identified priorities in the Morris County Human Services planning document, program monitoring, quarterly reports and ongoing requests for services, the Department of Human Services is looking to purchase the following services:

- **Emergency Financial Assistance:** designed to provide financial assistance or grants to individuals or families to help them during times of personal emergency and crisis to secure food, clothing shelter, medical care, utilities and home furnishings. The service may also include “one-time” financial assistance.
- **Emergency Shelter:** Short term shelter to homeless persons or persons requiring protection during times of personal emergency or crisis until they can find permanent housing for themselves.
- **General Case Management:** Services to organize a client’s experience in the human service system to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of the system for the client. Case management services shall consist of those activities such as identifying and addressing the contributing factors to homelessness and recommending and referring to appropriate services to assist the client in obtaining and retaining permanent housing and providing follow-up to ensure that needed services are rendered.

All 2017 applications will be reviewed by the Morris County Human Services Advisory Council. This review will determine 2017 Social Services for the Homeless funding recommendations.

Social Services for the Homeless funding will be awarded based upon availability of funds for fiscal year 2017.

Should the County receive notification of a reduction in State or Federal funds, 2017 funding through this initiative may be reduced or terminated. Morris County will not be responsible for replacing or maintaining funding levels in the event that any possible reductions occur in the 2017 allocation process.

The County of Morris reserves the right to renew Subgrant agreements for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, based upon annual program review and the availability of funding.

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