



GUAM HOUSING AND URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY

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FY2017 Continuum of Care Competition Project Ranking

Sinajaña, GU (September 26, 2017) – Under the guidance of the Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority (GHURA) as the Collaborative Applicant, the Guam Homeless Coalition (GHC) has reviewed and ranked project applications for the FY2017 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) allocated \$1,369,204.00 of grant funds to prevent and end homelessness on Guam. The GHC, comprises government agencies, non-profits, and faith-based organizations, has formed the Review and Ranking Committee (RRC) to review all project proposals submitted to the CoC. Six project renewals were submitted for review and ranking. Two new proposals were reviewed and ranked by the RRC that will provide funds (1) to operate a Coordinated Entry System (CES) and (2) expand the permanent supportive housing for chronically homeless individuals and families. Included in the list is GHURA's request for planning funds to conduct monitoring, HUD compliance and other related activities for the oversight of all projects funded through the CoC. Under the FY2017 CoC NOFA, planning grants are exempt from ranking under the RRC.

HUD continues to require the CoC to rank all projects, except planning grants, in two tiers. Tier 1 is equal to 94% of the CoC's FY2017 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) approved by HUD for Guam's HUD-approved Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW). Guam's ARD is \$1,082,174; the ARD at 94% is \$1,017,244. Tier 2 is the difference between Tier 1 and the CoC's ARD plus any amount available for the permanent housing bonus. This year, Guam's permanent housing bonus is \$82,152. The RRC's duties include suggestions for program improvement and recommendation of projects to be included in the CoC consolidated application. All applicants are accountable for program accomplishments and goal outcomes. Applicants receive feedback regarding determinations and recommendations made by the RRC.

Guam's 2017 Point-in-Time Count identified a total of 852 persons who are homeless. This figure is a decrease of 233 from the previous year. Eighty Nine percent (89%) of those persons were unsheltered. From FY2016-FY2017, Guam utilized CoC funds to provide housing services to 157 persons. Through HUD grant funds, the Guam Homeless Coalition and the Government of Guam continue its collaborative effort to support and service homeless families and individuals with the aim of ending homelessness on the island.

For more information about GHURA or the ranking of the projects, visit www.ghura.org.

Applicant Name	CoC Projects	Project Type	Component	Amount Requested
The Salvation Army	Homeless Management Information System	Renewal	HMIS SSO Coordinated	117,146
The Salvation Army	One Stop Homeless Assistance Center	New	Entry	\$48,274
Catholic Social Service	Y' Jahame Expansion Program	New	Permanent Housing	82,152
GHURA	Housing First Rental Assistance Program	Renewal	Permanent Housing	314,919
GBHWC	Guma Hinemlo'	Renewal	Permanent Housing	323,108
Catholic Social Service	Y' Jahame Permanent Housing Program	Renewal	Permanent Housing	65,857
Elim Pacific Ministries Sanctuary, Incorporated	Empowered Together	Renewal	Permanent Housing	130,059
GHURA	Forrester's Refuge Planning Costs	Renewal	Permanent Housing Planning	130,385 \$41,076