



GUAM HOUSING AND URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY

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FY2016 Competition Project Rating

Sinajaña, GU (August 30, 2016) – Under the guidance of the Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority (GHURA), the Guam Homeless Coalition (GHC) has reviewed and ranked project applications for the FY2016 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program (please see attachment). Approximately \$1.1 million of grant funds have been appropriated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to prevent and end homelessness on Guam. The GHC, composed of service providers, 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 submitted for review by the RRC who selected one project sponsor to provide Rapid Re-Housing services. Included in the list of funding request is GHURA's request for planning funds to conduct monitoring and other related activities for the oversight of all projects funded through the CoC. Under the FY2016 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 93% of the CoC's FY2016 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 93% is \$1,006,422. 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 \$65,989.

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 most recent Point-in-Time Count identified a total of 1,085 persons who were homeless. Ninety-three percent (90%) of those persons were unsheltered. Of those unsheltered, 88% were persons in households with adults and children. Through HUD grant funds, Coalition members 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. Last reporting year, Guam utilized CoC funds to provide permanent supportive housing, transitional housing, and supportive services to 102 homeless persons.

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

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Ranking	Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	Component Type	Amount Requested
Tier 1					
1	Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority	Housing First Rental Assistance Program	Renewal	Permanent Housing	\$314,919
2	The Salvation Army	HMIS	Renewal	HMIS	\$117,146
3	Catholic Social Services	Y Jahame Permanent Housing Program	Renewal	Permanent Housing	\$65,857
4	Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center	Guma Hinemlo	Renewal	Permanent Housing	\$323,808
5	Elim Pacific Ministries	Empowered Together	Renewal	Permanent Housing	\$130,059
6	Sanctuary, Inc.	Forrester's Refuge	Renewal	Permanent Housing	\$54,633
Tier 2					
6	Sanctuary, Inc.	Forrester's Refuge	Renewal	Permanent Housing	\$75,752
7	The Salvation Army	Rapid Re-Housing Program	New	Rapid Re-Housing	\$65,989
8	Guam Housing and Urban Renewal Authority	Planning Grant	New	Planning	\$39,593