Questions about Tenant-Based and Other OHS RFPs

1. Can you let me know how many families we need to house within the contract for the Tenant-Based Rapid Re-housing w/children, I did not see that after reading the RFP? There is no minimum or maximum.

2. Can you give me a ballpark of how much funding you are awarding for the tenant based RRH for singles and the Shallow Rent proposals and what would be the best amount (in your opinion) we should apply for? OHS has about $5m total for new projects.

3. For the Tenant–Based RRH, does a provider have to own properties to house the clients? Or are we able to house families with community landlords and housing units from partnerships that we have access to? You must use community owners.

4. For the Shallow Rent RFP, it says, “serve up to 100 vulnerable individuals”, does this mean for the whole RFP or for each organization you award the funding to? Total for the whole RFP.

5. For the Shallow Rent RFP, it says, “Total rents shall not exceed $650 per month”, does this include the $200 from the tenant making rent to not exceed $850? Yes, total rent not including utilities not to exceed $850. The total must be reasonable for the condition and location of the property.

6. The RFP mentioned that we can apply up to December 31, if we applied by this due date and we were awarded this grant what dates would this grant start and finish? Generally, we will decide about a proposal within 30 days; and if we approve the project to go forward, we would likely have a contract start date within 30 days after that.

7. Is the provider allowed to apply for multiple grants (for instance the Shallow rent Program) in addition to this grant? We welcome multiple proposals, but we will be looking at an agency’s administrative and programmatic capacity.

8. The City is able only to commit to contract terms of one year; the ESG CAREs funding spending deadline is Sept 30, 2022. We would envision extended the contract if the program is performing well and meeting the needs of participants.

9. Are young adults exiting from care eligible for this project? Only if they are literally homeless. Otherwise, they would be eligible for homelessness prevention programs.

10. Could a provider propose to use a property that already has people in it for the tenant based Rapid Rehousing project? Unless the units are separate apartments in one building, we are generally looking for empty properties. We do not want to see people displaced for this program. If the building is more like an SRO, operating the program in a location with another program would pose challenges if it is a different model. For example, with the project based Rapid Rehousing program, people in the program hold leases and pay rent. If the current program doesn’t work that way, that would be an issue.