GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE FINANCE

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) announces a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for grant funds pursuant to the Fiscal Year 2027 Local Budget of 2026 to deliver a Transitional Housing Program targeting individuals returning from incarceration with a diagnosed substance use disorder. The Director of DHCF has authority to issue grants under Section 6 of the Department of Health Care Finance Establishment Act of 2007, effective February 27, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-109; D.C. Official Code 7-771.05(4).

A Request for Application (RFA) for this opportunity will be released under a separate announcement with guidelines for submitting the application, review criteria, and DHCF terms and conditions for applying for and receiving funding. The anticipated performance period for this grant is the date of award to September 30, 2027. Contingent upon available funding, DHCF may award up to four (4) option years in addition to the base year of the grant.

Description of Opportunity:

Transitional Housing Program: DHCF will award one (1) grant of up to $250,000 to fund staffing and related activities for a proposed or existing transitional housing program targeting District residents returning from incarceration with a diagnosed substance use disorder. Contingent upon available funding, DHCF may award up to four (4) option years in addition to the base year of the grant.

The selected grantee(s) shall:

1. Hire or retain (a) qualified candidate(s) with relevant work history within a timely manner to support the operations of the Transitional Housing Program.
2. Complete approved grant-funded activities that support the development or ongoing operations of the Transitional Housing Program. These activities will need to be proposed in the applicant's RFA response and subsequently approved by DHCF. These activities must include, but are not limited to:
    a. Coordinating with The READY Center for individuals returning from the DC Department of Corrections, and, if applicable, offer assistance with Medicaid applications for individuals returning from Federal Bureau of Prisons custody;
    b. Coordinating with managed care case management for Medicaid Managed Care enrolled individuals; and
    c. Fulfilling reporting requirements through the duration of the grant as designed in the grant application;

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must have a proposed or existing reentry housing services program that targets District residents returning from incarceration with a diagnosed substance use disorder. If the program is proposed, but not yet serving the community, the applicant must provide documentation of an

established timeline to begin services along with any other planning materials relevant to the program.

All applicants must also be a registered organization in good standing with the DC Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection (DLCP), the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR), the Department of Employment Services (DOES), and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and demonstrate Clean Hands certification at the time of application.

A RFA will be released on or around November 13, 2026. The application package will be available online at https://communityaffairs.dc.gov/content/community-grant-program#4 and the DHCF website (https://dhcf.dc.gov/page/dhcf-grant-opportunities).

DHCF will hold a virtual pre-proposal conference on November 24, 2026 at 12:00 PM via Microsoft Teams. Prospective applicants must provide an email address to DHCF to receive notification of amendments or clarifications to the RFA.

Completed applications must be received on or before 4:00 pm on December 14, 2026 to DHCF c/o katherine.farnam1@dc.gov. Applicants will receive an email receipt notification to verify that their application has been received. No applications will be accepted after the submission deadline. All eligible applications will be reviewed through a competitive process.

For additional information regarding this NOFA, please contact Katherine Farnam, Policy Analyst, Health Care Reform & Innovation Administration, DHCF at katherine.farnam1@dc.gov or at 202-698-2074.