

## **Important Information for 2006 Continuum of Care New and Renewal Project Applicants**

**The deadline for new and renewal project applicants seeking to enter the 2007 competition is March 30<sup>th</sup> 2007 at 5 pm.**

### **For Renewal Projects:**

Please note that no renewal funding is guaranteed in the 2007 competition. This is due to very limited funds and the recent HUD policy increasing the importance of successful APR performance measures. Programs with poor performance reflected in APRs will have a more difficult time being allowed to move forward in the local competition process and may not receive renewal funding. HUD is also emphasizing that CoC dollars be spent more on housing as opposed to supportive services. Some services heavy projects may be dropped from the competition due to high cost.

We encourage applicants to pare down the amount of your request wherever possible including, but not limited to asking for one or two years worth of funding as opposed to the three years worth of funding for which an agency may be eligible to compete. Applicants may be asked following submission to resubmit with fewer years worth of funding where doing so would strengthen the chances of success as a Continuum in the federal CoC competition.

Renewal applicants should complete the renewal application for the 2007 competition, including and forward a copy of your project's most recent APR by the March 30<sup>th</sup> deadline. If you feel that your application will be strengthened by completing a new set of consumer satisfaction surveys then you should contact our office immediately to obtain a new set of surveys. This is not required however from agencies that entered last year's competition.

As always the March 30<sup>th</sup> deadline is firm and applicants that do not get their applications to the Homeless Alliance by March 30<sup>th</sup> will be dropped from eligibility. No Exceptions.

### **For New Projects:**

Your project will **not** be required to submit a pre-application. You are however required to complete the 2007 New Project Application which is slightly different than last year's application. Please note that there is a new budget form which is also required. This budget form is very similar to the budget form as it appeared in HUD's application which all applicants were required to fill out last year as part of the final submission to HUD.

Please contact Bill O'Connell at the Alliance office to discuss your project if you have any questions as to whether or not you should move forward with your application as funds for new projects in the 2007 competition is **extremely** limited. We will be

emphasizing new projects requesting housing over those requesting funds for services as well as high need gap areas as identified in the 2006 and 2007 competition requests for proposals.