New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund Community-Based Outreach

Request for Proposals Questions & Answers

- 1. Are only housing counseling agencies invited to reply to this RFP? We are not restricting this to HC groups, we only require that they be 501c3s
- 2. Will this be a fee for service model? Grants are anticipated to be paid monthly, subject to satisfactory performance against the proposed scope. Grants will not be paid on a strictly fee for service basis.
- 3. Are the budget, scope and due diligence checklist considered part of the four-page limit? The budget, scope, and due diligence checklist are not considered part of the four-page limit.
- 4. Is the list of outreach methods in Exhibit B suggestions that we can propose or are they required outreach activities an applicant must provide? The outreach methods listed in Exhibit B are not required. Applicants may propose to provide all, some, or none of these outreach methods. Any other method(s) proposed should be described under 'Other' with a cost per activity included.
- 5. In order to be reimbursed monthly for services, will we receive instructions and an invoice template? Yes, we will provide instructions and an invoice template to awarded organizations.
- 6. Are the "costs" listed in column C in the attachment fixed, or are we to calculate our individual costs based on our Agency? Yes, the costs in column C are fixed.
- 7. **How many agencies in the 10 regions will be awarded a grant?** The number of agencies that will be awarded has not been predetermined. The number of agencies will depend on the number of applicants and their regional and demographic focus.
- 8. Is the expectation that only one agency will cover an area or will multiple agencies be selected? The number of agencies that will be awarded per region has not been predetermined. More than one agency could cover each region.
- 9. **Are organizations in the HOPP network only eligible for this funding?** No. We are not restricting this to HOPP groups; we only require that applicants be 501c3s.

Please email all questions to HAFOutreach@cnycn.org.