Louisville/Jefferson County Continuum of Care FY23 NOFO DV Bonus New Project Scoring and Ranking Narrative RRH and TH-RRH

Provide a narrative response that addresses the following items. This narrative will be scored by CoC staff and provided to the full CoC Board for review.

Narrative responses must be submitted to <u>bscott@louhomeless.org</u> by Monday, August 28.

Rate of Housing Placement: Provide your agencies rate of housing placement for DV Survivors (as a percentage) and rate of housing retention for DV Survivors (as percentage).

Applicant Experience in Housing Placement and Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects. NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d) (Limit 1500 characters)

For the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention of DV survivors reported in the question above describe:

- 1. how the project applicant calculated both rates;
- 2. whether the rates accounts for exits to safe housing destinations; and
- 3. the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects).

Applicant Experience in Providing Housing to DV Survivors for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects. NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d) (Limit 2500 characters)

Describe how the project applicant:

- 1. ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were quickly moved into safe affordable housing;
- 2. prioritized survivors-you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC's emergency transfer plan, etc.;
- 3. determined which supportive services survivors needed;
- 4. connected survivors to supportive services; and
- 5. moved clients from assisted housing to housing they could sustain–address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.

Applicant Experience in Ensuring DV Survivor Safety for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects. NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d) (Limit 2500 characters)

Describe examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety and confidentiality of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:

- 1. taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during the intake and interview process to minimize potential coercion of survivors;
- 2. making determinations and placements into safe housing;
- 3. keeping information and locations confidential;
- 4. training staff on safety and confidentially policies and practices; and
- 5. taking security measures for units (congregate or scattered site), that support survivors' physical safety and location confidentiality.

Applicant Experience in Evaluating Their Ability to Ensure DV Survivor Safety for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects. NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d) (Limit 2500 characters)

Describe how the project has evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served in the project, including any areas identified for improvement during the course of the proposed project.

Applicant Experience in Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.

NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d) (Limit 5000 characters)

Describe examples of the project applicant's experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:

- 1. prioritizing placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants' wishes and stated needs;
- 2. establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;
- 3. providing program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;
- 4. emphasizing program participants' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;
- 5. centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
- 6. providing a variety of opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
- 7. offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

Applicant Experience in Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects. NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d) (Limit 5000 characters)

Describe examples of supportive services the project provided to domestic violence survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs.

Plan for Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Practices for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects. NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(e) (Limit 5000 characters) Describe examples of how the new project(s) will:

- 1. prioritize placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants' wishes and stated needs;
- 2. establish and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;
- 3. provide program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;
- 4. emphasize program participants' strengths–for example, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans work towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;
- 5. center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
- 6. provide a variety of opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
- 7. offer support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

Involving Survivors in Policy and Program Development, Operations, and Evaluation of New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects. NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(f) (Limit 2500 characters)

Describe how the new project will involve survivors:

- 1. with a range of lived expertise; and
- 2. in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.