

**South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
HOPWA
FY 2013 Grant Year**

REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS (RFGA)

CFDA Number: 14.241

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ATTENTION! IMPORTANT DETAIL!

**Your application must be submitted in a sealed package. (Original + 3 copies marked as "Copy")
RFGA Number and Deadline/Closing Date (see below) must appear on package exterior.**

Deadline/Closing Date for Applications:	March 5, 2013 - By 2:30 PM EST
RFGA Number: FY2013-RFGA- HV - 003	

Submit your sealed package to either of the following addresses:	
MAILING ADDRESS: SC DHEC Public Health Attn: Contracts Section Box 101106, Mills/Jarrett Complex Columbia, SC 29211	PHYSICAL ADDRESS: SC DHEC Public Health Attn: Contracts Section 1751 Calhoun Street, Jarrett Building Columbia, SC 29201

Number of Copies to be submitted: One (1) original and three (3) copies marked as "Copy"

DHEC launches this request for Applications for the funds administered by DHEC for the State of South Carolina from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) "Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS" (HOPWA) Program under a grant Disbursement Program. Acceptable applications that will be considered as part of this grant program are those that support the activities, goals and objectives as required by HUD for the HOPWA program. The use of these funds is subject to all federal and state requirements as outlined in the scope of work and funds may not be used for any other purpose. DHEC reserves the right to determine whether or not a proposal falls within the scope of services and is eligible under the stated guidelines. Applications are only accepted during the Request for Applications period and will be evaluated by independent evaluators based on award criteria stated in the solicitation.

It is the intent of the State of South Carolina, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) to accept grant applications for an one agency to become a "Project Sponsor" providing emergency housing assistance, defined as short-term rent, mortgage and utility payments, permanent housing placement and supportive services for persons with HIV disease who are homeless or who are at risk of becoming homeless. This request for applications is only for one (1) service area of the state: Georgetown, Horry, and Williamsburg counties. The Project Sponsor shall use the Federal HOPWA funds administered by DHEC, to provide services to eligible persons in the same or substantially similar manner as detailed in DHEC's Action Plan submitted to HUD through the South Carolina Department of Commerce.

The anticipated amount of the award for the service area (based on current year grant funding) is as follows:

- 1) Horry, Georgetown, and Williamsburg counties: \$129,684.

Eligibility: Organizations with a minimum of three years of established history of providing housing services to eligible persons with HIV/AIDS as outlined in the Scope of Services. The Project Sponsor must be located in the service area.

How to Apply: See the Request for Grant Applications (RFGA) Section IV for additional details regarding information to be included with your submission. A cover letter should be included and signed by an authorized agent or other official agency personnel. Eligible applicants must submit the required documents to:

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Questions & Answers: Questions will be accepted until 5:00 P.M. EST, Friday, February 22, 2013. All questions must be submitted in writing to Leigh Oden at odenl@dhec.sc.gov. Responses will be posted by February 27, 2013 by 5:00 PM EST.

Available Funding Date: Contingent upon available funds, grant anticipated to be awarded by HUD no later than April 15, 2013.

Final selection of one agency will be made and notification released by March 20, 2013. Final Grant Agreements will be executed to be effective when signed by the grantee and DHEC. April 1, 2013 is the anticipated start work date.

A draft copy of the Grant Agreement is attached to the RFGA.

Budget Form for HIV AIDS Proposals: Every application under the DHEC Reimbursement Program must be accompanied by a budget proposal which includes the budget narrative, the budget form and a statement in the cover letter that the project can be carried out for the budget requested. A budget template is included in Attachment 4 of the RFGA. Applications received without a budget proposal will be rejected and not reviewed by the review panel.

For more information about this Request for Grant Application process, please visit our website at www.dhec.sc.gov.