

## Summaries of Permanent Supportive Housing Renewal Grants

### ALABAMA

**AIDS Alabama** of Birmingham will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$480,580 to continue funding JASPER House, a 14 bed supportive housing community. The project provides permanent supportive housing according to a uniquely designed care plan for HIV positive, multiply diagnosed individuals from across the State who do not have access to healthcare, utilizing a service enriched housing to healthcare (SEHH) service delivery model. Residents will have access to an array of supportive services including, mental health counseling, healthcare, substance use treatment, and will access other mainstream support, such as, Medicaid and SSI. In each year of the grant, approximately 17 individuals will receive housing, 16 other family members will receive supportive services, and 23 people will receive housing information services. For information contact: AIDS Alabama, Post Office Box 55703, Birmingham, AL 352222, Kathie Hiers, Executive Director; Phone: 205-324-9822; Fax: 205-324-9311; Email: [aidsalabama@aidsalabama.org](mailto:aidsalabama@aidsalabama.org).

### ALASKA

**Alaska Housing Finance Corporation** will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$740,800 to continue providing HIV-positive, low-income persons in northern interior and southeast Alaska with permanent housing, homeless prevention, comprehensive case management and supportive services such as housing placement, behavioral and health care, transportation, and nutritional services. AHFC will provide housing and services to approximately 45 persons each year over the three years of the renewal grant, most of whom are in rural, hard-to-reach locations. AHFC will accomplish this by supporting approximately 32 units of housing each year for the three years. AHFC will partner in this project with Interior AIDS Assistance and the Alaskan AIDS Assistance Association. For information contact: Alaska Housing Finance Corporation P.O. Box 101020, Anchorage, AK 99510. Ms. Kris Duncan; Phone: (907) 330-8276, Fax: (907) 338-2585, Email: [kduncan@ahfc.state.ak.us](mailto:kduncan@ahfc.state.ak.us).

### CALIFORNIA

**Alameda County Community Development Agency** will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$1,370,000 to continue Project Independence. This project is a comprehensive housing assistance, support service and accessibility improvement program to assist people who are living with HIV/AIDS who are at risk of homelessness to live independently for as long as possible. In each year of the grant, 131 individuals and 83 family members will receive housing assistance through approximately 110 units of housing through a shallow-rental assistance program for clients who have demonstrated an ability to maintain independent living and can appropriately benefit from this reduced level of assistance. Tenants will have access to appropriate support services that enable them to remain in independent housing, including healthcare, food assistance, case management, and substance use services. Alameda County will partner in this project with AIDS Project of the East Bay, Tri-City Health Center, Ark of Refuge, and Public Health Institute. For information contact: 224 W. Winton Avenue, Room 108, Hayward, CA 94577, Riley Wilkerson; Phone: 510-670-9797; Fax: 510-670-6378; Email: [rwilkerson@co.alameda.ca.us](mailto:rwilkerson@co.alameda.ca.us).

## **HAWAII**

**Gregory House Programs** will receive \$50,000 to support the evaluation of their supportive housing programs for persons with multiple diagnoses. The award will be used to collect, report and disseminate data on the clients served through the project grant that was selected for funding in 2000. Their project involves 40 units of tenant-based rental assistance and operational costs for an 11-bed transitional housing facility. For information contact: Gregory House Programs, 770 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 503, Honolulu, HI 96813, Jerry W. Ford, Executive Director. Phone: (808) 592-9048; Fax: (808) 592-9049; Email: [jerry@gregoryhouse.org](mailto:jerry@gregoryhouse.org).

**Maui AIDS Foundation** of Wailuku will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$1,324,743 to continue its work in providing tenant-based permanent supportive housing as well as short-term emergency assistance, housing information and supportive services such as case management, nutritional services, and mental health counseling to people living with HIV/AIDS. Maui AIDS foundation plans to assist 330-350 persons with HIV/AIDS and their families through 60-70 units of housing each year for the three years of the grant. Maui AIDS Foundation will partner with Malama Pono (Kauai AIDS Services Agency), the West Hawaii AIDS Foundation, and the Big Island AIDS project to serve the Neighbor Islands of Maui, Lanai, Molokai, Hawaii and Kauai. For information contact: Maui AIDS Foundation, 1935 Main Street, Suite 101, P.O. Box 858, Wailuku, Hawaii 96793-0858, Jonathon Berliner, Executive Director, Phone: 808-242-4900 x102; Fax: 808-242-1968; E-mail: [jberliner@mauiids.org](mailto:jberliner@mauiids.org).

## **ILLINOIS**

**Pioneer Civic Services, Inc.** of Peoria will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$440,166 to continue the *Peoria Area AIDS Housing Options Project* (PAAHOP). This project provides permanent housing to low-income, HIV positive persons and their families through both tenant-based rental assistance and project-based assistance, through a partnership with The Heart of Illinois HIV/AIDS Center (HIHAC) at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria. PAAHOP will serve 16 persons with HIV/AIDS and 15 family members each year for the three years of the grant through permanent housing assistance of 11 units. PAAHOP will also provide clients a range of supportive services including intensive case management; access to mainstream services including SSI, Public Aid, and VA benefits; employment skills training; transportation to healthcare; nutritional services; and substance use treatment. In addition, 87 eligible persons will receive supportive services and 210 persons will receive information on housing resources throughout Peoria, Woodford, and Tazewell counties. For information, contact: Pioneer Civic Services, 1318 S. W. Adams Street, Peoria, Illinois 61601-5647. Ms. Helen M. Crum, Director; Phone: (309) 674-2200; Fax: (309) 647-0559; Email: [HMCrum0315@aol.com](mailto:HMCrum0315@aol.com).

## **KENTUCKY**

**Commonwealth of Kentucky, Kentucky Housing Corporation** will receive \$50,000 to support the evaluation of their Statewide HIV/AIDS Integrated Substance Abuse and Housing Initiative. The project serves more than 490 persons by establishing a substance abuse treatment network along with short-term housing assistance for 231 homeless or low-income persons. The award will be used to collect, report and disseminate data on the clients served through the project grant that was selected for funding in 2000. For information contact: Commonwealth of Kentucky, Kentucky Housing Corporation, Frankfort, KY 40601, Kimberly Burris, Specialized Housing Resource Administrator. Phone: (502) 564-7630, ext. 414, Email: Kburris@KYHousing.org.

## **MARYLAND**

**Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene** will receive a HOPWA renewal grant award for \$1,369,977 to continue providing rental assistance, short-term rent, mortgage, utility assistance and supportive services to HIV/AIDS persons and their families. The project operates through collaboration in the 11 rural counties in Maryland not eligible for HOPWA formula allocations, including the Eastern shore and Western panhandle areas of the state. The fourteen (14) project sponsors are Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, Dorchester County Department of Social Services, Washington County Department of social services, Allegany County Health Department, Caroline County Health Department, Charles County Health Department, St. Mary's County Health Department, Dorchester County Health Department, Kent County Health Department, Somerset County Health Department, Talbot County Health Department, Washington County Health Department, Wicomico County Health Department and Worcester County Health Department. The rural initiative is a comprehensive program designed to promote permanent supportive housing and independent living and supplement Title II and State funded programs that provide services to clients in rural areas. This three (3) year project will assist 135 units each year and expects 69 HIV/AIDS persons will receive some form of housing assistance, 138 family members will receive housing assistance, 108 HIV/AIDS persons will receive only supportive services, and 219 family members will receive only supportive services during this project period. For information contact: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, AIDS Administration, 500 North Calvert Street - 5th Floor, Baltimore, Maryland 21202-3652. Ms. Erin M. Kenny, Health Services Administrator, Phone: (410) 767-5026; Fax: (410) 333-2605; Email: ekenny@dhmh.state.md.us.

## MAINE

**The AIDS Project** of Portland, will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$895,913 to continue to partially fund HAVEN's Initiative to House and Serve Targeted Populations (The Initiative). The Initiative serves low-income individuals with HIV who receive HIV-related services in Portland and who are homeless or at great risk of homelessness; are soon to be released from jail, have recently been released from jail, or are at risk of incarceration; or are moderately to severely functionally impaired due to substance use and/or mental illness. The primary funded activities provided by this grant are tenant-based rental assistance, under the new grant to 32 individuals or family unit for at least one year and at least 50 family units the second and third years; shallow rental assistance; emergency assistance with rent; utility payments and security deposits for at least 35 family units each year. The program also offers intensive case management and in-home support services of up to eight to ten persons at a time; outreach to persons in the criminal justice system; outreach to homeless persons with HIV across a range of settings; and a basic package of housing information and referral services for all persons in the targeted populations. This outreach is expected to reach at least 60 persons. Partnered with The AIDS Project are sponsors AIDS Lodging House and Shalom House which carry out HOPWA funded activities along with a key collaborator, Positive Health Care, a Ryan White Title III interdisciplinary primary care, early intervention services team. For information contact: The AIDS Project, PO Box 5305, Portland, ME 04101, George W. Friou, Executive Director. Phone: (207) 774-6877, Fax: (207) 879-0761, Email: [gfriou@aidsproject.org](mailto:gfriou@aidsproject.org).

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

**State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services** will receive a HOPWA renewal grant of \$908,000 to continue to promote and provide adequate affordable permanent housing solutions for the most vulnerable of the population with HIV/AIDS and their families. The program will address the needs of persons who are homeless, low and very low income, and those at risk of displacement or becoming homeless due to the advancement of their disease and a tight housing market. The program works by stabilizing participants' current housing situations and whenever possible maintaining them in homes where they prefer to reside. Housing solutions, case management and supportive services such as nutrition and mental health services and alcohol and drug counseling work together to maintain and improve participants' independence, self-sufficiency, quality of life and personal dignity. This is accomplished through close collaborative relationships with AIDS service organizations, landlords, government agencies and community-based organizations. The project serves the entire state of New Hampshire (with the exception of the City of Manchester and the Greater Nashua area) in partnership with the Merimack Valley Assistance Program and Harbor Homes and its affiliate Welcoming Light, Inc. With the renewal of the grant 24 additional scattered site rental units will be made available and another 65 persons will be assisted through short-term rent, mortgage, utility payments. Additionally, 199 persons will receive supportive services and 391 individuals will receive housing information services. For information contact: State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health, 105 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301, Lance dePlante, Director, Office of Homeless and Housing Services. Phone: (603) 271-5043, Email: [ldeplante@dhhs.state.nh.us](mailto:ldeplante@dhhs.state.nh.us).

## **NEW YORK**

**Greyston Health Services (GHS)** of Yonkers will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$1,141,814 to continue their work to provide housing assistance to 120 persons with HIV/AIDS and 90 family members each year for the three years of the grant. Greyston Health Services plans to provide overnight crisis intervention counseling, enhanced outreach and family counseling services, Adult Day Health Care for non-Medicaid insured persons, and assistance for people with HIV/AIDS seeking permanent housing. Additionally, 45 persons will receive supportive services only. Greyston will provide this housing assistance by supporting approximately 70 units of housing for each year of the grant. Greyston Health Services will partner in this project with Maitri Adult Day Health Care (ADHC). For information contact: Greyston Health Services, 21 Park Avenue, Yonkers, NY 10703-3401, Charles G. Lief, President. Phone: 914-376-3900, Fax: 914-376-1333, Email: Chuckl@greyston.org.

## **TEXAS**

**Tarrant County** will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$813,346 to continue Tarrant County Samaritan House permanent housing/rental assistance program, supportive service and substance abuse recovery support. Samaritan House provides rental assistance for residents who have left their supportive housing facility and entered into a unit with tenant-based leasing assistance. These participants are linked to the supportive services offered at Samaritan House including chemical dependency counseling, meal services and professional skilled development. Samaritan House will provide 52 single room occupancy (SRO) dwellings for homeless and low-income men and women living with HIV/AIDS. In addition, Samaritan House has housed up to 22 clients at a time in subsidized apartments through the Genesis Project. Samaritan House has agreed to serve 120 unduplicated clients through SRO and permanent tenant based leasing assistance housing during the grant year. In the year 2002, sixty-six clients have already been served and in 2000 and 2001, fifty-four and seventy-eight clients were served respectively. For information contact: Tarrant County, 1509-B S. University Drive, Suite 276, Fort Worth, Texas 76107. Ms. Patricia Ward; Phone: 817-338-9129, Email: pward@tarrantcounty.com.

## **VERMONT**

**Vermont Housing and Conservation Board** will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$1,073,048 to continue a statewide HIV/AIDS housing and supportive services program originally funded through a 1998 HOPWA award. HOPWA funds have been used by VHCB to provide long-term rental assistance and short-term emergency assistance for persons living with HIV/AIDS, to develop HIV/AIDS designated affordable housing units, and to support the delivery of basic supportive services by regional AIDS service organizations. This highly collaborative project integrates housing, health care and a range of supportive services in a single statewide delivery system. The project plans to support 140 to 160 units of housing each year for the three years of the grant. Approximately 150 persons with HIV/AIDS and 100 family members will be assisted in that housing each year. Additionally, 240 persons with HIV/AIDS and 140 family members will receive supportive services and 140 people will receive housing information services each year. The Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will partner in this project with the Vermont State Housing Authority. The HOPWA grant will be leveraged by nearly \$4,000,000 of other resources that will be brought to this project over the term of the grant. For information contact: The Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, 149 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602, Mr. David Weinstein; Phone: (802) 828-5061, Fax: (802) 828-3254.

## **WASHINGTON**

**Spokane County Community Services Division** of Spokane will receive a HOPWA renewal grant for \$1,340,410 to continue the REACH Project (Regionally Assisted Collaborative Housing Project). This project provides rental assistance, short-term utility assistance, project-based housing, and supportive services such as transportation, counseling and child care to people living with HIV/AIDS and their families in a twenty county area of Eastern and Central Washington State. The project plans to support 110 to 150 units of housing each year for the three years of the grant. Approximately 120 people with HIV/AIDS and 30 family members will benefit from the housing assistance. An additional 30 people with HIV/AIDS and 15 family members will receive supportive services through the project and 200-300 people will receive housing information services. Spokane County partners with Coalition of Responsible Disabled, Housing Authority of Chelan County and the City of Wenatchee, Spokane Housing Authority, Spokane Neighborhood Action Program, Spokane Regional Health District, Volunteers of America, Walla Walla Housing Authority, Yakima County Coalition for the Homeless, Blue Mountain Heart to Heart, and Grant County Health Department. For information contact: Spokane County Community Services Division, 901 N. Monroe #328, Spokane, Washington 99201, Edie Rice-Sauer, Phone: 509-477-4516, Fax: 509-477-6204, Email: [ericesauer@spokanecounty.org](mailto:ericesauer@spokanecounty.org).