



**Request for Proposals  
Domestic Violence Bonus Projects  
administered by  
Louisiana Coalition Against  
Domestic Violence  
in the Louisiana Balance of State Continuum of Care**

## **Background**

The Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence (LCADV, the Coalition) is accepting proposals to create new Rapid Re-housing (RRH) activities to serve eligible survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, or dating violence (DV) in communities served by the Louisiana Balance of State Continuum of Care (LA BOSCOG). All interested eligible applicants, including all Coalition member organizations, are encouraged to apply.

### *DV Bonus Projects Information*

Through the Funding Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will competitively fund projects providing housing and services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. The LA BOSCOG will apply for DV Bonus funding to expand the RRH project managed by LCADV, with one or more subrecipients to provide rental assistance and supportive services to survivors of domestic violence. For more information about the DV Bonus Projects funding opportunity, visit

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2023-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/>

The following sections outline the timeline and process for DV Bonus proposal submission to LCADV, the minimum requirements for eligible applicants, and the required contents of proposals. The application will be reviewed and scored by LCADV. Responses should be specific, succinct, and adhere to the character count limits for each question. Any questions may be directed to Mariah Wineski, LCADV Executive Director, at [mariah.wineski@lcadv.org](mailto:mariah.wineski@lcadv.org).

## **Eligible Applicants**

Applicants eligible to respond to this RFP must demonstrate experience with or the capacity to employ trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to service provision. Service providers who are LCADV members in good standing will be given priority for funding under this solicitation, but all entities who can meet the requirements herein are encouraged to apply.

## **Eligible Activities & Costs**

Applicants may submit proposals that serve households with children, without children, or both, and may propose to use the funding for the following eligible RRH activities:

- Rental Assistance, which provides short- to medium-term (3-24 months) of tenant-based rental assistance
- Supportive Services, which provides a range of case management and wraparound services necessary to help participants achieve and maintain permanent housing and self-sufficiency
- HMIS, which funds the costs, including software, equipment, and staffing, of maintaining participant information in a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) comparable database
- VAWA, which funds the costs of facilitating and coordinating activities to ensure compliance with the emergency transfer plan requirement for survivors of domestic violence who are in danger and the monitoring of compliance with the confidentiality protections.
- Administrative Costs, which funds the administrative activities necessary to support the project; no more than 5% of the project's total funding request can be used for administrative costs (admin)

Further information about eligible costs can be found in 24 CFR 576, Subpart D, under the relevant heading, which is accessible here:

<https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2033/hearth-coc-program-interim-rule/>.

Applicants selected to receive DV Bonus funds will be required to enter all client-level data into an HMIS comparable database and provide regular reports on project performance to LCADV and the LA BOSCOG.

## **Applicant Selection Process & Priorities**

When selecting applicants to carry out the DV Bonus project, LCADV will give first priority to current LCADV Tier 1 and 2 program members. Further, LCADV will prioritize the following:

- Applicants who meet the eligibility criteria outlined above
- Applicants with demonstrated experience employing best practices to serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and/or the capacity to provide trauma-informed, client-centered services for survivors in a new project

Applicants selected as DV Bonus RRH project subrecipients will be required to work with LCADV and the LA BOSCOG to finalize projects and applications. LCADV and the LA BOSCOG reserve the right to adjust subrecipient activities as

needed. Applicants may be required to modify proposed services and/or budget targets to maximize funding opportunities and utility.

Prior to submitting their proposal, applicants working with partner agencies are strongly encouraged to develop and sign written agreements that demonstrate and secure the details of each commitment. Written agreements will be required prior to project launch.

**Process and Timeline for Submission of Project Proposals**

Interested applicants must adhere to the following process and timeline when submitting project proposals:

<b>DATE/DEADLINE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>
August 2, 2023	RFP Release Date
August 15, 2023	Submit complete proposals to LCADV via email to Mariah.wineski@lcadv.org
August 21, 2023 (no later than)	Selected applicants notified <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• LCADV may request additional information if needed to make selections</li><li>• Any required changes to project proposals may be communicated at this time</li></ul>
August 21, 2023 – September 18, 2023	Applicants will work with LCADV to enter, correct, and submit approved project applications in e-snaps

**DV Bonus Project Proposal Forms must be emailed to LCADV  
By Friday, August 15, 2023, at 2:00PM CT**