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To: County Mayors, City Mayors, Non-Profits Service Agencies, and Faith Based Agencies

From: Deborah A. Hillin, President, Buffalo Valley, Inc.

Date: July 24, 2017

Re: Funding Opportunity for Housing 2017 HUD Homeless Assistance Permanent Housing with Supportive Service Funds

We have a grant opportunity to increase the affordable housing inventory in middle Tennessee. The HUD Supportive Housing Program (SHP) funds the Homeless No More (HNM) Continuum of Care Coalition. A Continuum of Care approach helps communities plan for and provide a balance of housing resources to address the needs of homeless persons so they can make the critical transition from the streets to jobs and independent living to the extent possible.

Several agencies have discussed applying for permanent housing funding but there may be others. This year HUD is giving priority to the creation of:

- (1) new permanent supportive housing projects serving **chronically homeless** individuals and families, with priority on serving those with the longest histories of homelessness;
- (2) rapid re-housing projects that will serve homeless individuals and families and unaccompanied youth coming **DIRECTLY** from the streets or emergency shelters, and including persons fleeing domestic violence situation or receiving services through a VA-funded homeless assistance program
- (3) dedicated PLUS project- a permanent supportive housing where 100% of the beds are dedicated to served **chronic homeless** individuals with disabilities and families in which one adult or child has a documented disability (that is long terms), including unaccompanied homeless youth that are experiencing chronic homelessness.

Eligible costs are limited to leasing, operations, and some project administration. Agencies must demonstrate that they have the program and fiscal capacity to administer Federal Grants.

If you are a local government and/or non-profit who is interested in apply for the **Permanent Housing**, please send a **“letter of intent”** by Monday, **July 31, 2017** briefly describing your proposed project to:

debbiehillin@buffalovalley.org

Please make sure you put “letter of intent” in the subject line. Those who submit a letter of intent will be notified of the next step in making a project application. The Project Application will be due **NO LATER** than **August 25, 2017**. In order to apply an agency **must have** a DUNS and SAM number. An applicant must register with Dun and Brandstreet to obtain a DATA Universal Numbers System (DUNS) as well as with the System for Award Management (SAM). They must submit their application as a part of the HNM Continuum of Care application along with all supporting documentation and proof of a 501C-3 in your agency’s name, audit, match documentation, and leverage documentation.

The HNM Steering Committee will review, prioritize, and select a permanent housing project from those submitted. You will be requested to present your project to the Priority Committee on **September 13, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.** You will be notified by **September 13, 2017** if your application will be moved forward with the full CoC application.

Looking forward to working with you this year. Call Sherri Allen or myself with any questions you may have at 1-800-447-2766.