



City of Seattle

Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Human Services Department

Catherine Lester, Director

December 13, 2016

To All Interested Parties:

I am pleased to announce the availability of up to \$1.3 million of Seattle General Funds to develop 100 new shelter beds (dedicated to referrals by city-funded outreach) and storage solutions specifically for people living unsheltered. The funding for the Request for Proposals is part of "Bridging the Gap" to Pathways Home, Seattle's person-centered plan to support people experiencing homelessness. Funding awards will be made for the period of March 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. While this is one-time funding, projects will be eligible to apply for ongoing funding through HSD's Pathways Home RFP available later in 2017 for 2018 contracts.

The City of Seattle is also sending out a Letter of Interest to our business, corporate, faith, and nonprofit communities to assist in finding innovative solutions for our neighbors who are experiencing homelessness.

The 2016 Bridging the Gap Shelter and Storage Request for Proposals (RFP) Guidelines and Application documents define investment results, program requirements, and the process for application submission and selection. Please plan to attend the information session(s) listed below to review the RFP and ask questions. Please bring a paper copy of the RFP as no copies will be provided during the information sessions.

Date	Time	Location
Wednesday, December 21, 2016	9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	2100 Building (Art Room) 2100 24 th Ave. Seattle, WA 98144

This RFP is an open and competitive process. Completed application packets are due by 12:00 p.m. on January 20, 2017. Applications may be submitted electronically via HSD's Online Submission System at: <http://web6.seattle.gov/hsd/rfi/index.aspx>. Alternately, an original application packet may be hand-delivered to: Seattle Human Services Department, RFP – 2016 Shelter and Storage, ATTN: Tara Beck, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 5800 (58th floor) or mailed to: Seattle Human Services Department, RFP – 2016 Shelter and Storage, ATTN: Tara Beck, P.O. Box 34215, Seattle, WA 98124-4215.

Copies of this RFP may be downloaded from: <http://www.seattle.gov/humanservices/information-for-grantees>. If you would like to receive a copy of the RFP in the mail or by email, please contact Tara Beck at (206) 386-1133 or by email at tara.beck@seattle.gov.

Sincerely,

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