

2024 Substantial Amendment to HUD-approved Action Plans for 2021, 2022, and 2023 RHP Allocations



Recovery Housing Program (RHP) Grantee: North Carolina

FY 21 Grant Award Amount:	\$ 778,974.00 <i>(Prior Year Allocation "B-21-RH-37-001" within a HUD-approved Action Plan)</i>
FY 22 Grant Award Amount:	\$ 806,625.00 <i>(Prior Year Allocation "B-22-RH-37-001" within a HUD-approved Action Plan)</i>
FY 23 Grant Award Amount:	\$1,054,616.00 <i>(Prior Year Allocation "B-23-RH-37-001" within a HUD-approved Action Plan)</i>
FY 24 Grant Award Amount:	<u>\$1,166,440.00</u> <i>(New Allocation requiring a substantial amendment)</i>
Total of All Allocations:	<u>\$3,806,655.00</u>

In accordance with Section 8071 of the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act, entitled Pilot Program to Help Individuals in Recovery From a Substance Use Disorder Become Stably Housed, herein referred to as the as the Recovery Housing Program (RHP), North Carolina Department of Commerce Rural Economic Development Division (REDD) proposes the following substantial amendment to the fiscal year 2021, 2022, and 2023 Recovery Housing Program HUD-approved Action Plans to incorporate the new allocation for 2024.

Narratives

Program Summary:

Within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023 the only substantial change will be to account for the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 by the following additional paragraph:

The State of North Carolina has been notified by HUD of a fourth allocation of RHP funds in the amount of \$1,166,440 from the Community Planning and Development's (CPD) formula allocation. North Carolina's fourth allocation of RHP funds is attributed to the state having an overall age adjusted rate of 41.8% drug overdose death that has exceeded the national's overall age adjusted rate of 32.6% for drug overdose death. State data shows that nearly twelve (12) people die each day in North Carolina from overdoses and in the first six months of 2023, there were 2,481 people who died from a drug overdose in North Carolina. Considering the perpetual staggering statistics, the State's fourth allocation of RHP funds will be utilized in the State's continued effort to target the entire State as previous RHP allocations, minus the minimum \$1,506,320 of RHP funds set-aside for RHP projects within the Appalachian region.



Resources:

Within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023 the substantial changes will be to account for the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024. In addition to backing out the 3% technical assistance (TA) from the three previous RHP allocations' program funds by the following breakdown right below. The breakdown will also account for the \$1,000,000 of RHP funds awarded to one RHP project within the Appalachian region to Buncombe County.

<u>1st Allocation (FY2021)</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>
Annual Allocation: \$778,974	Program Funds: \$716,656
Program Income: \$0.00	State Admin (5%): \$38,949
	State TA (3%): \$23,369
1st Allocation (FY21) Total: \$778,974	1st Allocation (FY21) Total: \$778,974
<u>2nd Allocation (FY2022)</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>
Annual Allocation: \$806,625	Program Funds: \$742,095
Program Income: \$0.00	State Admin (5%): \$40,331
	State TA (3%): \$24,199
2nd Allocation (FY22) Total: \$806,625	2nd Allocation (FY22) Total: \$806,625
<u>3rd Allocation (FY2023)</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>
Annual Allocation: \$1,054,616	Program Funds: \$970,247
Program Income: \$0.00	State Admin (5%): \$52,731
	State TA (3%): \$31,638
3rd Allocation (FY23) Total: \$1,054,616	3rd Allocation (FY23) Total: \$1,054,616
	*Note: Previous Program Funds Grand Total is Minus Buncombe County's RHP Award: \$1,000,000
Previous Allocations Grand Total: \$2,640,215	*Previous Program Funds Grand Total: \$1,428,998
	Previous State Admin Grand Total: \$132,011
	Previous State TA Grand Total: \$79,206
	Previous Allocations Grand Total: \$2,640,215
<u>4th Allocation (FY2024) — New Allocation</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>
Annual Allocation: \$1,166,440	Program Funds: \$1,073,125
Program Income: \$0.00	State Admin (5%): \$58,322
	TA (3%): \$34,993
4th Allocation (FY24) Total: \$1,166,440	4th Allocation (FY24) Total: \$1,166,440
All Four Allocations Grand Total: \$3,806,655	Grand Total of All Program Funds Totals: \$2,502,123
	Grand Total of All Four State Admin Totals: \$190,333
	Grand Total of All State TA Totals: \$114,199
	All Four Allocations Grand Totals: \$3,806,655



Administration Summary:

There are no substantial changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.

Use of Funds – Method of Distribution:

Within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023 the only substantial changes will be:

1. Accounting for the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 that will consequently abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans,
2. The RHP application process will convert from an open-close application round to a continuous application opening, if sufficient RHP funds are still available. As applications are received, they will be rated and ranked and awarded based on satisfactory meeting the elements within the Use of Funds - Criteria for Evaluation from the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans. Notices will be provided to all known eligible applicants via website postings, email blasts, and listserv distributions.

This substantial amendment to the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023, reaffirms North Carolina will utilize RHP program funds to grant subrecipient with RHP funds to help individuals throughout the state that have been affected by substance use disorder (SUD). Subrecipients will be solicited, evaluated, and selected for RHP activities through the process of first, releasing a Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) — after the State of North Carolina has received its grant agreement and approval from HUD. Primary applicant for RHP must still be County-Level or County's municipality designee and first priority will be given to Tier 1 & 2 counties (*especially those with overdose rates over the national average*). Subrecipient's project applications received must meet RHP criteria and can earn up to 100 points based on the elements within the Use of Funds - Criteria for Evaluation section from the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.

Use of Funds – Activities Carried Out Directly:

This substantial amendment to the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023, affirms North Carolina's staff within REDD will utilize their capacity and structure to make grants available directly to subrecipients (County-Level or County's municipality designee) to carry out RHP activities throughout the state. This will apply to all subsequential awarded RHP allocations for the State's RHP Program.

Use of Funds – Eligible Subrecipients:

There are no substantial changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.



Use of Funds – Criteria for Evaluation:

There are no changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.

Definitions – Individual in Recovery:

There are no substantial changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.

Definitions – Substance Use Disorder:

There are no substantial changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.

Anticipated Outcomes:

Within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023 the only substantial changes will be an increase in the estimated number to be assisted and the goal for individuals to transition to permanent housing bason on the additional allocation through the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024.

<u>HUD-approved Action Plans for FY 2021, 2022, and 2023</u>	<u>2024 Substantial Amendment</u>
Estimated Individuals to be Assisted: 80	Estimated Individuals to be Assisted: 128
Individuals to Transition into Permanent Housing: 60 (75%)	Individuals to Transition into Permanent Housing: 96 (75%)

Expenditure Plan:

There are no substantial changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans expenditure model. Within the performance period set forth in the anticipated HUD contract separately issued for fiscal year 2024.

Citizen Participation Summary:

Within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023 the only substantial change will be to account for the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 by the following additional paragraph:

RHP program grants a waiver/modification of CDBG Citizen Participation Requirements 24 CFR 570.486 and 24 CFR 91.505, to allow at least 15 calendar days of RHP public comments. The State of North Carolina has elected



a 15-calendar day public comment period from Tuesday, July 30, 2024 to Tuesday, August 13, 2024. A public notice was posted on the North Carolina Department of Commerce 's website at www.commerce.nc.gov and was sent out through a statewide email list serv with the draft RHP Program 2024 substantial amendment on Friday, July 26, 2024.

In addition, a public notice was published in major newspapers to cover the eastern, western, northern and southern parts of the state concerning the substantial amendment on Friday, July 26, 2024. Prior and during the public comment period for RHP, REDD will publish the draft RHP substantial amendment in a manner that afford citizens, units of general local governments, public agencies, and other interested parties a reasonable opportunity to examine its contents and to submit comments.

A hybrid public hearing will be held remotely, and in-person on Friday, August 9, 2024 from 10:00 am EST to 11:00 am EST. Please attend the meeting in-person within the main Conference Room of the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency, located at 3508 Bush Street, Raleigh, NC 27609-7509. Also, participates can join the meeting from their computer, tablet, or smartphone at <https://ncgov.webex.com/meet/s.simpson-carter>. When using video conferencing system or application join at s.simpson-carter.ncgov@webex.com. You can also dial in using your phone at 1-415-655-0003. The meeting access code is 2426 630 0127. The state does not differentiate between any individual, group, and/or organization that wishes to provide input during the planning, implementation, and assessment of community needs toward the draft(s) and/or final version of the substantial amendment.

Partner Coordination:

There are no substantial changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.

Subrecipient Management and Monitoring:

There are no substantial changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.

Pre-Award/Pre-Agreement Costs:

There are no substantial changes within this section of the HUD-approved Action Plans for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023; consequently, the fourth allocation of RHP funds for fiscal year 2024 will abide by the three previous HUD-approved Action Plans.

Certifications:

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