



NEIGHBORHOOD OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Round XVIII

Due Friday November 30, 2007

The Housing Resources Commission is committed to providing housing opportunities for all Rhode Islanders, maintaining the quality of housing in Rhode Island, and coordinating and making effective the housing opportunities of the agencies and subdivisions of the State. For FY 2008, our remaining amount of \$2.1 million dollars is available for the Neighborhood Opportunities Program (NOP), which includes the Family Housing Fund, Permanent Supportive Housing Fund and The Building Better Communities Fund for rental housing.

Family Housing Fund* - Capital and operating funds will be awarded to produce units of rental housing to ensure rents are affordable to families with children and individuals working at or near minimum wage. Capital funding available is **\$50,000 per unit**. Note that individuals and families without children are now FHF eligible.

Permanent Supportive Housing Fund* - Capital and operating funds will be awarded to produce units of permanent supportive rental housing for very low income individuals and families who have a determination of disability and who are homeless or at risk of being homeless. Capital funding available is **\$50,000 per unit**.

*** Priority for rental projects that move families or individuals out of homeless shelters and serving vulnerable households including persons with disabilities, youth aging out of state care, and the reentry population.**

Building Better Communities Fund – For FY2008, BBCF will award capital funds **ONLY** for rental opportunities serving households over 40% of median income. Capital funding available is **\$50,000 per unit**.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS: Eligible applicants for the Neighborhood Opportunities Program include non-profit organizations, PHA's, Cities and Towns, Community Development Corporations and for-profit entities.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: For application forms, copies of the program regulations or questions about the **Neighborhood Opportunities Program**, please contact Ray Neirinckx at (401) 222-4893 or rneirinckx@gw.doa.state.ri.us

Please note that we require **three (3) copies** of all NOP applications.