

Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) Prospective Applicant Webinar Questions and Answers (Q&A) February 5 and 11, 2025

***Disclaimer:** The 2025 FOA will have complete and up-to-date information. Please review the 2025 FOA in its entirety before applying.*

Overview

The following Q&A document provides responses to questions posed at the HVRP Prospective Applicant Webinar sessions on February 5 and 11, 2025. Questions have been synthesized for clarity.

Questions and Answers

1. Q: Will there be any information regarding the Federal Grant funding uncertainty coming from the Executive Office?

A: The U.S. Department of Labor is reviewing all Funding Opportunity Announcements for consistency with the Executive Orders titled, "Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferencing," issued on January 20, 2025, and "Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity," issued on January 21, 2025. The Department will take necessary action with the Funding Opportunity Announcement and issue additional guidance, including adjusting the close date if appropriate.

2. Q: Page 18 of the FOA says, "If the Cost per Enrollment is greater than \$4,000 or less than \$1,000, zero points are awarded. If it is equal to or less than \$4,000, nine points are awarded...Cost per Enrollment will be calculated by dividing the total funding proposed for the entire PoP by the total number of participant enrollments planned for the PoP." Does this mean that if proposed funding is \$500,000 that the program must serve 125 participants per year?

A: Correct. To score 9 points, you must have a minimum of 125 participants if you request \$500,000 in annual funding.

3. Q: Considering recent Executive Orders, would a proposal that targets Native American veterans and their unique needs be allowable and considered?

A: Yes, a proposal that targets Native American veterans and their unique needs would be allowable and considered. Federal statute specifically authorizes HVRP services to:

- Veterans who are receiving assistance under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 ([25 U.S.C. § 4101](#) et seq.)
- Veterans participating in a HUD-VA supported housing program for which rental assistance is provided pursuant to section 8(o)(19) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 ([42 U.S.C. § 1437f\(o\)\(19\)](#)) or the Tribal HUD-VA Supportive Housing (Tribal HUD-VASH) program

4. Q: Is there a new definition of “marginalized” we should use given that the past definitions fell under a DEI category?

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5. Q: Does section 3.d.1. of the Project Narrative refer to staff outages or major events such as a flood or earthquake?

A: Section 3.d.(i) Staffing Strategy states: “Applicants must address their capacity for implementing the program, programmatic reporting, and participant tracking, including follow-up tracking services to capture and report post-exit outcomes within 120 days.” It refers to staffing the grant to meet the requirements of the grant and how the grant will continue to meet the grant’s requirements if the organization has staff turnover.

6. Q: Do we have to be a CARF accredited agency to apply?

A: No, you do not have to be Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) accredited agency to apply. Please see Section III.A. of the FOA for the list of organizations that are eligible to apply.

7. Q: How would we find saturation data on our Continuum of Care (CoC) to determine project scope?

A: DOL/VETS has a Service Delivery Area (SDA) Saturation Map of every CoC HVRP grant recipients serve. The saturation level is calculated by dividing the total number of HVRP planned enrollments in the CoC by the most recent HUD Point-in-Time (PIT) count for the number of veterans experiencing homelessness. CoCs with saturation levels of 100 percent or more indicate that current HVRP grant recipients are already planning to enroll more participants than the estimated number of veterans experiencing homelessness for the CoC. Applicants should be aware that requesting an oversaturated SDA may result in failing to meet their planned enrollment goals. Applicants may submit more than one application for different SDAs. For a walkthrough of how to find saturation data, please view the How to Read the HVRP FOA PY2025 SDA Saturation Map supplementary video available on [Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources – National Veterans’ Technical Assistance Center](#).

8. Q: Where can the FOA forms be found?

A: The PY25 HVRP FOA and the attachments/forms are available on the [View Grant Opportunity page on Grants.gov](#) under “Related Documents” and available for download. They are also available on [Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources – National Veterans’ Technical Assistance Center](#). Please also take a moment to subscribe to the announcement on the Grants.gov website to receive updates on the PY25 HVRP FOA. For information on subscribing to Grants.gov, please visit [Manage Subscriptions | Grants.gov](#).

9. Q: Is there a list we can reference for American Job Centers (AJC)?

A: Prospective applicants can use the “Find an American Job Center” search option on CareerOneStop.org to locate the AJC in their service delivery area. For a walkthrough of how to locate your local AJC, please view the “Identifying Your American Job Center (AJC)” supplementary video available on the [HVRP Prospective Applicant Resources](#) page on the NVTAC.org website.

10. Q: How does section 3.C.ii comply with the DEI Executive Order?

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