



PA-510 Lancaster City and County PA Home4Good 2025 Grant Overview and Instructions

APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS:

This is a guide to submit for the Lancaster City and County CoC (PA-510) Home4Good funds and should be used for completing and submitting a Letter of Interest. All programs must align and abide by the most current [PA-510 Standards and Procedures](#).

SUMMARY:

Home4Good is a collaborative initiative between the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh (FHLBank Pittsburgh) and the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) to provide grant funds to help those who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. Home4Good funds are allocated to the CoCs within the Commonwealth. PA-510 has been allocated funds to serve the most critical needs through the homelessness response system. All applications must be submitted to the Office for the Homelessness Coalition (O4C). A Review Team will be screening, reviewing and evaluating the applications and preparing a portfolio of program grantees for final approval by Home4Good.

The Home4Good program is funded by the Board of Directors of the FHLBank Pittsburgh and PHFA. The 12-month contract term will commence on the execution date of the contract and remains contingent on approved funding from FHLBank Pittsburgh and PHFA. (Awards are expected to be announced in December 2025. Contracts expected in January 2026.) The expectation is that the funds awarded will be expended within the 12-month term. Those awarded funds should not expect funding to be extended/renewed beyond the term for which the funds are being awarded.

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Home4Good is designed to support projects, programs or activities in Pennsylvania that lead to stable housing for individuals and families who are currently experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless. To be eligible for funding consideration, projects must address one of the following goals:

- Prevention and/or Diversion: Projects, programs or activities that assist households seeking to avoid homelessness by maintaining their current housing situation or being diverted to alternative options.
- Innovative Solutions: Projects, programs or activities that provide innovative solutions that seek to end homelessness.
- Critical Need: Any project, program or activity serving homeless individuals and families that is determined to be critically needed by the relevant community or CoC area entity for the Region/County. (See list on next page.)

ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATIONS:

Eligible organizations are those that provide services which prevent and/or reduce homelessness in Pennsylvania. Eligible organizations include, but are not limited to:

- Units of local government (counties, cities, boroughs, townships, town and home rule municipalities),
- Nonprofit organizations, including faith-based organizations,
- Redevelopment and/or housing authorities,
- Health care providers focused on health equity and/or homelessness prevention programming, and
- Economic and community development organizations, housing corporations, etc.

ELIGIBLE FUNDING ACTIVITIES:

While the Home4Good eligible activities include any program, project or activity which seeks to end homelessness, the PA-510 CoC have determined areas of focus based on existing data and known need. These Home4Good funds cannot be used for development hard costs (costs associated with real estate, construction/rehabilitation, etc.).

Eligible funding activities are:

- Emergency winter shelter programs.
- Landlord engagement and outreach to increase availability and access to affordable rental units (financial incentives).
- Eviction prevention and homeless diversion support, including providing security deposits, rent/utility assistance, employment/transportation assistance, gift cards for groceries, etc.
- Recovery support for individuals and families experiencing homelessness (mental health/substance use recovery).
- System enhancements and/or operating expenses related to the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to increase capacity, expand services, and/or improve the ability to serve clients. (O4C only).

ANTICIPATED AWARDS:

While there is an allocation of \$170,750 to award, there will be a 7.5% set aside for HMIS for a total yield of \$157,944 for applicants.

Given the funding priorities, we anticipate there will be 4-6 grantees selected for the 2025 Home4Good grant. A requested minimum of \$15,000 and maximum of \$50,000 per agency.

LETTER OF INTEREST SUBMISSION:

Letters of interest should be brief and to the point, given the limited timeframe for this grant opportunity. While we encourage thorough and thoughtful submissions, please limit your letter to no more than three pages.

The Letter of Interest should include the following areas as headings:

1. Program name and notation of the eligible funding activity
2. A brief description of the program activity and specific uses
3. The geographic service area for the program
4. The project's goals and objectives
5. Requested funding amount and *overall budget for that program*
6. The expected impact and outcomes, including number of individuals served during a 12-month period (January 2026-January 2027)
7. Information about the organization's capacity and experience
8. Evaluation of success

DEADLINE AND QUESTIONS:

Letters of Interest are due by Monday, June 30, 2025 at 5:00pm via email to Beth Dreyer-DeGoede at bdegoede@lchra.com. Upon release of this Overview, questions should be directed to Beth Dreyer-DeGoede at bdegoede@lchra.com for review.

POST AWARD PROGRAM EVALUATION AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

The CoC is required to collect data from the awarded agencies and complete a semi-annual progress report on the impact, accomplishments, and overall use of funds until all awarded funds are expended. A final close-out report must be provided to PHFA within 30 days of the final expenditure of Home4Good funds.

If service providers are not in compliance with current reporting requirements, approval for funding could be impacted.

All grantees will be expected to report on a set of core metrics and performance metrics, as outlined below, to the CoC via Empower Lancaster.

Core metrics required for all Home4Good grantees include:

- Number of individuals served.
- Demographic data on age, sex and race.
- Geographic dispersion of services (urban vs. rural).
- Number of Veterans served (if captured/disclosed).
- Number of justice impacted individuals served (if captured/disclosed).
- Number of individuals identifying themselves as a victim of domestic violence, person with a disability, or person with a substance abuse issue (if captured/disclosed).

Performance metrics include, but are not limited to:

- Reduction in the number of individuals experiencing homelessness, including Veterans, those experiencing chronic homelessness, families, unaccompanied or parenting youth, individuals, and those unsheltered.
- Reduction in the length of time individuals remain homeless.
- Reduction in the extent to which individuals who exit homelessness to permanent housing destinations, return to homelessness.
- Increase in access to jobs and income among individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Reduction in the number of individuals who become homeless for the first time.
- Increase in successful housing placement.
- Increase in homelessness prevention.

Thank you for considering the Home4Good application process with the PA-510 Lancaster City and County CoC.

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