

To: Gatekeepers

From: Homeless Services Section Staff

Date: 5/6/2024

⊠ Rental Assistance Program Staff

Category: Action Required

Update For:

 \boxtimes Other: RFF Follow Up

Message: Good Afternoon, CAA Network

OHCS is following up on the message sent to the network on 04/10/24 regarding the expenditure of funds (see email below). We have seen some great movement within the network to draw funds for expenditures in the past few weeks; however, we are still seeing some organizations that are unable to meet their spenddown targets. If you are still behind on drawing funds, please be sure that you submit and certify all your requests for funds for outstanding expenditures by May 15, 2024.

By May 20th, OHCS will assess each agency's expenditures as reflected in OPUS against Q3's time-bound expenditure plan for each grant. For any organization with remaining funds that exceed more than 15% of their standard or time-bound expenditure, OHCS will recapture those funds, above 15%, to ensure that funds are fully expended by June 30, 2024. For example, if you have missed your Q3 spenddown plan by 18%, OHCS will deallocate 3% of the remaining funds from that program.

OHCS has not yet determined which programs will allow a roll of unexpended funds into the next fiscal year; however, more information on this will be distributed in the next couple of weeks. OHCS will continue conversations on how best to ensure the expenditure of recaptured funds; however, more information will be forthcoming in the next couple of weeks as well.

Please note: The HOME Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (HTBRA) and the Emergency Solutions Grant – 2023 (ESG 23) programs are exempt from the potential recapture of funds. Additionally, because ESG 22 is at risk of falling into remediation with HUD, that grant <u>will</u> be subject to the provisions outlined in this email. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your HSS Team.

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To: Gatekeepers

From: Homeless Services Section Staff

Date: 4/10/2024

Please distribute to: ⊠Executive Directors □ Fiscal Staff □ Homeless Services Program Staff

☑ Rental Assistance Program Staff

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Update For:

☑Other: Fiscal Year 2023-24 Third Quarter - Request for Funds

Message:

Good afternoon CAA Network,

We hope that you all are enjoying the transition into the spring season!

We have just concluded the third quarter of the state fiscal year and are embarking on the final quarter for 2023-24. With that, we are reaching out to request that your agency submit any pending Request for Funds (RFFs) for the third quarter by no later than May 15th for grants under the Homeless Services Section (HSS) umbrella.

While we have seen continuous improvement and increased invoicing, increased consistent spenddown, and increased communication, we continue to experience a large percentage of grants that are currently not meeting or aligned with their respective standard or time-bound expenditure plans (TBEP). As it stands, our data shows that 68% percent of the CAA Network has at least one grant that is not meeting their standard or time-bound expenditure plans by at least 15%.

Program Analysts will be reaching out to you in the coming days, please work closely with them and share any comments, questions, concerns, or challenges your agency may be facing in meeting your goals. As always, we appreciate your understanding and attention to this request.

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