4900.1703 SELECTION CRITERIA FOR GRANTS.

The agency shall take the following criteria into consideration when determining which applications will be funded:

- A. the extent to which the grant is combined with funds or in kind contributions from other public and private sources;
- B. the availability and source of funds to pay the cost of acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the structure not funded by the grant;
- C. the availability and source of funds to pay the ongoing costs of the support services;
- D. the distribution of funds to service a variety of populations, including but not limited to, families with children, couples, single persons, and persons leaving a shelter for family abuse;
 - E. the geographic distribution of the funded applications within the state;
- F. the immediacy of the need documented for temporary housing in the area in which the structure is located;
- G. the capacity of the applicant to proceed promptly with the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the structure;
- H. the amount of the grant requested as compared to the total resources available for these grants;
- I. the extent to which the application receives the support and participation of the local community;
- J. the geographic location of the structure in relation to support services, recreational facilities, medical facilities, and transportation;
- K. the reasonableness of the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation cost with preference given to applications that minimize the cost per temporary housing units produced;
- L. the extent to which the application uses innovative cost-effective support services that are appropriate to the needs of the population served; and
- M. the experience of the applicant in developing or managing housing, providing support services, and servicing the specific target population of homeless persons.

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