

4900.3422 ELIGIBILITY.

To be eligible for selection as a recipient of a demonstration grant under the program, the application must satisfy the requirements in items A to C.

A. The proposed residential housing must be exclusively for the use of homeless individuals.

B. The program must promote individual stability and responsibility of homeless adults through training for jobs that pay a living wage, job placement, life skills development, and access to community support services including health services, counseling, and drug rehabilitation.

C. The program must include all of the components in subitems (1) to (3).

(1) A work experience and training component which provides vocational skill training in an industry where there are potential opportunities for jobs that pay a living wage. A monetary compensation may be provided to program participants. The compensation must be provided to participants who are recipients of public assistance in a manner or amount which will not reduce public assistance benefits. The work experience component must be designed so that work projects result in the expansion of residential units for homeless persons and very low-income individuals and families. The work experience component must include work projects that provide residential units through construction or rehabilitation for the homeless and families with income that does not exceed 50 percent of the median income for the metropolitan area. The program design must include an examination of how program participants may achieve certification as a part of the work experience and training component by entering licensing, apprenticeship, or other educational programs.

(2) A job skills component which provides program participants with job search skills, placement assistance, and other job readiness skills to ensure that participants will be able to compete in the employment market.

(3) A life skills component which includes mentoring to develop homeownership skills, and offer or coordinate participation in parenting and citizenship classes and leadership development to encourage community involvement and responsibility.

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