Solicitation Name: Supportive Housing Utilizing U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Project-Based Housing Choice Vouchers and Project-Based Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Vouchers

A. The following changes are made to the above-referenced solicitation:

Page 49, Submittals section, under subsection 1, titled Submissions, the last sentence of the first paragraph is replaced in its entirety with the following:

Proposals will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. Phoenix local time on Friday, January 12, 2018.

B. The following questions and answers are now incorporated as part of this RFP:

1) Question: Can vouchers can be placed on an age restricted community?

Answer: If there are no restrictions in the applicable Code of Federal Regulations or HUD guidance, it would be legally ok. The COP makes no representations regarding how the RFP evaluation panel will view and score an age restricted community.

2) Question: If a Council Person gets calls from neighborhoods, does that qualify as an “indirect contact” in regards to the Solicitation Transparency Policy?

Answer: The City Council has been notified of the RFP and that the Transparency Policy is in effect, therefore they should be referring all calls related to the RFP, proposed housing applications for the RFP, and any zoning or other actions related to housing that will be subject to the RFP to the Housing Department for response.

3) Question: If a Council Person attends a general neighborhood meeting and the project comes up as an issue, what do we do? (This is in regards to the Solicitation Transparency Policy)

Answer: If a topic comes up that relates to the solicitation, the COP recommends informing that person that you cannot discuss topics directly related to the RFP in the presence of a council due to the Solicitation Transparency Policy.

4) Question: You mentioned a 2 to 1 ratio, does that mean you can’t ask for any other?

Answer: The intent of the RFP is to incent the construction of Veteran’s Supportive Housing by project-basing VASH vouchers. To accomplish this, the City would consider a greater VASH ratio to PBV than 2 to 1, but will not consider any greater ratio of PBV than 1 for every 2 VASH. This means a proposer may ask for up to 50 VASH vouchers and no PBVs, or they may ask for some number less than 25 PBVs. However, proposers may not ask for PBVs without at least 2 VASH for every 1 PBV.

5) Question: If we have a ratio of 2 to 1 can we ask for more?

Answer: The City will be awarding contracts to two or more Proposers and individual awardees may be awarded no more than fifty (50) VASH vouchers and twenty-five (25) HCV’s. HCV’s will not be awarded separately and will be packaged with VASH vouchers. The ratio will be two (2) VASH vouchers to one (1) HCV in each award.

6) Question: Even if you take minimum number of vouchers, does the project need to meet Davis Bacon?

Answer: For projects over two thousand dollars, Davis Bacon is applicable to VASH and HCV’s including Project Based Voucher Programs involving construction.
7) Question: Why does the contractor need to secure LIHTC before?

   Answer: The RFP states the proposer must secure funding by the next LIHTC round or provide proof of other funding. That means the award of VASH and PBV vouchers is only valid until the proposer can provide proof of funding (LIHTC or otherwise) by June 2018.

8) Question: Is there a minimal number of vouchers you can ask for?

   Answer: No.

9) Question: I thought Davis Bacon was triggered with 12 or more with HOME, is this the same for VASH?

   Answer: For projects over two thousand dollars, Davis Bacon is applicable to VASH and HCV’s including Project Based Voucher Programs involving construction.

The balance of the specifications and instructions remain the same. Bidder must acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this addendum by returning the entire signed addendum with the proposal submittal.