

### **Funds Available for Housing Projects Serving the Homeless**

The Homeless Continuum of Care of Stark County (HCCSC) is currently preparing an application for funding of local housing projects serving the homeless. It will submit that application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by September 12, 2016 in response to a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) that HUD issued on June 29, 2016 for its Continuum of Care Grant Program.

The local competition to determine which projects will receive the HCCSC's endorsement to apply for HUD funding began on June 1, 2016 with the application workshop, which followed a published notice of May 18, 2016, that all projects interested in receiving the HCCSC's endorsement for CoC grant funding were to submit applications to the HCCSC by June 29, 2016. After reviewing the applications received by that deadline, the HCCSC has concluded that it may have additional funds available for new projects. This will include \$116,583 available for bonus funding and up to an additional \$85,000 available from reallocated projects. The HCCSC will give priority to rapid re-housing projects that give preference to families with children in accordance with local system priorities and permanent supportive housing projects.

Organizations that wish to apply for available funds must submit their applications by Wednesday, August 3, 2016 at 12:00 noon, to Beth Pearson at the Stark County Regional Planning Commission, 201 Third Street NE, Canton OH 44702. Applicants will receive responses from the HCCSC by Wednesday, August 10, 2016 and will have to be in a position to submit their completed HUD application within two (2) weeks thereafter.

The HCCSC will make the full CoC application available to the public by September 9, 2016 through publication on its website.

Application forms are available on the HCCSC's website at <http://starkhomeless.starkmhar.org>.