

PROJECT TYPE KEY

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Emergency Shelter (ES)

A project that offers temporary shelter (lodging) for the homeless in general or for specific populations of the homeless. Requirements and limitations may vary by program, and will be specified by the funder.

Homeless Prevention (HP)

A project that offers services and/or financial assistance necessary to prevent a person from moving into an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation.

Outdoor Safe Sleep Area (OSSA)

This project type is a low-barrier outdoor sleeping facility which offers safety and essential services to those experiencing homelessness. Clients coming from or exiting to this project type should be classified as “Place not meant for habitation” by HUD standards.

Permanent Housing (PH)

A project that offers permanent housing and supportive services to assist homeless persons to live independently, but does not limit eligibility to individuals with disabilities or families in which one adult or child has a disability.

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

A project that offers permanent housing and supportive services to assist homeless persons with a disability (individuals with disabilities or families in which one adult or child has a disability) to live independently.

Rapid Re-Housing (RRH)

A permanent housing project that provides housing relocation and stabilization services and short- and/or medium-term rental assistance as necessary to help a homeless individual or family move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.

Safe Haven (SH)

Safe Havens are a form of supportive housing that serves hard-to-reach homeless people with severe mental illness.

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Street Outreach

A project that offers services necessary to reach out to unsheltered homeless people, connect them with emergency shelter, housing, or critical services, and provide urgent, non-facility based care to unsheltered homeless people who are unwilling or unable to access emergency shelter, housing, or an appropriate health facility. Only persons who are “street homeless” should be entered into a street outreach project.

Supportive Services Only (SSO)

A project that offers only stand-alone supportive services (other than outreach) to address the special needs of participants (such as child care, employment assistance, and transportation services) and has associated housing outcomes.

Transitional Housing (TH)

A project that provides temporary lodging and is designed to facilitate the movement of homeless individuals and families into permanent housing within a specified period of time, but no longer than 24 months. Requirements and limitations may vary by program, and will be specified by the funder.