



Housing and Revitalization Department Consolidated Plan Education Series

Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

The Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program is a federally funded program run by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Funds are given to states, local governments, and community organizations to support various activities that help individuals with HIV/AIDS and are at or below 80% AMI, obtain housing, stay housed, and meet their unique medical needs.

How Does HRD Use HOPWA Funds?

Annually, the City of Detroit receives approximately \$3.5 million for this program. There are a number of different components within the HOPWA Program. Pictured on the right are all the ways the City of Detroit uses our HOPWA dollars.

STAY INFORMED !

In our next Con Plan Education Series newsletter, we will highlight the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).



Tenant-Based Rental Assistance- This program pays for a portion or all of the household's rent. This is the largest program within the City's HOPWA Program. However, there is currently a waiting list for this program.



Permanent Housing Placement- This activity allows the program to help with security deposits and first month's rent for those who need that extra help to obtain housing.



Short-Term Rental, Mortgage and Utility- This activity is for those who are currently housed but have had some event in their lives that may cause them to lose their housing. This activity can help with rent, utility arrears, and even mortgage payments if the participant is a homeowner.



Housing Information and Referral- This activity helps people find housing and a landlord willing to work with them.



Supportive Services- Using Supportive Services funds, participants in one of the HOPWA activities listed above can get transportation to medical appointments, housing visits, and trips to the HOPWA office for recertifications, etc.