

2017 COC PROGRAM COMPETITION NEW/BONUS PROJECT APPLICATION

	AGENCY	PROFILE				
Legal Name of Agency	Community Rebuilders					
Project Name	First Step Housing					
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☐ Permanent Support	ive Housing for Chronically	Homeless				
☐ DedicatedPLUS Perr	manent Supportive Housing	3				
☐ Rapid Re-Housing						
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☐ Support Services O	nly Coordinated Entry					
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New Project Applica	ation from Reallocated Fund	ds				
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accurate. Any falsification	of information will render has been reviewed and au	nformation contained in this proposal is true and the application void, and the application will not be thorized for submission by the agency's board of				
Name: Vera Beech		Title: Executive Director				
Date of Board Authoriza	tion:					

9/14/2017

Date of Anticipated Board Authorization:

ELIGIBILITY THRESHOLDS

Basic HUD Eligibility Thresholds must be satisfied before the CoC may consider a new or bonus project application for funding.

1. Please indicate by checking the boxes if the agency has any of the following:
a. Outstanding obligation to HUD that is in arrears for which a payment schedule has not been agreed upon;
☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain: Click here to enter text.
 b. Debarments and/or Suspensions- In accordance with 2 CFR 2424, no award of federal funds may be made to debarred or suspended applicants, or those proposed to be debarred or suspended from doing business with the federal government; □ Yes ⋈ No If yes, please explain: Click here to enter text.
c. Unresolved monitoring findings or outstanding (agency or HUD) audit findings;☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, please explain: Click here to enter text.
d. Inadequate financial management or accounting practices within the past three years;
☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain: Click here to enter text.
e. Evidence of untimely expenditures on prior award;
\square Yes \boxtimes No If yes, please explain: Click here to enter text.
f. Major capacity issues that have significantly impacted the operation of a project and its performance within the past three years;
☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain: Click here to enter text.
g. Issues impacting the timeliness in reimbursing subrecipients for eligible costs; \Box Yes \boxtimes No If yes, please explain: Click here to enter text.
 h. Served ineligible persons, expended funds on ineligible costs, or failed to expend funds within statutorily established timeframes within the past three years; ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain: Click here to enter text.
2. Does applicant have a financial management system that meets federal standards as described at 2
CFR 200.302? ;
☑ Yes ☐ No Please describe: Click here to enter text.
3. Does the agency employ or contract services of an accountant who is familiar with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)? ☑ Yes □ No

4. Does the agency obtain an annual audit by an independent certified public accountant? $oxtimes$ Yes $oxtimes$ No
If yes, include as attachments: Monitoring report from HUD, your organization's response to any findings, documentation from HUD that finding or concern has been satisfied, and any other relevant documentation. If no, reference most recent monitoring by an entity other than HUD for federal or state funding (ESC CDBG, etc) and include as attachments: Monitoring report, your organization's response to any findings, documentation from HUD that finding or concern has been satisfied, and any other relevant documentation.
All projects must include as attachments:
☑ Proof of 501(c)3 status from the IRS
☑ Financial statements, including cash flow statement
☑ Non-profit Corporation Update (2013) or equivalent
☑ DUNS number and Standard Form 424 (SF-424)
☑ Active registration in SAM
☑ Most recent audit by an independent certified public accountant
☑ Monitoring report by HUD or other federal or state funding entity, including any responses if there were findings noted in the report
☑ Project Application in e-Snaps (If available)
☐ Preliminary Rendering and Site Plan (if applicable)

NEW AND BONUS PROJECT APPLICATION

See scorecard for scoring criteria in each question.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

1.a. Provide a description that addresses the entire scope of the proposed project. (Include target population(s), the plan for addressing identified needs/issues of the identified target population, projected outcomes, how the project type, scale and location of housing and support services fit the needs of the identified target population.)

This project will be a re-allocation of the Youth Collaborative Rapid Rehousing Project. This project recognizes that not all young people have the same needs; some youth may require both TH and RRH in order to resolve their housing crisis and solve their immediate need for a safe place to stay. Both components will be made available to all program participants but a participant may choose to receive only the TH component or only the PH-RRH component or both. Youth that we have had contact with in the current year's program, frequently identified that they would be better able to engage in their housing search for permanent housing if they had a safe and stable place to stay while they were doing so. The TH component of this project will provide safe units at the ready for youth ages 18-24 to immediately access, when the participant identifies that is a need. All of the participants will then be able to either Transition in Place, where that transitional unit becomes their permanent housing, or move into another permanent housing destination of their choosing. This project allows for short or medium term financial assistance and developmentally appropriate individualized case management services that meet the needs of 18-24 year old households with and without children. Consistent with Housing First philosophy, this project will have a low barrier intake process and accept youth with a variety of backgrounds and barriers to housing stability including substance abuse and criminal histories and zero income. Screening and assessment for entry into this project will be conducted by our community's coordinated entry The Salvation Army. Resources will be targeted and prioritized based upon community priorities and in alignment with the community's CoC plan to end homelessness. Youth ages 18-24 who are living on the streets or in shelters and lack the financial resources and support networks to obtain housing on their own shall be prioritized for this project. All participating households will be assisted to obtain housing in the private rental market and be assisted to secure a lease in the neighborhood of their choice . All units will meet HUD Housing Quality Standards and rent reasonableness will be the applicable rent standard. All will receive services from a trained Housing Resource Specialist (HRS) and linkage to specialized youth services as needed, including but not limited to connection to mainstream benefits, mental health services, employment, income and educational assistance. Services are voluntary but a minimum requirement of monthly contact to enxure specific steps to achieve goals are outlined and strengths and resources are identified and rallied to address any barriers that might interfere with hosing stability. Services are provided throughout program participation and for 6 months post exit from rental assistance. Services are designed to enhance participant's housing stability and self-sufficiency.

1.b. Describe the plan to assist in participants securing and maintaining permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible and acceptable to their needs.

Every participant will partner with a trained Housing Resource Specialist (HRS), who is experienced in providing strengths based, housing first services. Participant and HRS will develop individualized housing plans that allow the project participant choice in their housing. This begins with pre-tenancy planning and culminates in the execution of a lease. Youth will be assisted to negotiate lease terms and will develop a plan to take over full rental payments once project rental assistance ends. Services to promote housing stability will be available for the duration of assistance and 6 months post exit and include a full range of employment assistance, connection to mainstream benefits, counseling, transportation assistance, educational assistance, etc.

1.c. Describe how participants will be assisted to rapidly increase employment and/or income to maximize their ability to live independently.

Participants will be assisted to identify mainstream resources and entitlement benefits for which they are eligible. Community Rebuilders is a host site for Mi Bridges and connection to DHHS benefits can be easily arranged at the time of a regularly scheduled meeting with the participant's Housing Resource Specialist. In addition, participants will be linked to community employment services. A comprehensive individualized plan that considers all life domains is developed with participants that include ongoing budget and financial palnning as needed. Participants are supported to achieve their goals of financial stability and self-sufficiency. The continuum of services available in our community for youth employment will be made available and participants will be linked to an array of resources offered by qualified providers. Housing Resource Specialist will assist youth by making suitable referrals and assuring that secure connections are made between youth participants and employment specialists. Additionally, program participants will be offered participation in a collaborative effort led by Community Rebuilders to ensure all rapid rehousing consumers have access to employment sevices. This program The S3H (Strategic Services Supporting Housing) Pilot is collaborative, interagency approach that brings rapid rehousing consumers a range of employment services and employers together. Through a blended model of Housing First and Employment First, rapid rehousing participants will have access to the housing and income supports necessary to exit the homeless system. Participating agencies share capacity, knowledge, and resources to systemically advance and implement solutions that increase income, employment stability and credentials of households participating in rapid rehousing programs in our community. This project includes local employers, and the local employment collaborative group. Each partner believes that outcomes for housing and employment are deeply intertwined and strives to create a collaborative system that will address housing and employment holistically.

EXPERIENCE

2. Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-applicants in working with the proposed target population and in providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.

For more than 11 years Community Rebuilders has focused on providing Housing First rapid rehousing services to the homeless population. Community Rebuilders has been a leader both locally and nationally in designing and implementing Rapid Rehousing and Transitional Housing Programs. Our outcomes routinely exceed all national benchmarks. Each year Community Rebuilders houses a large number of persons in the 18-24 year old age range. And though this group of 18-24 year olds may be unique in some ways, their needs are not. Through our experience with the Youth Rapid Rehousing

Collaborative this year, we found that what this age group desires to resolve their housing crisis is housing! That is the same answer we get from all age groups. What is unique about this age group is some of the challenges they face, and the supports they need to face those challenges. Our focus groups over the past year have lead us to a greater understanding of the needs of youth locally. Our request to reallocate our current youth project to this project is firmly rooted in the belief that we can better address the housing crisis of youth by also providing immediate access to transitional living. Youth have reported increased, trauma and violence due to having access only to shelters that have "adults that prey on them" and rules and requirements that often "exclude youth identifying as LGBTQ." Being rejected from services is devastating to youth who are on the street and equally traumatizing are local practices by some providers that include giving youth a tent when informed they have no place sleep. Our experience and expertise can help to ensure that youth are not without a place to call home in our community. Our ability to rapidly rehouse is unparralled in our community. We listen to our consumers. We are national experts that train providers across the county on how to utilize transitional housing and rapid rehousing programming in a manner that quickly resolves homelessness and is cost effective and honoring of the individual consumers wants, needs and rights.

Chronically homeless	Families	\boxtimes
Veterans	Youth (18-25)	\boxtimes

3. Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-applicants with utilizing a Housing First approach.

Community Rebuilders was an early adopter of the Housing First approach and has delivered all of its programs utilizing a Housing First approach for the past 11 yerars. This is evidenced by our focus on providing people experiencing homelessness with housing as quickly as possible and providing services that are as needed and voluntary. All projects provide rental assistance that varies in duration depending on the household's needs. Consumers sign a standard lease and are assisted to be able to choose housing in the private rental market. Persons served access housing faster and remain stably housed.

4. Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-applicants in utilizing federal funds.

Community Rebuilder has a 25 year history of managing federal funds. Sub reipeint The Salvation Army has similar years of experience and expertise in the use of federal funds... Community Rebuilders has a robust system in place for efficiently distributing funds and managing federally funded projects. Effective staffing, policy and procedurers and the ability to translate federal rules and regulations into practices is a skill the organization is praised for by federal agencies. Performance on federally funded projects under the U.S. Department of Vetran Affairs has identified our projects as "exceptional: in their review of our performance. Financial management, grant management, reporting and audit compliance as well as collaboration and transparenty are keys to our success at managing federal funds. The organization has been publicly praised by HUD to Local CoC steering council members after an audit HUD invited the steering council, shard our success and encouraged other grantees to learn fron our example and processes.

5. Describe the process for the determination of the type, amount, and the duration of rental assistance for participants.

The type and amount and duration of rental assistance is determined through a partnership with the consumer being served. Consumers learn about the parameters of the projects, come to shared and mutual understanding of the needs and goals that the project can help the consumer achieve. Goals and action plans are generated based on the needs and objectives of the individual being served. These goals are monitored and adjusted over time as the consumer progresses. This model has resulted in a consistent reduction in the cost per person served. For example prior to using this approach the average amount of assistance in our rapid rehousing programs was \$6,500.00 per household. Today ,that has been reduced by more than \$3,000.00. This model of service delivery is often called progressive engagement. This model involves providing a small amount of assistance to stabilize the household and increases in assistance based on the needs and circumstances of the individual household. Assessment and collaboration with the consumer are keys to the success of this model, conversations with the consumer about their housing stability and risk for repeat homelessness guide the questions and conversation.

6. Does the project commit to taking all referrals through the community's Coordinated Assessment process?

Yes If no, explain: Click here to enter text.

7. Will all participating households served in this project be recorded in HMIS or an equivalent database for Domestic Violence, in accordance with the community's Data Quality Standards?

Yes If no, explain: Click here to enter text.

8. Describe the plan for rapid implementation of the project, documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing the first participant. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days and 180 days after grant award.

This project is being submitted as a reallocation of a current Youth Rapid Rehousing Project. This request for reallocation allows the community to take advantage of HUDS new component type TH /RRH. This will improve access to housing for Youth who are in a crisis situation. It will provide immediate access to safe, secure housing and additional supports not currently available in rapid rehousing programs. Because Community Rebuilders current use of these funds is for rapid rehousing of youth, the staff team and partners are trained, and experienced. Staff will simply transition to a new contract with the availability to meet the unmet needs of youth who need additional supports prior to entry into housing. We have chosen to pursue reallocation to ensure youth in our community have access to an immediate, safe place to live while preparing for rapid rehousing.

Upon grant award and in alignment with HUD guidance the organization will choose and operating start and end date. It is anticipated that the operating start and end date will be 12/1/18 because this is a reallocated project that will need to ensure there is no lapse in service for youth in our community. This date is consistent with the end date of the reallocated project. Also as required by HUD 12/1/2018 will be the first day of services to youth in the project. Community Rebuilders implements all project utilizing a consistent quality assurance model that uses tools adopted from LEAN and project management.

30-60 days prior to the operating state date the following key actions occur:

- Project Planning. This involves creation of quality assurance binders specific to the project. Employees are provided training on the scope and budget, work breakdown through the development of RACI charts, communication plans and risk management plans. Case file contents and documentation standards for the project are approved and defined. Key Milestones and deliverable charts are developed.
- 2. Project launch happens after a completed project kick off meeting and referrals are requested from Coordinated entry, HAP, one week prior to launch.

In the first 90 days and throughout the project We will be in the Performance and Control phase of the project. Objectives, deliverables, effort and cost tracking and performance are evaluated monthly throughout the course of the project to ensure compliance with regulations and contract deliverables and consumer needs. Key activities, involve engagement of consumers, utilization of the strengths based housing resource specialist model, monitoring of consumer's progress and gradual disengagement as consumer's transition into permanent housing without support of the project. New Participants are entered as opeings occur. Quarterly sub recipient meetings are held, annual monitoring of sub recipients and multiple youth focus groups will be held throughout the project. Youth are quickly assisted to develop a strength based housing plan upon entry. This plan that facilitates their movement from homelessness to housing.

By 120 / 180 days consumers have been housed and are being served many will have already exited to permanent housing and some will be entering the project.

ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY

9. Describe agency key staff positions and qualifications of individuals who will carry out the project: The employees at Community Rebuilders form a knowledgeable and productive workforce that is empowered with all the direct information, authority, recognition and training they need to satisfy the consumers they serve and meet the goals and objectives of each project. Our team is driven by our mission and our commitment to end homelessness. The leadership team has a combined total of over 50 years providing supportive services to vulnerable and at risk populations. Training is intensive for orientation and continues with an additional 40 hours required annually. Housing Resource Specialist are certified in Community Rebuilders strengths based model.

Project Managers: Lead the project teams and are accountable for the outcomes and deliverables of a project.

Project Leads: Assist management, design, implement, and operate projects. Are responsible for reporting issues noted in the operations, reporting, and achievement of compliance objectives. Performance as an HRS must be an example to emulate, leads the team in achieving successful implementation of project goals and objectives.

Housing Resource Specialist (HRS): Are HRS experts in the delivery of strengths-based Housing Resource Specialist services, and deliver direct housing and supportive services to consumers daily. They are also responsible for reporting issues noted in the operations, service delivery standards, training needs.

Project Coordinator: Ensures effectiveness and efficiency of operations using organizational tools and reports, regulations, policies. Assist with change management, resources allocation and compliance. Supports Proper Project Implementation through oversight and training. Responds to appeals complaints,

HMIS Specialist: Provides specific and measureable terms/process to enable teams to identify, analyze and respond to risk related to achieving project objectives, Reports on and monitors compliance, and operating effectiveness. Ensure proper implementation, conducts internal audits, promote continual quality improvement through the use of data and HMIS.

Director of Programs: Sets objectives to meet the organizations mission, strategic plan and goals and requirements of projects, Approves project, goals, objectives, scope and timelines. Monitors major milestones and deliverables. Supports proper project implementation through training and oversight. Ensures organization mission and objectives are clearly understood and evidenced in service delivery work.

Director of Advancement and Communications: Provides guidance and training related to project communication, staff development, consumer engagement, strategizes to meet outcomes.

Finance Department: CFO is responsible for the oversight of the financial management of the project ensuring timeliness of grant financial reporting and draws, and makes decisions regarding the allowability of federal and state funds and the allocation of expenses. Responsible for ensuring expenditures and receivable deliverables are met. Also assist with consumer payment plans, oversight of rent calculations, and landlord transactions. (i.e. leases, W-9 etc., rent log reconciliation)

Receptionist: Introduces and welcomes consumers to projects, provides information and referral services to consumers, can assist with and manage regularly scheduled mailings and notifications to consumer, management of grant files, assistance with access to project management resources, tools and materials and training.

COO and Executive Director: administration of projects, definition of projects and priorities, budget approval, report approval, assist to mitigate project risk, manage external stakeholders and communication, overall organizational oversight of service delivery.

Project Sponsors: This rotating role is held by Directors within the organization assigned to observe and support the project manager and team members through the project manager. This person is a champion for the project, helps keep the organization apprised of progress and advocates for it, sharing accomplishments energizing the team, and offers support when needed.

10. Describe the agency's financial management system, including financial reporting, record keeping, accounting systems, payment procedures, procurement processes, and audit requirements:

Community Rebuilders places a heavy emphasis on accountability and transparency including reporting requirements related to the use of funds and maintenance of client level and program services and expense data. Community Rebuilders follows Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The financial records of Community Rebuilders are audited by a Certified Public Accounting firm annually. Community Rebuilders has a robust system of controls in place and has demonstrated a history of integrity in financial records and reports. The system of controls assures appropriate authorization, recording and accountability of assets. Employees share the responsibility for maintaining and complying with these controls and internal compliance controls to ensure they are not circumvented. The organization has clearly stated procedures for handling each area, including a system of checks and balances in which no financial transaction is handled by only one-person form beginning to end. The Board and Executive Director share responsibility for setting a tone and standard of accountability and conscientiousness regarding the organizations assets and responsibilities. There is a developed system and infrastructure of collecting and reporting the required information to funding sources. This project will duplicate our fiscal control systems that work to track and evaluate program compliance and spending goals in similar HUD funded CoC projects. Specifically, we utilize service tracking in HMIS, monthly activity logs that are compared to financial records and then approved by the project manager and CFO. This process promotes the maintenance of adequate program and fiscal records and files. Source document for project activities and all expenditures made under the term of the grant agreement are reconciled as required. Community Rebuilders has solid experience and demonstrates success in complying with HUD procurement and auditing requirements

Scope	of Proposed Project	Proposed Households Served			
Total units	41	Households with at least one adult and one child	21 (18-24 years old with at least 1 minor child		
Total beds	88	Adult households without children	20 (18-24 years old unaccompanied youth		

PROJECT BUDGET

Activity	Requested Funds	Other Funding	Total Project Cost	% of Total Budget
Acquisition	0			%
New	0			%
Construction				70
Rehabilitation	0			%
Leasing	134,136			17 %
Rental	291,816			27.0/
Assistance				37 %
Supportive	253,399			32 %
Services				32 70
Operating Costs	48,000			6 %

HMIS	6,000		1 %
Project	49,625		
Administration			7 %
(limited to 7%)			
Total Project	782,976		
Cost			

Complete Match and Leveraging worksheet, Attachment A.
See scorecard for scoring criteria based on budget information, questions 11-14

Attachment A

Identify all HUD and non-HUD funding that comprises the project budget. Only those dollars or non-cash contributions (in-kind) that directly support the project should be listed. This may include federal, state, or local government funds, private funds, grants, and/or other sources, including donations.

Match must be at least 25% of total funding requested.

Resource	Cash or In Kind	ind Committed or Available Planned/ Pending (MM/YY)		Amount/ Value	% of Total Budget	Serves as CoC Program Match? (Y/N)	
State of MI -PSH	Cash	Committed	10/17	75,000	12%	Yes	
TSA	In Kind	Planned/Pending	10/17	26,180 4%	4%	Yes	
Kent Together	Cash	Committed	10/17	110,000	17%	Yes	
	Cash/Kind	C/PP	MM/YY		%	Yes/No	
	Cash/Kind	C/PP	MM/YY		%	Yes/No	
	Cash/Kind	C/PP	MM/YY		%	Yes/No	
	Cash/Kind	C/PP	MM/YY		%	Yes/No	
	Cash/Kind	C/PP	MM/YY		%.	Yes/No	
	•	Total leveraged	from other sources	211,180	33%		

Attach additional forms as necessary

Attachment B

HUD General Section Certificates

The agency certifies to the Grand Rapids Area Coalition to End Homelessness that it and its principals are in compliance with the following requirements as indicated by checking the box.

- ⊠ Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity. See CFR 578.93 for specific requirements related to Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.
- ☑ Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orienation or Gender Identity. See the Federal Register dated February 1, 2012, Docket No. FR 5359-F-02 and Section VI.B.2. of the General Section.
- ☑ Debarment and Suspension. See Section III.C.4.c. of the FY 2015 General Section. Additionally, it is the responsibility of the recipient to ensure that all subrecipients are not debarred or suspended. (24 CFR 578.23((3)(c)(4)(v).d. Delinquent Federal Debts. See Section III.C.4.a. of the FY 2013 General Section.
- ☑ Compliance with Fair Housing and Civil Rights. See Section III.C.3.a. of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ☑ Executive Order 13166, "Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP). See Section III.C.3.d. of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ⊠ *Economic Opportunities for Low- and Very Low-income Persons (Section 3).* See Section III.C.3.c. of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ⊠ Real Property Acquisition and Relocation. See Section VI.B.4. of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ☑ Conducting Business in Accordance with Core Values and Ethical Standards/Code of Conduct. See Section III.C.3.f. of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ☑ *Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities*. See Section III.C.3.h. of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ☑ *Participation in HUD-Sponsored Program Evaluation*. See Section VI.B.6. of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ☑ *Environmental Requirements*. Notwithstanding provisions at 24 CFR 578.31 and 24 CFR 578.99(a) of the CoC Program interim rule, and in accordance with Section 100261(3) of MAP-21 (Pub. L. 112-141, 126 Stat. 405), activities under this NOFA are subject to environmental review by a responsible entity under HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58.
- ☑ *Drug-Free Workplace.* See Section VI.B.9. of the FY 2015 General Section. n. Safeguarding Resident/Client Files. See Section VI.B.10 of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ☑ Compliance with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 209-282) (Transparency Act), as amended. See Section VI.B.11. of the FY 2015 General Section.
- ☑ *Lead-Based Paint Requirements*. For housing constructed before 1978 (with certain statutory and regulatory exceptions), CoC Program recipients must comply with the requirements of the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. 4801, et seq.), as amended by the Residential Lead-Based

☑ Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 4851, et seq.); and implementing regulations of HUD, at 24 CFR part 35; the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 745, or State/Tribal lead rules implemented under EPA authorization; and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration at 29 CFR 1926.62 and 29 CFR 1910.1025.

△ Attestation that all attachments as required by HUD are uploaded in *e-snaps*. See Notice of Funding Availability for the 2015 Continuum of Care Program Competition FR-5900-N-25; Section VI. C. 2.

This list is not exhaustive of all HUD requirements. Applicants are encouraged to review the 2015 General Section, found at:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail/2015gen_sec_to_ensure_eligibility.

Agency: Community Rebuilders

Acknowledged By: Vala Block

Title: Executive Director

Date: 8/17/2017

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE P. O. BOX 2508 CINCINNATI, OH 45201

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Date:

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38-3458918

DLN:

17053087823044 Contact Person:

GERRY R McLAUGHLIN ID# 31115

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Public Charity Status:

509(a)(2)

Dear Applicant:

Our letter dated July 1999, stated you would be exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and you would be treated as a public charity during an advance ruling period.

Based on our records and on the information you submitted, we are pleased to confirm that you are exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code, and you are classified as a public charity under the Code section listed in the heading of this letter.

Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, provides detailed information about your rights and responsibilities as an exempt organization. You may request a copy by calling the toll-free number for forms, (800) 829-3676. Information is also available on our Internet Web Site at www.irs.gov.

If you have general questions about exempt organizations, please call our toll-free number shown in the heading between 8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Eastern time.

Please keep this letter in your permanent records.

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

Sincerely yours,

Lois G. Lerner

Director, Exempt Organizations

Rulings and Agreements

Letter 1050 (DO/CG)

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. (A Non-Profit Organization)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors Community Rebuilders, Inc. Grand Rapids, Michigan

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Community Rebuilders, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which are comprised of the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Community Rebuilders, Inc. as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued under separate cover our report dated July 20, 2017, on our consideration of Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

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July 20, 2017

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

ASSETS

		2016		2015
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	53,318	\$	179,973
Accounts Receivable:		0.46 515		400 = 40
Grants		346,517		199,510
Contributions		400		-
Rentals - Net of Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts		58,091		37,621
Inventory		24,590		- 05 410
Prepaid Expenses		21,649		25,419
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$	504,565	\$	442,523
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT				
Property and Equipment	\$	1,587,556	\$	1,405,604
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	((1,069,328)	(1,019,071)
NET PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	\$	518,228	\$	386,533
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,022,793	\$	829,056
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	\$	28,798	\$	3,792
Line of Credit		175,000		150,000
Current Portion of Long-Term Debt		36,411		38,618
Security Deposits		21,915		20,073
Deferred Revenue		-		66,219
Other Accrued Liabilities		28,996		22,897
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$	291,120	\$	301,599
LONG TERM LIABILITIES				
Long-Term Debt - Net of Current Portion	\$	247,717	\$	94,544
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_\$_	538,837	\$	396,143
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted	\$	476,129	\$	426,097
Temporarily Restricted	-	7,827		6,816
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	483,956	\$	432,913
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	1,022,793	\$	829,056

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements. See independent auditors' report.

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
REVENUE AND SUPPORT			
Grant Revenue	\$ 4,661,383	\$ -	\$ 4,661,383
Program Revenue	203,530	-	203,530
Rental Income	350,921	-	350,921
Contributions	100,755	14,608	115,363
Miscellaneous	10,313	-	10,313
Interest Income	44	-	44
Net Assets Released from Restriction	13,597	(13,597)	
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT	\$ 5,340,543	\$ 1,011	\$ 5,341,554
PROGRAM EXPENSES			
Program Services	\$ 5,005,388	\$ -	\$ 5,005,388
Supporting Services - Management and General	285,123		285,123
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$ 5,290,511	\$ -	\$ 5,290,511
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 50,032	\$ 1,011	\$ 51,043
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	426,097	6,816	432,913
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 476,129	\$ 7,827	\$ 483,956

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Temporarily						
	Unrestricted		Restricted			Total	
REVENUE AND SUPPORT							
Grant Revenue	\$	4,496,841	\$	-	\$ 4	,496,841	
Program Revenue		198,378		-		198,378	
Rental Income		307,413		-		307,413	
Contributions		59,517		-		59,517	
Miscellaneous		26,866		-		26,866	
Gain on Sale of Assets		1,075		-		1,075	
Interest Income		29		-		29	
Net Assets Released from Restriction		49,659		(49,659)		_	
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT	\$	5,139,778	\$	(49,659)	\$ 5	5,090,119	
PROGRAM EXPENSES Program Services	\$	4,691,218	\$	_	\$ 4	1,691,218	
Supporting Services - Management and General		261,260				261,260	
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	\$	4,952,478	\$	-	\$ 4	1,952,478	
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	\$	187,300	\$	(49,659)	\$	137,641	
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR		238,797		56,475		295,272	
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$	426,097	\$	6,816	\$	432,913	

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COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Supporting

								Program	Services								Supporting Services	
	Housing Solutions	Keys First	LOFT	HEROS	Shelter Plus Care	Rental	HOPWA	United Way	Veterans Per Diem Only	Supportive Services for Veteran Families	Health Care - Homeless Vets	PSH Connections	Emergency Solutions Grants	HOME - SVA	Other Programs	Total	Management and General	Total
Salaries and Related Expense																		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 152,142	\$ 227,618	\$ 33,578	\$ 39,655	\$ 198,086	\$ 64,993	\$ 44,670	\$ 36,531	\$ 105,652	\$ 123,986	\$ 95,073	\$ 39,163	\$ 20,509	\$ 69,284	\$ 16,557	\$ 1,267,497	\$ 148,357	\$ 1,415,854
Retirement Contributions	4,464	6,438	1,037	797	6,004	2,211	1,502	1,283	3,559	4,472	3,109	1,167	257	2,411	585	39,296	3,871	43,167
Employee Insurance	23,710	26,345	4,477	4,112	29,373	11,739	6,598	9,395	25,704	29,949	23,030	6,010	2,040	20,213	4,106	226,801	17,558	244,359
Payroll Taxes	12,961	19,079	2,080	3,168	16,463	5,629	3,562	3,216	8,222	11,133	7,221	3,212	1,805	5,669	1,007	104,427	11,466	115,893
Other Expenses																		
Occupancy	7,657	7,882	2,647	1,452	5,960	2,626	1,410	_	10,567	10,233	9,541	423	-		-	60,398	1,379	61,777
Housing Assistance	262,486	245,409	85,116	86,935	996,475	-	65,410	_	232,683	108,314	144,687	158,734	88,278	-	31,862	2,506,389	-	2,506,389
Credit and Collections	-	-	-	-	415	3,600	· -	_	10,239	· -	· -	· -		-	-	14,254	-	14,254
Bank and Interest Charges	190	238	30	13	290	11,142	4	_	4,813	10	2,585	6	-	-	-	19,321	866	20,187
Subcontractors	-	198,563	-	-	-	-	-	-	· <u>-</u>	-	· -	-	9,900	-	-	208,463	-	208,463
Communications	10,955	15,094	3,199	2,664	16,438	4,684	4,252	-	11,224	10,591	9,193	603	-	-	754	89,651	4,013	93,664
Outreach and Marketing	658	804	528	537	1,190	681	62	-	957	1,783	954	-	-		-	8,154	2,027	10,181
Property Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	123,480	-	-	-	· -	_	-	-	-	-	123,480	_	123,480
Office Supplies	9,219	10,353	6,514	3,624	7,859	2,949	3,121	28	3,662	5,288	3,634	263	838	-	436	57,788	8,064	65,852
Insurance	-	-	-	13	-	22,477	-	-	_	· -	59	-	-	-	-	22,549	3,946	26,495
Professional Services	2,218	1,000	1,524	1,463	1,424	2,178	434	-	5,325	766	3,164	4	-	-	-	19,500	21,644	41,144
Training and Recruitment	3,194	7,182	802	823	2,031	266	211	-	1,846	4,711	1,473	88	1,682	-	21	24,330	3,228	27,558
Program Services	24,431	28,493	4,405	1,002	5,221	2,132	3,925	2,033	36,097	13,161	26,282	3,151	-	-	2,787	153,120	45,632	198,752
Other Operating Expenses	557	369	54	57	672	3,397	61	-	202	167	164	105	-	-	8,285	14,090	8,695	22,785
Depreciation Expense						45,880		-	-		-					45,880	4,377	50,257
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 514,842	\$ 794,867	\$ 145,991	\$ 146,315	\$ 1,287,901	\$ 310,064	\$ 135,222	\$ 52,486	\$ 460,752	\$ 324,564	\$ 330,169	\$ 212,929	\$ 125,309	\$ 97,577	\$ 66,400	\$ 5,005,388	\$ 285,123	\$ 5,290,511

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Supporting

	Program Services										Services						
	Housing Solutions	Keys First	LOFT	HEROS	Shelter Plus Care	Rental	HOPWA	United Way	Veterans Per Diem Only	Supportive Services for Veteran Families	Health Care - Homeless Vets	PSH Connections	Emergency Solutions Grants	Other Programs	Total	Management and General	Total
Salaries and Related Expense																	
Salaries and Related Expense	\$ 189,919	\$ 214,094	\$ 18,287	\$ 36,098	\$ 212,385	\$ 66,135	\$ 42,268	\$ 27,585	\$ 111,792	\$ 136,429	\$ 57,288	\$ 6,238	\$ 31,541	\$ 51,303	\$ 1,201,362	\$ 130,670	\$ 1,332,032
Retirement Contributions	2,887	3,049	356	447	3,910	1,571	830	888	2,633	2,344	2,140	75	641	1,538	23,309	2,050	25,359
Employee Insurance	27,358	21,481	3,697	4,240	33,198	13,514	6,076	7,709	20,592	25,239	26,748	812	5,295	17,867	213,826	15,443	229,269
Payroll Taxes	15,138	15,283	1,538	2,763	18,892	6,127	3,510	2,524	9,749	12,000	5,138	447	2,834	4,761	100,704	9,144	109,848
Other Expenses																	
Occupancy	18,653	7,802	948	1,422	12,995	3,167	2,615	-	11,000	10,582	8,788	-	-	-	77,972	-	77,972
Housing Assistance	195,350	295,536	72,448	83,013	892,929	-	66,698	-	244,204	97,084	139,993	24,307	79,701	-	2,191,263	-	2,191,263
Credit and Collections	-	-	-	-	12,291	4,593	-	-	7,719	-	-	-	-	-	24,603	-	24,603
Bank and Interest Charges	120	147	19	28	180	9,034	-	-	1,130	-	3,074	-	-	-	13,732	253	13,985
Subcontractors	=	220,086	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,900	-	229,986	-	229,986
Communications	34,783	26,159	2,716	3,188	28,368	2,742	5,448	-	16,987	17,321	12,717	-	-	1,936	152,365	4,082	156,447
Outreach and Marketing	942	935	179	118	819	415	84	-	164	178	164	-	-	=	3,998	505	4,503
Property Maintenance	-	-	-	-	_	154,631	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	154,631	-	154,631
Office Supplies	24,302	8,964	11,157	9,076	2,905	2,035	2,633	-	4,222	6,803	2,380	-	900	-	75,377	2,722	78,099
Insurance	-	-	10	13	_	21,808	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,831	4,320	26,151
Professional Services	2,249	3,632	333	466	2,584	2,806	1,453	-	5,586	1,991	3,599	-	-	-	24,699	21,171	45,870
Training and Recruitment	14,060	11,807	220	4	28	307	1,190	-	89	5,444	63	-	=	-	33,212	12,965	46,177
Program Services	11,870	15,699	284	2,155	1,608	1,232	1,251	-	41,097	12,313	12,581	47	-	669	100,806	1,029	101,835
Other Operating Expense	-	-	-	-	-	550	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	550	7,247	7,797
Depreciation Expense						46,992			_						46,992	49,659	96,651
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 537,631	\$ 844,674	\$ 112,192	\$ 143,031	\$ 1,223,092	\$ 337,659	\$ 134,056	\$ 38,706	\$ 476,964	\$ 327,728	\$ 274,673	\$ 31,926	\$ 130,812	\$ 78,074	\$ 4,691,218	\$ 261,260	\$ 4,952,478

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

	2016	2015
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash Received from Grants	\$ 4,448,157	\$ 4,174,070
Cash Received from Program Service Revenue	203,530	178,368
Cash Received from Rentals	316,197	297,868
Cash Received from Contributions	39,348	13,947
Cash Received from Miscellaneous	10,313	26,866
Cash Received from Interest	44	29
Cash Paid for Interest Expense	(15,305)	(12,652)
Cash Paid for Program Expenses (Excluding Interest)	(4,837,830)	(4,519,401)
Cash Paid for Management and General Expenses (Excluding Interest)	(285,123)	(261,260)
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (120,669)	\$ (102,165)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Cash Paid for Property and Equipment	\$ (181,952)	\$ -
Cash Received from Sale of Property and Equipment	-	1,075
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	\$ (181,952)	\$ 1,075
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Cash Received from Long-Term Debt	\$ 186,542	\$ -
Repayments of Long-Term Debt	(35,576)	(36,304)
Cash Received from Line of Credit	50,000	100,000
Repayments of Line of Credit	(25,000)	(100,000)
NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ 175,966	\$ (36,304)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	\$ (126,655)	\$ (137,394)
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	179,973	317,367
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 53,318	\$ 179,973

NON CASH TRANSACTIONS

The Organization received \$75,615 and \$45,802 of donated goods and services for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements. See independent auditors' report.

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

RECONCILIATION OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS TO NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2016			2015
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	\$	51,043	\$	137,641
Adjustments:				
Depreciation		50,257		96,651
Gain on Sale of Assets		-		(1,075)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:				
Accounts Receivable		(167,877)		(36,935)
Inventory		(24,590)		-
Prepaid Expenses		3,770		(10,186)
Accounts Payable		25,006		(11,703)
Security Deposits		1,842		2,799
Deferred Revenue		(66,219)		(290,557)
Other Accrued Liabilities		6,099		11,200
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		(120,669)	\$	(102,165)

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NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Organization

Community Rebuilders, Inc. (the "Organization") is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide housing opportunities and support services to households with a housing crisis in Kent County. Community Rebuilders utilizes a housing first approach focused on rapidly re-housing homeless households by providing access to affordable housing with supports. The provision of rent assistance and housing stabilization services, such as strengths-based case management, help with employment, connecting with mainstream resources like TANF and SSI/SSDI, budget counseling, and childcare assistance etc. are utilized to assist households to obtain housing and remain stably housed. Community Rebuilders prevents households from becoming homeless through the provision of rent assistance — paying back rent and effective case management and homeless prevention planning.

The Organization operates the following programs:

LOFT – this program provides rental assistance and supportive services for the chronically homeless persons with a disabling condition.

HEROS – this program provides rental assistance and supportive services for the homeless veterans with a disabling condition.

Shelter Plus Care – this program provides housing and supportive services on a long-term basis for homeless persons with disabilities and their families.

Rental Program – Community Rebuilders provides affordable rental units at rates below fair market rent to low income households. This program provides an opportunity for individuals and families to rebuild their rental histories and secure rental housing despite poverty, past evictions and poor credit.

Housing Opportunities for Persons Living with Aids/ HIV Related Illnesses (HOPWA) – this program offers short term and medium term rental assistance and supportive services for low income persons living with HIV/ AIDS and their families.

United Way Allocation – this program provides funding for Housing Resource Specialist services to assist households to prevent an episode of homelessness or to quickly return to housing after an episode of homelessness.

VA Homeless Veterans Per Diem Program – this program provides supportive services and housing to eligible homeless veterans using a scattered site model.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program – this program provides supportive services and housing to very low-income Veteran families who are residing in permanent housing, are homeless and scheduled to become residents of permanent housing or, after exiting permanent housing within a specified time period, are seeking other housing.

Health Care for Homeless Veterans Program – this program provides housing and/or supportive services with the goal of helping homeless veterans achieve residential stability.

Housing Solutions Program – this program serves chronically homeless, disabled individuals and families and ensures that they are rapidly housed in a rental unit in the neighborhood and location the participant desires. Once housed, these participants are assisted with developing action plans and the necessary supports to help them maintain long term housing.

NOTE 1 -SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Nature of Organization - continued

Keys First – this program provides short and medium term rental assistance to homeless households with children who are residing in shelters or living on the streets and housing first, strengths based case management services to produce superior housing outcomes.

Emergency Solutions Grant Program – this program provides homeless prevention assistance to households who would otherwise become homeless and to rapidly re-house homeless persons.

Housing Resource Specialist – this program assists families who are at imminent risk of homelessness due to inability to pay their back rent or past due mortgage due to no fault of their own. The program attempts to prevent litigation, eviction or foreclosure through assessment, mediation, conflict resolution and the use of a one-time rental/ mortgage assistance payment.

HOME – this program provides short term rental assistance to individuals and households who are homeless or would otherwise become homeless.

PSH Connections – this program is designed to provide permanent housing for chronically homeless persons receiving behavioral health services funded by Network 180. The goal of this program is to create long term housing stability, a return to self-sufficiency and connection with community for persons who are chronically homeless and in need of behavioral health services.

MSHDA – this program is a 2016 initiative between the COC and Michigan Housing Development Authority to support Ending Veterans Homelessness by the end of 2016. These funds were intended to supplement SSVF program dollars received through the Veterans Administration.

Youth – this program is a Rapid Rehousing Project intended to serve 18 - 24 year old homeless youth with rental assistance and support services not found elsewhere in the community.

Concentration of Funding

The Organization receives virtually all of its funding from U.S. Federal, state and local governments. Loss of this funding would result in a substantial reduction in program services.

Basis of Accounting and Presentation

The financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting utilizing three classes of net assets for reporting and presentation as follows:

Unrestricted net assets represent the Organization's resources that are available for operations. For reporting purposes it is the Organization's policy to record items with temporary restrictions which are satisfied within the same reporting period as unrestricted assets.

Temporarily restricted net assets represent contributions received by the Organization which have been designated for a special purpose by the donor. Once the restrictions have been met, the contributions will be released from their restrictions. The temporarily restricted net assets for the office move and related leasehold improvements were \$7,827 and \$6,816 as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

NOTE 1 -SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Basis of Accounting and Presentation - continued

Permanently restricted net assets represent contributions that are subject to restrictions of gift instruments requiring that the principal be maintained in perpetuity and invested; the income there from may be used to support operations. As of December 31, 2016 and 2015, the Organization has no permanently restricted assets.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of demand deposits and interest bearing money market accounts. Although the balances exceed the federally insured limits at certain times during the year and at year end, they are, in the opinion of management, subject to minimal risk.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable includes amounts due from grant programs, contributions and rents due from tenants and are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through the provision for bad debt expense and an adjustment to a valuation allowance based on its assessment of the current status of individual receivables. Balances that are still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off. The Organization has established an allowance of \$967 and \$-0- for uncollectible rents for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Inventory

Inventory consists of donated furniture and household goods recorded at fair market value of the items at the time of donation. These items will be distributed to program participants during 2017.

Property, Equipment and Depreciation

Property and equipment are recorded at cost or, if donated, at the fair market value on the date of the gift. Equipment, major improvements and renewals are capitalized if the costs exceeds \$5,000, while ordinary maintenance and repairs are expensed. Management annually reviews these assets to determine whether carrying values have been impaired. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, which generally range from 3 to 27.5 years.

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued

Contributions and Rental Revenue

Contributions are recognized as revenue when promises to give are received. Contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence or nature of any donor restrictions. Support that is restricted by the donor is reported as an increase in unrestricted net assets if the restriction expires in the reporting period in which the support is recognized. All other donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets depending on the nature of the restriction. Revenues from rental income and other charges to residents are recognized in the month earned.

Grant Revenue Recognition/Deferred Revenue

Revenue from government grants qualifies as "exchange transaction" type revenue. Accordingly, government grants are recognized as revenue in the period in which expenditures are made. Grant proceeds received in advance of expenditures are recorded as deferred revenue in the statement of financial position.

Functional Expenses

Expenses are charged to each program based on direct expenditures incurred. Any program expenses not directly chargeable have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

Income Taxes

The Organization qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is exempt from similar state and local taxes. Accordingly, no provision has been made for income taxes in the accompanying financial statements.

With few exceptions, periods ending December 31, 2013 and thereafter are subject to U.S. tax examinations by tax authorities.

NOTE 2 – PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

The following is a summary of property and equipment as of December 31:

	 2016	 2015
Land	\$ 48,712	\$ 41,860
Buildings	623,312	561,639
Building Improvements	661,121	547,694
Leasehold Improvements	224,920	224,920
Transportation Equipment	21,915	21,915
Furniture and Fixtures	 7,576	 7,576
Total Property and Equipment	\$ 1,587,556	\$ 1,405,604
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	 1,069,328	 1,019,071
NET PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	\$ 518,228	\$ 386,533

NOTE 3 - LINE OF CREDIT

During 2015, the Organization renewed their line of credit agreement with a bank for \$250,000. The outstanding balance on the line of credit was \$175,000 and \$150,000 for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The line requires monthly interest payments at a rate of 1.75% above the prime rate (3.75% at December 31, 2016) but not lower than 5%. The line of credit is secured by all assets of the Organization and matures in October, 2017.

NOTE 4 – LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following obligations at December 31:

		2016	2015			
Note payable to a bank, collateralized by a real estate mortgage, due in monthly installments of \$4,000 including interest at 5.70% per annum, with a final balloon payment in October, 2021.	\$	280,565	\$	-		
Note payable to a bank, collateralized by a real estate mortgage, due in monthly installments of \$3,250 including interest at 5.70% per annum. This note was refinanced in 2016.		-		123,798		
Loan payable to Ford Motor Credit Company, collateralized by a vehicle, due in monthly installments of \$520 including interest at 6.54% per annum, with a final payment due in July, 2017.	11,1000	3,563		9,364		
TOTAL	\$	284,128	\$	133,162		
Less: Current Portion		(36,411)		(38,618)		
NET LONG-TERM DEBT	\$	247,717	\$	94,544		
Current maturities of long-term debt:						
December 31, 2017	\$	36,411				
December 31, 2018	Ψ	34,771				
December 31, 2019		36,805				
December 31, 2020		38,959				
December 31, 2021		137,182				
TOTAL	_\$	284,128				

NOTE 5 – LEASES

During 2015, the Organization renewed their agreement to lease office space. The building lease is a five year operating lease and requires monthly payments of \$3,798. The terms of the lease require the base rent to be adjusted on the first day of each subsequent 12-month period by the lesser of the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index or 3%. This lease expires in December, 2020.

During 2015, the Organization renewed their agreement to lease additional office space. The lease is an operating lease which may be terminated at the end of any calendar year by giving 60 days prior written notice and requires monthly payments of \$1,200.

The Organization leases copy machines under an operating lease which requires monthly payments of \$859 and expires in November, 2018.

The Organization held 80 lease agreements with various landlords for rental properties which were leased for clients during 2016 and 2015. These leases have initial terms of up to twelve months and require monthly payments ranging from \$528 – \$1,504 per the lease agreements.

The future minimum lease obligations in effect at December 31, 2016 are as follows:

Year Ending	
December 31, 2017	\$ 70,284
December 31, 2018	55,024
December 31, 2019	45,576
December 31, 2020	45,576

Total lease expense was \$69,287 and \$68,987 for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

NOTE 6 – CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of its activities, the Organization is a party to various legal actions and is subject to certain asserted and unasserted claims and assessments. The actual costs to the Organization, if any, in the event of an unfavorable outcome, and net of any applicable insurance recoveries, cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. Therefore, no liability has been recorded in the accompanying statement of financial position.

NOTE 7 - EMPLOYEE PENSION PLAN

The Organization provides a simplified employee pension plan for all eligible employees. The Organization's retirement plan contribution is equal to 3% and 2% of an eligible employee's salary for 2016 and 2015, respectively. Total pension plan expense was \$43,167 and \$25,359 for 2016 and 2015, respectively.

NOTE 8 - DONATED GOODS

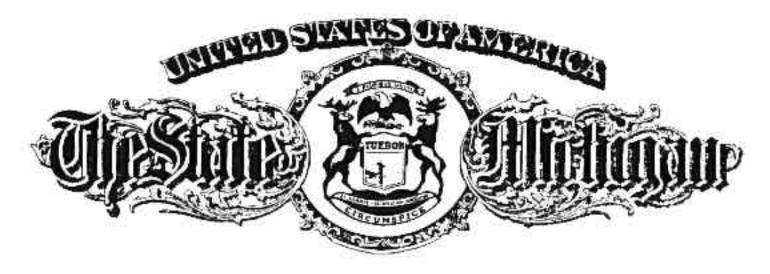
The Organization receives gifts in kind, such as materials, supplies and services, from private donors and corporate entities. Gifts in kind are recorded as revenue and inventory or program expense at the fair market value at the time the donations are received. The value of the gifts in kind received were \$75,615 and \$45,802 for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

NOTE 9 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events occurring after the balance sheet date and through July 20, 2017, the date these financial statements were available to be issued, and has determined that no items require disclosure.

NOTE 10 - RECLASSIFICATIONS

Certain reclassifications have been made to the December 31, 2015 financial statements to conform with the December 31, 2016 financial statement presentation. Such reclassifications have no effect on net income previously reported.





This is to Certify That

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS

was validly incorporated on January 12, 1993, as a Michigan nonprofit corporation, and said corporation is validly in existence under the laws of this state.

This certificate is issued, pursuant to the provisions of 1982 PA 162, as amended, to attest to the fact that the corporation is in good standing in Michigan as of this date and is duly authorized to conduct affairs in Michigan and for no other purpose.

This certificate is in due form, made by me as the proper officer, and is entitled to have full faith and credit given it in every court and office within the United States.



Sent by Facsimile Transmission 1430166

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, in the City of Lansing, this 25th day of January, 2017.

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Julia Dale, Director

Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau

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Functional Area: Entity Management, Performance Information

ENTITY COMMUNITY REBUILDERS Status:Active

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COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. (A Non-Profit Organization)

SINGLE AUDIT REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC.

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A PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP

Certified Public Accountants

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors Community Rebuilders, Inc. Grand Rapids, Michigan

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Community Rebuilders, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which are comprised of the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related statements of activities, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated July 20, 2017.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the effectiveness of Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of the internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and

accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

DOLINKA, VANNOORD & COMPANY, PLLP

Certified Public Accountants
Grand Rapids, Michigan

July 20, 2017



DOLINKA, VANNOORD & COMPANY

A PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP

Certified Public Accountants

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Board of Directors Community Rebuilders, Inc. Grand Rapids, Michigan

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2016. Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; the audit requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Community Rebuilders, Inc. complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs identified for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of Community Rebuilders, Inc. is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Community Rebuilders, Inc.'s internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of Community Rebuilders, Inc. as of and for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015 and have issued our report thereon dated July 20, 2017, which contained an unmodified opinion on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of

America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

DOLINKA, VANNOORD & COMPANY, PLLP

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Certified Public Accountants Grand Rapids, Michigan

July 20, 2017

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Federal and Pass Through Grantor / Program Title/Project Number	CFDA Number	I	pproved Awards Amount	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Ex	penditures
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Develop	pment					
LOFT Supportive Services:						
MI-0315L5F-061303	14.267	\$	118,824		\$	12,728
MI-0315L5F-061404	14.267	\$	118,824			110,386
Total LOFT Supportive Services					\$	123,114
HEROS Supportive Services:						
MI-0345L5F-061302	14.267	\$	125,180		\$	15,736
MI-0345L5F-061403	14.267	\$	125,180			106,122
Total HEROS Supportive Services					\$	121,858
Housing Solutions:						
MI-0412L5F-061401	14.267	\$	516,390		\$	428,560
MI-0412L5F-061502	14.267	\$	528,547		373	91,545
Total Housing Solutions					\$	520,105
Keys First:						
MI-0415L5F-061401	14.267	\$	820,794	\$ 198,563	\$	706,859
MI-0415L5F-061502	14.267	\$	840,930	<u> </u>		131,122
Total Keys First				\$ 198,563	\$	837,981
Youth RRH Collaborative:						
MI-0505L5F-061500	14.267	\$	782,976		\$	7,724
Passed - Through Kent County						111
Shelter Plus Care Program - TRA:						
MI-0173L5F-061407	14.267	\$	822,443		\$	430,705
MI-0173L5F-061508	14.267	\$	872,114		80	409,733
Total Shelter Plus Care Program - TRA					\$	840,438
Shelter Plus Care Program - SRA:						
MI-0174L5F-061407	14.267	\$	398,439		\$	200,639
MI-0174L5F-061508	14.267	\$	419,309		Ψ	229,287
Total Shelter Plus Care Program - SRA					\$	429,926
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban D	evelopment			\$ 198,563	\$	2,881,146

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Federal and Pass Through Grantor / Program Title/Project Number	CFDA Number	Ā	pproved Awards Amount	Thro	ssed ough to ecipients	Exp	oenditures
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs							
Veteran Heights - Per Diem Supportive Ser	vices:						
07-46-MI	64.024	\$	438,000			\$	306,099
07-46-MI	64.024	\$	501,401				104,859
Total Veteran Heights - Per Diem Supp	ortive Serv	ices				\$	410,958
Supportive Services for Veteran's Families:							
14-MI-223	64.033	\$	379,950			\$	273,937
14-MI-223	64.033	\$	379,950				93,067
Total Supportive Services for Veteran'	s Families					\$	367,004
Total U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs						\$	777,962
Passed - Through Michigan Department of O	Community	Healt	th				
Housing Opportunities for Persons with A	ids						
20161523	14.241	\$	139,793			\$	93,109
20170325	14.241	\$	153,256				49,787
Total Housing Opportunities for							
Persons with Aids						\$	142,896
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards				\$	198,563	_\$_	3,802,004

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

NOTE 1 - BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Community Rebuilders, Inc. under programs of the federal government for the year ended December 31, 2016. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Community Rebuilders, Inc., it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of Community Rebuilders, Inc.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- (1) Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.
- (2) Community Rebuilders, Inc. has elected to use the 10 percent de minimus indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

SECTION I - SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS

Financial Statements	
Type of Auditor's Report Issued	Unmodified
Internal controls over financial reporting: Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	yesXnoyesXnone reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yesXno
Federal Awards	
Internal Control over major programs: Material weakness(es) identified? Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses? Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for	yesXnoyesXnone reported
major programs:	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR section 200.516(a)?	yesXno
Identification of Major Programs	
CFDA Number	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
14.267	Continuum of Care
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	\$ 750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	X yes no

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

SECTION II - FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

None

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

SECTION III - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

None

COMMUNITY REBUILDERS, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

SECTION IV – SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FINDING 2015-001

Finding Type - Significant Deficiency in Internal Controls over Cash Management

Program: Housing Solutions Continuum of Care Program; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; CFDA # 14.267

Condition: The Organization requested advance payments for the Housing Solutions program based on estimated expenditures for the month, which resulted in the receipt of Federal funds that exceeded the monthly expenditures at times during the contract period. Although the Organization has procedures designed to comply with the cash management requirements of the new Uniform Guidance and intended to only draw the funds needed for actual expenditures for the month, the advance payment requests did not always follow these procedures.

Current Status: The Organization has implemented procedures to more closely identify expenditures expected to be incurred for the month prior to requesting advance payment of Federal funds. They have taken corrective action to minimize the time between the receipt of funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the disbursement of these funds in order to ensure compliance with their internal control procedures and Federal cash management regulations.



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June 24, 2014

Vera Beech Executive Director Community Rebuilders 1120 Monroe, Suite 220 Grand Rapids, MI 49503

SUBJECT:

Monitoring Report – Community Rebuilders

Continuum of Care Program

Grant Number: MI0315L5F061202

Dear Mrs. Beech:

Our office has conducted a review of the captioned grant pursuant to the regulations for the Continuum of Care Program (CoC). The purpose of the review was to determine compliance with the applicable laws and regulations found at 24 CFR 578 and to measure Community Rebuilders continuing capacity to carry out the program in a timely manner.

Mr. Darrick Mallad, Community Planning and Development Representative, conducted a monitoring review May 13 through May 15, 2014. Mr. Mallad met with Mrs. Vera Beech and members of her staff from Community Rebuilders on location at 1120 Monroe, Grand Rapids Michigan. Activities covered by the monitoring visit included supportive services, housing, program participants, match documentation, overall management systems and financial management.

The entrance conference was held on May 13, 2014 with CPD Rep Mr. Darrick Mallad and Community Rebuilders staff Ms. Vera Beech in attendance. The exit conference was held on May 15, 2014 with CPD Rep Mr. Darrick Mallad and Community Rebuilders staff Ms. Vera Beech, Ms. Alisa Schoenborn, and Ms. Anna Diaz in attendance.

Full details of the monitoring are provided in the enclosed report. Please review our conclusions and if you have questions regarding the content of this report, please feel free to contact Mr. Darrick Mallad at 313-234-7328. The cooperation extended by your staff during our monitoring visit was greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Keith E. Hernández, AICI

Director. Community Planning and Development

MONITORING REPORT

Community Rebuilders
Continuum of Care Program
Grant Number: MI0315L5F061101
May 13 – May 15, 21014

We reviewed several activities to determine compliance with applicable program regulations. Monitoring was conducted on May 13 – May 15, 21014 by Mr. Darrick Mallad, Community Planning and Development Representative. The CoC activities monitored included:

- 1. Supportive Services
- 2. Housing
- 3. Program Participants
- 4. Match Documentation
- 5. Financial Management
- 6. Overall Grant Management

The persons from Community Rebuilders with whom Mr. Mallad met include:

- 1. Vera Beech, Executive Director
- 2. Alisa Schoenborn, Director of Operations
- 3. Anna Diaz, Director of Programs
- 4. Bob Bishop, Finance Director
- 5. Vicki Squires, Supervisor
- 6. Jeff King, Housing Resource Specialist

I. Background

Community Rebuilders was awarded \$118,824 in CoC funds enacted under the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act (HEARTH). The stated purpose of the Homeless Assistance Program is the development and use of public resources and programs in a more coordinated manner to meet the critically urgent needs of the homeless of the Nation.

The grant reviewed during this monitoring totaled \$118,824 and is administered directly by the recipient.

All regulation citations refer to Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations unless otherwise noted.

II. Review of Supportive Services

This program area was reviewed to determine if the grantee's performance in conducting on-going client needs assessments and in providing the supportive services identified in the approved application covering the grant term FY 13 are in accordance with 24 CFR 578.

The grantee provides a large array of client services including case management, referrals for mental health services legal aid, transportation, moving assistance, and rental assistance

These services were verified by interviews with on-site staff and through review of client records that contained information indicating which services were received and how they were given. Each documented entry contains the signature of a qualified medical authority to attest to its authenticity.

A review of the targeted client files revealed a thorough evaluation system used to determine client needs and required supportive services to match those needs. The files are well maintained and up to date. Intake documentation was present in every file reviewed.

III. Review of Program Housing

This review evaluates a grantee's housing operations and includes: residential rent calculations, residential supervision, client due process for terminations, habitability standards, Section 3 requirements and affirmative outreach.

Mr. Mallad conducted the review using program client records, program spreadsheets generated by the grantee and questions directed to Mrs. Vera Beech and her team.

The program is designed around a Housing Resource Specialist Model developed by the grantee in 2007. In 2008 the Coalition to End Homelessness, the local CoC entity formed to address homelessness, asked the grantee to help implement this model across the CoC.

The model as explained in Community Rebuilders Housing Specialist Standards Toolkit:

"The model focuses on a client's strengths rather than just deficits to guide services, hope and motivation increase, resulting in greater achievement of goals. The foundation of a strength-based approach is the belief that everyone has unique talents, skills, and life events, in addition to specific unmet needs."

A single client was available for interview and on site housing review. The client interviewed was very upbeat and his home was well maintained. He explained he was very excited as he had just recently acquired a new bed. The client held the program in high regard and any issues they have had have been addressed in an acceptable and prompt manner.

All facilities examined appear to be in compliance with Federal accessibility requirements for those with disabilities.

IV. Review of Program Participants

This review was conducted to determine if a client's homelessness prior to entry into the program has been documented to a sufficient level as required by 24 CFR 578.

This program is designed to serve chronically homeless individuals and move them into permanent housing.

A total of 11 files were inspected to ascertain the status of clients prior to entry into the program and to verify the validity of the documentation provided. Mr. Mallad found all files contained the required documentation.

Records were also reviewed to determine disability and homeless status. The recipient maintains a records system that provides sufficient data to make that determination. All client files reviewed showed sufficient verification of disability. Verification of homelessness was sufficient to meet HUD requirements.

Visual inspection of client folders found that the clients are evaluated on a regular basis to determine the level of supportive services needed for each client.

Client program records are maintained on site. These records are used to maintain all pertinent information outside of medical records which are maintained by the service providers. Mr. Mallad found adequate protection of client records, which are held in a locked location to which only the case worker has access.

V. Review of Supportive Housing Program Overall Management Systems

The goal of this review is to ascertain the ability of the grantee to carry out the administrative responsibilities for CoC funds.

The grantee maintains guidelines for day to day operations for CoC funded activities that draw from rules and regulations as given by HUD, other agencies and internal guidelines as presented by the grantee.

The grantee maintains thorough written documentation to guide staff in implementation of the various programs that are provided by the grantee. These materials include a 39 page *Housing Resource Specialist Tool Kit* and 35 page manual for financial policies.

A review of the grantee's APR and application has confirmed that all appropriate information such as number of clients, racial and ethnic data, and housing characteristics is contained within. Program staff indicates this data is collected from HMIS and entered when appropriate.

A review of the grantee's financial records did not reveal any issues. The grantee maintains a level of accounting consistent with a program of this size.

Conflicts of interest are addressed by organizational policy internally.

The program also maintains at least one person on staff who was formally homeless and holds a position that allows for participation in the policy decision-making process.

VI. Review of Program Match

This review is designed to determine if the statutory requirements are met based on 24 CFR 578.73.

The grantee expended \$44,100 of the total award of \$118,824. Documentation to support the match amount needed was available at the time of the monitoring and verified against the source of match provided.

Mr. Mallad had a robust conversation with the grantee on changes in match requirements with the implementation of the HEARTH Act.

VII. Review of Financial Management

The purpose of this review is to ascertain the grant recipient's ability to monitor the day-to-day financial operations in compliance with applicable Federal requirements as identified in the approved grant agreement and 24 CFR 578.99 (e).

A review of three months of financial records was conducted and no irregularities were discovered. The grantee maintains the required documentation to support requirements of 24 CFR 84.21 and 25 CFR 85.20 (b) (2).

The grantee has maintained all applicable audits as required by 24 CFR 85.40 and these were available to Mr. Mallad upon request. The audit applicable for this grant year was received by HUD and reviewed by the Senior Financial Analyst.

The grantee maintains financial records in a secured area as per 24 CFR 85.20 (b) (3).

Review of the grantee's LOCCS draws shows the grantee has yet to make a draw. This however is attributed to HUD's delay in grant agreement processing. The grantee has up till this point paid operating costs directly. We discussed the possibility of shifting the grants start date to later in the year to alleviate this from happening in the future. It is important to note this is not the fault of the grantee.

VIII. Review of Program Overall Management Systems

The goal of this review is to ascertain the ability of the grantee to carry out the administrative responsibilities for CoC funds.

The grantee maintains guidelines for day to day operations for CoC funded activities that draw from rules and regulations as given by HUD and internal guidelines as required by Community Rebuilders. A visual inspection of guidelines verified their existence.

A system is in place to provide multiple levels of file review in order to maintain data integrity.

No further findings or issues were noted during this review.

Before Starting the Project Application

To ensure that the Project Application is completed accurately, ALL project applicants should review the following information BEFORE beginning the application.

Things to Remember:

- Additional training resources can be found on the HUD Exchange at https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources.

- Program policy questions and problems related to completing the application in e-snaps may be directed to HUD the HUD Exchange Ask A Question.

- Project applicants are required to have a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number and an active registration in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR)/System for Award Management (SAM) in order to apply for funding under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. For more information see FY 2017 CoC Program Competition NOFA.
- To ensure that applications are considered for funding, applicants should read all sections of the FY 2017 CoC Program NOFA and the FY 2017 General Section NOFA.
- Detailed instructions can be found on the left menu within e-snaps. They contain more comprehensive instructions and so should be used in tandem with onscreen text and the hide/show instructions found on each individual screen.
- New projects may only be submitted as either Reallocated or Permanent Supportive Housing Bonus Projects. These funding methods are determined in collaboration with local CoC and it is critical that applicants indicate the correct funding method. Project applicants must communicate with their CoC to make sure that the CoC submissions reflect the same funding method.
- Before completing the project application, all project applicants must complete or update (as applicable) the Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
- HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject any new project that fails to adhere to (24 CFR part 578 and application requirements set forth in FY 2017 CoC Program Competition NOFA.

1A. SF-424 Application Type

1. Type of Submission:

2. Type of Application: New Project Application

If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

If "Other", specify:

3. Date Received: 08/18/2017

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

1B. SF-424 Legal Applicant

8. Applicant

a. Legal Name: Community Rebuilders

b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number 38-3094108

(EIN/TIN):

c. Organizational DUNS: 948960398 PLUS 4:

d. Address

Street 1: 1120 Monroe NW, Suite 220

Street 2:

City: Grand Rapids

County: Kent

State: Michigan

Country: United States

Zip / Postal Code: 49503

e. Organizational Unit (optional)

Department Name:

Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to

рe

contacted on matters involving this

application

Prefix: Ms.

First Name: Anna

Middle Name:

Last Name: Diaz

Suffix:

Title: Chief Operating Officer

Organizational Affiliation: Community Rebuilders

Telephone Number: (616) 458-5102

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Extension: 122

Fax Number: (616) 458-8788

Email: adiaz@communityrebuilders.org

1C. SF-424 Application Details

9. Type of Applicant: M. Nonprofit with 501C3 IRS Status

10. Name of Federal Agency: Department of Housing and Urban Development

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance CoC Program

Title:

CFDA Number: 14.267

12. Funding Opportunity Number: FR-6100-N-25

Title: Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance

Competition

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

1D. SF-424 Congressional District(s)

14. Area(s) affected by the project (state(s) Michigan

only):

(for multiple selections hold CTRL key)

15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: First Step Housing

16. Congressional District(s):

a. Applicant: MI-003, MI-002

b. Project: MI-003, MI-002

(for multiple selections hold CTRL key)

17. Proposed Project

a. Start Date: 12/01/2017

b. End Date: 11/30/2018

18. Estimated Funding (\$)

a. Federal:

b. Applicant:

c. State:

d. Local:

e. Other:

f. Program Income:

g. Total:

1E. SF-424 Compliance

19. Is the Application Subject to Review By a. Yes State Executive Order 12372 Process?

If "YES", enter the date this application was 08/30/2017 made available to the State for review:

20. Is the Applicant delinquent on any Federal No debt?

If "YES," provide an explanation:

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1F. SF-424 Declaration

By signing and submitting this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)

I AGREE: X

21. Authorized Representative

Prefix: Mrs.

First Name: Vera

Middle Name: Jean

Last Name: Beech

Suffix:

Title: Executive Director

Telephone Number: (616) 458-5102

(Format: 123-456-7890)

Fax Number: (616) 458-8788

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Email: vbeech@communityrebuilders.org

Signature of Authorized Representative: Considered signed upon submission in e-snaps.

Date Signed: 08/18/2017

1G. HUD 2880

Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/Update Report - Form 2880 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development OMB Approval No. 2510-0011 (exp.11/30/2018)

Applicant/Recipient Information

1. Applicant/Recipient Name, Address, and Phone

Agency Legal Name: Community Rebuilders

Prefix: Mrs.

First Name: Vera

Middle Name: Jean

Last Name: Beech

Suffix:

Title: Executive Director

Organizational Affiliation: Community Rebuilders

Telephone Number: (616) 458-5102

Extension:

Email: vbeech@communityrebuilders.org

City: Grand Rapids

County: Kent

State: Michigan

Country: United States

Zip/Postal Code: 49503

2. Employer ID Number (EIN): 38-3094108

3. HUD Program: Continuum of Care Program

4. Amount of HUD Assistance \$782,976.00 Requested/Received:

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(Requested amounts will be automatically entered within applications)

5. State the name and location (street address, City and State) of the project or activity.

Refer to project name, addresses and CoC Project Identifying Number (PIN) entered into the attached project application.

Part I Threshold Determinations

- 1. Are you applying for assistance for a Yes specific project or activity? (For further information, see 24 CFR Sec. 4.3).
- 2. Have you received or do you expect to Yes receive assistance within the jurisdiction of the Department (HUD), involving the project or activity in this application, in excess of \$200,000 during this fiscal year (Oct. 1 Sep. 30)? For further information, see 24 CFR Sec. 4.9.

Part II Other Government Assistance Provided or Requested/Expected Sources and Use of Funds

Such assistance includes, but is not limited to, any grant, loan, subsidy, guarantee, insurance, payment, credit, or tax benefit.

Department/Local Agency Name and Address	Type of Assistance	Amount Requested / Provided	Expected Uses of the Funds
NA	NA		NA

Note: If additional sources of Government Assistance, please use the "Other Attachments" screen of the project applicant profile.

Part III Interested Parties

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You must disclose:

1. All developers, contractors, or consultants involved in the application for the assistance or in the planning, development, or implementation of the project or activity and

2. any other person who has a financial interest in the project or activity for which the assistance is sought that exceeds \$50,000 or 10 percent of the assistance (whichever is lower).

Alphabetical list of all persons with a reportable financial interest in the project or activity (For individuals, give the last name first)	Social Security No. or Employee ID No.	Type of Participation	Financial Interest in Project/Activity (\$)	Financial Interest in Project/Activity (%)
NA	NA	NA	\$0.00	0%
NA				

Note: If there are no other people included, write NA in the boxes.

Certification

Warning: If you knowingly make a false statement on this form, you may be subject to civil or criminal penalties under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code. In addition, any person who knowingly and materially violates any required disclosures of information, including intentional nondisclosure, is subject to civil money penalty not to exceed \$10,000 for each violation.

I certify that this information is true and complete.

I AGREE: X

Name / Title of Authorized Official: Vera Beech, Executive Director

Signature of Authorized Official: Considered signed upon submission in e-snaps.

Date Signed: 08/07/2017

Project: First Step Housing 155632

1H. HUD 50070

HUD 50070 Certification for a Drug Free Workplace

Applicant Name: Community Rebuilders

Program/Activity Receiving Federal Grant CoC Program

Funding:

Acting on behalf of the above named Applicant as its Authorized Official, I make the following certifications and agreements to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regarding the sites listed below:

	I certify that the above named Applicant will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:		
a.	Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Applicant's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition.	e.	Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph d.(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federalagency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
b.	Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace (2) The Applicant's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace; (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.	f.	Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph d.(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
c.	Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph a.;	g.	Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drugfree workplace through implementation of paragraphs a. thru f.
d.	Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph a. that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;		

2. Sites for Work Performance.

The Applicant shall list (on separate pages) the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the HUD funding of the program/activity shown above: Place of Performance shall include the street address, city, county, State, and zip code. Identify each sheet with the Applicant name and address and the program/activity receiving grant funding.) Workplaces, including addresses, entered in the attached project application. Refer to addresses entered into the attached project application.

I hereby certif	y that all the information stated
herein, as well	as any information provided in

X

the accompaniment herewith, is true and	
accurate.	

Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)

Authorized Representative

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Last Name: Beech

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Title: Executive Director

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Email: vbeech@communityrebuilders.org

Signature of Authorized Representative: Considered signed upon submission in e-snaps.

Date Signed: 08/18/2017

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Applicant: Community Rebuilders **Project:** First Step Housing

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file

the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

I hereby certify that all the information stated herein, as well as any information provided in the accompaniment herewith, is true and accurate:



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Applicant's Organization: Community Rebuilders

Name / Title of Authorized Official: Vera Beech, Executive Director

Signature of Authorized Official: Considered signed upon submission in e-snaps.

Date Signed: 08/18/2017

Project: First Step Housing

1J. SF-LLL

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. Approved by OMB0348-0046

HUD requires a new SF-LLL submitted with each annual CoC competition and completing this screen fulfills this requirement.

Answer "Yes" if your organization is engaged in lobbying associated with the CoC Program and answer the questions as they appear next on this screen. The requirement related to lobbying as explained in the SF-LLL instructions states: "The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action."

Answer "No" if your organization is NOT engaged in lobbying.

Does the recipient or subrecipient of this CoC No grant participate in federal lobbying activities (lobbying a federal administration or congress) in connection with the CoC Program?

Legal Name: Community Rebuilders

Street 1: 1120 Monroe NW, Suite 220

Street 2:

City: Grand Rapids

County: Kent

State: Michigan

Country: United States

Zip / Postal Code: 49503

11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

I certify that this information is true and complete.

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Date Signed: 08/18/2017

2A. Project Subrecipients

This form lists the subrecipient organization(s) for the project. To add a subrecipient, select the icon. To view or update subrecipient information already listed, select the view option.

Total Expected Sub-Awards: \$104,721

Organization	Туре	Sub- Award Amount
The Central Territory of Salvation Army	N. Nonprofit without 501C3 IRS Status	\$104,721

2A. Project Subrecipients Detail

a. Organization Name: The Central Territory of Salvation Army

b. Organization Type: N. Nonprofit without 501C3 IRS Status

If "Other" specify:

c. Employer or Tax Identification Number: 38-2699001

* d. Organizational DUNS:	125624804	PLUS 4:	
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e. Physical Address

Street 1: 1215 E. Fulton

Street 2:

City: Grand Rapids

State: Michigan

Zip Code: 49503

f. Congressional District(s): MI-003, MI-002

(for multiple selections hold CTRL key)

g. Is the subrecipient a Faith-Based Yes Organization?

h. Has the subrecipient ever received a Yes federal grant, either directly from a federal agency or through a State/local agency?

i. Expected Sub-Award Amount: \$104,721

j. Contact Person

Prefix: Ms.

First Name: Christina

Middle Name:

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Last Name: Soulard

Suffix:

Title: Housing Services Director

E-mail Address: christina_soulard@usc.salvationarmy.org

Confirm E-mail Address: christina_soulard@usc.salvationarmy.org

Phone Number: 616-454-5840

Extension:

Fax Number: 616-459-8444

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2B. Experience of Applicant, Subrecipient(s), and Other Partners

1. Describe the experience of the applicant and potential subrecipients (if any), in effectively utilizing federal funds and performing the activities proposed in the application, given funding and time limitations.

Community Rebuilders has 25 years of experience effectively using federal funds and performing the types of activities proposed in this application. The lengthy track record of Community Rebuilders managing all aspects and phases of project administration from planning to deliverables has been evidenced in the success of all projects initiated. Community Rebuilders (CR) has been a leader both nationally and locally designing and implementing RRH programs since 2007. Community Rebuilders early success with rapid rehousing resulted in all rapid rehousing services funded by HPRP for Kent County being delivered by Community Rebuilders Housing Resource Specialist. HPRP alone, 712 households were provided rapid rehousing assistance and 95% of the households served exited with permanent housing. In this highly audited project CR was praised by HUD for its implementation, and project design to verify eligibility and conduct re-certifications. This was significant as many HPRP providers across the county struggled with requirement and audit findings while we had none. 28 days was the average length of time to rehouse a household with HPRP assistance. In an average year Community Rebuilders rapidly rehoused approximately 400 households, while producing outcomes that exceed national benchmarks. The National Alliance to End Homelessness has enlisted Community Rebuilders to train others across the county on our model of rapid rehousing. Community Rebuilders is currently highlighted on webinars and within annual conference materials on the National Alliance to EndHomelessness website. Community Rebuilders developed and implemented the first rapid rehousing programs in Kent County and developed the strengths based Housing Resource Specialist model that is used by the National Alliance o End Homelessness as an example of how to effectively provide home based voluntary services in rapid rehousing programs. Federal funds currently administered successfully by Community Rebuilders include CoC funding for PSH and RRH, VA funding for the VRS program, SSVF program and Grant PerDiem program, Home Program- Tenant Based Rental Assistance and ESG. The Salvation Army has effectively utilized HUD funding for three housing related projects for over 15 years. The agency has had no findings or audit issues within this time period. Services have been delivered as outlined in applications and subsequent APRs have been submitted in a timely manner. The Salvation Army served as the Lead Agency for HPRP and is currently the fiduciary for the community's ESG funding for the State allocation (\$296,163) and the allocation through the City of Grand Rapids (\$252,353), both of which require collaboration with other community agencies to effectively disburse these dollars. The Salvation Army has the capacity, expertise, and commitment to ensure that these activities are carried out within the limitations. The Salvation Army has served as the HMIS Lead Agency and CoC Lead Agency and provides coordinated entry for our community.

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2. Describe the experience of the applicant and potential subrecipients (if any) in leveraging other Federal, State, local, and private sector funds.

Community Rebuilders' solid history of experience administering programs is due in part to its ability to leverage federal, state, local, and private sector funds. A great example of our success leveraging funds has been our ability over the past 8-10 years to work with HUD to amend some of our renewal contracts. Several amendments were made at our request to shift dollars from SupportiveServices to Leasing Assistance. These amendments were possible because of the linkages and leveraging of federal, state, local and private sector funds topay for supportive service costs. Another example of our commitment and ability to leverage funds is evidenced in our Shelter Plus Care Project. Each year in this project alone Community Rebuilders' partner agencies provide between \$700,000.00 and one million dollars in services as matching funds to Community Rebuilders each year. This also demonstrates a solid history of quality communication and coordination with other providers within Kent County. The Salvation Army has a long history of working within the human services field. Specifically, this is done through leveraging private and public dollars to ensure continued, quality services. The Salvation Army in Kent County is recognized as an organization with substantial capacity and understanding of distinct funding sources and the various requirements related so that it often is

selected as an agency that can receive private funding. The Salvation Army has historically received government funds in the areas of housing, utility assistance and food assistance and has leveraged those sources with private funding,including mainstream programs, so that the value of each resource is enhanced

and the services can be expanded.

3. Describe the basic organization and management structure of the applicant and subrecipients (if any). Include evidence of internal and external coordination and an adequate financial accounting system.

The Board of Directors and employees at Community Rebuilders form a knowledgeable and productive work force that is empowered with all the direct information, authority, recognition and training they need to satisfy the consumers they serve and meet the goals and objectives of each project. Our team is driven by our mission and our commitment to ending homelessness. The Executive Director reports directly to a dedicated and informed Board of Directors. The Executive Director and COO, and CFO and four managers make up the management team. Community Rebuilders has a 25 year history as a successful not for profit organization that places a heavy emphasis on accountability and transparency including reporting requirements related to the use of funds and maintenance of client level and program services and expense data. Community Rebuilders

follows Generally Accepted Accounting policy (GAAP). The financial records of Community Rebuilders are audited by a Certified Public Accounting firm annually. Community Rebuilders has a robust system of controls in place and has a demonstrated history of integrity in financial records and reports generating trust with stakeholders. The system of controls assures appropriate authorization, recording and accountability of assets. Employees share the responsibility for maintaining and complying with these controls and compliance

controls ensure they are not circumvented. The Board and Executive Director share the responsibility for setting a tone and standard of accountability and conscientiousness regarding the organization's assets and responsibilities. Community Rebuilders internal coordination has been recognized by local partners and our model of Strengths-Based, Housing First case management was adopted by the Continuum of Care as a community wide model of coordinated case management services. Community Rebuilders currently trains and certifies other service providers in the Kent County Community empowering them to delivery prevention and rapid rehousing services. The Salvation Army is not for profit, charitable organization with a long history of providing a range of social services for and with persons in poverty with the goal of improving and developing greater personal strength and stability in all areas of their lives. The Salvation Army follows the regulations placed by The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) which directs us to use Generally Accepted Accounting Policy (GAAP). The financial records are audited by a Certified Public Accounting firm annually, in addition to a Salvation Army team of auditors who annually review program and financial records.

4a. Are there any unresolved monitoring or No audit findings for any HUD grants(including ESG) operated by the applicant or potential subrecipients (if any)?

3A. Project Detail

1a. CoC Number and Name: MI-506 - Grand Rapids, Wyoming/Kent County

CoC

1b. CoC Collaborative Applicant Name: Heart of West Michigan United Way

2. Project Name: First Step Housing

3. Project Status: Standard

4. Component Type: Joint TH & PH-RRH

5. Does this project use one or more No properties that have been conveyed through the Title V process?

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3B. Project Description

1. Provide a description that addresses the entire scope of the proposed project.

This project will be a re-allocation of the Youth Collaborative Rapid Rehousing Project. This project recognizes that not all young people have the same needs; some youth may require both TH and RRH in order to resolve their housing crisis and solve their immediate need for a safe place to stay. Both components will be made available to all program participants but a participant may choose to receive only the TH component or only the PH-RRH component or both. Youth that we have had contact with in the current year's program, frequently identified that they would be better able to engage in their housing search for permanent housing if they had a safe and stable place to stay while they were doing so. The TH component of this project will provide safe units at the ready for youth ages 18-24 to immediately access, when the participant identifies that is a need. All of the participants will then be able to either Transition in Place, where that transitional unit becomes their permanent housing, or move into another permanent housing destination of their choosing. This project allows for short or medium term financial assistance and developmentally appropriate individualized case management services that meet the needs of 18-24 year old households with and without children. Consistent with Housing First philosophy, this project will have a low barrier intake process and accept youth with a variety of backgrounds and barriers to housing stability including substance abuse and criminal histories and zero income. Screening and assessment for entry into this project will be conducted by our community's coordinated entry The Salvation Army. Resources will be targeted and prioritized based upon community priorities and in alignment with the community's CoC plan to end homelessness. Youth ages 18-24 who are living on the streets or in shelters and lack the financial resources and support networks to obtain housing on their own shall be prioritized for this project. All participating households will be assisted to obtain housing in the private rental market and be assisted to secure a lease in the neighborhood of their choice. All units will meet HUD Housing Quality Standards and rent reasonableness will be the applicable rent standard. All will receive services from a trained Housing Resource Specialist (HRS) and linkage to specialized youth services as needed, including but not limited to connection to mainstream benefits, mental health services, employment, income and educational assistance. Services are voluntary but a minimum requirement of monthly contact to ensure specific steps to achieve goals are outlined and strengths and resources are identified and rallied to address any barriers that might interfere with hosing stability. Services are provided throughout program participation and for 6 months post exit from rental assistance. Services are designed to enhance participant's housing stability and self-sufficiency

2. Describe the estimated schedule for the proposed activities, the management plan, and the method for assuring effective and timely completion of all work.

We have chosen to pursue reallocation to ensure youth in our community have

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access to an immediate, safe place to live while preparing for rapid rehousing. Upon grant award and in alignment with HUD guidance the organization will choose and operating start and end date. It is anticipated that the operating start and end date will be 12/1/18 because this is a reallocated project that will need to ensure there is no lapse in service for youth in our community. This date is consistent with the end date of the reallocated project. Also as required by HUD 12/1/2018 will be the first day of services to youth in the project. Community Rebuilders implements all project utilizing a consistent quality assurance model that uses tools adopted from LEAN and project management. 30-60days prior to the operating state date the following key actions occur: 1. Project Planning. This involves creation of quality assurance binders specific to the project. Employees are provided training on the scope and budget, work breakdown through the development of RACI charts, communication plans and risk management plans. Case file contents and documentation standards for the project are approved and defined. Key Milestones and deliverable charts are developed. 2. Project lunch happens after a completed project kick off meeting and referrals are requested from Coordinated entry, HAP, one week prior to launch. In the first 90 days and throughout the project We will be in the Performance and Control phase of the project. Objectives, deliverables, effort and cost tracking and performance are evaluated monthly throughout the course of the project to ensure compliance with regulations and contract deliverables and consumer needs. Key activities, involve engagement of consumers, utilization of the strengths based housing resource specialist model, monitoring of consumer's progress and gradual disengagement as consumer's transition into permanent housing without support of the project. Quarterly sub recipient meetings are held, annual monitoring of sub recipients and multiple youth focus groups will be held throughout the project. Youth are quickly assisted to develop a strength based housing plan upon entry. This plan that facilitates their movement from homelessness to housing. By 120 / 180 days consumers have been housed and are being served many will have already exited to permanent housing and some will be entering the project.

3. Will your project participate in a CoC Yes Coordinated Entry Process?

* 4. Please identify the project's specific population focus.

(Select ALL that apply)

•		11 37	
Chronic Homeless		Domestic Violence	X
Veterans		Substance Abuse	
Youth (under 25)	X	Mental Illness	
Families		HIV/AIDS	
		Other (Click 'Save' to update)	

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5. Housing First

a. Will the project quickly move participants Yes into permanent housing

b. Does the project ensure that participants are not screened out based on the following items? Select all that apply.

Having too little or little income	X
Active or history of substance use	x
Having a criminal record with exceptions for state-mandated restrictions	x
History of victimization (e.g. domestic violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse)	x
None of the above	
c. Does the project ensure that participants are not terminated from the program for the following reasons? Select all that apply.	
Failure to participate in supportive services	X
Failure to make progress on a service plan	X
Loss of income or failure to improve income	X
Any other activity not covered in a lease agreement typically found for unassisted persons in the project's geographic area	Х
None of the above	

d. Will the project follow a "Housing First" Yes approach?
(Click 'Save' to update)

6. If applicable, describe the proposed development activities and the responsibilities that the applicant and potential subrecipients (if any) will have in developing, operating, and maintaining the property.

7. Will participants be required to live in a No particular structure, unit, or locality, at some point during the period of participation?

8. Will more than 16 persons live in one No structure?

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3C. Project Expansion Information

1. Will the project use an existing homeless No facility or incorporate activities provided by an existing project?

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4A. Supportive Services for Participants

1a. Are the proposed project policies and Yes practices consistent with the laws related to providing education services to individuals and families?

1b. Will the proposed project have a Yes designated staff person to ensure that the children are enrolled in school and receive educational services, as appropriate?

2. Describe how participants will be assisted to obtain and remain in permanent housing.

Housing Resource Specialist will assist households by completing an assessment to identify housing history, past strengths and barriers to housing. A comprehensive goal and action plan is developed in partnership with the households to meet their goals of increased income and housing stability. Households are assisted to secure a lease in the private rental market utilizing Community Rebuilders long standing relationships with local landlords. Rent reasonableness evaluation is conducted on each dwelling considered for occupancy by a household as well as HQS. Advocacy and assistance is provided to negotiate the lease provisions. Housing Resource Specialist engage with the participant and ensure understanding of the obligations of their lease. Supportive services strengthen the participant's ability to abide by the terms of the lease. The TH units will be spread throughout the community and will be available for immediate occupancy by project participants.

3. Describe specifically how participants will be assisted both to increase their employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently.

participants will be assisted to identify mainstream resources and entitlement benefits for which they are eligible. In addition linkages will be made to community employment services. A comprehensive individualized plan that considers all life domains is developed with participants that includes ongoing budget and financial planning as needed. Participants are encouraged to identify goals and objectives that meet their personal needs to increase their income and ability to live independently and are supported in achieving their goals. The continuum of services available in our community for youth will be made available, examples include access to Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and case management and counseling through youth service

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providers. Partner organizations have significant experience in serving the youth population and are capable leaders who understand the theory and practice Positive Youth Development and its relevance and importance to the target population and will provide services within this model. Stipend will also be available for youth who wish to developing a successful relationship with the business community, HQ will develop and train youth in relevant skills including communication, leadership, problem solving, and business acumen offering,

4. For all supportive services available to participants, indicate who will provide them and how often they will be provided. Click 'Save' to update.

Supportive Services	Provider	Frequency
Assessment of Service Needs	Applicant	As needed
Assistance with Moving Costs		
Case Management	Applicant	As needed
Child Care		
Education Services	Applicant	As needed
Employment Assistance and Job Training	Applicant	As needed
Food	Applicant	As needed
Housing Search and Counseling Services	Applicant	As needed
Legal Services	Non-Partner	As needed
Life Skills Training	Applicant	As needed
Mental Health Services	Non-Partner	As needed
Outpatient Health Services	Non-Partner	As needed
Outreach Services	Subrecipient	Weekly
Substance Abuse Treatment Services	Non-Partner	As needed
Transportation	Applicant	As needed
Utility Deposits	Applicant	As needed

5. Please identify whether the project will include the following activities:

5a. Transportation assistance to clients to Yes attend mainstream benefit appointments, employment training, or jobs?

5b. Use of a single application form for four Yes or more mainstream programs?

5c. Regular follow-ups with participants to Yes ensure mainstream benefits are received and renewed?

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6. Will project participants have access to Yes SSI/SSDI technical assistance provided by the applicant, a subrecipient, or partner agency?

6a. Has the staff person providing the Yes technical assistance completed SOAR training in the past 24 months.

4B. Housing Type and Location

The following list summarizes each housing site in the project. To add a housing site to the list, select the icon. To view or update a housing site already listed, select the icon.

	тн	RRH	Total
Total Units:	14	33	48
Total Beds:	21	54	87

The sum of TH and RRH amounts must equal the Total.

Housing Type	Units	Beds
Dormitory, shared or privat	15	33
Scattered-site apartments (33	54

4B. Housing Type and Location Detail

1. Housing Type: Dormitory, shared or private rooms

Is this a private or semi private room? Yes

2. Indicate the maximum number of units and beds available for project participants at the selected housing site.

a. Units: 15b. Beds: 33

3. Address

Street 1: 733 Bridge Street NE

Street 2:

City: Grand Rapids

State: Michigan

ZIP Code: 49509

*4. Select the geographic area(s) associated with the address. For new projects, select the area(s) expected to be covered.

(for multiple selections hold CTRL key)

262544 Grand Rapids

4B. Housing Type and Location Detail

1. Housing Type: Scattered-site apartments (including efficiencies)

Is this a private or semi private room? Yes

2. Indicate the maximum number of units and beds available for project participants at the selected housing site.

a. Units: 33b. Beds: 54

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3. Address

Street 1: 1120 Monroe SW

Street 2:

City: Grand Rapids

State: Michigan

ZIP Code: 49503

*4. Select the geographic area(s) associated with the address. For new projects, select the area(s) expected to be covered. (for multiple selections hold CTRL key)

262544 Grand Rapids

5A. Project Participants - Households

Households Table

	Households with at Least One Adult and One Child	Adult Households without Children	Households with Only Children	Total
Number of Households	21	20		41
Characteristics	Persons in Households with at Least One Adult and One Child	Adult Persons in Households without Children	Persons in Households with Only Children	Total
Adults over age 24	2	4		6
Adults ages 18-24	26	20		46
Accompanied Children under age 18	21			21
Unaccompanied Children under age 18				0
Total Persons	49	24	0	73

Click Save to automatically calculate totals

5B. Project Participants - Subpopulations

Persons in Households with at Least One Adult and One Child

Characteristics	у	у	Non- Chronicall y Homeless Veterans	Substanc	Persons with HIV/AIDS	Severely Mentally III	Victims of Domestic Violence	Physical Disability	Developm ental Disability	Persons not represent ed by listed subpopul ations
Adults over age 24	0	1	0	0	0	1				
Adults ages 18-24	8	0	0	4	0	2	4	4	4	
Children under age 18										21
Total Persons	8	1	0	4	0	3	4	4	4	21

Click Save to automatically calculate totals

Persons in Households without Children

Characteristics	у	у	Non- Chronicall y Homeless Veterans	Substanc	Persons with HIV/AIDS	Severely Mentally III	Victims of Domestic Violence		Developm ental Disability	Persons not represent ed by listed subpopul ations
Adults over age 24	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	
Adults ages 18-24		0	0	2	1	1	10	2	5	0
Total Persons	0	0	0	3	1	1	13	2	5	0

Click Save to automatically calculate totals

Persons in Households with Only Children

Characteristics	у	Chronicall y Homeless Veterans	Non- Chronicall y Homeless Veterans	Chronic Substanc e Abuse	Persons with HIV/AIDS	Severely Mentally III	Victims of Domestic Violence	Physical Disability	Developm ental Disability	Persons not represent ed by listed subpopul ations
Accompanied Children under age 18										
Unaccompanied Children under age 18										
Total Persons	0				0	0	0	0	0	0

Describe the unlisted subpopulations referred to above:

Children who do not fit any of the listed categories

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5C. Outreach for Participants

1. Enter the percentage of project participants that will be coming from each of the following locations.

88%	Directly from the street or other locations not meant for human habitation.
10%	Directly from emergency shelters.
	Persons at imminent risk of losing their night time residence within 14 days, have no subsequent housing identified, and lack the resources to obtain other housing.
	Directly from safe havens.
1%	Persons fleeing domestic violence.
	Directly from transitional housing.
1%	Persons receiving services through a Department of Veterans Affairs(VA)-funded homeless assistance program (Eligible for JOINT projects if from TH or Emergency Shelters).
100%	Total of above percentages

2. Describe the outreach plan to bring these homeless participants into the project.

All outreach services are designed to provide services to runaway and homeless youth, to strengthen the integration of comprehensive services to address the unique needs of the homeless youth population and move them from a situation of homelessness to housing. The lead outreach agency is The Salvation Army Social Services Program, serving as our coordinated entry. Outreach is conducted in coordination with local youth service providers who also conduct outreach and referal to coordinated entry to bring homeless youth into this project. Outreach efforts will be broad and varied. Outreach will be on the streets, and throughout the community in multiple formats, persons to person, education presentations, information and referral for our United Way 211 etc.

6A. Funding Request

1. Will it be feasible for the project to be Yes under grant agreement by September 30, 2019?

2. Is the project proposing to using funds reallocated from the CoCs annual renewal demand

Reallocation

is the project applying for funding through the permanent housing bonus?

3. Does this project propose to allocate funds No according to an indirect cost rate?

4. Select a grant term: 1 Year

* 5. Select the costs for which funding is being requested:

Acquisition/Rehabilitation/New Construction

Leased Units X

Leased Structures | X

Rental Assistance

Supportive Services X

Operating

HMIS

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6C. Leased Units

The following list summarizes the funds being requested for one or more units leased for operating the projects. To add information to the list, select the icon. To view or update information already listed, select the icon.

Total Annual Assistance Requeste	\$117,852			
Grant Term:		1 Year		
Total Request for Grant Term:		\$117,852		
Total Units:		14		
FMR Area	Total Units Requested	Total Annual Assistan Requested	nce	Total Budget Requested
MI - Grand Rapids	14	\$117,852		\$117,852

Leased Units Budget Detail

Instructions:

Metropolitan or non-metropolitan fair market rent area: This is a required field. Select the FY 2016 FMR area in which the project is located. The list is sorted by state abbreviation. The selected FMR area will be used to populate the rent for each unit in the FMR Area column in the chart below. The FMRs are available online at http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/fmr.html.

Size of Units: Unit size is defined by the number of distinct bedrooms and not by the number of distinct beds.

of units: This is a required field. For each unit size, enter the number of units for which funding is being requested.

FMR: These fields are populated with the FY 2016 FMRs based on the FMR area selected by the applicant. They serve as a reference and upper limit for the amounts entered in the HUD Paid Rents column.

HUD Paid Rents: This is a required field. For each unit size, enter the rent to be paid by the CoC program grant. This rent can be equal to or below the FMR amount in the previous column. Once funds are awarded recipients must document compliance with the rent reasonable requirement in 24 CFR 578.49.

12 Months: These fields are populated with the value 12 to calculate the annual rent request. The total request for this budget will calculate based on the grant term selected on Screen "6A. Funding Request."

Total Request: This column populates with the total calculated amount from each row.

Total Units and Annual Assistance Requested: The fields in this row are automatically calculated based on the total number of units and the sum of the total requests per unit size per year.

Grant Term: This field is populated with the grant term selected on the "Funding Request" screen and will be read only.

Total Request for Grant Term: This field is calculated based on the total annual assistance requested multiplied by the grant term.

All total fields will be calculated once the required field has been completed and saved.

Additional Resources can be found at the HUD Exchange: https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources

In the chart below, enter the appropriate values in the "Number of units" and "HUD Paid Rent" fields.

Metropolitan or non-metropolitan MI - Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI HUD Metro fair market rent area: FMR Area (260819999)

Leased Units Annual Budget

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Size of Units	Number of units (Applicant)		FMR (Applicant)	HUD Paid Rent (Applicant)		12 months		Total request (Applicant)
SRO		х	\$391		х	12	=	\$0
0 Bedroom		х	\$521		х	12	=	\$0
1 Bedroom	7	х	\$627	\$627	х	12	=	\$52,668
2 Bedroom	7	х	\$776	\$776	х	12	=	\$65,184
3 Bedroom	0	x	\$1,091		х	12	=	\$0
4 Bedroom		x	\$1,228		х	12	=	\$0
5 Bedroom		x	\$1,412		х	12	=	\$0
6 Bedroom		x	\$1,596		х	12	=	\$0
7 Bedroom		x	\$1,781		х	12	=	\$0
8 Bedroom		x	\$1,965		х	12	=	\$0
9 Bedroom		x	\$2,149		х	12	=	\$0
Total units and annual assistance requested:	14							\$117,852
Grant term:		•						1 Year
Total request for grant term:								\$117,852

Click the 'Save' button to automatically calculate totals.

Please enter an amount for HUD Paid Rent.

6D. Leased Structures Budget

The following list summarizes the funds being requested for one or more structures leased for operating the projects. To add information to the list, select the icon. To view or update information already listed, select the icon.

Total Annual Assistance Requested:						\$16,284
Grant Term:						1 Year
Total Request for Grant Term:						\$16,284
Total Structures:						1
Structure Name HUD Paid Rent Total Annual Assistan Requested			ice	Total Assistance Requested		
Housing Navigatio	\$1,357		\$16,284		\$16,284	

Leased Structures Budget Detail

Instructions:

Complete the following fields related to the funds being requested to lease one or more structures for operating the project.

Structure Name: This is a required field. Indicate the name of the structure for which funds are requested.

Address: Only 1 "Street Address..." field is required. Enter the actual street number and name in the first field. Do not list a PO Box or other mailing address. Use the second field for apartment or subsection numbers. Complete fields for City, State, and Zip Code.

HUD Paid Rent (per Month): This is a required field. Enter the monthly leasing amount. The amount entered cannot exceed the monthly rent for comparable structures.

12 Months: This field is populated with the value 12 to calculate the annual grant request.

Total Annual Assistance Requested: This field is automatically calculated based on the per month rent entered in the first field.

Grant Term: This field is populated based on the grant term selected on Screen "6A. Funding Request" and will be read only.

Total Request for Grant Term: This field is calculated based on the per month rent entered in the first field, multiplied by 12 months, multiplied by the grant term.

All total fields will be calculated once the required field has been completed and saved.

Additional Resources can be found at the HUD Exchange: https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources

Structure Name: Housing Navigation Center

Street Address 1: 1120 Monroe NW Suite 220

Street Address 2:

City: Grand Rapids

State: Michigan

Zip Code: 49504

HUD Paid Rent (per Month):	\$1,357
12 Months:	12
Total Annual Assistance Requested:	\$16,284
Grant Term:	1 Year
Total Request for Grant Term:	\$16,284

Click the 'Save' button to automatically calculate the Total Assistance Requested.

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6E. Rental Assistance Budget

The following list summarizes the rental assistance funding request for the total term of the project. To add information to the list, select the icon. To view or update information already listed, select the icon.

Total Request for Grant Term:			\$291,816		
Total Units:				33	
Type of Rental FMR Area Assistance		Total U Reques		Total Request	
TRA	MI - Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI HUD Met	33		\$291,816	

Rental Assistance Budget Detail

Instructions:

Type of Rental Assistance: Select the applicable type of rental assistance from the dropdown menu. Options include tenant-based (TRA), sponsor-based (SRA), and project-based assistance (PRA). Each type has unique requirements and applicants should refer to the 24 CFR 578.51 before making a selection.

Metropolitan or non-metropolitan fair market rent area: This is a required field. Select the FY 2016 FMR area in which the project is located. The list is sorted by state abbreviation. The selected FMR area will be used to populate the rents in the chart below.

Size of Units: These options are system generated. Unit size is defined by the number of distinct bedrooms and not by the number of distinct beds.

of units: This is a required field. For each unit size, enter the number of units for which funding is being requested.

FMR: These fields are populated with the FY 2016 FMR amounts based on the FMR area selected by the applicant. The FMRs are available online at http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/fmr.html.

12 Months: These fields are populated with the value 12 to calculate the annual rent request.

Total Request: This column populates with the total calculated amount from each row based on the number of units multiplied by the corresponding FMR and by 12 months.

Total Units and Annual Assistance Requested: The fields in this row are automatically calculated based on the total number of units and the sum of the total requests per unit size per year.

Grant Term: This field is populated based on the grant term selected on Screen "6A. Funding Request" and will be read only.

Total Request for Grant Term: This field is automatically calculated based on the total annual assistance requested multiplied by the grant term.

All total fields will be calculated once the required field has been completed and saved.

Additional Resources can be found at the HUD Exchange: https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources

Type of Rental Assistance: TRA

The RRH component of a Joint TH-RRH project can only use TRA. The TH component of a Joint TH-RRH project part of the component can only use PRA and SRA or the Leased Units budget.

Metropolitan or non-metropolitan MI - Grand Rapids-Wyoming, MI HUD Metro fair market rent area: FMR Area (2608199999)

Size of Units	# of Units (Applicant)	FMR Area (Applicant)	12 Months	Total Request (Applicant)
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SRO		x	\$391	x	12	=	\$0
0 Bedroom		х	\$521	x	12	=	\$0
1 Bedroom	15	х	\$627	х	12	=	\$112,860
2 Bedrooms	15	х	\$776	x	12	=	\$139,680
3 Bedrooms	3	х	\$1,091	х	12	=	\$39,276
4 Bedrooms		х	\$1,228	х	12	=	\$0
5 Bedrooms		х	\$1,412	х	12	=	\$0
6 Bedrooms		х	\$1,596	x	12	=	\$0
7 Bedrooms		х	\$1,781	x	12	=	\$0
8 Bedrooms		х	\$1,965	х	12	=	\$0
9 Bedrooms		х	\$2,149	х	12	=	\$0
Total Units and Annual Assistance Requested	33						\$291,816
Grant Term		-					1 Year
Total Request for Grant Term							\$291,816

6F. Supportive Services Budget

Instructions:

Enter the quantity and total budget request for each supportive services cost. The request entered should be equivalent to the cost of one year of the relevant supportive service.

Eligible Costs: The system populates a list of eligible supportive services for which funds can be requested. The costs listed are the only costs allowed under 24 CFR 578.53.

Quantity AND Description: This is a required field. A quantity AND description must be entered for each requested cost. Enter the quantity in detail (e.g. 1 FTE Case Manager Salary + benefits, or child care for 15 children) for each supportive service activity for which funding is being requested. Please note that simply stating "1FTE" is NOT providing "Quantity AND Detail" and limits HUD's understanding of what is being requested. Failure to enter adequate 'Quantity AND Detail' may result in conditions being placed on an award and a delay of grant funding.

Annual Assistance Requested: This is a required field. For each grant year, enter the amount of funds requested for each activity. The amount entered must only be the amount that is DIRECTLY related to providing supportive services to homeless participants.

Total Annual Assistance Requested: This field is automatically calculated based on the sum of the annual assistance requests entered for each activity.

Grant Term: This field is populated based on the grant term selected on Screen "6A. Funding Request" and will be read only.

Total Request for Grant Term: This field is automatically calculated based on the total amount requested for each eligible cost multiplied by the grant term.

All total fields will be calculated once the required field has been completed and saved.

Additional Resources can be found at the HUD Exchange: https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources

A quantity AND description must be entered for each requested cost.

Eligible Costs		Quantity AND Description (max 400 characters)			
1. Assessment of Service Needs	.50 FTE + ben	\$24			
2. Assistance with Moving Costs					
3. Case Management	2 .50 FTE Hou manager	ising resource Specialist + benefits,.25	5 project	\$72,824	
4. Child Care					
5. Education Services	44 consumers	eduational assistance		\$13,200	
6. Employment Assistance	stipends for employment related consumer need 44 consumer HHx250.00			\$11,000	
7. Food	44 youth hh x		\$11,000		
8. Housing/Counseling Services	2, .50 FTE Housing resource specialist + benefits .75 FTE property specialist			\$92,824	
9. Legal Services					
10. Life Skills	Group session	s, training content, supplies for 24 gro	ups	\$3,600	
11. Mental Health Services					
12. Outpatient Health Services					
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13. Outreach Services	.50 FTE Outreach specialist	\$23,642
14. Substance Abuse Treatment Services		
15. Transportation	Bus passes 150 one month passes	\$6,750
16. Utility Deposits	emergency deposit assistance 10 participants x 250	\$2,500
17. Operating Costs	Supplies, telephone, mileage, mailings, tech to serve 44 participants	\$16,035
Total Annual Assistance Requested		\$253,399
Grant Term		1 Year
Total Request for Grant Term		\$253,399

6G. Operating

Instructions:

Enter the quantity and total budget request for each operating cost. The request entered should be equivalent to the cost of one year of the relevant operations activity.

Eligible Costs: The system populates a list of eligible operating costs for which funds can be requested. The costs listed are the only costs allowed under 24 CFR 578.55.

Quantity AND Detail: This is a required field. A quantity AND description must be entered for each requested cost. Enter the quantity in detail (e.g. .75 FTE hours and benefits for staff, utility types, monthly allowance for supplies) for each operating cost for which funding is being requested. Please note that simply stating "1FTE" is NOT providing "Quantity AND Detail" and restricts understanding of what is being requested. Failure to enter adequate "Quantity AND Detail" may result in conditions being placed on the award and a delay of grant funding.

Annual Assistance Requested: This is a required field. For each grant year, enter the amount of funds requested for each activity. The amount entered must only be the amount that is DIRECTLY related to operating the housing or supportive services facility.

Total Annual Assistance Requested: This field is automatically calculated based on the sum of the annual assistance requests entered for each activity.

Grant Term: This field is populated based on the grant term selected on Screen "6A. Funding Request" and will be read only.

Total Request for Grant Term: This field is automatically calculated based on the total amount requested for each eligible cost multiplied by the grant term.

All total fields will be calculated once the required field has been completed and saved.

Additional Resources can be found at the HUD Exchange: https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources

A quantity AND description must be entered for each requested cost.

Eligible Costs	Quantity AND Description (max 400 characters)	Annual Assistance Requested	
1. Maintenance/Repair	supplies misc repair and cleaning and maintenance @ 18.hr staffing f	\$8,000	
2. Property Taxes and Insurance			
3. Replacement Reserve			
4. Building Security	.75 FTE Security	\$22,000	
5. Electricity, Gas, and Water	utilities for TH housing 1,000/month	\$12,000	
6. Furniture	Beds at approx 150 each x 13, plus misc necessary furnishings office 3 staff	\$2,000	
7. Equipment (lease, buy)	Computers, copiers for 3 FTE	\$4,000	
Total Annual Assistance Requested		\$48,000	
Grant Term		1 Year	
Total Request for Grant Term		\$48,000	

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6H. HMIS Budget

Instructions:

Enter the quantity and total budget request for each HMIS cost. The request entered should be equivalent to the cost of one year of the relevant HMIS activity. The system populates a list of eligible costs associated with the implementation of an HMIS and for which CoC funds can be requested.

Quantity Detail: This is a required field. A quantity AND description must be entered for each requested cost. Enter the quantity in detail (eg. .75 FTE hours and benefits for staff, utility types, monthly allowance for food and supplies) for each HMIS cost for which funding is being requested. Please note that simply stating "1FTE" is NOT providing "Quantity AND Detail" and restricts understanding of what is being requested. Failure to enter adequate "Quantity AND Detail" may result in conditions being placed on the award and a delay of grant funding.

Annual Assistance Requested: This is a required field. For each grant year, enter the amount funds requested for each activity.

Total Annual Assistance Requested: This field is automatically calculated based on the sum of the annual assistance requests entered for each activity.

Grant term: This field is populated based on the grant term selected on Screen "6A. Funding Request" and will be read only.

Total Request for Grant Term: This field is automatically calculated based on the total amount requested for each eligible cost multiplied by the grant term.

All total fields will be calculated once the required field has been completed and saved.

Additional Resources can be found at the HUD Exchange: https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources

A quantity AND description must be entered for each requested cost.

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Eligible Costs	Quantity AND Description (max 400 characters)	Annual Assistance Requested
1. Equipment	computer misc supplies,	\$3,000
2. Software		
3. Services		
4. Personnel		
5. Space & Operations	HMIS supplies, connectivity 2 HRS employees, HMISI specialist FTE	\$3,000
Total Annual Assistance Requested:		\$6,000
Grant Term:		1 Year
Total Request for Grant Term:		\$6,000

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61. Sources of Match

The following list summarizes the funds that will be used as Match for the project. To add a Matching source to the list, select the icon. To view or update a Matching source already listed, select the icon.

Summary for Match

Total Value of Cash Commitments:	\$185,000
Total Value of In-Kind Commitments:	\$26,180
Total Value of All Commitments:	\$211,180

1. Does this project generate program income No as described in 24 CFR 578.97 that will be used as Match for this grant?

Before grant execution, services to be provided by a third party must be documented by a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the recipient or subrecipient and the third party that will provide the services.

Match	Туре	Source	Contributor	Date of Commitment	Value of Commitments
Yes	Cash	Government	State of Michigan	08/30/2017	\$75,000
Yes	Cash	Government	Home Investment P	08/30/2017	\$110,000
Yes	In-Kind	Private	The Salvation Army	08/30/2017	\$26,180

Sources of Match Detail

1. Will this commitment be used towards Yes

match?

2. Type of commitment: Cash

3. Type of source: Government

4. Name the source of the commitment: State of Michigan - PSH

(Be as specific as possible and include the office or grant program as applicable)

5. Date of Written Commitment: 08/30/2017

6. Value of Written Commitment: \$75,000

Sources of Match Detail

1. Will this commitment be used towards Yes

match?

2. Type of commitment: Cash

3. Type of source: Government

4. Name the source of the commitment: Home Investment Partnership

(Be as specific as possible and include the

office or grant program as applicable)

5. Date of Written Commitment: 08/30/2017

6. Value of Written Commitment: \$110,000

Sources of Match Detail

1. Will this commitment be used towards Yes

match?

2. Type of commitment: In-Kind

3. Type of source: Private

4. Name the source of the commitment: The Salvation Army (Be as specific as possible and include the

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office or grant program as applicable)

5. Date of Written Commitment: 08/30/20176. Value of Written Commitment: \$26,180

Before grant execution, services to be provided by a third party must be documented by a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the recipient or subrecipient and the third party that will provide the services.

6J. Summary Budget

The following information summarizes the funding request for the total term of the project. However, administrative costs can be entered in 8. Admin field below.

Eligible Costs	Annual Assistance Requested (Applicant)	Grant Term (Applicant)	Total Assistance Requested for Grant Term (Applicant)
1a. Acquisition			\$0
1b. Rehabilitation			\$0
1c. New Construction			\$0
2a. Leased Units	\$117,852	1 Year	\$117,852
2b. Leased Structures	\$16,284	1 Year	\$16,284
3. Rental Assistance	\$291,816	1 Year	\$291,816
4. Supportive Services	\$253,399	1 Year	\$253,399
5. Operating	\$48,000	1 Year	\$48,000
6. HMIS	\$6,000	1 Year	\$6,000
7. Sub-total Costs Requested			\$733,351
8. Admin (Up to 10%)			\$49,625
9. Total Assistance Plus Admin Requested			\$782,976
10. Cash Match			\$185,000
11. In-Kind Match			\$26,180
12. Total Match			\$211,180
13. Total Budget			\$994,156

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7D. Certification

A. For all projects:

Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

It will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000(d)) and regulations pursuant thereto (Title 24 CFR part I), which state that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the applicant receives Federal financial assistance, and will immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this agreement. With reference to the real property and structure(s) thereon which are provided or improved with the aid of Federal financial assistance extended to the applicant, this assurance shall obligate the applicant, or in the case of any transfer, transferee, for the period during which the real property and structure(s) are used for a purpose for which the Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits.

It will comply with the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-19), as amended, and with implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 100, which prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin.

It will comply with Executive Order 11063 on Equal Opportunity in Housing and with implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 107 which prohibit discrimination because of race, color, creed, sex or national origin in housing and related facilities provided with Federal financial assistance.

It will comply with Executive Order 11246 and all regulations pursuant thereto (41 CFR Chapter 60-1), which state that no person shall be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in all phases of employment during the performance of Federal contracts and shall take affirmative action to ensure equal employment opportunity. The applicant will incorporate, or cause to be incorporated, into any contract for construction work as defined in Section 130.5 of HUD regulations the equal opportunity clause required by Section 130.15(b) of the HUD regulations.

It will comply with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1701(u)), and regulations pursuant thereto (24 CFR Part 135), which require that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to lower-income residents of the project and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded in substantial part to persons residing in the area of the project.

It will comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), as amended, and with implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 8, which prohibit discrimination based on disability in Federally-assisted and conducted programs and activities.

It will comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-07), as amended, and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 146, which prohibit discrimination because of age in projects and activities receiving Federal financial assistance.

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It will comply with Executive Orders 11625, 12432, and 12138, which state that program participants shall take affirmative action to encourage participation by businesses owned and operated by members of minority groups and women.

If persons of any particular race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, familial status, or disability who may qualify for assistance are unlikely to be reached, it will establish additional procedures to ensure that interested persons can obtain information concerning the assistance.

It will comply with the reasonable modification and accommodation requirements and, as appropriate, the accessibility requirements of the Fair Housing Act and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Additional for Rental Assistance Projects:

If applicant has established a preference for targeted populations of disabled persons pursuant to 24 CFR 582.330(a), it will comply with this section's nondiscrimination requirements within the designated population.

B. For non-Rental Assistance Projects Only.

15-Year Operation Rule.

For applicants receiving assistance for acquisition, rehabilitation or new construction: The project will be operated for no less than 15 years from the date of initial occupancy or the date of initial service provision for the purpose specified in the application.

1-Year Operation Rule.

For applicants receiving assistance for supportive services, leasing, or operating costs but not receiving assistance for acquisition, rehabilitation, or new construction: The project will be operated for the purpose specified in the application for any year for which such assistance is provided.

Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such applicant shall provide an explanation.

Name of Authorized Certifying Official: Vera Beech

Date: 08/18/2017

Title: Executive Director

Applicant Organization: Community Rebuilders

PHA Number (For PHA Applicants Only):

I certify that I have been duly authorized by the applicant to submit this Applicant Certification and to ensure compliance. I am aware that any false, ficticious, or fraudulent



statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties . (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001).

8B. Submission Summary

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