

RFP-CSET-2015-2 Technical Amendment 1

Are there any special considerations?

Applicants should be aware that at the time of contract award, up to 9 youth may already be enrolled in CASA and up to 6 youth may already be enrolled in La Casita, that may require immediate rent payments to existing landlords, case management, education, and employment. Contractors will be expected to continue working with these youth to help them complete educational goals.

The project requires that participants without a High School Education will obtain a high school degree or GED/High School Equivalency.

HUD's 2014 CoC Program Renewal Project asks applicants to address two questions on the Educational Rights of children and youth ages 18 to 24 when Supportive Services for Participants are related to the educational rights of children and youth (including birth to 5, school-aged youth, and youth between 18 and 24) in homeless situations. The purpose of these questions is to determine if a project appropriately coordinates with schools and community agencies to enroll children and youth in school, and ensure that they receive all required and necessary educational services.

All projects serving children and youth up to the age of guaranteed public educational service by state and local law must respond to the questions of:

1. Are the proposed project policies and practices consistent with the laws related to providing education services to individuals and families, and
2. Does the proposed project have a designated staff person to ensure that the children are enrolled in school and receive educational services, as appropriate?

Budget Allocations for the two programs:

<u>BUDGETS</u>	<u>La Casita (FY July 1-June 30)</u>	<u>CASA (FY May 1- April 30)</u>
<i>Rental Assistance</i>	\$33,984	\$44,616
<i>Supportive Services</i>		
Case Management	\$30,000	\$31,438
Life Skills Training	\$425	\$5,749
Transportation	\$575	\$2,398
Food for Participants		\$950
<i>Administrative Costs (3.5%)</i>	\$2,274	\$2,980
<u>Total Program Budget</u>	\$67,258	\$88,131
Match (25%)	\$16,815	\$22,033

What is the Purpose of this Program?

The purpose of the two programs is to assist youth who are experiencing homelessness (as defined by the application to HUD) in achieving self-sufficiency through full-time employment by providing case management, transitional housing, employment assistance, and supportive services. The CASA program serves parenting youth and the La Casita program serves youth ages 18 to 24.

Who can be served through this program?

To be eligible for services, individual or parenting youth 18-24 years of age must meet one of the following (24 CFR Parts 582 and 583):

Category #1 – Literally Homeless;

Category #2 – Imminent Risk of Homelessness; or

Category #4 – Fleeing/attempting to Flee DV.

Sample Scope of Work

C. Contractor and County shall:

1. Refer individuals or parenting youth to Pima County Sullivan Jackson Employment Center for eligibility determination and enrollment into appropriate programs and services.

IV. Performance Outcomes.

- C. xx% percent of participants will achieve a degree or GED while in the program (of those that did not have one when they began the program).

Additional questions may be submitted to Anna.Cunes@pima.gov before Tuesday, May 12, 5:00 p.m. These questions and their answers will also be posted on the website.