

2016 Housing & Services Partnership Academy Request for Applications

Create a Community-Based Team and Develop Strategies for Service-Enriched Housing for Persons with Disabilities and Aging Texans

This Request for Applications (RFA) is issued by CSH (Corporation for Supportive Housing) in partnership with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA). The purpose is to solicit proposals from communities who wish to participate in a Housing & Services Partnership (HSP) Academy. The HSP Academy will provide training and technical assistance to community teams across Texas to help develop comprehensive plans for improving the quantity and quality of affordable, accessible, integrated housing and supportive services for people with disabilities and older Texans, and prepare communities to address the housing needs of this population. Outcomes will guide future technical assistance based on the planning process during the Academy. Each team will participate in a follow-up needs assessment that will guide and customize technical assistance for each community plan.

Selected teams will participate in:

- Two pre-academy webinars, scheduled for December 2015 to develop a Local Housing and Services Guide as well as baseline housing and services knowledge to prepare for the workshop;
- A 1.5 day academy workshop scheduled for Feb. 2016 in Austin;
- Development of Community Strategic Action Plan and Goals.

Selected teams will receive:

- A Housing and Services Resource Guide;
- Follow-up, targeted technical assistance; and
- Strategies to build partnerships between housing and services to build capacity to develop service enriched housing.

The costs for lodging will be covered by CSH. Other travel costs will be reimbursed for all team members.

APPLICATION DUE DATE: October 2, 2015

A pre-application webinar will be held on **September 22 at 9:30 AM CDT** to answer questions about the HSP Academy and application process. Click [here](#) to register for the Webinar. Interested individuals and groups are encouraged to participate, and the Webinar will also be archived at <http://www.csh.org/training> for later viewing.

Please click here to view the application and background information.

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