Office of Women's Health



American Rescue Plan (ARP) For Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services Project

May 5, 2022



Agenda

- 1. Welcome and review of meeting goals
- 2. Background and brief overview of the American Rescue Plan (ARP)
- 3. Financial details
- 4. Data collection and performance outcomes
- 5. Applying for ARP funding
- 6. Next steps and closing remarks



Background





Key Aspects of the ARP For DV Shelter and Supportive Services Project



Background

- The ARP for Domestic Violence Survivors is a response to the economic and social harm DV survivors experience, exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- LA County's commitment to equity includes ensuring that resources are expanded to residents most impacted by the pandemic, poverty, or from historically hard-to-reach communities.
- DV survivors are some of the most vulnerable and impacted residents in Los Angeles County.
- ARP Projects shall determine project outcomes and this project utilizes an
 evidence-based assessment tool for data collection.
- Outcomes will be shared and disseminated in aggregate to the field and on a public dashboard.



Project Overview





ARP for Domestic Violence Services

Project Objectives:

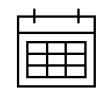
- Increasing safety through safety related empowerment
- Increasing financial security (as a step towards self sufficiency)
- Measuring outcomes to determine project effectiveness

Project Services to Be Provided:

- Sheltering (DV Shelter/Hotel)
- Legal Services (Safety, Financial Security)
- Case Management (Empowerment, Financial Security, Resources)
- Counseling/Mental Health (Empowerment, Addressing Trauma)
- Necessities of Life (Food Cards, Transportation)



ARP For DV Project Timeline



- Project Launch Date: July 1, 2022
- Length of Services (12-months): July 1, 2022 June 30, 2023



Financial Details





Reimbursement



- Expenditures will be reimbursed on a cost reimbursement basis.
- Subrecipients must incur the cost prior to submitting an invoice requesting to be reimbursed.
- Supporting documentation must be maintained and submitted to OWH at the time of invoicing.



ARP Allowable Costs

- Direct costs are those that are identified specifically as costs of implementing the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) project objectives, such as contract support, costs for running and maintaining the project, materials, and supplies for a project, and includes rent/utilities for shelter.
- Indirect costs are general overhead costs of an organization where a portion of such costs are allowable to the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) award such as the cost of facilities or administrative functions like a director's office.



Budget and Invoicing

- Budget Completion of the budget and detail justification is a contractual requirement of all agreements with OWH.
- Invoicing Monthly invoices are due no later than the 15th day after the end of each month. For example, invoices are due on August 15th for services provided in July.



Financial Closeout Report

- The Closeout Report is used to determine whether an agency's costs reconcile to their accounting records. Contractors should ensure that their financial records (Income Statement and General Ledger) reflect the actual costs related to the ARP contract that are incurred during the reporting period.
- The annual closeout report is due by July 31, 2023.



Data Collection and Performance Outcomes





Project Goal & Evaluation Questions

Project Goal:

DV survivors in the project will move towards obtaining a sense of safety, healing, social and emotional well-being, by having access to domestic violence sheltering and supportive services which will lead them to gaining financial and housing stability.

Evaluation Questions:

1. Does participation in the ARP For Shelter & Supportive Services Project increase clients' level of safety-related empowerment?

2. Has clients' income increased as a result of participating in the Project?

Data Collection and Performance Measures



Intake (Demographics)/Assessment (MOVERS)



Bundle of critical resources to address and mitigate the negative physical, social, emotional, and economic impacts of the pandemic for DV survivors



ARP For DV Project Objectives:

60% Increase in clients' sense of safety-related empowerment **40%** Increase in clients' income



Data Collection Tool – Intake/Assessment Form

- Changes in clients' status will be measured throughout the duration of the project for clients served:
 - Using the Measure of Victim Empowerment Related to Safety (MOVERS), an evidence-based assessment tool consisting of 13 questions, which are combined to create an overall score of safety-related empowerment and can be used to track the progress of DV clients over time.
 - Demographic data (e.g., self-identified race/ethnicity, age, income and source of income, such as government benefits, employment, etc.) will be collected to assess if there's an increase in client's income by the end of the project.



Applying For Funding





How to Apply for ARP Funding



- Complete the Cost Estimator Form
- Return Form to <u>OWHFinance@ph.lacounty.gov</u> by **May 19**th
 - Depending on the number of agencies interested in funding, that will determine allocations.



Next Steps



- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) will be compiled from the questions provided in the Chat box of this presentation.
- Send any additional questions, concerns, or comments to OWHTraining@ph.lacounty.gov.
 - The FAQs will be sent once they're compiled.
- The ARP Cost Estimator Form will be emailed today and is due back to OWH on May 19th.



