

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries****EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2009 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-22 effective on the earlier of 18 months after May 20, 2009, or 3 months after publication of certain final regulations by Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, see section 1503 of Pub. L. 111-22, set out as a note under section 11302 of this title.

**PART C—CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM****Editorial Notes****CODIFICATION**

Pub. L. 111-22, div. B, title III, §1301(1), May 20, 2009, 123 Stat. 1680, substituted “Continuum of Care Program” for “Supportive Housing Program” in heading.

**§ 11381. Purposes**

The purposes of this part are—

- (1) to promote community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness;
- (2) to provide funding for efforts by non-profit providers and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to individuals, families, and communities by homelessness;
- (3) to promote access to, and effective utilization of, mainstream programs described in section 11313(a)(7) of this title and programs funded with State or local resources; and
- (4) to optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

(Pub. L. 100-77, title IV, §421, as added Pub. L. 111-22, div. B, title III, §1301(2), May 20, 2009, 123 Stat. 1680.)

**Editorial Notes****PRIOR PROVISIONS**

A prior section 11381, Pub. L. 100-77, title IV, §421, as added Pub. L. 102-550, title XIV, §1403(a), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4013, which related to the purpose of the supportive housing program, was repealed by Pub. L. 111-22, div. B, title III, §1301(2), May 20, 2009, 123 Stat. 1680.

Another prior section 11381, Pub. L. 100-77, title IV, §421, July 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 498, which related to establishment of a supportive housing demonstration program, was repealed by Pub. L. 102-550, title XIV, §1403(a), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4013.

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**TRANSITIONAL PROVISION**

Pub. L. 102-550, title XIV, §1403(b), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4021, as amended by Pub. L. 106-400, §2, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1675, provided that: “Notwithstanding the amendment made by subsection (a) [adding part C and repealing former parts C and D of this subchapter], before the date of the effectiveness of the regulations issued under section 427 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act [42 U.S.C. 11387] (as amended by

subsection (a) of this section) the Secretary may make grants under the provisions of subtitles C and D of [title IV of] the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act [former parts C and D of this subchapter], as in effect immediately before the enactment of this Act [Oct. 28, 1992]. Any grants made before such effective date shall be subject to the provisions of such subtitles.”

**DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS TO REDUCE NUMBER OF HOMELESS FAMILIES IN WELFARE HOTELS**

Pub. L. 100-628, title IX, §903, Nov. 7, 1988, 102 Stat. 3258, as amended by Pub. L. 104-193, title I, §110(g), Aug. 22, 1996, 110 Stat. 2171, authorized Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out 2 or 3 demonstration projects to provide housing in transitional facilities for homeless families who are recipients of assistance under a State program funded by part A of subchapter IV of chapter 7 of this title and who reside in commercial or similar transient facilities and authorized appropriations of not more than \$20,000,000 for the grants for fiscal year 1990.

**DEFINITION**

For provisions relating to definition of “local government” as used in this section, see section 100261 of Pub. L. 112-141, set out as a HEARTH Act Technical Corrections note under section 11360 of this title.

**§ 11382. Continuum of care applications and grants****(a) Projects**

The Secretary shall award grants, on a competitive basis, and using the selection criteria described in section 11386a of this title, to carry out eligible activities under this part for projects that meet the program requirements under section 11386 of this title, either by directly awarding funds to project sponsors or by awarding funds to unified funding agencies.

**(b) Notification of funding availability**

The Secretary shall release a notification of funding availability for grants awarded under this part for a fiscal year not later than 3 months after the date of the enactment of the appropriate Act making appropriations for the Department of Housing and Urban Development for such fiscal year.

**(c) Applications****(1) Submission to the Secretary**

To be eligible to receive a grant under subsection (a), a project sponsor or unified funding agency in a geographic area shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time and in such manner as the Secretary may require, and containing such information as the Secretary determines necessary—

(A) to determine compliance with the program requirements and selection criteria under this part; and

(B) to establish priorities for funding projects in the geographic area.

**(2) Announcement of awards****(A) In general**

Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall announce, within 5 months after the last date for the submission of applications described in this subsection for a fiscal year, the grants conditionally awarded under subsection (a) for that fiscal year.

**(B) Transition**

For a period of up to 2 years beginning after the effective date under section 1503 of the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009, the Secretary shall announce, within 6 months after the last date for the submission of applications described in this subsection for a fiscal year, the grants conditionally awarded under subsection (a) for that fiscal year.

**(d) Obligation, distribution, and utilization of funds****(1) Requirements for obligation****(A) In general**

Not later than 9 months after the announcement referred to in subsection (c)(2), each recipient or project sponsor shall meet all requirements for the obligation of those funds, including site control, matching funds, and environmental review requirements, except as provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C).

**(B) Acquisition, rehabilitation, or construction**

Not later than 24 months after the announcement referred to in subsection (c)(2), each recipient or project sponsor seeking the obligation of funds for acquisition of housing, rehabilitation of housing, or construction of new housing for a grant announced under subsection (c)(2) shall meet all requirements for the obligation of those funds, including site control, matching funds, and environmental review requirements.

**(C) Extensions**

At the discretion of the Secretary, and in compelling circumstances, the Secretary may extend the date by which a recipient or project sponsor shall meet the requirements described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) if the Secretary determines that compliance with the requirements was delayed due to factors beyond the reasonable control of the recipient or project sponsor. Such factors may include difficulties in obtaining site control for a proposed project, completing the process of obtaining secure financing for the project, obtaining approvals from State or local governments, or completing the technical submission requirements for the project.

**(2) Obligation**

Not later than 45 days after a recipient or project sponsor meets the requirements described in paragraph (1), the Secretary shall obligate the funds for the grant involved.

**(3) Distribution**

A recipient that receives funds through such a grant—

(A) shall distribute the funds to project sponsors (in advance of expenditures by the project sponsors); and

(B) shall distribute the appropriate portion of the funds to a project sponsor not later than 45 days after receiving a request for such distribution from the project sponsor.

**(4) Expenditure of funds**

The Secretary may establish a date by which funds made available through a grant announced under subsection (c)(2) for a homeless assistance project shall be entirely expended by the recipient or project sponsors involved. The date established under this paragraph shall not occur before the expiration of the 24-month period beginning on the date that funds are obligated for activities described under paragraphs<sup>1</sup> (1) or (2) of section 11383(a) of this title. The Secretary shall recapture the funds not expended by such date. The Secretary shall reallocate the funds for another homeless assistance and prevention project that meets the requirements of this part to be carried out, if possible and appropriate, in the same geographic area as the area served through the original grant.

**(e) Renewal funding for unsuccessful applicants**

The Secretary may renew funding for a specific project previously funded under this part that the Secretary determines meets the purposes of this part, and was included as part of a total application that met the criteria of subsection (c), even if the application was not selected to receive grant assistance. The Secretary may renew the funding for a period of not more than 1 year, and under such conditions as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

**(f) Considerations in determining renewal funding**

When providing renewal funding for leasing, operating costs, or rental assistance for permanent housing, the Secretary shall make adjustments proportional to increases in the fair market rents in the geographic area.

**(g) More than 1 application for a geographic area**

If more than 1 collaborative applicant applies for funds for a geographic area, the Secretary shall award funds to the collaborative applicant with the highest score based on the selection criteria set forth in section 11386a of this title.

**(h) Appeals****(1) In general**

The Secretary shall establish a timely appeal procedure for grant amounts awarded or denied under this part pursuant to a collaborative application or solo application for funding.

**(2) Process**

The Secretary shall ensure that the procedure permits appeals submitted by entities carrying out homeless housing and services projects (including emergency shelters and homelessness prevention programs), and all other applicants under this part.

**(i) Solo applicants**

A solo applicant may submit an application to the Secretary for a grant under subsection (a) and be awarded such grant on the same basis as such grants are awarded to other applicants based on the criteria described in section 11386a of this title, but only if the Secretary deter-

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be "paragraph".

mines that the solo applicant has attempted to participate in the continuum of care process but was not permitted to participate in a reasonable manner. The Secretary may award such grants directly to such applicants in a manner determined to be appropriate by the Secretary.

**(j) Flexibility to serve persons defined as homeless under other Federal laws**

**(1) In general**

A collaborative applicant may use not more than 10 percent of funds awarded under this part (continuum of care funding) for any of the types of eligible activities specified in paragraphs (1) through (7) of section 11383(a) of this title to serve families with children and youth defined as homeless under other Federal statutes, or homeless families with children and youth defined as homeless under section 11302(a)(6) of this title, but only if the applicant demonstrates that the use of such funds is of an equal or greater priority or is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under section 11386a(b)(1)(B) of this title, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth.

**(2) Limitations**

The 10 percent limitation under paragraph (1) shall not apply to collaborative applicants in which the rate of homelessness, as calculated in the most recent point in time count, is less than one-tenth of 1 percent of total population.

**(3) Treatment of certain populations**

**(A) In general**

Notwithstanding section 11302(a) of this title and subject to subparagraph (B), funds awarded under this part may be used for eligible activities to serve unaccompanied youth and homeless families and children defined as homeless under section 11302(a)(6) of this title only pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection and such families and children shall not otherwise be considered as homeless for purposes of this part.

**(B) At risk of homelessness**

Subparagraph (A) may not be construed to prevent any unaccompanied youth and homeless families and children defined as homeless under section 11302(a)(6) of this title from qualifying for, and being treated for purposes of this part as, at risk of homelessness or from eligibility for any projects, activities, or services carried out using amounts provided under this part for which individuals or families that are at risk of homelessness are eligible.

(Pub. L. 100-77, title IV, § 422, as added Pub. L. 111-22, div. B, title III, § 1301(2), May 20, 2009, 123 Stat. 1681.)

**Editorial Notes**

**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

The effective date under section 1503 of the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009, referred to in subsec. (c)(2)(B), is the effective date under section 1503 of title V of div. B of Pub.

L. 111-22, set out as an Effective Date of 2009 Amendment note under section 11302 of this title.

**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

A prior section 11382, Pub. L. 100-77, title IV, § 422, as added Pub. L. 102-550, title XIV, § 1403(a), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4014; amended Pub. L. 104-330, title V, § 506(a)(7), Oct. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 4044; Pub. L. 106-402, title IV, § 401(b)(14), Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1740, which defined terms for purposes of this part, was repealed by Pub. L. 111-22, div. B, title III, § 1301(2), May 20, 2009, 123 Stat. 1680.

Another prior section 11382, Pub. L. 100-77, title IV, § 422, July 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 499; Pub. L. 100-242, title V, § 570(i)(1), Feb. 5, 1988, 101 Stat. 1950; Pub. L. 100-628, title IV, §§ 441(a), 442(a), (b)(1), 443, 444, Nov. 7, 1988, 102 Stat. 3232, 3233; Pub. L. 101-625, title VIII, § 833(b), (k)(1), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4362, 4364, which defined terms for purposes of the supportive housing demonstration program, was repealed by Pub. L. 102-550, title XIV, § 1403(a), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4013.

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**HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS**

Pub. L. 116-260, div. Q, title I, § 104, Dec. 27, 2020, 134 Stat. 2170, provided that:

“(a) RENEWAL OF CONTINUUM OF CARE PROJECTS.—In allocating and awarding amounts provided for the Continuum of Care program under subtitle C of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.), the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall renew for one 12-month period, without additional competition, all projects with existing grants expiring during calendar year 2021, including youth homelessness demonstration projects and shelter plus care projects expiring during calendar year 2021, notwithstanding any inconsistent provisions in subtitle C of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act or any other Act.

“(b) PLANNING AND UNIFIED FUNDING AGENCY AWARDS.—Continuum of Care planning and Unified Funding Agency awards expiring in calendar year 2021 may also be renewed and the Continuum of Care may designate a new collaborative applicant to receive the award in accordance with the existing process established by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

“(c) NOTICE.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall publish a notice that identifies and lists all projects and awards eligible for such non-competitive renewal, prescribes the format and process by which the projects and awards from the list will be renewed, makes adjustments to the renewal amount based on changes to the fair market rent, and establishes a maximum amount for the renewal of planning and Unified Funding Agency awards notwithstanding the requirement that such maximum amount be established in a notice of funding availability.”

**DEFINITION**

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**§ 11383. Eligible activities**

**(a) In general**

Grants awarded under section 11382 of this title to qualified applicants shall be used to