

SPNS Grant Model

(Formerly Housing as an Intervention to Fight AIDS (HIFA) Model)

1. HUD Grant Number:	
2. Grantee Name:	
3. Service Area:	
4. Period of Performance: (From: MM/DD/YYYY - To: MM/DD/YYYY)	

The purpose of this information collection is to document the project's design, implementation, and outcomes, and to identify best practices and model qualities related to the use of housing as a structural intervention in the ending of the HIV/AIDS epidemic. HUD will use the information collected to inform national and community policy and actions. The information collected on this form is required to obtain a benefit. It will not be held confidential. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 40 hours. This includes the time for collecting, reviewing, and reporting the data. HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless that collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. **OMB Approval No. 2506-0133** (Expiration Date: 12/31/2027)

Instructions: The SPNS Grant Model (formerly the Housing as an Intervention to Fight AIDS (HIFA) Model) is meant to provide promising practices for and lessons learned in using housing as a structural intervention to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic through the grant identified in the chart above. Information provided in this form should reflect efforts that took place over the full grant period of performance. The SPNS Grant Model must be submitted to HOPWA@hud.gov within 90~~120~~ days of the completion of the grant period of performance.

SECTION 1: SUMMARY OF GRANT ACTIVITIES

A. Funding. Provide the total amount of funding expended under the grant award listed in Box 1.

i. Total Grant Funding expended	
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B. HOPWA Grant-Funded Activities. Check the box for each activity administered with HOPWA grant funding from the grant listed in Box 1. If Other Activities were approved by HUD for this grant listed in Box 1, provide a brief explanation of the approved activities.

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| ☐ Operating Costs | ☐ Housing Information |
| ☐ Leasing | ☐ Permanent Housing Placement |
| ☐ Tenant-based Rental Assistance (TBRA) | ☐ Resource Identification |
| ☐ Short-Term Rent, Mortgage and Utility | ☐ Other HUD-Approved Activities (Describe below) |
| ☐ Supportive Services | |

i. Description of Other HUD-Approved Activities:

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- C. Leveraged Activities.** Describe the sources of leveraged funding and amounts used to support project activities for the grant listed in Box 1.

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- D. Grant Outputs.** Provide the total number of unduplicated households assisted with HOPWA funding under the grant listed in Box 1 through the entire period of performance listed in Box 4.

i. Total Households assisted:	
ii. Total Households provided Housing and Supportive Services:	
iii. Total Households provided Housing Assistance Only:	
iv. Total Households provided Supportive Services Only:	

SECTION 2: PROJECT OVERVIEW

This section should provide a general overview of the grantee's project as it was implemented. Grantees provided project overview information in application narratives responsive to rating factors in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). The approved grant application, including rating factor narratives, was incorporated into the grant agreement. Grantees should use their approved application as a reference when responding to this section. However, the information included in this section should reflect the project as it was actually implemented, not the proposed project.

- A. Vision or goal for the project.** In 2-3 sentences, provide a high-level description of what the grantee set out to accomplish with the grant listed in Box 1.

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- B. Need addressed by the project.** In this space, describe your community's needs addressed by the project through housing and supportive services for low-income people with HIV. This should include insight on needs that were identified as activities were implemented and partnerships were solidified. Grantees initially answered this question as part of Rating Factor 2.

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- C. Program design.** In this space, describe the design or strategy used in project implementation. Grantees initially answered this question as part of Rating Factor 3, however, the information provided should only reflect the program design realized through the implementation of the grant.

- D. Alignment with initiatives or strategies to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic.** Grants were awarded as innovative projects undertaken within a replicable operational framework to potentially be used as models of future interagency collaboration and to improve existing programs. Grantees were required to use funding to increase alignment with new or existing local initiatives or strategies to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic by elevating housing as an effective structural intervention. Grantees should use this space to describe project activities aimed at improving cross-agency coordination, resource utilization, and data-driven approaches to meaningfully integrate HIV housing into local efforts to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic. Grantees initially answered this question as part of Rating Factor 3, however, the information provided should only reflect the activities realized through the implementation of the grant.

- E. Data collection and analysis used to make data-driven decisions on stable housing, and positive health outcomes, and equity.** Grantees were required to increase the amount of quality data collected and used for data-driven decision making with emphasis on stable housing and positive health outcomes, and equity. Grantees should use this space to describe their process for collecting the client-level data required to report under this grant and how they used the data throughout the grant's period of performance. Grantees initially answered this question as part of Rating Factor 3 and 5, however, the information provided should only reflect the activities realized through the implementation of the grant.

- ~~**F. Use of equitable access and cultural humility for clients experiencing service gaps.** Grantees were required to document replicable approaches to ensuring equitable access and cultural humility in providing housing and services for populations of people with HIV experiencing service gaps. Grantees should use this space to describe the shared characteristics of program beneficiaries served under the grant, approaches used to ensure equitable access to housing and services, the use of cultural humility to serve program beneficiaries, and how program data was utilized to determine the equitable access and cultural humility approaches used. Grantees initially answered this question as part of Rating Factor 3, however, the information provided should only reflect the activities realized through the implementation of the grant. Please note—The FY20 HOPWA HIFA NOFO used the term cultural competency, but we have shifted to cultural humility as a best practice. Grantees who designed their projects with culturally competent approaches should include that information here.~~

SECTION 3: PROJECT SUCCESSES, CHALLENGES, AND OUTCOMES

This section should build on Section 2 and provide insight into the successes, barriers, and outcomes experienced through the implementation of grant activities. Both successes and challenges will be used as lessons learned to help inform national and community policy and actions.

A. Partnerships formed or continued with community organizations and other housing and service providers.

Provide information on the successes, barriers, and outcomes of the partnerships formed to implement this grant. This should include partnerships with the organizations identified in the grant application or other organizations identified through grant implementation.

B. Successes and challenges in using housing as a structural intervention to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

Provide information on the successes, barriers, and outcomes of elevating housing as a structural intervention to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic with activities implemented through this grant.

C. Outcomes for clients. Provide information on the outcomes across the 3-year grant period on health measures, housing stability, victim safety, and employment, if applicable. This should include outcomes reported annually in the HOPWA Consolidated APR/CAPER (HUD-4155). This section can also include client self-assessment results. Data provided should be presented in the aggregate covering the full grant period of performance. However, anecdotal narratives discussing client successes and barriers in achieving these outcomes are welcomed. Any information provided must protect client confidentiality unless a waiver is signed allowing a personal story to be shared.

- i. Health measures, including HIV Housing Care Continuum Model Data.** Based on the client-level data collected throughout the grant period of performance, provide information on the aggregate health outcomes achieved. Provide a description of successes and challenges encountered with collecting this data.

- ii. Housing stability, including perceived stability.** Based on the client-level data collected throughout the grant period of performance, provide information on the aggregate housing stability outcomes achieved. These outcome measures could include perceived housing stability, reduced risk of

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homelessness, housing stability after transition off grant assistance, etc. Provide a description of successes and challenges encountered with collecting this data.

- iii. **Employment and income growth, if applicable.** Grantees who collected employment and income growth outcome measures should report that information in this section. Based on the client-level data collected throughout the grant period of performance, provide information on the aggregate employment outcomes achieved. These outcome measures could include job placement or gained employment, job training, increased income, etc. Provide a description of successes and challenges encountered with collecting this data.

- D. **Sustainability Plan.** The grant was provided on a one-time, non-renewable basis. Describe how grant activities will continue past the conclusion of funding.

SECTION 4: PROJECT SELF ASSESSMENT AND LESSONS LEARNED

This section provides a place to reflect on the outcomes of the grant and provide feedback on the lessons learned. As a SPNS grant, many planned activities may not have had the outcomes expected. Information provided in this section should provide an honest look at components of the grant that exceeded or fell short of the grantee's expectations and include recommendations the grantee would make for other organizations looking to implement activities to increase alignment with new or existing local initiatives or strategies to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic by elevating housing as an effective structural intervention.

- A. **Overall Project Self-Assessment.** Information in this space should provide the grantee's assessment of grant implementation. Questions that can be answered here include: To what extent did the vision or goal for the grant match the outcomes achieved or the realities experienced through grant implementation? Which of the challenges encountered might be considered 'preventable'? Were certain activities or strategies more effective than expected? If this grant was implemented again, what changes should be made? Which of the barriers to success were beyond your control (i.e. regulations, policies, etc.)? What advice would you give to other organizations planning to implement activities to increase alignment with new or existing local initiatives or strategies to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic by elevating housing as an effective structural intervention?

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B. Promising Practices and Lessons Learned. This section will take a closer look at the strategies, approaches, and action steps taken to implement grant activities that elevating housing as an effective structural intervention to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic. Describe promising practices and lessons learned through this grant in these specific areas:

- i. **Implementation of innovative housing and services models.** Information in this space should address promising practices and lessons learned on planning and implementing an innovative housing and services model for low-income people with HIV and their families with potential replicability in other similar localities or nationally through the implementation of this grant.

- ii. **Aligning project goals with existing community initiatives and strategies.** Information in this space should address promising practices and lessons learned on aligning project activities with new or existing local initiatives or strategies to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic by elevating housing as an effective structural intervention through the implementation of this grant.

- iii. **Use of available community resources and coordination among local housing and service providers.** Information in this space should address promising practices and lessons learned on use of available community resources and coordination among local housing and service providers through the implementation of this grant.

- iv. **Transitioning households to permanent housing.** Information in this space should address promising practices and lessons learned on transitioning or connecting households to permanent housing through the implementation of this grant.

- v. **Data Collection and Management.** Information in this space should address promising practices and lessons learned on collecting, managing, and using quality data for data-driven decision making with emphasis on stable housing and, positive health outcomes, and equity through the implementation of this grant.

- ~~vi. **Approaches of cultural humility used for clients experiencing service gaps.** Information in this space should address promising practices and lessons learned on assessing and documenting~~

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~~replicable approaches of cultural humility to provide housing and services for populations of people with HIV experiencing service gaps through the implementation of this grant.~~

vii.vi. Other Lessons Learned. Information in this space should address any other promising practices and lessons learned through the implementation of this grant.