



# 2025 Recovery Housing Program *Re-Opening*



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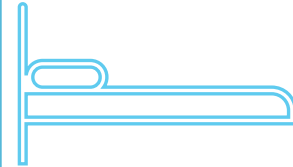
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# Recovery Housing Program Goals



Goal 1-Fund one newly constructed transitional recovery residence

Goal 2-Increase the number of temporary housing beds available by 1% for a total of at least 1,589 available beds in Indiana designated residences.



Goal 3-All RHP funds will meet overall benefit to low to moderate income people by providing access to temporary transitional housing

# Snapshot of Indiana Overdose and Recovery Residence Data

In 2023, 2,130 Indiana residents died by drug overdose

Indiana has 32.5 (per 100,000) age adjusted fatal overdoses annually

Opioids, specifically fentanyl, most common drug involved in fatal overdoses

Overdoses higher among:

- Males
- Persons aged 35-4
- Black or African American persons

Counties with highest stable overdose death rate:

- Grant (68.2)
- Marion (59.2)
- Delaware (58.5)
- Wayne (54)
- Clark (52.3)

Indiana has 167 certified recovery residences with 1,574 beds available

Only 41 of 92 Indiana counties have recovery housing facilities

# OCRA Regions Total Residences

OCRA CL Region	Total Residences	% total facilities
Northwest	13	7.78%
Northeast	44	26.35%
Central	38	22.75%
Southwest	48	28.74%
Southeast	24	14.37%
Total	167	



# Recovery Housing Program Overview

- ▶ **Legislative Authority:** Authorized under **Section 8071** of the SUPPORT Act Addresses the opioid epidemic through housing and recovery support
- ▶ **Funding Classification:** Treated as **CDBG funds** under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974
- ▶ **Regulatory Flexibility HUD waivers:** modify standard CDBG program regulations
- ▶ **Eligibility Scope:** Available to both **entitlement** and **non-entitlement** communities
- ▶ **National Objective:** Meets the **Limited Clientele** criteria *Now includes:*
  - ▶ Individuals insured by **Medicaid**
  - ▶ Individuals who **meet federal poverty guidelines**



# Recovery Housing Program Overview

- ▶ **Program Activities:** Supports a range of eligible recovery and housing-related initiatives
- ▶ **Housing Support:** Provides funding for **stable, temporary housing** for individuals in recovery from substance use disorders. Covers up to **two years** or until **permanent housing** is secured—whichever comes first
- ▶ **RHP Program Flexibility**
  - ▶ No local match required
  - ▶ \$5,000 cap per beneficiary waived
  - ▶ OCRA encourages leveraging additional funding sources



## Eligible Activities

- Property Acquisition
- Rehabilitation and reconstruction
  - Single unit residences
  - Multi-unit residences
- Disposition of real property
- Clearance and demolition
- Operation Support
  - Lease/rent/utilities ( For service expansion or new services)
- Local Grant Administration
- Environmental Review

\*list is not comprehensive and does not include or exclude a project type

# Program Details

## Eligible Applicants:

- Entitlement or Non-entitlement units of general local government
- Indian tribes in the State of Indiana

## Maximum Award:

- \$750,000
- \$5,000 cost per beneficiary for this program has been waived.

## Match Requirement:

- Local match funds are not required but strongly recommended to leverage other available funds

## Application Process:

- Project Development
- Submit Proposal
- Site Visit
- Submit Application

# Program Compliance

## National Objective

- Benefit Low-and Moderate-Income Persons based on the Limited Clientele criteria, as modified by the RHP Notice.

## Eligible Activity

- Use funds only for eligible activities specified to carry out the purpose of RHP.

## Connection to Program Purpose

- Provide stable, temporary housing for individuals in recovery from substance use disorder.

## Compliance with:

- Equal Participation
- Fair Housing
- Nondiscrimination
- Labor Standards
- Environmental Regulations (Radon and Lead)

\*Wraparound recovery services are strongly encouraged

# Grant Evaluation Criteria

Total Possible Points: 700

Minimum Score Needed: 450

## NATIONAL OBJECTIVE SCORE (100 POINTS)

- The National Objective for RHP grants is Benefit to low-and moderate-income-limited clientele. To show that a project will benefit individuals who are generally presumed to be principally low- to moderate-income, awardees will submit transitional recovery housing program admission documentation.

## COMMUNITY DISTRESS FACTORS (150 POINTS)

- As provided by Stats Indiana

## LOCAL MATCH CONTRIBUTION (25 Points)

- A maximum of 25 points may be awarded based on the percentage of local funds devoted to the project. This category is capped at 25 points or 25% match, i.e., a project with 25% match or greater will receive 25 points. Below 25% match, the following formula will apply.

# Grant Evaluation Criteria Continues

## INDIANA RECOVERY RESIDENCE DESIGNATION (30 POINTS)

- A maximum of 30 points based on the level of recovery residence that the facility will seek from FSSA DMHA or has already been designated by FSSA. Certificate of designation or required documentation must be submitted with application. Total points are determined as follows: Level II (10 points), Level III (20 points), Level IV (30 points)

## FEASIBILITY STUDY (30 POINTS)

- A maximum of 30 points will be awarded to applicants who have completed an assessment of the practicality and viability of the proposed project. The study must have been completed within the last 12 months from the program opening.

## PROJECT DESIGN FACTORS (300 POINTS)

- Project Description
- Project Need
- Financial Impact
- SUPPORT Act Goal



# Program Specific Points

Total Available Points: 65



**Non-Entitlement Communities** (10 points) – A maximum of 10 points will be awarded to applicants that are a non-entitlement.



**Beds Available to Pregnant Women or Women with Dependent Children** (15 points)–A maximum of 1 point per new bed that is provided by the facility and made available to pregnant women or women with dependents will be awarded up to 15 points.



**Individuals with Justice Involvement** (10 points) - A maximum of 1 point will be awarded per new bed that is provided by the facility and made available to people involved in court ordered rehabilitation up to 15 points.



**Beds Available to Veterans** (15 points)-A maximum of 1 point will be awarded per new bed that is provided by the facility and made available to veterans up to 15 points.



**Project Sustainability** (15 points) - A maximum of 15 points will be awarded for documentation of National Opioid Settlement Funds being used as project match.

# Bonus Points


Total Available Points: 25



It is the Division of Mental Health and Addiction's policy to encourage Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) amongst providers. As such, a grant application should include how the provider will support residents in their recovery through the acceptance of individuals on medication for the treatment of their substance use disorder. Applications that include policies written in a manner to encourage and support use of medications including, but not limited to, nicotine replacement, long acting injectables and daily medication for substance use disorder, and trauma informed care approach into practices and policies will receive 25 bonus points.

# NARR Recovery Residence Levels

- ▶ Recovery Residence is an umbrella term.
- ▶ The National Alliance for Recovery Residences creates national quality standards for recovery houses.
- ▶ DMHA is basing most of the certification requirements and on-site inspection requirements on the most current NARR quality standards.



Types of Recovery Residence Support		
Current NARR Levels	New ASAM/NARR Types	Defining Characteristics
Level 1	Type P	<i>Peer-run</i> , decisions made solely by residents.
Level 2	Type M	<i>Managed</i> environment; house rules, appointed resident leader.
Level 3	Type S	<i>Supervised</i> activities, staffing, life skills programming.
Level 4	Type C	<i>Clinical</i> services included.

Note: No changes in NARR level definitions were made in creating this new naming convention.

# A Note on Indiana Recovery Residence Designation

- ▶ OCRA is using the **Indiana Recovery Residence designation** as a way to evaluate and incentivize the **quality and structure of recovery housing** proposed in grant applications. By awarding up to **30 points** based on the level of designation (Level II, III, or IV) from the **Indiana Family and Social Services Administration's Division of Mental Health and Addiction (FSSA DMHA)**, the program encourages applicants to align their facilities with recognized standards of care and accountability.
- ▶ This designation reflects the **level of support and services** provided at the recovery residence:
- ▶ **Level II** (10 points): Peer-run homes with basic recovery support
- ▶ **Level III** (20 points): Supervised residences with structured programming
- ▶ **Level IV** (30 points): Clinically managed facilities with professional staff and comprehensive services
- ▶ Requiring a certificate or documentation ensures that applicants are either actively pursuing or have already achieved a recognized level of care, which helps the state prioritize funding for **safe, effective, and sustainable recovery environments**. It's a way to promote best practices and ensure that funded projects meet high standards for supporting individuals in recovery.

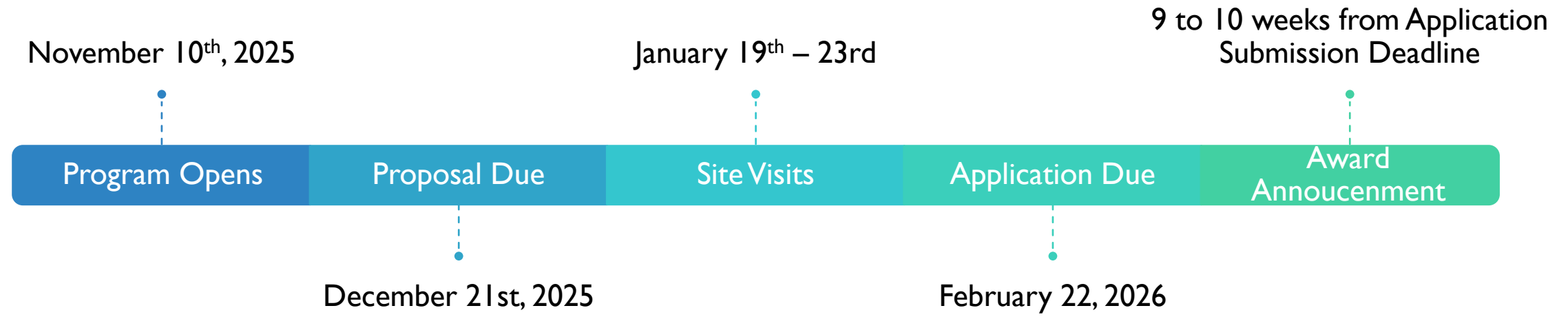
# Sample Project: “Safe Haven Recovery Home”

- ▶ The Town of Emerald, a non-entitlement community, in partnership with Safe Haven Wellness Foundation, a nonprofit, proposes the acquisition and rehabilitation of a vacant 4-bedroom residential property built in 1952 to establish “Safe Haven Recovery Home,” a transitional housing facility for individuals recovering from substance use disorder.
- ▶ The project will provide stable, temporary housing for up to two years or until permanent housing is secured, directly supporting the purpose of the Recovery Housing Program (RHP).
- ▶ The project meets the Limited Clientele National Objective by serving individuals insured by Medicaid and those meeting federal poverty guidelines, with admission documentation included to verify eligibility.
- ▶ A feasibility study was completed within the past 12 months, and the facility will seek Level IV designation from FSSA DMHA.
- ▶ The project includes 10 beds reserved for pregnant women or women with dependent children, 10 for justice-involved individuals, and 10 for veterans.
- ▶ A 25% local match is committed through opioid response funds and private donations, and National Opioid Settlement Funds will be used to support sustainability.
- ▶ Safe Haven Wellness Foundation has adopted policies that support Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) and trauma-informed care, qualifying the project for bonus points under the grant evaluation criteria.

# Sample Project: "Jane Doe Recovery House Expansion"

- ▶ Jane Doe Recovery House, the largest provider of recovery housing for women in Marion County, is expanding its services to Southeast Indiana County with strong support from the local government and community.
- ▶ Certified as a Level IV Recovery Residence through the Indiana Alliance for Recovery Residences, the organization serves over 100 women annually, focusing on those who have experienced substance use disorder, homelessness, and physical, emotional, or sexual abuse.
- ▶ With a newly purchased site, the project will construct a transitional housing facility offering stable, temporary housing for up to two years or until permanent housing is secured. The community is seeking funding for operation support for the first two years.
- ▶ The program meets the Limited Clientele National Objective by serving Medicaid-insured and low-income individuals, with admission documentation verifying eligibility.
- ▶ The facility will maintain its Level IV designation, qualifying for maximum points under the Indiana Recovery Residence criteria, and a recent feasibility study confirms the project's viability.
- ▶ Beds will be reserved for pregnant women and women with dependents, justice-involved individuals, and veterans.
- ▶ No local match is available for this project. The facility will also support Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) and trauma-informed care, with written policies that encourage the use of approved medications for substance use disorder, positioning the project to earn bonus points under the Recovery Housing Program evaluation criteria.





# Round Timeline



# Questions?

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