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Application for Fair Housing and

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2019-2020 HOMELESS SERVICES APPLICATION
Addendum A
Fair Housing Programs (Section 7)

Project Focus

Developing a Fair Housing and Related Services program that meaningfully furthers fair housing is the responsibility of the Commission's advisory body, the Community Development Committee, in its CDBG oversight role.

Please check all boxes relating to your project:

- Education about Fair Housing law
- Investigative testing and auditing
- Advocacy for tenants who may be targets of discrimination
- Enforcement of Fair Housing law
- Legal services designed to prevent eviction.
- Eviction, prevention, and legal services focused on Fair Housing
- Telephone hotline support offering landlord-tenant mediation and information



Project Description - Fair Housing and Related Services

Describe your general program model of the project, focusing on project-specific information while avoiding organizational marketing language. Please limit your response to the following:

- 1) the organizational capacity to provide Fair Housing services,
- 2) coordination with neighboring jurisdictions to optimize efficiency and customer service, and
- 3) how services will lead to changes that affirmatively furthers fair housing, and
- 4) how the project address the recommendations stated in the current Analysis of Impediment to Fair Housing Choice. (3000 Characters)

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Fair Housing and Related Services Questions

1 – Describe your organization’s experience providing Fair Housing or eviction defense services. Include a general description of your organization’s strategies, program model, and achievements. (1000 Characters)

2 – Describe your understanding of the expectations related to the provision of Fair Housing services under HUD’s Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) rule and/or supporting communities to develop the Analysis of Impediments (1000 Characters)

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3 – Describe activities in your proposed program model that will raise awareness of Fair Housing issues in Sonoma County including technical training for housing industry representatives and organizations, education and outreach activities geared to the public, and advocacy campaigns. (3000 Characters)

4 – Describe activities and the anticipated impact of components of your proposed program model that will address the requirements for fair housing testing, and enforcement under the AFFH rule. (3000 Characters)

5 – Describe your proposed project’s capacity for Intake of Complaints, and Investigation & Enforcement, including filing lawsuits. (3000 Characters)

6 – Describe the proposed project’s strategy to provide Fair Housing Training for property owners and renters. (3000 Characters)

7 – Describe your strategy for providing counseling for low-income/disabled residents to understand their rights. (3000 Characters)

8 – Sonoma County uses CDBG Funding for Fair Housing services. Federal regulations require that 51% of participants be of low income. What strategy will your organization use to track income eligibility? (3000 Characters)



9 – Describe your proposed strategy to provide educational seminars for residents most vulnerable to housing discrimination or eviction. (3000 Characters)

10 – How will your proposed program help to reduce discriminatory activities against protected classes? (3000 Characters)

11 – What marketing strategies (online or otherwise) will your organization will use to outreach to spread information about the services you propose to offer? (3000 Characters)

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12 – Describe services provided to property owners such as consultation, training, or landlord/tenant mediation services. (3000 Characters)