

PROJECTS FOR ASSISTANCE IN TRANSITION FROM HOMELESSNESS (PATH) APPLICATION

<i>I. Applicant Information</i>	
Organization Name:	
Employer Identification Number (EIN):	
State of Nevada Vendor ID # (if applicable):	
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):	
Medicaid Provider Type:	
Primary Contact:	
Project Title:	
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	
Mailing Address:	
Physical Address(es)*:	

***Note:** If the applicant has more than one location, include all locations that would be providing services under this application, and any other BBHWP subawards. In your application, include information on what services will be provided at each location and, in your budget, what proposed funds will be used at each location.

<i>II. Funding Opportunity Overview</i>	
Funding Agency:	This grant opportunity is made possible by the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) award from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to the State of Nevada. The program is administered by the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH), Bureau of Behavioral Health, Wellness and Prevention (BBHWP).
Budget Period:	This project period will run from September 30, 2025, through September 29, 2026.

Budget Information:	The initial budget should account for expenses from the start of your project through September 29, 2026. Budgets will need to be resubmitted annually for each subsequent year the project is funded, based on need, performance, and the availability of funding.
Background:	<p>The PATH grant program is an initiative led by SAMHSA a branch of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The PATH grant program aims to address the need of services for people with serious mental illness (SMI) experiencing homelessness by providing funding to states to support outreach, screening and diagnostic treatment, habilitation and rehabilitation, community mental health, substance use treatment, referrals for primary health care, job training, educational services, and housing services as specified in Section 522(b)(10) of the Public Health Service Act.</p> <p>Utilizing the FY2025 PATH allotment of \$632,440, the State of Nevada DHHS DPBH BBHWP will request applications from community stakeholders to support the state's efforts to combat homelessness through a multitude of essential services and supports that may not be supported by other federal or state mental health programs.</p>

III. Letter of Intent

Entities interested in applying for funding are asked to submit a short Letter of Intent (LOI) to the Bureau of Behavioral Health, Wellness and Prevention (BBHWP) before submitting the full application. The LOI should include:

- Name of Organization
- Contact Information
- Identify which area(s) of focus your project addresses: Street Outreach and/or Supportive Services
- Project Period Dates
- Estimated Funding Request Amount

Submission Deadline for LOI:	By 11:59 PM PST on Thursday, May 15, 2025
LOI Submission Method:	<p>Please submit here: https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/e9f37292c5b344909e4db315ffe57668</p> <p>The LOI will help the Bureau of Behavioral Health, Wellness and Prevention (BBHWP) to anticipate application volume.</p>

IV. Project Overview

Project Summary:	Provide a brief summary of your project, including the main objectives, target population, and key activities. (200-300 words).

Alignment with BBHWP Priority Areas	Please check the boxes for which priority areas your application will be addressing.
<input type="checkbox"/> Address Homelessness <input type="checkbox"/> Primary Care Integration <input type="checkbox"/> Combat Stigma through Education <input type="checkbox"/> Address Geographical and Access Barriers <input type="checkbox"/> Implement Comprehensive Holistic Care <input type="checkbox"/> Remove Structural Barriers	
Project Timeline:	Please use the Award and Budget Periods outlined above to provide your project's timeline. Provide a detailed timeline of your project, including key milestones and deliverables (300-500 words).

<i>V. Statement of Need</i>	
Data Driven Justification:	Include specific data and evidence that demonstrate the need for your project, focusing on disparities and the demographic characteristics of the population(s) of focus. (500-700 words).
Target Population:	Specify the primary and any secondary populations that your project will serve, including the priority populations listed under "Funding Priorities" in the PATH RFA Announcement (200-300 words).

<i>VI. Project Goals and Objectives</i>	
Project Goals and Objectives:	List the specific goals and objectives of the project using the SMART framework (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Time-bound) (300-500 words).

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Proposed Activities:	Applicants may propose a range of activities related to PATH grant services. Please summarize activities. See "Funding Priorities" in the PATH RFA Announcement for more information (500-700 words).
Evidence-Based Practices (EBPs)	Describe the evidence-based practices that will be used in your project. If applicable, explain any modifications to EBPs and justify the need for such modifications. (300-500 words) Resource: SAMHSA Evidence-Based Practices Resource Center This resource center provides comprehensive guides on EBPs specifically focused on addressing serious mental illness and co-occurring disorders. Applicants are encouraged to consult these guides to ensure their proposed activities align with the latest research and best practices in the field.

VIII. Organizational Capacity

Organization Description:	Provide an overview of your organization, including its history, mission, and experience in addressing the needs of the targeted population of individuals aged 18 and older who are experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of becoming homeless, and who have serious mental illness, or co-occurring mental illness and substance use disorders. (250-400 words)
Staffing and Partnerships:	Describe the key staff who will be involved in the project, their qualifications, and their roles. Include information on any partnerships and how these relationships will enhance project outcomes. (300-500 words)

Previous Experience:	Highlight previous projects similar in scope and complexity to the proposed project. Include any successes and lessons learned.

IX. Budget and Budget Justification

Budget Summary:	Complete the DPBH Budget Template located here https://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/BBHWP/Mental_Health_Programs/PATH_RFA outlining the major categories of expenses (e.g., Personnel, Travel, Supplies, Equipment, Contractual, Other Direct Costs, Indirect Costs). The budget should align with the Award and Budget Periods outlined above.
Funding Map:	<p>Applicants are required to submit a Funding Acknowledgement Form as part of their application. This form will ask you to identify current grant funding. This will help avoid any overlaps in funding for like projects that could lead to supplanting**. This form is located here https://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/BBHWP/Mental_Health_Programs/PATH_RFA.</p> <p>The funding map will also help reviewers understand the full financial landscape of the project and ensure compliance with federal funding requirements.</p> <p>**Note: The use of PATH grant funds to supplant existing state or local funds is strictly prohibited. Supplanting refers to the practice of using federal funds to replace state, local, or institutional funds that would otherwise have been spent on the same purpose. For example:</p> <p>Example 1: If your organization currently funds a serious mental illness counseling program with local or state funds and then shifts to using PATH grant funds to cover those same program costs without maintaining the original funding, this would be considered supplanting. Instead, PATH funds should be used to expand the program, such as increasing the number of counseling sessions, extending services to new populations, or adding new treatment modalities.</p> <p>Example 2 (Staff Time/Level of Effort): Suppose your organization has a staff member who is already dedicated to providing serious mental illness treatment services, funded by state or local resources. If you then use PATH funds to cover the salary of this staff member without increasing their level of effort, responsibilities, or the scope of services provided, this would be considered supplanting. To avoid supplanting, the PATH funds should be used to hire additional staff or increase the current staff member's hours, allowing them to take on new tasks, serve more clients, or expand services in a meaningful way.</p> <p>The key principle is that PATH grant funds should supplement existing programs or services, thereby expanding their scope, reach, or effectiveness, rather than replacing the funds that are already allocated for those purposes. Any shifts in funding must demonstrate that PATH funds are being used to add value, not simply to free up state or local resources for other uses.</p>

Matching Funds:	Describe how your organization will provide the required non-federal contributions, ensuring a minimum match of \$1 for every \$3 in federal PATH funds received.

X. Data Collection and Performance Measurement

Data Collection Plan:	Describe the methods and tools that will be used to collect required data on project activities and outcomes. Include information on how data will be used to monitor progress and make adjustments as needed. (250-400 words)
Performance Measurement:	Detail performance metrics that will be used to evaluate the success of the project. Explain how these metrics align with the project's goals and objectives. (250-400 words)
Quality Improvement:	Outline the processes that will be in place to ensure continuous quality improvement throughout the project. (200-350 words)

XI. Sustainability Plan

Sustainability Strategy:	Describe your plan for sustaining the project's activities and impacts beyond the grant period. Include potential funding sources, community partnerships, and capacity-building efforts. (250-400 words)

Medicaid Funding:	Provide the Medicaid Provider Types (PT) your organization is enrolled in, for what programs, and what reimbursement rate your organization receives for services for each PT, or the last year's average rate. (250-400 words).

XII. Required Attachments

- Resumes of Key Personnel
- Organizational Chart
- Letters of Commitment from Partners
- MOUs/Agreements with Subawardees (if applicable)
- Funding Acknowledgement Form

XIII. Submission Information

Submission Deadline:	By 11:59pm PST on Sunday, June 15, 2025
Submission Method:	<p>Applications must be submitted here: https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/e269d7c7fabd4efc8cde5d1a2ebf7709</p> <p>Late applications are not guaranteed funding during this budget period. However, they may be considered for inclusion in an application pool for potential funding opportunities at a later time, subject to the availability of funds and the priorities of the program.</p>
Questions:	<p>Questions may be submitted here https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/e7a5099676d740138245abc880cd6990 until Friday, May 23, 2025.</p> <p>All questions will be answered directly and posted to the PATH RFA Announcement webpage here https://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/BBHWP/Mental_Health_Programs/PATH_RFA by Friday, May 30, 2025.</p>

XIV. Scoring Rubric

Project Overview (10 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarity and Conciseness (5 points): Is the project summary clear, concise, and well-articulated? Does it include the main objectives, target population, and key activities? • Alignment with PATH Goals (5 points): Does the project align with the overall goals of the PATH program, particularly in addressing the need of services for people with serious mental illness (SMI) experiencing homelessness.
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Statement of Need (10 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data-Driven Justification (5 points): Does the statement of need effectively use data and evidence to demonstrate the urgency and significance of the problem? Is there a clear focus on health disparities and demographic characteristics of the population of focus? • Relevance to Priority Populations (5 points): Does the application focus on one or more of the priority populations outlined in the RFA (e.g., SMI, Veterans, rural communities, etc.)?
Project Goals and Objectives (15 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMART Criteria (15 points): Are the project goals and objectives Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Time-bound? Are they directly related to addressing the needs identified?
Proposed Activities (20 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensiveness and Relevance (10 points): Are the proposed activities comprehensive and relevant to the needs identified? Do they effectively address the need of services for people with serious mental illness (SMI) experiencing homelessness? • Evidence-Based Practices (10 points): Does the project propose the use of evidence-based practices? Are any modifications to these practices well-justified?
Organizational Capacity (10 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience and Expertise (5 points): Does the organization have a strong history and experience in addressing similar public and behavioral health issues, particularly related to services for people with serious mental illness (SMI) experiencing homelessness? Does the organization have at least two years of experience providing relevant services? • Staffing and Partnerships (5 points): Are key staff well-qualified? Does the application include meaningful partnerships that enhance the likelihood of project success?
Budget and Budget Justification (15 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Alignment (5 points): Is the budget reasonable and well-aligned with the proposed activities and objectives? Does it avoid supplanting existing funds? • Funding Map (5 points): Does the funding map clearly illustrate the financial landscape of the project? Is there a clear demonstration that PATH funds will supplement rather than replace existing resources? • Matching Funds (5 points): Does the organization have a plan to meet the required federal match.
Data Collection and Performance Measurement (10 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Collection and Performance Measurement (5 points): Does the project align with the PATH data collection requirements? • Quality Improvement (5 points): Is there a plan to continuously improve the quality of programming?

Sustainability Plan (10 points)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainability Strategy (10 points): Does the applicant provide a realistic and well-thought-out plan for sustaining the project's activities and impacts beyond the grant period? Are potential funding sources and community partnerships identified?
Total: 100 points	
Scoring Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bonus Points (5 points): Applications that demonstrate exceptional innovation, address multiple priority populations or BBHWP priority area, or propose unique partnerships can earn up to 5 bonus points. • Minimum Score Threshold: To be considered for funding, applications must score at least 70 out of 100 points.
<i>This rubric ensures that applications are evaluated based on their alignment with the PATH program's goals, the quality of the proposed interventions, organizational capacity, and the likelihood of sustaining the project's impact over time.</i>	

The Bureau reserves the right to reject any application upon initial review, if the required minimum qualifications are not included in the application.