

All Project Types

1. 1:1 matching funding is strongly recommended but no longer required under this Call for Proposals (this RFQ/RFP process).
2. Applications will be accepted with scanned specimen and declaration signatures, ink-on-paper signatures for applications are not required.

Housing First Only

3. Under this CFP the EHF funding is no longer limited to a maximum of up to 4 months and does not require confirmation of bridging to another program.
4. EHF specific update:

EHF funding is aligned with BC Housing's Homeless Outreach rental supplement program. EHF funding is no longer tied to the 4-month limit. Organizations awarded HPS funds that include EHF must have a policy to ensure EHF funds are used in accordance with the following criteria:

- You will be required to develop policies for EHF delivery for your organization and submit for review to HPS CE. If you have a Homeless Outreach Program (HOP) agreement with BC Housing, you may use these existing policies for EHF.
- EHF cannot be used in combination with any other rent supplement programs, to avoid stacking.
- You must have an EHF exit strategy for all clients receiving EHF that must commence 6 to 12 months prior to the end of your HPS contract.
- EHF can be used for Housing First eligible clients trying to access further income supports, including employment income.
- Clients must contribute 30% of their income to rent; or the shelter component if receiving Income Assistance.
- EHF cannot be used to fund 100% of a client's rent.
- EHF payments are for rent only and must be provided directly to landlord and/or Property Management Company - not to the client. (Other client costs such as security deposits, apartment set-up costs, tenant insurance, etc., are covered elsewhere in your budget – see General Guide I.)
- EHF may be provided up to a maximum of one year per client, except in exceptional circumstances approved by the HPS CE.
- EHF may be provided up to a maximum of \$450 per month per client. (In the budget line for EHF, write the overall amount of EHF funds requested and the anticipated number of clients you expect to serve within the allowable amounts.)

French Translation to come shortly