

NOTICE

Greater Vancouver Regional Steering Committee on Homelessness

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

**For 2011-2014 Funding
Under the Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS)
Deadline for submissions: Wednesday, December 21, 2011 by 4:00 pm**

In partnership with the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD), the Greater Vancouver Regional Steering Committee on Homelessness (RSCH) invites eligible organizations operating in the Metro Vancouver region to submit service and community/partnership development project proposals to be considered for Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) funding.

Successful applicants will be required to complete their projects by March 31, 2014.

In November 2010, the Government of Canada announced a three-year extension of the Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) program at current funding levels until March 31, 2014. Funding for the Metro Vancouver region is approximately \$8.2 million per year, for a three-year total of approximately \$24.6 million.

As the Community Advisory Board for the Metro Vancouver region, the RSCH is responsible for recommending HPS projects to the GVRD for funding.

In February 2011, the RSCH recommended that the contribution agreements of existing HPS service projects that were funded to March 31, 2011 be extended for another year to ensure that there were no gaps in services to people who are homeless and at risk of homelessness in the Metro Vancouver region.

In partnership with the GVRD, approximately \$12 million of the region's HPS funding allocation will be considered in this Call for Proposals to continue the following services to and on behalf of people who are homeless and at risk of homelessness between April 1, 2012 and March 31, 2014:

- o transitional and supportive housing services;
- o emergency shelter services;
- o mental health and addiction services;
- o outreach services;
- o prevention services;
- o services to underserved populations such as Aboriginals, youth, women, seniors and official language minority communities; and
- o community/partnership development initiatives.

Another Call for Proposals will be issued in early 2012 for capital investments across the Metro Vancouver region.

Full submission requirements and instructions are included in the attached *Application Guide*.

If you have questions about this Call for Proposals please contact:

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