

Q&A for Webinar on 2/11/2026: Rental Housing Support Program (RHSP)

Re-Entry Local Administering Agency (LAA) Application

Administered by the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA)

Please note:

1. The January 15th and February 11th webinar materials, including this document, are posted online on the Program application's informational webpage at:
<https://www.ihda.org/rental-housing-main/rhsrp/#rhs-re-entry-rfp>
 2. Questions can also be emailed to RHSP@ihda.org.
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- 1. This will be our first time applying for this opportunity; is there a requirement for how many units we're supposed to have with landlords?**
 - a. You must apply for a minimum of 10 units. Units are intended for a single household occupancy and are not intended to be shared by program participants. The units can be owned by the same or different individuals/entities. Up to 50% of units can be subsidized in buildings with more than 25 units.
 - b. You do not need to have participating or identified units at the time of application. If your application is approved, you will be required to supply landlord rental agreements during the program.
- 2. Is there additional training that we can get in regards to this program?**
 - a. Yes; when you submit the application, if you receive an award, you will go through training to operate the program. That is something IHDA can help you with.
- 3. When we do the application, is it self-explanatory or does it guide you?**
 - a. The application is self-explanatory. There will be requests to attach organizational documents. If you have questions about how to acquire these documents or about other matters, you can contact us at RHSP@ihda.org.
 - b. As an internal test, it took IHDA staff roughly 90 minutes-2 hours to complete the Jotform. Additional time would be applicable to be submitting all the required exhibits and attachments you would need; that's where you're going to spend the majority of your time.
 - c. There are seven sections in the application that will require responses, which follow an initial informational section that provides details and the scoring guide.

- 4. Are you awarding to specific types of institutions? I'm working with an organization that serves the re-entry community with mental health and substance abuse, and they help with housing, but they're considered a social service agency. I'm not familiar with the term "Local Administering Agency."**
- a. Local Administering Agency is what our awardees are called. The only qualifiers to become an LAA are that your organization is a unit of local government, local housing authority or nonprofit. As long as you're one of those types of organizations, you may be eligible to apply. Once you receive an award, you become a Local Administering Agency.