

## MEMO

**TO:** Emergency and Affordable Housing Providers and Advocates  
**FROM:** The Department for Children & Families Housing Team  
**DATE:** August 27, 2015  
**RE:** Alternative Approaches to General Assistance Emergency Housing; FY15 Data, FY16 Letter of Intent and Available Funding

In preparation for communities to consider alternative approaches to the current General Assistance Temporary Housing Program's use of motels during State Fiscal Year 2016, DCF has prepared the following along with this memo:

1. Unduplicated numbers of individuals and households with children, by district, served by the General Assistance Temporary Housing Program in State Fiscal Year 2015. This includes the reason a household was found eligible for assistance, and disclosure of domestic violence, cold weather exception, *etc.* Additional household level data is available upon request and will be sent directly to local Continua of Care under a separate memo.
2. A preliminary overview of funding available from the current budget for General Assistance community-based proposals, based on district and population serviced during State Fiscal Year 2015.
3. Guidelines for community partners to submit a letter of intent.

The DCF Housing Team will be hosting a webinar on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 1pm to discuss this memo and the attachments in greater detail and to ask questions. The webinar will be recorded for later viewing. Please register for the webinar here:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4080742117751903746>.





If any of this information still leaves you with questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to a member of the DCF Housing Team.

Thank You,  
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