

# Day 1 Families Fund

NC BoS CoC Regional RFP Webinar

July 18, 2024

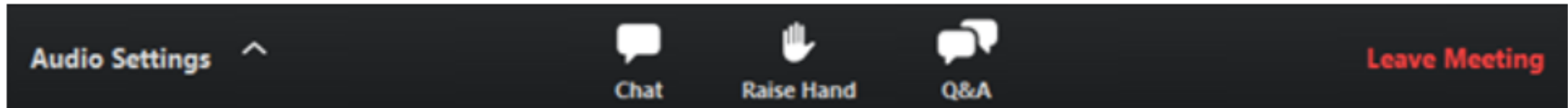


**NC COALITION** to  
**HOMELESSNESS** end

# Zoom Webinar

\*Attendees will be muted throughout the webinar

If you'd like to come off mute to ask a question



↑  
Change speaker and other audio settings

↑  
Type messages to the host & attendees

↑  
Type your questions throughout the presentation



NCCEH

# Agenda

❖ Day 1 Families Fund Background

❖ Program Overview

❖ Eligibility

❖ Approach & Interventions

❖ Expenses

❖ Regional RFP Overview

❖ RFP Timeline

❖ Q & A



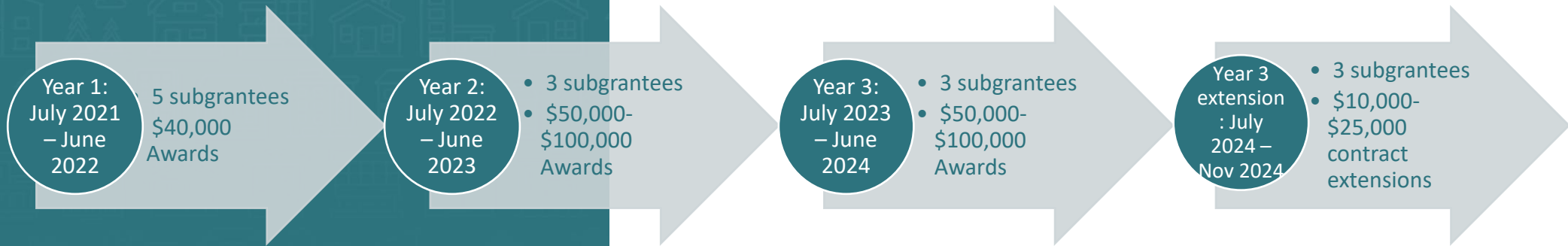
# Day 1 Families Fund Background

# Bezos Day 1 Families Fund

The Day 1 Families Fund issues annual leadership awards to organizations & civic groups doing compassionate, needle-moving work to support the immediate needs of young families. The vision statement comes from the inspiring Mary's Place in Seattle: **no child sleeps outside.**

NCCEH received \$1.25 million in 2020

- 5-year grant (2021 – 2026)
- \$250,000 to advance strategies to end family homelessness
- \$1,000,000 re-granted by NCCEH to organizations pursuing solutions to family homelessness



NCCEH

# NCCEH D1FF Program Overview

- The program's purpose is to expand the scope of financial supports available to families experiencing homelessness throughout North Carolina.
- NCCEH provides agencies funding to fill gaps in the current diversion & rapid rehousing system to enhance the community's response to ending family homelessness.

**Diversion:** Identify immediate safe housing rather than entering a facility-based shelter

**Goal:** 600 families served over 5 years

**Rapid Rehousing:** Housing identification, move-in & rent assistance, & housing stabilization

**Goal:** 200 families served over 5 years



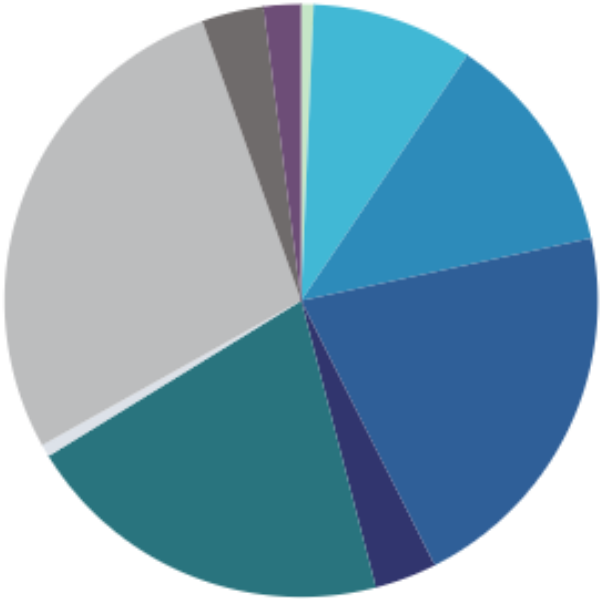
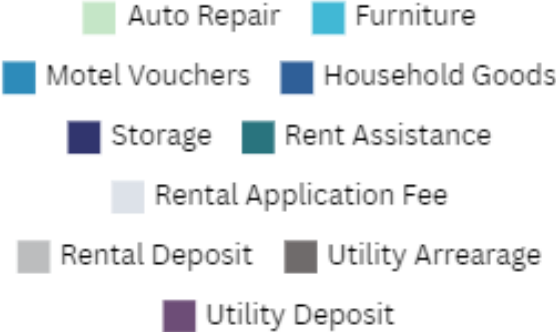
# 2023 – 2024 Progress Report

## Services Provided

**78** families served  
**19** diverted from facility-based shelters  
**59** rapidly rehoused



An average of  
**\$1,986.64**  
was spent per household.



# 2023 – 2024 Progress Report

## Housing Outcomes

### At entry –

- 51 households (65%) resided in an emergency shelter
- 27 (35%) unsheltered

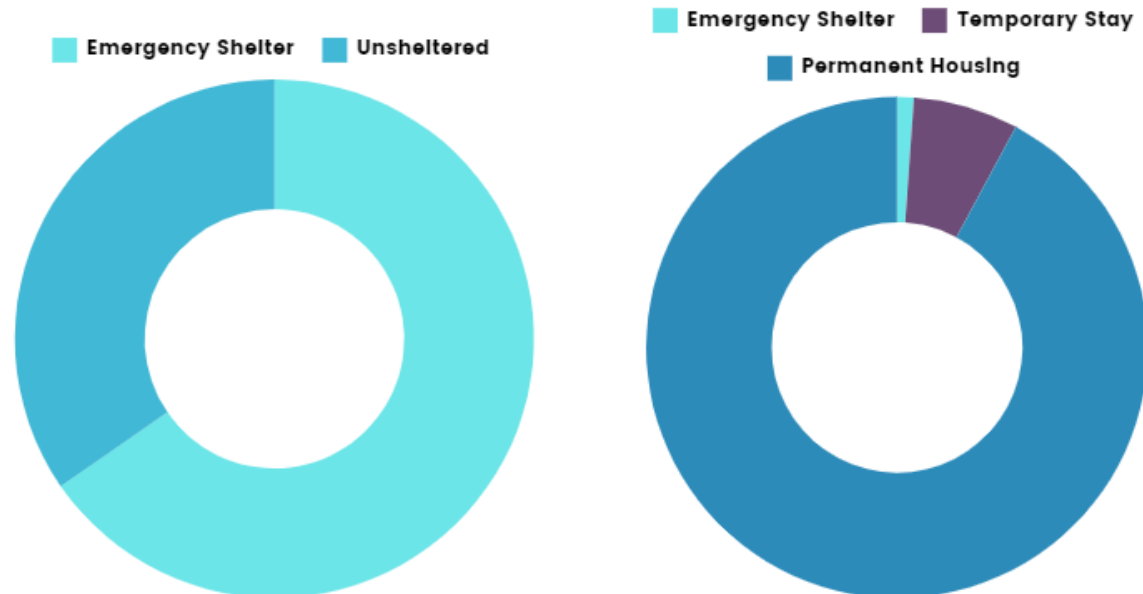
### At exit –

- 92% permanent housing (either their own rental or a rental with a subsidy).
- 7% temporary housing (hotel or family & friends)
- 1% emergency shelter

**Entry**



**Exit**



**Average days  
enrolled**







# Program Overview

# Eligibility

Who can we assist?



**NC COALITION** to  
**HOMELESSNESS** end



## Family –

A household consisting of at least one adult & one child under the age of 18 or a dependent adult child (has a physical or mental impairment that restricts the individual's ability to carry out normal activities).



## Homeless –

**Category 1:** a family who lacks a fixed, regular, & adequate nighttime residence, meaning: (i) an individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground; (ii) an individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, & hotels & motels paid for by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or (iii) an individual who exits an institution where he/she resided for 90 days or less & who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution;

**OR**

**Category 4:** a family who: is experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to, or fleeing or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous, traumatic, or life-threatening conditions related to the violence against the individual or a family member in the individual's or family's current housing situation, including where the health & safety of children are jeopardized; has no other safe residence; **and** lacks the resources to obtain other safe permanent housing (24 CFR 578.3).



**NCCEH**

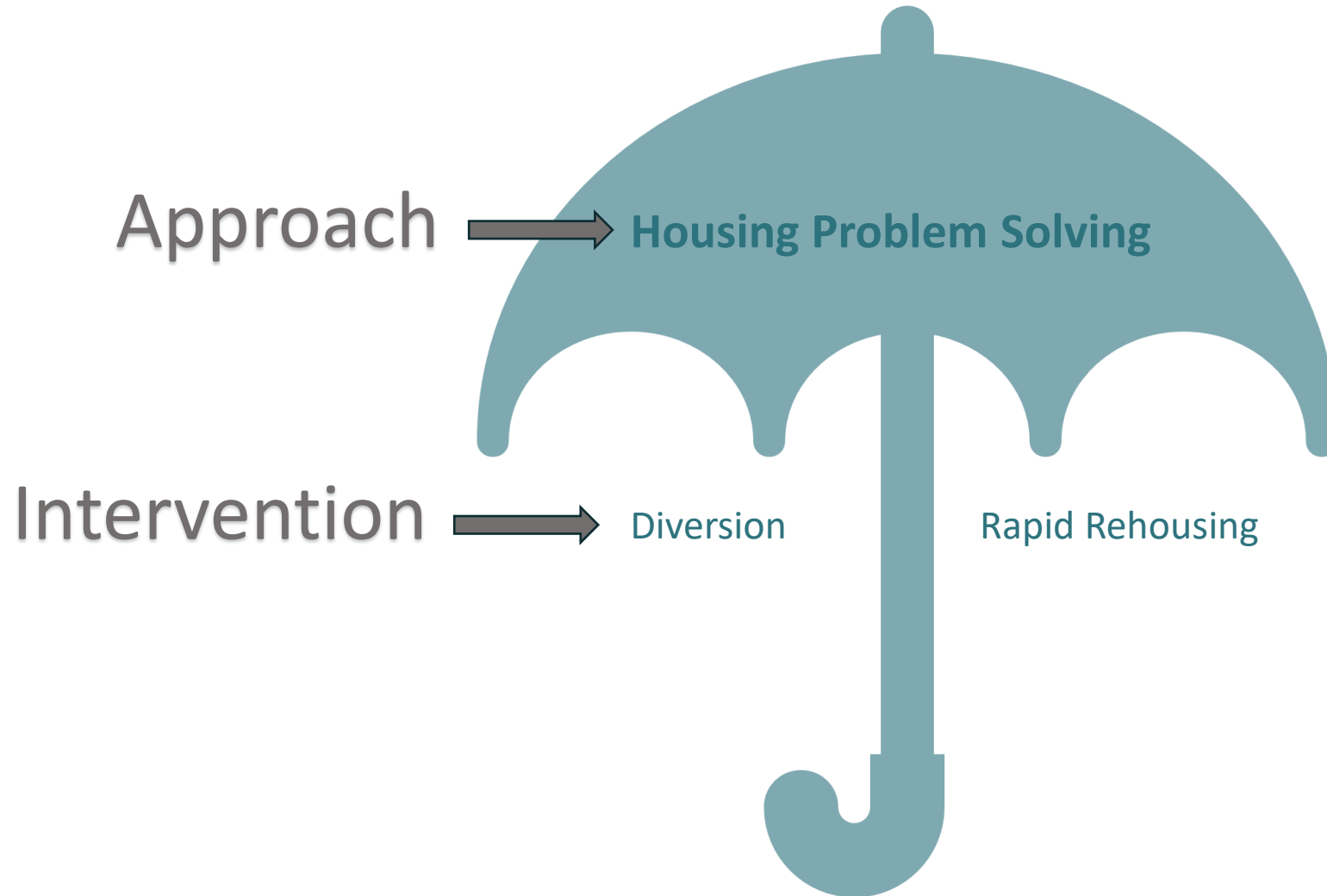
# Approach & Interventions

How can we assist?



**NC COALITION** to  
**HOMELESSNESS** end

# Approach versus Intervention



# Approach: Housing Problem Solving

strength-based, empathetic response to all work with those experiencing a housing crisis.



Providing an empathetic response – letting them know that they are valued, & that we care



Communicating that we are here to support and partner with them



Returning decision-making to the client



Accessing their strengths, skills & connections



Helping them choose which short &/or long-term housing option is best for them

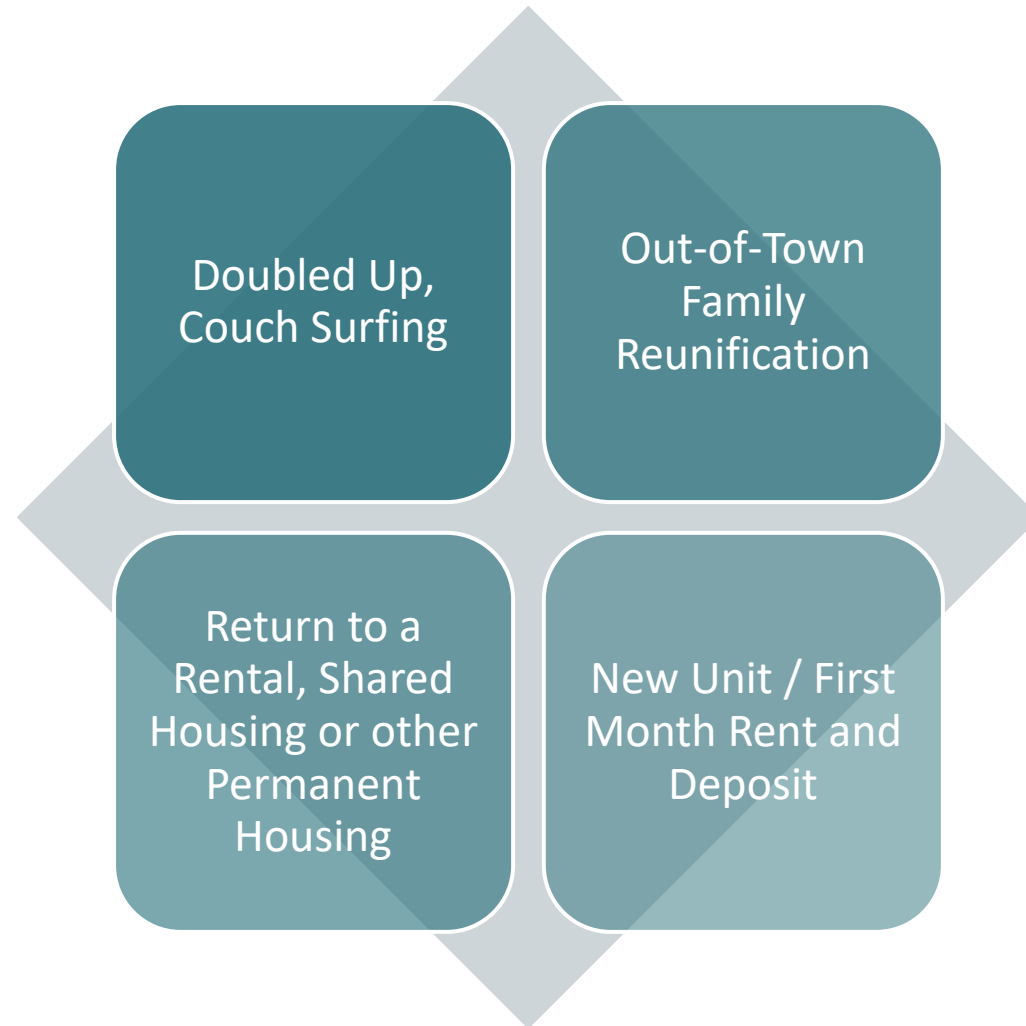
# HPS Steps

HPS is an approach to conversations and interactions with households facing a housing crisis. Sessions often include:

1. Introductions
2. Active & Empathetic Listening
3. Exploring Strengths, Networks, and Skills
4. Short and/or Long Term Housing Options
5. Next Steps and Follow-up



# HPS Housing Outcomes





# Interventions



## Diversion

**immediately addresses the needs** of a household that has just lost their housing & become homeless to find **safe, alternative housing**, rather than entering facility-based shelter or experiencing unsheltered homelessness.



## Rapid Rehousing

**helps households quickly exit homelessness**, return to housing in the community, & not become homeless again in the near term. The core components of a rapid rehousing program are housing identification, move-in & rent assistance, along with housing stabilization services.



# Eligible Expenses

What can we pay for to assist?



**NC COALITION** to  
**HOMELESSNESS** end

# Purpose of Funding

- Supplement assistance from other public & private sources available to the community
- Address gaps in resources required to divert or quickly rehouse families from homelessness
- Increase the chances for families with significant barriers & unique situations to find safe, affordable, permanent housing & sustain that housing long-term



# Eligible Expenses

Expenditures **up to \$2,500 per household** include:

- Landlord incentives
- Transportation –
  - Moving truck rental
  - To & from housing appointments
  - Relocation to another community where there is a confirmed housing opportunity
- Essential household items (i.e. cleaning supplies, furniture, etc.)
- Short-term hotel/motel stays (7 days or less) if no other funds are available through FEMA or ESG
- Childcare
- Car repairs
- Rent arrears (used after 6 months used through ESG)
- Utility arrears (used after 6 months used through ESG – when impacts ability to establish service)
- Storage unit (max 3 months)
- Employment services/background checks/work supplies
- Reimbursement to landlord/property owner for damages, repairs, vacancy payments
- Security deposits (up to 2 months' rent)
- Pet deposits/one-time pet fees
- First month's rent
- Documentation expense (ID, Green Card, SSC, school records, etc.)
- Other items approved by NCCEH staff



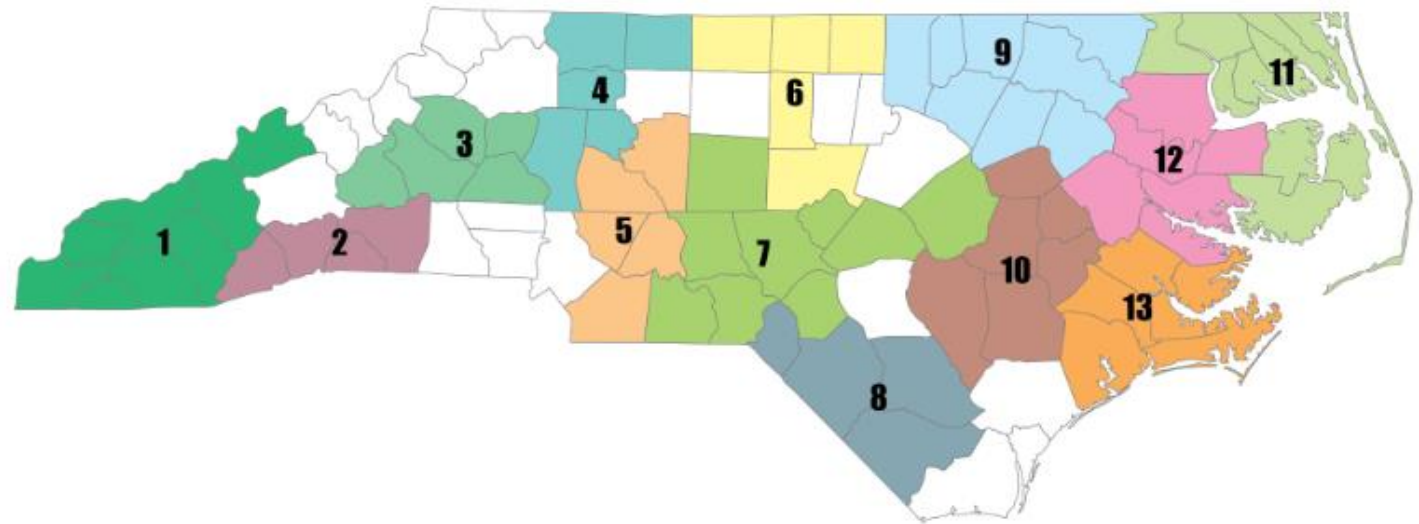


# NC BoS Regional Request for Proposals (RFP)

# Regional RFP Overview

- Every NC BoS Regional Committee is eligible to apply
- 2 – 4 NC BoS CoC regions awarded
- \$100,000 - \$200,000 disbursement grant per region
- 18-month grant cycle: January 2025 – June 2026

Balance of State CoC  
Regional Committees



# D1FF shift from a single agency to a Regional Approach

- The effectiveness of HPS is difficult to measure – a regional approach allows the data tracked to be more informative & create more holistic results.
- D1FF does not fund supportive services only financial assistance – agencies will take on less case management when spread across multiple partners.
- Increased access to funding across agencies & for households seeking assistance.
- Allows scaling HPS approaches across the NC BoS CoC.

# Regional RFP Overview

Regional Committees will submit a collaborative application on behalf of its partnering agencies. The application will:

- Designate an **oversight agency** to administer the awarded funds & ensure data quality in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- Identify **key providers** committed to use housing problem-solving approaches
- Plan to **engage non-housing partners**
- Outline the **referral process & CE Integration** plan
- **Partner with people with lived expertise (PLE)** of homelessness





# Oversight Agency Roles & Responsibilities



Attend in-person training session & participate in ongoing TA



Assist households with HPS and provide financial support, as needed



Track households served & funds spent in HMIS



Submit interim & final reports to NCCEH



# Regional Partner Roles & Responsibilities



Sign Partner Agreement Form



Attend in-person training session & participate in ongoing TA



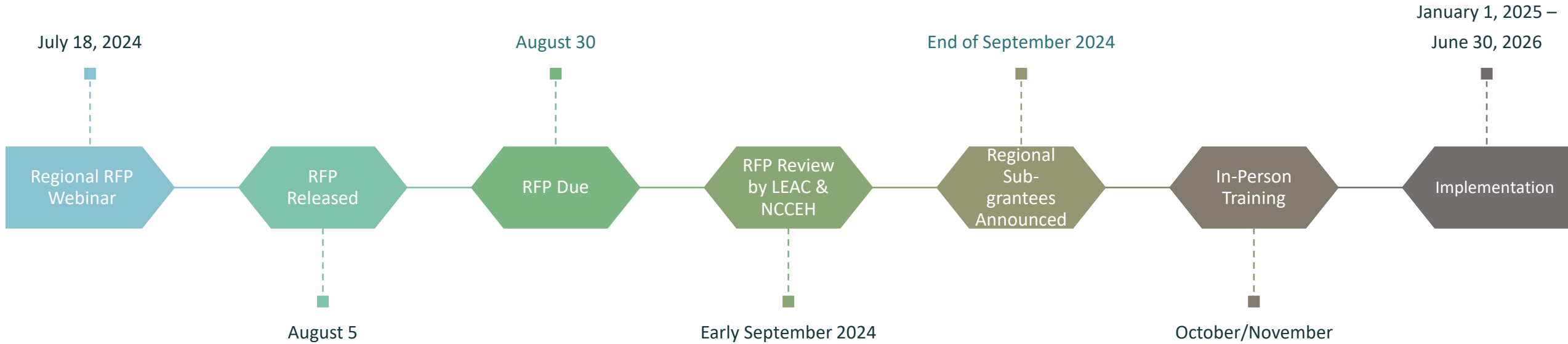
Refer households to the oversight agency & collaborate to provide appropriate services



Provide insight for interim & final reports



# Regional RFP Timeline



# Regional Committees should prepare for the RFP Release

- Include as an agenda item at the next Regional Committee meeting
- Take inventory of existing programs to strategize how these funds will compliment them
- Begin conversations with potential Oversight Agencies
- Begin conversations & get commitments from partner agencies
- Plan the referral process
- Intentionally involve people with lived experience of homelessness



# Questions



NCCEH

## Contact NCCEH

hello@ncceh.org

919.755.4393

NCEndHomelessness 

@NCHomelessness 

nc\_end\_homelessness 

## Contact NC Balance of State CoC Staff

bos@ncceh.org

919.755.4393

## Contact Allie Card, Project Specialist

allie.card@ncceh.org

919.755.4393 x5004



NCCEH