PUBLIC NOTICE SOUTH TEXAS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

SOUTH TEXAS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL(RFP) 25-01.02.03. FOR HIV CARE AND SERVICES

The South Texas Development Council (STDC) is announcing the release of the FY2025 South Texas Request for Proposal (RFP) to seek proposals from eligible entities for the provision of Ryan White/State Services HIV Care and Services & Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) which helps People Living with HIV (PLWH) access comprehensive healthcare, adhere to HIV treatment, and achieve viral suppression.

Eligible services to be provided under Ryan White and State Services include comprehensive outpatient health, core services and support services for individuals living with HIV. Standards of Care are located at https://www.dshs.texas.gov/hivstd/contractor/hivservices.

HOPWA is to help eligible PLWH, and their households establish or maintain affordable housing, reduce the risk of homelessness, and improve their access to health care and supportive services. The program activities authorized are found at https://www.dshs.texas.gov/hivstd/hopwa.

This RFP process is open to interested applicants within the HIV Service Delivery Areas (HSDAs) servicing the counties specified below.

- Brownsville HSDA: Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy.
- <u>Corpus Christi HSDA</u>: Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, McMullen, Nueces, Refugio and San Patricio.
- <u>Laredo HSDA</u>: Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb and Zapata.

The RFP will be released to interested applicants on September 30, 2024. On the release date, the RFP and all accompanying documents will be made available for download on the Texas Smart Buy website for Electronic State Business Daily (ESBD) Solicitations at https://www.txsmartbuy.gov/esbd. Complete details are included in the package. Interested applicants planning to submit a response to the RFP must submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) no later than 5:00 PM (CST) on October 21, 2024. STDC will facilitate an RFP conference at 1216 Santa Maria Avenue in Laredo, Texas on October 22, 2024, at 2:00 PM CST which will also have virtual accessibility. The sole Point of Contact (POC) for the purpose of submitting questions relating to this RFP is:

Maribel Rodriguez, Program Manager South Texas Development Council Ryan White Administrative Agency 1216 Santa Maria Ave. Laredo, Texas 78040 Phone: (956) 722-3995 Ext. 117 Email: mrodriguez@stdc.cog.tx.us RE: South Texas RFP No. 25-01.02.03.

Interested applicants must complete and submit RFP proposals to the South Texas Development Council by 4:00 PM (CST) on December 5, 2024, for consideration. There are no exceptions to this deadline. STDC reserves the right to alter, amend or withdraw this RFP at any time prior to the due date.