



AUGUST 2023

PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR CO-WORKERS & COLLEAGUES



WHAT'S NEW

SAVE THE DATE



The following tracks are planned for this years Summit:

Government Affairs
Homelessness
Supportive/Affordable Housing
Professional Development & Capacity Building
Peer Leadership & Development

Do you have a session that you would like to recommend or present please submit your ideas to David Esposito at d.esposito@shpa-il.org.

Would you like to sponsor or know someone who would be interested in sponsoring the 2023 Supportive Housing Summit click [HERE](#) for sponsorship opportunities.



SHPAdvocacy:

SHPA attended the Governor's signing of [HB2831](#) the bill that makes permanent Governor's Pritzker's Executive Order creating the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness. Community Advisory Council, Office of to Prevent & End Homelessness and the position of State Homelessness Chief.



SHPA extends a special THANK YOU, to Representative Lindsey LaPointe for introducing the bill in the House and Senate Sponsor Senator Adriane Johnson. HB2831 passed both chambers with overwhelming bi-partisan support.

SHPA is already working on next year's Legislative & Budget Priorities do you have any priorities that you want SHPA to consider please submit them to Jeff Metzger, Director of Government Affairs at j.metzger@shpa-il.org.



Watch this space for an exciting new opportunity for you to get involved in SHPA advocacy activities.



SHOW YOUR WORK
"If It is Not Documented, It Didn't Happen"
Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 10:00a CDT
[REGISTER HERE](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Dimensions of Quality through the Coordinated Lens
Tuesday, August 15, 2023, 1:00 PM CDT
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Facing Grief and Loss
Tuesday, August 22, 2023, 1:00 PM CDT
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Statewide Referral Network: Basic End User Training

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 @ 1:00p CDT
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Implementing the Housing First Model
Tuesday, September 19, 2023 @ 1:00p CDT
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[CLICK HERE FOR TRAINING DESCRIPTIONS](#)



[IDHS Stakeholder Newsletter - July 2023](#)

Technical Assistance Resources:

Fiscal & Administrative Review Assistance for IDHS Providers

Payment Overview

Fiscal & Administrative Review Assistance for IDHS Providers

IDHS disburses funds to organizations in accordance with the payment method specified in the Uniform Grant Agreement. The following types of payment methods may be utilized:

- **Advance payments** are made in advance of actual grant expenditures. The amount and timing of the advance payment is dependent on the immediate cash requirements of your organization to execute the grant purpose
- **Reimbursement payments** are made only after incurring specific expenditures and submitting supporting documentation to IDHS
- **Working capital advance payments** are made in advance to cover your organization's initial disbursement needs. After the payment, the reimbursement method typically will be used for subsequent payments

Modifications to Your Award and Budget Revisions

- The total award amount of a grant is subject to availability of funding. It may increase at any time during the period of performance by mutual agreement of both parties. It may be decreased by IDHS during the period of performance. IDHS will provide written notification to your organization in either case
- Approved by IDHS, your organization's budget summarizes the planned expenditures for your project(s) based on the amount awarded by IDHS
- Your organization is required to submit a budget modification request for approval to IDHS if the proposed changes exceed 10% or \$1,000 of a single expense category

Grantee reminders:

1. Return unspent grant funds to IDHS within forty-five (45) days from completion of the period of performance
2. Submit requests for reimbursement payments to IDHS either within 15 days of the month or quarter end or in accordance with the due date outlined in Exhibit C of the Uniform Grant Agreement
3. Maintain advance payment amounts in an insured and interest-bearing account
4. Become familiar with the payment terms in your award

For more information and technical assistance on fiscal and administrative questions, [click here](#) to visit our website.

We are excited to share that the new page for grantee training and technical assistance is now available on the IDHS website. From the link below, you can access all one-page technical assistance documents as well as video recordings of PowerPoint training presentations.

[IDHS: Post-Award Requirements and Resources \(state.il.us\)](#)



IHDA RELEASES PSH & H3C RFA – ROUND X

- [PSH Round X + H3C RFA](#)
- [PSH H3C RFA Informational Webinar Slide Deck](#)
- [H3C Scoring Rubric](#)

IHDA PSH & H3C RFA Informational Webinar

Tuesday, August 8 – 11:00a

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

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FEDERAL NEWS

FY 2023 Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Availability Due September 28, 2023 at 8:00 PM EDT

HUD's Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) posted last week the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care (CoC) Competition and the renewal replacement of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP) grants under [Funding Opportunities](#) on HUD.gov. Additional resources will be available on [CoC Program Competition](#) on HUD.gov.

The CoC Application, CoC Priority Listing, and Project Applications should be available in *e-snaps* this month. Collaborative Applicants and project applicants will be able to access the applications to review, update, and enter required information for the application process. **All communities are encouraged to apply for the NOFO published on [grants.gov](#) by the submission deadline of September 28, 2023, at 8:00 PM EDT.**

HUD Exchange:

- [FY 2023 Continuum of Care Notice of Funding Availability Due September 28, 2023 at 8:00 PM EDT](#)
- [FY 2023 CoC Program Competition Update - July 28, 2023](#)
- [Resource Digest for Homeless Providers – August 1, 2023](#)
- [CoC Supplemental to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness \(Special NOFO\) HMIS Project Setup Guidance Now Available](#)
- [CDBG-DR and CDBG-MIT August 2023 Reports Now Posted](#)
- [FY 2023 CDBG Low Mod Income Summary Data Available](#)
- [Register Today: Our Places of Impact CoP: Understanding the Methods and Models Behind Effective Community Engagement – August 9, 2023 – 1:00 PM EDT](#)
- [CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report Now Available](#)
- [NSP Monthly Financial Update Report for August 2023 Now Available](#)
- [HOME-ARP NCS Eligible Costs Handout Now Available](#)
- [Apply for the Veterans Housing Rehabilitation and Modification Pilot Program](#)



“The Peer Newsletter Vol. 2 Qt. 2, covers the Peer Leadership Development Workshop, which was held in different regions across the state, the recent HOME Illinois Summit from the Office to Prevent and End Homelessness, along with an article written by one of our Peers promoting the upcoming Peer Leadership Conference. Included is also a new resident spotlight and other announcements.”

<https://mailchi.mp/a8cc03429846/shpa-peer-leadership-newsletter-2nd-quarter-12691536>

[Supportive Housing Providers Association - YouTube](#)



MOTIVATIONAL MOMENT

“There's two possible outcomes: if the result confirms the hypothesis, then you've made a discovery. If the result is contrary to the hypothesis, then you've made a discovery.” [Enrico Fermi](#)

OAT and OUTCOMES

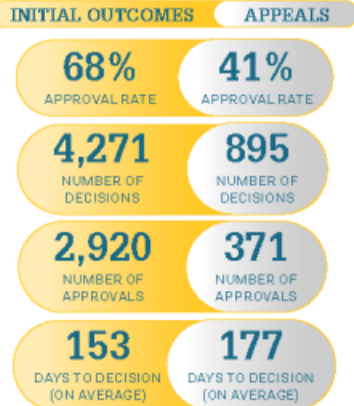
As singer/songwriter Kenny Loggins sang, “This is It! Make no mistakes where you are!” August 4, 2023, we close out the Annual OAT Data Collection for SOAR Case Managers for the reporting period of July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023.

First and foremost, thanks to all that have inquired about the Data Collection process and participated in updating those pending applications in OAT. SOAR is beneficial to so many that are in need of connecting to mainstream benefits (i.e., SSI/SSDI) to end their crisis. According to SAMHSA (2022), In 2022 alone, there were 2,920 approvals on initial applications. Decisions on SOAR initial applications were received in an average of 153 days with an allowance rate of 68 percent. (SAMHSA, 2022)

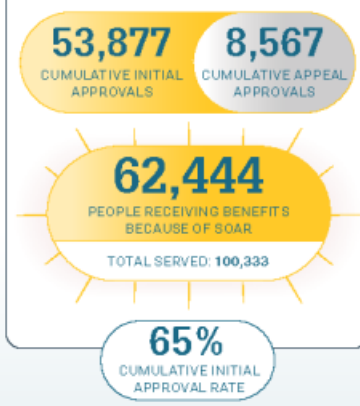


National SOAR Outcomes 2022

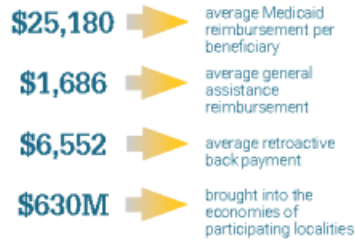
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CUMULATIVE OUTCOMES

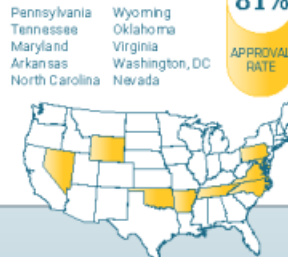


FINANCIAL OUTCOMES



TOP STATES

TOP 10 STATES*



The SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) Technical Assistance (TA) Center is funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). SOAR is a national program designed to increase access to the disability income benefit programs administered by the Social Security Administration (SSA) for eligible adults and children who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and have a serious mental illness, medical impairment, and/or a co-occurring substance use disorder.

Contact SOAR: soar@praip.com | (518) 439-7415 x2 | soarworks.samhsa.gov

*Inclusion: Highest cumulative approval rates on initial application for states with at least 300 cumulative decisions, at least 24 decisions in 2022 (2 per month), and a 2022 approval rate at or above the national average. Combined these states had 20,551 decisions.

References: SAMHSA SOAR (2022), 2022 SOAR Outcomes <https://soarworks.samhsa.gov/article/2022-national-soar-outcomes>

WHAT SSA WANTS YOU TO KNOW...

Enhanced Representative Availability Process Enrollment

the Enhanced Representative Availability Process, or ERAP, allowing appointed representatives to submit monthly availability for hearings before Administrative Law Judges.

Many representatives have already enrolled in the new process, and we've gotten great feedback! For those of you who have not yet enrolled, it's easy to get started

You can learn about the new process and how to get started on our [Hearings and Appeals Enhanced Representative Availability Process \(ERAP\)](#) page.

Enroll in ERAP as soon as possible. Availability submissions for March 2024, due by October 1, 2023, must be ERAP compliant and will only be accepted from enrolled representatives.

To submit availability for March 2024, you must complete the ERAP enrollment process no later than September 8, 2023. That allows us adequate time to process your enrollment request.

If you are not enrolled by September 8th, you will not be able to submit availability for March 2024 and we will assume you are fully available for scheduling. You can still enroll in ERAP after that time and begin submitting once we have processed your request.

We will continue to offer information sessions via MS Teams about the new process, throughout August 2023. If you have questions or would like to sign up for an information session, please call the ELU at 1-866-964-1714 or send an email to oho.nsd.nss.elu.general.inquiries@ssa.gov.

If you are seeking to increase your knowledge on SSA policies and procedures, please check out:

[A Guide to Supplemental Security Income \(SSI\) for Groups and Organizations](#)

(<https://www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-11015.pdf>)

The public's knowledge about "Social Security" varies from the common person that knows very little about it to the advocates and experts like yourselves, that are familiar with our policies and procedures.

OTHER NEWS & RESOURCES:

HOUSING SEARCH?

- [Illinois Housing Search](#)
- [State Referral Network](#)
- [SHPA Interactive Supportive Housing Map](#)

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:



- [HomeFront News: What's happening across the country in supportive housing...](#)



CHICAGO REHAB NETWORK

- [EMPOWERMENT SERIES 2023-2024](#) - Registration for the 2023-2024 Community Empowerment Workshop Series is OPEN!

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