

FY 2026 Basic Center Program



Closing: August 17, 2026

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Award

\$27,000,000 Program Funding
77 Expected awards
\$100,000

Award Minimum

\$350,000

Award Maximum

Funding opportunity number:

HHS-2026-ACF-ACYF-CY-0016

Cost sharing or matching requirement:

Yes

Funding instrument type:

Grant

Opportunity Category:

Discretionary

Opportunity Category Explanation:

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Category of Funding Activity:

Income security and social services

Category Explanation:

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Description

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The Basic Center Program (BCP) provides temporary, emergency shelter; and counseling services to youth who have left home without permission of their parents or guardians, have been forced to leave home, or other homeless youth who might otherwise end up in the law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. BCPs work to establish or strengthen community-based programs that meet the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth and their families. BCPs provide youth under 18 years of age with food, clothing, counseling and referrals for health care. BCPs can...

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Eligibility

Eligible applicants

Government

- Special district governments
- City or township governments
- State governments
- Public and Indian housing authorities
- Federally recognized Native American tribal governments
- County governments

Education

- Public and state institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Independent school districts

Nonprofit

- Nonprofits non-higher education without 501(c)(3)
- Other Native American tribal organizations
- Nonprofits non-higher education with 501(c)(3)

Miscellaneous

- Other

Additional information

Eligible applicants include public and non-profit private agencies and coordinated networks of such entities. For-profit organizations are not eligible. Private institutions of higher education must be non-profit entities. In selecting applicants to receive grants under this funding announcement, priority will be given to public and non-profit, private agencies that have experience in providing services to runaway, homeless, and street youth. Applications from individuals (including sole proprietorships) and foreign entities are not eligible and will be disqualified from the merit review and funding under this funding opportunity. Faith-based and community organizations that meet the eligibility requirements are eligible for awards under this funding opportunity.

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