

## 2026 SAP/HAF NOFA Questions

1. The deadline for HAF admin/program expenses is 9/30/26. **With the short performance period, may advances be requested as Grantees start HAF projects rather than submitting monthly disbursement requests for a group of HAF projects?**

*Grant advances may be made available to successful applicants. Details of such disbursements will be discussed while the grant agreement is being drafted.*

2. Per NOFA, pg. 5, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, last line, “No single agency receives more than 60% of the total resources.” **May an applicant request all of the SCHDF funds?**

*Applicants can request 100% of the SCHDF, but AHFC reserves the right to award funds through this NOFA so that: A minimum of two agencies receive awards, funding is geographically distributed as widely as possible, and no single agency receives more than 60% of the total resources.*

3. NOFA, pg. 5, 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph states admin is capped at 10% of the program funds expended. During the preconference discussion, AHFC said there may be some flexibility on the HAF admin rate. Given the short time frame, it would be helpful to have a higher admin rate for the increased workload. **For the purposes of submitting the application, what HAF admin rate can applicants request?**

*The administration maximum is capped at 10%. This may be adjusted at a later time when AHFC considers grant renewals.*

4. Per NOFA, pg. 6, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph under the Preliminary Timeline, “SCHDF funds may be used for households ineligible for HAF.” **May HAF funds be awarded to prior SAP recipients or new SAP applicants that do not have home accessibility needs but have life-safety needs HAF could address?**

*Yes, HAF funds can be awarded to prior recipients of SAP. The SCHDF still needs to be applied to home accessibility for eligible seniors, while HAF funds can include life-safety repairs for new and previous SAP recipients.*

5. Attachment C, pg. 7, 1<sup>st</sup> line, “Same as *General Homeowner Eligibility Criteria Across All Programs* plus:” **Where is the “General Homeowner Eligibility Criteria Across All Programs” found?**

*The HAF general homeowner eligibility criteria across all programs can be found in the HAF Treasury Guidance, Attachment J:*

*<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/HAF-Guidance.pdf>*

*This includes:*

1. *HAF recipient must be a homeowner. Must be the applicant's primary residence and limited to 1-4 units.*

*2. Household income must be equal to or less than 150% Area Median Income (150%). Income verification through documentation or self-attestation is acceptable to determine income eligibility.*

*3. Financial hardship after January 21, 2020. Self-attestation will satisfy this requirement.*

6. Attachment C, pg. 9, 3<sup>rd</sup> bullet. **Is the contract submitted with the application or after grant award?**

*The contract can be submitted with the application, but it is not required. The contract will need to be approved before HAF funds are allocated to homeowner repairs.*

7. Attachment E, Senior Access PP Manual 2026, pg. iii, Appendices, **Will AHFC provide project forms and agreements that incorporate HAF requirements?**

*Yes, AHFC will provide project form templates that include HAF requirements.*

8. Attachment H lists eligible/ineligible repairs. **Is installing new life-safety components allowed when they are missing from the home**, such as a well; septic; supplemental heat source for a home with inadequate heat distribution; covered transfer area for senior residents using walkers/wheelchairs, etc.?

*Installation or replacement of a well or septic system, supplemental heat, and a covered transfer area may be an eligible HAF-funded repair when necessary to maintain habitability, preserve utility service, or prevent homeowner displacement.*

*Any repair, replacement, or new installation should document how it is necessary to maintain habitability, preserve utility service, or prevent homeowner displacement.*

9. Cross References:

NOFA, pg. 7, #6, 1st paragraph, last line, refers to Attachment G. **Is Attachment E intended?**

*Yes, E is the intended reference for the P&P.*

10. Attachment H, 6, refers to Attachment I. **Is Attachment J intended?**

*Yes, Attachment H, 6, intended to reference Attachment J, HAF Guidance*