



Street Reach Indy was created in 2017 to provide an infrastructure and process to quickly deploy funds to respond to community needs and crisis, allowing for nimbleness and flexibility that doesn't often exist in federal, state, or local funding sources. Street Reach Indy is a community fund designed to raise awareness and flexible funds to support individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Indianapolis to overcome financial barriers to housing. This fund is managed by CHIP and is supported through the sponsorship of Indianapolis businesses, organizations, and individuals. Homeless Service Providers can submit flexible spending referrals on behalf of their clients.

Here is what Street Reach Covers:

- First Month's Rent
- Substance abuse treatment
- Relocation (i.e., Greyhound bus tickets)
- Birth Certificates/Vital Docs and lost keys.

Here is the documentation needed:

- Completed budget
- Sustainability plan
- Homeless status documentation
- W9 Vendor Identification Form for vendor being paid (First Months Rent, Substance abuse treatment)
- Explanation that supports financial assistance as it relates to the sustainability plan.
- Current documentation (dated within 30 days) that outlines fees corresponding with funds requested.

Substance Abuse Treatment additional information:

- Pending admittance: Include documentation confirming assessment date, date of entry and projected dates of residential treatment
- Current admittance: Include invoice that outlines the dates of residential treatment.
- Include W9 Vendor Identification Form completed by facility

Next Steps:

The Street Reach Subcommittee will review and determine approval or denial within 72 hours. If approved, the accounting department will follow up with the referrer for payment logistics as needed. Please allow 5 business days for processing.

HMIS Referral Submission Process:

As of June 5th, 2023, all Street Reach Referrals must be submitted in the Homeless Management Information System.

Click here to submit a Street Reach Referral: <https://clienttrack.eccovia.com/login/Indy>

Click here To request HMIS access: New User Form: <https://airtable.com/shrQ9bWvtfPRAP88N>

Click here for directions on submitting a referral: https://www.chipindy.org/uploads/1/3/3/1/133118768/how_to_request_flex_funding_in_hmis.pdf

Street Reach Related Questions, please contact streetreach@chipindy.org

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Lilly Endowment Enhancing Opportunities (LEI) Flex Funding is available for clients eligible for housing programs in CES that are Category 1. Literally homeless & Category 4. fleeing/attempting to flee domestic violence. LEI Flex funds are made available to address barriers to securing housing. Funding is administered by RDOOR Housing Corporation and is available to eligible individuals and families that are connected to any organization through CES. LEI Flex funding is available March 1, 2022-February 28, 2026.

LEI Eligible Expenses & Uses

PHA Debt (HPVs Only) Required Back up Documentation Needed: Proof of debt owed (Letter from IHA)

*Note this is not available for Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV).

Rental Arrears Required Back up Documentation Needed: Third-Party proof of rental arrears.

LEI Flex funds may be used for a one-time payment for up to 6 months of rent in arrears, including any late fees or charges on those arrears. Rental Arrears payment can only be made if it is a barrier to a tenancy approval and it has not already been sent to a collection agency.

Utility Deposit & Utility Arrears Required Back up Documentation Needed: Invoice(s) from utility provider.

LEI Flex funds may be used for a standard utility deposit or initiation fee required by the utility company or owner (if owner-paid utilities are provided) for the following utilities: Gas, Electric, Water and Sewer. LEI funds may pay for up to 6 months of utility payments in arrears, per service. Partial payment of a utility bill counts as one month.

Security Deposits Required Back up Documentation Needed: Copy of signed lease and W-9.

LEI Flex funds may be used for a security deposit that is equal to no more than 2 months' rent. *Note this assistance cannot be used to cover the costs of first month rent.

Rental Application Fee Required Back up Documentation Needed: Third-party documentation of amount.

LEI Flex funds may be used for Rental housing application fees that are charged by the owner to all applicants.

Unit Holding Fee Required Back up Documentation Needed: Proof from landlord detailing the unit holding fee (lease, application, or standalone document).

Moving Costs Required Back up Documentation Needed: Invoice(s) from service provider.

LEI Flex funds may be used to cover the costs of moving fees. Client moves are provided by Midwest Urban Logistics. To schedule a move please provide the name of client, current apartment, and future apartment as well as a current phone number in your referral.

Payments are conditional on approval based on funding availability and eligibility. Referrals will need to be filled out completely in the Homeless Management Information System with supporting documentation attached.

Payments are anticipated to take 5-7 days for approval. If a landlord or service provider requires a promissory note anticipate 2-3 days to process

Contact Homenow@rdoor.org for additional information or questions about additional eligible costs.