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Subject: RFA 2016-103 Housing for Persons with Disabling Conditions

Thank you for providing funding opportunity to house persons with special needs as defined in RFA 2016-103.

Our comment to this draft RFA, similar to other RFAs for persons with special needs, is that the set aside should be 50% for persons with disabling conditions and not 80%. Carrfour has developed, manages and provides wrap around services to special needs residents in communities with different unit mixes (i.e. 100%, 80% and 50% set asides). It is our experience that the 50% set aside is the healthiest, not only from a financial perspective and long term sustainability, but also when you consider the need for the families/individuals to live in a more integrated community.

We respectfully ask that you please reconsider the percent set aside and modify it from 80% to 50% for persons with disabling conditions. This has become increasing important, especially as operating funds grow scarce.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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