

## 2018 Homes for All – Policy Agenda Proposal Application

**Name of organization:** Former CLASS Act Coalition – Wilder Foundation, Saint Paul Promise Neighborhood, Northside Achievement Zone, Clay County HRA, Lakes and Prairies CAP, Minneapolis Public Schools, Project for Pride in Living.

**Brief description of your proposal:** In the long-term, we are seeking an appropriation of \$10 million biennial appropriation, included in the base budget. In 2016, HSWH passed new policy language and an appropriation of \$2 million one-time funding between the Housing Trust Fund and Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program (FHPAP).

**Is this a multi-year proposal, or targeted for only one year?** This is a multi-year proposal.

**What level of support are you requesting from Homes for All: Legislative Agenda or Homes for Endorsement?** Legislative Agenda.

**If you are requesting that Homes for All put this item on our Legislative Agenda, will your organization move this proposal forward even without the leadership of Homes for All? Will your organization commit to working on the policy agenda of Homes for All even if your proposal does not make it on the agenda this year?** We will not move this proposal forward if Homes for All is in *opposition* to our proposal. However, if Homes for All is neutral on the matter we will likely move forward. The Wilder Foundation anticipates endorsing the Homes for All agenda, as we do on an annual basis.

**What kind of resources are you able to bring to support advancement of your proposal?**

**(Example: dedicated lobbyist; community of engaged supporters; effective social media or communications plan; etc.)** Our team has capacity to drive lobbying, communications, and community engagement activities on this issue. Our core group of supporters (listed above) from the 2017 legislative session remain dedicated to actively supporting the Homework Starts with Home initiative. In addition, we are working to broaden our coalition outside of the existing organizations and pilot communities, with a specific focus on education advocates.

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## Homes for All Policy Proposal Assessment: Core Values Alignment Criteria

**Name of Organization:** Formerly Known As: CLASS Act Coalition – Wilder Foundation, Northside Achievement Zone, Project for Pride in Living, Clay County HRA, Minneapolis Public Schools, Lake and Prairies CAP.

**Proposal:** Homework Starts with Home [Rental Assistance for Students of Homeless and Highly Mobile Families]

Does this proposal support the continuum of housing and services?	Does this proposal strengthen the connection between housing and services?	Does this proposal reduce barriers/improve access to stable housing?	Does this proposal promote choice in housing?	
10 – Will directly and substantially contribute to the housing/services continuum by adding new or expanding/improving existing	10 – Will significantly strengthen existing connection in clearly articulated ways	10 – Will remove an endemic barrier or create a new point of entry for unmet needs or unserved population	10 – Will significantly expand the range of options for those who currently have very few available options	
5 – Will somewhat support the housing/services continuum but not substantially	5 – Will create new connection where none is currently	5 – Will help alleviate but not remove barrier, or provide some but not full access to stable housing	5 – Will provide some limited options that do not currently exist	
2 – Will have a nearly insignificant impact on the housing/services continuum	2 – Will parallel existing connection but not create new or expand existing connection	2 – May contribute minimal impact on barrier or provide slight improvement in access	2 – May provide insignificant increase in options, or rest on the assumption of free choice in market	
0 – Will have no impact on the continuum	0 – Does not appear it will strengthen the connection and/or will perpetuate existing separation	0 – Does not appear it will either remove barrier or increase access to stable housing	0 – Does not appear it will promote choice in housing	
<b>Comments:</b> Our proposal seeks to expand access to the Homework Starts with Home program and establish it as an ongoing resource for the continuum – particularly rental assistance with services for up to 24 months.	<b>Comments:</b> By increasing funding for FHPAP as well as HTF, this proposal will significantly strengthen the existing connection between housing and services. Also, HSWH works to improve the connection between schools and housing.	<b>Comments:</b> The HSWH program seeks to reduce barriers to housing in part by improving the links between education institutions and housing providers and services. Also, the proposal seeks to increase program funding for FHPAP to provide supportive services to further reduce barriers.	<b>Comments:</b> If successful, the areas in which the HSWH program is operating will see an expanded range of options for homeless and highly mobile families. HSWH rental assistance is portable, maximizing family choice in where they choose to live.	
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