2022 CoC Program NOFO

TA Workshop

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Introductions

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- Who's in the "room"?
 - Name, organization
 - Is this your first NOFO?



Agenda

HUD CoC Program Competition

Local Competition Process and Timeline

Resources and Q&A



Background

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has released a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

- Funding competition among approximately 450 Continuums of Care (CoC)
- Released on August 1, 2022
- Approximately \$2.7 billion available nationally

https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2022-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/



2022 HUD CoC Policy Priorities

Ending homelessness for all persons

Use a housing first approach

Reducing unsheltered homelessness

Improving system performance

Partnering with housing, health, and service agencies

Racial equity

New in 2022
Improving
assistance to
LGBTQ+ individuals

Inclusion of persons with lived experience

New in 2022
Increasing
affordable housing
supply



Funding for OR-501

Tier 1 (95% of Annual Renewal Demand)	?
Tier 2 (5% of ARD + CoC Bonus)	?
Domestic Violence Bonus	?
CoC Planning	?



CoC Bonus Funding

Eligible types of new projects created through bonus or reallocated funding:

- Permanent Housing-Permanent Supportive Housing
- Permanent Housing-Rapid Rehousing
- Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing
- Dedicated HMIS
- Supportive Services Only projects for Coordinated Entry
- ✓ HUD will allow new projects to request one year of funding with a longer initial grant term not to exceed 18 months.



DV Bonus Funding

Eligible types of new projects created through DV bonus:

- Rapid Rehousing
- Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing
- Supportive Services Only projects for Coordinated Entry
- ✓ A CoC may apply for any number of PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH- RRH projects provided that each application is for at least \$50,000.
- ✓ A CoC can only submit one project application for an SSO-CE project.
- ✓ DV Bonus funding may be used to expand an existing renewal project that is not dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking so long as the DV Bonus funds for expansion are solely for additional units, beds, or services dedicated to persons eligible to be served with DV Bonus funding.



Eligible New Projects

New Projects:

CoCs may apply for new projects created through reallocation, CoC Bonus, a combination of reallocation and CoC Bonus, DV Bonus, and CoC planning.

Transition Projects:

Applicants may transition their project(s) from one CoC Program component to another (e.g., Transitional Housing to Rapid Rehousing, Rapid Rehousing to Permanent Supportive Housing) over a one-year grant cycle.

Consolidation Projects:

Applicants may consolidate up to ten renewal projects into one project during the application process.

Expansion Projects:

HUD will allow project applicants to apply for a new expansion project under the DV Bonus, reallocation, and CoC bonus processes to expand existing projects by adding units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-Coordinated Entry projects within the CoC geographic area



Review & Rank

Tier 1:

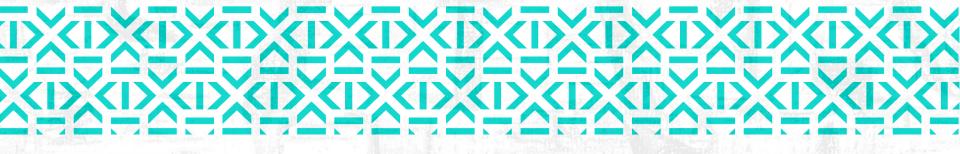
- Conditionally selected from the highestscoring CoC to the lowest-scoring CoC, provided the project applications pass both eligibility and threshold review.
- If a DV Bonus project ranked in Tier 1 is selected with DV Bonus funds, the project will be removed from this tier and the projects below it will move up one rank position.

Tier 2:

- Less likely to be funded. Scored using a 100-point scale based on three factors:
 - CoC Score, CoC Project Ranking, Commitment to Housing First
- Dedicated HMIS projects and coordinated entry SSO projects will automatically receive 10 points.



Local Bonus Project Priorities & Criteria



Local Process Overview

Local Priorities

Pre-Application Criteria

Scoring and selection of projects by CAC

Submission of e-snaps applications to HUD



Local Priorities

Housing / service needs of a community of color overrepresented in the homeless population, or needs of LGBTQIA2S+ people of color, or womenidentified

Strong commitment to achieving racially equitable outcomes

Culturally responsive / specific services

Supports community's system performance measures

Align housing with other systems / leverage existing community resources



1. Need and Population Focus

- **A**. Does the project specifically address a clearly identified housing gap/need not currently fully met by other community resources?
- Maximum points will be awarded for projects that address housing and service needs of a community of color overrepresented in the homeless population, and/or address the housing and service needs of LGBTQ people of color, and/or womenidentified persons. (15 points)
- **A**. (*DV projects*) Does the project specifically address a clearly identified housing gap/need for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking not currently fully met by other community resources? (15 points)
- **B**. Does the organization demonstrate a strong commitment and capacity to achieve racially equitable outcomes? (10 points)



- **C**. Does the proposed project align housing with other systems (i.e., health, mental health, addiction and recovery, criminal justice or other) or otherwise expand the community's capacity to provide integrated services and support to vulnerable populations? (10 points)
- **D**. Will the project effectively provide permanent supportive housing, rapid re-housing, or joint transitional housing and rapid re-housing to the proposed population using a Housing First approach? If the project proposes a Recovery Housing approach, does it offer client choice and programming in line with HUD's Recovery Housing Policy Brief such that the project can be considered Housing First? (10 points)



- **E.** Will the project promote permanent housing placement, long-term stability, access to mainstream resources and increased household income through benefits and/or employment? (10 points)
- **F.** Is the proposed project's approach cost-effective? How many households will the project permanently house with the proposed funding? (5 points)
- **G**. Does the proposer demonstrate capacity to successfully engage and involve the community being served by the proposed project? Is the approach responsive to the unique needs of the proposed population? (5 points)



- **H**. Will the project provide culturally-specific and/or culturally-responsive services? Will the project be inclusive to LGBTQ individuals? (10 points)
- I. Is the proposed project well-integrated with A Home for Everyone or other efforts and planning processes within the community (either through organizational participation of the project applicant and partners in the A Home for Everyone Coordinating Board or subcommittees or workgroups, or through a proposed project that is directly responsive to A Home for Everyone priorities)? (5 points)
- **J**. Does the proposed project effectively leverage other services beyond the available CoC-funded service funds? (5 points)



- **K**. (*DV projects*) Does the proposed project utilize effective strategies for improving safety for DV survivors and assessing improvements to participant safety? (5 points)
- Does the project use objective data (or are they willing to use objective data) on how they can improve participant safety?
 Objective data includes things like focus groups, surveys, or other forms of data that assess participant safety.

3. Project Readiness and Budget

- **K**. Among available funding sources within the community for the proposed activities, is the proposed funding source a good fit? (4 points)
- **L**. Does the proposer demonstrate an ability to administer the program effectively? Is the project ready to proceed within HUD allowable guidelines? (6 points)
- **M**. Does the proposed project seek renewable activities with a one-year grant term? (5 points)
- **N**. (*DV Projects*) Is the project serving survivors of domestic violence prepared and willing to generate APRs using data from a comparable, non-HMIS database?

Housing / Health Partnerships

HUD is encouraging projects to partner with housing, health, and service agencies.

- 1. At least 25 percent of the units (PSH) or participants (RRH) supported with non-CoC funded housing(documentation of commitment is required), and/or
- 2. A written commitment from a health care organization to:
 - a. Provide direct contributions from a public or private health insurance provider to the project; OR
 - b. Provide health care services (equal to 25% of the funding being requested by the project) by a private or public organization tailored to the program participants of the project(if the services are from a substance abuse treatment or recovery provider, the project must provide access to treatment or recovery services for all program participants who qualify and choose those services).

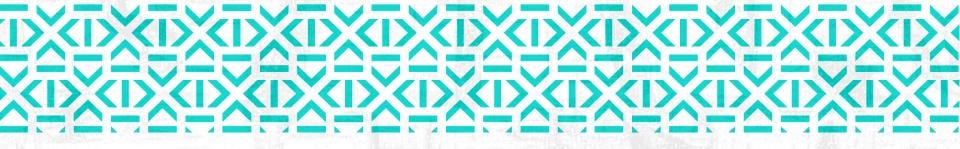
Housing / Health Partnerships

The Joint Office of Homeless Services strongly encourages new project applicants to consider ways to receive 25% of their funding from one of these sources.

JOHS may be able to assist interested applicants in connecting with potential health care and housing partners. Applicants interested in pursuing either of these opportunities should communicate their intentions with the JOHS as soon as possible by emailing Alyssa Plesser at alyssa.plesser@multco.us.



Application Process and Timeline



New Project Timeline

August 1	HUD published the NOFO on grants.gov
August 5	JOHS publicly posted and released the new project application
August 9	JOHS virtual information session with Homebase TA
August 23	Deadline for new project pre-applications
September 13	JOHS will notify all project applicants
September 15	New project e-snaps applications due
September 19- 21	New project availability for corrections to e-snaps application



Local Pre-Application Resources

Start here:

- Local CoC Program Competition NOFO webpage:
 - https://www.multco.us/johs/continuum-care-funding-opportunity
- 2022 HUD CoC New Project Guidance
- 2022 CoC NOFO Summary_OR-501
- Multnomah NOFO Timeline 2022

Pre-Application for all new projects:

- 2022 CoC Bonus Reallocation Project Pre-Application and 2022 DV Bonus Pre-application
 - https://www.multco.us/johs/continuum-care-2022-new-projects



e-snaps Application Resources

Start here:

- 2022 HUD CoC New Project Guidance (shortcuts to resources, and tips/tricks) [not yet released]
- Homebase's 2022 CoC NOFO TA Handbook
- e-snaps 101 toolkit:
 - https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6170/esnaps-101-toolkit/

Have open as you complete your e-snaps application [materials not yet released]

- HUD's New Project Application Detailed Instructions (how to answer HUD's questions)
- HUD's New Project Application Navigational Guide (e-snaps step-by-step guide)



HUD e-snaps Resources

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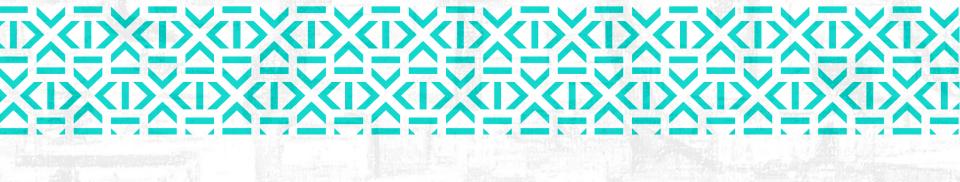
- E-SNAPS_FY-2022 New Project Application Navigational Guide
- E-SNAPS_FY-2022 New Application Detailed Instructions
- E-SNAPS_FY-2022 Project Application FAQs

Compiled resources:

- E-SNAPS_Create an e-snaps user profile
- E-SNAPS_Adding and deleting registrants in e-snaps
- E-SNAPS_How to access the project application
- E-SNAPS_How to complete the HUD Form-2880 in e-snaps
- E-SNAPS_Putting the applicant profile in edit mode



Q&A



Extra Info Slides



HUD-Required Dates

August 1

2021 CoC Program NOFO was released.

August?

CoC Application, CoC Priority Listing, and Project Applications were made available in *e-snaps*.

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All project applications are required to be submitted to the CoC.

Thursday, September 15

(15 days prior to deadline)

CoC required to notify all project applicants whether their project application(s) will be accepted and ranked on the CoC Priority Listing, rejected, or reduced by the CoC.

Wednesday, September 28

(2 days prior to deadline)

CoCs must post on their website all parts of the CoC Consolidated Application + notify community members and key stakeholders that it is available.

Submission Deadline:

Friday, September 30, 2022, at 8:00 PM EDT/7:00 PM CDT/5:00 PM PDT

