2022 CoC Program Special NOFO New Project Orientation

Joint Office of Homeless Services

Introductions

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

Agenda

HUD CoC Program Competition

Local Competition Process and Timeline

Resources and Q&A

2022 HUD Regular 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

2022 HUD Special NOFO Policy Priorities

Unsheltered Homelessness Unsheltered Homelessness and Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service needs in Rural Areas

Providing Assistance on Tribal Lands

Involving a Broad Array of Stakeholders in the CoC's Efforts to Reduce Homelessness

Advancing Equity

Using a Housing First Approach

Funding for OR-501

- OR-501 is eligible for \$8.379,613 over the three-year grant period
 - Not eligible for the rural set-aside
- HUD will select CoC's for funding based on the CoC Score for the collaborative application - the highest scoring CoC will have its rated and ranked projects, that pass thresholds, selected for funding until there are no more funds available

Eligible Projects

Eligible types of new projects created through the 2022 Special NOFO

- Permanent Housing-Permanent Supportive Housing
- Permanent Housing-Rapid Rehousing
- Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing
- Supportive Services Only

Initial Grant terms are 3 years with the option to renew after three years through the annual CoC Program competition

HUD Project Eligibility Criteria

- Eligible project applicants include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments,instrumentalities of state and local governments, public housing agencies, tribes and tribal housing authorities.
- All projects must participate in Multnomah County Coordinated Access
- All projects must participate in the local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- All projects must follow a Housing First Approach
- All proposed capacity to engage in eligible activities must be new or an expansion of existing capacity. Proposed project funding cannot replace other funding sources. Projects must demonstrate cash or in-kind match of at least 25% of all proposed grant funds other than leasing funds.

Participant Eligibility

1. meet the criteria of paragraph (1) of the definition of homeless in the interim rule, except that persons coming from transitional housing must have originally come from places not meant for human habitation, emergency shelters, safe havens, or institutions where they resided for 90 days or less and originally came from places not meant for human habitation, safe havens, or emergency shelters; or

2. meet the criteria of paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless at 578.3.

Local Project Competition: Process, 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

Advancing Racial Equity

Addressing Unsheltered Homelessness

Using a Housing First Approach

Focus on PSH and SSO projects

Preference: serving
LGBTQIA2S+
individuals and families
experiencing
homelessness

Preference: Leveraging existing resources and advancing system alignment

Pre-Application Criteria

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 (15 points)
- **B**. Does the organization demonstrate a strong commitment and capacity to achieve racially equitable outcomes? (10 points)

2. Project Approach and Leverage

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, joint transitional housing and rapid re-housing, and supportive services only 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)

2. Project Approach and Leverage

- **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)

2. Project Approach and Leverage

- **H**. Will the project provide culturally-specific and/or culturally-responsive services? Will the project be inclusive to LGBTQIA2S+ individuals? (10 points)
- I. Does the proposed project align with the CoC's Plan to Serve Individuals and Families with Severe Service Needs? (5 points)
- **J**. Does the proposed project effectively leverage other services beyond the available CoC-funded service funds? (5 points)

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 three-year grant term? (5 points)

Housing and 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 healthcare 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).

Application Process and Timeline

Special NOFO Project Timeline

August 25	JOHS publicly posted and released the new project application
August 30	New Project Orientation
September 16	New Project Pre-applications Due
October 4	Projects Notified and Ranking Posted
October 10	Local Project Applications Due in e-snaps
October 11-13	New project availability for corrections to e-snaps application
October 14	Final e-snaps submission

Pre-Application Resources

Start here:

- Local CoC Program Competition NOFO webpage:
 - https://www.multco.us/johs/coc-unsheltered-funding-o pportunity
- 2022 CoC CoC Special NOFO Summary
- 2022 Multnomah Special NOFO Timeline
- 2022 HUD CoC New Project Guidance

E-snaps Application Resources

Start here:

- 2022 HUD CoC New Project Guidance (shortcuts to resources, and tips/tricks)
- e-snaps 101 toolkit: https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6170/esnaps-101-toolkit/

Have open as you complete your e-snaps application:

- HUD's New Project Application Detailed Instructions (how to answer HUD's questions)
- HUD's New Project Application Navigational Guide

HUD E-Snaps Resources

https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/ https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6170/esnaps-101-toolkit/

Compiled Resources:

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