# Attachment B - FUSE Scoring Rubric

FUSE NOFA Scoring Rubric by Question		
Program Description 1. (a) Describe the supportive services model. What services will be provided and by who? What is the staffing plan? If applying as a team, who will be the lead organization and what will their role be? Are you leveraging existing services and/or proposing new services to be funded through this NOFA?	Scoring _/3	
	0 = Does not respond to the question	
	1 = Service model described, but details are unclear	
	2 = Service model clearer, some information about the staffing plan, who will do what and new vs existing services included	
	3 = Full robust description of the program including partnerships, staffing plan and a clear description of existing vs. new services	
Program Description 1. (b) If awarded in June 2023, when do you expect to begin implementing the FUSE program? Please include a brief timeline of anticipated milestones.	Scoring _/1	
	0 = Does not respond to the question	
	1 = Timeline included with a timeline within 4 months	
Program Description 1. (c) Discuss your methods for evaluating the effectiveness of your services. How do you know that your services get results? How do you decide to make service adjustments or improvements?	Scoring _/3	
	0 = Does not respond to the question	
	I = Some information about evaluation included, but unclear how they know they get results or when they make program adjustments or improvements	
	2 = Information about evaluation and how they get results included, unclear how they make adjustments or improvements	
	3 = Clear robust responses to evaluation, how they get results and how they make program adjustments and improvements	
Program Description 1. (d)	Scoring _/3	
Listening sessions reflected an awareness for services to be delivered by people who "look and sound" like the population being served and the importance of staff retention for client relationships. Describe your plans to support your staff's own identities, mental wellness and retention.	0 = Does not respond to the question	
	1 = Some strategies, but details of those strategies are unclear.	
	2 = Several strategies listed, but either did not cover all elements of the question or it was unclear how these strategies would be carried out	

	3 = Clear robust strategies to support staff identities, mental wellness, and retention and information on how these strategies would be carried out
Experience 2. (a) Serving FUSE Population: Describe	Scoring _/3
why your organization is well suited to provide this program to the identified target population(s) and	0 = Does not respond to the question
your strategies for serving high-barrier households. Please highlight specific programmatic expertise and experience with related types of programs. How have you built or plan to build relationships with the	1 = Some experience with the FUSE population, not much specific program expertise, weak community outreach plan.
community you propose to serve?  All applicants must answer this question	2 = Moderate experience with FUSE population, moderate specific program expertise; moderately strong community engagement plan.
	3 = Significant experience with FUSE population, significant specific program expertise, very strong community engagement plan
Experience 2. (b) Care Coordination and	Scoring _/3
Collaboration: Describe the way you work across	
Collaboration: Describe the way you work across disciplines to support participants/tenants. Name	Scoring _/3 0 = Does not respond to the question
Collaboration: Describe the way you work across disciplines to support participants/tenants. Name informal and/or formal ways of coordinating care across disciplines/systems/organizations, in particular justice and health system organizations, and how you would apply them to your approach to serve the	
Collaboration: Describe the way you work across disciplines to support participants/tenants. Name informal and/or formal ways of coordinating care across disciplines/systems/organizations, in particular justice and health system organizations, and how you	0 = Does not respond to the question  1 = Minimal experience with care coordination and/or collaboration, but provides clear care coordinate/collaboration model to serve FUSE

<b>Experience 2. (c)</b> Outreach: Referrals for this program		
will come from the FUSE eligible population list and		
will require the organization to directly do		
outreach/in-reach or partner with outreach		
organizations to connect with eligible participants.		
Please describe a) your organization's history		
performing outreach b) strategy to provide outreach		
in a harm-reduction, trauma-informed way to FUSE		
eligible participants. (3 points)		

# Applicants applying for Outreach and Housing Navigation component or All Services must answer this question

**Experience 2. (d)** Housing First: Describe (a) two of the organization's most important strategies to ensure a Housing First approach and, if applicable, any (b) significant successes that the organization experienced providing these services over the past year (c) any anticipated challenges and your approach to overcome them and (d) approaches to working with private market landlords.

# Applicants applying for Outreach and Housing Navigation component or All Services must answer this question

# **Experience 2. (e)** <u>Delivering Tenancy Support</u> Services:

Describe your experience delivering services to people in housing. What is your approach to case management and treatment planning? How does your program focus on participant housing stability? How will tenancy support services coordinate with property management and outside service providers?

# Applicants applying for Tenancy Support Services component or All Services must answer this question

# Scoring \_/3

- 0 = Does not respond to the question
- l = Minimal experience with outreach and trauma-informed engagement.
- 2 = Moderate experience with outreach and trauma-informed engagement.
- 3 = High level of experience with outreach and trauma-informed engagement.

# Scoring \_/3

- 0 = Does not respond to the question
- 1 = Provides one example for (a) and partial/unclear responses for (b-d)
- 2 = Provides two examples for (a) and partial/unclear responses for (b-d); or provides one example for (a) and full responses to (b-d)
- 3 = Provides two full examples and robust responses for (b-d)

# Scoring \_/3

- 0 = Does not respond to the question
- 1 = Minimal experience with delivering tenancy support services
- 2 = Moderate experience with delivering tenancy support services
- 3 = High level of experience with delivering tenancy support services

# Experience 2. (f) Addressing BH/SUD/Health Service Needs: This project will require expertise in behavioral health (including substance use disorder and mental illness), physical health care, aging and disability, medical need, SUD, etc. Which of these specialty services does your organization provide? Do you have connections to ensure delivery of the services that you do not provide? How is this partnership structured or formalized? Describe how you will guarantee access to services to support this specific population's service needs. (3 points)

# Applicants applying for Behavioral Health/SUD component or All Services must answer this question

**Racial Equity 3. (a)** How would your FUSE program advance racial equity and ensure that the FUSE service model services are respectful of and relevant to the beliefs, practices, culture, and linguistic needs of diverse populations and communities?

# Scoring \_/3

- 0 = Does not respond to the question
- I = Some expertise in program areas listed, some partnerships with outside organizations, weak plan for participants access to services
- 2 = Moderate expertise in the program areas listed, moderate partnerships with outside organizations, moderately strong plan for plan for participants access to services
- 3 = Strong expertise in the program areas listed, strong partnerships with outside organizations, strong plan for plan for participants access to services

# Scoring \_/4

- 0 = Does not respond to the question
- 1 = Culturally responsive service model described, but details are unclear
- 2 = Service model clearer, some concrete strategies to provide culturally responsive services, but unclear about methods for ensuring culturally responsive services
- 3 = Service model clear with several concrete examples, but unclear about methods/plans for ensuring culturally responsive services
- 4= Full robust description of culturally specific services model, several concrete strategies to provide and evaluate culturally responsive services, and robust plan for ensuring culturally responsive services

Racial Equity 3. (b) Describe (a) two concrete actions your project has taken in the last year to help reduce homelessness within communities of color, and include for each action (b) a description of the action, (c) any substantive program changes that were required from the action, (d) successes from the action, and (e) two actions your project plans to take for the year ahead to reduce homelessness for communities of color.

If you are a culturally-specific provider, please only answer the following: Describe (a) two strategies you use to reach your target population. For each strategy, describe (b) a description of the strategy, (c) successes from the strategy, (d) challenges faced with the strategy, and (e) two strategies your project plans to take for the year ahead to reach your target population.

- 0 = Does not respond to the question
- 1 = Provides one example for (a), and a partial response for b-e
- 2 = Provides one example for (a) with full responses to b-e for that example; or, provides two examples for (a), but no response for b-e
- 3 = Provides two examples for (a), and only a full response to b-e for one or partial responses to b-e for both
- 4 = Provides two examples and full responses for b-e

Racial Equity 3. (c) Describe (a) two of the organization's most important strategies to ensure culturally responsive programming, and (b) any significant successes that the organization experienced providing these services over the past year.

If you are a culturally-specific provider, please only answer the following: Describe: (a) two of the organization's most important strategies that determine what type of culturally specific programming is provided, and (b) any significant successes that the organization experienced providing these services over the past year.

# Scoring \_/4

Scoring \_/4

- 0 = Does not respond to the question
- 1 = Provides one example for (a), and a partial response for (b)
- 2 = Provides one example for (a) with full responses to (b) for that example; or, provides two examples for (a), but no response for (b)
- 3 = Provides two examples for (a), and only a full response to (b) for one or partial responses to (b) for both
- 4 = Provides two examples and full responses for (b)

# No narrative required

The project is led by or includes meaningful partnerships with culturally specific organizations or programs that specialize in serving one or more BIPOC and/or LGBTQIA2S+ communities.

# Scoring \_/2

0 = No

2 = Yes

Partnerships 4. (a) Please describe how you prioritize equity in working with partner agencies including ensuring that all partners have an equitable level of planning, decision-making, and service provision. How does your organization uplift and center small and/or

### Scoring \_/3

- 0 = Does not respond to the question
- 1 = Some strategies, but details of those strategies are unclear.

culturally specific providers in a way that builds power in those organizations?	2 = Several strategies listed, but either did not cover all elements of the question or it was unclear how these strategies would be carried out  3 = Clear robust strategies to ensure equitable partnerships and information on how these strategies would be carried out
Partnerships 4. (b) Letters of sport, MOU, or commitment from each organization listed as a partner.	N/A
Budget 5. Demonstrate financial reasonability through allocation of resources by providing a comprehensive budget including any program leverage, other program income, and/or Medicaid income.	Scoring _/6  0 = Does not include budget form  2 = Comprehensive budget included, no leverage from Medicaid or other sources.  4 = Comprehensive budget included, one source of leverage from Medicaid or other sources  6 = Comprehensive budget included, two sources of leverage from Medicaid and other sources