

HUD 2019 NOFA Workshop

COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS VOLUSIA FLAGLER

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HUD CoC Competition:

KEY WORD: COMPETITIVE

CoC's should have a process in place to comprehensively review project quality, performance and cost effectiveness

Maximize use of mainstream resources and other community based resources when serving persons experiencing homelessness

Invite new projects/agencies into the process to compete with existing projects that are among the poorer performing projects

HUD PRIORITIES

1. Ending homelessness for all persons.
2. Creating a systemic response to homelessness.
3. Strategically allocating and using resources
4. Use Evidenced Based Practices(Housing First) .
5. Increasing Employment
6. Flexibility in Housing First (implementation only)

Performance-Based Decisions.

- a. CoCs cannot receive grants for new projects, other than through reallocation, unless the CoC competitively ranks projects based on how they improve system performance;**
- b. HUD is increasing the share of the CoC score that is based on performance criteria; and**
- c. HUD will PRIORITIZE funding for CoCs that have demonstrated the ability to reallocate resources to higher performing projects**

HUD Encourages Re-Allocation

Re-allocation of existing funds from poor performing programs to new or existing competitive programs is paramount to the goal of ending chronic and other forms of homelessness.

New Projects thru Reallocation / Bonus

CoC's may use the reallocation process to create the following types of new projects:

Permanent supportive housing projects that will primarily serve chronically homeless individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth

Rapid re-housing projects for homeless individuals and families including unaccompanied youth.

Joint Transitional Housing (TH) and Permanent Housing-Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH) component projects that will combine existing TH and PH-RRH programs into a single project to serve individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

Bonus: all of the above and

Dedicated Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) projects.

New Projects thru Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus

New projects that may be applied for thru DV Bonus:

- PH-RRH projects dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence , dating violence, sexual assault or stalking

- Joint TH and RRH: dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence , dating violence, sexual assault or stalking

Expansion Project: this year is a three grant process in enaps

Expansion Project:

HUD will allow project applicants to apply for a new expansion project (see Section III.C.3.i of this NOFA) under the ***DV Bonus, reallocation, and bonus processes*** to expand existing projects that will:

- increase the number of units,
- persons served,
- services provided to existing program participants, or
- add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-Coordinated Entry projects.

Create a systemic response to homelessness

- Coordinated Entry
- Housing First
- Removing Barriers
- Prioritization / most vulnerable
- Rapid placement
- Client Centered services

Other Considerations: what's the best mix/allocation plan for our community

HUD goals /**Read the NOFA**

HUD Home Together/ Revised Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness

CoH Priorities are in alignment with “Opening Doors”: **Commission On Homelessness 2017-22 Strategic Plan**

Home Together

Prevent Veteran homelessness – Currently at “effectively ending homelessness” in Volusia and Flagler Counties as of 2015

End chronic homelessness

Prevent and end homelessness for families and children

End Unaccompanied Youth Homelessness

Set a path to ending all types of homelessness

Ranking and Review:

Threshold requirement /program type and population

Project performance: Annual Progress Reports

Experience/Capacity

Participation in Coordinated Entry

HMIS quality

Match/Leverage

Project Narrative – fully responsive to the questions being asked

Data being asked for is consistent

LOW BARRIERS

Housing First focus

Dedicating & Prioritizing chronically homeless (new and renewals)

Prioritizing veterans

COH Involvement

HUD will continue with the Tier one (1) and Tier two (2) funding process

All projects will be ranked with the exception of the Planning grant

New Projects through reallocation

Renewal projects

Bonus Projects (Bonus: \$116,456 and DV Bonus:194,094)

Priority Listing / HUD NOFA (Ultimately HUD approves/decides)

Tier two: the difference between tier one cutoff at 94% of the Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) plus the Bonus project (not including DV Bonus)

Using last years bonus amounts:

ARD: 1,362,212

Cutoff Tier one at 94%: 1,280,479

Tier two: remaining tier one (6%): \$81,733 plus the Bonus
\$116,456 = \$198,189

Total Tier one plus Tier two = \$1,478,668

Tier two

Tier two is scored separate of tier one;

CoC Score. Up to 50 points in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC Application; e.g., if a CoC received 100 out of 200 points on the CoC Application, the project application would receive 25 out of 50 points for this criterion.

(2) CoC Project Ranking. Up to 40 points for the CoC's ranking of the project application(s). To more evenly distribute funding across CoCs and consider the CoCs ranking of projects, point values will be assigned directly related to the CoCs' ranking of project applications. The calculation of point values will be 40 times the quantity $(1-x)$ where x is the ratio of the cumulative funding requests for all projects or portions of projects ranked higher by the CoC in Tier 2 plus one half of the funding of the project of interest to the total amount of funding available in Tier 2. For example, if a CoC is eligible to apply for projects totaling \$500,000 in Tier 2 and applies for 5 projects ranked in Tier 2 of \$100,000 each: the highest ranked project would receive 36 points and then the subsequently ranked projects would receive 28, 20, 12, and 4 points.

(3) Commitment to Housing First. Up to 10 points for how the permanent housing project application commits to applying the Housing First model

Community Strategy: Considerations

What are our community priorities

Reallocation

Bonus Project (placement)

DV Bonus

Fair Housing Compliance

Protecting Against Discrimination.

NOFA (P.61) Demonstrates efforts to address all forms of housing discrimination, such as discrimination based on an individual's protected class under the Fair Housing Act or 24 CFR 5.105(a)(2) – Equal Access to HUD-Assisted or -Insured Housing.

NOFA (P. 62) CoCs must demonstrate that they have implemented CoC-wide anti-discrimination policies that prevent discrimination under the Fair Housing Act and 24 CFR 5.105(a)(2) – Equal Access to HUD Assisted or Insured Housing.

Useful Websites

Commission on Homelessness: vfcontinuum.org

Volusia Flagler county Coalition for the Homeless: vfcch.org

National alliance to End Homelessness: info@naeh.org

United States Interagency Council on Homelessness: www.usich.gov

State of Florida Council on Homelessness: MyFLFamilies.com