Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

1. the CoC Application,

2. the CoC Priority Listing, and

3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

- 1. The FY 2024 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
- 2. The FY 2024 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
- 3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
- 4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
- 5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It

- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed–including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with—if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.

- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

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1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

HUD publishes resources on the HUD gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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 - Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1A-1. CoC Name and Number: SC-503 - Sumter City & County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: Eastern Carolina Homelessness Organization,

Inc.

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Eastern Carolina Homelessness Organization,

Inc.

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1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.
	NOFO Sections V.B.1.a.(1), V.B.1.e., V.B.1f., and V.B.1.p.
	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024:
1.	select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC's coordinated entry system; or
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC's geographic area:

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC's Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	Yes
3.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
4.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
5.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	No	No
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	No	Yes
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	Yes	Yes	Yes
10.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
11.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
12.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	Yes
13.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
14.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
16.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes	Yes	Yes
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Other: (limit 50 characters) 34.			
33. Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
32. Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
31. Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
30. State Sexual Assault Coalition	Yes	No	Yes
29. State Domestic Violence Coalition	Yes	No	Yes
28. Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
27. Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
26. Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
25. Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
24. Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
23. Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
22. Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
21. School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	Yes
20. Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes
19. Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
18. Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	Yes	Yes
17. Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	Yes	Yes

By selecting "other" you must identify what "other" is.

1B-1a.	Experience Promoting Racial Equity.	
	NOFO Section III.B.3.c.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's experience in effectively addressing the needs of underserved communities, particularly Black and Brown communities, who are substantially overrepresented in the homeless population.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has analyzed US Census data, the Racial Equity Analysis Tool, HMIS data, and the perspectives of black and brown persons experiencing homelessness. The data alone does not necessarily shine a light on the inequities, but combined with the community conversations and community mapping, disparities clearly emerge. 73% of the CoC board of directors are BIPOC and directly influence CoC-wide policies and procedures and are involved with the development of new projects that serve undeserved communities, particularly black and brown communities. The CoC was invited to be a panel member at the SC Commission for Minority Affairs/ HUD Housing and Rental Assistance Workshop. The CoC invited Dr. Joe Savage from USICH to attend the workshop and speak about National trends with advancing/ promoting Racial Equity. The CoC has done a lot of work through the YHDP and YHSI program reviewing CoC CE policies and procedures with a equity lens and is planning to add a new question on the CE assessment that asks if the person experiences bias/ discrimination due to their race, age, sexual orientation or gender identification.

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1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(2)
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;
2.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and
3.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in your CoC's geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).

(limit 2,500 characters)

 The CoC holds a membership drive annually and has bimonthly general CoC membership meetings throughout the year. The CoC posts its meeting schedules on the website, email and listsery. All private, public, government, non-profit agencies, individuals and currently or formerly homeless persons, BIPOC, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities that are interested in ending homelessness are invited to join the CoC. TCHC Membership Committee solicits members at other collaborative meetings. The CoC also solicits new members at training and community events. 2. The CoC ensures effective communication with people with disabilities through our website contact forms, accessible communication through telephone, and posting the CoC invitation and application online in PDF format. In-person invitations are offered at the CoC membership meetings and other public local/ regional events. 3. Current and formerly homeless individuals are encouraged to join and participate in the CoC during exit interviews by CoC grantees and at outreach events. Fees are waived for any homeless or formerly homeless person seeking membership. Examples of special outreach events to ensure homeless or formerly homeless persons are encouraged to join the CoC are monthly homeless connect events and Certified Peer Support Training where attendees must be homeless or formerly homeless. As a part of incorporating Youth Homelessness as a part of the TCHC governance structure, a minimum of one (1) member must be a youth representative on the board. The CoC also invites organizations serving these culturally specific communities for example the CoC in collaboration with ECHO the Collaborative Applicant sponsors PRIDE (LGBTQ+) events and has an outreach table where resources about housing and the CoC are available. In addition, the CoC has participated in the SC Commission on Minority Affairs Joint Housing conference with HUD and the Second Change Re-Entry Conference where the CoC had a panelist that invited all attendees including organizations that are serving culturally specific communities to join the CoC.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(3)
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information;

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- 3. ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and
- 4. took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

 The CoC posts its meeting schedules on the website, email and listsery. All private, public, government, faith-based organizations, individuals and currently or formerly homeless persons, BIPOC, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities that are interested in ending homelessness are invited to provide input on the homeless system and services. TCHC Membership Committee solicits opinions and feedback at other collaborative meetings and workshops that focus on ending and preventing homelessness. 2. The CoC also solicits opinions at training and community events. Current and formerly homeless individuals are encouraged to provide their opinions about homeless programs during exit interviews by CoC grantees and at outreach events. TCHC targets feedback from members related to youth homelessness via survey and listening sessions. CoC members attend other community coalitions such as SC Inter-agency Council on the Homeless, etc. to invite their member organizations to join the CoC and provide input on strategies to prevent and end homelessness. 3. The CoC ensures effective communication with people with disabilities through our website contact forms, accessible communication through telephone, and posting the CoC invitation and application online in PDF format. Additionally, feedback and opinions are solicited at in-person CoC meetings and other training events. 4. These strategies allow the CoC to garner feedback from an array of organizations and develop strategic partnerships to prevent and end homelessness. Through the information and feedback gathered last year and the experience with our round 6 YHDP award the CoC through the Collaborative Applicant applied for and was awarded the YHSI grant to strengthen our planning and partnerships, data collection efforts, Coordinated Entry, and equity for YYA.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(4)
	Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications-the process;
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and
4.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats.

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 Local and regional newspapers announced the HUD CoC Competition funding when the NOFO was released. On 9/4/24 the CoC publicly posted on the CoC website the Local Competition, Score, and Ranking Procedures for the FY 2024 CoC local competition. On 9/10/24 the CoC held a virtual applicant meeting to publicize the FY 2024 local project competition. On 9/17 and 9/19 the CoC held an e-snaps training to help provide technical assistance with completing the HUD e-snaps project application. The applicant meeting and follow up trainings were targeted to organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding. During these events, we reviewed the local competition and application process for new and existing applicants. The notice published on 9/4/24 included an invitation to organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding. The local competition policies, procedures, estimated amount of funding available, a timeline of competition, and instructions on how to submit applications to the CoC were also made available publicly at this time. TCHC accepts and encourages proposals from previously non-funded organizations to help close gaps in housing and supportive services in the CoC coverage area. These announcements and events are designed to encourage previously funded and not previously funded organizations to apply. 2. The local competition policies and procedures and the applicant meeting held on 9/4/24 discussed the requirements for how project applicants must submit their project applications. In addition, the CoC publicly posted on the CoC website the CoC approved 2024 Project Scoring Tool. 3. The TCHC Grant Selection Committee uses a CoC approved Rating and Ranking Tool, a weighted tool based on the rating and ranking tool developed by HUD to determine project acceptance and rankings. This tool along with the criteria that new and renewal applications would be rated against were posted on the CoC website. 4) All documents and materials needed to complete the application for the local competition process are posted online in PDF format and were discussed in virtual and in-person meeting formats.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.
	In the chart below:
1.	select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Yes
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	Yes
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Yes
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	
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	1C-2. CoC Consultation with ESG Program Re	ecipients.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.			
	In the chart below select yes or no to ind	icate whether your CoC:		
1. Consulted wit	h ESG Program recipients in planning and allocatin	g ESG Program funds?		Yes
2. Provided Poir its geographic	t-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count area?	(HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdic	ctions within	Yes
3. Ensured loca	homelessness information is communicated and a	ddressed in the Consolidated Plan updates	?	Yes
4. Coordinated	vith ESG recipients in evaluating and reporting perf	ormance of ESG Program recipients and su	brecipients?	Yes
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1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.			
	NOFO Section V.B.1.c.			
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	transitional housing, and permanent hou family members regardless of each famil identity:	licate how your CoC ensures emergency sh sing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admissior ly member's self-reported sexual orientation	n or separate n and gender	
	andatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded serv	ice providers to ensure families are not	No	
separated?	tional training for all CoC, and ESC funded conjug	providers to ensure family members are	Yes	
not separated	tional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service ?	providers to ensure family members are	res	
3. Worked with	CoC and ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-disc	crimination policies for all subrecipients?	Yes	
4. Worked with area that mig compliance?	ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funt to be out of compliance and took steps to work direct	ded facilities within your CoC's geographic city with those facilities to bring them into	Yes	
5. Sought assist	ance from HUD by submitting questions or requesti e by service providers?	ng technical assistance to resolve	No	
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	1C-4. CoC Collaboration Related to Children a	nd Youth-SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.			
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	Select yes or no in the chart below to inc	licate the entities your CoC collaborates with	h:	
1.	Youth Education Provider			Yes
	State Education Agency (SEA)			Yes
	Local Education Agency (LEA)			Yes
4.	School Districts			Yes
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	1C-4a. Formal Partnerships with Youth Education	on Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.			
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Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC established a Youth Action Board as a part of its governance structure. The Youth Action Board coordinates outreach among youth, provides guidance on CoC policies and procedures that impact how youth are served throughout the CoC. In 2023, the YAB crafted a plan to end youth homelessness called The Coordinated Community Plan. In developing this plan, the CoC has strengthened its partnership with local McKinney-Vento Liaisons, School districts, and Youth Education Providers. In the summer of 2024 the CoC was awarded the YHSI grant. This grant will help to strengthen our partnerships with these groups by providing much needed data about youth homelessness.

1C-4b. Informing Individuals and Families Who Have Recently Begun Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.

NOFO Section V.B.1.d.

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC uses to inform individuals and families who have recently begun experiencing homelessness of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

All HUD CoC and ESG funded projects operating and serving participants inside the CoC's geographic service area are required to have a dedicated staff person to ensure that children are enrolled in school and receive eligible and appropriate educational services. The name of the staff person is identified during the monitoring or for a new project during the CoC Technical Application Review. The CoC requires CoC and ESG funded projects to collaborate with local school district liason(s) when a new child or youth enters a homeless program that is not enrolled in school. The policies ensure that these children are immediately able to enroll in school regardless of the documentation required. These children must have equal access to education, just as all children that are not homeless are provided. It also requires that there can be no limitations or restrictions on the geographic location or a particular school itself and the LEA will coordinate transportation service to and from school.

1C-4c. Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.

NOFO Section V.B.1.d.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

			MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years		No	No
2.	Child Care and Development Fund		No	Yes
3.	Early Childhood Providers		No	Yes
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4.	Early Head Start	No	Yes
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	No	No
6.	Head Start	No	Yes
7.	Healthy Start	No	Yes
8.	Public Pre-K	No	Yes
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.			

1C-5. Addressing Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking–Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers.

NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

In the chart below select yes or no for the organizations your CoC collaborates with:

	Organizations	
1.	State Domestic Violence Coalitions	Yes
2.	State Sexual Assault Coalitions	Yes
3.	Anti-trafficking Service Providers	Yes
	Other Organizations that Help this Population (limit 500 characters)	
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1C-5a.	Collaborating with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers to Address Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations that you selected yes to in Question 1C-5 to:	
1.	update CoC-wide policies; and	
2.	ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors.	

1) The CoC conducts a collaborative meeting with domestic violence service providers (VSP's), housing providers (including CoC and ESG funded organizations), and supportive service providers that target survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. This group meets regularly to discuss best practices including but not limited to traumainformed care, current programming within the CoC, CoC-wide policies and procedures, and CES policies and procedures. The group is currently reviewing the CoC's Emergency Transfer Plan and will make edits as needed for the CoC board to review. 2) This group in partnership with South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault ensures that training is available to the CoC and its member organizations on victim centered trauma-informed care, confidentiality requirements, and person-centered approaches. Other trainings developed or sponsored by the CoC are motivational interviewing, mental health first aid, safety protocols, cultural competency, and Certified Peer Support training.

1C-5b.	Implemented Safety Planning, Confidentiality Protocols in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry addresses the needs of DV survivors by including:	
1.	safety planning protocols; and	
2.	confidentiality protocols.	

 The CoC's Written Standards established protocols for working with survivors of domestic violence, including emergency transfer plans to provide protections for those who make requests and believe there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if they remain in the same dwelling unit or geographic area. The Standards incorporate the requirements of VAWA Act of 2022 including compliance with 24CFR, part 5, subpart L. The CoC's protocol is outlined in the CES policies/procedures. When presenting to a non-victim service provider the access point, at a minimum, must provide safe and confidential access to CES and immediate access to emergency services such as the DV hotline, safe shelter, and specific counseling services using trauma informed care. When an individual or family presents to an access point that is fleeing domestic violence, special considerations are taken to ensure their safety during the housing process. A victim centered, trauma informed approach is taken with all participants. If the participant is not in a domestic violence shelter/ safe house and is not presenting with a victim's advocate. proper measures must be taken to connect them with a safe place and resources, if the participant chooses. All housing programs in the CoC use a Client Choice philosophy. Domestic Violence Orgs are referenced in the CES Manual by county. These organizations are funded by DOJ, ESG, CoC and HHS for housing and other victim services. Training is provided on this policy and population by the CES Lead Agency regularly and when new access points are created in the community. Additional training on victim centered services and trauma-informed care are provided by CoC member orgs that provide victim services. 2) The CoC has specific confidentiality protocols that are put into action when a individual or family fleeing DV presents at an access point. The access point will enter their information into the CoCs HMIS without any personally identifying information. The HMIS client ID # created for CES will then be shared with the CoCs CES lead who keeps a key of all DV clients separate out of HMIS. This information is only shared with permission to VSPs or when the housing referral is made.

1C-5c. Coordinated Annual Training on Best Practices to Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.

NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

In the chart below, indicate how your CoC facilitates training for project staff and coordinated entry staff that addresses best practices on safety planning and confidentiality protocols:

		Project Staff	Coordinated Entry Staff
1.	Training Occurs at least annually?	Yes	Yes
2.	Incorporates Trauma Informed best practices?	Yes	Yes
3.	Incorporates Survivor-Centered best practices?	Yes	Yes
4.	Identifies and assesses survivors' individual safety needs?	Yes	Yes
5.	Enhances and supports collaboration with DV organizations?	Yes	Yes
6.	Ensures survivors' rights, voices, and perspectives are incorporated?	Yes	Yes
	Other? (limit 500 characters)		
7.			

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1C-5d.	Implemented VAWA-Required Written Emergency Transfer Plan Policies and Procedures for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.
	Describe in the field below:
1.	whether your CoC's written policies and procedures include an emergency transfer plan;
2.	how your CoC informs all households seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance about their rights to an emergency transfer;
3.	what your CoC requires households to do to request emergency transfers; and
4.	what your CoC does in response to households requesting emergency transfers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

 The CoC's Written Standards established protocols for working with survivors of domestic violence, including emergency transfer plans to provide protections for those who make requests and believe there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if they remain in the same dwelling unit or geographic area. The Standards incorporate the requirements of VAWA Act of 2022 including compliance with 24CFR, part 5, subpart L. A victim centered, trauma informed approach is taken with all participants. 2. The CoC requires all CoC funded grantees and Coordinated Entry Access Points to educate and inform participant households seeking or receiving housing assistance about their rights to an emergency transfer. The CoC is currently working to add an Emergency Transfer notice on the CoC website to publicly inform the community and potential CoC program participants of this right. 3. The CoC simply requires participants to provide verbal or written notice to CoC program staff of their need for an emergency transfer. 4. The CoC requires CoC funded programs to consider all Emergency Transfer requests and to work with the participant to facilitate a program transfer or to provide another safe housing unit. The CoC Coordinated Entry policies allows for the prioritization of these Emergency Transfer requests to facilitate a more rapid housing response.

Facilitating Safe Access to Housing and Services for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures households experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all of the housing and services available within your CoC's geographic area.

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The CoC along with the providers that serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking advertise and conduct community outreach on a regular basis. The Coordinated Entry System access points for domestic violence victims are advertised within the community and service providers know to make referrals to the appropriate person/ organization to be assessed and entered into the CoC's CES. The CoC ensures that outreach providers are up to date on the services and housing programs available to this population and they understand how to make referrals to the most appropriate resource. There are no CoC or ESG grantees in the service area that will deny a household entry into the program based on the fact that they are survivors of DV or are actively fleeing. All housing providers and CES access points are trained annually to address program participants' physical, emotional, safety, privacy, and confidentiality needs using culturally appropriate language. The CoC has strategically requested and has been awarded CoC funding from HUD for DV programs that serve survivors across the entire CoC region and to have transitional/ bridge housing locations that are accessible to survivors located anywhere within the CoC. The CoC has conducted gaps analysis in the past that identified there was a need for additional safe shelter and housing for survivors of DV. Due to the lack of availability of these programs and shelter beds it created a systematic barrier for DV survivors to access the homeless response system. One of the CoC funded agencies applied for multiple TH/ RRH joint component programs using the DV Bonus funding available to the CoC in several competitions. The CoC now has 1 consolidated TH/ RRH program that has TH units across the CoC service area that specifically serves survivors of DV.

1C-5f.	Identifying and Removing Barriers for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures survivors receive safe housing and services by:	
1.	identifying barriers specific to survivors; and	
2.	working to remove those barriers.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

 The CoC works with the South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (SCCADVASA) and local victim service provider organizations to proactively identify issues and barriers to ensure survivors receive safe housing and services. The CoC also includes CoC members that have an interest in providing services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking in these conversations. The CoC has identified a barrier with zoning ordinances not allowing for group living in multiple cities in the CoC region. This directly impacts the locations of the transitional housing units funded by the CoC. Another issue is the lack of funding resources for safe housing and professional supportive services dedicated to this population. 2) The CoC and the CoC funded grantee are advocating and meeting with local planning departments about variances to their zoning ordinance codes. The CoC is working with DOJ and VAWA funded organizations to leverage these funding sources in addition to the CoC encouraging housing providers to apply for DV bonus projects in the CoC NOFO competition for the past several years.

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1C-6.	Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+–Anti-Discrimination Policy and Equal Access Trainings.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	
	 Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination? 	Yes
:	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
	B. Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	Yes
1C-	6a. Anti-Discrimination Policy–Updating Policies–Assisting Providers–Evaluating Compliance–Addressing Noncompliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	
	Describe in the field below:	
	how your CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ and other organizations to update its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary to ensure all housing and services provided in the	

CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families;

how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy;
 your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
 your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

 The CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ persons and organizations when reviewing and updating its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policies. These policies are reviewed on an annual basis and updated, if needed, per community input and local, state, and federal requirements. The CoC works with Sea Haven, ECHO, Care Team Plus, and SCCADVASA who all focus on the LGBTQ+ populations. 2) CoC assisted housing and service providers are encouraged to adopt the CoC's anti-discrimination policy. If a CoC funded agency needs assistance with ensuring that their anti-discrimination policies are consistent with the CoC-wide policies Collaborative Applicant staff will work with them to ensure the policies comply with CoC standards. 3) The CoC conducts monitoring annually where organizational and program policies are reviewed. The CoC monitoring checklist specifically requires the monitor to review the programs anti-discrimination policy. 4. Agency policies that are not in compliance with the CoC's anti-discrimination policy receive a finding and a corrective action to update the respective policy. The CoC and HMIS staff are then available to assist the organization with technical assistance.

Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area–New Admissions–General/Limited Preference–Moving On Strategy.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

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You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the current CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with—if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing or Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2023 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
Housing Authority of Myrtle Beach	77%	Yes-Both	No
Housing Authority of Florence		Yes-Public Housing	No

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or	
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

 The CoC meets with and continues to engage with the Housing Authorities of Myrtle Beach, Sumter, Florence, Georgetown, and Conway about preferences for homeless individuals/families in their policies for the HCV, Mainstream Vouchers Program and Public Housing. These PHA's currently refer to the CoC's Coordinated Entry System directly when homeless clients present for housing. The 2 PHAs the CoC works with mostly are the Myrtle Beach and Florence Housing Authorities which are Coordinated Entry access points. The CoC collaborated with the Florence Housing Authority which covers 5 counties in the CoC region to write a joint application for the EHV program. The referrals for the EHV program were coordinated through the CoC CE process. The CoC is working with ECHO, a CoC grantee and the collaborative applicant, to use their Tenant Based Rental Assistance program funded by the HOME program through Horry County in an effort to help alleviate the waiting list of homeless applicants from the Myrtle Beach and Conway Housing Authorities. The CoC partnered with the Myrtle Beach Housing Authority to apply for the Stability Voucher program. The Myrtle Beach PHA were awarded 5 stability vouchers. The CoC's Collaborative Applicant was invited to be on the panel at the annual regional PHA meeting to discuss CoC and PHA collaboration and working with people experiencing homelessness.. Ultimately the goal is to have all PHAs adopt a homeless preference and PSH Move On Strategy for their housing programs to help create more openings in CoC funded Permanent Supportive Housing projects. The CoC also consults with the State HUD Field Office Public Housing Department in this coordinated effort. 2) N/A

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Not Scored-For Information Only	1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
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Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:

1.	Multifamily assisted housing owners	Yes
2.	РНА	Yes
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	Yes
4.	Local low-income housing programs	Yes
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
5.		

1C-7c.	1C-7c. Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.		

In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process:

1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	Yes
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	Yes
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	Yes
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	Yes
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	Yes
7.	Public Housing	Yes
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	

1C-7d.	1C-7d. Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)?		Yes
		Program Funding Source
	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	Stability Voucher Program

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1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV).	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
Did Vou Plar	your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice uchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue n?	Yes

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1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

 $\hbox{HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at \ CoC\ Program\ Competition\ to\ assist\ you\ in\ completing\ the\ CoC\ Application.\ Resources\ include:}$

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide; Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

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	1D-1.	Preventing People Transitioning from Public Systems from Experiencing	Homelessness.	
		NOFO Section V.B.1.h.		
		Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively public systems listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longe discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless	r than 90 days are not	
1.	Prisons	/Jails?	Yes	
2.	Health (Care Facilities?	Yes	
3.	Resider	ntial Care Facilities?	Yes	
4.	Foster 0	Care?	Yes	
	1D-2.	Housing First–Lowering Barriers to Entry. NOFO Section V B 1 i		
		NOFO Section V.B.1.i.		
	e	nter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRI- ntry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying rogram Competition.	I, SSO non-coordinated or in FY 2024 CoC	12
	lei	nter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRI- ntry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying r rogram Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	I, SSO non-coordinated for in FY 2024 CoC	12
3. This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.			100%	
	1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.		
		NOFO Section V.B.1.i.		

You must upload the Housing First Evaluation attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

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Describe in the field below:

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1.	how your CoC evaluates every project—where the applicant checks Housing First on their project application—to determine if they are using a Housing First approach;
2. the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation;	
how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure projects are using a Housing First approach; and	
4.	what your CoC has done to improve fidelity to Housing First.

(limit 2,500 characters)

 The CoC utilizes CES referral acceptance percentages to determine if the project is accepting referrals at a rate of 90% or higher. Each project is required to provide a reason for denials of any referrals to CES which are reviewed if the project has a low acceptance rate. The CoC reviews the project applicant/ recipients policies and procedures to determine if it supports the Housing First approach that was checked in the project application. The CoC utilizes HUD's Housing First Evaluation Assessment during the Annual CoC monitoring to ensure that projects are using a Housing First Approach in practice. 2) The Housing First Evaluation tool uses factors like project eligibility (e.g. not putting up barriers to entry based on criminal record, active substance use disorder, or little to no income), project denials, case management practices, positive housing exits, etc to determine if a project is practicing a Housing First approach. The rating and ranking tool uses the following factors and performance indicators during the evaluation: Review of the agencies policies and procedures, CES acceptance referral rate, percentage of participants that enter the program with zero income, more than one disability, and have a prior living situation of place not meant for human habitation. 3) The CoC conducts an annual monitoring which is conducted outside of the CoC Competition that assess all areas of CoC funded projects including fidelity to the Housing First approach. During the monitoring the monitor reviews the program policies and procedures to ensure the program is prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing and are not requiring service participation or any preconditions of program participants. The monitor reviews a percentage of the program's participant files, client case notes, and other relevant documentation to ensure staff are following the program's policies and procedures. Involuntary exits from the program are reviewed to determine that the project followed a Housing First philosophy and attempted to remedy the issue in other ways than discharge from the program. The CoC continuously monitors the number of CES referral rejects and the reason for those rejections to ensure that projects remain as low barrier as possible. 4) Through Housing First workshops, technical assistance, and the CoC evaluating each projects fidelity to Housing First on an annual basis we believe that the CoC has met the fidelity standard.

1D-3.	Street Outreach-Data-Reaching People Least Likely to Request Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.j.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC tailored its street outreach to people experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.	

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The CoC street outreach efforts cover all 13 counties (100% coverage rate). Homeless outreach is conducted by 33 dedicated staff outreach workers that engage the homeless on a daily basis, including weekends, special events, and disasters in an effort to identify all who are currently homeless During natural disasters (like floods, hurricanes or winter storms) outreach workers make special efforts to connect people to available Red Cross, FEMA and local storm shelters and resources. All CoC outreach workers are in regular contact with existing homeless shelters working with families/individuals that have been displaced as the result of any disasters. The outreach workers conduct CES screenings or contact a CES access point. SSVF, ESG, PATH and RHY funded street outreach workers all conduct daily outreach. Outreach is also performed by many partnering agencies that provide basic services and connect the individuals/families to CES access points within the CoC. The CoC collaborates regularly with city and county depts., police departments, hospitals, jails, community health organizations, community kitchens, 12 step fellowships, 211 call centers, and many churches and faith based organizations to coordinate targeted outreach efforts. In the past year the CoC has coordinated with City and County Opioid Response outreach teams that are funded by the South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund which focuses on persons experiencing homelessness. The CoC has also created a Landlord Mitigation and Outreach Specialist position funded through CDBG that focuses on engaging new landlords throughout the CoC region. Outreach workers engage persons less likely to request assistance by going to their location (ie: tent encampments, woods, abandoned buildings, housing not meant for human habitation, bus stations, etc.). These persons are engaged in a manner to develop a trusting relationship using motivational interviewing & trauma informed care techniques and giving out hygiene, clothing, and food items. The CoC participates in the City of Myrtle Beach Homeless Court. The CoC also coordinates with the Myrtle Beach Homeless Coalition to conduct a monthly street outreach event. An effective approach has been to work with homeless clients that have received services to help conduct outreach to others that they know about that otherwise may never be contacted or found.

1D-4. Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.

NOFO Section V.B.1.k.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate your CoC's strategies to prevent the criminalization of homelessness in your CoC's geographic area:

	Your CoC's Strategies	Engaged/Educated Legislators and Policymakers	Implemented Laws/Policies/Practices that Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness
1.	Increase utilization of co-responder responses or social services-led responses over law enforcement responses to people experiencing homelessness?	Yes	Yes
2.	Minimize use of law enforcement to enforce bans on public sleeping, public camping, or carrying out basic life functions in public places?	Yes	Yes
3.	Avoid imposing criminal sanctions, including fines, fees, and incarceration for public sleeping, public camping, and carrying out basic life functions in public places?	Yes	Yes

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4.	Other:(limit 500 characters)	

1D-5.	Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) or Longitudinal Data from HMIS.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.I.	

	HIC Longitudinal HMIS Data	2023	2024
Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC or the number of households served per longitudinal HMIS data, e.g., APR.	HIC	293	363

1D-6.	Mainstream Benefits-CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

		CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	SSDI–Social Security Disability Insurance	Yes
4.	TANF-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
5.	Substance Use Disorder Programs	Yes
6.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
7.	Other (limit 150 characters)	

1D-6a.	1D-6a. Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	works with projects to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including those that provide substance use disorder treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services, including Medicaid; and	
2.	promotes SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff.	

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 The CoC and CoC funded projects works with Community Health Orgs and FQHCs, like Little River Medical, Sumter Family Health, Hope Health and faithbased Mercy Med to provide medical, dental, vision care and general health services to all participants providing free/sliding scale services. The CoC established partnerships with CareSouth Carolina (FQHC), (5 counties, 11 facilities and 25 people CES trained), the South Carolina Hospital Association, The National Alliance for Healthcare for the Homeless and the South Carolina Primary Healthcare Assoc. to aid in connecting clients to accessible healthcare benefits. These partnerships have resulted in positive outcomes in obtaining and utilization of private health insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, Wellvista, employment, non-cash benefits including Family Independence (FI), Food Stamps and SSI/SSDI benefits. The CoC coordinates with substance use disorder and mental health treatment organizations through our partnerships with the County Behavioral Health Service Organizations and County Mental Health Agencies. 2) The SOAR effort in South Carolina is an initiative designed to increase access to SSI/SSDI for eligible adults who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and have a mental illness, medical impairment, and/or a co-occurring substance use disorder. The CoC works with the South Carolina Department of Mental Health to promote, train, and certify CoC member program staff on SOAR.

ID-7.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies–Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent the Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to develop CoC-wide policies and procedures that:	
1.	respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and	
2	prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness.	

1. The CoC worked with the South Carolina Department of Health and Education (SCDHEC) to develop CoC-wide policies and procedures that can be utilized in a response to infection disease outbreaks. These policies include congregate shelter social distancing measures. PPE requirements, and Coordinated Entry prioritization standards that can be activated in the event of a infectious disease outbreak. The CoC also coordinated with ECHO, the CoC Collaborative Applicant, to develop a homeless quarantine shelter program across the CoC. This direct partnership allowed for CoC members and DHEC to refer clients and identified unsheltered homeless that experienced symptoms of COVID to get tested and be quarantined in non-congregate hotel sheltering while getting better. 2. The CoC worked diligently to provide education to providers, (private, government, faith-based and non-profit) about the increased risks associated with those experiencing homelessness and in congregate living situations. The CoC followed CDC and SCDHEC protocols and policies when providing education to providers, as well as the guidance sent regularly from HUD. These meetings and calls, sometimes daily, were geared and kept up to date on guidelines and resources available for housing, PPE, emergency food, disinfecting and sanitizing supplies, etc. Street Outreach efforts were ongoing and frequent in an attempt to provide information, education, resources, and supplies to those on the streets and in other homeless or potential homeless situations. There was a hotline number set up with SCDHEC for when instances occurred for all providers to get connected and be directed on what, where and how to take the next necessary steps to ensure safety and further spread. The CoC and SCDHEC coordinated free Hepatitis A vaccination clinics for the homeless. SCDHEC leadership provided a formal learning session on HEP A and COVID to the CoC members. The CoC also partners with Firebird Recovery and other Harm Reduction agencies to reduce the transmission of Hepatitis C and HIV/AIDS.

ID-7a. Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.		
NOFO Section V.B.1.n.		
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	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	effectively shared information related to public health measures and homelessness; and	
	facilitated communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.	

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 The CoC worked diligently to provide education to providers, (private, government, faith-based and non-profit) about the increased risks associated with those experiencing homelessness and in congregate living situations. The CoC followed CDC and SCDHEC protocols and policies when providing education to providers, as well as the guidance sent regularly from HUD. 2) The CoC sent out updated information from trusted sources like the CDC. SCDHEC. and other local resources in relation to public health measures as they were evolving. These meetings and calls, sometimes daily, were geared and kept up to date on guidelines and resources available for housing, PPE, emergency food, disinfecting and sanitizing supplies, etc. Street Outreach efforts were ongoing and frequent in an attempt to provide information, education, resources, and supplies to those on the streets and in other homeless or potential homeless situations. There was a hotline number set up with SCDHEC for when instances occurred for all providers to get connected and be directed on what, where and how to take the next necessary steps to ensure safety and further spread. The CoC coordinated with SCDHEC and FQHCs to provide street outreach workers with free Hepatitis A and COVID vaccines.

1D-8. Coordinated Entry Standard Processes.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	can serve everybody regardless of where they are located within your CoC's geographic area;	
uses a standardized assessment process to achieve fair, equitable, and equal access to housing and services within your CoC;		
3.	collects personal information in a trauma-informed way; and	
4.	is updated at least annually using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.	

 The CoCs Coordinated Entry System-Assessment Process covers 100% of the CoC's 13 county service area. The CoC utilizes physical CE access points, outreach workers that go to encampments to conduct CE assessments, and a mobile online access point that can be utilized by households experiencing homelessness or general community members. 2) Our CoC uses a standardized vulnerability tool for its assessments and the process is standard over the entire 13-county area. The CoC using the YHSI grant is analyzing the CE assessment tool to included youth specific assessment questions that will make the process more equitable for youth experiencing homelessness. The CoC utilizes case conferencing to ensure that households that may not score as high on the vulnerability index can still achieve fair, equitable, and equal access to housing and services by providers sharing other pertinent information about these households and their specific vulnerabilities. The CoC's CE prioritization for joint TH/ RRH and RRH only programs includes prioritizing specific household types like Veterans, substance use, DV, unaccompanied youth, families with children 0-5, and elderly 65 and older. 3) The CoC provides training on the trauma informed care approach using motivational interviewing techniques in the Coordinated Entry training that all CE assessors must take prior to conducting assessments. Data collection is focused on establishing eligibility and needs without requiring unnecessary or invasive questions, reducing the burden on those experiencing homelessness. 4) The CoC is constantly monitoring and evaluating the assessment tool and CES process for GAPS and pertinent issues that need to be addressed. These are then presented by the CoC CES Committee to the full Board of Directors for consideration of edits and updates. Stakeholder and participant surveys play a huge role in determining these GAPS and needed edits and updates.

1D-8a.	Coordinated Entry-Program Participant-Centered Approach.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;	
2.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance;	
3.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their needs and preferences; and	
4.	takes steps to reduce burdens on people seeking assistance.	

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 The CoC has multiple access point locations for CES and uses a mixed approach of physical locations and a mobile online access point for locations that have no access or limited access to the a physical access point. The CoC currently has 10 physical access point locations in the CoC service area. The CES Coordinator conducts outreach to organizations that come into contact with the homeless population. All access point locations are detailed in the CES Policies and Procedures and discussed with CoC members and other organizations that come in contact with the homeless population. The CoC. SSVF, ESG, RHY and PATH outreach workers all provide CES housing assessments themselves or have one performed by an access point in their area. These outreach teams are designed and dedicated to reach people who are least likely to apply for homelessness assistance programs and housing. The CoC advertises CES to all CoC members and other perspective individuals and organizations that are in contact with the homeless at CoC events and meetings with local stakeholders (including local and county governments). 2) & 3) The Assessment process prioritizes people most in need by following a standardized housing assessment that utilizes a vulnerability index, using the HUD Prioritization Notice, and communicating with local stakeholders about potential other needs that are not identified in the assessment as potential factors to be prioritized when making a housing referral. The assessment tool and procedures explain what to do and how to refer to these organizations. taking safety and confidentiality into consideration. The CoC prioritization process provides timely referrals as openings become available in housing programs. The CoC's CES will ask RRH housing providers to accept referrals for chronically homeless households that score in the PSH range when there are limited PSH units available. This allows for the PSH household to obtain permanent housing quickly while waiting for a PSH opening to become available. All access points are required to provide this information and allow the applicant the choice to pursue these services. 4. CES has taken steps to reduce the burdens on people using coordinated entry by only asking necessary questions and allowing access to CES through an online self service assessment form and training street outreach workers how to conduct a CES assessment in the field where a person is identified.

1D-8b.	Coordinated Entry–Informing Program Participants about Their Rights and Remedies–Reporting Violations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
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	Describe in the field below how your CoC through its coordinated entry:	
1.	affirmatively markets housing and services provided within the CoC's geographic area and ensures it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness;	
2.	informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and	
3.	reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants to the jurisdiction(s) responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.	

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1) The CoC Coordinated Entry System markets housing and services provided within the CoC's region without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, religion, familial status, or disability. This is done through member organizations, street outreach teams, and grassroots marketing. The CoC also has a mobile online access point that allows for all persons experiencing homelessness in the CoC geographic area to be reached. 2) The CES policy and procedures requires access points to inform applicants and program participants of their rights and remedies that are available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws. This is done through either direct notification, by the CES intake worker, to the participant or by posting fair housing posters in conspicuous locations where program participants will see it. 3) Any notification or complaint of a fair housing violation by a program participant or homeless service provide will be investigated by the CoC. The CoC reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice to HUD and the jurisdiction responsible for certifying consistency with the consolidated plan.

1D	9. Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness–Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
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1. F	las your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	Yes
2. E	inter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	03/10/2022
1D-s	Da. Using Data to Determine if Racial Disparities Exist in Your CoC's Provision or Outcomes of CoC Program-Funded Homeless Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
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	Describe in the field below:	
	the data your CoC used to analyze whether any racial disparities are present in your CoC's provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance; and	
	2. how your CoC analyzed the data to determine whether any racial disparities are present in your CoC's provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance.	

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1) The CoC used HUD's CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool version 3.0 along with other data sources from the American Community Survey and local HMIS data to analyze whether any racial disparities are present in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance. The CoC's Community Data Solutions Department used local HMIS data to analyze CES assessments, CES referrals, CES denials, enrollments into CoC funded programs, positive and negative housing outcomes, average length of time from project entry to housing move in, and average length of time enrolled in the program. Staff compared these metrics to each other and to ACS data to determine if there were any disparities that existed. The CoC HMIS and CES committees both include and lead by persons with lived experience of homelessness. 2) The CoC board reviewed HUD's CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool version 3.0 and determined that Black African Americans in Families with Children were experiencing unsheltered homelessness at a much higher rate than their White counterparts. This analysis also determined that Black African American Veterans are experiencing unsheltered homelessness at a greater rate than their White counterparts

1D-9b. Implemented Strategies to Prevent or Eliminate Racial Disparities.

NOFO Section V.B.1.p

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to prevent or eliminate racial disparities.

1.	Are your CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies representative of the population served in the CoC?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC identify steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC?	Yes
3.	Is your CoC expanding outreach in your CoC's geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups?	Yes
4.	Does your CoC have communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups?	Yes
5.	Is your CoC training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness?	Yes
6.	Is your CoC establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector?	Yes
7.	Does your CoC have staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness?	Yes
8.	Is your CoC educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity?	Yes
9.	Did your CoC review its coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness?	Yes
10.	Is your CoC collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system?	Yes
11.	Is your CoC conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness?	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	
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Plan for Ongoing Evaluation of System-level Processes, Policies, and Procedures for Racial Equity.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's plan for ongoing evaluation of system-level processes, policies, and procedures for racial equity.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has had conversations to be more intentional when selecting board members to ensure that the makeup of the CoC Board of Directors is representative of the population being served in the CoC. This year the Rating and Ranking Tool was approved to include points for factors that related to racial equity and project conducting their own racial disparity analysis on project outcomes. For example, the tool had points associated if the project applicant reviewed internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and has a plan for developing and implementing policies that do not impose undue barriers. Another factor with points associated on the tool was that the recipient has reviewed program participant outcomes with an equity lens, including the disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age. The tool also gives points to projects with inclusive management and staff in the LGBTQUI+ and BIPOC communities.

1D-9d.	Plan for Using Data to Track Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Racial Disparities.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.
	Describe in the field below:
1.	the measures your CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and
2.	the tools your CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

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1) The CoC reviews racial, ethnic, gender, and age data from HMIS for entries into programs and outcomes of those programs. The Community Data Solutions Department discusses their findings at CoC meetings and then raises questions using the data to inform conversations. 2) The CoC tracks the progress on eliminating or decreasing disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance using the reports from Stella P which are updated annually with the most recent data from the Longitudinal System Analysis. The CoC is provided with a performance report on reducing/ eliminating disparities.

1D-10.	Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking–CoC's Outreach Efforts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decisionmaking processes.

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Outreach efforts are focused on people with lived experience at every level of CoC activities. Stakeholder surveys are sent out, as well as program participant surveys. The data and answers collected in these is used to influence service delivery and decision-making by the CoC and grantees. The CoC targeted new Board Members that have been homeless within the past 7 years. This targeted outreach resulted in the addition of a 2 new board members that are also on the YAB for the CoC's YHDP program. The CoC board of directors currently has 5 members out of 10 that have lived experience of homelessness and/ or unsheltered homelessness. ECHO, employs over 68 people on its staff. Over 50% of the staff are formerly homeless, many coming through programs in the CoC and also people in recovery from substance use disorder and/or mental illness. Many of these staff members started as volunteers, interns, or access point staff. 4 of the 5 Chief Executive staff have lived experience, including the CEO. Additionally, the HMIS Administrator, CES Director, HUD Coordinator, the VA Contract Bed/GPD Bed Facility Coordinator, and the HUD TH and PSH Coordinator are directed by persons with lived experience. The CoC's Youth Advisory Board also has persons with lived experience. The CoC and ECHO the Collaborative Applicant place a premium on lived experience and the invaluable difference it makes in leadership, planning, implementation, and decision-making in our 13 county service area.

1D-10a.	Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

You must upload the Lived Experience Support Letter attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the four categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1.	Routinely included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	3	3
2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	3	3
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	3	3
4.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	3	3

Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

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The CoC member agencies, especially ECHO and Sea Haven provide multiple and on-going professional development, in service trainings and employment opportunities within the CoC. ECHO employs over 68 people and over 50% of those are people with lived experience, many coming onboard initially as volunteers, interns, access point staff, and previous program participants. Certified Peer Support training has resulted in 18 CPPSS staff members. WRAP program training resulted in 14 WRAP Certified Specialists, Trauma Informed Suicide Prevention Trainings has resulted in over 40 people certified and 2 that are now actually certified trainers. ECHO provided Property Management training to 4 formerly homeless staff members that are now licensed property managers and one of these is now a Property Manager in Charge. Internships have been in place for Masters of Social Work and Public Health. In-Service trainings have been provided on Cultural Competency. Case Note Documentation, LGTBQIA+ True Colors Initiative, Team/Capacity Building, etc. ECHO regularly sends staff to relevant national conferences (e.g., NHSDC). Leadership emphasizes individual professional development during monthly meetings and annual reviews, including professional goal setting and tracking with all staff (knowledge/skills building). Sea Haven is regularly providing Safe Place Site trainings, human trafficking trainings and other trainings related to unaccompanied youth. They also provide internships and employment opportunities to persons with lived experience.

1D-10c.	Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;	
2.	how often your CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;	
3.	how your CoC gathers feedback from people who received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program;	
4.	how often your CoC gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program; and	
5.	steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness.	

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 The CoC routinely gathers feedback from people with lived experience and those that received assistance through CoC, ESG and VA programs at its regular membership and Board Meetings. The CoC also gathers this information on a daily basis in leadership meetings, program staff meetings, inservice trainings, client participant exit interviews, regular client/case manager meetings, etc. All of these methods and ways of gathering this invaluable information is put into action by the CoC, mainly through it's Collaborative Applicant ECHO, in the planning, development, implementation and administration of renewal and new projects to address homelessness and homeless prevention. 2) The CoC is constantly gather this feedback due to the number of people in the CoC that have or currently are experiencing homelessness. 3) CoC and ESG funded programs conduct participant satisfaction survey's while enrolled in the program and at exit from the program. This gives program participants an opportunity to provide feedback on what worked for them while in the program and what can be improved programmatically. This information is reviewed by the management and program staff of CoC grantees on a quarterly basis. 4) The CoC gathers this information on a monthly basis. 5) All programs use a client centered, trauma informed and housing first approach. The challenges and barriers that are shared by persons with lived experience and are actively receiving or previously received assistance from these programs plays a pivotal and necessary role in the CoC and member agencies strategic planning, program design and implementation. An example of steps the CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness is the Landlord Community Specialist position that ECHO hired funded through CDBG. This position recruits landlords to work with the programs and to accept program participants with limited barriers like background checks and credit checks.

1D-11.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.
	Describe in the field below at least two steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months to engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:
1.	reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and
2.	reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.

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1) The CoC has engaged the City of Myrtle Beach Government about the lack of available affordable housing and the need to develop additional units. The City of Myrtle Beach does not allow affordable housing or facilities that are 100% dedicated to people with substance abuse disorder. The CoC has engaged the City of Myrtle Beach government at zoning commission meetings and City Council meetings to reform their zoning ordinances to remove this prohibition. 2) The greater Myrtle Beach area has approximately 90% of the CoC's homeless population according to the 2024 PIT Count. The CoC has been battling the City to remove or grant a variance to the most recently passed ordinance that prohibits long term rentals especially for low income housing in approximately a third of the City limits. The CoC has sent the information about this ordinance to the United States Interagency Council on the Homelessness (USICH) to review with a fair housing lens and provide guidance on next steps.

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1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

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- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
 24 CFR part 578;
 FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
 Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1E-	1. Web Posting of Advance Public Notice of Your CoC's Local Competition Deadline, Scoring and Rating Criteria.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a. and 2.g.	
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	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus	
	2. Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.	Yes
5.	Used data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	Yes

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6.	Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.	Yes
1E	-2a. Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.	
	You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	7
	Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:	
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1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	19
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-RRH
1E	-2b. Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.d.	
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	Describe in the field below:	
	how your CoC analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing;	
	2. how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing;	
	3. how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and	

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4. the severe barriers your CoC considered.

1) The CoC used HMIS/ Comparable database exit destination data from each projects most recently completed Annual Performance Report (APR) in SAGE. For PSH the CoC gave projects 25 points if 85% or more of the participants exited to or remained in permanent housing. For RRH and TH/ RRH projects the CoC gave projects 25 points if 80% or more of the participants moved to a permanent housing destination. 2) The CoC used HMIS/ Comparable database exit destination data from each projects most recently completed Annual Performance Report (APR) in SAGE. 20 points were given to RRH projects that on average took 45 days or less from program entry to residential move in date (permanent housing). 20 points were given to PSH project that on average took 15 days or less and 10 points were given to TH/RRH projects that took 90 days or less. 3) The CoC rating and ranking tool used 3 factors that gave points to projects that served participants with specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities. Projects that had 50% or more of their participants served during the program year with zero income at entry, more than one disability, and/ or entered the project from a place not meant for human habitation were given 5 points for each factor they met. 4.) The rating and ranking committee made considerations for projects that were the only project of its kind in the CoC's region serving a special or specific subpopulation. These considerations were made once projects were scored and the committee was finalizing the rank of each project on the priority list.

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1E-3.	Advancing Racial Equity through Participation of Over-Represented Populations in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.e.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC used input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over- represented in the local homelessness population, to determine the rating factors used to review project applications;	
2.	how your CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over- represented in the local homelessness population in the review, selection, and ranking process; and	
3.	how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree that proposed projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and steps the projects took or will take to eliminate the identified barriers.	

1) The CoC is working to develop a strategy that will be more inclusive of persons of different races that are over represented in the local homelessness population and obtaining their input and feedback on the rating factors used in the review of project applications. 2) The CoC is actively working on soliciting persons of different races to participate on the CoC Board of Directors and all committees of the CoC. 3) The CoC included rating factors that awarded points if organizations provided evidence of their review of internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and developed a plan for implementing more equitable policies and procedures that do not impose undue barriers and/ or the review of program participant outcomes with an equity lens.

1E-4.	Reallocation–Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.
	Describe in the field below:
1.	your CoC's reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed;
2.	whether your CoC identified any low performing or less needed projects through the process described in element 1 of this question during your CoC's local competition this year;
3.	whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and
4.	why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.

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 The CoC has two types of reallocation in it's written process: Voluntary and Involuntary. The process for voluntary reallocation is for the grantee to notify the CoC of their intent to fully or partially reallocate their project in the upcoming competition. The CoC will evaluate the impact on the system and how to handle any potential client displacements. Involuntary reallocation is determined when a project fails to meet monitoring or performance expectations outlined in the reallocation policy. The CoC identifies lower performing projects through the CoC monitoring process which includes a review of Annual Performance Reports and other CoC project performance standards. The reasons for reallocation are as follows: fiscal non-compliance, ongoing non-compliance with HUD/CoC regulations, policies, or processes, and poor performance. The CoC may also reallocate projects that do not meet current HUD or CoC thresholds. The CoC board and membership created and approved the reallocation process outlined in the written standards. The CoC written standards are located on the website and announced at the general membership meeting. The reallocation process is also outlined and emailed to the list serve every competition year. 2) The CoC did not identify any projects during this years local competition. 3) The CoC did not reallocate any projects this year. 4) The CoC did not determine that any projects were considered low performing or less needed during this years local competition.

1E- 4 a.	Reallocation Between FY 2019 and FY 2024.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	
	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2019 and FY 2024?	No
1	E-5. Projects Rejected/Reduced-Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
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1.	Did your CoC reject any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC reduce funding for any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
3.	Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
4.	If you selected Yes for element 1 or element 2 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2024, 06/27/2024, and 06/28/2024, then you must enter 06/28/2024.	10/15/2024
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1E-5b.	Local Competition Se	election Results for All Projects.	
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1E-5c.	Competition Applicat	-Approved Consolidated Application 2 Days Before CoC Program ion Submission Deadline.	
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

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- Frequently Asked Questions

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2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	
Ent	ter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	Wellsky
24.2	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
2.	Not Scored-For Information Only	
Sel	lect from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Statewide
24.3	HIC Data Submission in HDY	
2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX. NOFO Section V.B.3.a.	
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1) The CoC funds an HMIS-compliant comparable database and collects all of the data elements required by HUD. The HMIS vendor for the comparable database is Wellsky - Community Services. The CoC's Community Data Solutions team (HMIS Lead) targets DV service providers that do not use a comparable database or do not provide the CoC with de-identified data to discuss with them the importance of sharing the data with the CoC. The Community Data Solutions team offers the use of the database along with ongoing training and support for no charge. The CoC and HMIS Lead request de-identified system performance measures data for each project that uses a comparable database. The CoC does not have any issues with getting this data from DV housing and service providers that use an HMIS-compliant comparable database. 2) The CoC's comparable database is compliant with the FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards. 3) The CoC's HMIS is compliant with the FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards.

2A-5. Bed Coverage Rate-Using HIC, HMIS Data-CoC Merger Bonus Points.

NOFO Section V.B.3.c. and V.B.7.

Using the 2024 HDX Competition Report we issued your CoC, enter data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current Non-VSP Beds [Column F of HDX Report]	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds [Column K of HDX Report]	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database [Column M of HDX Report]	
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	398	15	334	80.87%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	0.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	140	25	165	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	363	0	363	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	409	0	360	88.02%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	315	0	70	22.22%

2A-5a	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c.	
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For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:

1. steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and

2. how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.

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- 1) The CoC will engage emergency shelters and other permanent housing providers who are not using HMIS to discuss with their leadership the organization's barriers to using HMIS. The CoC offers the HMIS database, ongoing training, data quality assistance, custom reporting, and data visualization/dashboards to all HMIS-participating organizations for no cost. The CoC will allow for minimal data collection to only what is required in the HUD data standards for organizations that do not operate a project required to enter project-specific data elements.
- 2) The CoC will use the staff of the Community Data Solutions team (HMIS Lead) to develop these relationships and schedule these meetings with organizational leadership.

2A-6	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.d.	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2024 HDX Competition Report to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by January 24, 2024, 11:59 Yes p.m. EST?

2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

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2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	
Ent	er the date your CoC conducted its 2024 PIT count.	01/24/2024
2B-2.	PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	
Ent	er the date your CoC submitted its 2024 PIT count data in HDX.	05/09/2024
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2B-3.	PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth in Your CoC's Most Recent Unsheltered PIT Count.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.b.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations in your CoC's most recent PIT count planning process;	
2.	worked with unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during your CoC's most recent PIT count planning process; and	
3.	included youth experiencing homelessness as counters during your CoC's most recent unsheltered PIT count.	

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1) The CoC works with the youth provider Sea Haven for Youth, which is a member of the CoC and receives HUD CoC funding for Rapid Re-housing. The CoC PIT Count Committee included staff from Sea Haven during the planning process for the 2024 PIT Count. 2) & 3) Sea Haven involves youth with lived experience in the actual count to advocate to their peers the importance of being counted and what it does for the community. Sea Haven's outreach team helped the CoC identify the locations where homeless and runaway youth were most likely to congregate and be identified. Sea Haven also counted at their service and outreach facility locations. The CoC is currently preparing for a YYA-specific PIT Count in 2025, which includes coordination with and active involvement from the YHDP's Youth Action Board. The CoC will also participate in SCICH's statewide YYA PIT Count initiative in 2025.

2B-4. PIT Count–Methodology Change–CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.a and V.B.7.c.
	In the field below:
1.	describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2023 and 2024, if applicable;
2.	describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2023 and 2024, if applicable;
3.	describe whether your CoC's PIT count was affected by people displaced either from a natural disaster or seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance who recently arrived in your CoCs' geographic; and
4.	describe how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results; or
5.	state "Not Applicable" if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2024.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Not Applicable

2C. System Performance

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2C-1.	2C-1. Reducing the Number of First Time Homeless–Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;	
2.	describe your CoC's strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time	

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 The CoC identifies specific risk factors/reasons leading to first-time homelessness, including domestic violence, economic factors such as significant loss of income (employment or cash benefits), low to no income, disabilities (especially severe mental illness and/or substance use), lack of social support systems, a significant change in household composition (birth, death, divorce), high number of evictions in prior 7 years, at-risk of losing housing subsidies, previous history of homeless service utilization in past 2 years, registered sex offenders, and housing needs requiring 3 or more bedrooms. These risk factors were identified by analyzing HMIS data from service & prevention providers, reviewing housing barrier assessments, focus groups from persons with lived experience, discussions at monthly CoC meetings, committee meetings, and agency outreach events. 2) TCHC coordinates with hospitals, jails/prisons, mental health providers, VA clinics, discharge planners, and our landlord network to coordinate housing for the imminently at risk. All persons presenting to CES or being outreached to are assessed for diversion/prevention assistance as part of the CE Process. In coordination with the SSVF grantee, the CoC has adopted a Rapid Resolution approach focusing first on reuniting with family or other support networks and promoting/supporting shared living situations. TCHC and HP providers developed an HP screening tool to prioritize prevention assistance according to CoC priorities, including prioritizing funding for single parent households. The CoC has also initiated conversations with hospitals, hospital associations, and FQHCs to discuss practices of discharging patients into homelessness. The CoC will also begin to enforce these moratoriums on hospital discharges to homelessness. TCHC partners with CDBG, HOME, VA-SSVF, ESG, private & faith-based shelters & housing assistance programs to address risk factors of first-time homelessness. CoC outreach workers target and advertise to low income communities and housing projects to ensure they are aware of prevention services available to them. 3) Collaborative Applicant staff and the CoC partner with ESG and SSVF prevention providers to oversee the strategy to reduce first-time homelessness.

2C-1a.	Impact of Displaced Persons on Number of First Time Homeless.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b	
	Was your CoC's Number of First Time Homeless [metric 5.2] affected by the number of persons seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance displaced due to:	
1.	natural disasters?	No
2.	having recently arrived in your CoC's geographic area?	No
	having recently arrived in your CoC's geographic area? Reducing Length of Time Homeless–CoC's Strategy. NOFO Section V.B.5.c.	No
	Reducing Length of Time Homeless–CoC's Strategy.	No
2C-2.	Reducing Length of Time Homeless–CoC's Strategy. NOFO Section V.B.5.c.	No

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3. provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

 The CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time persons remain homeless is to be more diligent with HMIS data quality education to ensure our system performance measures are more accurate, identify and equip additional CES access points, continue prioritizing households with the longest histories of homelessness, secure additional funding to onboard more targeted outreach and engagement workers in the CoC, and provide further training and technical assistance to the CoC's emergency shelters and transitional housing providers on the best practices to connect participants to housing and addressing barriers to housing. The CoC, in partnership with grantees and programs funded by ESG and SSVF, provides ongoing training and support for housing case managers to build and strengthen skills specific to building and leveraging landlord relationships. The CoC and its grantees are also working with an established network of landlords to develop new affordable housing, recruiting new landlords willing to work with these programs, and staffing a dedicated landlord recruitment specialist. 2) The CoC uses a vast network of both dedicated and mobile Coordinated Entry System Access Points (comprised of service providers, targeted and collaborative community outreach efforts, first responders, and an easy-to-use public-facing online tool) to identify persons with the longest histories of homelessness. The Coordinated Entry System is specifically designed to prioritize persons with the longest histories of homelessness and applies dynamic prioritization to increase possible opportunities for housing program referral. CoC members and other stakeholders in the community receive ongoing education on the importance of connecting our most vulnerable community members to CES, along with training on how to serve as a mobile or dedicated Access Point. The CoC provides permanent housing to these persons and families by incorporating HUD's Prioritization Notice into our prioritization process and dedicating and prioritizing non-dedicated PSH beds to persons experiencing Chronic Homelessness. All PSH projects have switched to Dedicated Plus to quickly house those with long histories of homelessness that don't meet the current definition of chronic. The CoC encourages all RRH providers to serve individuals and families with the longest histories of homelessness through the CES process. 3) ECHO, the Collaborative Applicant is the organization responsible for overseeing the strategy.

2C-3.	Successful Permanent Housing Placement or Retention -CoC's Strategy.
	NOFO Section V.B.5.d.
	In the field below:
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;
2.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.

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1) The strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in ES, SH, TH, and RRH exit to permanent destinations includes providing technical assistance on best practice models, including housing first, individualized case management, connections to mainstream benefits and social services, approaches that encourage conflict resolution other than program exit, minimizing rules that cause program discharges, encouraging reconnections with support systems, and partnering with workforce boards to provide employment training and job opportunities. Also, planning and working with these programs to develop strategies to refer clients who "break rules" to other programs that can house and/or shelter the household. The CoC continues to work with ESG and CoC recipients to create CoC-wide policies that discourage negative program exits and formalize strategies to prevent them. 2) The strategy to increase the rate at which persons in permanent housing retain or exit to permanent housing is to further implement the "Move On" strategy, which coordinates with PHA's and other housing programs and enforces CoC policies that limit clients losing their housing or being exited into a negative homeless destination from a program that provided housing. Examples of CoC policies implemented to increase the rate that households retain or exit to housing are: a minimum number of months of client non-payment of rent before the PSH program can exit/evict, more stringent documentation standards to support a negative exit, reviewing these cases during CoC monitoring, and conducting exit interviews with participants to better understand the gaps in services. TCHC maintains connections with SOAR specialists and provides ongoing training for CoC program staff to be fully equipped to connect clients to SSI/ SSDI benefits. The CoC also has a partnership with SC Thrive who operates the benefit bank, a single application for mainstream benefits. Partnerships with Goodwill Joblink, S.C. Works, and private employers help to increase/obtain income for the households. The CoC also creates strong partnerships with landlords and property management companies, advocating for fair treatment of residents, facilitating communication to address concerns swiftly, and providing mediation to resolve potential eviction issues before an eviction occurs. 3)ECHO oversees the CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.

2C-4.	Reducing Returns to Homelessness–CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.e.	
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	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;	
2.	describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate that individuals and families return to homelessness; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.	

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 The CoC identifies common factors of individuals and persons in families who return to homelessness by reviewing project-level HMIS data (ES, TH, RRH and PSH) and comparing it to outreach and data collected through the CES housing assessment process. By comparing this data, the CoC has been able to determine common factors and barriers that lead to these persons returning to homelessness. A few common factors identified are significant loss of cash benefits, poor financial management, history/current criminal activity, fleeing domestic violence, untreated mental illness and substance use. 2) The CoC's strategy to reduce the rate of returns to homelessness is to coordinate with current programs like rapid resolution, ESG and SSVF homeless prevention funds as well as identify partners and funding to expand and/or create new programs that focus on the at-risk population. The CoC is able to better identify these households through the CES housing assessment process and refer them to programs that can better meet their needs and provide long term housing interventions like HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance. Permanent Supportive Housing, HCHV, and other faith-based rental assistance programs. The CoC has a dedicated staff position to help develop and implement a more effective and comprehensive supportive service approach, conduct and facilitate trainings for CoC members, and better coordinate other systems of care that intersect with homelessness (mental health, substance abuse, hospitals, public health centers, etc.). The CoC provided training on motivational interviewing, mental health first aid, cultural competency, a poverty simulation, and a Certified Peer Support Training. 3) Eastern Carolina Homelessness Organization is the organization responsible for overseeing the strategy described above.

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access employment cash sources;	
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income; and	
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment.	

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 The CoC advertises and facilitates training for CoC member organizations to be trained on programs and systems that help participants obtain or increase employment income within the CoC. Member organizations develop relationships and advocate for persons experiencing homelessness with local businesses throughout the CoC. Many CoC member organizations provide internet access for participants to use for job search. The CoC works with workforce development boards to better connect persons experiencing homelessness and households enrolled in homeless housing programs to better-paying jobs, education, specialized training, and resume building. The CoC collaborates with service providers to integrate employment into housing stability plans, ensuring that individuals and families have the necessary tools to achieve long-term financial independence. 2) The CoC partners with VA employment specialists, Vocational Rehab programs, Goodwill Job-link, SC Works, Temp personnel agencies, and private business owners to increase access to job training, resume building, interviewing skills, computer training, and employment opportunities. The CoC also advertises job fairs and community events related to employment throughout the CoC service area. ECHO, one of the CoC grantees has weekly regularly scheduled in-office mini job fairs with the VA Employment specialist and monthly with a temp/day labor provider. 3) Eastern Carolina Homelessness Organization and Sea Haven are responsible for overseeing the strategy described above.

2C-5a. Increasing Non-employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.
	In the field below:
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access non-employment cash income; and
2.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income.

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 The CoC's strategy to increase access to non-employment cash income focuses on ensuring that all homeless service provider staff actively assist participants in applying for eligible non-employment cash benefits. This includes programs such as SSI, SSDI, VA disability, and other public assistance. To support this effort, the CoC provides regular training on navigating these benefits, shares up-to date information at monthly CoC meetings, and disseminates resources through the CoC listserv. Additionally, the CoC encourages service providers to have staff certified in SOAR (SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery) to help participants access SSI and SSDI benefits. Free online SOAR training opportunities are promoted through the CoC's general membership listsery to ensure that service providers are wellequipped to assist clients. Homeless assistance programs that are not SOAR certified can refer to organizations that are certified to connect their program participants to these benefits. The CoC also partners with SC Thrive's Benefit Bank program to train organizations on their single application system. This system will identify any mainstream benefits that program participants are eligible for and apply for those benefits with a single application. Individualized case management that identifies and connects participants to non-cash income sources the client is eligible for early in the case management process is key to the CoC's strategy. 2) Eastern Carolina Homelessness Organization and Sea Haven are responsible for overseeing the strategy described above.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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3/	A-1. New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project-Leveraging Housing Resources			
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.			
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachm Screen.	ent to the 4B. Attachments		
	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that use	o bouging subsidies or subsidired	No	
	housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Program experiencing homelessness?		INO	
3,	A-2. New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resource	ces.		
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.		
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachmen	nt to the 4B. Attachments Screen.		
	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that use individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	es healthcare resources to help	Yes	
3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.			
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.			
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If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.				
Project Name	Project Type Rank Number	r Leverage	Гуре	
	This list contains no items			

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3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

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3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs-New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	
	our CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No
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3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs-New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	
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	If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:	
1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and	
2.	HUD's implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.	

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3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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3C-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serve Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	
proj	our CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component ects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other eral statutes?	No
3C-2.	Cost Effectiveness of Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	
	You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:	
1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and	
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.	

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4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants for New DV Bonus Funding

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4	A-1. New DV Bonus Project Applicants.		
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.		
	Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?		Yes
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4A	-1a. DV Bonus Project Types.		
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.		
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the type(s) of new DV Bonus project(s) your CoC included in its FY 2024 Priority Listing.		
	Project Type		
1.	SSO Coordinated Entry	No	
2.	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component	Yes	
2.	·	Yes	
You n	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component nust click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated	Yes	
2. You m	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component nust click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b.	Yes	
2. You n	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component nust click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b. A-3. Data Assessing Need for New DV Bonus Housing Projects in Your CoC's Geographic Area. NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(c) and I.B.3.j.(3)(c)	Yes	501
2. You m	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component nust click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b. A-3. Data Assessing Need for New DV Bonus Housing Projects in Your CoC's Geographic Area.	Yes	501

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4A-3a.	How Your CoC Calculated Local Need for New DV Bonus Housing Projects.
NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(c)	
	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services in question 4A-3 element 1 and element 2; and
2.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects); or
3.	if your CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors please explain in your response all barriers to meeting those needs.

1) The number of DV survivors needing housing or services was determined by using the CES DV Priority list. All households experiencing homelessness that need housing or services are on this list. The number of survivors the CoC is currently serving was calculated by totaling all current participants in programs that indicated they are a DV survivor or fleeing DV. 2) The data source for these responses is from the CoC DV Priority List, HMIS for non-DV projects, and the CoC comparable data base for victim service providers. 3) The CoC saw an increase of applicants fleeing DV during the COVID pandemic. The barriers to serving all survivors are the lack of financial resources to meet the need for crisis sheltering and permanent housing, organizational capacity and staffing of victim service providers to provide supportive services to all victims needing services.

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicant Requesting New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)	
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Use the list feature icon to enter information on each unique project applicant applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus projects—only enter project applicant information once, regardless of how many DV Bonus projects that applicant is applying for.

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