



# TOTAL CARE FOR THE HOMELESS COALITION

## CoC Pre-Application Workshop

August 17, 2022

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## BEFORE WE BEGIN.....

- ▶ HUD is providing the CoCs only 60 days to submit consolidated applications.
- ▶ Applicants have less than 30 days to submit their applications
- ▶ HUD has yet to make all required resources available to submit applications - the application in e-snaps, total funding, or project resources.
- ▶ There are additional narrative questions agencies will need to provide the COC to achieve maximum points
  
- ▶ Does not mean we don't get started.
  - ▶ Read the NOFO
  - ▶ Make sure you have full access to e-snaps, your agency profile is updated

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## CoC Funding Structure

HUD Awards the CoC ( TCHC) Annual allocation that they coordinate a combined or consolidated application.

Local applicants apply to the CoC for project rating and ranking. The ranking gets placed into a project funding tier and is submitted to HUD for their review and approval.

ECHO is the designated lead agency by the CoC and they coordinate administrative duties including CES, HMIS and compliance.

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## HUD COC 2021 NOFO

- ▶ HUD Continuum of Care Program Notice of Funding Opportunity. CoC NOFO is shorthand for the Department of Housing & Urban Development's annual national funding competition for homeless services funding.
- ▶ Each year (except 2020) HUD releases a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Grants Competition.
- ▶ Preliminary Funding - Estimated ARD is 95% (Tier 1)

Preliminary Pro Rata Need	Estimated ARD	Tier 1	CoC Bonus	DV Bonus	CoC Planning
\$3,369,612	\$3,034,936	\$2,883,189	\$168,481	\$336,961	\$101,088

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## HUD Policy Priorities

- ▶ Ending Homelessness for all persons
- ▶ Using a Housing First Approach
- ▶ Reducing Unsheltered Homeless
- ▶ Improving System Performance
- ▶ Partnering with Housing, Health and Service Agencies
- ▶ Racial Equity
- ▶ Improving Assistance to LGBTQ+
- ▶ Involving persons with lived experience
- ▶ Increasing the affordable housing supply

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## CoC Competition Timeline

Date	Activity Details
August 1, 2022	NOFO Released
August 8, 2022 - August 31, 2022	Application Period Open
August 23, 2022	Questions Due
August 26, 2022	Questions Posted on CoC Website
August 31, 2022	Project Applications Due to CoC
September 1 - September 12, 2022	Technical Review & Ranking Committee meets to review applications
September 13, 2022	Special CoC Board meeting to approve application submission
September 15 - September 19, 2022	Applicant notification and appeal process
September 19, 2022	CoC Board reviews appeals and makes amendments if necessary. Approved project applications posted to the CoC website.
September 22, 2022	Project applications and Collaborative Application submitted to HUD

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## What is New in 2022

- ❑ HUD will incentivize CoCs that create projects that coordinate with housing providers and healthcare organizations to provide permanent affordable housing and rapid rehousing services.
- ❑ HUD increased the number of points awarded related to the CoC coordination with Public Housing Agencies.
- ❑ HUD revised its evaluation of racial disparity from the 2021 CoC Program NOFO to create a greater emphasis on
  - ❑ Racial Equity
  - ❑ Addressing the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals
- ❑ Points associated with CoC's demonstrating how they will build on their partnerships developed during COVID-19 to ensure they are prepared to prevent and respond to future infectious disease outbreaks amongst people experiencing homelessness.

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## Threshold Criteria

- Active Participation in the CoC
- Coordinated Entry Participation
- Housing First Participation
- Documented and Secured Minimum Match
- Application is complete and data is consistent
- Project Costs are eligible
- Acceptable organizational audit/ financial review

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## Eligible Project Types

- ▶ HUD requires communities to conduct a local competition to determine which projects will be included in the CoC's application to HUD that includes a project ranking list.
- ▶ Two categories of projects - Renewal Project and New Projects

### Eligible Project Types:

1. Permanent Housing
  - Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
  - Rapid Rehousing (RRH)
  - Joint Transitional Rapid Rehousing (TH-RRH)
2. Supportive Services Only (for Coordinated Entry)
3. HMIS

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## Competition Selection Process

HUD requires CoCs to rank project applications in two tiers reflecting HUD's funding priorities, local need, and data-driven evaluation process evaluating individual project performance. Prior to the ranking process, the CoC conducts a systems performance evaluation of all projects.

### Tier 1 Projects:

- HUD typically has enough funding to award all Tier 1 projects in communities across the Country. Tier 1 projects are considered relatively "safe" from funding cuts.
- If a project does not meet HUD threshold review, it may not be funded, and HUD will move it down the Tier 2 list of projects.

### Tier 2 Projects

- Projects in Tier 2 are considered at a higher risk of not being funded.
- Tier 2 projects are scored by HUD according to the federal funding levels and policy priorities

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## Eligible Costs

- Acquisition, Rehabilitation, or new construction of PSH
- Leasing or Rental Assistance
- Supportive Services
- Operating Costs
- HMIS
- Project Administration - up to 10% for new projects

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## Budgets: New Project Applications

- Develop your proposed budget according to the number of households you are proposing to serve, and the staff and program resources needed to run the program successfully
- Be detailed in your description of each line item
- If requesting rental assistance, complete the chart in the application with the number of requested units to calculate the total rental assistance costs ( Applicants cannot ask for more than Fair Market Rents)
- New Projects selected for inclusion in the CoC application may need to adjust their budgets or household served estimations according to the total maximum funding available

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## Submission Requirements

- ▶ **Organization submit applications to e- snaps.**
- ▶ **New Grantee Documents to tchc secretary @ [tchc.coc.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:tchc.coc.secretary@gmail.com):**
  - TCHC Narrative Form
  - Organization Policy and Procedure/Operational Manual
  - Project Policy and Procedure/ Operational Manual
  - Financial Policies and Procedures (if not included in one of the above-mentioned documents)
  - Organizational Bylaws
  - Board Roster - identify any board members that have lived experience with homelessness
  - Organizations most recent audit or financial statement

**Renewal Applicants submit to TCHC secretary @ [tchc.coc.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:tchc.coc.secretary@gmail.com):**

- TCHC Narrative Form
- Organizations most recent audit or financial statement
- Board Roster - identify any board members that have lived experience with homelessness
- Policy and procedure on screening participants for potential mainstream benefits and specific plan for helping them access those benefits.
- Policy and procedure or outreach logs that describe or document how the program applicant conducts outreach outside of the organization, specifically individuals and families that are least likely to ask for housing resources

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## Resources & Questions

- Visit the [tchcsc.org](http://tchcsc.org) and the [HUD Exchange](#)
- CoC Program Interim Rule
- Email CoC Questions @ [tchc.coc.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:tchc.coc.secretary@gmail.com) all questions must be submitted by August 23, 2022. Answers will be posted by August 26, 2022.

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