



The Alliance for Housing 2024-2025 Renewal Application and Scoring Continuum of Care Program Competition

The Alliance for Housing developed a renewal process to determine if Permanent Housing, Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing projects are performing in accordance with HUD requirements and CoC expectations. This year, grants will be renewable under the CoC Program Competition as set forth in [24 CFR 578.33](#) to continue ongoing leasing operating, rental assistance, HMIS, and project administration costs. As set forth in [24 CFR 578.33](#), projects may renew under the FY 2024 – FY 2025 CoC Program Competition NOFO to continue ongoing leasing, operating, supportive services, rental assistance, HMIS, and project administrative costs. Awards HUD made under the CoC Program are eligible for renewal with FY 2024 CoC Program funds if they are currently operating and have an expiration date in CY 2025 (the period from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025).

Annually, the Alliance for Housing reviews these projects and provides guidance for renewal project funding. Scoring guidelines are listed within this document to determine if agencies comply with renewal criteria and meet the required threshold. The Alliance for Housing will provide explanations for projects that are rejected.

The deadline for submitting this scoring application and supplemental information (attachments) is due **Thursday, September 19, 2024 by 5PM** to the Grants and Community Manager via email (acuniberti-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org). Applicants that do not meet this deadline may be subject to funding reallocation or loss of funding. **Any applications submitted after Thursday, September 19, 2024 by 5PM will automatically lose 10 points.**

The Alliance for Housing Prioritization Committee will meet, review and provide priority and ranking of projects on **Thursday, October 3, 2024**. During this meeting applicants will have an opportunity to talk about their application and answer any questions the committee may have. The priority ranking (tier 1 tier 2 and bonus) will be sent out via listserv and posted on the Alliance for Housing Website on **Friday, October 4, 2024**

The deadline for submitting all project renewal applications in ESNAPS as well as submitting an email pdf copy of the ESNAPS application to the Alliance for Housing, Grants and Community Manager (acuniberti-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org) is **Thursday, September 19, 2024**

Ranking

In alignment with the 2024 - 2025 CoC Program NOFO, existing projects will not be automatically renewed during the FY 2024 - 2025 competition. As stated in the FY 2024 - 2025 NOFO, projects will be divided into two tiers, wherein Tier 1 applicants will have funding priority over Tier 2. Tier 1 applicants will be prioritized by their ranking score, HUD/CoC determined high priority projects (Chronically Homeless,

Youth, Veteran, and Families with Children), high performance, and meeting the needs and gaps as identified by the CoC. The CoC will review system performance measures related to the projects.

Based on guidelines set forth by HUD, ranking will also be prioritized for projects in the following order:

Renewal/new projects.

- a. HMIS
- b. PSH
- c. RRH
- d. TH
- e. New projects created through bonus (ranking of bonus application priority TBD by Prioritization committee)

Refer to 2024 - 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Continuum of Care Program Competition for a more detailed description of applicant updates.

The FY2024 - 2025 CoC planning grant will not be ranked per the NOFO therefore will not be tiered.

Renewal Project Threshold Score

Renewal projects are scored on 7 components: Financial performance, consumer satisfaction, CoC participation, coordinated services/connection to services program performance, HMIS compliance and Point in Time participation. The threshold for renewal is 65%. Projects below this threshold may not be eligible for refunding and will be offered technical assistance to improve project performance for future applicability.

The Alliance for Housing reserves the right to make decisions on which projects should receive funding and/or the amount awarded based upon recommendations of the Prioritization Committee.

Renewal Project Scoring Overview

<i>ATTACHMENT 1</i>		Points
#1	Financial Performance	17
#2	Consumer Satisfaction	10
#3	CoC Participation	7
#4	Coordinated Services/Connection to services	30
<i>ATTACHMENT 2</i>		
#5	Program Performance	85
#6	HMIS Compliance	36
<i>ATTACHMENT 3</i>		
#7	Point in Time Participation	5
Total Points Possible		190

Threshold: All Projects must score 65% (124 points) or higher to be eligible for renewed funding.

Agency Name:	
Grant Name:	
Grant Type (PSH/RRH/TH):	
Grant Number:	

Component #1 Financial Performance 17 Points

Projects will be scored on their submission of the following items:

Category	Points Possible
A. Expended funds	10
B. Quarterly draws	4
C. Match requirement	3

TOTAL	17
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Financial performance is measured by the extent to which each project has expended its budgeted grant during the last project year fully completed.

Applicants are responsible for submitting information from the Electronic Line of Credit Control System (ELOCCS) from your HUD representative, and financial performance evidence from an Independent Auditor Report.

Renewal projects must draw project funds, at a minimum, on a quarterly basis. Instances where drawdown is delayed or not serving participants may result in the project not being funded in the FY2024 - 2025 CoC Program Competition.

A. What percentage of your project’s grant funding has been expended during the most recently completed year?

B. How often has your project completed a drawdown from ELOCCS?

- 98% grant funding expended: 10 points
- 97% - 0% grant funding expended: 0 points
- Evidence of drawdown of funds at least quarterly: 4 points
 - Please provide:
 - Electronic Line of Credit Control System (ELOCCS print out from draws)
 - Evidence of drawdown of funds at least quarterly
 - Provide the budget spend down.
 - Log into ELOCCs,
 - click 'Project Portfolio (under Queries)
 - click on the grant number
 - click on budget
 - screen shot that page and send in with application

Projects expending less than 100% of their grant are required to provide a written explanation. Depending on explanation, the Alliance for Housing will determine whether to target follow-up technical assistance or to deem the project ineligible.

C. Did you meet 25% match within the last year (except for lease budget line item)?

Yes No

Please explain what type of match was utilized (Cash or in-kind):

If you did not reach the 25% match please explain why:

- Met 25% match and provided type of match: 3 points
- Did not meet 25%: 0 points

Component #2 Consumer Satisfaction- 10 Points

Projects will be scored on their submission of the following items:

Category	Points Possible
A. Provide a copy of your client satisfaction/feedback form or survey.	2
B. Survey Results	2
C. Project enhancement or change via feedback narrative	2
D. Current or past program participants with lived expertise involvement in decision-making or other role within the organization	2
E. Effectively addressing the needs of underserved communities	2
TOTAL	10

A. Who do you give your survey to, leavers and/or stayers?

Submission of form/survey w/ explanation of those surveyed: 2 points
No submission: 0 point

B. Please send the results of your participant feedback survey.

Provided survey results: 2 Points
No submission: 0 points

C. In what way(s) does your agency use your survey results to enhance your project(s)?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points
 Narrative provided: 1 point
 No narrative: 0 points

D. Describe how your organization incorporates the input and experience of persons with Lived Experience in your organization’s structure, decision making and quality improvement efforts, which may include, but not limited to, activities such as:

- **Representation on the organization’s Board of Directors or other decision-making board**
- **Client / Consumer Advisory Board**
- **Emphasis on hiring persons with Lived Experience**
- **Use of Peer Mentors that provide feedback**
- **Satisfaction surveys / comment cards**

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points
 Narrative provided: 1 point
 No narrative: 0 points

E. Describe how your agency’s experience in effectively addressing the needs of underserved communities, particularly Black and Brown communities who are substantially overrepresented in the homeless population.

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points
 Narrative provided: 1 point
 No narrative: 0 points

**Component #3: Continuum of Care Participation
7 Points**

An agency’s participation is measured by the number of Continuum of Care meetings attended during 2022-2023 (10.1.22 – 9.30.23)

Agency’s Participation in the CoC Meetings (applies to only one category)	Possible Points
A. Agency participation on at least one CoC committee	2
B. General membership attendance/Annual retreat	3

C. Organization represented at 5 or more meetings	2
Total:	7

A. Does your agency participate in at least one CoC committee, and, if so, which one (s)?

Yes: participated: 2 points

No: 0 points

B. How many CoC general membership meetings including the Annual Retreat was your organization represented at in the last fiscal year? Last fiscal year is 10.1.22 – 9.30.23 (Meeting dates include: 11.2.22, 1.4.23, 3.1.23, 4.26.23, 7.12.23.)

Participated in all 6 meetings: 3 points

Participated in less than 6 meetings: 1 point

No: 0 points

C. Was the organization represented at five or more Alliance meetings (GM, board, committee or workgroup)? If yes, please list meeting title.

Yes: participated in 5 or more: 2 points

Less than 5: 0 points

**Component #4: Coordinated Services/Connection to services
30 Points**

Category	Points Possible
A. Reducing burdens/ CE	2
B. Connection to mainstream community-based resources	2
C. Training for mainstream benefits	2
D. Promoting SSI/SSDI/SOAR	2
E. Data Evidence	2
F. Employment	2
G. Mainstream health services	2

H. Trauma-informed training	2
I. Racial Equity Training	2
J. Ensuring safe access to housing and services	2
K. LGBTQ+ needs	2
L. Policy and procedure pertaining to educational services	2
M. Reaching out to those least likely to apply	2
N. Affirmatively further fair housing	2
O. Informing program participants of their rights	2
Total:	30

A. What steps does your agency take to reduce burdens on potential participants' access to Coordinated Entry?

Narrative provides specific action steps your agency has put in place: 2 points
 Narrative provided: 1 point
 No narrative: 0 points

B. Please describe the mainstream and other community-based resources and partnerships your agency has to sustain permanent exits from the program (ex: job training, life skills, treating substance abuse, etc.).

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points
 Narrative provided: 1 point
 No narrative: 0 points

C. What types of training does your agency provide to staff in regards to mainstream benefits?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points
 Narrative provided: 1 point
 No narrative: 0 points

D. How does your agency promote SSI/SSDI Outreach, and SOAR staff?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

E. Does your agency use data and evidence to measure impact of homelessness programs on positive outcomes, recovery, self-sufficiency, and reducing homelessness?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

F. Does your agency work with MiWorks! and employers for training and employment opportunities for participants in project?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

G. How does your agency connect participants to mainstream health services (e.g., local and state health agencies, hospitals)?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

H. Does your agency conduct trauma-informed and survivor centered training?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

I. Describe how your agency is training staff on racial equity and how it impacts underrepresented groups experiencing homelessness, through internal workshops, webinars or agency policy review, etc. Please provide the name and date of at least one of these trainings.

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

J. Describe how your agency ensures households experiencing trauma or lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking have safe access to all housing and services available within Oakland County?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

K. Describe how your agency/project helps address the needs of LGBTQ+, transgender, gender non-conforming, and non-binary individuals and families including privacy, respect, safety, and access regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation in projects.

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

L. Please describe the policy and procedures your agency uses to inform individuals and families who have recently begun experiencing homelessness of their eligibility for educational services.

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

M. How does your organization reach out to people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

N. How does your agency affirmatively further fair housing? How does your agency advertise housing and supportive services to eligible persons regardless of race, color national origin, religion, sex, gender identify, sexual orientation, age, familial status, or disability—that furthers fair housing as detailed in 24 CFR 578.93(c).

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points

Narrative provided: 1 point

No narrative: 0 points

O. How does your agency inform program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal state and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and report any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current/ potential program participants?

Narrative provides specific examples: 2 Points
Narrative provided: 1 point
No narrative: 0 points

Appeals Process

An appeals process will be available for renewal projects that do not pass the scoring threshold (65% or 124 points).

All appeals will be reviewed the Prioritization Committee. Members of the Appeals Committee will not have any projects that receive HUD CoC Homeless Assistance Program funding.

- Appeals must to be submitted in writing via email to lmccall-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org . Address all appeals to the Appeals Committee/prioritization committee and submit the following details: the issue being appealed, the argument for overturning the score, and evidence to support the argument. Please ensure that your appeal is concise and includes appropriate detail to process the review. Changes made to the project after application will not be considered.
- The appeal must be received by the close of the business day within 5 business days of the communication of denial of eligibility to submit for funding. Submission must be received in a type written format (with attachments if appropriate) electronically.
- The decisions of the Appeal/Prioritization Committee are final.
- Applicants that are rejected may also appeal directly to HUD by submitting a Solo Application prior to the deadline per the 2024-2025 NOFO.

Attachment Checklist:

- HMIS Reports- Run report for 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2024
 - CoC - APR (canned report)
 - SAGE
 - Most recently completed CoC APR
 - Line of Credit Control System (ELOCCS print out from draws)
 - Evidence of drawdown of funds at least quarterly
 - Budget spend down.
 - Financial Performance Evidence from an Independent Auditor Report
 - Copy of consumer survey
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_____ (agency) confirms it has read, reviewed and is in compliance with the FY2024 - 2025 NOFO as well as ensured has a [Code of Conduct](#) that complies with the requirements of 2 CFR part 200 and is included on HUD's website.

Please sign and date below.

(Sign)

(Date)