

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).

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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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: MI-504 - Pontiac, Royal Oak/Oakland County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: Alliance for Housing Oakland County Continuum of Care

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Alliance for Housing

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	Yes
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes	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	No	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

17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
18.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	Yes	Yes
19.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
20.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	No	Yes
21.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	Yes
22.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
24.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
25.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	Yes	Yes	Yes
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	Yes	No	Yes
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.				
35.				

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)

A.1. The Continuum of Care (CoC) collaborated with underserved Black and Brown communities to design and operate programs that benefit them by actively reaching out to those currently in shelters or housed through CoC projects. The CoC took a hands-on approach, visiting shelters in person and setting up scheduled calls with housed individuals. During these interactions, the CoC discussed their experiences, including how they accessed services, their time in shelters, and their interactions with housing case managers. The CoC also asked for their feedback on what could have been done differently and what ultimately helped them succeed in securing housing. This input is invaluable as it guides the CoC in refining programs to better serve these communities and support their journey to stable housing.

2. The CoC has also successfully advanced racial equity by collaborating with a consultant, C4 Innovations, to review and refine CoC project policies and procedures. This partnership involved a thorough examination of CoC practices to identify areas where racial inequities might exist. The consultant provided insights and recommendations, allowing the CoC to implement changes that promote inclusivity and fairness in how the CoC serves our diverse community members.

B. Yes- was selected for element 16 in 1B-1.

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)

1. CoC communicates transparent invitation process annually to solicit new members to join CoC via: public announcements to 400+ listserv; CoC website public announcements; in-person community meetings; personal invitations; & encourages partners agencies to invite new/former clients, staff, volunteers, etc. to join the CoC. Members can join via website or mail. CoC staff assist as needed for membership application.
2. CoC recognizes the need for access to varying communications & respects participants' choice of communication. Staff have agency cell phones to call/text/email participants. Some agencies use electronic files & meet with participants in person or by phone as needed. Translation services are used to ensure participants can access materials in language they understand & communication is effective. CoC ensures effective communication & access for persons with disabilities by providing information in accessible electronic formats. The CoC website's "Accessibility Menu" has features to change layout for bigger text, changing saturation, text spaces, larger cursor, line height, text height, and is dyslexia-friendly. Website is designed to make membership application more accessible, including those with disabilities. The transparent invitation process provides invitations to join the CoC online, in-person, and in public events / venues. The CoC website provides physical access to the communication the CoC provides to the public, including an online membership form and the ability to pay membership dues online. The CoC is able to wave membership dues to encourage membership.
3. CoC has specifically invited organizations serving culturally-specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity. They've been invited to participate in CoC meetings & join CoC. CoC hosts community sessions to educate culturally-specific communities on CoC-focused language & concepts. The CoC has sought to transform its work via its system review for inequities across state & local government, political leadership, education, justice, healthcare, & law enforcement, resulting in the racial equity statement. People with lived experience join the CoC by offering input & are compensated for their time. CoC is currently hosting listening sessions with staff & persons with lived experience of homelessness to get more feedback. The COC's board president is from an organization that focuses on serving people with disabilities

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;
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)

1. The CoC solicits & considers opinions from a broad array of organizations & individuals that have knowledge of homelessness or an interest in preventing & ending homelessness. The CoC staff attend county meetings to gather & provide feedback. The CoC hosts in-person and virtual public events, trainings, and workshops where providers, residents, & organizations who have an interest in working directly with homelessness are invited. The CoC hosts a “Face to Face” Centralized Registry Meeting with different providers attending to have a community discussion. Membership organizations are able to provide agenda topics to be discussed with the CoC. Each CoC meeting covers different topics that are discussed with the CoC membership to reach a general consensus. 2. The CoC communicates information at CoC General membership meetings which is hybrid (in-person & virtual), at CoC Board meetings which has a standing agenda item for public comment to speak to the Alliance board. The CoC General Membership meeting typically has an invited guest speaker to present about their program and how their services help with preventing / ending homelessness. Round table sessions are held at General Membership meetings for agencies and community members to have an opportunity to bring any input or issues to the group and have a discussion on how to work together to address the issues. 3. The CoC recognizes that every persons access to communication methods varies and respects the participant's choice for how they want to be communicated with. Electronic formats such as google forms, zoom/team meetings, email are available for individuals who would like to provide feedback. Also, the CoC has hosted in person focus groups at local shelters to gather feedback about the Coordinated Entry System (CES). The CoC focused on how the individual's overall experiences w/ CES is/was, how they learned about resources, access & barriers, transparency & fairness, and timeliness and responsiveness. Additionally, translation services are available to ensure that participants can access materials in the language they can understand when applicable. 4. The CoC takes information gathered at public meetings to address improvements by taking the suggestions back to the CoC committees. For example, the Landlord Lunch & Learn event brings landlords together to discuss Housing Vouchers. These types of events garner important info to help address improvements or new approaches to preventing & ending homelessness.

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. CoC considered project applications from organizations that have not previously received program funding via RFPs published on CoC website & 400+ member listserv. CoC announced the RFPs at General Membership meeting to reach other community members not part of the listserv. General membership is public & provides CoC updates, opportunities for community partners to connect, & give agency updates. In the last year, CoC created relationships with different agencies within the county not previously explored, including grassroots and faith-based organizations. CoC ensures agencies are connected to listserv to receive funding updates.
2. CoC posts notice & application materials, prioritization process, & timeline including when documents are released and due. Timeline was posted on 8/7/24 with due dates of renewal applications (9/19/24) & RFPs for bonuses (9/12/24). The timeline consisted of directions on how to submit applications, when & where tiering sheet is posted (10/4/24) and when the CoC will submit the application (10/29/24).
3. CoC determines which project applications are submitted to HUD via a transparent process. CoC Board members not funded by HUD are asked to participate in the Prioritization Committee to conduct the review process for renewals & review proposals for bonus funding. The committee meets with CoC staff for a full-day review which includes agency presentations on project applications & to review scoring. During the ranking process, the committee discusses community need, project scoring, & current performance &/or comparable performance for new grantees. These components combined are how project applications are determined to be submitted to HUD.
4. CoC ensures effective communication & access for persons with disabilities by providing multiple formats when requested, with an accessible website; & dedicated point of contact. If an agency requests documents in accessible formats (i.e. large print or screen-reader compatible PDF), the CoC complies with the request. CoC's website "Accessibility Menu" has options to change contrast, font sizes, text spaces, & is dyslexia-friendly. CoC has a designated point of contact provided on all emails & the website if agencies have questions for accommodation requests.

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)	
18.		

1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	

In the chart below select yes or no to indicate whether your CoC:

1.	Consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG Program funds?	Yes
2.	Provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area?	Yes
3.	Ensured local homelessness information is communicated and addressed in the Consolidated Plan updates?	Yes
4.	Coordinated with ESG recipients in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients?	Yes

1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.c.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity:

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated?	Yes
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure family members are not separated?	Yes
3.	Worked with CoC and ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients?	Yes
4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance?	Yes
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers?	Yes

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	Yes
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

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 has a strong partnership with with local education providers and has created a system wide process for connection to Oakland Schools (OS). Oakland Schools is the Local Education Agency as well as the consortium lead for all Oakland County School districts. Oakland Schools McKinney-Vento Regional Grant Coordinator(RGC) attends monthly meetings with the SEA to receive updates and develop, review and revise policies to remove barriers to the identification, enrollment and retention of students experiencing homelessness. This information is shared with the local districts through quarterly liaison meetings, weekly drop-in meetings, and email communications. The RGC also provides consultation, training, dispute resolution and support to the local district liaisons. They are represented at both the CoC General membership meetings, the local education agency has a reserved seat on the CoC Board of Directors, which is noted in the by-laws. Services are exclusively geared toward children and youth. Oakland Schools is depended on the relationship with the consortium and its members to secure and coordinate necessary service outside of the educational focus on the McKinney-Vento grant for Homeless Children and Youth. Oakland Schools is involved with make sure that pertinent information is funneled from the CoC to school districts and homeless families and vice versa.. Oakland Schools has printed materials that are provided to CoC members that can be posted and/or distributed to families that may qualify for McKinney-Vento services. CoC members can also contact the school district liaisons and/or Oakland Schools directly to help link families to schools services. The CoC has sent out a contact list of all the lesions within the county to the community along with a referral for agencies to use. All CoC projects have an identified student homeless liaison staff so they can immediately connect with services. Oakland Schools also maintains a toll free 800 number for homeless youth and families to call and be connected that CoC providers share with families experiencing homelessness or at risk.

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)

The CoC informs individuals and families who have recently begun experiencing homelessness of their eligibility for educational services by providing written policies and procedures that include information working with local schools districts and the McKinney Vento Homeless Liaison to provide resources for homeless students. This includes information about immediate enrollment, transportation services and educational support services (tutoring, mentoring, after- school programs). Additionally the CoC has procedures in place that help families access academic supports, including GED programs, tutoring and financial aid for higher education. Individuals and families are connected to employment services like Michigan Rehabilitation Services if they have disabilities and assist with job certification programs, education opportunities and referrals to MiWorks! for opportunities like job certifications, education program certificates and apprenticeships. As part of housing goal planning, each participant is met with where they are at; if they are looking for educational opportunities to increase their job or start a career, they will get connected to appropriate resources. Individuals and families are provided access to WiFi, computers and Chromebooks to facilitate online learning and homework. Additionally, other community resources are provided such as connection to the Center of Success and Oakland Literacy Council for adult education. The Center of Success organization focuses on improving the literacy and academic performance of children by providing one-on-one mentorship, literacy programs, after-school and community-based programs and family engagement. Oakland County Literacy is dedicated to improving adult literacy; it provides free or low-cost tutoring and education services to adults who want to improve their reading, writing, math and English language skills. Services offered include one-on-one tutoring, English as Second language, basic literacy education, digital literacy and workforce development.

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	Yes
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	No	Yes
3.	Early Childhood Providers	No	Yes
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	No
8.	Public Pre-K	No	No
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)	
4.		

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC collaborates with HAVEN, the domestic violence (DV) provider and Sanctum House, local anti-trafficking service provider in Oakland County to update CoC wide policies. 1. HAVEN leadership is on the CoC board, which reviews & approves CoC & ESG policies. Those policies are brought to the General Membership meeting for final approval. HAVEN has staff that are involved in committees who work with the CoC that reviews CoC & ESG related policies. For example, w/i the past 2 years the CoC sub-grantee, Lighthouse received a DV RRH project. The CoC then collaborated w/ HAVEN & Lighthouse to update the By-Name-List policies & procedures to ensure there is an efficient, safe way to refer those experiencing Category 4 homelessness to housing programs within our community. HAVEN is a member of the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic & Sexual Violence (MCEDSV). All HAVEN employees are required to undertake MCEDSV's-hour New Service Provider training that staff members with an overview of important topics pertaining to domestic and sexual violence. MCEDSV connects all service providers through an ongoing listserv which allows organizations to collaborate with regard to best practices, troubleshoot emergent issues and develop policy and procedure that is trauma-informed and client-centered in all respects. The CoC is connected w/ local anti-trafficking service provider Sanctum House. Through this connection more knowledge & resources have been provided for the CoC to update our policies & procedures to include human trafficking. 2. To ensure all housing & services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed & can meet the needs of survivors the CoC ties funding to compliance with trauma-informed care stands. This means that providers must demonstrate that they have implemented trauma informed practices to receive funding. It is part of the CoC HUD local competition scoring. For example the CoC specifically asks providers if their agency will used a trauma informed approach and client centered approach, and what types of training the agency has received in regards to using these practices. This helps the CoC evaluate how well providers are meeting the needs of trauma survivors. Additionally, the CoC uses the Coordinated Entry System to prioritize access to housing and services for the most vulnerable populations, which includes survivors of trauma. HAVEN participates in the weekly By-Name-List meeting to advocate & connect those in their shelter & or referrals

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. CoC CES works with DV provider, HAVEN, to address needs of DV survivors via established safety planning protocols. CoC's HARA uses trauma-informed care for all CES program participants. Safety planning protocols include: communication preference, when & how best to communicate, & if meeting in person is safe to do. CES staff refer those actively fleeing DV to HAVEN. Survivors' safety concerns are responded to immediately via a safety plan tailored to their unique experience, including resources, identifying safe places/people in event of threat, identifying individuals who can provide support, & action plan should danger arise. Safety plans are integral to service provisions & are created with First Response Advocates, Counselors, or Case managers. Once housed, modifications are made to feel safe. Safety planning training keeps case managers up-to-date on best practices & equipped to support clients. A household folder with copies of vital records & important documents; informational pamphlets (DV, substance abuse, warning signs, internet coping strategies, how to make/keep a safe environment, & lists of professionals / agencies available for help); & if children are in household, safety plan for where/with whom children can go in case of emergency. This keeps all important documents in a safe place in the event the household has to flee suddenly & helps case manager understand/learn more about the household & how to support them if a crisis comes up.

2. CoC CES addresses confidentiality protocols for DV survivor needs with HAVEN, who is mandated by MDHHS to receive training regarding confidentiality laws, procedures & protocols, including how to protect personally-identifying information. The training includes a process of how to report a confidentiality breach to MDHHS within 72 hours. Providers use informed consent & provide clients with information about confidentiality rights under HIPAA & Michigan State law. When fleeing DV, any person can reach out to any agency within CES and be referred to HAVEN & HARA. The HARA will conduct a Danger Assessment (DA), & if eligible, refer the household to Centralized Registry (By Name List). The confidentiality process ensures that only staff connected to the DV project have access to client files. They are stored/archived in a separate, double locked location. Client information is only disclosed to community partners/agencies to which client has given permission to coordinate with on their behalf.

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)

1&2. The CoC has a written policy and procedure pertaining to emergency transfer plans (ETP). As part of the housing intake paperwork, program participants are notified about VAWA & their right as a tenant to ETP. Staff are trained in ETP so if participants share a circumstance that requires an ETP, they can conduct an ETP to best support the household and their safety.3. CoC ETP informs all tenants about the ETP policy, documentation needed to request an ETP, confidentiality protections, and how an ETP may occur. A survivor of domestic violence (DV) as defined in HUD's 24 CFR Part 5, Subpart L is eligible for ETP if: survivor reasonably believes imminent threat of harm if they remain in their unit or if a victim of sexual assault (SA) & that assault occurred within 90 days prior to ETP request. Clients must expressly request ETP in accordance with procedures described. Those not in good standing may also request an ETP if eligibility is met.To request ETP, the tenant must notify the housing program's administrator & submit a written request for transfer which should include:a statement expressing why there is imminent threat of harm or a statement that they were a SA victim.They may use HUD model form 5383 to request ETP. Housing provider may request documentation and survivor can provide any documentation such as: signed documentation from victim service provider, attorney, medical professional, or mental health professional who sought assistance relating to DV or SA, etc, or police report or court record. If there is conflicting information, the housing provider may request third-party documentation within 30 days of the ETP request.4.All sub-grantees follow the CoC's written ETP policy. Housing providers keep confidential any information submitted in the ETP request, unless written permission to release information is provided or required by law in course of eviction or termination proceeding. The new location is kept confidential. Housing provider notifies the CoC about a potential transfer &they act as quickly as possible to move the tenant to another unit, subject to availability&safety. The CoC reviews ETP&accepts unless it does not meet eligibility. Additional support is available with victim service providers for immediate shelter as well. If housing is available, the participant agrees to abide by terms/conditions pending processing of transfer/transfer itself, if approved, etc. The tenant is urged to take all reasonable precautions to be safe.

1C-5e.	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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC ensures equal access to housing and services for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. This is achieved through the Coordinated Entry System, integration with Victim Service Providers, anti-discrimination policies, trauma-informed approaches, and privacy/confidentiality protocols in compliance with federal guidelines. Survivors seeking assistance can contact any agency in the system and will be referred to HAVEN, the local domestic violence shelter, or the Housing Assessment and Resource Agency (HARA). HARA conducts a Danger Assessment (DA) and, if eligible, refers them to the Centralized Registry ("By-Name List").

The CoC has policies allowing individuals to receive services without sharing personal information if they choose. If a client has signed an HMIS Release of Information (ROI) denying sharing of their data, they will not be referred electronically through HMIS but can still be discussed at Centralized Registry meetings if they sign the "Outreach Sharing Plan" in the HMIS ROI. Without this agreement, they cannot be referred or discussed at the meetings using HMIS data. Referring agencies coordinate with clients to ensure communication consent outside of HMIS. If the client agrees, the agency sends encrypted information to the HMIS System Administrator, who assigns housing anonymously via a separate process.

The CoC annually evaluates agencies on their trauma-informed practices during local competition. It also ensures that agencies implement the CoC Emergency Transfer Plan, which provides survivors of violence with access to housing and trauma-informed, victim-centered services prioritizing safety and client choice. This policy ensures compliance with the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), requiring homeless assistance programs to allow victims to request an emergency transfer to another unit. This applies to programs funded by HUD CoC, HUD Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), and Oakland County's Office of Homeless Services. The policy outlines eligibility for transfers and necessary documentation.

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:

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| 1. | identifying barriers specific to survivors; and |
| 2. | working to remove those barriers. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. CoC identified key barriers specific to domestic violence (DV) survivors in securing housing. Eviction History: Many survivors have eviction records due to their abuser’s actions, making it difficult to qualify for housing. Loss of Income: Financial dependence & abuse leave survivors without savings or ability to afford housing. Relocation: Survivors need to move to new areas for safety, disrupting their access to social support & making the housing search more difficult. Trauma: Emotional & psychological trauma can hinder survivors’ ability to navigate housing systems or advocate for themselves. Landlord Discrimination: Some landlords view survivors as high-risk due to potential conflicts or financial instability. Legal Issues: Complications such as restraining orders or custody battles delay housing stability. Employment Gaps & Poor Credit from financial abuse further reduce housing options, while Lack of Documentation creates obstacles in accessing housing or benefits. Housing intake: Many times survivors are re-traumatized by being asked to repeat their stories, or must complete multiple intake documents.

2. The CoC provides support to DV survivors by addressing barriers to housing. The CoC meets with landlords to discuss waiving strict criteria for survivors & offers damage funds for added security. In regards to loss of income, employment gaps & poor credit: the CoC links survivors to employment, such as MiWorks! state benefits/job training programs to assist in obtaining income & employment. Relocation: CoC has an emergency transfer plan in place for survivors that may need to flee their current unit as well as connecting them to new supports in a new community. Trauma: the CoC provider agencies have staff that are trauma informed & trained. Staff receive onboarding & annual training opportunities to ensure they are equipped & ready to provide highly effective services to clients. Legal Issues: The CoC refers survivors to free legal support for personal protection orders, eviction assistance & divorces attorneys. Lack of documentation: the CoC uses a housing first approach; survivors do not need to have all of their documents to be admitted into a housing program. Case managers work with them to obtain documents before, during or after housing. Housing intake: The CoC uses a streamlined process for intake & connects the survivor to a case manager with minimal duplication of documents, information sharing when a release is in place.

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.	

1.	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
2.	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
3.	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:

1.	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;
2.	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;
3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
4.	your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC regularly collaborates with their partner, Affirmations, the local LGBTQ+ Community Center/ LGBTQ+ Service provider to bring a CoC wide training that included foundational information about building inclusivity and discussion around trauma informed practices. Through this training, the CoC updated the CoC-wide anti discrimination policy where needed, to ensure it's most up-to date version is well versed in best practices/language.
2. The CoC assisted housing and service providers in developing project level anti-discrimination policies consistent with the CoC wide anti discrimination policy by engaging with community partners including housing and shelter to ensure they allow an individual to voice their gender identity and preference when being referred to. Agency staff participate in a county blueprint to end homelessness as well as racial equity work to ensure at the project level anti-discrimination polices are in place and shared throughout CoC projects for consistency, this is shared and reviewed with COC.
3. The CoC process for evaluating compliance with the COC anti-discrimination policy is as follows, funded projects are monitored yearly, participant feedback via survey and listening sessions are offered to gain participant feedback and discuss any issues. Information is sent out to providers to stay compliant with the equal access final rule as well as the gender identity final rule. The CoC works with a local LGBTQ+ service provider to offer trainings and share resources.
4. The CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with the anti-discrimination policies is to offer contact information for any appeals or participant concerns regarding projects with a direct connection to CoC leadership, if there is a potentially discrimination will meet with the agency, review the the CoC policy, federal policies and depending on the situation may not fund the agency again. If the provider fails to respond and adjust they could potentially lose funding or have funds reallocated.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area—New Admissions—General/Limited Preference—Moving On Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

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?
MSHDA- Michigan State Housing Development Authority	94%	Yes-HCV	Yes
PHC-Pontiac Housing Commission	14%	No	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)

1.The steps that the CoC took to work directly with the largest PHA, Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA), they have a homeless preference and agencies populate waitlist with Cat. 1 households. The CoC continues to reach out to all PHA's to discuss the importance of a homeless preference within their polices. As well as invites them to attend our annual retreat and to become CoC members. This year the CoC partnered with MSHDA and the Plymouth Housing Commission to apply for FUP vouchers. The second largest PHA states it will consider a homeless preference as a pilot but has yet to move that forward. The CoC provides MSHDA homeless community data, explain agencies services that can be offered to households. The CoC worked formally with the Detroit PHA to coordinate EHV an advocates for homeless individuals. HARA coordinated with all PHA's, when they open up their waiting lists to inform everyone how to apply. 2. N/A

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

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	No
2.	PHA	No
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	Yes
4.	Local low-income housing programs	Yes
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
5.		

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)	No
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	Yes
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	No
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No
7.	Public Housing	No
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	
	SHU- special housing units, LIHTC projects	Yes

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

1.	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
2.	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	FUP

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 your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	Yes
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1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

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

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 coordinates with the public systems listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.

1.	Prisons/Jails?	Yes
2.	Health Care Facilities?	Yes
3.	Residential Care Facilities?	Yes
4.	Foster Care?	Yes

1D-2.	Housing First—Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2024 CoC Program Competition.	19
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2024 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	19
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.
Describe in the field below:

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;
3.	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach; and
4.	what your CoC has done to improve fidelity to Housing First.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC regularly evaluates projects to ensure those that commit to a Housing First (HF) approach are prioritizing rapid placement & ensuring Permanent Housing (PH) agencies are not requiring service participation or preconditions by monitoring client files yearly, attending weekly By-Name-List (BNL) meetings & discussions around PH placement and ensuring if the conversation eludes to any specific requirements to entry or services they are addressed & resolved immediately. The CoC also asks for client participation survey results and has focus groups to listen to client experiences.

2. CoC Outcomes Committee reviews System Performance Measures in HDX to evaluate length of time homeless (LOT). At the agency level, HMIS agency admin submit monthly data quality reports to look at LOT homeless. Questions from the Annual Progress Report (APR) look at how long it takes to house clients. Elements are measured in days & agency admins review the data to monitor how long it is taking for clients to get housed & make adjustments where they can base on HF. The CoC uses questions from the APR for scoring criteria, with a target for fully points using the average. Some projects saw higher LOT homeless because of factors such as clients needing utility arrearages paid, poor credit history, failed inspections, high FMR;s, obtaining of eligibility docs(homeless verification), landlords who no longer accept vouchers & long housing searches due to the general lack of available units.

3. The CoC has agencies complete US Interagency Council on Homelessness Checklist. This is an assessment of whether & what degrees programs are employing HF. The CoC also has a HF policy that each partner abides by, the policy explains that there are no preconditions to receiving housing & no requirement to participate in services, the only requirements for participation are eligibility factors (Cat. 1, disability etc.). The CE system, the CoC and community partners place an emphasis on moving the most vulnerable in the community into PH as quickly as possible.

4. To improve fidelity of HF the CoC would not fund a project that does not adhere to HF Principles. Additionally, the CoC has conversations weekly with providers about HF during the BNL meetings. The CoC uses data to identify areas where HF participate are not being fully implemented and offer target support or corrective action. For example, not screening out for a substance use disorder or unresolved legal issues, missing vital docs.

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has tailored its street outreach to people experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance. The CoC cultivates positive working relationships with local law enforcement who have direct contact with people in need of services, including first responders who are trained and informed about which services best fit the needs of the person in crisis. For example, in the community, police officers, responding to persons experiencing a mental health crisis, have been trained to transport them to a hospital emergency room or to our county’s crisis stabilization location, known in the community as a Crisis Residential Unit (CRU) where appropriate evaluation and treatment can be received. The outreach teams publish a monthly calendar, available to all community partners (on our CoC’s website) of the locations where they will be on a given day so that persons on the street know where they might be able to connect with the team. The teams canvass Oakland County to connect to those experiencing homelessness in places such as libraries, local businesses, the Salvation Army, churches, and areas specifically known to have a high-population of persons living on the street. The CoC connects persons to resources tailored to their specific need, e.g. housing vouchers, emergency food, employment, and healthcare and do a gradual, comfortable, warm handoff between outreach and housing providers, including the underserved populations of youth and young adults. Specifically, one of the youth providers is in the process of hiring two youth outreach engagement coordinators who will conduct street outreach with Oakland schools and with community and recreational centers to identify young people in need of services. The CoC also conducts focus groups and works with a youth advisory board in helping ensure the strategies are relevant and effective in reaching the youth. Additionally, the CoC participates in the Homeless Healthcare Collaboration to work with Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC’s) and free medical clinics to provide connections between the outreach team and persons experiencing homelessness, particularly the chronically homeless and other vulnerable populations (e.g. those fleeing domestic violence), to send a mobile health unit to their location to dispense much-needed medical care. These efforts have resulted in a positive increase in this metric, 7a1 (Change in SO exits to permanent destinations) to 78% from 55% in the previous year.

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

4.	Other:(limit 500 characters)		
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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	181	139

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:

	Mainstream Benefits	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.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m		

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

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| 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. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoC 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 by connecting participants with mainstream healthcare providers in a few different ways. Some participants are already connected when they are connected to the Coordinated Entry System and they are encouraged to maintain that connection if it has been successful. For those who are not connected to benefits, they are referred to Honor Community Health, The Wellness Plan, or are provided help to look up providers based on their insurance. The Wellness Plan has a clinic co-located with a provider. When needed, transportation is provided to and from health and medical appointments. The CoC also collaborates with Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN) and its network of agencies, as well as Federally Qualified Health Centers and Community Behavioral Health Clinics and Providers to ensure access to physical and mental health, and recovery. The CoC works with Honor Health and MyCare Health to bring healthcare services to multifamily housing communities, when possible, to meet with staff from healthcare providers to better coordinate care, and to provide outreach services to participants on both healthcare services and services that reduce barriers to accessing health care.

2.The CoC promotes SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff to improve service delivery and increase access to benefits for individuals experiencing homelessness or housing instability. We integrate SOAR training throughout our system to ensure staff are equipped to assist clients effectively.

SOAR-certified staff provide regular trainings and guidance through:

- General Membership Meetings: SOAR staff educate providers on the importance of the SOAR model, the steps for certification, and how SSI/SSDI can stabilize individuals.
- Shelter Outreach: We conduct outreach at shelters to inform frontline staff about the SOAR process, required documentation, and how to identify and refer clients who could benefit.
- Coordinated Entry Meetings: Trainings are integrated into these meetings to ensure intake specialists and case managers are familiar with SOAR referral pathways and can connect clients to services seamlessly.

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC responds to infectious disease out breaks by working with the county public nurses and follow CDC guidelines for communicable diseases and responding to infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness is disease specific, it depends on the circumstances. CoC wide P& P are created, i.e if there was a case of measles in the shelter, the individual who has measles would be isolated into quarantine and offer anyone potentially exposed and vulnerable to infection a post exposure prophylactic vaccination. Then monitoring for 5-21 days post exposure for further cases would be done. For tuberculosis, it depends on the case. Some cases are contagious and some are not. For Hepatitis A it is strongly encouraged to get vaccinated, which is offered as a proactive approach which is best, due to the way it is spread.

2. To prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness, the CoC shelters follows Oakland County Health Department COVID and infectious disease guidelines. There are posted signage providing guidance for guests and staff on preventing and mitigating the spread of infections. Shelters are stocked with Personal Protective Equipment that is readily available for guest and staff, including masks, gloves and hand sanitizer. Most of the shelters within the CoC are already set up as non-congregate, which is best practice for mitigating the spread of infectious disease. The CoC youth shelter offers single rooms as well, and can be readily reconfigured to contain the spread of disease in the event of an outbreak. Shelters have specific procedures such as having staff model, encourage, and monitoring proper hand washing, disinfecting all hard surfaces regularly and mask wearing. For the youth programs, all staff complete a Tuberculosis screening before hire to detect for and limit the possibility of Tuberculosis in the facilities hosting youth and young adults. Staff complete an annual Tuberculosis risk assessment to determine need for follow-up testing. Staff are referred to the Oakland County Health Department for Testing. The CoC also has funding for shelter overflow during the winter months. This provides shelters access to hoteling in case there is an overflow to ensure folks are not outside during the freezing winter months, rooms can also be used for isolation to assist in stopping an outbreak. Street Outreach provides hand sanitizers, and masks.

ID-7a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	effectively shared information related to public health measures and homelessness; and
2.	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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. To effectively share information related to public health measures and homelessness the CoC shares informational videos from FQHC to our community that discusses, vaccine concerns, potential outbreaks, and equips Street Outreach with this information to share to those experiencing unsheltered homelessness. Additionally, the Street Outreach Team attends a Harm Reduction Clinic every second Monday morning hosted by the Oakland County Public Health Nurses. A flyer about vaccines and any needed information has been created and can be easily updated as needed. The CoC also discusses with the community co-morbidity factors with potential infectious diseases. The CoC also provided email updates to community partners to quickly share information related to public health/homelessness.

2. To facilitate communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure that street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants the CoC ED worked in collaboration with the local FQHC and local health department to organize vaccine clinics, testing and information for frontline staff, shelter guests and high risk community members. The CoC and the health department are also able to provide PPE if needed to the Street Outreach team, for themselves and also the individuals they engage with that are unsheltered. Shelters were also given PPE and a new process for providing services. Shelters are able to use hoteling as a non-congregate option. The CoC is currently funding 5 agencies with shelter over flow dollars to ensure there is extra space (via hoteling/ building space) if an outbreak occurs. Case managers can provide some services remotely via the phone or email when necessary.

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;	
2.	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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.To serve everybody regardless of where they are located w/i the CoC's geographic area the Coordinated Entry System (CES) has created access points that are located throughout the entire geographic area served by the CoC. Service&housing agencies w/ in the CoC are equipped to provide transportation or to meet clients at their location to conduct intake assessments when possible.Shelters &any agency participating in the HMIS can complete the intake process &make referrals to the By Name List (BNL).The Street Outreach team meets clients where they are located in unsheltered locations across the entire CoC, including encampments.For agencies not using HMIS, the CoC has developed a Community Referral Form that allows them to refer HH to the CES.2The CoC uses a standardized assessment process to achieve fair, equitable,&equal access to housing & services. If diversion efforts are not successful or appropriate for the HHs situation, a housing assessment is conducted to evaluate the vulnerability &needs of the household seeking assistance.The assessment, along w/ a prioritization tool, ensures that each HH is recommended for the most suitable housing intervention, w/ priority given to those with the greatest need.The CES employs trained staff at a central call center, and street outreach teams, to conduct these assessments. The CoC uses other factors like chronicity &homeless start date to assess the life areas affected by homelessness.The assessments are completed using HMIS, &the results are used to prioritize clients&create a BNL.3.To ensure the CoC collects personal information in a trauma-informed way the CES operates w/ a Community MOU that facilitates collaboration between HMIS &non-HMIS partners. The agreement ensure that personal info is collected and shared in a trauma-informed way, w/ the goal of minimizing redundant questioning&reducing the likelihood of re-traumatizing clients. Agencies can access&continue the intake process from where another provider may have left off ensuring a seamless experience for clients.The CoC uses HMIS data to avoid duplicating efforts &reduce the need for HH to retell their stories repeatedly.4The CoC staff conduct feedback loops at least annually through focus groups, call&email surveys w/ HH that have participated in CES to gather info about experiences

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC reaches those who are least likely to apply by engaging individuals, including marginalized and underserved populations (e.g., people with disabilities, immigrants, non-English speakers, LGBTQ+ individuals), who may not seek help on their own through proactive outreach. This is done by building partnerships with agencies that assist vulnerable groups, ensuring they can refer individuals to the Coordinated Entry System (CES). In 2023, the CES served 880 households through a "no wrong door" approach, allowing access via phone, walk-ins at HMIS-participating agencies, shelters, or referrals from non-HMIS agencies. This approach has led the CoC to identify increasing numbers of households at-risk of or currently experiencing homelessness. The CES uses a street outreach team, which collaborates with community organizations and mobile services to reach unsheltered individuals in various locations. This team works closely with case managers to help with paperwork and intakes, ensuring unsheltered individuals can access housing services.

2. The CoC prioritizes people most in need of assistance by evaluating vulnerability and prioritize those who have been homeless the longest or are most at risk. Prioritization is essential due to limited resources, and thresholds are regularly reviewed to balance need and capacity. These thresholds, along with prioritization policies, guide eligibility for programs such as prevention, RRH, PSH, and transitional housing, in alignment with HUD guidelines and program-specific requirements.

3. The CoC ensures people most in need receive PH in a timely manner fitting their needs with exits from homelessness to stable housing, person-centered approaches that consider participants' strengths, goals, and risks. Participants are asked questions in a non-traumatizing (no duplicate questions, structured to avoid distress) accessible, sensitive manner, & when possible, they are offered choices regarding housing type and location within grant parameters.

4. The steps to reduce burdens on people seeking assistance include screening in, regardless of income, substance use, domestic violence history, resistance to services, disabilities, eviction history, poor credit, or criminal records. After screening for potential eligibility, a full face-to-face assessment is conducted, with accommodations made for safety, confidentiality, and accessibility. This includes phone meetings or sending paperwork for remote completion when requested.

1D-8b.	Coordinated Entry—Informing Program Participants about Their Rights and Remedies—Reporting Violations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC affirmatively markets its housing and services through a coordinated entry system that ensures outreach to all persons experiencing homelessness, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identify, sexual orientation, age, familial status, or disability. This includes partnering with local service providers, leveraging multilingual outreach materials, and using a variety of media platforms such as social media, community bulletins, and flyers distributed in shelters, drop-in centers, and public spaces. The CoC works with organizations that serve specific subpopulations, such as veterans, families, and people with disabilities, to ensure that all eligible individuals are aware of the resources available and can access services in a timely manner. The CoC has implemented an application process that is simple, accessible and free of bias. This includes accessibility accommodations, inclusive language and ensuring staff are trained on Fair Housing laws and nondiscretionary practices, including recognizing & eliminating bias in housing decisions. 2. The CoC informs all program participants of their rights under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws during the intake process and through ongoing support. This includes providing written materials and verbal explanations, which may be available in multiple languages and accessible formats to accommodate diverse needs. Individuals are educated on their right to equal access to housing regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity, and they are informed about how to report any violations. 3. The CoC maintains a system for identifying and reporting any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choices for current or prospective program participants. The CoC staff and partner agencies are trained to recognize discriminatory practices or barriers to fair housing and report these to the appropriate local jurisdictions responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan. Agencies address these barriers by having an established a plan to resolve and meet fair housing needs. Another focus of the CoC includes public awareness campaigns, such as working with the MSHDA Regional Housing Partnership which has a committee focused on communication and education on affordable and fair housing within the CoC geographic area.

1D-9.	Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness—Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	Yes
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	07/01/2024

1D-9a.	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.	

Describe in the field below:
1. 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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The data the CoC used to analyze whether any racial disparities are present in our CoC's provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance came from several sources. CoC hired expert consultants from C4/Arc for Justice to assist with this work. CoC analyzed using the CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool, with quantitative data from the ACS Census Survey, we learned that although Black people make up only 13% of the population, 71% experienced homelessness during PIT, with 59% experiencing unsheltered homelessness, whereas for White people the total population makeup is 73%, with 23% experiencing homelessness during the Point in Time Count (PIT) and 41% of those unsheltered. The CoC also learned that Black people experienced a disproportionate length of time homeless. The CoC used the qualitative methods of several interactive sessions led by the consultants using Jam Board tools where there were identified reasons for racial inequities in disproportionate length of times homeless, including high incarceration rates, lack of credit scores/history, income disparities and poor mental health services/lack of social support, to name a few. The CoC conducted a focus group with persons with lived experience to solicit their feedback on the homeless delivery system and how quickly participants felt they moved through the system and received helpful feedback. The CoC also updated the follow up survey given to exited clients to include an optional demographics section asking respondents to include their race and ethnicity and contact information so we could follow up about their experience. 2. CoC analyzed the data and implemented changes based on recommendations from the report. The CoC hosted a landlord meet and greet, explored racial equity gaps with a data consultant, sponsored a presentation for the County's Clean Slate Program at CoC's general membership meeting about conviction expungement, have included a System Pathways report from the Data Warehouse vendor of the state's HMIS implementation on the scoring application created to look specifically at measures from a racial equity lens. The CoC continues to employ strategies recommended from the report to address inequities including updating CoC policies and procedures to embed racial equity principles, ensure that CoC agencies provide regular trainings on racial equity to reduce biases in service delivery, and are making a more strategic plan around engagement with people with lived experience.

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)	
12.		

1D-9c.	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 is committed to creating a more racially equitable homeless response system through continuous evaluation and improvement of our processes, policies and procedures. The CoC recognizes that racial disparities persist within the homeless population and addressing these inequalities is central to achieving the mission of providing accessible and effective support for all individuals and families experiencing homelessness. The CoC prioritizes the ongoing collection and analysis of disaggregated data by race, ethnicity and other demographic factors to understand racial disparities in access, service provision and outcomes. The CoC has identified key factors contributing to the racial inequities in homelessness duration, such as high incarceration rates, lack of credit history, income disparities, and inadequate mental health services and social support. This continuous data review ensure that the CoC stays responsive to the needs of diverse populations and can adapt interventions to better serve marginalized communities system wide. The CoC is committed to reviewing and refining policies and processes through a racial equity lens. The CoC has partnered with C4/ Arc for Justice to assist with this work. Recommendations and guidance were provided to the CoC in regards to our Coordinated Entry System (CES) Policy. The CoC regularly evaluates the CES to ensure that the assessment tools, prioritization standards and and housing placement process to not inadvertently perpetuate racial biases or disparities. The CoC works to align CES policies with equity principles, ensuring that all individuals, regardless of race, have fair access to services. Additionally, agencies are evaluated on if they conducted a racial equity training. Training includes Diverse, Equity and Inclusion, Unconscious Bias, Equity and Inclusion, Microaggression, and Providing Services in a Culturally Competent Manner. The CoC will continue to assess the effectiveness of these trainings to ensure that all service providers are equipped to deliver racially equitable care.

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The measures the CoC plans to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance are: 1) The disparity in the number of Black persons experiencing sheltered and unsheltered homelessness during the Point-In-Time count compared to the same for White persons in the CoC, especially as it relates to the larger population. Black persons make up only 13% of the CoC's population, yet 71% experience homelessness during PIT as opposed to white persons who make up 73% and 23% experience homelessness during PIT. 2) The CoC will also track progress on System Performance Measure (SPM) 2 where there is disparity across the board between Black persons and White persons in returns to homelessness after exiting permanent housing within 6 mos, 6-12 mos and 1-2 years. In every category the percentages for Black persons was higher than for their White counterparts.

2. The tools the CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance are the CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool, from which the CoC obtained the numbers referenced in question 1 looking at the ACS survey data for the general population numbers and the numbers for those experiencing sheltered and unsheltered homelessness during the PIT. The CoC also plans to use a reporting tool from the statewide HMIS implementation namely, The Data Warehouse, by running a report titled, "System Performance Measures by Sub-Population" which shows and allows for comparison by every race, ethnicity, project type and household makeup and for some age sub-categories, such as 55+ and youth 18-24. Also, within this same reporting tool is a newer report, System Pathways" with the description of "a tool to look at client pathways through the continuum including equity analysis." With this tool the CoC can look at clients by race in the categories of #served by the homeless system in PH-RRH projects, exit destinations (institutional, temporary, permanent and other) and the average number of days spent in those situations or projects.

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC actively engages individuals with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decision-making processes by implementing a Lived Experience Leadership Cohort Policy. This policy explains how including people with lived experience is critical to ensuring that the CoC's efforts are effective and responsive to the needs of the community. This includes participating in CoC committees in a variety of ways including: offering feedback on proposed policies, strategies and programs. This will help ensure that our efforts are aligned with the needs of the community and that any potential unintended consequences are identified and addressed as well as assist in the development of new policies and procedures. Individuals can serve on a committee by providing valuable input and perspectives through-out the decision-making process. This can help ensure that the committee is truly representative of the community it serves that that the voices of those with lived experiences are heard and valued. And, explaining experience to provide insight on barriers that were experienced as well as places where they felt supported. The individual can nominate themselves or be nominated by staff to participate within the CoC. They will be compensated for their time. The CoC is creating a Youth Advisory Board in partnership with the youth agency Lighthouse to gather more insight about youth experiences within the homeless system and how we can improve certain areas, and what areas are currently working well. Additionally, the CoC has a current board member that has lived experience whom provides assistance in decision-making processes. The CoC conducted a virtual survey to gain feedback around the Coordinated Entry System (CES). As the CoC is working on a web-based app for the CES their input is helping shape the design of the app in what will be most convenient for users. Also, the CoC sends out feedback surveys, which are given to participants who have exited the program 90 days prior and those are conducted monthly. That data from these surveys are reviewed in the CoC Outcomes committee and are used to improve services and ensure better outcomes for individuals experiencing homelessness. The CoC looks for trends in satisfaction and areas where participants may be struggling, which helps refine housing policies, case management, and support services to better meet the needs of those who have experienced homelessness.

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.	1	1
2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	4	4
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	1	1

4. Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	7	7
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1D-10b. 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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC and agencies will intentionally prioritize individuals with lived experience of homelessness by including it as a preferred qualification in job postings. This approach encourages those with relevant experiences to apply & ensures that qualified applicants with lived experience are given priority over those without it. Staff members throughout the CoC have lived experience that receive the same training opportunities as all other employees. Also, internal policies and resources are designed to support staff through personal crises or situations that may impact their wellbeing or stability, with particular attention to those who may be facing more recent challenges. For example, one of the CoC agencies, offer an Employee Assistance Program (EAP), which provides free services such as counseling, crisis support, referrals, coaching, work-life resources, and access to legal and financial consultants. Recognizing that financial hardship can be a barrier, they have also implemented an employee loan program to offer support in times of need. Additionally, through their Center for Working Families program, both staff and community members are assisted in securing employment and offer financial coaching to help them achieve greater financial stability. Furthermore the CoC is engaged with a Youth Advisory Board (YAB) to engage young people, particularly those with lived experiences of homelessness. This group provides input on decisions regarding youth homelessness but also plays a leadership role in ensuring that youth voice's are heard. Members are compensated for their time and expertise, ensuring equitable participation.

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness that did not receive CoC/ESG program assistance by conducting focus groups with those that are in shelter but not eligible for assistance, some are over income, not chronic or based on their acuity do not meet the BNL requirements. The CoC is met with frustration with not being eligible but in the focus groups/listening sessions getting an understanding what will help them move forward i.e landlord contacts, being added to the HCV with a homeless preference waitlist as well as practicing diversions even with those in shelter has alleviated some of that frustration.
2. The CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness at least yearly that did not receive COC/ESG assistance at in person focus groups or surveys conducted via email or calls.
3. The CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness who have received CoC/ESG assistance in a CoC emailed survey and once they have exited from a CoC/ESG project they receive follow-up surveys at the 90 exit day mark to assess any new needs and/or connections to assist them to remain stably housed.
4. The CoC gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through CoC/ESG programs at least yearly
5. The steps that the CoC took to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness is to provide laptops and hot spots to households that have received CoC/ESG assistance that voiced a need to share their personal experience. The CoC asks what worked well and what could be improved, the CoC reaches out to those that have expressed interest and hopes to engage with a small workgroup around the CES process if the SSO-CE bonus application is approved.

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 & 2. In the last 12 months the CoC has meet with elected and non-elected officials to discuss the need to increase the affordable housing supply, discussing zoning and regulatory barriers to housing developments. The CoC has been able to work with other non-profit housing development partners to assist Oakland County government to create a Housing Trust Fund, at this time the fund will hold 10 million dollars for gap funding for LIHTC projects. The CoC has also provided a document called "Community Solutions to Solve Oakland County's Housing Affordability Shortage Suggested Policies & Practices to Pursue and Support" with direct links to opportunities for officials to review and advocate for change, i.e zoning etc. The CoC submits comments on all open public comment activities around this topic and shares that information to partner agencies to express their needs/concerns too. The CoC met with an OC City Mayor to discuss the importance of offering Payment in Lieu of Taxes for developments as this is not something that administration is currently doing.

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

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

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.	

1.	Enter the date your CoC published its submission deadline and scoring and rating criteria for New Project applicants to submit their project applications for your CoC’s local competition.	08/26/2024
2.	Enter the date your CoC published its submission deadline and scoring and rating criteria for Renewal Project applicants to submit their project applications for your CoC’s local competition.	08/26/2024

1E-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.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., 2.d., and 2.e.	

You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	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
3.	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.	No

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
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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.	
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You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
 Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:

1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	190
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	18
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-PSH

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:	
1.	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
4.	the severe barriers your CoC considered.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC analyzed data from each project successfully housing participants in permanent housing by requiring agencies to run a CoC APR report and review exit destinations. For PSH projects, the CoC used the report's measure, "Percentage of Persons Exiting to Positive Housing Destinations," with a goal of 90% for 25 points. Most projects scored well, with many achieving over 20 points. The CoC establishes strong relationships with landlords to enhance understanding of the programs, which helps lead to successful housing outcomes. 2. The CoC analyzed data regarding each project that successfully housing program participants in permanent housing by requiring the agencies to run a CoC APR report for each of their Projects. The "Length of Days from Project Start to Housing Move-in" measure, aiming for 19 days for PSH and 20 days for RRH, worth 20 points. Many projects scored well, earning over 15 points, while others continue improving. The CoC facilitates monthly HMIS and outcomes meetings to examine factors affecting these timelines, such as lack of affordable housing, landlords not accepting vouchers, high rental rates, and challenges with vital documents. The CoC uses housing navigators to help obtain documents and assist in searching for housing which helps reduce the time needed to house participants. Agencies also run an unexited clients report monthly to exit clients with an extended length of time, who may have been housed, but not exited. 3."The CoC considers clients' severity of needs and vulnerabilities, especially when prioritizing PSH projects in the ranking and selection process. Recognizing that projects serving chronically homeless individuals and families may score lower due to the barriers they face, the CoC ranking committee takes this into account. For example, a PSH renewal project was ranked higher than a RRH project despite a lower score, based on the population served and the ongoing rental assistance provided. 4. Severe barriers the CoC considered in the local project review and ranking process include difficulties obtaining vital documents for chronically homeless clients, who are often transient, lack stable contact information, or have limited transportation access. Other challenges include high credit score requirements, criminal background checks, expungement needs for minor crimes, high rental rates, difficulty reaching survivors of domestic violence, and excessive application fees.

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 & 2. The CoC used input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homeless population, to determine the rating factors used to review projects by starting with a diverse rating/ranking committee. This committee consists of people from different races and and backgrounds, and lived experience. The CoC ranking process is discussion based and data driven factors as this allows members to provide as much input as they would like, along with providing suggestions for the next competition. The data doesn't always tell the full/equitable story therefore committee discussion and input from persons of different races and experiences help to balance those over-represented in the homeless system. For new and renewal projects the CoC specifically asks for the description of the proposed project with a detail of activities included for Coordinated Entry regarding steps that will be taken to ensure traditionally marginalized populations (such as racial and ethnic minorities, persons with disabilities and LGBTQ+) are addressed. Knowing what agencies have in place to assist these individuals, helps with the review and ranking process. For if they are taking the steps to identify and work on barriers that marginalized populations face, the committee sees that as a higher ranking project that a project that does not have specific steps or practices. 3. Within the local competition application the CoC specifically asks agencies what steps they take to reduce burdens/barriers on potential participants to access Coordinated Entry. Based on the agency's answer to that question, as well as how they describe their process within the presentation they give to the rating/ranking reviews committee - the committee discusses the efficiency of the agency's ability to reach those over represented in the local homeless population. Additionally, within the local competition, agencies are asked to run a HMIS report called the System Pathways report in the Data Warehouse. The section "Clients by Race" is reviewed to get an idea of where clients are exiting to, as the CoC continues to address racial equity to determine if there are inequities and gaps and how the CoC will continue to address them.

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC's reallocation process takes into consideration the CoC yearly monitoring outcomes, HMIS performance/data quality, financial performance, score in the local Competition, community needs and serving those with the most need. Then through discussion with the ranking committee, the CoC decides if lower performing projects should be reallocated or if an action plan should be set in place for the agency to work with the CoC in improve their performance through out the new year. If this is a lower performing project that is Permanent Supportive Housing or Transitional Housing, the CoC works to keep them within our community to ensure those populations are served and no beds are lost.
2. The CoC did not identify low performing projects through the process describe in element 1.
3. The CoC did not reallocate any low performing projects during the local competition.
4. The CoC did not reallocate low performing projects this year as the CoC is focusing on optimizing the use of existing resources to improve the program performance of the lower performing projects. Many scores were impacted by use of Housing Choice Vouchers and participants choosing that over the programs they qualified for.

1E-4a.	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
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1E-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.	

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.	10/07/2024

1E-5a.	Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings 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.	10/04/2024
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1E-5b.	Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g. You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names; 2. Project Scores; 3. Project Status—Accepted, Rejected, Reduced Reallocated, Fully Reallocated; 4. Project Rank; 5. Amount Requested from HUD; and 6. Reallocated Funds +/-.	Yes
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1E-5c.	Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application 2 Days Before CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g. and 24 CFR 578.95. You must upload the Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC posted the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC’s website or partner’s website—which included: 1. the CoC Application; and 2. Priority Listings for Reallocation forms and all New, Renewal, and Replacement Project Listings.	10/25/2024
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1E-5d.	Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders by Email that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g. You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application was posted on your CoC’s website or partner’s website.	10/25/2024
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

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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- Frequently Asked Questions

2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	WellSky
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2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Single CoC
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2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.a.	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2024 HIC data into HDX.	04/29/2024
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2A-4.	Comparable Databases for DV Providers—CoC and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Collection and Data Submission by Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.b.	

	In the field below:	
1.	describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in HMIS comparable databases; and	
2.	state whether DV housing and service providers in your CoC are using a HUD-compliant comparable database—compliant with the FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Actions that the CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure that DV housing and service providers collect data in a comparable database are through communication and collaboration with partners. The COC has one DV provider (shelter) which uses a comparable database product, CaseStream from the vendor BizStream. The HMIS Lead communicates with the DV shelter’s Director of Quality Assurance & Administration, who ensures that they are in contact with their vendor and that their database is using the latest version. The Director of Quality Assurance & Administration reports that the database is compliant with the 2024 HMIS Data Standards based on the latest programming specifications found at a link on the HUD Exchange. The director also reports that they communicate with their vendor regularly to ensure they stay in compliance and that BizStream has been very helpful regarding HMIS compatibility.

2. The CoC has one DV housing and service provider (shelter) using CaseStream, a HUD compliant database that 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]	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate [Column O of HDX Report]
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	185	64	219	87.95%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	0.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	64	14	78	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	139	0	139	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	654	0	565	86.39%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	227	0	227	100.00%

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.	

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

N/A - The bed coverage rate for each project type in our CoC is above 84.99%.

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 p.m. EST?	Yes
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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	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2024 PIT count.	01/31/2024
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2B-2.	PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter 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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. CoC engaged stakeholders that serve homeless youth by working with a provider who serves youth from ages 10-24 in their Youth Basic Center Shelter and their two Transitional Housing Programs for youth, A Step Forward (ASF) and Graduated Apartment Program (GAP) and 24 hour crisis line that goes to the Youth Basic Center Shelter. This provider actively participates in the PIT count every year.

2. CoC works with unaccompanied youth, youth serving organizations and other providers to identify locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during CoC's most recent PIT count planning process. When the maps are generated they include locations such as college campuses, 24-hour grocery stores, coffee houses (e.g. Starbucks), the local bus station and other locations identified by the CoC's street outreach teams.

3. Youth experiencing homelessness were contacted by a youth provider, who were over the age of 18 to participate as counters, but were unable to participate on the night of the unsheltered PIT count due to scheduling conflicts, therefore no homeless youth experiencing homelessness participated as counters in the CoC's most recent unsheltered count.

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)

1. The CoC made no changes to the sheltered PIT count implementation or data quality between 2023 and 2024.
2. The CoC made no changes to the unsheltered PIT count implementation including methodology or data quality between 2023 and 2024.
3. Our CoC's PIT count was not affected by people displaced either from a natural disaster or seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance who recently arrived in our CoC's geographic area.
4. No changes were made from 2023 to 2024.
5. Not Applicable.

2C. System Performance

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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	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.CoC determines risk factors using a number of processes to identify first time homelessness, including consulting with foster care, eviction prevention, foreclosure prevention, Oakland school’s homeless liaison, PATH outreach, and MDHHS court services for individuals/families, including families with children that may be facing eviction.

2. The strategies our CoC us using to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless include:

- Continued implementation of two State funded homeless prevention programs (Housing Navigation Program and Homeless Prevention Program) aimed at stabilizing individuals who are at-risk of homelessness and/or facing eviction, by facilitating a weekly prevention prioritization meeting to provide wraparound services and support.
- Provide our community's HARA reps, frontline staff and case managers with shelter diversion training to offer alternative housing to persons at risk of becoming first time homeless;
- Support and build rapport with landlords to assure them of guaranteed income so they are less likely to evict individuals who are currently housed;
- Advocate for prevention funding for case management;
- Work with Oakland schools liaison's and legal services providers and building relationships with the courts;
- Hold community resource fairs to inform at risk individuals and families of available resources and how to access those services.

3.As the CoC lead, the Alliance for Housing is responsible for overseeing, managing and regular reviews of this process and its outcomes to reduce/end individuals/families experiencing homelessness for the first time.

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

2C-2.	Reducing Length of Time Homeless—CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.c.	

- In the field below:
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| 1. | describe your CoC’s strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless; |
| 2. | describe how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and |
| 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)

1. CoC has implemented strategies to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless which include: increased case management, CoC project wide housing first practices, MDHHS same day denial to speed the process along, landlord outreach, as well as fee waiver for birth certificate and SOS expedited ID, and supporting development of affordable housing. Additionally, the CoC is applying for the SSO-CE grant to help identify and alleviate stopgaps in the process of reducing the length of time individuals and families remain homeless. As the inflow of clients increases, the number of those waiting to be assigned to a project increases and adds to the length of time homeless. With the new SSO-CE Alliance staff and staff support from the sub-grantee agencies, who will use case managers to assist clients in gathering paperwork and verify chronicity and income, the evaluation and administrative oversight of Coordinated Entry System will help to identify and address gaps in the process. These staff will be to support those who facilitate the registry with documentation, provide diversion development, and streamline resource matching. This staff support to the clients and network providers is intended to help move clients through quicker or identify resources and mainstream benefits to ultimately reduce the rate of first-time homeless.

2. CoC identifies and houses individuals and families with the longest length-of time homeless through weekly housing registry meetings by prioritizing using the following criteria: homeless start date, sheltered or unsheltered, VI-SPDAT, referral date. Additionally the CoC takes into consideration CPS involvement, aging out of foster care and domestic violence status.

3. As the CoC lead, the Alliance for Housing is responsible for overseeing the strategies to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals in ES/TH/RRH exit to permanent housing is by increasing case management, providing emergency housing assistance in our shelter programs and having everyone complete a Housing choice voucher- homeless preference application at entry. Additionally, each ES, TH or RRH project work together by participating in a virtual (weekly) and face to face (monthly) housing prioritization meeting (BNL) and building landlord relationships. CoC utilizes Moving Up, Housing Choice vouchers provided by our state public housing agencies (PHA) and use a length of time in project as well as a matrix to assist in the placement process to move households into permanent housing. The matrix ensures that households qualify for the correct permanent housing subsidy (voucher) including a review of any income and other eligibility requirements, as well as, ensuring that the unit they are in qualifies for the voucher/permanent housing subsidy requirement. Case management is key to achieving permanent housing; CoC case managers work with individuals to increase income, make connections to healthcare/supportive services as well as address any barriers the individual may be facing and help with identifying ways to break down those barriers.

2. CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing (PSH) or exit to permanent housing destinations includes using termination only as a last resort once all other options have been exhausted, strong relationships with supportive services, landlord liaisons, case management assistance and income supports to maintain client housing. Those who leave PSH are able to maintain connections to supportive services. CoC's goal is to assist individuals through bringing awareness to the services, supports and resources that are available in their community to create a sustainable living environment. The 90-day follow up survey invites them to indicate the resources they need help with (e.g. utilities, food, medical). PSH households also have the ability to transition to Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) to be secure financially and maintain their housing when the support services are no longer needed.

3. As the CoC lead, the Alliance for Housing is responsible for overseeing these strategies 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.	

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. CoC’s strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness is by conducting a 90 day client follow up survey to determine their housing status. If it is determined that they are in need of housing support, CoC's strong community partnerships with the Housing Assistance Resource Center (HARA), Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), shelters and the PATH Outreach team allows them through the use of HMIS to determine a return to homelessness and connect them with services, such as community mental health, SOAR, counseling and/or employment supports. A shelter referral will be made if needed. Individuals would be added back onto the housing prioritization registry which in turn links them to service providers and original housing providers.
2. The strategy that the CoC will use to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness include: Using the information from the 90-day follow up survey where one of the questions is, "Are you at risk of being evicted?" allowing the case manager to intervene early to determine what resources are needed to prevent the eviction including assisting with back payment fees, negotiating payment plan with the landlord, involving a court advocate or determining if there is a safe exit to family or friends. The community discussed contacting households with the follow up survey at 30 days post exit to determine needs and address even sooner. The CoC will increase engagement to reduce risk factors so individuals and families do not return to homelessness. CoC also discusses returns to homelessness at the monthly Outcomes meeting and follows up with housing providers to reengage, look at extending RRH timeframes when needed, connecting households with life skills training, as well as with substance use and mental health providers. CoC continues to connect households to long term subsidies if needed. The connection to employment and the relationship with the local MIWORKS! has been invaluable to connect those to employment to reduce returns to homelessness.
3. As the CoC lead, the Alliance for Housing is responsible for overseeing these strategies to reduce the rate of individuals/families return to homelessness.

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC’s strategy to access employment cash sources; is to partner with employment organizations such as Michigan Rehabilitation Services, Michigan Works!, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, various flexible employers, vocational services, veteran employment services, and other similar organizations. CoC's housing partners refer participants working toward increasing their employment cash sources to the agencies listed above helping them gain the expertise and skills they will need to obtain employment.

2. The CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income through partnerships that help to eliminate employment barriers such as expungement, criminal backgrounds, inability to obtain vital documents, lack of transportation, and limited childcare. Agency case management staff work with program participants to develop goals, and provide referrals to partner organizations and other resources that can help them achieve their goals. The CoC works with funded agencies to share best practices with one another and help agency staff navigate resources.

3. As the CoC lead, the Alliance for Housing is responsible for overseeing these strategies to increase income from employment. The CoC ED is a member of the Oakland County Workforce Development Board and gives feedback on the specific needs and barriers on individuals seeking employment services that are homeless or at risk. The ED communicates gaps for this specific population to access employment services such as transportation, lack on internet and child care.

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income is to link those eligible with a SOAR case manager to assist in the completion of paperwork and collecting documents to obtain Social Security Income (SSI). The community is fortunate to have a SOAR provider that assists all community partners' eligible homeless clients. Community partners work in conjunction with AmeriCorps employment specialists to increase access to non-employment cash sources for clients. The CoC also provides a streamlined process with MDHHS to non-employment cash income, such as general assistance and child support assistance. Case managers discuss filing for child support, and though it has been court-ordered for them to receive it, many do not receive it. However, case managers are trained to provide information on and empower participants to connect with available resources like Legal Aid and Friend of the Court when looking to apply for or modify Child Support. Agencies continue to work on creating better relationships with MRS, other SOAR practitioners (outside of the agency), and other organizations that assist clients in connecting with benefits and non-employment cash income. Additionally, agencies work with any clients who may have a household member eligible for any type of social security benefits to encourage them to apply. Sometimes the length of time for the process does not allow case managers to actually see their clients begin receiving these benefits. There is also a concerted effort to get clients connected with TANF through MiBridges. All case managers are trained annually to assist clients working to increase non-employment cash income, as well as, timely and accurate reporting within the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

2. As the CoC lead, the Alliance for Housing is responsible for overseeing these strategies to reduce the rate of individuals/families return to homelessness.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
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3A-2.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	No
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3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.	

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	Leverage Type
Beacon and Auburn...	PH-PSH	0	Housing

3A-3. List of Projects.

1. What is the name of the new project? Beacon and Auburn Place

2. Enter the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): D5NYYC4K6LJ4

3. Select the new project type: PH-PSH

4. Enter the rank number of the project on your CoC's Priority Listing: 0

5. Select the type of leverage: Housing

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.	

Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No
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3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. N/A
2. N/A

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.	

	Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No
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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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. N/A
2. N/A

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

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

4A-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

You must click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated Entry to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b.

4A-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)	

1.	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services:	748
2.	Enter the number of survivors your CoC is currently serving:	130
3.	Unmet Need:	618

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.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services by using element 14a on a CoC APR report for Calendar Year 2023 for all CoC projects. The CoC calculated the number of survivors the CoC is currently serving from pulling the housed households that were experiencing domestic violence in 2023 from the CoC Centralized Registry or 'By-name-list'.

2. The data source used was HMIS,

3. An underlying issue for unmet need is the lack of housing and program slots. The proposed new RRH DV will help provide new housing and case management support that will help provide additional housing as well as help those fleeing domestic violence find safe and appropriate housing as quickly as possible. Specifically, 1.5 FTE staff will be brought on board to provide vital support and guidance, ensuring that survivors of domestic violence receive the safe and secure housing. Additionally the project will be adding 30 DV RRH housing units to the community.

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicant Requesting New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)	
	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.	

Applicant Name
Community Housing...

Project Applicants Applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH DV Bonus Projects

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicant Requesting New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)	

Enter information in the chart below on the project applicant that applied for one or more New DV Bonus housing projects included on your CoC's FY 2024 Priority Listing for New Projects:

1.	Applicant Name	Community Housing Network, Inc.
2.	Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors–Percentage	98%
3.	Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors–Percentage	94%

4A-3b.1.	Applicant's Housing Placement and Retention Data Explanation.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

For the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention of DV survivors reported in question 4B-3b., describe in the field below:

1.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing placement;
2.	whether the rate for housing placement accounts for exits to safe housing destinations;
3.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing retention; and
4.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects).

(limit 1,500 characters)

1. When calculating the rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors, Community Housing Network (CHN) pulled HMIS CoC APR Reports in Community Services for all RRH projects active FY 23- 24. CHN compared the list of participants in section 14a of the HMIS report (History of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Stalking , or Human Trafficking) with a 'Yes' response to the list of participants included in sub-sections of 23c of the HMIS (Permanent Situations Subtotal and Total Exits). 2) The rate for housing placement accounts for exits to safe housing destination. 3.) The rate of housing retention was calculated by comparing the exits to Positive Housing Destinations of those in CHN's FY21/22 RRH Projects fleeing Domestic Violence to those who re-entered the homeless system in the two proceeding years using System Performance Measures by Sub-Population Report in HMIS. 4. The data source used is HMIS CoC APR Reports and the state of Michigan HMIS Data Warehouse

4A-3c.	Applicant's Experience Housing DV Survivors.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project applicant:

1.	ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were quickly moved into safe affordable housing;
2.	prioritized survivors—you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC’s emergency transfer plan;
3.	determined survivors’ supportive services needs;
4.	connected survivors to supportive services; and
5.	moved survivors from assisted housing to housing they could sustain—address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Community Housing Network (CHN) currently receives program referrals from emergency shelters, shelters for DV survivors along with other community partner agencies. All referrals are provided with screening for all community programs as part of the Coordinated Entry (CE) System. As appropriate, referrals will receive additional in-depth screening through an in person interview for RRH. CHN ensures only necessary information is shared and all releases are obtained. The CE process ensures survivors are moved into safe affordable housing quickly 2. DV survivors experiencing homelessness are prioritized by utilizing The Danger Assessment, an Evidence Based Tool that provides a weighted score to determine the level of danger for a victim experiencing DV. Clients whose score indicate an elevated threat of danger will be prioritized first. 3&4. CHN staff have experience on providing permanent housing services to these DV clients by identifying housing barriers and challenges and working with participants on ways to resolve them by connecting them to resources to streamline or expedite the placement process. CHN has experience with moving families experiencing homelessness or fleeing domestic violence to housing as quickly as possible and achieving stability in that housing with monthly case management (program participants can indicate a need for more visits) while participating in the program to establish housing goals and develop a plan for stability. CHN staff provide households with additional options and resources to address other underlying causes of homelessness as well as provide additional referrals/outreach for specific needs relating to domestic violence. Participation in all supportive services is voluntary and driven by participants. 5. CHN staff assist clients in applying for any long housing subsidies or affordable, such as Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) or LIHTC housing units after the housing ends. CHN staff have experience working with RRH households, helping identify and develop long term housing plans, and “bridging” the person into a long term subsidy when possible, minimizing the need to move. To ensure that housing is sustainable for the tenant when housing assistance ends, CHN works with landlords who will accept a HVC and understand the process of “switching” subsidies.

4A-3d.	Applicant’s Experience in Ensuring DV Survivors’ Safety.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety and confidentiality of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:	
1.	taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during the intake and interview process to minimize potential coercion of survivors;	
2.	making determinations and placements into safe housing;	
3.	keeping survivors’ information and locations confidential;	
4.	training staff on safety and confidentiality policies and practices; and	

5.	taking security measures for units (congregate or scattered site), that support survivors' physical safety and location confidentiality.
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(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Community Housing Network (CHN) takes numerous steps during the intake and interview process to minimize coercion of survivors and ensure safety. Staff create an assessment & safety plan with the participant. Every person will be taken into a private room for the intake process and be interviewed separately to ensure safety and minimize coercion. 2. CHN will make placements into safe housing and follow all best practices in regards to working with people fleeing domestic violence and trafficking. This includes following best practices when ensuring confidentiality through the housing search and leasing process. Staff will use the Danger Assessment and secure and appropriate data sharing system comparable to HMIS 3. All property files are de-identified & kept in a locked cabinet; units are mixed with regular population. CHN will ensure that personal information is kept confidential and only shared when required to do so. Additional measures around household safety will be followed when working with landlords and supportive services partners to ensure program participant safety and confidentiality. The program will then engage individuals in additional options or provide resources to address other underlying causes of homelessness as well as provide additional referrals/outreach for specific needs relating to domestic violence. 4. Staff are trained in developing a safety plan that includes strategies to pursue if the batterer is encountered in public, if batterer comes to their place of residence & how to deal with a batterer that has substance addictions. 5. Program participants are placed into buildings with safety features such as access via assigned pass-point/keyless entry, 24-hour video surveillance for safety, and no accessible first floor windows. Rental unit is client choice in a safety secure location & participant knows abuser is not aware of the location.

4A-3d.1.	Applicant's Experience in Evaluating Its Ability to Ensure DV Survivors' Safety.
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NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)

Describe in the field below how the project evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served in the project, including any areas identified for improvement throughout the project's operation.
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(limit 2,500 characters)

The proposed RRH program will focus on addressing the issue of providing housing in a safe place. The project was evaluated based on the ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors. The project will follow all best practices in regards to working with people fleeing domestic violence and trafficking. This includes following best practices when ensuring confidentiality through the housing search and leasing process. Staff will use the Danger Assessment and secure and appropriate data sharing system comparable to HMIS. Community Housing Network (CHN) will ensure that personal information is kept confidential and only shared when required to do so. Additional measures around household safety will be followed when working with landlords and supportive services partners to ensure program participant safety and confidentiality. The program will then engage individuals in additional options or provide resources to address other underlying causes of homelessness as well as provide additional referrals/outreach for specific needs relating to domestic violence.

4A-3e.	Applicant's Experience in Placing and Stabilizing Survivors in Permanent Housing Using Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below the project applicant's experience in:

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| 1. | prioritizing placement and stabilization of survivors; |
| 2. | placing survivors in permanent housing; |
| 3. | placing and stabilizing survivors consistent with their preferences; and |
| 4. | placing and stabilizing survivors consistent with their stated needs. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Community Housing Network (CHN) has devoted 23 years to providing homeless response services, case management for financial self-sufficiency in a trauma informed manner. CHN staff are trained to use trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet the needs of DV survivors by understanding the physical emotional and psychological implications and impact DV has on individuals & families. CHN has 7 front line staff with direct experience of working with individuals who have a history of domestic violence and those experiencing Category 4 homelessness. All staff receive ongoing training in Trauma Informed Care delivery and have been trained in Danger Assessment, a tool used to assess and prioritize those who are fleeing for RRH programs. 2. CHN is an integral part of the CoC and Coordinated Entry (CE) system. To ensure those most in need are served first, participating individuals/families will be referred via the CoC's CE process. CHN will use an appropriate Danger Assessment and protected system to refer clients. CHN's Housing Resource Center coordinates housing stabilization services countywide, including performing initial intake and assessment for homeless services, referral to appropriate organizations and programs by utilizing the By Name List for RRH and PSH placements, or the HCV list, and developing and maintaining relationships with landlords and other community housing resources. 3&4. CHN and CHN's RRH programs have a history of prioritizing participant choice & rapid placement, and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the needs and preferences of the participant. Through the assessment tools used clients are encouraged to set goals working towards housing and non-housing goals, then are provided links to community resources. Long term housing plans that include goals related to safety, health care and employment are created by clients and staff. CHN has experience providing housing and housing services to households coming from homelessness or fleeing domestic utilizing housing first and person-centered best practices. This includes experience in providing supportive services that are not mandatory, working with vulnerable populations, and experience working with community partners to remove barriers, increase access to resources, and provide the support necessary to successfully house survivors consistent with their needs and preferences.

4A-3f.	Applicant's Experience in Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of the project applicant's experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:

1.	establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures survivors and staff interactions are based on equality, and minimize power differentials;
2.	providing survivors access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing survivors with information on the effects of trauma;
3.	emphasizing survivors' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;
4.	centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
5.	providing a variety of opportunities for survivors' connections, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
6.	offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

(limit 5,000 characters)

1. Community Housing Network (CHN) staff have experience creating an environment of mutual respect, positivity and support and do not use punitive interventions or coercion. 2. CHN staff receive training in nondiscrimination & cultural responsiveness, equal access, and inclusivity. 3. CHN has experience in ensuring that all interactions between survivors & case managers are trauma informed & victim-centered to make sure clients feel safe & supported to enable open communication for their housing needs. CHN staff are trained in utilizing best practices such as Motivational interviewing and strength-based approaches to ensure participant's housing plans are participant lead and driven. 4. All supportive services CHN provides are made available to any person or group that is asking for assistance with or without children, regardless of marital status/relationship, actual/perceived sexual orientation or gender identity, age, relationship, or disability. 5. CHN has experience providing opportunities for connections among people with lived experience. While not focused on survivors, CHN has sought and received funding to empower those we serve in decision making and community building efforts at our affordable housing communities. We have received input from people served at housing developments that they would like to have opportunities to be a part of decision making. CHN, through our Community Engagement Coordinator, is working to help empower residents to take ownership of the Resident Councils by providing training and resources to build the Resident Council's capacity. CHN can bring this experience to empowering survivors through survivor lead peer groups. 6. CHN has experience connecting participants to child care services & parenting classes/resources as needed. CHN has partnerships with child care providers and has hosted on site parenting classes at housing communities in the past. CHN has experience in providing intergenerational programming for the whole family, with separate activities for adults and children that help reduce barriers caused by lack of childcare, transportation, or stigma.

4A-3g.	Applicant's Experience Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of supportive services the project provided to domestic violence survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs.

(limit 5,000 characters)

Community Housing Network (CHN)'s housing case management utilizes a Client Centered Approach, strength-based approach that identifies participant's strengths, goals and measure the level of their desire and motivation to change. The goal of CHN's supportive services is to help participants identify and achieve their goals and meet their needs through access to a variety of CHN and community resources. Case management addresses the physical, psychological, and social needs of the person with the ultimate goal of assisting them in maintaining housing. Case management is an ongoing process throughout the participant's stay in CHN housing programs. The services provided to each tenant will be unique to their specific goals and needs. CHN provides services in the homes of individuals, at CHN office, or in public community spaces, depending on the needs of the individual. CHN provides individualized support services to residents based on their goals and identified service needs. comprehensive exit plan to provide referrals for housing, furniture, and moving costs. CHN will focus on addressing the issue of housing first in a safe place. The program will provide households with additional options and resources to address other underlying causes of homelessness as well as provide additional referrals/outreach for specific needs relating to domestic violence. Participation in all supportive services is voluntary and driven by participants. CHN embraces a Housing First approach, focusing on moving tenants quickly into housing from settings such as shelters and the streets, and there are no preconditions such as sobriety or medication compliance for entry into the project's units. CHN staff regularly provide referrals for mainstream benefits including income supports, primary and mental health care, legal services, and Veterans Affairs benefits, and they maintain close working relationships with agencies providing mainstream resources to ensure participants are connected to benefits they are eligible for. CHN is a MI Bridges Navigation partner. All case management staff are MI Bridges Navigators, which allows them to connect with their participants through the system and use the internal "Explore Resources" feature to send resources directly to participant's MI Bridges account. Navigators can also help participants apply for MDHHS benefits (food assistance, healthcare, SER, childcare, etc.). CHN partners with Federally Qualified Health Centers and Community Mental Health providers to connect participants to services. CHN has partnered with health care providers to ensure that program participants are able to access Medicaid, or receive health care if they are uninsured. The case management team also collaborates with insurance healthcare navigators, hospital social workers, PACE, AAA 1-B, etc. to ensure that participants are connected to appropriate services as needed/requested. CHN has experience in working with partners in ways that protect participant's privacy, are led by the participant's preferences, and minimize the trauma and burden caused by navigating repetitive and triggering intake and registration processes. CHN staff have developed partnerships where CHN can work with survivors to walk them through intake and registration, including being on calls when appropriate and providing assistance through the provision of transportation, phones, or other resources.

4A-3h.	Applicant's Plan for Placing and Stabilizing Survivors in Permanent Housing Using Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(e)	
	Describe in the field below how the project(s) will:	
1.	prioritize placement and stabilization of program participants;	
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2.	place program participants in permanent housing;
3.	place and stabilize program participants consistent with their preferences; and
4.	place and stabilize program participants consistent with their stated needs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. This program will utilize survivor centric approaches by working with individuals seeking housing and housing services wherever they are in their experience fleeing and surviving domestic violence. 2. The RRH program will offer Domestic Violence program participants options to receive services that are more appropriate to their level of need. Using dedicated staff will allow for faster removal of barriers that survivors of domestic violence face as they work toward gaining self-sufficiency and independence while seeking to further their education, gain employment and become self-sufficient. 3. Community Housing Network (CHN) will further develop its partnership with organizations serving people fleeing domestic violence including Common Ground and HAVEN. Through partnership with these organizations, & with the additional funds provided through the DV-RRH program, CHN will provide complete and tailored wrap around services to meet the unique preferences of each family fleeing domestic violence based on their preferences. Referrals can be made to these resources as needed. HAVEN is the lead DV agency in the CoC and will provide access to resources for staff and clients that support survivors with information on trauma. This allows survivors to be quickly placed into permanent housing of their choice. 4. CHN also recognizes that surviving and fleeing from domestic violence or trafficking is an extremely traumatic experience. This program will reduce the trauma that this experience causes by providing seamless transfers between emergency housing and Rapid Rehousing, eliminating barriers while ensuring that households remain safe. It will also address trauma by incorporating safety planning into the entire process. This includes addressing needs regarding housing location, need for additional physical protections (such as type of locks on doors, restricted access internal hallways, non-first floor units, etc.), safety planning for program participant’s schools, workplace etc., safety planning regarding the need to move quickly (and development of personal emergency planning), and the need for additional supports and rebuilding of natural support systems. This program focuses on protecting the household’s privacy and an emphasis on security and safety for the household. Any release of info necessary to provide housing or services will always be with the consent and expressed permission of the program participant. The client controls the release of information.

4A-3i.	Applicant’s Plan for Administering Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Practices in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(e)	

Describe in the field below examples of how the new project(s) will:	
1.	establish and maintain an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant and staff interactions are based on equality, and minimize power differentials;
2.	provide program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;
3.	emphasize program participants’ strengths—for example, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans work towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;

4.	center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
5.	provide a variety of opportunities for program participants' connections, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
6.	offer support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

(limit 5,000 characters)

1. Community Housing Network (CHN) staff have experience creating an environment of mutual respect, positivity and support and do not use punitive interventions or coercion. 2. CHN staff will receive training on these topics regarding best practices for working with survivors:

- oPracticing Empathy
- oTrauma Informed Care
- oUnconscious Bias
- oVAWA Protections for Tenants

2. Also, their organization stays abreast of community resources on a regular basis that include resources for those experiencing domestic violence.

3. All interactions between survivors & case managers are trauma informed & victim-centered to make sure clients feel safe & supported to enable open communication for their housing needs. Motivational interviewing and strength-based approaches are used by CHN staff.

4. Services are made available to any person or group that is asking for assistance with or without children, regardless of marital status/relationship, actual/perceived sexual orientation or gender identity, age, relationship, or disability.

5. CHN will encourage building the clients community connections in encouraged through self help groups, peer to peer mentoring & spiritual developments at institutions.

6. The project will allow CHN to expand on existing services and allow staff to further develop connections to child care services & parenting classes/resources. CHN will work with community partners to reduce barriers to access, specifically any barriers that might arise due to the family fleeing domestic violence or experiencing homelessness

4A-3j.	Applicant's Plan for Involving Survivors in Policy and Program Development, Operations, and Evaluation in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(f)	

Describe in the field below how the new project will involve survivors:

1.	with a range of lived expertise; and
2.	in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1&2. Community Housing Network (CHN) will work with people with a range of lived expertise to gain insight into what services and community partnerships are important and necessary for the program to connect with, what the barriers are to survivors finding and keeping housing, and what ways whether policy, advocacy or resource wise that CHN can act to help remove these barriers. CHN has used input from people with lived experience to know what communities people want to live in. This input has been used in numerous ways including helping inform where CHN develops affordable housing, which landlords and communities it targets for outreach, as well as community building and advocacy efforts to ensure affordable housing is available in communities of opportunity. CHN has many examples of using input from people we serve to improve our programs and service delivery. One example is at their housing developments they received input that there was a desire for more onsite programming for adults and not just families. CHN was able to coordinate additional programming for adults due to this input. CHN will survey their program participant's concerning their programs, completing annual surveys, and post program exit surveys. Surveys are used to gather feedback about additional resources and services that our participants may need/search for. They are also used to ensure that people either in their programs or who have exited programs have a voice in program design and program improvement. Surveys are done in a manner that is survivor lead and designed to ensure they don't cause any further trauma.

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

We have provided the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:

1. You must include a Document Description for each attachment you upload; if you do not, the Submission Summary screen will display a red X indicating the submission is incomplete.
2. You must upload an attachment for each document listed where 'Required?' is 'Yes'.
3. We prefer that you use PDF files, though other file types are supported—please only use zip files if necessary. Converting electronic files to PDF, rather than printing documents and scanning them, often produces higher quality images. Many systems allow you to create PDF files as a Print option. If you are unfamiliar with this process, you should consult your IT Support or search for information on Google or YouTube.
4. Attachments must match the questions they are associated with.
5. Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process.
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1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No	PHA Homeless Pref...	10/17/2024
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No	PHA Moving On Pre...	10/17/2024
1D-10a. Lived Experience Support Letter	Yes	Lived Experience ...	10/25/2024
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation	Yes	Housing First Eva...	10/11/2024
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	10/11/2024
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project	Yes	Scored Forms for ...	10/14/2024
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Notification of P...	10/15/2024
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes	Notification of P...	10/15/2024
1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Local Competition...	10/14/2024
1E-5c. Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		
1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		

2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes	HUD's 2024 HDX Co...	10/11/2024
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No	Housing Leveragin...	10/25/2024
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No		
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
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Submission Summary

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ATTACHMENT A
FY 2023-24 ANNUAL PHA PLAN FOR HCV ONLY PHAs
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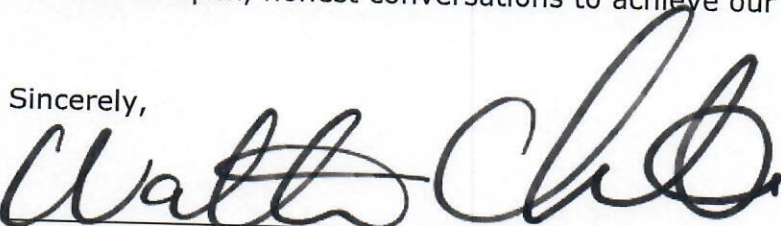
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(Signature)

10/24/2024

(Date)

Kushnirov, Vadim

(Printed Name)



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10/23/2024

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(Date)

Rebecca Dobek

(Printed Name)





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Housing First Checklist: Assessing Projects and Systems for a Housing First Orientation

Instructions: Please complete checklist per project type. For example, if you have two permanent supportive housing (PSH) projects, one rapid rehousing (RRH) project and one transitional housing (TH) project you will need to complete this document once for PSH, once for RRH and once for TH.

Please fill in the following:

Project type:
Person completing document:

Signature

Title

Date



Housing First Checklist: Assessing Projects and Systems for a Housing First Orientation

Housing First is a proven approach, applicable across all elements of systems for ending homelessness, in which people experiencing homelessness are connected to permanent housing swiftly and with few to no treatment preconditions, behavioral contingencies, or other barriers. It is based on overwhelming evidence that people experiencing homelessness can achieve stability in permanent housing if provided with the appropriate level of services. Study after study has shown that Housing First yields higher housing retention rates, drives significant reductions in the use of costly crisis services and institutions, and helps people achieve better health and social outcomes.¹

This checklist was designed to help you make a quick assessment of whether and to what degree housing programs — and entire systems — are employing a Housing First approach. Robust tools and instruments are available elsewhere to quantitatively measure program quality and fidelity to Housing First. This tool is not meant to take the place of those more rigorous assessments, but is intended to help Continuums of Care, individual housing and services providers, funders, and other stakeholders to communicate about, and quickly assess, alignment with key Housing First approaches.

Core Elements of Housing First at the Program/Project Level

For your homelessness service system to work the most efficiently and effectively, individual programs must embrace a Housing First approach. This portion of the checklist can help you assess the extent to which your local programs are implementing Housing First. You can use this tool for trainings or planning sessions, during a site visit or program audit, as a guide when reviewing funding applications, or for many other uses.

- Access to programs is not contingent on sobriety, minimum income requirements, lack of a criminal record, completion of treatment, participation in services, or other unnecessary conditions.
- Programs or projects do everything possible not to reject an individual or family on the basis of poor credit or financial history, poor or lack of rental history, minor criminal convictions, or behaviors that are interpreted as indicating a lack of “housing readiness.”
- People with disabilities are offered clear opportunities to request reasonable accommodations within applications and screening processes and during tenancy, and building and apartment units include special physical features that accommodate disabilities.

Quick Screen: Does Your Project Use Housing First Principles?

- 1) Are applicants allowed to enter the program without income?
- 2) Are applicants allowed to enter the program even if they aren’t “clean and sober” or “treatment compliant”?
- 3) Are applicants allowed to enter the program even if they have criminal justice system involvement?
- 4) Are service and treatment plans voluntary, such that tenants cannot be evicted for not following through?

- Programs or projects that cannot serve someone work through the coordinated entry process to ensure that those individuals or families have access to housing and services elsewhere.
- Housing and service goals and plans are highly tenant-driven.
- Supportive services emphasize engagement and problem-solving over therapeutic goals.
- Participation in services or compliance with service plans are not conditions of tenancy, but are reviewed with tenants and regularly offered as a resource to tenants.
- Services are informed by a harm-reduction philosophy that recognizes that drug and alcohol use and addiction are a part of some tenants' lives. Tenants are engaged in non-judgmental communication regarding drug and alcohol use and are offered education regarding how to avoid risky behaviors and engage in safer practices.
- Substance use in and of itself, without other lease violations, is not considered a reason for eviction.
- Tenants in supportive housing are given reasonable flexibility in paying their share of rent on time and offered special payment arrangements for rent arrears and/or assistance with financial management, including representative payee arrangements.
- Every effort is made to provide a tenant the opportunity to transfer from one housing situation, program, or project to another if a tenancy is in jeopardy. Whenever possible, eviction back into homelessness is avoided.

Core Elements of Housing First at the Community Level

Housing First should be adopted across your community's entire homelessness response system, including outreach and emergency shelter, short-term interventions like [rapid re-housing](#), and longer-term interventions like [supportive housing](#). You can use this part of the checklist to assess the extent to which your community has adopted a system-wide Housing First orientation, as well as guide further dialogue and progress.

- Your community has a coordinated system that offers a unified, streamlined, and user-friendly community-wide coordinated entry process to quickly assess and match people experiencing homelessness to the most appropriate housing and services, including rapid re-housing, supportive housing, and/or other housing interventions.
- Emergency shelter, street outreach, and other parts of your crisis response system implement and promote low barriers to entry or service and quickly identify people experiencing homelessness, provide access to safety, make service connections, and partner directly with housing providers to rapidly connect individuals and families to permanent housing.
- Outreach and other crisis response teams are coordinated, trained, and have the ability to engage and quickly connect people experiencing homelessness to the local coordinated entry process in order to apply for and obtain permanent housing.
- Your community has a data-driven approach to [prioritizing housing assistance](#), whether through analysis of the shared community assessment and vulnerability indices, [system performance measures](#) from the Homeless Management Information System, data on utilization of crisis services, and/or data from other

systems that work with people experiencing homelessness or housing instability, such as hospitals and the criminal justice system.

- ❑ Housing providers and owners accept referrals directly from the coordinated entry processes and work to house people as quickly as possible, using standardized application and screening processes and removing restrictive criteria as much as possible.
- ❑ Policymakers, funders, and providers conduct joint planning to develop and align resources to increase the availability of affordable and supportive housing and to ensure that a range of options and mainstream services are available to maximize housing choice among people experiencing homelessness.
- ❑ Mainstream systems, including social, health, and behavioral health services, benefit and entitlement programs, and other essential services have policies in place that do not inhibit implementation of a Housing First approach. For instance, eligibility and screening policies for benefit and entitlement programs or housing do not require treatment completion or sobriety.
- ❑ Staff in positions across the entire housing and services system are trained in and actively employ evidence-based practices for client/tenant engagement, such as motivational interviewing, client-centered counseling, critical time interventions, and trauma-informed care.

Additional Resources

- [Implementing Housing First in Supportive Housing](#) (USICH, 2014) – discusses supportive housing and Housing First as tools for ending chronic homelessness and helping people with disabilities live independently in the community.
- [Webinar: Core Principles of Housing First and Rapid Re-Housing](#) (USICH, 2014) – describes the core components of the Housing First approach and the rapid re-housing model and how both work together to help end homelessness.
- [Four Clarifications about Housing First](#) (USICH, 2014) – clarifies some common misperceptions about Housing First.
- [It's Time We Talked the Walk on Housing First](#) (USICH, 2015) – advances our thinking on Housing First.
- [Housing First in Permanent Supportive Housing](#) (HUD, 2014) – provides an overview of the principles and core components of the Housing First model.
- [Permanent Supportive Housing Evidence-Based Practices KIT](#) (SAMHSA, 2010) – outlines the essential components of supportive housing, along with fidelity scales and scoresheets.

ⁱ Lipton, F.R. et. al. (2000). "Tenure in supportive housing for homeless persons with severe mental illness," *Psychiatric Services* 51(4): 479-486. M. Larimer, D. Malone, M. Garner, et al. "Health Care and Public Service Use and Costs Before and After Provision of Housing for Chronically Homeless Persons with Severe Alcohol Problems." *Journal of the American Medical Association*, April 1, 2009, pp. 1349-1357. Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance. (2007). "Home and Healthy for Good: A Statewide Pilot Housing First Program." Boston.



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)

Component # 5: Program Performance

85 points

Performance will be evaluated and scored using data from a variety of sources. Comments are added to each box to describe where you can find the element. Cells highlighted in grey will autocalculate. Only answer the questions relevant to the specific project type for each renewal. *It is recommended to complete this application in Excel and save as PDF for submission.*

Reports need to be run for **7/1/2023 to 6/30/2024** regardless of the grant term. Reports required to complete this section:

CoC - APR (canned report)

*** Canned reports need to be **submitted as a PDF** and can be done directly in the browser settings.

Please contact hmishelp-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org if you have HMIS or Business Objects related questions.

1. Length of Stay (Days) 20 points

RRH - Average Length of days from project entry to housing move in

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

<20 days [20 points](#)

PSH - Average length of days from project entry to housing move-in

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

<19 days [20 points](#)

TH - Average length of participation in days for leavers

<122 days [20 points](#)

2. Exits to Positive Housing Destination (25 pts)

RRH/PSH/TH – Percent total persons exited to positive housing destination

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

90% [25 points](#)

Total Percentage

3. New or Increased Earned Income (10 pts)

A. **RRH/PSH/TH** - Minimum % of participants with new or increased income for project *stayers*

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

11% [5 points](#)

B. **RRH/PSH/TH** - Minimum % of participants with new or increased income for project *leavers*

8% [5 points](#)

4. New or Increased other (Non-Employment) Income (10 pts)

A. **RRH/PSH/TH** - Minimum % of participants with other (non-employment) income for project *stayers*

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

35% [5 points](#)

B. RRH/PSH/TH - Minimum % of participants with other (non-employment) income for project leavers 11% [5 points](#)

5. Project/Cost Effectiveness A=10 points; B or C or D= 10 points; Total points available=20 (RRH, PSH, TH)

Factor/Goal Max Point Value

A. #DIV/0! RRH/PSH/TH - Minimum % leavers with health insurance. 89% [10 points](#)
 + 1 Source of Health Insurance
 More than 1 Source of Health Insurance
 /
 Number of Leavers

B. #DIV/0! RRH - Cost Effectiveness <\$2500 [10 points](#)
 Total Cost of Project
 Total Persons Served

C. #DIV/0! PSH - Cost Effectiveness <\$6000 [10 points](#)
 Total Cost of Project
 Total Persons Served

D. #DIV/0! TH - Cost Effectiveness <\$5000 [10 points](#)
 Total Cost of Project
 /
 Total Persons Served

**Component # 6: HMIS Compliance
36 Points**

HMIS compliance will be evaluated and scored using data from a variety of sources. Comments are added to each box to describe where you can find the element. Cells highlighted in grey will autocalculate. Cells highlighted in black will be provided by the HMIS SA1 or CoC Director. Only answer the questions relevant to the specific project type for each renewal.

Reports need to be run for **7/1/2023 to 6/30/2024** regardless of the grant term. Reports required to complete this section:

CoC - APR (canned report)

Please contact hmishelp-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org if you have HMIS or Business Objects related questions.

1. HMIS Operation

Factor/Goal Max Point Value

A. Average utilization rate.

98% [4 Points](#)

For Question 1A. only use your Funding Year 2023 Application in E-Snaps

Total Beds Written in FY23 Application

#DIV/0! January

#DIV/0! April

#DIV/0! July

#DIV/0! October

B. Did your agency complete a successful Alliance monitoring in 2024?

Yes [4 Points](#)

C. Was your most recent APR submitted to SAGE on time?

Yes [2 Points](#)

2. Data Quality

Factor/Goal Max Point Value

A. Were the Reports Required for this Application Run Correctly?

Yes [2 Points](#)

B. Was this Application Completed Correctly?

Yes [2 Points](#)

C. Attended all mandatory monthly Agency Administrator/Data Quality meetings.

Yes [2 Points](#)

D. Submitted all monthly data quality reports to the Oakland County HMIS System Administrators.

Yes [2 Points](#)

E. Personally Identifiable Information- % Error Rate

6 Possible Points Total

% Name <5% [1 Point](#)

% SSN <5% [1 Point](#)

% Date of Birth <5% [1 Point](#)

% Race <5% [1 Point](#)

% Ethnicity <5% [1 Point](#)

% Gender <5% [1 Point](#)

F. Universal Data Elements % Error Rate

5 Possible Points Total

% Veteran <5% [1 Point](#)

% Project Start Date <5% [1 Point](#)

% Relationship to HoH <5% [1 Point](#)

% Client Location <5% [1 Point](#)

% Disabling Condition <5% [1 Point](#)

G. Income and Housing Data Quality % Error Rate

4 Possible Points Total

% Destination <5% [1 Point](#)

% Income and Sources at Start <5% [1 Point](#)

% Income and Sources at Annual Assessment <5% [1 Point](#)

% Income and Sources at Exit <5% [1 Point](#)

H. Chronic Homelessness % Of Records Unable to Calculate

% TH or PH (RRH & PSH) <5% [1 Point](#)

3. Racial Equity

Factor/Goal Max Point Value

Run the System Pathways report in the Data Warehouse (for racial equity review) Yes [2 Points](#)

1. Length of Time Homeless (Days) - From Project start date to Housing Move-in (R Length of Participation in Days (TH)

RRH	PSH	Points
0-20 days	0-19 days	20
21-45 days	20-42 days	15
46-70 days	43-65 days	10
71-95 days	66-88	5
96+	89+	0

TH	Points
0-122 days	20
123-249 days	15
250-376 days	10
377-503 days	5
504+	0

2. Exits to Permanent Housing

RRH	PSH	TH	Points
90-100%	90-100%	90-100%	25
80-89%	80-89%	80-89%	20
70-79%	70-79%	70-79%	15
60-69%	60-69%	60-69%	10
0-59%	0-59%	0-59%	5

3. and 4. New or Increased Earned Income and Non-Employment Income (20 possible total points)

5 points given for meeting listed factor/goal for each. This is not a tiered question. The factor/goal is based on the average of all of the project types for the measure.

3A.

Factor/Goal	Points
11% +	5
<11%	0

3B.

Factor/Goal	Points
8%+	5
<8%	0

4A.

Factor/Goal	Points
35% +	5
<35%	0

4B.

Factor/Goal	Points
11% +	5
<11%	0

5. Project Effectiveness

A. Health Insurance

RRH/PSH/TH	Points
85-100%	10
70-84%	8
55-69%	6
0-54%	0

B. Cost Effectiveness

RRH	Points
<\$2500	10
\$2500-\$3000	8
\$3000+	0

C. Cost Effectiveness

PSH	Points
<\$6000	10
\$6000-\$6500	8
\$6500-\$7000	6
\$7000-\$7500	4
\$7500-\$8000	2
\$8000+	0

D. Cost Effectiveness

TH	Points
<\$5000	10
\$5000-\$5500	8
5500+	0

Component # 6: HMIS Compliance

1. HMIS Operation

A	Points
>98%	1
<98%	0

1 point
awarded per
data element

B	Points	C	Points
Yes	4	Yes	2
No	0	No	0

2. Data Quality

A	B	C	D	Points
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2
No	No	No	No	0

6 Possible Points	5 Possible Points	4 Possible Points
E	F	G
5% or less	5% or less	5% or less
>5%	>5%	>5%

1 Point
awarded
per data
element

1 Possible Point
H
5% or less
>5%

3. Racial Equity

Points	
Yes	2
No	0

Variable	Value	Description
A	0	# of People available to Canvas Per Organization (Staff paid out of HUD)
B	0	A/3 (Max # of Teams Possible Per Organization)
C	0	# Teams That Participated in 2024 PIT Count
D	#DIV/0!	C/B (% of Teams Participating/Possible Teams)
Score	#DIV/0!	Points Towards Renewal Application

Points	D% Range
5	81 - 100 %
4	61 - 80%
3	41 - 60 %
2	21 - 40%
1	0 - 20%

Directions

Only type in the yellow cells

A = How many people that are part of your organization that are available to canvass during PIT. (Internal agency decision/ Staff paid out of HUD grants)

B = 3 is the minimum amount of people that can be on a PIT team

C = How many Teams did your organization have participate in the 2024 PIT Count

D = The number of teams your organization had participate in the 2024 PIT Count divided by the max amount of teams your organization could have



ALLIANCE FOR HOUSING

ALLIANCE FOR HOUSING OAKLAND COUNTY'S CONTINUUM OF CARE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS-New or Expanding Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) and or Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Project(s)

The Alliance for Housing is requesting proposals for funding under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Program.

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is for Alliance for Housing, Oakland County Continuum of Care (CoC) partners to work with the Alliance to support those experiencing domestic violence (DV) in the community. The CoC is looking for new or expansion proposal for DV Rapid Rehousing (RRH). Please see the FY2024 - 2025 NOFO for full requirements. The DV bonus amount for Oakland County is estimated at \$1,088,322. Out of the proposals received the Alliance Prioritization Committee will choose no more than two DV projects to be added to the new applications in the FY2024-2025 competition. Please see Section III.B.4.(4)(a)(c) of the NOFO for details about the DV Bonus/ expansion. Each application must be at least \$50,000.

For faith-based applicants please see section III.A.2 of the HUD CoC NOFO.

A project applicant may apply to expand an existing renewal project, including one that was previously awarded with DV Bonus funding, in accordance with section I.B.2.b.(6) of the NOFO; however, only the new project application for the expansion will be considered for DV Bonus funds through this process. DV Bonus funding may be used to expand an existing renewal project that is not dedicated to serving individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who qualify as homeless under paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3, so long as the DV Bonus funds for expansion are solely for additional units, beds, or services dedicated to persons eligible to be served with DV Bonus funding.

Check off which you are applying for:

If an agency is submitting a proposal for an expansion of an eligible renewal in the CoC program, they must indicate how the new project application will expand units, beds, services, persons served, or services provided to exiting program participants.

- **If you are applying for DV RRH, answer all the questions that have DV RRH in front of them.**
- **If you are applying for DV SSO-CE, answer all the questions that have SSO-CE in front of them.**
- **If it states "For both DV RRH and SSO-CE" in front of the question, answer it no matter which type of program you are applying for.**

- Expansion: List the name and grant number for the existing project: _____
- New DV RRH
- New SSO CE DV

- If the potential sub-recipient is a victim service provider they must use a comparable data base and provide de-identified information to the CoC.
- **Potential sub-recipients must submit the required certifications as specified in the NOFO, for example, unexpired SAM registration, Unique Entity ID. Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are found at [24 CFR 578.15](#), must also comply with RRH requirements at [24 CFR 578.37](#).**

DV RRH Projects must follow a [Housing First](#) approach. RRH project can provide medium to long term rental assistance (up to 24 months). This allocation will only fund a new or expansion RRH project that serves DV. This can include admin and support services in addition to the housing portion.

Legal Name of Organization: _____

Project name: _____

Project type: _____

1. **(For DV RRH and SSO- CE)** Please describe your organization's experience with utilizing a [Housing First](#) approach. Housing First is an approach to quickly and successfully connect people experiencing homelessness to permanent housing without barriers or preconditions such as sobriety, treatment, or service participation requirements. Please explain how this project will utilize Housing First as a part of:
 - a. Project eligibility criteria

b. The process for accepting new clients

c. Confirm that this project will following Housing First

Yes, I confirm

No, I do not confirm

2. **(For DV RRH and SSO- CE)** Can you share your experience with managing or utilizing federal funds for housing programs? If you haven't worked with federal funds before, how do you plan to familiarize yourself with the requirements and procedures to ensure effective management?

3. **(For DV RRH and SSO- CE)** Please describe the extent to which your organization and this project demonstrates understanding of the needs of the clients to be served, specifically those experiencing [Category 4](#) homelessness.

4. **(For DV RRH and SSO- CE)** Describe how your agency will use a trauma informed approach and client centered approach, and what type of training your agency has received in regards to using a trauma informed and client centered approach.

5. **(For DV RRH and SSO- CE)** Describe your agencies experience and capacity with working with persons experiencing Category 4 homelessness.

6. **(For DV RRH)** Describe the type and scale of all supportive services, regardless of funding source, meets the needs of the client to be served.

7. **(For DV RRH)** Describe how clients will be assisted in obtaining mainstream resources.
8. **(For DV RRH)** Explain how your agency will meet or exceed established HUD or CoC benchmarks. For example increased income, getting connected to employment.
9. **(For DV RRH)** Explain the project plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.
10. **(For DV RRH)** Will the project leverage health resources? Please explain
 Yes No
11. **(For DV RRH)** Provide a description of the proposed project. Please include number of households served within the RRH component in your response.
(For DV RRH and SSO-CE) Include proposed budget including 25% match (in-kind or cash) if you need more space please add an attachment.

12. **(For DV RRH)** Outline the strategy for quickly implementing the program, detailing how the project will be prepared to house the first participant. Include a timeline of planned activities for 60, 120, and 180 days following the grant award.

13. **(For DV RRH)** Explain how the project will work within Fair Market Rent rates.

14. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Most recent audit: _____

a. Were there any findings: Yes No

b. If yes, please explain:

15. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Has your organization been identified as "low risk" (per 2 CFR 200.520) Yes No (If no, please explain)

16. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Does your agency have any Federal Debts? Yes No. If yes please explain.

17. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Will your agency be able to provide documented match that meets HUD requirements?

a. Yes No

b. Please explain the source of the match for this proposed project. Projects funded under the HUD CoC Program requires a 25 percent match of the awarded grant amount minus funds for leasing. Cash or in-kind resources will satisfy the match requirement. (per 24 CFR 578.73)

18. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Please describe how the project will engage with and adhere to the policies and procedures of the Coordinated Entry system established by the Oakland County Continuum of Care, including referring clients through HMIS or a comparable data base.

19. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Does your agency have underrepresented individuals (such as BIPOC, LGBTQ+, etc.) in managerial and leadership roles?
a. Yes No
b. If not, please explain how you plan to address this.

20. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Does your agency have a board of directors that's includes representation from more than one person with lived experience? If no, please explain how you will this?
a. Yes No (Please explain)

21. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Does your agency have a process for receiving and integrating feedback from individuals with lived experience, or a plan to develop one? Yes No
a. Please explain.

22. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Has your agency reviewed its internal policies and procedures through an equity lens and developed a plan to create and implement equitable policies that avoid imposing undue barriers or worsening disparities in outcomes? If not, how do you plan

to address this?

- a. Yes No
- b. Please explain.

23. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Does your agency have a plan to review program participant outcomes through an equity lens, including disaggregating data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age? If you are already implementing such a plan, please describe the findings from the outcomes review.

- a. Yes No

24. **(For DV RRH and SSO-CE)** Describe how your agency currently works with the Homeless Management Information System or describe the comparable data base you use.

Applications can be submitted to Ashley Cuniberti via email at acuniberti-alliance@oaklandoaklandhomeless.org by **Thursday September 12th, 2024, 5PM**. No proposals will be accepted after this timeline.

Applications will be reviewed by the Alliance Prioritization Committee. The Alliance Prioritization Committee will review applications and those meeting and exceeding the needed requirements and standards will be recommended for funding.

For additional information please contact Leah McCall at lmccall-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org

Scoring Criteria

1. Housing First Approach (15 points)

- **Score:**
 - Project eligibility criteria: 0-5 points
 - Process for accepting new clients: 0-5 points
 - Confirmation of following Housing First: 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the proposal clearly describe the use of the Housing First approach, including the removal of barriers, and confirm its commitment to this methodology?

2. Experience with Federal Funds (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have experience managing federal funds? If not, is there a clear and practical plan to become familiar with federal requirements?

3. Understanding Client Needs (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** How well does the organization demonstrate an understanding of the needs of clients, particularly those experiencing Category 4 homelessness?

4. Trauma-Informed and Client-Centered Approach (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization use a trauma-informed and client-centered approach? Is there evidence of relevant training?

5. Experience with Category 4 Homelessness (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** What is the organization's experience and capacity in working with individuals experiencing Category 4 homelessness?

6. DV RRH Only - Supportive Services Plan (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the project include comprehensive supportive services that meet the needs of the clients?

7. DV RRH Only - Mainstream Resources Assistance (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points

- **Evaluation:** How will the project assist clients in obtaining mainstream benefits?

8. DV RRH Only - Performance Measures (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** Are the proposed performance measures for housing and income clear, objective, measurable, and aligned with HUD or CoC benchmarks?

9. DV RRH Only - Housing Plan (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** How effectively does the project plan to secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, and accessible?

10. DV RRH Only - Leveraging Health Resources (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Will the project leverage health resources for the clients?

11. DV RRH Only - Project Description and Budget (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the project description provide clear details, including the number of households to be served, and include a detailed budget with the required 25% match?

12. DV RRH Only - Implementation Strategy (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** Is there a clear and feasible strategy for quickly implementing the program, including a detailed timeline for the first 60, 120, and 180 days?

13. DV RRH Only - Cost-Effectiveness (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the agency explain how they will work within FMR?

14. Audit Findings (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Were there any findings in the most recent audit? If so, how were they addressed?

15. Risk Assessment (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Has the organization been identified as "low risk" per 2 CFR 200.520? If not, how do they plan to mitigate risk? If low risk full points will awarded, if high risk zero points will be awarded.

16. Federal Debts (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have any federal debts? If so, how will they address them?

17. Match Documentation (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points

- **Evaluation:** Can the organization provide the required 25% match? Are the sources of the match clearly explained?

18.Coordinated Entry System Engagement (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** How will the project engage with and adhere to the Coordinated Entry system, including referrals through HMIS or a comparable data base?

19.Diversity in Leadership (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have underrepresented individuals in managerial and leadership roles? If not, is there a plan to address this?

20.Board Representation (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the board of directors include more than one person with lived experience? If not, how will this be addressed?

21.Feedback Integration (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have a process for receiving and integrating feedback from individuals with lived experience?

22.Equity Lens Review (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Has the organization reviewed its internal policies through an equity lens? If not, is there a plan to address this?

23.Outcome Review through an Equity Lens (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have a plan to review program outcomes through an equity lens, disaggregating data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age?

24.HMIS Collaboration or Comparable data base (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** How does the organization currently work with the Homeless Management Information System? Or describe the comparable data base used?

Total Score for DV RRH /175
Total Score for SSO-CE /110
Reviewer Comments:

This scoring document provides a comprehensive evaluation framework for the RFP. Each section aligns with the questions and requirements outlined in the RFP, ensuring that proposals are thoroughly assessed across all relevant areas.



**ALLIANCE FOR HOUSING
OAKLAND COUNTY'S CONTINUUM OF CARE**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
New or Expansion Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
Project Bonus**

The Alliance for Housing, Oakland County's Continuum of Care (CoC) is requesting proposals for funding under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Program. **This is for new or expanding projects for permanent supportive housing serving 100% chronically homeless families and individuals.** See the FY2024 – 2025 NOFO for full requirements. The bonus amount for Oakland County is estimated at **\$601,389**. This grant requires a 25% match (in-kind or cash). Only one proposal will be chosen to apply for HUD bonus dollars.

A project applicant may apply to expand an existing renewal project or apply for a new project. Projects need to meet project quality threshold requirements established by HUD in sections III.C.4.a. and b. of the FY 2024 - 2025 NOFO.

Check off which you are applying for:

- New PSH Project
- Expansion PSH Project: List the name and grant number for the existing project: _____

If the potential sub-recipient is a victim service provider they must use a comparable data base and provide de-identified information to the CoC.

As defined in the FY2024-2025 NOFO Section I.B.2.b.(2) Dedicated to Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families. A permanent supportive housing bed that is dedicated specifically for use by chronically homeless individuals and families within a CoC's geographic area. When a program participant exits the project, the bed must be filled by another chronically homeless participant.

Potential sub-recipients must submit the required certifications as specified in the NOFO, for example, unexpired SAM registration, Unique Entity ID. Interested applicants are required to submit the below application proposed budget including 25% match (in-kind or cash). All proposed projects may only request HUD funding for 2 activities and services as allowed under the HUD Permanent Housing Programs. Regulations for the HUD Permanent Supportive Housing Programs can be

found at [24 CFR 578.37](#). Respondents must meet the continuum requirements for funding applicants. Please read the Continuum of Care FY2024 - 2025 NOFO in its entirety before submission.

If an agency is submitting a proposal for an expansion of an eligible renewal in the CoC program, they must indicate how the new project application will expand units, beds, services, persons served, or services provided to exiting program participants.

PSH Projects must follow a [Housing First](#) approach.

Legal Name of Organization: _____

Project name: _____

Project type: _____

1. Please describe your organization’s experience with utilizing a [Housing First](#) approach. Housing First is an approach to quickly and successfully connect people experiencing homelessness to permanent housing without barriers or preconditions such as sobriety, treatment, or service participation requirements. Please explain how this project will utilize Housing First as a part of:

a. Project eligibility criteria

b. The process for accepting new clients

c. Confirm that this project will following Housing First

Yes, I confirm

No, I do not confirm

2. Can you share your experience with managing or utilizing federal funds for housing programs? If you haven't worked with federal funds before, how do you plan to familiarize yourself with the requirements and procedures to ensure effective management?

3. Please describe the extent to which your organization and this project demonstrates understanding of the needs of the clients to be served, specifically those experiencing [Category 1](#) homelessness as well as [chronically homeless](#) individuals and families.

4. Describe how your agency will use a trauma informed approach and client centered approach, and what type of training your agency have received in regards to using a trauma informed and client centered approach.

5. Describe your agencies experience and capacity with working with persons experiencing Category 1 homelessness.

6. Describe the type and scale of all supportive services, regardless of funding source.

7. Describe how clients will be assisted in obtaining mainstream benefits.

8. Explain how your agency will establish performance measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.

9. Explain the project plans to assist client to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.

10. Describe how your agency will assist clients to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently.

11. Will the project leverage health resources? Please explain
 Yes No

12. Provide a description of the proposed project. Please include numbers of households served within the PSH component in the application. Interested applications are to complete the below questions with a proposed budget including 25% match (in-kind or cash). If need please attach additional pages.

13. Outline the strategy for quickly implementing the program, detailing how the project will be prepared to house the first participant. Include a timeline of planned activities for 60, 120, and 180 days following the grant award.

14. Explain how the project will work within Fair Market Rent rates.

15. Most recent audit: _____
a. Were there any findings: Yes No
b. If yes, please explain:

16. Has your organization been identified as "low risk" (per 2 CFR 200.520) Yes
 No (If no, please explain)

17. Does your agency have any Federal Debts? Yes No. If yes please explain.

18. Will your agency be able to provide documented match that meets HUD requirements?

a. Yes No

b. Please explain the source of the match for this proposed project. Projects funded under the HUD CoC Program requires a 25 percent match of the awarded grant amount minus funds for leasing. Cash or in-kind resources will satisfy the match requirement. (per 24 CFR 578.73)

19. Please describe how the project will engage with and adhere to the policies and procedures of the Coordinated Entry system established by the Oakland County Continuum of Care, including client referrals through HMIS or comparable data base.

20. Does your agency have underrepresented individuals (such as BIPOC, LGBTQ+, etc.) in managerial and leadership roles?

a. Yes No

b. If not, please explain how the applicant plans to address this.

21. Does your agency's board of directors include representation from more than one person with lived experience? If no, how will the applicant address this?

a. Yes No (Please explain)

22. Does your agency have a process for receiving and integrating feedback from individuals with lived experience, or a plan to develop one? Yes No
a. Please explain.

23. Has your agency reviewed its internal policies and procedures through an equity lens and developed a plan to create and implement equitable policies that avoid imposing undue barriers or worsening disparities in outcomes? If not, how does the organization plan to address this?
a. Yes No
b. Please explain.

24. Does your organization have a plan to review program participant outcomes through an equity lens, including disaggregating data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age? If you are already implementing such a plan, please describe the findings from the outcomes review.
a. Yes No

25. Describe how your agency currently works with the Homeless Management Information System describe the comparable data base you use.

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Scoring Criteria

1. Housing First Approach (15 points)

- **Score:**
 - Project eligibility criteria: 0-5 points
 - Process for accepting new clients: 0-5 points
 - Confirmation of following Housing First: 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the proposal clearly describe the use of the Housing First approach, including the removal of barriers, and confirm its commitment to this methodology?

2. Experience with Federal Funds (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have experience managing federal funds? If not, is there a clear and practical plan to become familiar with federal requirements?

3. Understanding Client Needs (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** How well does the organization demonstrate an understanding of the needs of clients, particularly those experiencing Category 1 homelessness/ Chronically homeless?

4. Trauma-Informed and Client-Centered Approach (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization use a trauma-informed and client-centered approach? Is there evidence of relevant training?

5. Experience with Category 1 Homelessness (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points
- **Evaluation:** What is the organization's experience and capacity in working with individuals experiencing Category 4 homelessness?

6. Supportive Services Plan (10 points)

- **Score:** 0-10 points

- **Evaluation:** Does the project include comprehensive supportive services that meet the needs of the clients?
- 7. Mainstream Benefits Assistance (5 points)**
- **Score:** 0-5 points
 - **Evaluation:** How will the project assist clients in obtaining mainstream benefits?
- 8. Performance Measures (10 points)**
- **Score:** 0-10 points
 - **Evaluation:**
 - Are the proposed performance measures for housing and income clear, objective, measurable, and aligned with HUD or CoC benchmarks?
- 9. Housing Plan (10 points)**
- **Score:** 0-10 points
 - **Evaluation:** How effectively does the project plan to secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, and accessible?
- 10. Employment/Income Increase Plan (5 points)**
- **Score:** 0-5 points
 - **Evaluation:** Does the project include strategies to help clients increase their employment or income and maximize their ability to live independently?
- 11. Leveraging Health Resources (5 points)**
- **Score:** 0-5 points
 - **Evaluation:** Will the project leverage health resources for the clients?
- 12. Project Description and Budget (10 points)**
- **Score:** 0-10 points
 - **Evaluation:** Does the project description provide clear details, including the number of households to be served, and include a detailed budget with the required 25% match?
- 13. Implementation Strategy (10 points)**
- **Score:** 0-10 points
 - **Evaluation:** Is there a clear and feasible strategy for quickly implementing the program, including a detailed timeline for the first 60, 120, and 180 days?
- 14. Cost-Effectiveness (5 points)**
- **Score:** 0-5 points
 - **Evaluation:** Is the project cost-effective in terms of its budget and proposed outcomes?
- 15. Audit Findings (5 points)**
- **Score:** 0-5 points

- **Evaluation:** Does the agency explain how they will work with FMR rates?

16. Risk Assessment (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Has the organization been identified as "low risk" per 2 CFR 200.520? If not, how do they plan to mitigate risk? If low risk full points will awarded, if high risk zero points will be awarded.

17. Federal Debts (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have any federal debts? If so, how will they address them?

18. Match Documentation (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Can the organization provide the required 25% match? Are the sources of the match clearly explained?

19. Coordinated Entry System Engagement (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** How will the project engage with and adhere to the Coordinated Entry system, including the acceptance of client referrals?

20. Diversity in Leadership (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have underrepresented individuals in managerial and leadership roles? If not, is there a plan to address this?

21. Board Representation (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the board of directors include more than one person with lived experience? If not, how will this be addressed?

22. Feedback Integration (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have a process for receiving and integrating feedback from individuals with lived experience?

23. Equity Lens Review (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Has the organization reviewed its internal policies through an equity lens? If not, is there a plan to address this?

24. Outcome Review through an Equity Lens (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** Does the organization have a plan to review program outcomes through an equity lens, disaggregating data by race, ethnicity,

gender identity, and/or age?

25.HMIS Collaboration (5 points)

- **Score:** 0-5 points
- **Evaluation:** How does the organization currently work with the Homeless Management Information System? Or described the comparable data based used?

Total Score: /180 points

Reviewer Comments:

This scoring document provides a comprehensive evaluation framework for the RFP. Each section aligns with the questions and requirements outlined in the RFP, ensuring that proposals are thoroughly assessed across all relevant areas.

Agency:

Score:



Alliance for Housing FY2024 - 2025 scoring

Renewal Project Scoring Overview

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

CRITERIA	FACTOR/ GOAL	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS SCORED
FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE			
Grant Expenditures; % of grant funding expended during last project year	100-98%	10	
Quarterly Drawdown of funds; Minimum of quarterly drawdown	Y/N	4	
Match Requirement; meets 25% match requirement	Y/N	3	
	TOTAL	17	

CONSUMER SATISFACTION			
Copy provided of participant feedback, survey	Y/N	2	
Results of program satisfaction survey; project enhancement or change	Narrative	2	
Narrative of the survey results	Narrative	2	
Participant involvement; Position on Board of Director's, peer counselor, participant advisory council, other similar role	Narrative	2	
Effectively addresses needs of underserved communities	Narrative	2	

	TOTAL	10	
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CoC PARTICIPATION			
Agency Participation; at least one committee	Y/N	2	
Agency Leadership; at least one workgroup	Y/N	3	
Organization representation; 5 or more meetings	Y/N	2	
	TOTAL	7	

COORDINATED SERVICES/CONNECTION TO SERVICES			
Reducing burdens to accessing CE	Narrative	2	
Connection to mainstream resources	Narrative	2	
Training for Mainstream benefits	Narrative	2	
Promoting SSI/SSDI/SOAR	Narrative	2	
Data use for positive outcomes	Narrative	2	
Employment Services/ training	Narrative	2	
Connection to mainstream health resources	Narrative	2	
Trauma-informed Training	Narrative	2	
Racial Equity Training	Narrative	2	
Ensuring safe access to housing and services	Narrative	2	
LGBTQ+ Needs	Narrative	2	
Policy and procedure pertaining to educational services	Narrative	2	
Reaching out to those least likely to apply	Narrative	2	
Affirmatively further fair housing	Narrative	2	
Informing program participants of their rights	Narrative	2	
	TOTAL	30	

PROGRAM PERFORMANCE			
1. Length of Stay (RRH, PSH); Length of Participation (TH)	Days RRH – 20 PSH – 19 TH - 122	20	
2. Exits to Positive Housing	90%	25	
3. New or Increased Earned Income (RRH, PSH, TH)			
A. Minimum % of participants with new or increased income for project stayers	11%	5	
B. Minimum % of participants with new or increased income for project leavers	8%	5	
4. New or Increased other (Non-Employment) Income (RRH, PSH, TH)			
A. Minimum % of participants with other (non-employment) income for project stayers	35%	5	
B. Minimum % of participants with other (non-employment) income for project leavers	11%	5	
5. Project/Cost Effectiveness			
A. Minimum % leavers with health insurance	85%	10	
B. RRH ONLY- Cost Effectiveness	<2500	10	
C. PSH ONLY- Cost Effectiveness	<6000	10	
D. TH ONLY- Cost Effectiveness	<5000	10	
	TOTAL	85	

HMIS PERFORMANCE			
1. HMIS Operation			
A. Utilization rate	98%	4	
B. Agency Completed Successful Alliance Audit	Y/N	4	
C. Submitted APR to SAGE on time	Y/N	2	
2. Data Quality			
A. Required APR run correctly	Y/N	2	
B. Application completed correctly	Y/N	2	
C. Attended all mandatory Agency Admin meetings	Y/N	2	
D. Submitted all monthly data quality reports	Y/N	2	
E. Personal Identifiable Information (PII)		6	
F. Universal Data Elements (UDE)		5	

G. Income and Housing DQ		4	
H. % Chronic Unable to Calculate		1	
3. Racial Equity			
Run System Pathway report		2	
	TOTAL	36	

POINT IN TIME PARTICIPATION			
Number of people available to canvas per organization	81- 100%	5	
	TOTAL	5	

PROJECT:			
CHN 1130 OCHLAP1			
PROGRAM PERFORMANCE			SCORE
1. Length of Time Homeless (Days) From Project Start to Housing Move-In (RRH, PSH); Length of Participation for Leavers(TH)	Days RRH – 20 PSH – 19 TH - 122	20	5
2. Exits to Positive Housing	90%	25	5
3. New or Increased Earned Income (RRH, PSH, TH)			
A. Minimum % of participants with new or increased income for project stayers	11%	5	0
B. Minimum % of participants with new or increased income for project leavers	8%	5	5
4. New or Increased other (Non-Employment) Income (RRH, PSH, TH)			
A. Minimum % of participants with other (non-employment) income for project stayers	35%	5	5
B. Minimum % of participants with other (non-employment) income for project leavers	11%	5	5
5. Project/Cost Effectiveness			
A. Minimum % leavers with health insurance	85%	10	10
B. RRH ONLY- Cost Effectiveness	<2500	10	
C. PSH ONLY- Cost Effectiveness	<6000	10	0
D. TH ONLY- Cost Effectiveness	<5000	10	
PROGRAM PERFORMANCE TOTAL		85	35

HMIS PERFORMANCE			
1. HMIS Operation			
A. Utilization rate	98%	4	4
B. Agency Completed Successful Alliance Monitoring	Y/N	4	4
C. Submitted APR to SAGE on time	Y/N	2	2
2. Data Quality			
A. Required APR run correctly	Y/N	2	2

B. Application completed correctly	Y/N	2	2
C. Attended All Mandatory Agency Admin meetings	Y/N	2	2
D. Submitted all monthly data quality reports	Y/N	2	2
E. Personally Identifiable Information		6	6
F. Universal Data Elements (UDE)%		5	5
G. Income and Housing DQ		4	4
H. % Chronic Unable to Calculate		1	1
3. Racial Equity			
Ran and Submitted System Pathways Report		2	2
	HMIS PERFORMANCE TOTAL	36	36



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.

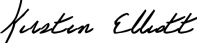
- Appeals must to be submitted in writing via email to lmccall-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org . Address all appeals to the Appeals Committee/prioritization committee and submit the following details: the issue being appealed, the argument for overturning the score, and evidence to support the argument. 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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Community Housing Network (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.

DocuSigned by:

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(Sign)

9/17/2024

(Date)

Component # 5: Program Performance

85 points

Performance will be evaluated and scored using data from a variety of sources. Comments are added to each box to describe where you can find the element. Cells highlighted in grey will autocalculate. Only answer the questions relevant to the specific project type for each renewal. It is recommended to complete this application in Excel and save as PDF for submission.

Reports need to be run for **7/1/2023 to 6/30/2024** regardless of the grant term. Reports required to complete this section:

CoC - APR (canned report)

*** Canned reports need to be **submitted as a PDF** and can be done directly in the browser settings.

Please contact hmishelp-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org if you have HMIS or Business Objects related questions.

1. Length of Stay (Days) 20 points

RRH - Average Length of days from project entry to housing move in

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

<20 days [20 points](#)

PSH - Average length of days from project entry to housing move-in

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

<19 days [20 points](#)

TH - Average length of participation in days for leavers

<122 days [20 points](#)

2. Exits to Positive Housing Destination (25 pts)

RRH/PSH/TH – Percent total persons exited to positive housing destination

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

90% [25 points](#)

Total Percentage

3. New or Increased Earned Income (10 pts)

A. **RRH/PSH/TH** - Minimum % of participants with new or increased income for project *stayers*

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

11% [5 points](#)

B. **RRH/PSH/TH** - Minimum % of participants with new or increased income for project *leavers*

8% [5 points](#)

4. New or Increased other (Non-Employment) Income (10 pts)

A. **RRH/PSH/TH** - Minimum % of participants with other (non-employment) income for project *stayers*

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

35% [5 points](#)

B. **RRH/PSH/TH** - Minimum % of participants with other (non-employment) income for project *leavers* 11% [5 points](#)

5. **Project/Cost Effectiveness** A=10 points; B or C or D= 10 points; Total points available=20 (RRH, PSH, TH)

Factor/Goal **Max Point Value**

A. **RRH/PSH/TH** - Minimum % leavers with health insurance. 89% [10 points](#)

+ 1 Source of Health Insurance
 More than 1 Source of Health Insurance
 /
 Number of Leavers

B. **RRH - Cost Effectiveness** <\$2500 [10 points](#)

Total Cost of Project
 Total Persons Served

C. **PSH- Cost Effectiveness** <\$6000 [10 points](#)

Total Cost of Project
 Total Persons Served

D. **TH - Cost Effectiveness** <\$5000 [10 points](#)

Total Cost of Project
 /
 Total Persons Served

Component # 6: HMIS Compliance 36 Points

HMIS compliance will be evaluated and scored using data from a variety of sources. Comments are added to each box to describe where you can find the element. Cells highlighted in grey will autocalculate. Cells highlighted in black will be provided by the HMIS SA1 or CoC Director. Only answer the questions relevant to the specific project type for each renewal.

Reports need to be run for **7/1/2023 to 6/30/2024** regardless of the grant term. Reports required to complete this section:

CoC - APR (canned report)

Please contact hmishelp-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org if you have HMIS or Business Objects related questions.

1. HMIS Operation

Factor/Goal Max Point Value

A. Average utilization rate.

98% [4 Points](#)

For Question 1A. only use your Funding Year 2023 Application in E-Snaps

	<input type="text" value="20"/>	Total Beds Written in FY23 Application
<input type="text" value="105%"/>	<input type="text" value="21"/>	January
<input type="text" value="110%"/>	<input type="text" value="22"/>	April
<input type="text" value="120%"/>	<input type="text" value="24"/>	July
<input type="text" value="115%"/>	<input type="text" value="23"/>	October

B. Did your agency complete a successful Alliance monitoring in 2024?

Yes [4 Points](#)

C. Was your most recent APR submitted to SAGE on time?

Yes [2 Points](#)

2. Data Quality

Factor/Goal Max Point Value

A. Were the Reports Required for this Application Run Correctly?

Yes [2 Points](#)

B. Was this Application Completed Correctly?

Yes [2 Points](#)

C. Attended all mandatory monthly Agency Administrator/Data Quality meetings.

Yes [2 Points](#)

D. Submitted all monthly data quality reports to the Oakland County HMIS System Administrators.

Yes [2 Points](#)

E. Personally Identifiable Information- % Error Rate

6 Possible Points Total

<input type="text" value="0"/>	Name	<5%	1 Point
<input type="text" value="0"/>	SSN	<5%	1 Point
<input type="text" value="0"/>	Date of Birth	<5%	1 Point
<input type="text" value="0"/>	Race	<5%	1 Point
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Gender <5% [1 Point](#)

F. Universal Data Elements % Error Rate

5 Possible Points Total

Veteran <5% [1 Point](#)

Project Start Date <5% [1 Point](#)

Relationship to HoH <5% [1 Point](#)

Client Location <5% [1 Point](#)

Disabling Condition <5% [1 Point](#)

G. Income and Housing Data Quality % Error Rate

4 Possible Points Total

Destination <5% [1 Point](#)

Income and Sources at Start <5% [1 Point](#)

Income and Sources at Annual Assessment <5% [1 Point](#)

Income and Sources at Exit <5% [1 Point](#)

H. Chronic Homelessness % Of Records Unable to Calculate

TH or PH (RRH & PSH) <5% [1 Point](#)

3. Racial Equity

Factor/Goal Max Point Value

Run the System Pathways report in the Data Warehouse (for racial equity review)

Yes [2 Points](#)

From: [Leah McCall](#)
To: [Kirsten](#)
Cc: eburton@chninc.net; Ashley Cuniberti; jlasher@chninc.net
Subject: FY24.25 Alliance-HUD Bonus Rejection Letter
Date: Monday, October 7, 2024 11:39:25 AM
Attachments: [CHN - PSH Expansion Bonus project.pdf](#)

Hi Kirsten, please see the attached letter regarding the HUD PSH bonus proposal that Community Housing Network submitted for funding consideration.

If you have any questions please let me know, thank you.

Sincerely,
Leah McCall, MA
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Ms. Elliott,

This is to inform you that the Alliance for Housing, Oakland County's Continuum of Care has rejected your bonus application, PSH Expansion, for funding under the HUD FY2024 - 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity.

The reason(s) for the rejection are:

- After detailed review of information, scoring and discussion with the Prioritization Committee, we have decided to go with another applicant for this bonus.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss your application, please call Leah McCall at 248 -221-1854 or email at lmccall-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org

We appreciate your interest and thank you for considering HUD FY2024 - 2025 bonus funding this year.

Leah McCall

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Subject: HUD FY 2024 – 2025 Alliance for Housing local competition selection results
Date: Friday, October 4, 2024 10:33:00 AM
Attachments: [FY 2024 - 2025 Alliance for Housing CoC Local Competition Selection Results.pdf](#)

Good morning,

Please see attached for the HUD FY 2024 – 2025 Alliance for Housing local competition selection results. You can also find it posted on the Alliance website at <https://www.oaklandhomeless.org/hud-fy2024>

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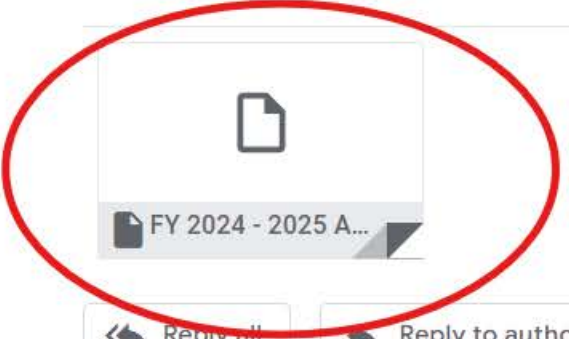
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2024 Competition Report - Summary

MI-504 - Pontiac, Royal Oak/Oakland County CoC

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2024 Competition Report - LSA Summary & Usability Status

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LSA Usability Status 2023

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EST

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	1,075	974	1,000
AO	604	491	547
AC	426	408	411
CO	51	77	44

RRH

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	693	698	579
AO	242	240	160
AC	452	456	418
CO	0	3	0

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PSH

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	647	636	655
AO	314	322	328
AC	326	308	318
CO	0	0	0

- 1) Glossary: EST = Emergency Shelter, Save Haven, & Transitional Housing; RRH = Rapid Re-housing; PSH = Permanent Supportive Housing; AO = Persons in Households without Children; AC = Persons in Households with at least one Adult and one Child; CO=Persons in Households with only Children
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Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

This measures the number of clients active in the report date range across ES, SH (Metric 1.1) and then ES, SH and TH (Metric 1.2) along with their average and median length of time homeless. This includes time homeless during the report date range as well as prior to the report start date, going back no further than the look back stop date or client's date of birth, whichever is

Metric 1.1: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES and SH projects.

Metric 1.2: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES, SH, and TH projects.

a. This measure is of the client's entry, exit, and bed night dates strictly as entered in the HMIS system.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, and SH	932	63.4	49.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and T	1,046	107.4	63.0

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b. This measure is based on data element 3.917

This measure includes data from each client’s Living Situation (Data Standards element 3.917) response as well as time spent in permanent housing projects between Project Start and Housing Move-In. This information is added to the client’s entry date, effectively extending the client’s entry date backward in time. This “adjusted entry date” is then used in the calculations just as if it were the client’s actual entry date.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and PH (prior to “housing move in”)	1,284	331.0	154.0
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Measure 2: Returns to Homelessness for Persons who Exit to Permanent Housing (PH) Destinations

This measures clients who exited SO, ES, TH, SH or PH to a permanent housing destination in the date range two years prior to the report date range. Of those clients, the measure reports on how many of them returned to homelessness as indicated in the HMIS for up to two years after their initial exit.

Metric	Total # of Persons Exited to a PH Destination (2 Yrs Prior)	Returns to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months (0 - 180 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 6 to 12 Months (181 - 365 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months (366 - 730 days)		Number of Returns in 2 Years	
	Count	Count	% of Returns	Count	% of Returns ⁴	Count	% of Returns ⁶	Count	% of Returns ⁸
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Exit was from ES	402	55	13.7%	8	2.0%	14	3.5%	77	19.2%
Exit was from TH	60	1	1.7%	1	1.7%	4	6.7%	6	10.0%
Exit was from SH	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exit was from PH	348	10	2.9%	4	1.2%	11	3.2%	25	7.2%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	855	80	9.4%	17	2.0%	31	3.6%	128	15.0%

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Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Metric 3.1 – Change in PIT Counts

Please refer to PIT section for relevant data.

Metric 3.2 – Change in Annual Counts

This measures the change in annual counts of sheltered homeless persons in HMIS.

Metric	Value
Universe: Unduplicated Total sheltered homeless persons	1,074
Emergency Shelter Total	960
Safe Haven Total	0
Transitional Housing Total	158

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This measure is divided into six tables capturing employment and non-employment income changes for system leavers and stayers. The project types reported in these metrics are the same for each metric, but the type of income and universe of clients differs. In addition, the projects reported within these tables are limited to CoC-funded projects.

Metric 4.1 – Change in earned income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	342
Number of adults with increased earned income	18
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Metric	Value
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Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	89
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	26.0%

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Metric	Value
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Number of adults with increased total income	106
Percentage of adults who increased total income	31.0%

Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	220
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	22
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Metric 4.5 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	220
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	31
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	14.1%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	220
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	53
Percentage of adults who increased total income	24.1%

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Measure 5: Number of Persons who Become Homeless for the First Time

This measures the number of people entering the homeless system through ES, SH, or TH (Metric 5.1) or ES, SH, TH, or PH (Metric 5.2) and determines whether they have any prior enrollments in the HMIS over the past two years. Those with no prior enrollments are considered to be experiencing homelessness for the first time.

Metric 5.1 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, and TH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH or TH during the reporting period.	918
Of persons above, count those who were in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	127
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time)	791

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Metric 5.2 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, TH, and PH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH, TH or PH during the reporting period.	1,268
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	197
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time.)	1,071

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Measure 6: Homeless Prevention and Housing Placement of Persons defined by category 3 of HUD’s Homeless Definition in CoC Program-funded Projects

Measure 6 is not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.

Measure 7: Successful Placement from Street Outreach and Successful Placement in or Retention of Permanent Housing

This measures positive movement out of the homeless system and is divided into three tables: movement off the streets from Street Outreach (Metric 7a.1); movement into permanent housing situations from ES, SH, TH, and RRH (Metric 7b.1); and retention or exits to permanent housing situations from PH (other than PH-RRH).

Metric 7a.1 – Change in SO exits to temp. destinations, some institutional destinations, and permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons who exit Street Outreach	114
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	24
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	65
% Successful exits	78.1%

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Metric 7b.1 – Change in ES, SH, TH, and PH-RRH exits to permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH and PH-RRH who exited, plus persons in other PH projects who exited without moving into housing	953
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	601
% Successful exits	63.1%

Metric 7b.2 – Change in PH exits to permanent housing destinations or retention of permanent housing

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in all PH projects except PH-RRH who exited after moving into housing, or who moved into housing and remained in the PH project	603
Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	588
% Successful exits/retention	97.5%

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System Performance Measures Data Quality

Data coverage and quality will allow HUD to better interpret your SPM submissions.

Metric	All ES, SH	All TH	All PSH, OPH	All RRH	All Street Outreach
Unduplicated Persons Served (HMIS)	960	151	918	665	130
Total Leavers (HMIS)	826	68	108	458	102
Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	32	0	13	5	0
Destination Error Rate (Calculated)	3.9%	0.0%	12.0%	1.1%	0.0%

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Notes For Each SPM Measure

Measure	Notes
Measure 1	When comparing b 1.1 – Persons in ES, SH and PH (prior to housing move-in) in 2022 the average length time homeless (bed nights) was 277 compared to 331 in 2023. When comparing b 1.2 – Persons in ES, SH, TH and PH (prior to housing move-in) in 2022 the average length time homeless (bed nights) was 279 compared to 365 in 2023.
Measure 2	Our total returns to homeless from 2022 to 2023 remained consistent overall.
Measure 3	As reflected in the national increase in homelessness, MI-504 also had an increase in the overall universe, ES and TH.
Measure 4	For 4.1 and 4.5 the percentage remained consistent. For the other sections, we are pleased to report a 2% total increase across the board.
Measure 5	5.1 As reflected in the national increase in homelessness, MI-504 also had an increase in the number of persons entering ES, SH, and TH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS. 5.2 As reflected in the national increase in homelessness, MI-504 also had an increase in the number of persons entering ES, SH, TH, and PH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS.
Measure 6	No Notes. Measure 6 was not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.
Measure 7	7b we are pleased to report an increase of 23 percent from 2022 to 2023 in persons who had a successful exit from street outreach. 7b1 We are pleased to report an increase of 5 percent from 2022 to 2023 in persons in ES< SH, TH and PH-RRH with successful exits. 7b2 From 2022 to 2023 our percentage of 98 percent remained consistent for PH exits to permanent
Data Quality	We checked the destination fields for all 46 profiles flagged with a destination error and found the answer, No Exit Interview Conducted, for reasons such as unknown/disappeared, death, non-compliance and disagreement with rules/persons. Case managers make every effort to conduct an exit interview to obtain a destination at time of exit and even afterwards to

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For HIC conducted in January/February of 2024

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current Beds in HMIS or Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV [†] Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster*	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Adjusted HMIS Bed Coverage Rate for Year-Round, Current Beds
ES	249	155	185	0	185	83.8%
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	78	64	64	0	64	100.0%
RRH	139	139	139	0	139	100.0%
PSH	654	565	654	0	654	86.4%
OPH	351	227	351	124	227	100.0%
Total	1,471	1,150	1,393	124	1,269	90.6%

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HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV [†] Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster ^{**}	Adjusted Total Year-Round Current, VSP Beds	HMIS Comparable Bed Coverage Rate for VSP Beds
ES	249	64	64	0	64	100.00%
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	78	14	14	0	14	100.00%
RRH	139	0	0	0	0	NA
PSH	654	0	0	0	0	NA
OPH	351	0	0	0	0	NA
Total	1,471	78	78	0	78	100.00%

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HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP and VSP Beds	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
ES	249	219	249	87.95%
SH	0	0	0	NA
TH	78	78	78	100.00%
RRH	139	139	139	100.00%
PSH	654	565	654	86.39%
OPH	351	227	227	100.00%
Total	1,471	1,228	1,347	91.17%

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Rapid Re-housing Beds Dedicated to All Persons

Metric	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
RRH beds available to serve all pops. on the HIC	254	147	126	181	139

1) † EHV = Emergency Housing Voucher

2) *This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds not associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.

3) **This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating or HMIS-comparable database participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, VSP, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.

4) Data included in these tables reflect what was entered into HDX 2.0.

5) In the HIC, "Year-Round Beds" is the sum of "Beds HH w/o Children", "Beds HH w/ Children", and "Beds HH w/ only Children". This does not include Overflow ("O/V Beds") or Seasonal Beds ("Total Seasonal Beds").

6) In the HIC, "Current" beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").

7) For historical data: Aggregated data from CoCs that merged are not displayed if HIC data were created separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

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2024 Competition Report - PIT Summary MI-504 - Pontiac, Royal Oak/Oakland County CoC For PIT conducted in January/February of 2024

Submission Information

Date of PIT Count	Received HUD Waiver
1/31/2024	Not Applicable

Total Population PIT Count Data

Category	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
PIT Count Type	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered-Only Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count
Emergency Shelter Total	262	221	246	226	251	249
Safe Haven Total	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transitional Housing Total	120	114	87	62	91	78
Total Sheltered Count	382	335	333	288	342	327
Total Unsheltered Count	43	124	0	32	44	30
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count*	425	459	333	320	386	357

1) *Data included in this table reflect what was entered into HDX 1.0 and 2.0. This may differ from what was included in federal reports if the PIT count type was either sheltered only or partial unsheltered count.

2) Aggregated data from CoCs that merged is not displayed if PIT data were entered separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

3) In 2021, for CoCs that conducted a "Sheltered and partial unsheltered count", only aggregate and not demographic data were collected.

October 24, 2024

US Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS)

To whom it may concern,

Lighthouse endeavors to build equitable communities that alleviate poverty in partnership with and in service to individuals, families, and organizations. Our strategy includes addressing the immediate needs of people in crisis, providing long-term housing and economic solutions, and creating systems change largely by addressing affordable housing gaps throughout Oakland County.

Among other programming, Lighthouse operates an emergency shelter serving families of all types and makeups as well as three Runaway Homeless Youth programs including a three-week residential emergency shelter for youth ages 10-17. Lighthouse operates multiple HUD CoC funded projects including: three Transitional Housing programs, two of which are devoted to youth and young adults; three scattered-site Permanent Supportive Housing programs that prioritize households experiencing chronic homelessness; and two Rapid Re-Housing Programs.

Moreover, Lighthouse addresses the affordable housing needs within our community by rehabbing existing affordable housing units to increase the quality and safety of affordable housing units and improve residents quality of life, as well as developing new affordable housing units.

Within the upcoming year, Lighthouse will close on:

- Beacon Place - an acquisition and rehab of 40 units of PSH affordable housing in Pontiac, across two locations -- a 28-unit apartment and 12 townhome units and
- Auburn Place - 54 unit five-story 100% affordable housing apartment new development.

These projects total an investment of over \$40M in LIHTC funded new and rehabbed affordable rental units in Pontiac. To support the development and supportives services needed for these projects, Lighthouse is partnering with our local CoC, The Alliance for Housing, to apply for CoC Builds funding.

Sincerely,



Jenny Poma, MSW
Lighthouse
Chief Operating Officer