

# FY26 CoC Funding Competition Applicant Briefing

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# NOFO Summary

- Tier 1 (the funding that is considered “guaranteed”) is set at **60%** of a communities Annual Renewal Demand (the amount of money needed to renew all existing programs).
  - This means 40% of the remaining ARD plus any applicable bonus amounts are in Tier 2.
- A continued emphasis on funding new Transitional Housing and Supportive Service Only Grants.
  - HUD has set aside \$1.3 billion nationwide for **NEW** TH and SSO projects **IN TIER 2**, approximately 32% of funding available nationally.

# NOFO Summary

- All projects, including projects originally funded under YHDP, must be competitively renewed.
- It is extremely unlikely that ANY renewal project, even one that clearly meets NOFO priorities, will be funded in Tier 2.
  - There is a detailed explanation of this in the June 11th briefing. Please review those slides.

# NOFO Summary

- Litigation was filed re: the FY26 NOFO last Monday.
  - This was not unexpected.
  - Timeline does not give the runway to wait to see how this plays out, but are monitoring it closely.
- HUD is beginning to provide some clarification on some of the more confusing aspects of the NOFO.
  - This presentation is based on the current understanding.
- If there are any changes, by litigation or other means, that provide more opportunities to protect existing funding, there will be revisions.

# Funding Strategy

- The limitations the NOFO sets up for Tier 2 funding make it extremely risky to put any renewal funding in Tier 2.
  - Decision was made to try to preserve as much permanent housing as possible.
  - Reminder that HUD's definition of permanent housing includes PSH, RRH, and TH-RRH.
- Around \$6 million will still have to be reallocated to new Transitional Housing and Supportive Service Only projects.

# Funding Strategy

- No renewal SSO or TH applications will be accepted.
  - Existing SSO and TH grantees are encouraged to apply for new projects.
  - At least \$10m of the current ARD (plus the bonus amount) need to be for new TH and SSO projects.
- This is an (unfortunate) opportunity to right size your program.
  - Do you need more money? Less money? A staff person you didn't think of initially?
  - Reflect on what is working well and what isn't and make decisions from there.
- Grant Year FYI
  - New projects do not carry over the existing grant year.
  - Concerns about 3 existing SSOs with early expiration dates. Will reach out directly to discuss.

# Project Types Accepted

- Applications will be accepted in the FY26 Continuum of Care Local Funding Competition for the following project types:
  - Renewal Permanent Supportive Housing
  - Renewal Rapid Re-Housing
  - Renewal Transitional to Rapid Re-Housing
  - Renewal HMIS
  - Renewal Core Coordinated Entry (*by CoC Board Approval Only*)
  - New Transitional Housing
  - New Supportive Service Only Grants
  - New Rapid Re-Housing created by the split of a TH-RRH grant ONLY
  - New Coordinated Entry (*by CoC Board Approval Only*)

# Ranking Priorities

- Projects will be accepted and ranked in the FY26 Continuum of Care Local Funding Competition using the following priorities:
  - Renewal HMIS grants are noncompetitively renewed in Tier 1.
  - The following project type will be competitively scored and ranked in Tier 1 up to the Tier 1 funding line.
    - Renewal PSH
    - Renewal RRH
    - New RRH created by the split of an existing TH-RRH grant
    - Renewal TH-RRH
  - The project that straddles the Tier 1 funding line will be accepted or rejected for submission at the discretion of the Continuum of Care Board of Directors.

# Ranking Priorities

- Projects will be accepted and ranked in the FY26 Continuum of Care Local Funding Competition using the following priorities:
  - The following new project types will be competitively scored and ranked in Tier 2 up to the ARD plus any applicable bonus amounts.
    - New Transitional Housing
    - New Standalone Supportive Service Only grants
    - New Supportive Service Only grants with a Street Outreach focus
  - Any new project applied for through the DV Bonus will be competitively scored and ranked in Tier 2.
  - New and Renewal Coordinated Entry grants will be reviewed and placed in the overall ranking at the discretion of the Continuum of Care Board of Directors.

# Funding Caps

<b>ARD</b>	\$ 25,330,563
<b>Tier 1</b>	\$ 15,198,338
<b>CoC Bonus</b>	\$ 3,799,584
<b>DV Bonus</b>	\$ 5,000,000

<b>Restricted YHDP</b>	\$ 2,110,589
<b>Restricted DV</b>	\$ 3,232,492

# Estimated ARD Breakdown by Project Type

<b>PSH</b>	\$ 13,316,421	53%
<b>RRH</b>	\$ 4,286,383	17%
<b>TH-RRH</b>	\$ 3,737,245	15%
<b>TH</b>	\$ 240,984	1%
<b>SSO</b>	\$ 1,883,678	7%
<b>SSO-SO</b>	\$ 794,115	3%
<b>SSO-CE</b>	\$ 798,313	3%
<b>HMIS</b>	\$ 273,424	1%
	\$ 25,330,563	100%

# Funding Caps

- All new and renewal applications must reflect a one-year funding request.
  - In the event that the overall amount of funding requested is less than the available ARD plus any applicable bonus amounts, multi-year funding requests may be accepted for new projects in accordance with page 24 of the Notice of Funding Opportunity at the discretion of the Continuum of Care Board of Directors.
- In the event that sufficient funding is not available to cover the requested funding amount, or sufficient funding is not available out of the set aside requested, the approved budget request may be reduced at the discretion of the Continuum of Care Board of Directors.

# Timeline

- **Intent to Apply Due:** July 10, 2026
- **Local Competition scoring package due in JotForm:** Tuesday, July 22, 2026
- **Draft e-Snaps Deadline:** Monday, August 3, 2026
- **Deadline to Resolve Scoring Challenges:** Friday, August 7, 2026
- **Applicants Notification of Acceptance or Rejection:** Tuesday, August 11, 2026
- **Final e-Snaps Deadline:** Monday, August 17, 2026
- **Consolidated Application and Priority Listing Posted for Review:** Monday, August 24, 2026
- **Consolidated Application Submission Deadline:** Wednesday, August 26, 2026

# Special Circumstances for YHDP

- Per NOFO requirements, all projects previously funded under the YHDP set aside are subject to project ranking on the Priority Listing.
  - The above limitations and priorities include projects previously funded under the YHDP set aside.
- Priority for YHDP funding for projects that need to request a YHDP special activity.
  - See page 47 of NOFO.
  - The list of available special activities has changed. Please review carefully.
- Cannot create new YHDP funded RRH by any means.
- **Reminder:** You can set a service priority for young adults 18-24 even if you receive regular CoC funding.

# Compliance Reminders

- HUD has clarified that nonprofits are **not** allowed to administer **RENTAL ASSISTANCE** in Transitional Housing programs.
  - Rental Assistance must be administered by a local government or a PHA.
  - Nonprofits can administer **LEASING** assistance in Transitional Housing or fund site-based housing through the **Operations** line.
- Supportive Service Only grants are intended to serve people who are currently homeless or for up to six months after exiting homelessness.
  - Supportive Service Only cannot be used to provide services to individuals who have been housed for more than six months.

# Scoring Information

- All scoring information is on the website.
  - Including the guide that says how we will score narratives.
- Narrative questions will hopefully mimic the questions you are asked in the e-Snaps application.
  - They are all modeled out of threshold criteria in the NOFO or information asked in the CoC Application.

# Writing Tips (for both e-Snaps and Local Competition)

- Review previous applications and update as necessary. Don't start from scratch.
  - A lot of questions are stock responses about your organizational structure.
- Emphasize all services provided and connections to services.
  - Recovery
  - Workforce Development
  - Case Management
  - Medical Services

# Next Steps

- HUD says e-Snaps will open sometime in the next 14 days.
  - Notice will be sent out when it is open with instructions on how to set up your project in e-Snaps.
- PLEASE read the instructions on how to set up your project before asking for help.
- PLEASE make sure to select the correct project type or you will have to start over.
  - If you are applying as a new project, don't select the renewal project application, etc.

# Next Steps

- Right now:
  - Make sure everyone who needs access to e-Snaps has it.
  - Update your applicant profile.
  - Make sure your SAM registration is up to date.
- Intent to apply is due no later than July 10th.
  - This is to give us an idea of how many and what type of projects to expect.
  - If you need to adjust or add a new project after submitting, please reach out.

# Next Steps

- Review your current budget.
  - If you are a permanent housing project that wants to renew and you can cut your budget, that increases the likelihood that we can get more projects into Tier 1.
  - Initial Grant Inventory Worksheet is posted on our website to help with this.
    - Funding category totals changed with FY25 awards.
- **Reminder:** You can cut units proportional to the amount that you cut your budget.

# Out of Office Reminder

- **July 8th - 10th:** Brandi and Chloe at a conference. Limited email availability.
- **July 13th - 17th:** Brandi in the woods. No email availability.
- **July 24th - 31st:** Chloe on vacation. No email availability.