

FY26 Louisville-Jefferson County CoC Scoring Materials

New SSO Projects Rubric

The following rubric will be used to score and rank the following project types:
New Supportive Service Only (SSO) or Street Outreach (SSO-SO) projects.

SECTION 1. NEW PROJECT THRESHOLD CRITERIA

Note: If your project has not yet completed an operating year, you DO NOT have to complete the Threshold Criteria section.

Item:	Organizational eligibility
Certification:	Applicant certified that they are an eligible entity type as detailed in page 9 of the NOFO.
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	COC Membership
Certification:	Applicant is a member of the Louisville Continuum of Care. If no, Applicant must submit the Continuum of Care Membership Form prior to completing an application for funds.
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	HMIS Participation
Certification:	Applicant is willing to participate in the HMIS system according to the expectations established in the Louisville CoC Data Quality Plan. If No, is the applicant a VSP who will utilize a comparable database?
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	Participation in Coordinated Entry system
Certification:	Applicant is willing to participate in the Coordinated Entry system, as applicable. For questions on how Coordinated Entry may apply to your project, please contact Carey Addison at caddison@fhclouisville.org .
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	Participation in Point-in-time count
Certification:	Applicant participated in the most recent Point-In-Time count conducted in Louisville or agrees to participate in future Point-in-time counts.
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	Participation in Louisville CoC sponsored activities
Certification:	Applicant has participated in at least one Continuum of Care sponsored activities within the past year. These may include CFH hosted trainings, case conferencing sessions, and/or attendance at quarterly or annual meetings.
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	Compliance with federal regulations
Certification:	Applicant agrees to comply with all federal regulations that govern the Continuum of Care Program, including those governing eligible program participants, and understands that it is the applicant responsibility to read, understand, and remain in compliance with said regulations.

Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	Financial and management capacity
Certification:	Project applicants must demonstrate the financial and management capacity and experience to carry out the project as detailed in the project application and the capacity to administer federal funds. Demonstrating capacity may include a description of the applicant experience with similar projects and with successful administration of SHP, S+C, or CoC Program funds or other federal, state, local, or private resources. Please provide a narrative response detailing organizational experience administering similar projects and the funding sources used to support those projects. Relevant leadership staff experience administering similar projects is acceptable in lieu of organizational experience.
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (500 word limit)	

Item:	Match requirement
Certification:	Applicant understands that grants funded under the Continuum of Care program require 25% cash or in-kind match for all grant funds except leasing. See here for additional information. MOUs for in-kind match must be attached prior to grant submission.
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	*NEW SSO - STREET OUTREACH ONLY* Cooperation with law enforcement
Certification:	The applicant certifies that they cooperate, assist, and not interfere or impede with law enforcement to enforce local laws such as public camping and public drug use laws.
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	

Item:	Current programming and outcomes
Certification:	Describe current homelessness programming in organization and all current housing programming. In your descriptions, be sure to include projected outcomes and/or historical outcomes within 5 years as applicable.
Applicable to:	All
RESPONSE: (500 word limit)	

Measure:	Operation of drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites"
Description:	Applicant certifies that they do operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites," or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia on or off of property under their control, permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control, or conduct any of these activities under the pretext of "harm reduction."
Applicable to:	All
Response (Y/N):	

SECTION 2. OBJECTIVE CRITERIA

Measure:	Street outreach project
Description:	Is this project a street outreach (SO) project?
Applicable to:	All
Max Points:	10
Point Basis:	10 points: Yes 0 points: No
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	
POINTS AWARDED:	

Measure:	Supportive services requirement
Description:	Will this project require each participant to engage in supportive services as a condition of long-term participation in the project? (ex. case management, substance abuse treatment, job skill training, etc.) *Note: all projects are required to upload a copy of their supportive services agreement
Applicable to:	All
Max Points:	5
Point Basis:	5 points: Yes 0 points: No
POINTS AWARDED:	

Measure:	Applicant history in administering proposed project type
Description:	Does the applicant have at least one year of experience in administering the proposed project type within the field of homeless services? This can include organization experience or personal experience from leadership staff.
Applicable to:	All
Max Points:	5
Point Basis:	5 points: Yes 0 points: No
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	
POINTS AWARDED:	

Measure:	Substance Abuse Treatment
Description:	Does this project have access to a substance abuse treatment professional who is available to participants?
Applicable to:	SSO
Max Points:	3
Point Basis:	3 point: Yes 0 points: No
POINTS AWARDED:	

Measure:	Proposed Cost Effectiveness			
Description:	Measures the proposed cost effectiveness of project based on clients served.			
Applicable to:	SSO			
Formula	Total proposed budget amount	/	Total # of clients that will be served	=
Computation:		/		= #DIV/0!
CoC Average:	\$			1,940.60
Max Points:	5			
Point Basis:	5 points: At or below \$1500 per client served 2.5 points: Between \$1501 and \$2500 per client served 0 points: Above \$2500 per client served			
POINTS AWARDED:				

Measure:	HUD funding status
Description:	Does the applicant currently receive any HUD funds? If so, confirm good standing with HUD (adherence to financial requirements, no monitoring or audit findings without satisfactory response, or other ongoing compliance issues with HUD) and active registration with SAM. For applicants not currently receiving HUD funds, active SAM registration is required.
Applicable to:	All
Max Points:	5
Point Basis:	5 points: Yes, confirmation of good standing and current SAM registration 2.5 points: Yes, but there are minor issues with past HUD awards that are being addressed. SAM registration is current. OR No previous funding from HUD, but has registered for SAM account. 0 points: No previous HUD funding and no SAM registration.
RESPONSE (500 word limit):	
POINTS AWARDED:	

SECTION 3. OTHER CRITERIA: NARRATIVES

Scoring Framework

Max Points: Applicant provided a clear answer that addressed all parts of the narrative requests.

Mid Points: Applicants provided an answer that addressed some/most parts of the narrative requests but was unclear.

Low to Zero Points: Applicant did not address the scoring criteria or did not provide a reasonable or understandable answer.

Describe what supportive services (i.e., case management, behavioral healthcare, employment training, etc.) are offered by this project and how the project will assist program participant to obtain and maintain housing. If this project partners with other service partners to deliver services, please name partners. 500 word limit.

Criteria: Applicant demonstrates the type and scale of all supportive services available to participants (e.g. case management, substance abuse treatment, behavioral healthcare, job training, etc.). Applicant demonstrates that project will provide and/or partner with other organizations to provide robust wraparound services. Applicant describes how the services offered will help clients obtain and maintain housing.

Max points: 5

POINTS AWARDED:

Describe how this project provides, or partners with agencies that provide outpatient treatment for mental health and substance use disorders with a range of appropriate levels of care, psychosocial interventions, medication management, suicide prevention, and recovery supports. Describe how this project provides access to, peer recovery specialists or other forms of peer support and recovery navigation. 500 word limit.

Criteria: Applicant describes treatment services available specific to mental health and substance abuse. Applicable partners are named if relevant to service delivery. Applicant provides peer support services or access to other recovery specialists.

Max points: 5

POINTS AWARDED:

***SSO projects only* Describe the populations served by your project and how you will ensure that the supportive services provided are appropriate and accessible to all participants. Include any relevant details about how participant service plans are developed. In your response, be sure to include an estimate of the number of individuals and households to be served annually by the project. 500 word limit.**

Criteria: Applicant describes the populations served by this project which may include elderly individuals 55+, individuals with a disability/impairment, young adults, families, veterans, and survivors of domestic abuse, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Applicant describes how they will ensure all populations can access appropriate supportive services. Applicant provides details about the creation of participant service plans. Applicant estimates the number of individuals and households to be served annually by the project.

Max points: 5

POINTS AWARDED

***Street Outreach projects only* Describe how you work to engage people living in places not meant for human habitation to access emergency shelter, treatment programs, reunification with family, transitional housing or independent living. Discuss how you have partnered with law enforcement and certify that you do not interfere or impede with law enforcement to enforce local laws such as public camping and public drug use laws. 500 word limit.**

Criteria: Applicant describes strategy for engaging with unsheltered homeless and connecting individuals and families to shelter, treatment programs, transitional housing and independent living. Applicant attests that they do not impede or interfere with law enforcement and describes how they plan to partner with law enforcement efforts.

Max points: 10

POINTS AWARDED

***SSO projects only* What is your strategy for designing supportive services plans that will promote self-sufficiency and economic independence for participants. 500 word limit.**

Criteria: Applicant demonstrates how participants will be assisted in obtaining a customized supportive services plan which promotes sobriety, self-sufficiency, economic independence and stability. Applicant demonstrates understanding of the needs of the participants to be served. Applicant may note that participant employment, age (55+) and/or developmental disability status may constitute an exception to supportive serve participation.

Max points: 5

POINTS AWARDED

Describe your organization's (and subrecipient(s) if applicable) financial management structure and experience in the following activities (500 word limit):

- 1. effectively utilizing federal funds and performing the activities proposed in the application**
- 2. leveraging Federal, State, local and private sector funds**

Criteria: Applicant demonstrates a robust financial management structure. Applicant describes prior experience successfully utilizing federal funds and performing activities proposed in the application. Applicant demonstrates prior experience leveraging funds from a variety of sources including Federal, State, local and private sector.

Max points: 5

POINTS AWARDED

Describe how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. 500 word limit.

Criteria: Applicant describes how the project will be supplemented with resources outside CoC or ESG funds. Applicant describes these resources and their sources. ***Note: If yes, please submit a copy of all commitment letters with your scoring materials**

Max points: 5

POINTS AWARDED

Please provide evidence of your success in connecting people to mainstream benefits as evidences in an increase in non-employment cash income of program participants in other programing. You can define the parameters that best correspond to your agency’s program history and data source. An example of this would be that over the past year program participants increased their non-employment cash income by 20% or over the past six months 10 participants out of 75 gained SSDI benefits. Please attach a data source that supports your narrative response.

Criteria: Applicant describes past experience in increasing non-employment cash income for participants. Applicant connects response to data source attached to application and states the paraters of this example.

Max points: 10

POINTS AWARDED

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Criteria: Applicant describes past experience in increasing employment cash income for participants. Applicant connects response to data source attached to application and states the paraters of this example.

Max points: 10

POINTS AWARDED

Please provide evidence of your success of helping unhoused populations exit homelessness to more stable destinations. You can define the parameters that best correspond to your agency’s program history and data source. An example of this would be that over the past year of 50 people exiting your programming 10 went into recovery, 15 went to temporary destinations (such as staying with family temporarily), and 7 went to permanent housing. Please attach a data source that supports your narrative response.

Criteria: Applicant describes past experience in exiting participants to stable destinations. Applicant connects response to data source attached to application and states the paraters of this example.

Max points: 10

POINTS AWARDED

SECTION 4. NEW PROJECTS

Measure:	Eligible budget costs *CFH COMPLETED*
Description:	Does the proposed budget meet all cost eligiblity requirements for the CoC program?
Applicable to:	Only new projects (TH, SSO) and renewal projects which have not completed a full operating year
Max Points:	5
Point Basis:	5 points: Yes 3 points: Overall yes, can be corrected with minor modifications. 0 points: No
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	
POINTS AWARDED:	

Measure:	Lived experience representation within agency
Description:	Does your leadership team or board consist of at least one member who has lived experience with homelessness?
Applicable to:	All
Max Points:	5
Point Basis:	5 point: Yes 0 points: No
RESPONSE: (Y/N)	
POINTS AWARDED:	

SECTION 5. SUBMISSION TIMELINESS

Scoring Criteria Submission Timeliness			
Item	Due	Submitted	On Time
Draft Application			
Scoring Report			
Max Points:			2
Point Basis:	One Point for Each Item Submitted On Time		
POINTS AWARDED:			

Max Points (w/out bonus):	115
Points Awarded:	0
Percentage:	0.00%