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To:

All CoC Funded Program Providers, CoC Stakeholders, and Community

From:

**Partners Ending Homelessness** 

Re:

FY2021 New Project Application - Local NOFO

Date:

August 24, 2021

With the release of the 2021 HUD CoC Program NOFA, the Partners Ending Homelessness is beginning the local application process for new projects.

# 2021 Local information

Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) – \$12,850,453 Tier One funding 100% of ARD – \$12,850,453

### **New Project funding:**

#### \$771,027 Reallocated funding amount

*Project(s)* approved using reallocated funds will be ranked at the bottom of Tier 1 Eligible Projects for Bonus funding:

- PSH
- Only participants in reallocated projects will be transferred to the newly funded project(s)

### **Bonus Project Funding**

- \$642,523 Bonus Project funding is 5% of FPRN
- Project(s) approved for bonus funds will be scored and placed in Tier 2 in ranked order Eligible Projects for Bonus funding:
  - Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
  - Rapid Rehousing (RRH)
  - Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing (TH-RRH)
  - Domestic Violence Bonus Project (DV-RRH)
  - PSH or RRH Expansion Grants
  - Healthcare Partnership PSH or RRH

Further details about new project applications will be addressed in the New Project Application training. PowerPoint from the training will be posted to the website on August 31. Please see the time, date, and link for the Zoom presentation below.

Monday, August 30, 1 pm to 2:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82200160000?pwd=OXh6a0xMRU1pVndBMXprZIZ4WXp5Zz09

Meeting ID: 822 0016 0000

Passcode: 558445

# **2021 New Project Application Timeline**

- August 24 Tuesday Release of application materials
- August 30 Monday 1 pm to 2:30 pm Applicants Workshop via Zoom
- September 17 Friday Noon New Applications due
- September 29 and October 1 Presentation of New Projects
- October 4 Monday Initial Notification to Applicants
- October 27 Wednesday Applicants Notified of Final Project Rankings and Posted to Website

All materials are available on PEH Website once released to the community www.letsendhomelesseness.org

**Direct questions to** Charles Bollinger III – CoC Programs Coordinator (email only) <a href="mailto:cbollinger@letsendhomelessness.org">cbollinger@letsendhomelessness.org</a>

# FY 2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program NOFO Summary

## **Total Funding Available Nationally:**

CoC Program - \$2.65 billion

DV Bonus Funding - \$102,000,000

YHDP - Non-competitive YHDP renewal and replacement grants (N/A for our CoC)

#### **Funding Available for NY-500**

Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN)	Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)	Tier 1 (100% of ARD)	CoC Bonus (5% of ARD)	DV Bonus	CoC Planning Grant (3% of ARD)
\$9,182,617	\$12,850,453	\$12,850,453	\$642,523	\$1,377,393	\$385,514

#### **HUD Priorities**

- End homelessness for all
- Use Housing First approach
- Decrease numbers of Unsheltered Homeless
- Increase system performance
- Partnering with Housing (specifically PHAs), Health and Service Agencies
- Racial Equity
- Inclusion of persons with lived experience in local planning process

#### **Changes from Previous NOFO**

- Tier 1 includes 100% of Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)
- Using the Housing First model to prioritize rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing without service participation requirements or preconditions is returning in the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition
- HUD will incentivize CoCs that create projects that coordinate with housing providers and healthcare organizations to provide permanent housing and rapid rehousing services
- Increased points for collaboration with Public Housing Authority
- Increased points for racial equity
- Increased points for inclusion of persons with lived experience
- Points for how the CoC addressed challenges due to outbreak of COVID 19
- Points for coordination with ESG-CV funding
- Scoring only the sheltered PIT count for 2021
- CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal in FY2021 to determine their effectiveness in serving people experiencing homelessness, including cost-effectiveness. CoCs should also look for opportunities to implement continuous quality improvement and other process improvement strategies. HUD recognizes that CoC performance and data quality may have been affected by COVID-19 compared to previous CoC NOFOs, and has reduced the points available for rating factors related to system performance. However, HUD plans to significantly increase the points for performance rating factors in the FY 2022 and subsequent CoC NOFOs.
- New projects can request an (18) month contract term for Year 1 only. HUD recognizes it may take several months for a new project to become fully operational due to hiring, training, etc. The

budget needs to be built on one year of operations and that amount can not be exceeded for the 18 month period.

**DV Bonus Projects** 

- 100% of participants must be fleeing Domestic Violence
- Eligible projects
  - o RRH or TH-RRH
  - Coordinated Entry for DV programs only
- If DV Bonus project(s) is awarded funding through the DV Bonus, it will be removed from the current ranking and all projects beneath it will move up in the ranking.

#### **New Projects**

- Must be created with reallocated or bonus funding
- Eligible projects
  - o PSH
  - o RRH
  - Joint TH and PH-RRH
  - Coordinated Entry SSO
  - o HMIS
  - o DV Bonus

#### **Consolidation Grants**

- Organizations may consolidate 2 -10 projects of the same component type
- Must submit renewal applications and a consolidated project application into Esnaps

#### **Expansion Grants**

- An expansion grant must increase units, beds, services, or persons served in an existing grant.
  Must be for activities and funding parameters allowed under reallocation, CoC Bonus or DV bonus projects.
- Must submit a renewal and an expansion grant application.
- If both renewal and expansion grant is awarded, one grant agreement will be executed. If renewal not awarded, expansion is not awarded. If renewal awarded but not the expansion, the renewal grant continues as currently operated.

#### **Transition Grants**

- A grant to fund a new project to transition an eligible renewal project being eliminated through reallocation form one program component to another new component over a one year period.
- No more than 50% of the grant can be used for eligible activities of the original grant. All remaining funds must be used under the new component of the project.
- Eligible for renewal only for the new component activities
- Must get approval from the CoC