

AWH4T CoC NOFO

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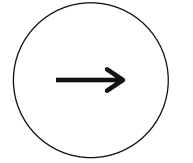
AWH4T CoC Program Applicants
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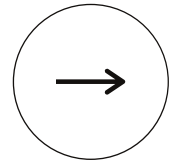


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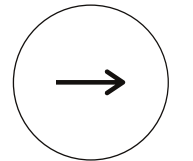
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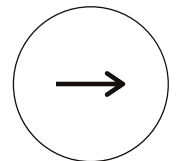
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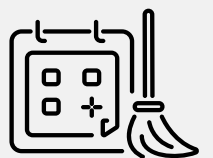


04 Q&A



Housekeeping

- Session will be recorded and posted to the website: AWH4T CoC NOFO
- Slides will be sent out to registrants and posted on the website
- Please keep yourself muted, unless you have a question
- If you have a question, use the Raise Your Hand feature or type it in the Q&A
- Don't be afraid to turn on your camera!



CoC Overview



Definition + Purpose



A Continuum of Care (CoC) is a community planning body that addresses the needs of persons who are experiencing homelessness. It is specifically designed to:

- Promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness;
- Provide funding for efforts to rapidly re-house individuals and families experiencing homelessness;
- Promote access to and effective use of mainstream programs;
- Optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness; and
- Cover a specific geographic area.

HUD requires that communities form a CoC and designate a Lead Agency to participate in the CoC Program.

A Way Home for Tulsa



- Group of more than **60 member agencies** working to end homelessness
- Housing Solutions is the **lead agency** for the Continuum of Care (CoC), which serves as the Collaborative Applicant
- Includes **lived experience boards + task groups** to strategize and guide change
- Governed by [Leadership Council](#)



Your CoC NOFO Team



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NOFO Information



Changes to the NOFO

Two-Year NOFO (Finally!)

This competition will rank & fund projects for both the 2024 & 2025 fiscal years. Projects set for renewal within calendar year (CY) 2025 should apply to renew.

Tier 1 is Smaller Again

Tier 1 is equal to 90% of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) minus the Annual Renewal Amounts of YHDP Renewal / Replacement projects.

Special Populations

Funding dedicated to special populations (e.g. youth or survivors of DV, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking), must remain with the population, if reallocated.

Reallocation Definitions

HUD has expanded reallocation to include DV Reallocation and has expanded the definition of YHDP Replacement to include YHDP Reallocation.

YHDP Special Activities

YHDP Renewal / Replacement projects may include requests to include special YHDP activities, subject to the requirements in section III.B.4.b.(5) of the NOFO.

Updates to COLA

HUD is authorized to make reasonable Cost of Living Adjustments to renewal amounts to help afford increasing cost of operations due to inflation.

Two-Year Process



Competition rankings
apply to 2024 and
2025



Grant agreements will
still be renewed
annually



Appropriations in
2025 will determine
award amounts



Implications for YHDP



Which YHDP projects renew this cycle?

Projects set to end in Calendar Year (CY) 2025, which right now includes 4 of the 5: YouthFirst RRH (Tulsa Day Center), Joint TH-RRH (Youth Services), Safe & Secure Diversion (Tulsa Dream Center), and RRH/Housing Navigation (THE Consortium).

How will they be ranked?

HUD requires that all first time YHDP renewals are not ranked. They will be renewed if they pass project eligibility and quality threshold review, or project renewal threshold.

Is this good for our projects?

It's an extra hurdle a bit earlier than we anticipated, but it will make next year easier, and it offers an opportunity to apply for/select Special Activities that weren't previously included in grants.

2024 CoC NOFO Award Amounts*

Annual Renewal Demand (ARD): total amount of all CoC project awards eligible for renewal

Pro Rata Need (PRN): formula HUD uses to establish a CoC's initial need amount; initial/preliminary = PPRN and final = FPRN

*estimates; final ARD has not been released

- **Tier 1:** \$4,087,598 (*estimated pre ARD release*)
| (90% of Annual Renewal Demand – Annual Renewal Amounts of YHDP Renewal/Replacement Projects)
- **Tier 2:** \$1,286,878 (*estimated pre ARD release*)
| (remainder of Annual Renewal Demand + CoC Bonus)
- **CoC Bonus:** \$300,000-\$832,700 (*estimated pre ARD release*)
- **Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus:** \$415,444-\$623,166 (*estimated pre ARD release*)
- **CoC Planning:** \$346,958 (*estimated pre ARD release*)
- **YHDP Renewal/Replacement:** \$2,397,392 (*non-competitive*)



Priorities



HUD Homelessness Policy I.A.4.b

1. Ending homelessness for all persons
2. Using a housing first approach
3. Reducing unsheltered homelessness
4. Improving system performance
5. Partnering with housing, health, and service agencies
6. Addressing racial equity
7. Improving assistance to LGBTQ+ individuals
8. Involving persons with lived experience
9. Building an effective workforce
10. Increasing affordable housing supply

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- Build permanent housing capacity
 - Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
 - Rapid Re-Housing (RRH)
- Increase outcomes for System Performance Measures (SPMs):
 - Minimize returns to homelessness
 - Ensure equitable program placement/retention
 - Increase/maintain income and benefits
- High fidelity to Housing First principles
- Collaboration with PHAs/utilization of vouchers

Eligibility



Applicants III.C.1. - III.C.4.

- Eligible organizations:
 - Nonprofit organizations
 - States and Local governments
 - Public housing agencies
- For profit organizations are NOT eligible to apply for grants or to be sub-recipients of grants
- Must have active SAM.gov registration & Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)
- Code of Conduct must comply with 2 CFR part 200 and is on file with HUD: [check here](#)
- Meet all criteria detailed in NOFO and statute

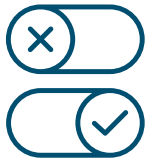
Participants I.B.3.k.

Categories of homelessness, as defined by HUD in the statute and NOFO:

- 1 “Literal” Homelessness
- 2 At imminent risk of homelessness
- 3 Fleeing domestic violence

Eligible participant categories depend on program type, original funding source, and approved special population, as detailed in project grant agreement. Must be located in CoC area.

Threshold Requirements



New & Renewal Projects

- Completed application forms (Organization + Project),
- Completed Housing First Assessment and Resilience & Equity Checklist
- Eligible applicant, project type, and population
- SAM Registration & UEI Number (www.sam.gov)
- Past Performance
 - Timely & regular expenditures on any prior comparable grants
 - Timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable)
 - Timely and satisfactory resolution of any monitoring findings
 - No outstanding obligations to HUD that are in arrears or otherwise addressed
 - No overdue or unsatisfactory audit finding(s)
 - Has met performance targets as established in prior grant agreements
- 25% match documentation
- Commitment to comply with CoC Service Standards and HUD CoC Program Priorities

Renewal Project Options



Submit Without Changes

- Applicable to most renewal projects
- Option cannot be used to make substantive changes to project (those which trigger a grant amendment)

Submit with Changes

- Applicable if project has an executed grant amendment within the last grant period; or
- you did not import last year's application data; or
- you need to make changes due to a condition(s) placed on last year's application that impacts the renewal information (e.g., BLIs, 100 percent dedicated beds, population)

Renewal Project Options



YHDP

Projects with an end date in CY 2025 will renew this cycle:

- not ranked, non-competitive
- may apply for additional Special Activities and/or changes to grant terms

Consolidation

Combines 2 or more eligible renewal projects:

- must be the same component type
- period of performance and budget line items (BLIs) must align
- must be in good standing with HUD
- the start date for the consolidated grant will be the day after the expiration date of the project with the earliest expiration date.

New Project Options



CoC Bonus Citation

- Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
- Rapid Re-Housing (RRH)
- Joint Transitional Housing to RRH
- HMIS (dedicated)
- Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE)

DV Bonus Citation

- Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH)
- SSO-CE
 - CoC can only submit 1 new DV Bonus project for this type

Expansion

When a renewal project applicant submits a new project application to expand its current operations:

- must submit applications for both project components

Transition

When a renewal project transitions to a different component type

- must have CoC consent and approval
- must be same recipient org and special population

Competition Materials



Standard Operating Procedures

- Roles & Responsibilities: Added clarifying language for inclusion of persons of different races in our process.
- Removed Declaration of Intent to Apply section. This section was added to manage last year's process for 1) non-ranked project types and 2) potential Transition Grant project applicants.
- Updated auto-ranking requirements to allow renewal projects with less than two years' worth of data to be auto-ranked.
- Updated NOFO references throughout to align with the NOFO.
- Removed the option for applicants to request an extension to submit late applications, unless there are extenuating circumstances.
- Updated appeals section to align with most recent YHDP application process and clarify confusing wording.

RFP & Application Forms

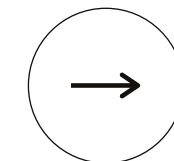
Aligning with HUD preferences and community needs

Request for Proposals (RFP)

Now the RFP is a distinct document from the application. The RFP includes more information about the background of the CoC, funding opportunity, and goals that our community wants to prioritize through the funding cycle in order to make it comprehensive and accessible.

Applications

There are still separate applications for New and Renewing projects. To simplify the process, applications will be completed online via JotForm, with space to upload required documents. All threshold fields are separate and clearly indicated.





Scoring Tool

- ✔ Ensures inclusion of HUD priorities
- ✔ Guarantees objectivity minimums
- ✔ Synthesizes Rank & Review results
- ✔ Simplifies future competitions
- ✔ Sets clear goals & expectations

Scoring Tool



Data Used

- Grant type
- CoC award from last operating year
- CoC amount expended in the last operating year
- CoC funding requested
- Grant Inventory Worksheet from HUD
- 2024 Housing Inventory Count (HIC)

Process

1. Data pulled by HS Data & Analytics team and input into the tool
2. Providers given the opportunity to review and/or correct HMIS data (within HMIS) over a week-long period
3. Final data pulled by HS Data & Analytics and input into the tool
4. Scoring tool calculates score for reference of the Rank & Review team

Timeline



Task	Date
HUD NOFO Competition Opens	7/31/2024
Approval of Competition Materials & Processes	8/16/2024
TA & Workshops	8/16/2024 - 9/9/2024
Opening of NOFO Competition	8/19/2024
Notification of HMIS Data Scores for Renewal Projects	8/21/2024
Deadline for project applications and data updates (HMIS) to CoC	9/11/2024
R&R Panel receives applications for review	9/16/2024
Rank & Review Panel Convenes	9/17/2024 - 9/26/2024
Notification of preliminary ranking	9/27/2024

Timeline



Task	Date
Deadline for Appeal Submission	10/1/2024
Appeal Panel Meets	10/4/2024
Applicants start entering into eSNAPS	10/7/2024
NOFO Task Group Meeting	10/7/2024
Approval of Final Ranked List	10/8/2024
Notificaton of Projects Accepted or Rejected	10/11/2024
Applicants submit eSNAPS applications to HS	10/18/2024
Public Posting of CoC Competition Applications	10/25/2024
Submission of CoC Collaborative Application Package	10/28/2024

Resources



- [2024-2025 HUD CoC NOFO Hub](#) | [Grants.gov](#)
- [HUD 2024 CoC Competition FAQs](#)
- [AWH4T CoC NOFO Landing Page](#)
 - 2022 + 2023 Archive
 - Request for Proposals (RFP)
 - Applications
 - Training & Information Session Recordings/Materials
- [HUD CoC Binder](#) + [Toolkit](#)
- [HUD Exchange e-snaps Hub](#)

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Reminders

- HUD AAQs regarding the NOFO will likely not be answered in a timely manner
- Include nofo@housingolutionstulsa.org on communications with HUD or Homebase

Questions?

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Thank you!

