

FY 2023 CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM NOFO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

RENEWAL PROJECTS

My program has not completed a full program year, do I have to renew my grant?

Yes, all grants that were previously funded through the CoC Program that will expire in 2024 are required to renew their grant to continue receiving funds after grant expiration. Grants that are listed on the FY2023 Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW) are eligible for renewal funding through this year's NOFO. First year renewals are automatically renewed, but must submit both the local application through Amplifund, and an application in eSNAPS.

When will renewal scorecards be made available?

All Renewal Scorecards will be sent via email on August 23, 2023. The reporting period used is 6/1/2022 – 5/30/2023. All data is considered final at application due date, August 21, 2023, at 9pm. All projects will have the opportunity to provide comments on their scorecard which will be provided to the Independent Review Committee (IRC).

HMIS Office Hours, included on the timeline, are offered to any organization needing support in correcting data prior to the deadline.

How were the Renewal Scorecard Thresholds set?

Thresholds were created by examining the average performance of projects in our system and targets selected by the local Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing Workgroups.

It's recommended that multiple people be involved in the Housing First Self-Assessment. Does this mean that I must upload multiple assessments?

Only one Housing First Self-Assessment will be accepted for each project. Please work with your colleagues to submit one assessment on behalf of the program.

Are renewal applications allowed to include the VAWA budget line item?

Yes, HUD has made an adjustment in eSNAPS where budgets can be updated to include the VAWA budget line. No changes of more than 10% of a single line item will be accepted. If your organization wants to adjust over the 10% limit, a budget amendment will need to be requested through the local field office.

My organization has a Rapid Rehousing Program that is funded through other sources (i.e., ESG, DRTRR), is this considered a Renewal?

No, Renewal Projects are only those projects that were previously funded through the CoC Program. Your organization is welcome to apply for RRH as a new project under the CoC Program. The CoC project may have different regulations compared to your current

program. It is your responsibility to understand what you will need to adjust utilizing a new funding source.

I'd like to expand my current program. How do I do that?

Our community is accepting new and expansion projects for Rapid Rehousing only this year. If you are expanding an existing RRH program, you will need to submit both a renewal project application and a new project application to include the amount of expansion being sought.

NEW PROJECTS

My organization has never received CoC Program funding, can we apply?

Absolutely! As our continuum continues to grow, we need new community partners to provide housing solutions. Applications will be accepted from any eligible organization for new Rapid Rehousing projects.

Can I apply for Street Outreach or Emergency Shelter?

Unfortunately, this funding opportunity is restricted to Housing and CoC requirements. The CoC Program Funds Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Rehousing, Joint Component Transitional Housing/Rapid Rehousing, Homeless Management Information System, and Coordinated Entry.

What are the minimum and maximum thresholds?

Our CoC Board has not set any thresholds for funding, however, the CoC cannot apply for more than \$1.6 million in Bonus Funding, meaning projects that are ranked beyond the funding level will not be submitted with the consolidated application and priority listing.

If awarded, when would my project start?

Projects awarded through the FY2023 CoC Program NOFO will be announced in early 2024 and cannot begin operating until a grant agreement is in place. Applicants can choose their start date, which will typically be in the fall.

My organization serves people across the DFW metroplex, not just Dallas and Collin County. Am I able to apply for funding?

Funds awarded must serve individuals and/or families located in the geographic area of the Continuum of Care in which the application was submitted. Organizations can submit applications through multiple CoC's, however, each local competition will look differently and each application will be seen as separate projects that will have to be reported on separately.