

Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

1. the CoC Application,
2. the CoC Priority Listing, and
3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

1. The FY 2023 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2023 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It

- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.

- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with—if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.

- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: PA-508 - Scranton/Lackawanna County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: United Neighborhood Centers

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: United Neighborhood Centers

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.1.a.(1), V.B.1.e., V.B.1f., and V.B.1.p.	
	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023:	
1.	select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC's coordinated entry system; or	
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC's geographic area:	

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC's Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	No
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	No	Yes
3.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	No
4.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	No	No
5.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	Yes	No
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes	No
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	No	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	No	No	No
10.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	No	Yes
11.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	Nonexistent	No	No
12.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	No
13.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	No	No
14.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
15.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	No

16.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	No	No	No
17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	No	No
18.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	No	No
19.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
20.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	No	No
21.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	No	No
22.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
24.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	No	No
25.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	No	No	No
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	No	No	No
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.				
35.				

By selecting "other" you must identify what "other" is.

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(2)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;	
2.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and	
3.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. List below the data source (e.g., comparable database, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects) used for each of the reported contracts.

ServicePoint (internal VOALA database used as a comparable database for DV survivors) used for all of the reported contracts.

2. Were any of the exits to a non-permanent destination that you reported in the table due to an emergency safety transfer? (safety transfer = when a survivor exits to another destination, often not permanent in nature, in order to protect their safety, for example, when the location of their whereabouts becomes known to the abuser.) If yes, of the number of non-permanent exits reported above, how many were safety transfers?

There were no exits due to emergency safety transfers.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(3)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
	1. solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;	
	2. communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information;	
	3. ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and	
	4. took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC solicits & considers a full range of opinions in meetings and subcommittees, including two publicly advertised meetings per year and a bimonthly CoC provider meeting where providers including ESG and Supportive Housing Programs (SHP) (including Victim Service Providers), SSVF, HUD-VASH, CoC staff, ESG Jurisdiction, PHAs, and more are able to share information and knowledge. VA, SSVF, Office of Youth and Family Services (OYFS), outreach, and SHP providers case conferences for households on the Chronic Homeless & Veterans lists at monthly meetings to assist in quickly entering housing. In 2023, the CoC further solicited input specific to unsheltered homelessness from 16 organizations that participated in an Unsheltered Plan Taskforce Committee, which met 3 times from May to June 2023 to discuss the needs of those who are unsheltered and propose strategies to meet those needs, which were included in the CoC's Unsheltered Plan. 2) At the bi-annual publicly advertised CoC meetings and at the bimonthly CoC provider meetings, UNC communicates information about the CoC, including information regarding funding, Coordinated Entry, policy changes, and other information to providers and interested parties. 3) The CoC ensures effective communication with people with disabilities by ensuring that electronic communications (including email and information on the UNC website) are accessible (compatible with Text2Speech, with images including alt text) as well as offering documents in PDF format. Further, the CoC ensures that the CoC Director's phone and email contact information is listed with all electronic communications, and the Director is easily accessible to assist interested parties, including those with disabilities, in accessing needed information. 4) Examples of ways the CoC has implemented improvements to programming in response to public feedback include the implementation of "code red" shelters to notify residents where they could seek shelter on hot summer days, as well as by coordinating the response to COVID-19 amongst CoC providers, including communicating public health guidance, distributing PPE, and coordinating vaccine clinics.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(4)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:	
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;	
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications—the process;	
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and	
4.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC notified the public, including organizations not previously funded, that it was accepting and considering FY 2023 CoC Program proposals from any eligible organization, including from organizations that hadn't previously received CoC Program funding, through a public announcement made at the CoC General Meeting on 8/7/23. The availability of new funds was also discussed at the CoC Board of Directors meetings on July 25 and August 7, 2023. The application was made available on the publicly accessible UNC website on August 10, 2023. 2) Notices advised that e-mail would be the method of proposal submission. 3) The scoring rubric for new and renewal proposals was included as part of the application package. Public notices advised that the CoC would convene a panel of objective individuals who would review and score proposals, with the CoC including the highest scoring proposal(s) in the priority listing submitted to HUD for funding. The CoC convened an evaluation committee comprised of 3 objective individuals who did not receive and had not applied for CoC funding within this county. These evaluators used a standardized scoring tool to develop consensus on the application scores. The applicant with the highest score was included in the FY 2023 Competition process. 4) The CoC ensures effective communication with people with disabilities by ensuring that electronic communications are accessible (readable by Text2Speech, with images including alt text) as well as offering documents in PDF format. Further, the CoC ensures that the CoC Director's phone and email contact information is listed with all electronic communications. The Director is easily accessible to assist interested parties, including those with disabilities, in accessing needed information.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	
	In the chart below:	
	1. select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.	

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Nonexistent
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	Yes
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Yes
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	

18.		Nonexistent
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1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG Program funds;
2.	participated in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients;
3.	provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area; and
4.	provided information to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions to address homelessness within your CoC's geographic area so it could be addressed in the Consolidated Plan update.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC collaborates with Scranton's Office of Economic and Community Development, which oversees the development of the Scranton Consolidated Plan and acts as administrator for ESG funding. The Scranton Con Plan Jurisdiction encompasses over 85% of our projects/units. The CoC consults with the Con Plan Jurisdiction and ESG program recipients bi-monthly (at least 1 hour/month) at CoC and Housing Coalition meetings, where UNC provides ESG program recipients with HIC/PIT data and allocation of ESG funds is discussed. In addition, phone calls and e-mails are exchanged regularly. To determine funding allocation, the CoC board comes together to determine community needs with HIC/PIT, LSA, and CE data and works with Scranton to choose programs that best move the community toward ending homelessness. The CoC provides all HMIS data as requested by the city. For the state jurisdiction (PA), the CoC obtains certification of consistency with PA's Con Plan and attends quarterly state-wide meetings, usually lasting 1.5 hours each, where community needs, statewide and HUD initiatives, among other relevant topics, are discussed. PA has access to the CoC's HIC/PIT data which is reported out during these meetings, and we are open to further involvement. 2) The CoC participates in evaluating and reporting the performance of ESG program recipients and sub-recipients by providing relevant HIC/PIT, LSA, and Coordinated Assessment data to the Con Plan Jurisdiction. 3) The CoC provides HIC and PIT count data to the City of Scranton Con Plan Jurisdiction through CoC and Housing Coalition meetings (held at least bi-monthly) and provides HIC and PIT count data to the state jurisdiction through quarterly statewide meetings. 4) The CoC ensures local information is clearly communicated to the Con Plan jurisdictions by sharing at meetings, making comments on the Con Plan, helping integrate local homeless data into the Con Plan, and giving system-wide updates as requested.

1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.c.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity:

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	Yes
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	Yes
3.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients.	Yes
4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance.	Yes
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers.	No

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	Yes
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC collaborates with youth education providers by presenting the regulations on the rights of homeless children and an overview of all CoC services available to all of the school districts' faculty and staff within the county as well as some early childhood education providers, including Head Start. Information presented focuses on the coordinated entry system and prevention services, as most homelessness reported by local school districts include families or individuals who are doubled-up or couch-surfing. During these presentations, teachers, staff, and homeless liaisons are urged to refer all families in need of any assistance to our network of services, especially those families meeting the educational definition of homelessness. These presentations were established with the assistance of the local Office of Youth and Family Services and the Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH) Liaison, who are available to schools for additional advocacy and assistance in accessing education. The CoC collaborates with youth education providers through monthly Youth and Education Subcommittee Meetings, where issues related to youth and education are discussed. The CoC collaborates with SEAs, LEAs, and districts through regular communications with staff within each entity. The ECYEH Liaison attends CoC meetings, as do some local district Homeless Liaisons. The ECYEH Liaison is also used as a point of contact with school counselors, teachers, superintendents, and early education programs. These relationships are helping to provide the CoC with additional local data and systems knowledge which the CoC uses to find solutions such as increased prevention and diversion efforts, better youth count strategies, and an increase in youth supportive housing beds.

1C-4b.	Informing Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC uses to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The educational policies and procedures the CoC adopted to inform individuals and families who become homeless are 1) all providers serving children and youth must have an educational liaison; 2) all providers must share information on educational rights to homeless families upon program entry; and 3) provider staff must facilitate and coordinate educational access for the child/children at the school(s) and/or educational site(s) the family chooses and as is within their rights.

1C-4c.	Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

		MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years	No	No
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	No	Yes
3.	Early Childhood Providers	Yes	Yes
4.	Early Head Start	No	Yes
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program—(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	No	Yes
6.	Head Start	No	Yes
7.	Healthy Start	No	No
8.	Public Pre-K	No	No
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.			

1C-5.	Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors—Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

In the chart below select yes or no for the organizations your CoC collaborates with:

	Organizations	
1.	state domestic violence coalitions	Yes
2.	state sexual assault coalitions	Yes
3.	other organizations that help this population	Yes

1C-5a.	Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers to Address Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations indicated in Question 1C-5 to:

1.	update CoC-wide policies; and
2.	ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC collaborates with the Women's Resource Center (WRC), the victim services provider within our CoC, to update CoC-wide policies and ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors. This includes: 1) working with all CoC provider organizations to add the question "Are you safe" to all intake processes, providing victims an opportunity to share about any threats to their safety, and facilitating referral processes through which any CoC provider can connect victims to WRC to meet with a DV counselor to strategize next steps and develop a safety plan. 2) Incorporated a question into the HMIS data entry process where victims are notified that if they are a survivor of domestic violence, their information can be entered anonymously. If victims answer "yes" that they are a survivor of DV, the HMIS system has a built-in notification that instructs the person entering data to pause the assessment so data can be entered into the alternative database. 3) WRC and the CoC are investigating changing to a new coordinated entry assessment tool, as the current tool (the VI-SPDAT) is not an effective tool for survivors, is not trauma-informed, and has been shown to have racial and gender bias as well. 4) Lastly, WRC and all CoC organizations have worked to increase collaboration and referrals of participants to the best organization to serve that individual participant, taking a "no wrong doors" approach and ensuring there is collaboration, rather than competition, with the participant's best interest taking priority. Among the ways the CoC and WRC collaborate to ensure all housing and services in the CoC are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors include: 1) The CoC conducts annual training facilitated by WRC, which addresses the dynamics of DV, including identification, trauma-informed care, risk assessment, security concerns, safety planning, and best practices in serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking. Further, WRC participates with the CoC and Lackawanna County Housing Resources Committee, including attending monthly LCHR meetings and CoC sub-committee meetings, and WRC staff have regular contact with programs across the County. Through these interactions, WRC staff are able to address specific individual needs, as well as provide feedback on more systemic issues.

1C-5b.	Coordinated Annual Training on Best Practices to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinates to provide training for:	
1.	project staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma-informed, victim-centered) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually); and	
2.	Coordinated Entry staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma informed care) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually).	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 and 2) The CoC conducts annual training given by Women's Resource Center, which serves as the local Victim Service Provider (VSP), as well as training provided by the community based mental health provider for CoC and ESG, including Coordinated Entry (CE) staff, and other social service providers. The training addresses the dynamics of DV, including identification, trauma-informed care, risk assessment, security concerns, safety planning, and best practices in serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking. Trainings also include the CE process for survivors, administering the VI-SPDAT, available housing resources, and how to safely collect and record personal information. Trainings also include client-centered services (i.e., affirming the client's ability and right to make his/her own choices). Additional related web-based trainings are offered to DV, sexual assault, homeless service, and CE staff multiple times per year on topics including working with people who have experienced multiple traumas, especially women, people with disabilities, LGBTQ people, and other underserved communities, and how to make informed referrals that strengthen providers' responses to survivors of violence.

1C-5c.	Implemented Safety Planning, Confidentiality Protocols in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry includes:	
	1. safety planning protocols; and	
	2. confidentiality protocols.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1-2) The CoC's protocols prioritizing safety and incorporating trauma-informed, victim-centered services, include: the adoption of an emergency transfer plan (ET) that requires all providers to use consistent procedures allowing for victims to exit programs for reasons of safety. Victims of DV, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and/or human trafficking who identify a threat of imminent harm from further violence by remaining in their current residence can request an ET to a new unit. The ET plan and CoC policies require safety, privacy, choice, and access to trauma-informed, victim-centered services for all survivors. The CoC provides free training on trauma-informed care for all housing service providers, including coordinated entry staff. In the instance where a HH comes to the system through coordinated entry, once the HH is identified as DV, the HH is referred to a DV provider, which can provide lethality screening and connection to DV safe housing (shelter), taking care to provide private meeting space, maintaining confidentiality and keeping all PII confidential, sharing information only with a signed release. Safety planning is conducted via CoC and/or Victim Service Provider (VSP) staff. Survivors may enter the homeless services system via the local Victim Services Provider, a CoC member, or via the Coordinated Entry System. 2) Both VSP and non-VSP providers take individual circumstances and safety needs into account when conducting assessments and making referrals, taking care to uphold client choice within the available safe options for housing and services, including client and provider coming up with additional options if none provided were acceptable. The Coordinated Entry System allows providers to connect HH to any safe housing options within the CoC, maximizing client choice for housing and services.

1C-5d.	Used De-identified Aggregate Data to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	the de-identified aggregate data source(s) your CoC used for data on survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and	
2.	how your CoC uses the de-identified aggregate data described in element 1 of this question to evaluate how to best meet the specialized needs related to domestic violence and homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC uses HMIS and an HMIS-comparable database data, as well as additional Victim Service Provider (VSP) database data, to assess the scope of needs related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. The HMIS-comparable database is used by the VSP (Women's Resource Center), which allows for collecting HUD required data of survivors while ensuring VAWA compliance. The CoC uses de-identified, disaggregated data to identify the special needs of survivors. Data collected in the comparable database is used, for example, to identify the demographic makeup of the population, previous living situations, sources and amounts of employment and non-employment income, and information on disabling conditions. The CoC uses these data points to inform service delivery and training needs. In addition, information from this system is used to evaluate the extent to which CoC-funded DV projects meet survivors' needs, i.e., increasing earned and other income, ensuring enrollment into non-cash benefits, and helping survivors maintain PH and exit to PH. All HUD required data is collected and entered by non-VSPs about DV survivors into HMIS, with demographic information entered "anonymously," where PII is not linked with a person's name, etc. This data is analyzed in the same way the comparable database information is to ensure that households can access appropriate services and that those services are effective. Data from the VSP data system are also used. These data offer an even broader scope of community needs, beyond housing, such as a need for economic advocacy and the nuances needed in outreach for victims, including human trafficking.

1C-5e.	Implemented Emergency Transfer Plan Policies and Procedures for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC communicates to all individuals and families seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance:	
	1. whether your CoC has policies and procedures that include an emergency transfer plan;	
	2. the process for individuals and families to request an emergency transfer; and	
	3. the process your CoC uses to respond to individuals' and families' emergency transfer requests.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 and 2) All individuals and families seeking or receiving CoC assistance are provided with a copy of the CoC's emergency transfer plan policies and procedures, which include the process for individuals and families to request an emergency transfer, upon intake into their housing unit. Policies/procedures are reviewed with participants, with translation services provided as needed. The policies are also posted on the UNC CoC website.

SLCCoC allows participants who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to request an emergency transfer from the participant's current unit to another unit. The ability to request a transfer is available regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation. Participants requesting an emergency transfer must request the transfer in accordance with established procedures.

To request an emergency transfer, the participants shall notify their current housing provider's office and request a transfer. The CoC member agency will then provide verification of the need for a transfer. Housing providers will provide reasonable accommodations to this policy for individuals with disabilities. The participant's request for an emergency transfer will be based upon the following criteria: 1) The participant reasonably believes there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the participants were to remain in the same dwelling unit assisted under HP's program, or 2) The participant was a sexual assault victim and that the sexual assault occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period preceding the participant's request for an emergency transfer.

The Housing Provider will keep confidential any information that the participants submit in requesting an emergency transfer, and information about the emergency transfer. This includes keeping confidential the new location of the dwelling unit of the participants if one is provided, from the person(s) that committed an act(s) of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking against the participants. While Housing Providers cannot guarantee that a transfer request will be approved or how long it will take to process a transfer request, they will act as quickly as possible to move a participant requesting a safety transfer to another unit, subject to availability and safety of a unit.

1C-5f.	Access to Housing for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	ensures that survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all of the housing and services available within the CoC's geographic area; and
2.	proactively identifies systemic barriers within your homeless response system that create barriers to safely house and provide services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC ensures that survivors of DV, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have access to all of the housing and services available within the CoC's geographic area through the following approaches: 1) The CoC supports a "no wrong door" approach to accessing services, and all providers within the CoC work collaboratively to connect all participants, including survivors of DV, to needed housing and services. This includes referring survivors of DV who initially begin receiving services at another provider to WRC for assessment and DV-specific services, as well as referrals to other providers for housing, healthcare, behavioral healthcare, SUD treatment, employment, education, etc. The CES supports this collaborative approach. 2) VSP Women's Resource Center (WRC) operates the Barbara J. Hart Justice Center, which provides a holistic approach to meeting the needs of survivors, including addressing civil justice issues, divorce, and custody issues, lowering the barriers to services needed to escape DV. WRC also has legal aides through the North PA Legal Services and Lackawanna County Pro Bono to address the legal needs of survivors. 3) WRC facilitates a landlord group focused on creating relationships with public housing authorities to ensure everyone has a clear understanding of what reasonable rent is and develop a listing of potential housing units for survivors. 4) WRC works with "Women in Philanthropy" on programs that provide survivors of DV served by WRC with dental care, as well as Individualized Development Accounts where women can save up to \$2,500 with a \$1 for \$1 match (up to \$2,500 match) and financial literacy training through monthly meetings.

The CoC works with WRC to proactively identify systemic barriers related to serving survivors within the homeless response system. Barriers shared by WRC at the CoC training in August 2023 included: a need for services for survivors beyond immediate emergency response (longer-term supports), a need for services that support survivors while they are still involved in the abusive relationship, and a need for services that do not require law enforcement involvement/the importance of not requiring law enforcement documentation of abuse for services (80% of survivors expressed that they were afraid to call the police, 70% report that contact with law enforcement resulted in a loss of housing/employment/benefits, and 68% of survivors reported that they didn't feel safe getting a police report).

1C-5g.	Ensuring Survivors With a Range of Lived Expertise Participate in Developing CoC-Wide Policy and Programs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	ensured survivors with a range of lived expertise are involved in the development of your CoC-wide policy and programs; and	
2.	accounted for the unique and complex needs of survivors.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC ensures survivors with a range of lived experiences are involved in the development of CoC-wide policies and programs through our close partnership with the Women's Resource Center (WRC), the VSP in our CoC. WRC's staff includes board members with lived experience with domestic violence who are involved in the development of WRC's policies and programs. Additionally, WRC has a group of survivors who have exited its housing program that meets semi-annually with staff to provide input on program design and policies. WRC's Executive Director serves on the CoC board and brings the policy and program feedback provided by WRC's board members with lived experience and the feedback provided by WRC's past participants to the CoC board to shape CoC-wide policies and programming. WRC further shapes CoC-wide policy and programs by leading annual trainings for all CoC and partnering non-CoC agencies on the needs of survivors of domestic violence and best practices in serving survivors.

The CoC accounts for the unique and complex needs of survivors by providing a wide array of services, including: 24-hour crisis response hotline, safe housing programs (emergency, transitional housing, rapid re-housing, relocation services), crisis counseling, and advocacy, DV prevention education, survivor support groups, legal advocacy and accompaniment, civil legal assistance (through the Barbara J. Hart Justice Center), and economic advocacy. The CoC further accounts for the diversity of survivors by providing training on best practices in serving survivors to all CoC agencies, better equipping all agencies to serve survivors.

1C-6.	Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+—Anti-Discrimination Policy and Training.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

1.	Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
3.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	Yes

1C-6a.	Anti-Discrimination Policy—Updating Policies—Assisting Providers—Evaluating Compliance—Addressing Noncompliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ and other organizations to update its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary to ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families;
2.	how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy;
3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
4.	your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC regularly collaborates with several LGBTQ+ and other organizations to further CoC-wide and project-level anti-discrimination policies. The CoC has an MOU with the NEPA Pride Coalition, which assists in reviewing any new CoC policies. Further, CoC member organization Valley Youth House (VYH) is the CoC's lead on addressing youth homelessness, and prioritizes LGBTQ+ inclusion to create a safe space for all youth in our CoC. VYH staff includes a Vice President for DEI who can provide feedback as needed to the CoC on CoC-level anti-discrimination policies and strategies to improve the ways in which CoC services are welcoming to and supportive of LGBTQ+ individuals. VYH has staff on the CoC Board, providing further input into CoC-wide policies (including anti-discrimination policies), and VYH leads the CoC's annual training on LGBTQ+ inclusion. The CoC updates its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy as needed, including based on stakeholder feedback, changes to local, state, or federal law, and changes/updates to best practices in providing services to all individuals without discrimination. 2) The CoC reviews each member organization's anti-discrimination policies to ensure they are consistent with CoC policies, and recommends changes as needed. This includes ensuring that programs do not discriminate based on race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry or place of birth, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, marital status or age, and that they grant equal access to programs or facilities consistent with gender identity, and provide families with equal access. The CoC also provides member organizations with annual trainings on anti-discrimination policies. 3) The CoC has an Equity Advocate and a DEI committee that is responsible for addressing concerns around DEI, and supports the CoC in evaluating compliance with anti-discrimination policies. Annual compliance reviews of CoC-funded agencies includes a review of compliance with anti-discrimination policies. 4) Any identified issues of non-compliance will be brought to the Equity Advocate and DEI committee, who will review the issue and work with the organization to develop a corrective action plan to eliminate the issue of non-compliance. Continuous issues of non-compliance, or refusal to work to resolve issues, will be considerations in future CoC competitions, and could lead to reduction or loss of CoC funding.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area--New Admissions--General/Limited Preference--Moving On Strategy.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.g.		
<p>You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.</p> <p>Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the current CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with--if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:</p>		

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2022 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
Housing Authority of the County of Lackawanna	2%	Yes-HCV	Yes

Scranton Housing Authority	5%	Yes-Both	Yes
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1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The two largest PHAs within the CoC's geographic areas – Housing Authority of the County of Lackawanna and the Scranton Housing Authority – have adopted a homeless admission preference. The third PHA within our jurisdiction – Carbondale Housing Authority – has not adopted a homeless preference. In order to encourage them to adopt such a policy, the CoC invites the Housing Authority to CoC Public and General meetings. In addition, CoC member agencies have attended quarterly meetings with the Housing Authorities to discuss homeless issues, problem-solve around specific cases in order to prevent eviction, and present information about those experiencing homelessness throughout the county. We have used these meetings to explore options for better collaboration. Specific action steps taken are attending quarterly meetings with Housing Authority representatives, asking the remaining HA to adopt a homeless preference, presenting data on local homelessness, and building and maintaining a working relationship by assisting with application processes, eviction prevention, etc. Further collaboration is supported by having a CoC Board Member who is also a board member for Scranton Housing Authority, who assists in facilitating ongoing communication between the two entities. The CoC and County HHS office has also convened a monthly multi-disciplinary team/Housing Authority meeting to provide additional eviction prevention support as well as serve to support Move-On programs. To further encourage coordination between the Scranton Housing Authority and the CoC, CoC partner organizations participating in the Lackawanna Housing Coalition have established a subcommittee focused on PHA advocacy. This subcommittee has the support of the Mayor's office in facilitating discussion with Scranton Housing Authority regarding tangible steps that can be taken to increase housing opportunities for those facing homelessness or currently experiencing homelessness. 2) Not applicable.

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:

1.	Multifamily assisted housing owners	Yes
2.	PHA	Yes
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	Yes
4.	Local low-income housing programs	Yes
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
5.		

1C-7c.	Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process:

1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	No
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	No
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	No
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	No
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	No
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No
7.	Public Housing	No
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	

1C-7d.	Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

1.	Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)?	Yes
		Program Funding Source
2.	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	Stability Vouchers

1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV).	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

	Did your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	No
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1C-7e.1.	List of PHAs with Active MOUs to Administer the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Does your CoC have an active Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any PHA to administer the EHV Program?	No
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	If you select yes to question 1C-7e.1., you must use the list feature below to enter the name of every PHA your CoC has an active MOU with to administer the Emergency Housing Voucher Program.	
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PHA
This list contains no items

1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Discharge Planning Coordination.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.h.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the systems of care listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.

1. Foster Care	Yes
2. Health Care	Yes
3. Mental Health Care	Yes
4. Correctional Facilities	Yes

1D-2.	Housing First—Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2023 CoC Program Competition.	19
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2023 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	19
3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

You must upload the Housing First Evaluation attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC evaluates every project—where the applicant checks Housing First on their project application—to determine if they are using a Housing First approach;
2.	the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation; and
3.	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Staff from UNC meets regularly with housing providers funded through the CoC to review the Coordinated Entry and Chronic Homeless rankings to ensure that those who are entered are accepted based on eligibility and ranking. Further, UNC staff review the program rules/eligibility requirements for all funded housing providers to ensure that they adhere to a Housing First approach, and do not place undue requirements on accessing housing (such as requirements for sobriety, income, accessing supportive services). All CoC agencies are required to complete a Housing First Assessment by October 30th, 2023 for FY23-24. Further training on Housing First will be offered if necessary. 2) The factors and performance indicators used during the CoC evaluation of member organization's compliance with a Housing First approach include ensuring that each provider accepts participants regardless of their income, current or past substance abuse, history of victimization (domestic violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse), and criminal record. This includes reviewing intake forms and program policies, as well as reviewing any participant grievances related to denial of services. 3) To ensure CoC funded housing providers remain aligned with a Housing First approach, UNC staff review participant intake data to ensure that agencies are accepting eligible participants without restrictions related to income, sobriety, criminal history, history of victimization, or willingness to access supportive services and discuss the importance of a Housing First approach during CoC meetings. Further, UNC reviews program rules/eligibility requirements for funded programs annually to ensure ongoing compliance.

1D-3.	Street Outreach—Scope.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.j.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	your CoC's street outreach efforts, including the methods it uses to ensure all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness are identified and engaged;
2.	whether your CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC's geographic area;
3.	how often your CoC conducts street outreach; and
4.	how your CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) CoC outreach identifies and engages households living in environments unfit for human habitation at least weekly, scouting known and rumored locations where people experiencing homelessness converge throughout the county via word of mouth with the area's homeless and fluid communication and collaboration among housing, homeless and other providers, including local and state police. The CoC developed an Unsheltered Plan in July 2023 that specifically identifies common locations where individuals who are unsheltered can be located. 2) CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC's geographic area by making at least weekly rounds to homeless camps and other known locations where the homeless sleep throughout the county, as well as following up on calls from local citizens and other providers/community organizations outlined above. 3) The CoC conducts street outreach at least weekly as described above and on an as-needed basis depending on reports from aforementioned organizations and community members, including homeless and formerly homeless individuals. 4) The CoC tailors its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance by ensuring homeless information and services are available via local hotline and internet; and ensuring outreach workers have access to a 24-7 phone translation service for non-English speakers. Additional outreach is provided by SSVF and VA providers specific to Veterans. Providers collaborate to meet clients where they are. As such, if any of the following barriers exist: transportation, language, mobility, technical access, or any disability, outreach teams utilize resources mentioned above as well as going to the client, accessing cell phones for clients, working with behavioral health or independent living providers, including the Blind Association, to tailor outreach to the individual. Outreach workers are trained in Motivational Interviewing and trauma-informed care to increase their ability to engage with those who are homeless (including individuals who have experienced trauma, and in many cases, multiple traumas), build rapport, and encourage those who have previously refused services or who are least likely to request assistance to access housing and services.

1D-4.	Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.k.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate strategies your CoC implemented to ensure homelessness is not criminalized and to reverse existing criminalization policies in your CoC's geographic area:

	Your CoC's Strategies	Ensure Homelessness is not Criminalized	Reverse Existing Criminalization Policies
1.	Engaged/educated local policymakers	Yes	Yes
2.	Engaged/educated law enforcement	Yes	Yes
3.	Engaged/educated local business leaders	Yes	Yes
4.	Implemented community wide plans	No	No
5.	Other:(limit 500 characters)		

1D-5.	Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) or Longitudinal Data from HMIS.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

		HIC Longitudinal HMIS Data	2022	2023
	Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC or the number of households served per longitudinal HMIS data, e.g., APR.	HIC	130	141

1D-6.	Mainstream Benefits–CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

	Mainstream Benefits	CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	SSDI–Social Security Disability Insurance	Yes
4.	TANF–Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
5.	Substance Use Disorder Programs	Yes
6.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
7.	Other (limit 150 characters)	

1D-6a.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

1.	systemically provides up-to-date information on mainstream resources available for program participants (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, SSDI, TANF, substance abuse programs) within your CoC's geographic area;
2.	works with project staff to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including substance abuse treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services; and
3.	works with projects to promote SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC works with mainstream programs that assist persons experiencing homelessness to apply for and receive benefits in the following ways: ensures all agencies have staff who have completed SOAR training (including by providing training to agency staff); funded programs incorporate routine connection of participants with mainstream benefits, childcare and early childhood educational resources including assistance in completion of any forms, collection of necessary documents, transportation and follow-up; and use of committees to present and share current information on mainstream resources. The CoC keeps program staff up to date regarding mainstream resources by providing a bi-annual training given by local providers with information on how to access resources and convening information sharing opportunities on topics stated above as well as sharing additional provider education opportunities such as conferences, webinars and trainings on best practices via e-mail, and meeting announcements. 2) The CoC has healthcare navigators to assist individuals in enrolling in appropriate health insurance. CoC Lead UNC has a community health department that includes an RN and LPN on staff to assist in connecting individuals to appropriate healthcare/providing needed healthcare. Additionally, the CoC has a healthcare subcommittee that focuses on healthcare-related issues, including issues related to health insurance. CoC healthcare navigators assist clients in identifying healthcare providers (including providers of SUD and mental health treatment) that accept Medicaid and assist clients in understanding their benefits. CoC member agencies work with local healthcare providers, including but not limited to Scranton Primary Care (healthcare), Scranton Counseling Center (mental health), and private inpatient and outpatient SUD providers. Further, the CoC board includes the Executive Director of a local Federally Qualified Health Center, providing valuable information on access to healthcare and effective utilization of Medicaid and other benefits. 3) The CoC lead agency has a staff trained to provide support to CoC member agencies and their participants with issues related to securing benefits, and many of the CoC member agencies have SOAR-certified staff who are equipped to provide these supports to participants. The CoC connects member organization staff to SOAR certification training as needed to support each agency in having SOAR-certified staff.

1D-7.	Increasing Capacity for Non-Congregate Sheltering.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC is increasing its capacity to provide non-congregate sheltering.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has worked to increase its capacity to provide non-congregate sheltering through the use of hotel/motel rooms as interim housing, as well as through increasing the number of rapid re-housing slots available within the CoC. CoC member agencies work closely with the county's Office of Family and Youth Services (OYFS) to offer emergency motel vouchers. OYFS vouchers are provided to families when emergency shelters are full in the area. OYFS vouchers are available to families after completing a coordinated assessment and being referred to OYFS by a partnering agency. Additionally, the CoC prioritized RRH programs for funding through the 2021 and 2022 NOFO processes and is prioritizing PSH for funding through the current 2023 NOFO process, with all new projects submitted in 2021 and 2022, including an RRH component, and the new project being submitted in 2023 being a PSH project.

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ID-8.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies—Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to:	
1.	develop CoC-wide policies and procedures to respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and	
2.	prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 and 2) As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the CoC developed improved policies and procedures to respond to infectious disease outbreaks, including policies and procedures for effective social distancing (including increased space between beds and reduced capacity in communal shelter settings), sanitation, screening/health testing processes, and strategies to effectively serve those sick with an infectious disease during an outbreak (such as through quarantine in individual motel/hotel rooms).

The CoC lead now works closely with local officials, including City and County public health officials, to regularly discuss infectious diseases and other health concerns. The CoC lead will maintain these relationships, ensuring that we are informed of current public health needs and disseminating information to CoC member agencies to ensure agencies provide safe, appropriate care for those who are homeless. The City of Scranton recently hired a Public Health Coordinator for the express purpose of improving readiness for future public health emergencies in Scranton, and the CoC lead is in close communication with the Public Health Coordinator to discuss responses to future public health emergencies.

2) The CoC will work with public health authorities to prevent infectious disease outbreaks amongst people who are homeless by ensuring the CoC is aware of any potential outbreaks (including local outbreaks), and implementing preventative measures when the threat of an outbreak exists. These measures may include dissemination of PPE to those who are homeless and/or staff working with those who are homeless, linkages and transportation to testing for those at risk of an infectious disease, dissemination of information about infectious diseases to those who are homeless, implementation of screening procedures at congregate living facilities, and other measures as recommended by local public health officials. Further, the CoC supports access to vaccinations to prevent the spread of infectious diseases through partnerships with local health providers. Scranton Primary Health Care Center administers flu shots, and COVID-19 vaccines at various locations serving those who are homeless, including the St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen the Wright Center for Community Health works with CoC agency Community Intervention Center (CIC) to offer vaccines to their participants, and the City of Scranton hosts a health fair at CIC that provides vaccinations for those who are hom

ID-8a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	shared information related to public health measures and homelessness, and
2.	facilitated communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 and 2) The primary infectious disease concern over the past year remained COVID-19, and the CoC lead continued to communicate information about COVID-19 to homeless service providers through email blasts and individual outreach to member organizations to inform them of the availability of vaccines, including providing dates/times of clinics. The CoC lead will continue to communicate information related to public health and infectious disease via email, meetings, and individual calls, included details on safety measures recommended/required by public health authorities, as well as details on changes to local restrictions, and details on vaccine accessibility (such as eligible populations, boosters, vaccine locations, etc.). Further, the CoC lead has strategically partnered with several entities that are not members of the CoC to support vaccine implementation amongst underserved populations. This includes a partnership with Scranton Primary Health Center to provide flu shots and COVID vaccines at the St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen, and a partnership with The Wright Center for Community Health to provide vaccines at CIC. Ongoing communications include ensuring information is shared between public health agencies and service providers, including those providing street outreach and housing for those who are homeless, to communicate information regarding new or evolving infectious disease outbreaks that may impact those who are homeless and strategies to mitigate disease spread, as well as to facilitate mechanisms to communicate any signs of an infectious disease outbreak amongst those who are homeless to the public health agency to ensure outbreaks are identified early, and providers are able to limit disease spread.

1D-9.	Centralized or Coordinated Entry System–Assessment Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:
1.	covers 100 percent of your CoC's geographic area;
2.	uses a standardized assessment process; and
3.	is updated regularly using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC's Coordinated Entry/Assessment System covers the entire CoC geographic area via community homeless outreach efforts from all service providers, and, especially, CIC and CSS as their office locations in various parts of the county facilitate the ability to go to where people experiencing homelessness have been observed and/or reported. Outreach is regularly conducted in known and rumored homeless locations, libraries, and all school districts within the county. Agencies also provide transportation as necessary and, when agreeable to persons experiencing homelessness, to office locations where the assessment can be completed and data entered in HMIS. 2) This CoC uses the VI-SPDAT as part of the Coordinated Entry/Assessment system. This, in combination with the length of time homeless data and case conferencing to present any information not captured by the VI-SPDAT, prioritizes people most in need of assistance, ensuring assistance that is as timely as possible given the resources available. 3) The CoC is in the process of exploring potential changes to the Coordinated Entry system to make it more equitable. Specifically, the CoC is exploring alternative intake/assessment tools instead of the VI-SPDAT, as a growing body of evidence shows that the VI-SPDAT can lead to disparities in serving BIPOC and LGBTQ+ populations. The CoC is researching tools that are more equitable and trauma-informed and will select/implement a new tool if/when an appropriate tool is identified and approved by the CoC board.

1D-9a.	Program Participant-Centered Approach to Centralized or Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;	
2.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance;	
3.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their preferences; and	
4.	takes steps to reduce burdens on people using coordinated entry.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) A brochure has been developed that is distributed among ESG, CoC, CDBG and legal service providers, early childhood programs, schools, the City of Scranton, behavioral health and physical healthcare providers, and food distribution centers to inform all community members about the Coordinated Entry/Assessment system and how to access it. Live presentations have accompanied brochures for many of the aforementioned providers. Depending on the service provider, translation services are available on-site, or via phone for those needing that assistance. For others needing special assistance, the system utilizes the victim service providers (CoC member and service provider), the Center for Independent Living, and local behavioral healthcare providers to assist those with different risks, abilities, and skill levels. 2 and 3) This CoC uses the VI-SPDAT as part of the Coordinated Entry/Assessment system. This, in combination with the length of time homeless data and case conferencing to present any information not captured by the VI-SPDAT, prioritizes people most in need of assistance, ensuring assistance that is as timely as possible given the resources available. 4) The CoC has a no wrong door approach that reduces the burden on participants by allowing them to receive a Coordinated Entry assessment at any CoC agency and has also implemented a process by which participants can complete their Coordinated Entry intake/assessment over the phone. Both of these options are designed to reduce the burden on individuals seeking assistance and to make it easier for individuals to access services.

1D-9b.	Informing Program Participant about Rights and Remedies through Centralized or Coordinated Entry—Reporting Violations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC through its centralized or coordinated entry:	
1.	affirmatively markets housing and services provided within the CoC's geographic area and ensures it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness;	
2.	informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and	
3.	reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants to the jurisdiction(s) responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Each Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project within the CoC has an Affirmative Housing Plan that outlines the strategies the housing provider uses to affirmatively market housing to those least likely to access services. These strategies include targeted outreach in publications and to organizations serving specific demographic groups that have been identified as underserved. Similarly, the CoC affirmatively markets housing and services to ensure the services reach all persons experiencing homelessness through street outreach, a “no wrong door” approach that allows those experiencing homelessness to complete Coordinated Entry and access housing and services at any CoC member agency, and partnerships with population-specific providers (VSP, VA, HUD-VASH, Valley Youth House) to outreach to/engage those populations. 2) As part of the intake/enrollment process, each CoC member agency provides participants with a copy of their grievance policies/procedures, which include how the individual can file a complaint and the procedures to respond to complaints. These grievance procedures include linkages to civil rights entities where needed. Each permanent housing project further includes information about fair housing laws in their leases, and these laws are explained to tenants. The CoC has a DEI Equity Advocate that participants can contact if they have concerns about their treatment. The Equity Advocate can further explain the participant’s rights/remedies available to them and support participants in advocating for fair, equitable, and respectful treatment. The CoC works with several legal services providers (North Penn Legal Services, Lackawanna Pro Bono, Community Justice Project) to support participants as needed. 3) The CoC lead maintains a strong relationship with the City of Scranton and Lackawanna County to discuss service needs and program implementation. The CoC reports data about CoC activities to the City and County and reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choices for current or prospective participants to the City/County as appropriate.

1D-10.	Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness—Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	Yes
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	08/30/2023

1D-10a.	Process for Analyzing Racial Disparities—Identified Racial Disparities in Provision or Outcomes of Homeless Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	your CoC’s process for analyzing whether any racial disparities are present in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and
2.	what racial disparities your CoC identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 and 2)The CoC participated in HUD's 2023 Data & Equity Workshop, which inspired the CoC to draft a plan to address unsheltered homelessness for Lackawanna County. The plan was informed through HMIS and Census data analysis and meetings with an Unsheltered Plan Taskforce Committee. Data analysis revealed overrepresentation in BIPOC communities receiving CoC services. For example, Lackawanna County's population is 5.1% Black/African American, and the City of Scranton's population is 8.5% Black/African American. The 2023 Point in Time (PIT) Count demonstrated that 14% of the county's homeless population identifies as Black/African American. A similar overrepresentation is found among Latin(x)/Hispanic populations in Lackawanna County and Scranton. These quantitative insights were affirmed by the Unsheltered Plan Taskforce Committee members' individual experiences serving those who are homeless. The CoC also assessed for racial equity with the HUD CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool. The tool similarly demonstrated over-representation among black and Latin (x) individuals who were homeless.

In 2022, the CoC established a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) committee. Moving forward, this committee will be assessing participant demographic and outcome data disaggregated by race to identify any racial disparities in participants served or outcomes achieved and strategizing plans to address any disparities identified. The DEI committee will complete this racial disparities assessment quarterly. The DEI committee will use, among other tools, Stella P data to view how households move through our homeless system, and examine any disparities in how the system serves different racial and ethnic groups highlighted through the tool. For instance, this tool will be used to examine differences between racial and ethnic groups in how long households experience homelessness, what percentage exit to permanent destinations, and what percentage return to homelessness.

1D-10b.	Implemented Strategies that Address Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to address any racial disparities.

1.	The CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies are representative of the population served in the CoC.	Yes
2.	The CoC has identified steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC.	Yes
3.	The CoC is expanding outreach in geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups.	Yes
4.	The CoC has communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups.	Yes
5.	The CoC is training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness.	Yes
6.	The CoC is establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector.	Yes
7.	The CoC has staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness.	Yes
8.	The CoC is educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity.	Yes

9.	The CoC reviewed coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
10.	The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system.	Yes
11.	The CoC is conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	
12.		

1D-10c.	Implemented Strategies that Address Known Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below the steps your CoC is taking to address the disparities identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

UNC and the CoC have actively engaged organizations that serve populations that are currently underrepresented within the CoC. This includes engaging with the Black Scranton Project to inform them about the services available through the CoC and funding available through the CoC and coordinating services for mutual participants. Additionally, the CoC has actively and intentionally increased conversations at CoC meetings around the importance of identifying and addressing disparities within the CoC to improve racial equity in the provision and outcomes of services. As part of these efforts, UNC created a community voice committee that strives to bring voices of all community members to ensure programs and services address diverse communities' needs.

The CoC has also formed a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (DEI) that will meet quarterly to review participant data related to the provision of services and participant outcomes disaggregated by race and strategize efforts to address any disparities identified.

Further, after participating in HUD's 2023 Data & Equity Workshop, the CoC drafted a plan to address unsheltered homelessness for Lackawanna County. The plan was informed through HMIS and census data analysis and developed through a series of meetings of an Unsheltered Plan Taskforce Committee. Data analysis revealed overrepresentation amongst BIPOC communities who were homeless. Specifically, while those who are Black/African American make up 8.5% of those living in Scranton and 5.1% of the population Countywide, they represented 14% of those who were homeless. A similar overrepresentation was found amongst Latin(x)/Hispanic populations. The unsheltered plan was designed to specifically identify and address the needs of those who are unsheltered in Lackawanna County, including addressing the needs of overrepresented populations. The plan includes an extensive list of social services, emergency shelters, housing programs, and homeless prevention programs offered in the county, including CoC and non-CoC-funded programs. This list will help all service providers in Lackawanna County stay informed on how to best serve our clients and address the disparities felt in our communities.

1D-10d.	Tracked Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	the measures your CoC has in place to track progress on preventing or eliminating disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and	
2.	the tools your CoC uses.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

In 2022, the CoC established a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) committee. Moving forward, this committee will be assessing participant demographic and outcome data disaggregated by race to identify any racial disparities in participants served or outcomes achieved and strategizing plans to address any disparities identified. The DEI committee will complete this racial disparities assessment quarterly. These quarterly assessments will support tracking of progress on preventing or eliminating disparities in the provision and outcomes of homeless assistance, as well as identifying any new disparities that need to be addressed.

The DEI committee will use, among other tools, Stella P data to view how households move through our homeless system, and examine any disparities in how the system serves different racial and ethnic groups highlighted through the tool. For instance, this tool will be used to examine differences between racial and ethnic groups in how long households experience homelessness, what percentage exit to permanent destinations, and what percentage return to homelessness.

In the 2023-24 calendar year, the CoC will provide monthly HMIS reports to CoC agency leads. Monthly reports will include length of homelessness, returns to homelessness, income growth at program exit, exits to permanent housing, and stability for people in category 3 homelessness. Categories will be broken down by race and ethnicity. Comparative data from the prior month and prior year will also be provided. These reports will help CoC providers understand month-by-month metrics and how their agency is working towards eliminating homelessness in Lackawanna County.

1D-11.	Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking—CoC's Outreach Efforts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	
	Describe in the field below your CoC's outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decision making processes.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC conducts targeted outreach to identify individuals with lived experience of homelessness who can serve in leadership roles (such as serving on the CoC Board) and decision-making processes (such as attending CoC meetings and participating in subgroups and committees) through the engagement of our member agencies. These agencies have relationships with the individuals they serve and their program graduates, inform these individuals about opportunities to be engaged with the CoC, and recommend individuals with lived experience of homelessness to serve in leadership roles and decision-making processes. The CoC currently has one individual with lived experience with homelessness serving on the CoC board and is actively seeking additional individuals with lived experience to expand input from those served by the CoC.

1D-11a.	Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

You must upload the Letter Signed by Working Group attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the four categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1.	Included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	2	2
2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	2	3
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	1	2
4.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	0	0

1D-11b.	Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

To provide professional development and employment opportunities for individuals with lived experience of homelessness, CoC member organizations connect those they serve with opportunities through local resources. This includes linkages with the local Workforce Development Agencies, as well as the local Career Link, which provides job preparation and placement services. Additionally, individuals are connected to volunteer and internship opportunities to help them develop skills that can later be leveraged to secure permanent employment. Additionally, CoC member organizations have a history of hiring those with lived experience (including former participants) to work within their programs. These individuals are able to serve as credible messengers when engaging with program participants, sharing their lived experiences and serving as an example of success to provide inspiration and encouragement to participants.

1D-11c.	Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC routinely gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;
2.	how your CoC routinely gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC or ESG Programs; and
3.	the steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC routinely gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness and people who have received assistance through CoC or ESG programs on their experience receiving assistance through client surveys (administered by CoC member organizations to those they serve), client feedback forms made available by member organizations, and grievance procedures that allow participants at each member organization to engage in a formal grievance process where needed.

To improve our member organizations' ability to collect quality feedback from participants in a well-defined, equitable, and systemic manner, in the past, the CoC provided member organizations the opportunity to receive training through Listen4Good. Listen4Good provides training on how to properly accept feedback and respond and close the loop in an effective manner to actively engage participants in providing program feedback and using that feedback for informed decision-making.

One of the challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness has been related to language. To address this, CoC member organizations have increased efforts to offer services to participants in the language with which they feel most comfortable through bilingual staff or translation services. This includes the use of LanguageLine, a phone-based service that provides translation in more than 240 languages available 24/7.

Another example of steps the CoC has taken to address challenges raised by those with lived experience is the development of the DEI committee. This committee was created as a result of challenges related to equitable service provision and outcomes and will work to improve equity in service provision and outcomes. One of the components of the DEI committee that is specifically designed to address the challenges raised by people with lived experience is the appointment of the Equity Advocate, whose contact information is available on the CoC website, so anyone who feels they have been mistreated based on race/gender identity/etc. can reach out to the Equity Advocate for assistance and support in rectifying those concerns.

1D-12.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.t.	
	Describe in the field below at least 2 steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months to engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:	
1.	reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and	
2.	reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

In the past 12 months, the CoC has engaged local governments that represent our geographic area regarding zoning, land use policies, and regulatory barriers to housing development in the following ways: 1) As a part of regional zoning reform, the CoC has met with city and county officials to discuss the need for more flexible zoning laws that would allow for the construction of affordable and supportive housing projects. These efforts helped lead to comprehensive zoning reform for several municipalities in Lackawanna County via the Scranton-Abington Planning Association (SAPA). 2) One of the main zoning barriers that the CoC is working to address is the minimum lot size requirement. Many zoning ordinances require that new housing developments be built on a minimum lot size of one acre. This requirement makes it difficult to build affordable housing, including supportive housing for homeless individuals. The CoC has advocated for zoning changes that would allow for the construction of affordable housing projects on smaller lot sizes. Another zoning barrier that the CoC is working to address is the parking requirement. Many zoning ordinances require that new housing developments provide a certain number of parking spaces per unit. This requirement can make it difficult to build supportive housing projects, as these projects often serve people with disabilities or other challenges that make it difficult for them to drive. The CoC is advocating for zoning changes that would allow for the construction of supportive housing projects with fewer parking spaces. The CoC's advocacy efforts have been successful in making some progress in reforming zoning and regulatory barriers for housing homeless individuals. However, there is still more work to be done. The CoC is committed to continuing its advocacy efforts until all homeless individuals have access to safe and affordable housing.

CoC member agency Catherine McAuley Center successfully advocated for the construction of new emergency shelter beds through a partnership with the Scranton Housing Authority and City of Scranton, who donated the property for the shelter program to CMC, and with Lackawanna County, which waived property taxes for the donated building, deeming the property met the HUP test. The donation and waiving of property taxes illustrate the use of existing land for housing development and a reduction of regulatory barriers to obtaining housing to use for shelter.

1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1E-1.	Web Posting of Your CoC's Local Competition Deadline–Advance Public Notice.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a. and 2.g.	
	You must upload the Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Enter your CoC's local competition submission deadline date for New Project applicants to submit their project applications to your CoC—meaning the date your CoC published the deadline.	08/10/2023
2.	Enter the date your CoC published the deadline for Renewal Project applicants to submit their project applications to your CoC's local competition—meaning the date your CoC published the deadline.	08/10/2023

1E-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., 2.d., and 2.e.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:	

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.	Yes

5.	Used data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	Yes
6.	Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.	Yes

1E-2a.	Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.	

You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:

1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	120
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	17
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-PSH

1E-2b.	Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.d.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing;
2.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing;
3.	how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and
4.	considerations your CoC gave to projects that provide housing and services to the hardest to serve populations that could result in lower performance levels but are projects your CoC needs in its geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC collected data regarding each project that has successfully housed participants in PH using the project's APR for the prior year. The CoC considers the severity of the needs and vulnerabilities of participants when determining project priority using rates of project entries with high barriers (chronic homelessness) as scoring criteria for renewal projects. The higher the rate of participants who are chronically homeless entering the program, the higher a project would score and rank. The CoC also considered data related to the number of households that exited to permanent housing. This data was analyzed to examine each project's successful capacity to place participants into housing. For new projects, the criteria for scoring included participation in Coordinated Entry, which considers and highly prioritizes those with greater severity of needs and longer length of time homeless, target population served, and the applicant's adherence to housing first and barrier responses on project applications. By allocating additional points in the renewal and new project scoring process to projects that serve high acuity populations, the CoC worked to ensure that projects that provide housing and services to difficult-to-serve populations that may, as a result, have lower performance levels but are needed to meet the needs of the CoC, remain eligible for funding. 2) The CoC allocated points for renewal projects based on the length of time from program entry to placement into permanent housing (using APR data from the most recently complete project year); 3) 3 and 4) The CoC analyzed the severity of needs of populations served alongside performance outcomes (such as increases in income and exits to permanent housing) when reviewing project application scores and project rank. Specifically, the CoC reviewed the severity of the needs of populations served after projects were initially ranked, looking to ensure that the lowest ranked projects were not serving particularly high acuity populations. In assessing this data, the CoC concluded that the lower scoring applications had both lower percentages of chronically homeless (high need) populations served and lower rates of placement into permanent housing, and thus concluded that severity of needs was not a factor in low performance that may have lowered the ranking of a project.

1E-3.	Advancing Racial Equity through Participation of Over-Represented Populations in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.e.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC used the input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, to determine the rating factors used to review project applications;	
2.	how your CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population in the review, selection, and ranking process; and	
3.	how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree to which their project has identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

Through development of the 2023 SLCoC Unsheltered Plan, the CoC identified that Black/African American and Latin(x)/Hispanic populations are both over-represented in the local homeless population. CoC board members and staff from member agencies (including individuals who are Black and Latin(x)) provided input on strategies to address this over-representation in the development of the Unsheltered Plan. This input, as well as input provided by the full CoC board and CoC membership (including BIPOC individuals), was used to develop/review/approve the local review and ranking process. The review and ranking process was reviewed at board meetings, providing board members with opportunities to provide input on the rating and ranking process. The CoC used the HUD-recommended scoring and ranking tool to incorporate rate/ranking criteria related to racial equity into the renewal project scoring criteria for the 2023 local competition and also included questions and scoring related to racial equity in our new project applications. Questions related to racial equity totaled 30 points (out of 120) on renewal projects and 40 points (out of 155) for new projects. To further increase our ability to obtain input and include persons of different races moving forward, in 2022, the CoC established a DEI committee that is dedicated to reviewing project data disaggregated for race to assess for disparities in services and outcomes, and to actively engaging with populations over-represented within the local homeless population to collect input on CoC processes and services. In 2023, the CoC continued to outreach to and engage with the Black Scranton Project to obtain input on CoC policies and service provision strategies (and ways the CoC can improve outreach to and engagement with underserved populations). The CoC will continue to work to strategically ensure that the panel reviewing/scoring/ranking renewal and new project applications reflects the diversity of our community broadly and the homeless population specifically. Lastly, the CoC will strategize with our board and organizations serving overrepresented populations to identify additional questions or scoring mechanisms that can be incorporated into the rank/review/scoring process to prioritize programs that serve participants that mirror the homeless population demographics, including considering how a project promotes racial equity where individuals and families of different races are over-represented.

1E-4.	Reallocation—Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	your CoC's reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed;	
2.	whether your CoC identified any low performing or less needed projects through the process described in element 1 of this question during your CoC's local competition this year;	
3.	whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and	
4.	why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC's written process for reallocation involves an assessment of current community needs and the capacity of currently funded programs to adequately meet those needs, as well as the capacity, performance, and financial stability of new and renewal applicants and programs. In determining community needs and capacity to meet those needs, the CoC considered data from the PIT and HIC, APRs, as well as CES data and the chronic homeless by-name-list. The CoC also took into account priorities identified by HUD and the CoC. To assess the capacity and performance of project applicants and programs, the CoC considered past performance data (from project APRs for renewal grants and data provided through the project application for new projects), including rates of placement into PH, PH retention, and returns to homelessness. The CoC also considered a project's level of participation in CES. 2 and 3) The CoC board approved the written reallocation process. For 2023, the CoC did not identify any projects that were considered to be low-performing or for which there was low need. As a result, the CoC board decided not to reallocate any funding for the 2023 application. 4) The CoC did not reallocate any projects in 2023, as no projects were identified as low-performing or less needed. All renewal projects were performing at acceptable levels, moving participants into permanent housing/helping them retain permanent housing, and meeting a significant need in the community.

1E-4a.	Reallocation Between FY 2018 and FY 2023.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2018 and FY 2023?	No
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1E-5.	Projects Rejected/Reduced—Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Did your CoC reject any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC reduce funding for any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
3.	Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
4.	If you selected Yes for element 1 or element 2 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2023, 06/27/2023, and 06/28/2023, then you must enter 06/28/2023.	09/12/2023

1E-5a.	Projects Accepted—Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2023, 06/27/2023, and 06/28/2023, then you must enter 06/28/2023.	09/08/2023
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1E-5b.	Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names; 2. Project Scores; 3. Project accepted or rejected status; 4. Project Rank—if accepted; 5. Requested Funding Amounts; and 6. Reallocated funds.	Yes
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1E-5c.	Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application 2 Days Before CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g. and 24 CFR 578.95.	
	You must upload the Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC posted the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC's website or partner's website—which included: 1. the CoC Application; and 2. Priority Listings for Reallocation forms and all New, Renewal, and Replacement Project Listings.	09/25/2023
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1E-5d.	Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application was posted on your CoC's website or partner's website.	09/25/2023
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	Eccovia Solutions
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2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Single CoC
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2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.a.	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2023 HIC data into HDX.	04/27/2023
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2A-4.	Comparable Database for DV Providers—CoC and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Collection and Data Submission by Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.b.	

In the field below:

1.	describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in HMIS comparable databases;
2.	state whether DV housing and service providers in your CoC are using a HUD-compliant comparable database—compliant with the FY 2022 HMIS Data Standards; and

3. state whether your CoC's HMIS is compliant with the FY 2022 HMIS Data Standards.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC requires that all agencies receiving CoC funding enter data into HMIS, or, in the case of DV housing and service providers, enter data into a comparable database that collects the same data elements required in the HUD-published 2022 HMIS Data Standards. 2) Women's Resource Center (WRC), the currently funded DV housing and services provider in the CoC, enters all participant data into a HUD-compliant HMIS-comparable database compliant with 2022 HMIS Data Standards that collects all required data elements and provides the CoC with de-identified aggregate reports including all required system performance measures data for each project in the comparable database. The CoC uses de-identified, disaggregated data to identify the special needs of survivors. Data collected in the comparable database is used, for example, to identify the demographic makeup of the population, previous living situations, sources and amounts of employment and non-employment income, and information on disabling conditions. The CoC uses these data points to inform service delivery and training needs. In addition, information from this system is used to evaluate the extent to which CoC-funded DV projects meet survivors' needs, i.e., increasing earned and other income, ensuring enrollment into non-cash benefits, and helping survivors maintain PH and exit to PH. All HUD required data is collected and entered by non-VSPs about DV survivors into HMIS. Victims sign a waiver to be entered into HMIS and are counseled about any potential risks to safety. An additional option is to have the victim's demographic information entered "anonymously," where PII is not linked with a person's name, etc. This data is analyzed in the same way the comparable database information is to ensure that households are able to access appropriate services and that those services are effective. 3) The CoC is compliant with the 2022 HMIS Data Standards.

2A-5. Bed Coverage Rate—Using HIC, HMIS Data—CoC Merger Bonus Points.

NOFO Section V.B.3.c. and V.B.7.

Enter 2023 HIC and HMIS data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Total Year-Round Beds in 2023 HIC	Total Year-Round Beds in HIC Operated by Victim Service Providers	Total Year-Round Beds in HMIS	HMIS Year-Round Bed Coverage Rate
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	150	8	142	100.00%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	11	0	11	100.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	61	12	49	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	141	18	120	97.56%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	238	0	173	72.69%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	0	0	0	

2A-5a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c.	
	For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:	
1.	steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and	
2.	how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The only PSH beds not in HMIS are HUD-VASH. The CoC works closely with the local HUD-VASH Coordinator, Alexis Kelly, to coordinate veteran services. The CoC hosts a monthly Veterans By-Name committee to discuss Veterans served through CoC programs. The local VA attends the monthly Veterans By-Name committee meetings and contacts homeless Veterans eligible for HUD-VASH. Alexis Kelly is also a CoC Board member and works closely with the CoC's Veteran-specific housing programs offered through Catholic Social Services.

2A-6.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.d.	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2023 HDX Competition Report to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by February 28, 2023, 8 p.m. EST?		Yes

2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

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2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2023 PIT count.	01/25/2023
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2B-2.	PIT Count Data—HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2023 PIT count data in HDX.	04/27/2023
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2B-3.	PIT Count—Effectively Counting Youth in Your CoC's Most Recent Unsheltered PIT Count.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations in your CoC's most recent PIT count planning process;
2.	worked with unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during your CoC's most recent PIT count planning process; and
3.	included youth experiencing homelessness as counters during your CoC's most recent unsheltered PIT count.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1, 2, and 3) Several community stakeholders serving youth experiencing homelessness were engaged in the youth PIT planning process, including youth after-school programs, post-foster care, and youth homeless service providers, the Office of Youth and Family Services, and Valley Youth House, a CoC member organization serving youth who are homeless. This group participated in several planning meetings and activities such as advertising, organizing, and leading youth focus groups, leading up to the PIT. Members of the CoC's Youth and Education Committee, including several youth service providers, reached out to youth as well as local schools to solicit input and participation. Homeless and other youth were engaged in planning efforts and implementation via focus groups, one-on-one discussions, and committee input on efforts such as methods of information gathering, the survey tool, and where and how to advertise. Youth input resulted in several changes in youth outreach strategies to improve the youth PIT count, including the use of posters with QR codes that led to an online survey to collect data from homeless youth. Committee members provided input on locations where youth experiencing homelessness are most likely to be identified. CoC-member organization Valley Youth House assisted in recruiting youth experiencing homelessness who served as counters during the unsheltered PIT count.

The Youth and Education Committee is constantly examining efforts to expand our efforts for the PIT as it relates to youth. The Committee has worked in collaboration with the NEPA Youth Shelter in efforts to expand the Coc's reach and will continue to review ways in which we can improve connections to better serve homeless youth. This includes working more closely with youth who have lived experience with homelessness to provide feedback on program design and to support future PIT counts. Additionally, aside from working closely with the NEPA youth shelter, the Youth and Education Sub Committee has regularly made arrangements with a local restaurant, directly across from the local high school, to offer space for the committee to engage with youth and interview those that meet criteria for the PIT.

2B-4.	PIT Count–Methodology Change–CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.a and V.B.7.c.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2022 and 2023, if applicable;	
	2. describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2022 and 2023, if applicable; and	
	3. describe how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results; or	
	4. state "Not Applicable" if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2023.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 and 2) In addition to the CoC's annual PIT count efforts and methodology, the CoC collected data via an online survey. The survey was advertised in the local community and in schools through posters with QR codes. The CoC also partnered with the Office of Pennsylvania's Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness (ECYEH), local school partners, and district homeless liaisons to facilitate the online survey. Partners met during the CoC's November and December Youth & Education Committee meetings to discuss the survey and PIT count. School counselors were encouraged to assist homeless youth complete the survey. Posters were also hung in case stations, convenience stores, and fast-food restaurants near Scranton High School. 3) The CoC saw an increase in homeless youth counted in the 2023 PIT, in part because the count was able to more accurately capture youth through our expanded outreach/count methods.

2C. System Performance

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2C-1.	Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless–Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;	
	2. describe your CoC's strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and	
	3. provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) To identify homeless risk factors for those experiencing homelessness for the first time, the CoC conducts fact-finding with providers and institutions having discharged to homelessness and looks at data from the LSA/AHAR reports. The CoC also works closely with mainstream and general assistance providers, as well as school districts, to determine trends in the population they are seeing leading to homelessness. 2) The CoC's efforts to reduce the number of first-time homeless include diversion efforts built into the Coordinated Entry (CE) system. CE is conducted for those who are literally homeless as well as those at imminent risk of homelessness, identifying any other resources (i.e., prevention, utility assistance, HAP case management, and rental assistance) or avenues of support a household might use, and assisting with referrals and connections to safely divert people from the homeless system. In addition, the CoC participates in the re-entry task force to advocate for improved home planning for justice-involved individuals. Two re-entry housing programs within our network resulted from this process, and they work to transition prisoners needing a higher degree of assistance upon exit to permanent housing. The CoC shares information about the CE system with staff working in mainstream social services programs, and with all faculty and staff in all school districts within the county, to ensure those who may encounter individuals, families, and/or youth who are homeless are aware of how to refer them to CE & link them with appropriate diversion services. The CoC also participates in the larger Housing Coalition, identifying & creating low-income housing solutions for the county. 3) United Neighborhood Centers, the CoC Lead Agency, oversees these strategies.

2C-1a.	Impact of Displaced Persons on Number of First Time Homeless.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b	

Was your CoC's Number of First Time Homeless [metric 5.2] affected by the number of persons seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance displaced due to:

1.	natural disasters?	No
2.	having recently arrived in your CoCs' geographic area?	No

2C-2.	Length of Time Homeless—CoC's Strategy to Reduce.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.c.	

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;
2.	describe how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The CoC's strategy to reduce LOT homeless includes increasing PH inventory using bonus projects and philanthropic funds, and ensuring programs are housing first/low barrier. The CoC is requesting funding for an additional 20 beds of PSH through the CoC Bonus project and an additional 4 units of PSH/RRH and 2 units of TH through a Joint TH-RRH DV Bonus project. The CoC participates in landlord forums held by the local housing coalition, which keeps an inventory list of landlords willing to take clients in supportive housing programs to have an inventory of apartments when needed. The CoC employs case management in family and individual shelters in order to connect households with needed services, collect documents, complete PHA applications, etc., so as to move as quickly into PH as possible. Outreach efforts are also consistently employed, especially with those persons resistant to housing interventions. In addition, The CoC used ESG funds to fund a Housing Navigator to assist households in locating permanent housing. Lastly, CE efforts contribute to reduction in LOT homeless. 2) The CoC uses an assessment in the Coordinated Entry (CE) system to determine those households with the longest LOT homeless, using this as a factor in prioritizing those people for housing. CE participants have staff follow-up until the household is permanently housed or cannot be reached after 90 days, ensuring timely assistance is given. 3) United Neighborhood Centers, the CoC Lead Agency, and CoC Board are responsible for overseeing this strategy.

2C-3.	Exits to Permanent Housing Destinations/Retention of Permanent Housing–CoC's Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.d.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;	
2.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The CoC's strategy to increase the rate at which individuals & persons in families in ES, SH, TH & RRH exit to PH includes connection with mainstream resources, job opportunities & training, life skills training, behavioral & physical health care as well as improved protocols to assess & refer all shelter guests to appropriate, right-fitted, resources via the CE. The shelters employ case management to achieve the above while also collecting information for documents and applying for PHAs & other housing opportunities for clients. The CoC participates in an initiative to recruit & retain local landlords. Low-income housing units are allocated using a homeless preference. This, in addition to the homeless preference of 2 local PHAs, is an additional strategy to increase exits to PH. 2) In terms of households in PH other than RRH, to retain &/or exit to PH, some of the same strategies as above are used, such as linkages to mainstream resources, behavioral & physical health care, & using CES to ensure referrals are made to the appropriate intervention for the level of client need. The CoC connects those no longer in need of intensive support services to sustainable housing options in the way of low-income and subsidized housing as needed. CoC staff has been meeting with local housing authorities to both increase homeless entries & establish a move-on program with support in place to facilitate the transition out of PSH. For all supportive housing program populations, the use of initial & regularly updated individual service programs, where client-centered services & best practices are utilized to move clients toward agreed-upon goals, continuously re-evaluating & re-tooling as circumstances change in order to both maintain & exit to PH destinations. Educational opportunities for staff, such as motivational interviewing, housing first, & local resources, contribute to this strategy as well. 3. United Neighborhood Centers, the CoC Lead Agency, and CoC Board are responsible for overseeing this strategy.

2C-4.	Returns to Homelessness—CoC's Strategy to Reduce Rate.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.e.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;	
2.	describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC identifies homeless individuals and families who return to homelessness during the CoC's monthly Chronic Homeless & Coordinated Entry meetings, where individuals who were in housing and have returned to homelessness are identified. All CoC agencies are represented at these meetings. A current Chronic Homeless list is shared at these meetings, and updates are given for each client. Case conferencing for homeless individuals or families is also offered. Providers also share available units and landlord contacts as needed.

2. The CoC's strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness includes increasing PH options such as Rapid Re-housing, which includes vital supports to create and maintain housing stability, increasing subsidized PH options in the way of homeless preferences with low-income housing providers and PHAs, providing up-to-date training to staff on current best practices such as housing first and motivational interviewing, as well as presentations on local resources such as employment and mainstream resources. Program evaluations also help identify trends in which individual program/agency models may need improvement, and the requirement for accountability in outcomes facilitates this. 3. United Neighborhood Centers, as the CoC Lead Agency, is responsible for overseeing these CoC strategies.

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access employment cash sources;
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income; and
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1). The CoC's strategy to increase access to employment income includes a partnership with the Lackawanna County WDB through an MOU with CareerLink (WIOA one-stop) to promote employment opportunities, co-enroll individuals in CareerLink services, and connect individuals to private employers. Additionally, clients are assisted in completing job applications, collecting work-ready documents, accessing transportation, and providing life skills and soft skills education. CoC-funded agencies take clients to job interviews and job fairs to identify and secure employment. For those on the chronic homeless and Veteran by-name lists, funded agencies conduct case conferencing calls that include discussions of employment opportunities for these clients. To support employment opportunities for youth, the CoC oversees a Youth and Education subcommittee, engaging local school district homeless liaisons, school counselors, and ECYEH. This strategy also involves developing and presenting learning opportunities for CoC staff, including web-based training, presentations by local providers at CoC meetings, and more in-depth workshops on Workforce Development opportunities. 2) The primary mainstream employment organizations with which the CoC works are CareerLink, the EARN program, EOC, and Pathstone. These organizations help clients with aptitude testing, counseling on employment options offering sustainable incomes, resume writing, interview training, and providing updated lists of job opportunities and career training. Projects have included training on criminal record expungement and mainstream resources, facilitating information-sharing opportunities, and sharing additional provider education opportunities such as conferences, webinars, and training on best practices via e-mail and meeting announcements. 3) UNC, as the CoC Lead Agency, is responsible for overseeing this strategy.

2C-5a.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC's strategy to access non-employment cash income; and	
	2. provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 and 2) The CoC's strategy to increase access to non-employment cash sources includes SOAR training for all PSH providers and funded programs linking participants with mainstream benefits. All funded programs incorporate routine connection of participants with mainstream benefits (including TANF, SSA, food stamps, medical assistance, and behavioral health programs), childcare, and early childhood educational resources, including assistance in completion of any forms, collection of necessary documents, transportation, and follow-up, and use of committees to present and share current information on mainstream resources. The CoC systematically keeps program staff up to date regarding mainstream resources by providing a bi-annual training given by local providers with information on how to access resources, how to access assistance when questions and/or problems arise, and sharing additional provider education opportunities such as conferences, webinars and trainings on best practices via e-mail, and meeting announcements. 3. United Neighborhood Centers, as the CoC Lead Agency, is responsible for overseeing this strategy.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
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3A-2.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
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3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.	

If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.

Project Name	Project Type	Rank Number	Leverage Type
2023 CMC PSH-PHA	PH-PSH	19	Both

3A-3. List of Projects.

1. What is the name of the new project? 2023 CMC PSH-PHA

2. Enter the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): KZWUM5CJX8L9

3. Select the new project type: PH-PSH

4. Enter the rank number of the project on your CoC's Priority Listing: 19

5. Select the type of leverage: Both

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

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3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	

Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No
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3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	

If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:

1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and
2.	HUD's implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.

(limit 2,500 characters)

N/A

3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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3C-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

	Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No
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3C-2.	Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:

1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.

(limit 2,500 characters)

N/A

4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants for New DV Bonus Funding

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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4A-1.	New DV Bonus Project Applications.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.	

	Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?	Yes
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4A-1a.	DV Bonus Project Types.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the type(s) of new DV Bonus project(s) your CoC included in its FY 2023 Priority Listing.

	Project Type	
1.	SSO Coordinated Entry	No
2.	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component	Yes

You must click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated Entry to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b.

4A-3.	Assessing Need for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects in Your CoC's Geographic Area.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(c)	

1.	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services:	1,792
2.	Enter the number of survivors your CoC is currently serving:	11
3.	Unmet Need:	1,781

4A-3a.	How Your CoC Calculated Local Need for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(c)	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services in question 4A-3 element 1 and element 2; and
2.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects); or
3.	if your CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors please explain in your response all barriers to meeting those needs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services based on the number of victims of domestic violence (including adults and children) who came to Women's Resource Center (the CoC's DV provider) for assistance during the most recently completed fiscal year. The CoC calculated the number of survivors currently being served by the CoC based on the number of individuals currently receiving services through the CoC's Joint TH-RRH program for survivors of DV. Data was pulled from the CoC's comparable database by Women's Resource Center. The CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors due to a lack of housing and supportive service resources. The demand for services is simply much greater than the resources available to meet that demand. It is for this reason that the CoC is requesting funding for additional Joint TH-RRH beds to expand our capacity to provide much-needed housing for survivors of domestic violence.

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicants and Their Experience in Housing Placement and Housing Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)	

Use the list feature icon to enter information on each unique project applicant applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus projects—only enter project applicant information once, regardless of how many DV Bonus projects that applicant is applying for.

Applicant Name
Women's Resource ...

Project Applicants Applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH DV Bonus Projects

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicants and Their Experience in Housing Placement and Housing Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)	

Enter information in the chart below on the project applicant applying for one or more New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects included on your CoC's FY 2023 Priority Listing for New Projects:

1.	Applicant Name	Women's Resource Center, Inc.
2.	Project Name	Empowering Survivors
3.	Project Rank on the Priority Listing	18
4.	Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)	PK3LN6KSJLM9
5.	Amount Requested	\$186,652
6.	Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors-Percentage	100%
7.	Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors-Percentage	93%

4A-3b.1.	Applicant Experience in Housing Placement and Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	

For the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention of DV survivors reported in question 4B-3b., describe in the field below:

1.	how the project applicant calculated both rates;
2.	whether the rates accounts for exits to safe housing destinations; and
3.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects).

(limit 1,500 characters)

1. WRC had 15 households exit their housing programs in the past year, 15 of whom were placed into PH. $15/15 = 100\%$. 93% (14/15) households placed into PH retained PH for 90 days or longer. This retention rate shows the effectiveness of WRC's housing stabilization services.
2. The rate accounts for exits to safe housing destinations.
3. The data source was an HMIS comparable database and the most recent APR.

4A-3c.	Applicant Experience in Providing Housing to DV Survivor for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project applicant:

1.	ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were quickly moved into safe affordable housing;
2.	prioritized survivors—you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC's emergency transfer plan, etc.;
3.	determined which supportive services survivors needed;
4.	connected survivors to supportive services; and
5.	moved clients from assisted housing to housing they could sustain—address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The WRC has been using a Housing First model since 2012, using an innovative emergency shelter in hotels (ESH) model. Through this model, WRC began providing rental assistance to survivors and moving them into safe, affordable permanent housing as quickly as possible. Safety planning will always come first for survivors, given the risk of separation violence. WRC went from an average 40-day length of stay in the shelter to moving survivors into safe, permanent housing after an average 14 day stay in ESH. WRC seeks to reduce barriers for participants in the Safe Housing Program by not requiring sobriety, mental stability, and/or mandatory supportive services for entry.

2) WRC followed the CoC's protocols prioritizing safety and incorporating trauma-informed, victim-centered services, including: adopting an emergency transfer plan (ET) that involved WRC working with other CoC providers to follow consistent procedures allowing for victims to exit programs for reasons of safety. Victims of DV, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking and/or human trafficking who identified a threat of imminent harm from further violence by remaining in their current residence were able to request an ET to a new unit.

3 and 4) WRC uses a case management process to determine which supportive services survivors need. This is based on assessments and conversations with survivors. WRC has established relationships with a variety of community organizations and institutions, including: The Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) (education, training/tutoring), OUTREACH (employment services, child/parenting, Head Start enrollment, prison release), mental health providers (private therapists, SCC), healthcare providers (Maternal and Family Health, Wright Center), among others.

5) WRC took individual circumstances and safety needs into account when conducting assessments and making referrals, taking care to uphold client choice within the available safe options for housing and services. The CE System allowed providers to connect HH to any safe housing options within the CoC, maximizing client choice for housing and services.

4A-3d.	Applicant Experience in Ensuring DV Survivor Safety for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety and confidentiality of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:

1.	taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during the intake and interview process to minimize potential coercion of survivors;
2.	making determinations and placements into safe housing;
3.	keeping information and locations confidential;
4.	training staff on safety and confidentiality policies and practices; and
5.	taking security measures for units (congregate or scattered site), that support survivors' physical safety and location confidentiality.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) WRC keeps all communication between advocates and survivors confidential unless there is an informed, time-limited, written release as mandated by law and policy. WRC adheres to VAWA policies on victim confidentiality. WRC's services are survivor-driven and trauma-informed. Advocates conduct intakes in private offices, ensuring survivors are able to have private conversations with WRC advocates. Sound machines are used outside office doors as an added measure of privacy. Additionally, WRC provides mobile advocacy services whereby survivors have the option for advocates to meet them at a location determined to be safe and convenient. WRC does not provide services to couples. CoC Coordinated Assessment agencies conduct separate intake interviews with each member of any couple that comes to them for assistance to minimize potential coercion of survivors and will refer any individuals identified as survivors of domestic or sexual violence to WRC for further assistance. 2) WRC works with each individual survivor to make determinations and placements into safe housing. Placements take into consideration neighborhood choice based on the survivor's safety risks and allied support systems. 3) WRC uses a scattered-site model for its TH-RRH units and ensures that the location of each survivor's unit is kept confidential. 4) All WRC advocates are required to complete 65 hours of training on sexual abuse, domestic violence, stalking, and dating violence upon hire. Safety assessment and planning with survivors is an established, ongoing activity performed by WRC advocates. 5) WRC ensures each unit occupied by survivors is safe and secure, including ensuring units have quality locking doors and windows, opting for units above the first floor where desired by survivors, and ensuring sufficient exterior lighting around the unit. As stated above, WRC keeps the addresses of survivor units confidential and keeps all participant information confidential (including the use of an alternative database, maintaining all files in locking cabinets in locked rooms, and staff training on confidentiality protocols).

4A-3d.1.	Applicant Experience in Evaluating Their Ability to Ensure DV Survivor Safety for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below how the project has evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served in the project, including any areas identified for improvement during the course of the proposed project.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

Given the understanding that survivors of domestic violence and sexual abuse are at increased risk for severe injury or death when planning to separate from an abusive partner; WRC's advocates conduct a detailed history of abuse, ongoing risk assessment, and safety planning with all survivors engaged in the leaving process. WRC also provides 24-hour access to crisis intervention and system advocacy services. While WRC engages in continuous quality improvement efforts, there are no specific identified areas for improvement related to survivor safety at this time.

4A-3e.	Applicant Experience in Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below examples of the project applicant's experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:	
	1. prioritizing placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants' wishes and stated needs;	
	2. establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;	
	3. providing program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;	
	4. emphasizing program participants' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;	
	5. centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;	
	6. providing a variety of opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and	
	7. offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.	

(limit 5,000 characters)

WRC has more than 47 years of experience serving survivors of domestic violence, sexual abuse, dating violence, and stalking in Lackawanna County. WRC established the WRC Economic Advocacy Project, with a Safe Housing Program (SHP) component, 12 years ago with the specific purpose of advancing the agency's economic justice work and developing a continuum of housing options for survivors fleeing abuse. WRC serves an average of 1,500 survivors (including children) each year; more than 1/3 of the requests WRC receives are for some type of housing assistance. All of WRC's programs operate using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches, and all direct-service staff receive training on trauma-informed care upon hire and at least annually thereafter. WRC operates with a trauma-informed, empowerment-based counseling model driven by survivor-centered goal development.

(1) Upon entry into WRC's SHP, survivors meet with an advocate to initialize an assessment for traumatic brain injury (TBI) sustained during the violent relationship. Appropriate medical and psychological options are offered and advocated for if need be. By initializing TBI assessments, advocates become informed of the degree of past trauma; address individualized needs; create appropriate goal plans, and develop trust in the counseling relationship. Advocates engaged in survivor-centered advocacy strive to meet individual needs, as defined and prioritized by them. It is defined through partnership-building by focusing on the survivor's unique set of skills, strengths, and abilities, with the goal being greater autonomy, justice, and safety. The primary focus of WRC's existing programs has been on assisting survivors to access safe, stable PH as rapidly as possible while considering their safety needs and housing preferences. Survivor's housing preferences may include community, unit size, unit floor, accessibility, etc. WRC currently has a short 14-day average stay in its emergency safe housing before moving participants into PH.

(2) WRC's guiding principles include treating all individuals with respect and dignity. WRC does not use punitive interventions. WRC seeks to minimize power differentials by maintaining a diverse staff, including individuals identifying as LGBTQ, bi-lingual/cultural, and non-white.

(3) WRC advocates receive ongoing training on trauma-informed interventions, as well as traumatic brain injury assessment and referral. WRC has established relationships with organizations that provide mental health services, SUD treatment, medical services, SOAR certified workers, ESL classes, and other related services. WRC purchases materials, books, and handouts to share with survivors and to use in counseling sessions that address the effects of trauma.

(4) WRC's approach is an empowerment-based counseling model driven by survivor-centered goal development. Survivor-driven goal planning focuses on the identification of participant's strengths. WRC uses a variety of tools to assist survivors in developing goal plans that have been created by a variety of experts in the field including NNEDV, OVW, and PCADV.

(5) WRC's commitment to diversity moves beyond mere tolerance, and embraces the diverse identities, perspectives, and experiences of survivors, staff, volunteers, board members, and other community partners. For example, WRC provides diversity, equity, and inclusion training for all staff. It is WRC's practice to assess for ways to "screen in" participants versus "screening out" due to mental illness, drug addiction, or other related issues. To ensure quality services to diverse and marginalized populations, all direct service staff receive training on cultural competency, including training on nondiscrimination, equal access, and inclusivity. WRC employs Spanish-speaking advocates, and all forms and handouts are translated into Spanish. Translation for additional languages is provided via telephone.

(6) WRC and project partners OUTREACH and St. Joseph's Center deliver

opportunities for connection through various support groups, such as parenting, job search, economic and housing, legal, and monthly educational dinners. Survivors will be connected to other group opportunities, including faith-based programs to meet spiritual needs as desired by the client.

(7) WRC connected participants with children to parenting and childcare services through OUTREACH (Head Start, parent-child programs, parenting education, child custody support), and WRC also maintains flexible funding to provide funds for childcare.

4A-3f.	Applicant Experience in Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of supportive services the project provided to domestic violence survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs.

(limit 5,000 characters)

WRC provides a broad array of supportive services to domestic violence survivors experiencing homelessness while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs, including:

Child Custody: OUTREACH provides child custody support. WRC attorneys provide representation on child custody.

Legal Services: WRC's civil legal project provides legal services for custody, support, housing, credit, divorce, Protection from Abuse, immigration, and other civil legal needs. Referral to local Legal Aid and Pro Bono attorneys are additional options. WRC's Legal Advocates provide accompaniment and advocacy on civil and criminal matters.

Criminal History: OUTREACH specializes in serving women who are incarcerated, and has staff experienced at working with women in learning how to present their criminal history to landlords and employers.

Bad Credit History: WRC Advocates work with survivors to address poor credit histories that are often a result of financial abuse. WRC works closely with partners to address financial issues, including Consumer Credit, UNC, and Educational Opportunity Center (EOC).

Education: EOC provides educational counseling, assistance with loan/grant applications; training/tutoring; and GED assistance.

Employment/Income: WRC works with OUTREACH, Dress for Success, EOC, and Career Link for job prep and placement. WRC has relationships with administrators of TANF, Medicaid, SLHDA, and EARN. WRC is a member of Women in Philanthropy that supports a Matched Savings Program and provides micro-loans to women starting small businesses.

Physical/Mental Healthcare: WRC makes referrals to the Scranton Counseling Center (mental health), and Maternal and Family Health and Wright Center (medical care). WRC also has relationships with local physicians that provide pro bono assistance.

Drug/Alcohol Treatment: WRC refers survivors to DATS, private institutions, and dual diagnosis programs in surrounding cities.

Childcare: OUTREACH provides parent-child groups, including Head Start. WRC has funding to pay for childcare at a reduced rate with a local provider. WRC provides children's activities during informational group meetings at WRC.

4A-3g.	Plan for Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Practices for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(e)	
	Describe in the field below examples of how the new project(s) will:	
1.	prioritize placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants' wishes and stated needs;	
2.	establish and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;	
3.	provide program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;	
4.	emphasize program participants' strengths—for example, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans work towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;	
5.	center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;	
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7.	offer support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.	

(limit 5,000 characters)

WRC will leverage their more than 47 years of experience serving survivors of domestic violence, sexual abuse, dating violence, and stalking in Lackawanna County to provide quality TH and RRH services for survivors through the proposed new project. Like all of WRC's current programs, the proposed program will operate using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches, and all direct-service staff will receive training on trauma-informed care upon hire and at least annually thereafter. WRC operates with a trauma-informed, empowerment-based counseling model driven by survivor-centered goal development. Specific trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches that WRC will take include:

(1) Advocates engaged in survivor-centered advocacy will strive to meet individual needs, as defined and prioritized by them. It is defined through partnership-building by focusing on the survivor's unique set of skills, strengths, and abilities, with the goal being greater autonomy, justice, and safety. The primary focus of the joint TH-RRH project will be on assisting survivors to access safe, stable PH as rapidly as possible while considering their safety needs and housing preferences. Survivor's housing preferences may include community, unit size, unit floor, accessibility, etc. WRC currently has a short 14-day average stay in its emergency safe housing before moving participants into PH.

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4A-3h.	Involving Survivors in Policy and Program Development, Operations, and Evaluation of New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(f)	
	Describe in the field below how the new project will involve survivors:	
1.	with a range of lived expertise; and	
2.	in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

WRC has a group of survivors who have exited its housing program that meets semi-annually with staff to provide input on what WRC might have done differently to improve their experience with the program and their success after leaving the program. This group of survivors helps to inform policy and program development, sharing their insight and suggestions for ways to improve services to better meet the needs of survivors.

WRC's Board of Directors includes individuals with lived experience with domestic violence, including an individual who lived in the WRC shelter. These board members help to guide the organization's growth and have a direct impact on policy and program development through their role on the board.

Additionally, WRC hires individuals with lived experience where appropriate. These staff with lived experience serve as credible messengers for participants and provide input into program design/recommendations for changes during staff meetings or conversations with their supervisors.

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

We have provided the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:

1.	You must include a Document Description for each attachment you upload; if you do not, the Submission Summary screen will display a red X indicating the submission is incomplete.		
2.	You must upload an attachment for each document listed where 'Required?' is 'Yes'.		
3.	We prefer that you use PDF files, though other file types are supported—please only use zip files if necessary. Converting electronic files to PDF, rather than printing documents and scanning them, often produces higher quality images. Many systems allow you to create PDF files as a Print option. If you are unfamiliar with this process, you should consult your IT Support or search for information on Google or YouTube.		
4.	Attachments must match the questions they are associated with.		
5.	Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process.		
6.	If you cannot read the attachment, it is likely we cannot read it either.		
	. We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).		
	. We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment.		
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8.	Only use the "Other" attachment option to meet an attachment requirement that is not otherwise listed in these detailed instructions.		
Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No	PHA Homeless Pref...	09/20/2023
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No		
1D-11a. Letter Signed by Working Group	Yes	Letter Signed by ...	09/21/2023
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation	Yes	UNC Housing First...	09/20/2023
1E-1. Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline	Yes	Web Posting of Lo...	09/20/2023
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	09/20/2023
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project	Yes	Scored Forms for ...	09/20/2023
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Notification of P...	09/20/2023
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes	Notification of P...	09/20/2023
1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Local Competition...	09/21/2023
1E-5c. Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		

1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		
2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes	HUD's Homeless Da...	09/21/2023
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No	Housing Leveragin...	09/20/2023
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No	Healthcare Formal...	09/20/2023
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
Other	No	PA-508 Other Atta...	09/14/2023

Attachment Details

Document Description: PHA Homeless Preference

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Document Description: UNC Housing First Evaluation

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Document Description: Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline

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Document Description: Local Competition Scoring Tool

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Document Description: Scored Forms for One Project

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Submission Summary

Ensure that the Project Priority List is complete prior to submitting.

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4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants	09/21/2023
4B. Attachments Screen	Please Complete
Submission Summary	No Input Required

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November 16, 2015

Michael J. Hanley
Chief Executive Officer
United Neighborhood Centers
425 Alder Street
Scranton, PA 18505

Dear Mike,

I am writing to confirm that Housing Authority of the County of Lackawanna has a general preference for individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the Public Housing.

Sincerely,



Jim Dartt
Executive Director
Housing Authority of the County of Lackawanna
2019 W. Pine Street
Dunmore, PA 18512



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2019 W. Pine Street, Dunmore, PA 18512

Name: _____

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Email _____

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PREFERENCE

I DO HAVE ONE OR MORE OF THE LISTED REASONS FOR PREFERENCE FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE.

Please check one or more of the following:

1. ☐ I am a victim of domestic violence.
2. ☐ I am a Veteran
3. ☐ Immediate family of an active military person
4. ☐ I am a victim of a Federally Declared Disaster
5. ☐ I have been displaced due to a fire, government condemnation, or flood, through no fault of my own
6. ☐ I am homeless
7. ☐ *****
The head, spouse, or sole member of my household is employed at least 24 hours per week, and has been employed for at least 6 months, **OR**
☐ The head, spouse, or sole member of my household is an active **full-time** participant in, or a recent (within the past one year) graduate of, educational and/or training programs designed to prepare individuals for the job market, **OR**
☐ The head, spouse, or sole member of my household is working part-time **AND** participating part-time in educational and training programs designed to prepare individuals for the job market, **OR**
☐ The head, spouse, or sole member of my household is 62 years of age or older, **OR**
☐ The head, spouse, or sole member of my household is receiving Social Security Disability benefits, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Disability benefits, or other payments based on inability to work.

8. ☐ **NONE OF THE ABOVE** numbers 1 through 7.

In all categories, priority for admission will be given to applicants who reside, work, or have been hired to work in Lackawanna County, excluding the City of Scranton and the City of Carbondale. Second Priority will be given to residents who reside, work, or have been hired to work in Scranton and/or Carbondale.

Please check one of the following ONLY if it applies to you:

The head, spouse, or sole member of my household has been hired for a job, **(but has not started work yet)** to work in:

- ☐ Lackawanna County, other than the Cities of Scranton or Carbondale
- ☐ the City of Scranton or the City of Carbondale

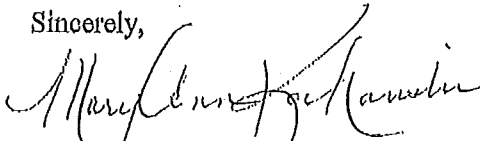
November 13, 2015

Shannon Quinn-Sheeran
Director of Program Analysis and Data Quality
United Neighborhood Centers
425 Alder Street
Scranton, PA 18505

Dear Shannon,

I am writing to confirm that Scranton Housing Authority has a general preference for individuals and families experiencing homelessness for both the Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Programs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary Ann Kochanski".

Mary Ann Kochanski
Administrative Assistant of Operations
Scranton Housing Authority
400 Adams Avenue
Scranton, PA 18510

Scranton Housing Authority
400 ADAMS AVENUE
SCRANTON, PA. 18510

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PREFERENCE

PUBLIC HOUSING

DATE: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

The Scranton Housing Authority will give priority in the selection of applicants from the public housing waiting list in the following order. Please check the preference that applies to your situation.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant who is involuntarily displaced from his/her home as a result of fire, disaster or government action. | 8 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Single or two parent household who resides in the City of Scranton where the head of household or spouse works or has been hired to work in the City of Scranton. Head of household or spouse must be employed a minimum of 30 hours per week. | 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Head of household or spouse or sole member who is 62 years of age or older, or who receives Social Security, SSI or any benefits resulting from an individual's inability to work will be counted as the equivalent to the second preference. | 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Head of household or spouse that has graduated from an education and/or training program that is designed to prepare individuals for the job market | 6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant who is a victim of domestic violence. | 5 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant who is homeless. | 4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant living in substandard housing. | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant paying more than 50% of income for rent. | 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No preference | 1 |

All applicants will be selected by date and time of application according to the criteria herein stated.

Applicant must verify preference based on current status at initial lease up.

DATE

SIGNATURE

Attached are the following documents:

- Letter signed by working group that includes multiple people with lived experience with homelessness
- Minutes from three most recent CoC Board meetings demonstrating the active participation of individuals with lived experience in the CoC's decision-making processes



Scranton/Lackawanna County Continuum of Care

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To whom this may concern,

This letter affirms that the Scranton/Lackawanna Continuum of Care's (SLCoC) Board of Directors is supported by *multiple* board members with lived experience of homelessness. These board members bring valued insight and expertise to the board's decisions. Collectively, these individuals have experienced homelessness within the last 7 years and have lived experience from an unsheltered situation.

This letter also affirms that the SLCoC demonstrates support of the priorities for serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness with severe service needs in the City of Scranton and overarching Lackawanna County. The SLCoC prioritizes Housing First, reducing unsheltered homelessness, improving system performance, partnering with housing, health, and service agencies, racial equity, improving assistance to LGBTQ+ individuals, engaging persons with lived experience, and increasing affordable housing supply.

Sincerely,

Joseph H. Hollander, SLCoC Board Chair

August 16, 2023

Date

Krista Murray, SLCoC Board Member

August 16, 2023

Date

Harry Lyons, SLCoC Board Member

August 17, 2023

Date

Scranton/Lackawanna County Continuum of Care
Board of Directors Ad Hoc Meeting Minutes
July 25, 2023

A virtual Ad Hoc meeting of the Board of the Scranton/Lackawanna County CoC took place on July 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. The following members participated: Joe Hollander, John Byrd,, Andy Hurchick, Lisa Durkin, Kim Cadugan, Eileen Wilson, Krista Murray, Channel Kearse, Alexis Kelly, Nichole Rios, Nathan Morgan, and Sr. Susan Hadzima.

Joe Hollander, Chair, opened the virtual meeting and explained the business part of the meeting would be conducted first followed by two additional topics that required a vote by the Board.

Nathan then provided the timeline for the NOFO competition. Three meetings for the Board have been scheduled:

Aug. 7 10 am Ad Hoc Board Meeting to approve project scoring criteria and priorities

Sept. 8 10 am Bi-Monthly Board Meeting to approve/reject/reduce project applications

Sept. 22 10 am Ad Hoc Board Meeting to approve the final application

Renewal project applications may be available in eSnaps by July 28, 2023, subject to change by HUD. Bonus and DV Bonus applications may be available on Aug. 11.

In addition, the Aug. 8 general CoC Meeting will be a two hour meeting (10-12:00) to accommodate three HUD required trainings-Domestic Violence, LGBTQ+ & Anti-Discrimination, and Benefits Advocacy. All front-line staff members are encouraged to attend.

Nathan had circulated the revised Unsheltered Plan to Board members prior to the meeting. The only missing part was a success story that will be added. Nathan asked if the plan could be approved and the story added afterwards. It was asked that the story be sent out to the Board for approval prior to inclusion. With a motion by Krista Murray, seconded by John Byrd, the Board approved the plan pending the inclusion of the approved success story,

Next agenda item was the approval of the Home4Good funding requests. Board members who had requested funds recused themselves from the discussion and the vote on the proposed plan. In reviewing the requests that had been received from eight organizations, it was explained that one organization did not qualify for the funding. PFHA cannot award funding to any organization that requires prayer or any religious

service for the beneficiaries to receive the money. With a motion by Andy Hurchick, seconded by John Byrd, the Board approved the elimination of that request.

With the ineligible request eliminated, the Board reviewed the other requests. Being comfortable with the current levels of ask, the next decision was how to allot the remaining amount of \$2050. The suggestion was made to allot the additional money to Friends of the Poor for water utility assistance. With a motion from Eileen Wilson, seconded by Nichole Rios, the decision was approved.

Nathan will inform the agencies whose requests were approved.

With a motion from Andy Hurchick, seconded by Eileen Wilson, the meeting was adjourned.

Scranton/Lackawanna County Continuum of Care
Board of Directors Ad Hoc Meeting Minutes
August 7, 2023

A virtual Ad Hoc meeting of the Board of the Scranton/Lackawanna County CoC took place on August 7, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. The following members participated: Joe Hollander, Peg Ruddy, Krista Murray, Andy Hurchick, Eileen Wilson, Lisa Durkin, Kim Cadugan, Channel Kearse, John Byrd, Harry Lyons, Ester Medina (Nichole Rios stand in), Marcie Walker (Nichole Rios stand in), and Nathan Morgan

Joe Hollander, Chair, opened the virtual meeting and formally introduced the CoC's newest board member, Channel Kearse. Channel offered a personal introduction and expressed enthusiasm for supporting the CoC's board.

Joe introduced the meeting agenda, stating that several topics of discussion are the CoC's response to HUD's FY23 CoC NOFO competition.

Joe shared that HUD Tier 1 funding in the FY23 NOFO will be equal to 93% of the CoC's total renewal projects. Nathan affirmed this, stating that only the top 93% of renewal applications will be guaranteed funding in this year's competition. Joe reiterated that HUD set this limitation is to make the NOFO competition more competitive, and HUD is encouraging CoCs to closely review their renewal projects.

Joe discussed the NOFO Ranking & Review tool, stating this tool was informed by HUD's decisions and priorities. Joe stated last year's ranking tool was 'all or nothing' with applications either receiving full points or no points per category. The FY23 tool has been improved with ranking brackets and the possibility of more points. Nathan affirmed, stating that this change will help ensure a fairer and more equitable project ranking. The FY23 Renewal Ranking Tool was shared with board members prior to the meeting.

Joe described the CoC's efforts to earn NOFO bonus points for the Housing Leveraging Agreement (HLA). HUD is awarding bonus points to CoCs if 25% of a project's units are reserved with a public housing authority. While obtaining a guaranteed 25% reservation is difficult, the CoC is working on a generic MOU with the Scranton Housing Authority to obtain a few points. Krista asked if all or only one project with 25% units reserved get

bonus points. Nathan confirmed that in the FY23 NOFO, one project qualifies for the points.

Joe stated that all new and renewal NOFO applications are due on August 25th and that Nathan is available for questions or assistance on applications. A PA-508 New Project Application and 2023 New Project Scoring Sheet were shared with board members prior to the meeting.

Joe stated that board and organization equity surveys will be sent to inform our NOFO application. HUD has required collecting equity data from CoC's via survey, and not collecting this data will negatively impact our score. Nathan affirmed the importance of these surveys, affirmed that questions will be asked in a sensitive and non-stigmatizing manner, and shared that data will be anonymously collected by the CoC's outsourced grant writer.

Joe asked if there were questions on this or any prior agenda point. No questions were asked.

Expanding on the CoC's Ranking & Review process, Joe shared that it is strongly recommended that we do not prioritize any one program type or subpopulation in our ranking. Our grant writer advised prioritizing any one population as HUD would view such prioritization as favoritism in a small CoC.

Joe shared that the CoC's 2023 Home4Good Block Grant was submitted before the July 31st deadline. Joe thanked all board members for applying and cooperating to meet the grant's \$100,000 limit. A spreadsheet of the submitted block grant was shared with all board members prior to the meeting.

Joe stated that the Women's Resource Center (WRC) has expressed interest in the FY23 DV Bonus. Channel Kearse asked for clarification on the DV Bonus, and Peg Ruddy clarified. Peg also said that WRC is actively working on their bonus project and is excited for the opportunity.

A discussion was had to celebrate Sr. Susan Hadzima, who has stepped down as CoC Board Secretary after many years of dutiful service. A luncheon was proposed after the final NOFO application is submitted by September 28th. Krista has kindly volunteered as Interim Secretary for three months while the CoC looks for a new secretary.

As for the NOFO CoC Bonus Project, Joe asked Nathan if any organizations expressed interest in the bonus application. Nathan shared that only the Catherine McAuley Center (CMC) expressed interest via email. Joe asked all the board members present if any other organizations were interested. Andy Hurchick at St. Joseph Center expressed interest in next year's CoC Bonus. Krista reiterated CMC's interest in the bonus project and proposed applying for a new PSH project that would partner with the Scranton Housing Authority. Given that only one CoC organization expressed interest, Joe affirmed that CMC would apply for the CoC Bonus.

No concluding questions, new business, or old business were discussed at the end of the meeting. The meeting ended at 9:30 a.m.

Postscript: Approval of the Renewal Ranking Tool

On August 8, 2023, the CoC Board was asked to approve the CoC's FY23 NOFO Renewal Scoring Tool via a written vote. This tool was shared with board members prior to the August 7 ad hoc meeting. The tool was approved by the board with a majority vote on of 9 in favor and 1 opposed.

Scranton/Lackawanna County Continuum of Care
Board Meeting - NOFO Application
Meeting Minutes (Virtual Meeting)
September 8, 2023

In attendance: Alexis Kelly (Veterans Affairs), Andy Hurchik (St. Joseph's Center), Channel Kearse (City of Scranton), Eileen Wilson (Lackawanna County), Harry Lyons (Catholic Social Services), Joe Hollander (Scranton Primary), Kim Cadugan (Community Intervention Center), Krista Murray (Catherine McAuley Center), Lisa Durkin (United Neighborhood Centers), Nathan Morgan, (CoC/UNC), Nichole Rios (Valley Youth House), Peg Ruddy (Women's Resource Center)

Announcements

- A board equity survey will go out to all board members as data collection for the NOFO. This is a HUD requirement. Responses will go directly to the grant writer and will be anonymous.
- The COC will utilize Microsoft Teams as a virtual meeting platform moving forward. Nathan sent out new calendar invitations with meeting information.
- The Unsheltered Plan was approved at the last board meeting pending an interview with a PSH client. This was completed and notes will be shared the the board for review following this meeting. Feedback on this should be submitted to Nathan by Wednesday, September 13.

NOFO Renewal Applications Ranking

Nathan shared the ranking of the renewal applications with the board prior to the meeting. The scoring tool used was approved at the last board meeting.

Tier 1 is guaranteed funding. (93% of renewal project funding)

Tier 2 (bottom 7% of renewal projects) is funded at HUD's discretion.

APR data was used to score projects. Scores were reviewed by both Nathan and the grant writer.

NOFO Bonus Project

Two organizations submitted applications for a bonus project- Catherine McAuley Center and Friends of the Poor. These applications were both for PSH Projects that worked with a local housing authority. The applications were scored by a ranking committee and the Catherine McAuley Center's project had a higher score. The COC bonus allocation doesn't allow for both projects to be funded so the Catherine McAuley Center project will be included in Tier 2.

Andy recommended sharing information about the scoring process in the event there are questions. Thanks were given to members of the ranking committee, including: John, Channel, Eileen.

All board members representing agencies funded or applying for funded recused themselves from the meeting.

A motion to accept the ranking of projects for this year's NOFO was made by Alexis, seconded by Channel. There were no objections and the ranking was unanimously approved.

The next SLCoC board meeting will be Friday, September 22 at 10AM.

Submitted respectfully,
Krista Murray



Housing First Standards Assessment Tool

Overview: This tool aims to assess and document how closely a housing and service provider adheres to the recommended best practice standards of the Housing First model, in the context of the broader work to implement a Housing First orientation at the system-level. This tool specifically evaluates project-level fidelity to Housing First, which directly impacts a system's fidelity to Housing First. In addition to the universal best practice standards identified in this tool, Continuums should also take into account their local community context and local written standards pertaining to Housing First when assessing projects. A Continuum of Care can use this tool to prompt discussion and to

Provider Info tab: The Provider Information tab should be completed *prior* to beginning the assessment. Specifically, the ***Project Name, Project Type, Target Sub-Population served, and Date of Assessment*** fields need to be completed in order to populate the assessment standards and report summary with questions that are specific to the project type and population. Please complete this section prior to printing any standards for assessment.

Standards: The standards have been arranged into the following categories: *Access, Evaluation, Services, Housing, Leases, and Project-Specific*. The "Tab" chart at the bottom of this page describes each of the categories in more detail. Some of the categories are not applicable for all project types, and those standards do not need to be completed,

Project Type	Applicable Standards
Coordinated Entry	Access & Evaluation; Project-specific
Street Outreach	Access & Evaluation; Project-specific
Emergency Shelter	Access & Evaluation; Service & Housing; Project-specific
Transitional Housing	Access & Evaluation; Service & Housing; Leases; Project-specific
Rapid Rehousing	Access & Evaluation; Service & Housing; Leases; Project-specific
Permanent Supportive Housing	Access & Evaluation; Service & Housing; Leases; Project-specific

Safeguarding: Please keep in mind safeguarding concerns when assessing projects. In particular, we advise Continuums of Care to work with projects with victims of domestic violence to make sure that adequate safety and confidentiality policies and practices are in place before beginning assessments.

Scoring: For each standard, there are three scoring criteria: "Say It", "Document It", and "Do It" (as explained further below). To show that a project is in full compliance with each standard, the assessor should mark "Always" for each scoring criteria. Use the drop down in the three columns to the right to select "Always" or "Somewhat" or "Not at

- "Say It" means that project and agency staff can describe verbally what they do concerning each standard. The assessor should be able to identify that the organizational culture supports the standard by how staff talks about what is done.
- "Document It" means that there is written documentation that supports the project's compliance with each standard. Written documentation could include Policies and Procedures, Personnel Handbooks, Professional Development Plans, Project Rules, etc.
- "Do It" means that the assessor was able to find evidence that supports the project's compliance with each standard. Evidence could include information contained in client or other administrative files, client acknowledgement that something is being done, staff can point to documentation that supports implementation of the standard, etc.

Assessor Notes: A cell below each individual standard allows the assessor to add optional notes about the information collected for that particular standard. The notes can include where information was found, what questions were asked, who answered the questions, what additional information is needed to be able to mark that standard as

Tab	Description	Purpose
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Instructions	Tool overview and aim	Offers instruction to users on the assessment tool
Provider Info	Input provider, project and general assessment information	Determines project-specific standards for consideration
Standards - Access & Evaluation	Input compliance with standards concerning participant access to the project and input, project evaluation and performance management	Assesses whether access and evaluation are compliant with Housing First principles
Standards - Leases	Input compliance with standards concerning the lease and occupancy agreements, where applicable	Assesses whether leases and occupancy agreements are compliant with Housing First principles
Standards - Services & Housing	Input compliance with standards concerning the service and housing models and structure, where applicable	Assesses whether services and housing are compliant with Housing First principles
Standards – Project-Specific	Prompts assessment standards based on project type and targeted sub-populations served by the project, where applicable	Assesses whether specific project standards are compliant with Housing First principles
Report Summary	Displays assessment scores and conclusions, and highlights non-compliant standards	Printable summary of the assessment



Provider Information

Please complete the information below on the organization being assessed.

Provider Information	
Provider's Legal Name	United Neighborhood Centers of Northeastern Pennsylvania
Acronym (If Applicable)	UNC
Year Incorporated	1923
EIN	24-0795389
Street Address	425 Alder Street
Zip Code	18505

Project Information	
Project Name	UNC Permanent Supportive Housing #1
Project Budget	\$364,577
Grant Number	PA0382L3T082113
Name of Project Director	Jessica Wallo
Project Director Email Address	jwallo@uncnepa.org
Project Director Phone Number	272-228-1801
Which best describes the project *	Permanent Supportive Housing
<i>If project is a Safe Haven, please choose project type that it most operates like, e.g. shelter, transitional housing, or permanent housing</i>	
Are your services targeted to any of the following populations specifically? Please select one if so, as this impacts your assessment questions.	None of the above

*Please note that when you select a project type, particular standards may not be relevant.

Management Information	
Name of CEO	Lisa Durkin
CEO Email Address	ldurkin@uncnepa.org
CEO Phone Number	570-346-0759
Name of Staff Member Guiding Assessment	Jessica Wallo
Staff Email Address	jwallo@uncnepa.org
Staff Phone Number	272-228-1801

Assessment Information	
Name of Assessor	Nathan Morgan
Organizational Affiliation of Assessor	UNC
Assessor Email Address	nmorgan@uncnepa.org
Assessor Phone Number	570-866-2233
Date of Assessment	Sep 13 2023



Housing First Standards

For each standard, please use the drop down boxes in the three columns to the right to select “Not at all” or “Sometimes” or “Always”. Marking “Always” signifies full compliance for the standard.

No.	Standard	Access Definition / Evidence	Say It	Document it	Do it
Access 1	Projects are low-barrier	Admission to projects is not contingent on pre-requisites such as abstinence of substances, minimum income requirements, health or mental health history, medication adherence, age, criminal justice history, financial history, completion of treatment, participation in services, “housing readiness,” history or occurrence of victimization, survivor of sexual assault or an affiliated person of such a survivor or other unnecessary conditions unless required by law or funding source. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Access 2	Projects do not deny assistance for unnecessary reasons	Procedures and oversight demonstrate that staff do everything possible to avoid denying assistance or rejecting an individual or family for the reasons listed in Access Standard #1. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Access 3	Access regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status	Equal access is provided in accordance with the 2012 and 2016 Equal Access Rules, meaning that any project funded by HUD must ensure equal access for persons regardless of one’s sexual orientation or marital status, and in accordance with one’s gender identity. Adult only households, regardless of marital status, should have equal access to projects (if these project types are not available within a CoC, the CoC should conduct an assessment to determine if these project types are needed and work with providers to accommodate the need). Please see Equal Access Rules here: https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/1991/equal-access-to-housing-final-rule/ <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Access 4	Admission process is expedited with speed and efficiency	Projects have expedited admission processes, to the greatest extent possible, including helping participants obtain documentation required by funding sources, as well as processes to admit participants regardless of the status of their eligibility documentation whenever applicable. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always

Access 5	Intake processes are person-centered and flexible	Intake and assessment procedures are focused on the individual’s or family’s strengths, needs, and preferences. Projects do not require specific appointment times, but have flexible intake schedules that ensure access to all households. Assessments are focused on identifying household strengths, resources, as well as identifying barriers to housing that can inform the basis of a housing plan as soon as a person is enrolled in the project.	Always	Always	Always
Optional notes here					
Access 6	The provider/project accepts and makes referrals directly through Coordinated Entry	Projects actively participate in the CoC-designated Coordinated Entry processes as part of streamlined community-wide system access and triage. If these processes are not yet implemented, projects follow communities’ existing referral processes. Referrals from Coordinated Entry are rarely rejected, and only if there is a history of violence, the participant does not want to be in the project, there are legally valid grounds (such as restrictions regarding sex offenders) or some other exceptional circumstance that is well documented.	Always	Always	Always
Optional notes here					
Access 7	Exits to homelessness are avoided	Projects that can no longer serve particular households utilize the coordinated entry process, or the communities’ existing referral processes if coordinated entry processes are not yet implemented, to ensure that those individuals and families have access to other housing and services as desired, and do not become disconnected from services and housing. Households encounter these exits under certain circumstances, such as if they demonstrate violent or harassing behaviors, which are described within agencies’ regulation-adherent policies.	Always	Always	Always
Optional notes here					
Name		Participant Input Definition / Evidence	Say It	Document it	Do it
Participant Input 1	Participant education is ongoing	Project participants receive ongoing education on Housing First principles as well as other service models employed in the project. In the beginning of and throughout tenancy, participants are informed about their full rights and responsibilities as lease holders, including the potential causes for eviction.	Always	Always	Always
Optional notes here					
Participant Input 2	Projects create regular, formal opportunities for participants to offer input	Input is welcomed regarding the project’s policies, processes, procedures, and practices. Opportunities include involvement in: quality assurance and evaluation processes, a participant leadership/advisory board, processes to formally communicate with landlords, the design of and participation in surveys and focus groups, planning social gatherings, integrating peer specialists and peer-facilitated support groups to compliment professional services.	Always	Always	Always
Optional notes here					



Housing First Standards

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	Standard	Lease and Occupancy Definition / Evidence	Say It	Document It	Do It
Leases 1	Housing is considered permanent (not applicable for Transitional Housing)	Housing is not time-limited (though rent assistance may be) and leases are automatically renewable upon expiration, except with prior notice by either party. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Leases 2	Participant choice is fundamental	A participant has, at minimum, choices in deciding the location and type of housing based on preferences from a range of housing types and among multiple units, as available and as practical. In project-based settings, participants should be offered choice of units within a particular building, or within the portfolio of single site properties. In projects that use shared housing, i.e. housing with unrelated roommates, participants should be offered choice of roommates, as available and as practical. Additionally, as applicable, participants are able to choose their roommates when sharing a room or unit. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Leases 3	Leases are the same for participants as for other tenants	Leases do not have any provisions that would not be found in leases held by any other tenant in the property or building and is renewable per the participants’ and owner’s choice. People experiencing homelessness who receive help moving into permanent housing should have leases that confer the full rights, responsibilities, and legal protections under Federal, state, and local housing laws. For transitional housing, there may be limitations on length of stay, but a lease/occupancy agreement should look like a lease that a person would have in the normal rental market. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Leases 4	Participants receive education about their lease or occupancy agreement terms	Participants are also given access to legal assistance and encouraged to exercise their full legal rights and responsibilities. Landlords and providers abide by their legally-defined roles and responsibilities. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always

Leases 5	Measures are used to prevent eviction	Property or building management, with services support, incorporates a culture of eviction avoidance, reinforced through practices and policies that prevent lease violations and evictions among participants, and evict participants only when they are a threat to self or others. Clear eviction appeal processes and due process is provided for all participants. Lease bifurcation is allowed so that a tenant or lawful occupant who is a victim of a criminal act of physical violence committed against them by another tenant or lawful occupant is not evicted, removed or penalized if the other is evicted.	Always	Always	Always
		Optional notes here			
Leases 6	Providing stable housing is a priority	Providers engage in a continued effort to hold housing for participants, even if they leave their housing for short periods due to treatment, illness, or any other temporary stay outside of the unit.	Always	Always	Always
		Optional notes here			
Leases 7	Rent payment policies respond to tenants’ needs (as applicable)	While tenants are accountable to the rental agreement, adjustments may be needed on a case by case basis. As necessary, participants are given special payment arrangements for rent arrears and/or assistance with financial management, including representative payee arrangements.	Always	Always	Always
		Optional notes here			



Housing First Standards

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Standard	Services Definition / Evidence	Say it	Document it	Do it
Services 1	<p>Projects promote participant choice in services</p> <p>Participants are able to choose from an array of services. Services offered are housing focused and include the following areas of support: employment and income, childhood and education, community connection, and stabilization to maintain housing. These should be provided by linking to community-based services.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always
Services 2	<p>Person Centered Planning is a guiding principle of the service planning process</p> <p>Person-centered Planning is a guiding principle of the service planning process</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always
Services 3	<p>Service support is as permanent as the housing</p> <p>Service connections are permanently available and accessible for participants in Permanent Supportive Housing. Rapid Re-Housing projects should, at a minimum, be prepared to offer services for up to 6 months after the rental assistance ends. In emergency shelter and transitional housing, services are available as long as the participant resides in the unit or bed – and up to 6 months following exit from transitional housing.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always
Services 4	<p>Services are continued despite change in housing status or placement</p> <p>Wherever possible, participants continue to be offered services even if they lose their housing unit or bed (for congregate projects), or if they are placed in a short-term inpatient treatment. Ideally, the service relationship should continue, despite a service hiatus during some institutional stays.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always

Services 5	Participant engagement is a core component of service delivery	Staff provide effective services by developing relationships with participants that provide immediate needs and safety, develop trust and common ground, making warm hand-offs to other mainstream service providers, and clearly explain staff roles. Engagement is regular and relationships are developed over time.	Always	Always	Always
		<i>Optional notes here</i>			
Services 6	Services are culturally appropriate with translation services available, as needed	Project staff are sensitive to and support the cultural aspects of diverse households. Wherever possible, staff demographics reflect the participant population they serve in order to provide appropriate, culturally-specific services. Translation services are provided when needed to ensure full comprehension of the project. Projects that serve families with children should have family-friendly rules that allow for different schedules based on work and school hours and have services that allow parents to participate in activities without having to constantly supervise their children themselves (i.e. can use the bathroom or take a shower without their children being in the bathroom with them).	Always	Always	Always
		<i>Optional notes here</i>			
Services 7	Staff are trained in clinical and non-clinical strategies (including harm reduction, motivational interviewing, trauma-informed approaches, strength-based)	Services support a participant’s ability to obtain and retain housing regardless of changes in behavior. Services are informed by a harm-reduction philosophy, such as recognizing that substance use and addiction are a part of some participants' lives. Participants are engaged in non-judgmental communication regarding their behavior and are offered education regarding how to avoid risky behaviors and engage in safer practices.	Always	Always	Always
		<i>Optional notes here</i>			
Standard		Housing Definition / Evidence	Say It	Document It	Do It
Housing 1	Housing is not dependent on participation in services	Participation in permanent and temporary housing settings, as well as crisis settings such as emergency shelter, is not contingent on participating in supportive services or demonstration of progress made on a service plan. Services must be offered by staff, but are voluntary for participants.	Always	Always	Always
		<i>Optional notes here</i>			
Housing 2	Substance use is not a reason for termination	Participants are only terminated from the project for violations in the lease or occupancy agreements, as applicable. Occupancy agreements or an addendum to the lease do not include conditions around substance use or participation in services. If the project is a recovery housing model focused on people who are in early recovery from drugs or alcohol (as outlined in HUD’s Recovery Housing Brief), different standards related to use and subsequent offer of treatment may apply. See HUD’s Recovery Housing brief here: https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/4852/recovery-housing-policy-brief/	Always	Always	Always

Optional notes here					
Housing 3	The rules and regulations of the project are centered on participants' rights	Project staff have realistic expectations and policies. Rules and regulations are designed to support safe and stable communities and should never interfere with a life in the community. Participants have access to the project at all hours (except for nightly in and out shelter) and accommodation is made for pets.	Always	Always	Always
Optional notes here					
Housing 4	Participants have the option to transfer to another project	Transfers should be accommodated for tenants who reasonably believe that they are threatened with imminent harm from further violence if the tenant remains in the same unit. Whenever possible, transfers occur before a participant experiences homelessness.	Always	Always	Always
Optional notes here					



Housing First Standards

For each standard, please use the drop down boxes in the three columns to the right to select “Not at all” or “Sometimes” or "Always". Marking "Always" signifies full compliance for the standard.

Standard		Project -Specific Standards	Say It	Document it	Do it
Project 1	Quick access to RRH assistance	A permanent supportive housing project ensures quick linkage to a unit and wrap around services, based on participant needs, preferences, and resource availability. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Project 2	PSH is focused on ending homelessness for those with the most severe barriers to maintaining housing	Participants and staff understand that a primary goal of permanent supportive housing is to end homelessness for people with the most severe service needs and help participants stay housed, regardless of other perceived barriers. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Project 3	Property Management duties are separate and distinct from services/case management	In order to provide clear roles of staff for participants in terms of lease and rules enforcement as well as tenant advocacy, property management and service provider staff should be separate roles. However, they should work together on a regular basis through regular communications and meetings regarding Participants to address tenancy issues in order to preserve tenancy. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
		No additional standards <i>Optional notes here</i>			

No additional standards

Optional notes here

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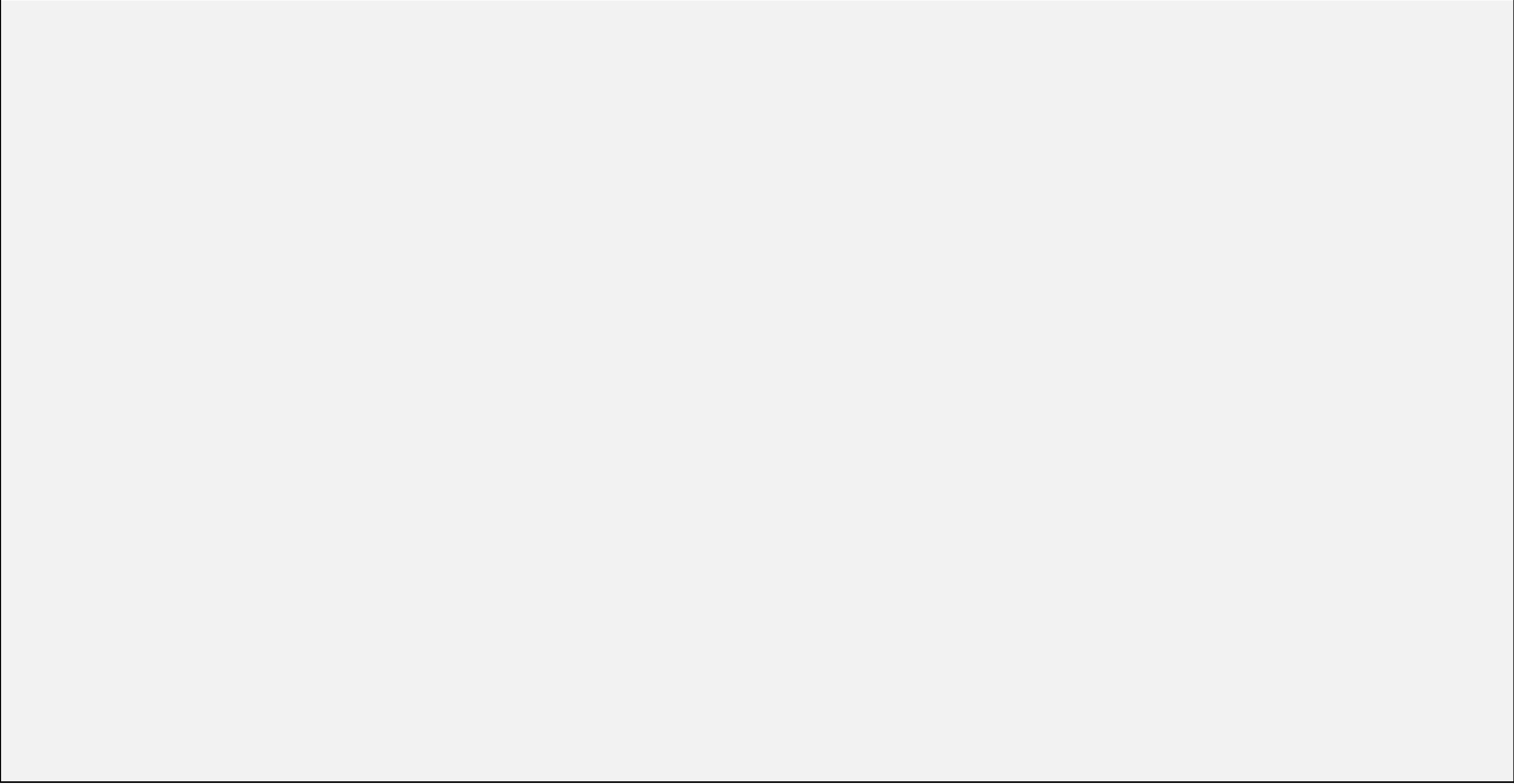
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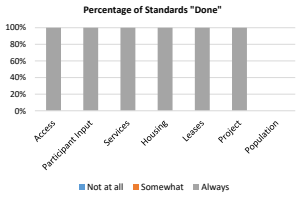
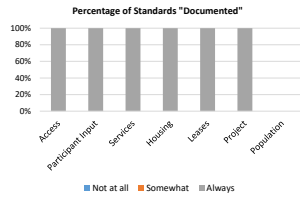
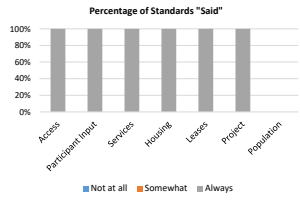
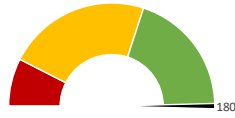




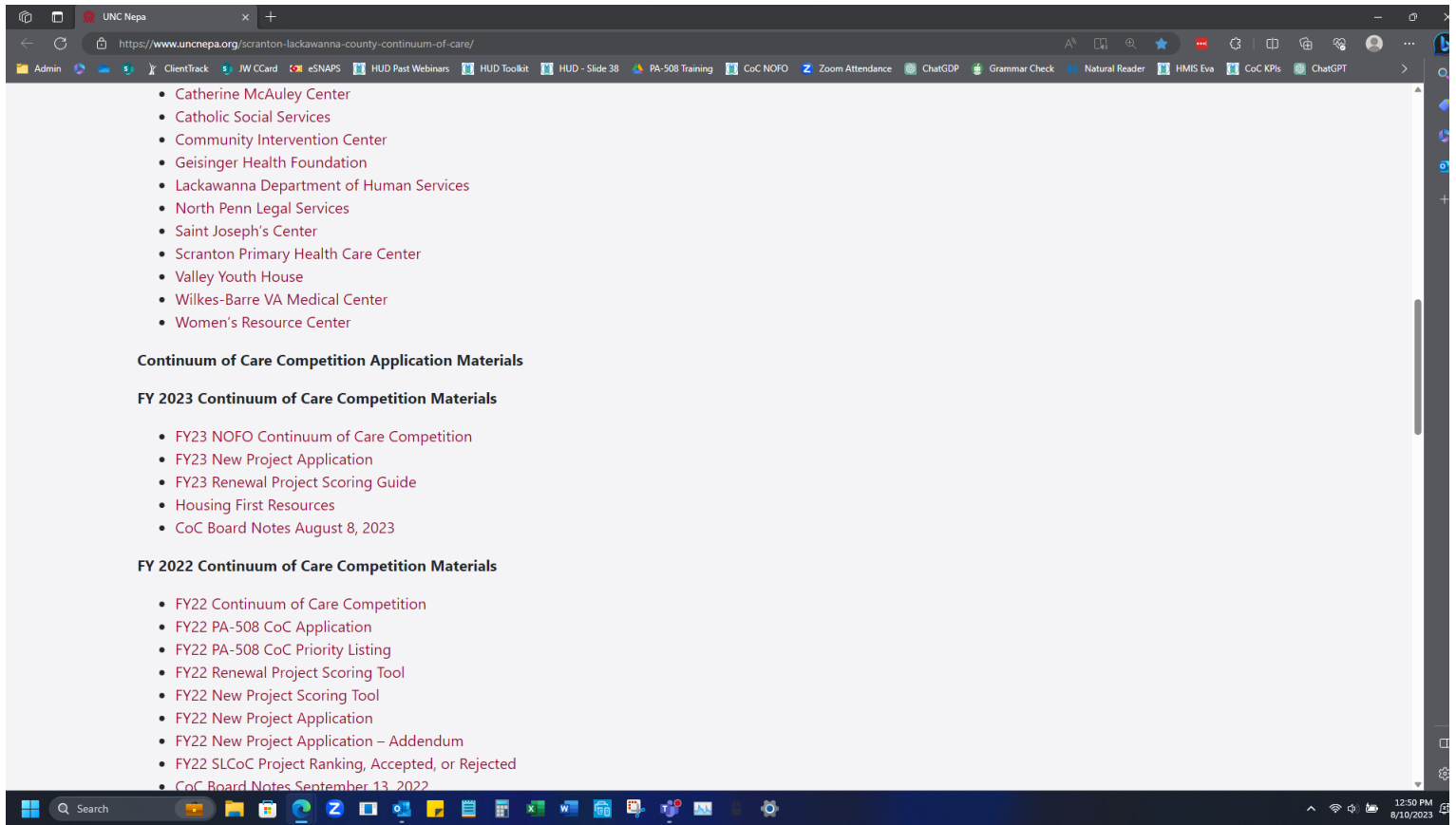
Some standards have not been evaluated. Please return and complete all standards before finalizing report.

Your score: 180
Max potential score: 180

Score is calculated by awarding 1 point for standards answered 'sometimes' and 2 points for standards answered 'always'. Categories that are not applicable for your project are not included in the maximum potential score.



Non-Compliant Standards ("Not at All" to Whether Standard is Sald)				Non-Documented Standards ("Not at All" to Whether Standard is Documented)				Non-Evidenced Standards ("Not at All" to Whether Standard is Done")			
Category	No.	Name	Standard	Category	No.	Name	Standard	Category	No.	Name	Standard



PA-508 Scranton/Lackawanna Continuum of Care
FY2023 Renewal Scoring Guide

Criteria	Outcome from APR		Points Awarded
Secured Permanent Housing (for PSH, this is Housing Retention, for RRH, this is Exits to Permanent Housing)		90-100%	25
		80-89%	20
		70-79%	15
		60-69%	10
		50-59%	5
		less than 50%	0
Maintained or Increased Earned Income			
		25% or higher	5
		20-24%	4
		15-19%	3
		10-14%	2
		Less than 10%	0
Maintained or Increased Non-Employment Income			
		60% or higher	5
		50-59%	4
		40-49%	3
		30-39%	2
		20-30%	1
		less than 20%	0
Serves High Need Populations			
		more than 95% chronically homeless	20
		90-94%	18
		85-89%	16
		80-84%	14
		75-79%	12
		70-74%	10
Returns to Homelessness			
		10% or Lower	15
		11-15%	10
		16-20%	5
		More than 20%	0
Length of Stay			
<i>For RRH and PSH.: Length of time from project entry to move-in</i>			
		15 days or less	20
		16-30 days	15
		31-60 days	10
		61-90 days	5
<i>For Joint RRH and TH: RRH Component: Length of time from project entry to move-in</i>			
		15 days or less	10
		16-30 days	8
		31-60 days	6
		61-90 days	3
<i>For Joint RRH and TH: TH Component: Length of Stay</i>			
		180 days or less	10
		181-195 days	7
		196-210 days	4
		211-225 days	2
Equity Factors			
		representation in mangement	5
		representation on board	5
		process for feedback from people with lived experienc	5
		policies with equity lens	5
		data disaggregated by underserved populations	5
		plan to create more equitable progarms	5
Total Points Possible			120

Adjusted to 100 points for ranking

**2023 Scranton/Lackawanna County (PA-508)
Continuum of Care Scoring Sheet for NEW Project
Applications**

SCORING

CATEGORY	POSSIBLE SCORE	APPLICANT SCORE
EXPERIENCE		
<p>1. <i>Applicant has experience working with the proposed subpopulation and in providing housing services similar to that proposed in the application. Applicants with more experience (length of service and/or number of participants served) serving the target population, more experience providing the specified housing services (length of service and/or number of participants served), or, unique experience serving a particularly underserved population, should be scored more highly.</i></p> <p><i>Up to 10 points for detailed descriptions of past programming and experience serving proposed target population. Up to 5points for data on past performance</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 10: Experience of Applicant/Sponsor, Question A.</p>	15	
<p>2. <i>Applicant provides detailed description of their experience using the Housing First Approach to services. Projects must demonstrate that they have no preconditions for entry (allowing entry regardless of current or past substance abuse, income, criminal records, etc.) to receive full points.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 10: Experience of Applicant/Sponsor, Question A.</p>	10	
<p>3. <i>Applicant has experience utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including timely submissions of required reports.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 10: Experience of Applicant/Sponsor, Question D.</p>	5	

DESIGN OF HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES		
<p>1. <i>Extent to which:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>Applicant demonstrates and understanding of the needs of the clients to be served – up to 3 points</i> b) <i>Applicant demonstrates that the type, scale, and location of housing fits the needs of clients to be served – up to 3 points</i> c) <i>Applicant demonstrates that the type and scale of supportive services meet the needs of clients to be served – up to 3 points</i> d) <i>Applicant demonstrates how clients will be connected with mainstream benefits – up to 3 points</i> e) <i>Applicant establishes performance measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, and trackable – up to 3 points</i> <p>Refer to application Section 11: Project Description, Question A and Section 12: Supportive Services For Participants, Question E.</p>	15	
<p>2. <i>Extent to which applicant describes a plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 12: Supportive Services For Participants, Question C.</p>	5	
<p>3. <i>Extent to which applicant describes how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 12: Supportive Services For Participants, Question D.</p>	5	
TIMELINESS		
<p>1. <i>Extent to which applicant describes a plan for rapid implementation of the program, and the extent to which the timeline is reasonable.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 11: Project Description, Question B.</p>	10	
FINANCIAL		
<p>1. <i>Extent to which the project is cost effective and projected cost per person is reasonable.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 23: Budget Detail</p>	5	

<p>2. <i>Agency provides written documentation for all match commitments, and match commitments meet HUD mandatory minimum requirements for match.</i></p> <p>Refer to application section 23: Budget Detail, and any attached match commitment letters.</p>	5	
EQUITY FACTORS		
<p>1. <i>Project has individuals from an under-represented population (BIPOC, LGBTQ+, etc.) in managerial and leadership positions – one individual from underrepresented population in managerial and leadership positions = 5 points; 2 or more individual from underrepresented population in managerial and leadership positions = 10 points</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 19: Addressing Racial Equity, Question C.</p>	10	
<p>2. <i>Agency's board of directors has individuals with lived experience on the board. One individual with lived experience on the board = 5 points 2 or more individuals with lived experience on the board = 10 points</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 20: Involving People with Lived Experience, Question D.</p>	10	
<p>3. <i>Extent to which applicant describes relational process for receiving and incorporating feedback from persons with lived experience, or provides a plan to create one.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 20: Involving People with Lived Experience, Questions B and C.</p>	10	
<p>4. <i>Extent to which applicant has described processes to review internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and has a plan for development and implementing equitable policies.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 19: Addressing Racial Equity, Question D.</p>	10	
PROGRAM PARTICIPANT OUTCOMES		
<p>1. <i>Applicant describes their plan for reviewing participant outcomes with an equity lens, including the disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 19: Addressing Racial Equity, Question E.</p>	10	

<p>2. <i>Applicant describes their plan to review whether programmatic changes are needed to make program outcomes more equitable and developed a plan to make changes.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 19: Addressing Racial Equity, Question F.</p>	10	
BONUS POINTS		
<p>1. <i>Extent to which the applicant describes ability to leverage housing resources with housing subsidies or units not funded through CoC or ESG programs. 5 points for description of housing resources leveraged, 5 points for signed written commitment from housing agency.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 21: Coordination with Housing and/or Healthcare Agencies, Question A.</p>	10	
<p>2. <i>Extent to which applicant describes how the project will leverage health resources, including a partnership commitment with a healthcare organization. 5 points for description of leveraging health resources, 5 points for signed written commitment from a healthcare organization.</i></p> <p>Refer to application Section 21: Coordination with Housing and/or Healthcare Agencies, Question B.</p>	10	
TOTAL SCORE	155	

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GENERAL	ABOUT THE TOOL	LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE REVIEWED					
RATING	CUSTOMIZE RATING CRITERIA	RENEW. + EXP. THRESHOLD	RENEW. + EXP. RATING TOOL	NEW PROJECTS THRESHOLD	NEW PROJECTS RATING TOOL	ALTERNATIVE RATING TOOL	RATING RESULTS
RANKING	FUNDING CEILINGS + PRIORITIES	FUNDING ANALYSIS + RANKING					

ABOUT THE CoC PROGRAM RATING & RANKING TOOL

ABOUT THE TOOL

HUD is providing this Rating and Ranking Tool to help CoCs design and implement a comprehensive annual CoC competition application review process. It has several customization features so you can choose the rating factors that are most relevant to your CoC and the priorities your CoC has adopted to inform system (re)design.

DISCLAIMER: HUD is explicitly stating that use of this tool is optional, is not being promoted over other tools CoCs currently use, and does not guarantee:

- additional points in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Program (CoC) Competition;
- CoC applications will be consistent with all NOFO requirements; and
- HUD will award CoCs with full points or funding.

The tool provides a strong framework for implementing a data-driven rating process and a ranking process informed by system priorities and capacity analysis (if available) and it satisfies the objective criteria requirement in the FY 2023 CoC Program NOFO. HUD strongly encourages CoCs to read the CoC Program NOFO carefully to determine if there are new opportunities, priorities, or expectations that your CoC might need to assess outside this tool. The Priority Listing is the official project ranking record for the CoC Program NOFO. HUD is not requiring CoCs to use this tool, nor is it preferred over other rating tools or processes, use of the tool does not guarantee additional points on the CoC Program application. HUD has made this tool available to CoCs for use in their year-round NOFO planning process. Feedback on the tool is welcome.

Microsoft Excel 2003 or higher is required when using this tool. When opening the tool workbook, you might need to click "**Enable Content**", "**Enable Editing**", and/or "**Enable Macros**" buttons in the yellow bar at the top of your screen. This is necessary for the macros and formulas to run correctly within the spreadsheet. If you get an error message, please check to see if the yellow bar is present and click these buttons before attempting to use the tool further. If you encounter a bug while using the tool, click "**End**" in the error pop-up, then navigate back to this tab and click the "**Turn On Macros**" button in the top right corner to ensure the underlying code is not disrupted before resuming. CoCs can submit technical questions about the Rating and Ranking Tool, including requesting help with bugs in the Tool, through the esnaps competition AAQ desk. Due to the complexity of the tool, problems might occur when multiple Excel files are open at the same time. To help alleviate this problem, you should close all other Excel files on your computer before running the following parts of the tool:

- Generating list of projects from Raw HIC data
- Populating rating results
- Generating project ranking

Users who get the red Security Risk bar when they open the tool will need to speak with their IT departments about their policies regarding macro-enabled Excel workbooks and how they can be reenabled for the Rating and Ranking process.

[For further instructions, see the Instructions Document on HUD's website.](#)

MIGRATING DATA TO NEWER VERSIONS OF THE TOOL

The version of the CoC Program Rating and Ranking Tool created for the FY23 CoC Program NOFO (Version 7.0 and higher) contains updates to the HIC and changes to how available funding in the NOFO is entered in the tool on the 'FUNDING CEILINGS + PRIORITIES' tab, CoCs are strongly encouraged to use the latest version for the FY23 CoC NOFO process. The Tool has been updated to reflect the FY23 NOFO to the greatest extent possible. CoCs are responsible for verifying that the rating and ranking process they use is consistent with the NOFO.

If a CoC has started using an earlier version of the Tool, the tool can be "upgraded" using the new Update Tool feature (see PROCESS FOR MIGRATING DATA USING UPDATE TOOL FEATURE). The feature will pull in all the CoC's entered data and specified criteria from the old version of the tool into the latest version of the tool, including data from all tabs up to the 'FUNDING ANALYSIS + RANKING' tab. The resulting file will have the same name as the old version of the tool, plus a "_FIXED" suffix at the end.

If a CoC decides to use earlier versions of the tool designed for the FY21 NOFO process, they should review the HUD threshold requirements in the 'RENEW. + EXP. THRESHOLD' and 'NEW PROJECTS THRESHOLD' tabs and the NOFO information in the "General Funding Information" and "HUD CoC Program NOFO Opportunities" sections of the 'FUNDING CEILINGS + PRIORITIES' tab carefully to take into account any changes in HUD requirements or NOFO opportunities in the FY23 CoC NOFO.

PROCESS FOR MIGRATING DATA USING UPDATE TOOL FEATURE

1. In the latest tool downloaded from the HUD Exchange page, navigate to the '**ABOUT THE TOOL**' tab.
2. Click the "Pull in Old Tool Data" button in the top-right corner.
3. Follow the prompts to select your out-of-date tool with the data in it.
4. Wait up to 5 minutes for the tool to pull in all entered data and specified criteria. A pop-up will confirm the update is complete.

LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE REVIEWED

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Use your Grant Inventory Worksheet and project spending records
to complete these columns

Project ID	Organization Name	Project Name	Project Type	General/ DV	McKinney-Vento	McKinney-Vento: YHDP	McKinney-Vento: YHDP Renewals	YHDP Funding Round	Grant Number	CoC Amount Awarded Last Operating Year	CoC Amount Expended Last Operating Year	CoC Funding Requested	Renewal, New, Expansion, Reallocate, Ignore	Geo Code
31	Valley Youth House	CoC Rapid Rehousing	RRH	NA		No	No		PA0924L3T082204	\$ 82,677	\$ 82,677	\$ 85,113	Renewal	429069
7	Catherine McAuley Center	CMC PSH	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0201L3T082215	\$ 158,252	\$ 158,252	\$ 162,216	Renewal	426201
11	Catholic Social Services of the Diocese	CSS PSH	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0376L3T082214	\$ 135,463	\$ 135,463	\$ 139,319	Renewal	426201
19	Community Intervention Center	CIC PSH	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0375L3T082214	\$ 169,237	\$ 169,237	\$ 174,214	Renewal	426201
26	United Neighborhood Centers	Permanent Supportive Housing 1	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0382L3T082214	\$ 353,134	\$ 353,134	\$ 364,577	Renewal	426201
12	Catholic Social Services of the Diocese	CSS PSH 2	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0198L3T082212	\$ 105,890	\$ 105,890	\$ 105,890	Renewal	426201
20	Community Intervention Center	CIC PSH 2	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0448L3T082212	\$ 126,800	\$ 126,800	\$ 130,753	Renewal	426201
8	Catherine McAuley Center	Permanent Supportive Housing FAMS	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0631L3T082209	\$ 199,891	\$ 199,891	\$ 199,891	Renewal	426201
27	United Neighborhood Centers	Permanent Supportive Housing for Families	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0581L3T082211	\$ 442,820	\$ 442,820	\$ 458,487	Renewal	426201
21	Community Intervention Center	PSH 3	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0734L3T082207	\$ 224,854	\$ 224,854	\$ 232,411	Renewal	426201
9	Catherine McAuley Center	Rapid Re-Housing Program	RRH	NA		No	No		PA0379L3T082214	\$ 158,260	\$ 158,260	\$ 163,480	Renewal	426201
22	Community Intervention Center	Shelter Me Safe Haven	SH	NA		No	No		PA0199L3T082212	\$ 146,031	\$ 146,031	\$ 146,031	Renewal	426201
30	United Neighborhood Centers	UNC Rapid ReHousing for Families	RRH	NA		No	No		PA0806L3T082206	\$ 249,244	\$ 249,244	\$ 256,012	Renewal	429069
14	Catholic Social Services of the Diocese	VA Permanent Supportive Housing	PSH	NA		No	No		PA0518L3T082210	\$ 105,088	\$ 105,088	\$ 109,063	Renewal	426201
4	Women's Resource Center, Inc.	WRC CoC Rapid ReHousing	RRH	DV		No	No		PA0733L3T082207	\$ 205,976	\$ 205,976	\$ 210,260	Renewal	426201
33	Women's Resource Center, Inc.	WRC Community Collaborative	TH+RRH	DV	Yes	No	No		PA1028	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 253,666	Renewal	426201
34	Catherine McAuley Center	CMC PSH 2	PSH	General	Yes	No	No					\$ 203,146	New	426201
35	Women's Resource Center, Inc.	Empowering Survivors TH-RRH	TH+RRH	DV	Yes	No	No					\$ 186,652	New	426201
36	Friends of the Poor	FOTP PSH 1	PSH	General	Yes	No	No					\$ 177,000	New	426201
37	United Neighborhood Centers of Nc	HMIS	HMIS		Yes				PA0200L3T082215	\$ 59,556	\$ 59,556	\$ 59,556	Renewal	426201

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Check once you have confirmed the bed inventory listed for the projects below is consistent with the number of beds listed for each project in your CoC's Grant Inventory Worksheet.

Project ID	All Fam Beds	DV Fam Beds	CH Fam Beds	Vet Fam Beds	Par Youth Beds	Beds HH w/o Children	Beds HH w/ only Children	All Ind Beds	DV Ind Beds	CH Beds HH w/o Children	CH Beds HH w/ only Children	Total CH Ind Beds	Vet Ind Beds	Single Youth Beds	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Fam (Yes/No)	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Ind (Yes/No)	Is 100% DV (Yes/No)	CH Bed Inventory (PSH Only)	Veteran Bed Inventory	Youth Bed Inventory
31	6	0		0	6	2	1		0				0	2				0		8
7		0		0	0	8			0	8			0	0				0		0
11		0				8			0	8			0	0				0		0
19		0				8			0	8			0	0				0		0
26		0				19			0	19			0	0				0		0
12		0				7			0	7			0	0				0		0
20		0				6			0	6			0	0				0		0
8	30	0	30	0	0				0									30		0
27	67	0	64	0	0				0									64		0
21		0				12			0	12			0	0				0		0
9	32	0		0	0	0			0				0	0				0		0
22		0				4			0				0	0				0		0
30	62	0		0	0				0									0		0
14		0				8			0	8			8	0				0		0
4	17	17		0	11	1			0				0	0				0		11
33	20	20	0	0	0			0	0			0	0	0	No	No	Yes	0		0
34	18	0	6	0	1			2	0			2	0	1	No	Yes	No	8		2
35	9	9	0	0	1			3	3			0	0	1	No	No	Yes	0	0	2
36	18	0	6	0	1			2	0			2	0	1	No	Yes	No	8	0	2
37		0							0						No	No	No	0	0	0

NAVIGATION

- GOCustomize Threshold Requirements
- GOFilter Rating Factors
- GOCustomize Renewal/Expansion Project Rating Tool
- GOCustomize New Project Rating Tool

CUSTOMIZE NEW AND RENEWAL/EXPANSION PROJECT THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

CoC Threshold Requirements		(Delete the X in the box next to any requirements you do not wish to include.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Coordinated Entry Participation	(The first five requirements are recommended ; included in the rating process either as Threshold Requirements or as Rating Factors)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Documented, secured minimum match	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project has reasonable costs per permanent housing exit, as defined locally	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project is financially feasible	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Applicant is active CoC participant	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Application is complete and data are consistent	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Data quality at or above 90%	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bed/unit utilization rate at or above 90%	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Acceptable organizational audit/financial review	

FILTER RATING FACTORS

Select project type

All

Using these drop-down menus, select which rating factors to show and customize

Select special population

All

CUSTOMIZE RENEWAL/EXPANSION PROJECT RATING TOOL

Delete the X in the box besides any rating factor below that you do not wish to include. If desired, adjust the factor/goal and point value for each measure. You can add additional locally-defined criteria below. See the Data Source Chart for information about where to obtain data to use in scoring.

Performance Measures		Factor/Goal	Max Point Value
Length of Stay			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - On average, participants spend XX days from project entry to residential move-in	15 days	20 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (DV) - On average, participants spend XX days from project entry to residential move-in	15 days	20 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (General) - On average, participants spend XX days from project entry to residential move-in	15 days	20 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (DV) - On average, participants spend XX days from project entry to residential move-in	15 days	20 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (General) - On average, participants stay in project XX days	180 days	20 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (DV) - On average, participants stay in project XX days	180 days	20 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (General) - TH Component (General) - On average, participants stay in project XX days	180 days	10 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - TH Component - On average, participants stay in project XX days	180 days	10 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - On average, participants spend XX days from project entry to residential move-in	15 days	10 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - On average, participants spend XX days from project entry to residential move-in	15 days	10 points
Exits to Permanent Housing			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - Minimum percent move to permanent housing	90 %	25 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (DV) - Minimum percent move to permanent housing	90 %	25 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (General) - Minimum percent remain in or move to permanent housing	90 %	25 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (DV) - Minimum percent remain in or move to permanent housing	90 %	25 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (General) - Minimum percent move to permanent housing	90 %	25 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (DV) - Minimum percent move to permanent housing	90 %	25 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - Minimum percent move to permanent housing	90 %	25 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Minimum percent move to permanent housing	90 %	25 points
Returns to Homelessness (if data is available for project)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - Maximum percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	10 %	15 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (DV) - Maximum percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	10 %	15 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (General) - Maximum percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	10 %	15 points

CUSTOMIZE RATING CRITERIA

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (DV) - Maximum percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	10	%	15	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (General) - Maximum percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	10	%	15	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (DV) - Maximum percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	10	%	15	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - Maximum percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	10	%	15	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Maximum percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	10	%	15	points

New or Increased Income and Earned Income

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project stayers	25	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (DV) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project stayers	25	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project stayers	25	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (DV) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project stayers	25	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project stayers	25	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (DV) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project stayers	25	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project stayers	25	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project stayers	25	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project stayers	60	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (DV) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project stayers	60	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project stayers	60	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (DV) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project stayers	60	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project stayers	60	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (DV) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project stayers	60	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project stayers	60	%	5	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project stayers	60	%	5	points
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project leavers				
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRH (DV) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project leavers				
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project leavers				
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<input type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased earned income for project leavers				
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project leavers				
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<input type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project leavers				
<input type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Minimum percent of participants with new or increased non-employment income for project leavers				

Serve High Needs Populations

<input type="checkbox"/>	<div>Project focuses on chronically homeless people</div> <div><-- select from drop-down menu</div>				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - XX% of participants are chronically homeless	95	%	20	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RRH (DV) - XX% of participants are chronically homeless	95	%	20	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (General) - XX% of participants are chronically homeless	95	%	20	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PSH (DV) - XX% of participants are chronically homeless	95	%	20	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (General) - XX% of participants are chronically homeless	95	%	20	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH (DV) - XX% of participants are chronically homeless	95	%	20	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - XX% of participants are chronically homeless	95	%	20	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - XX% of participants are chronically homeless	95	%	20	points

Project Effectiveness

<input type="checkbox"/>	RRH (General) - Costs are within local average cost per positive housing exit for project type
<input type="checkbox"/>	RRH (DV) - Costs are within local average cost per positive housing exit for project type
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSH (General) - Costs are within local average cost per positive housing exit for project type
<input type="checkbox"/>	PSH (DV) - Costs are within local average cost per positive housing exit for project type
<input type="checkbox"/>	TH (General) - Costs are within local average cost per positive housing exit for project type
<input type="checkbox"/>	TH (DV) - Costs are within local average cost per positive housing exit for project type

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TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - Costs are within local average cost per positive housing exit for project type

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TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Costs are within local average cost per positive housing exit for project type

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RRH (General) - Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries to project from CE referral (or alternative system for DV projects)

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RRH (DV) - Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries to project from CE referral (or alternative system for DV projects)

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PSH (General) - Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries to project from CE referral (or alternative system for DV projects)

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PSH (DV) - Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries to project from CE referral (or alternative system for DV projects)

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TH (General) - Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries to project from CE referral (or alternative system for DV projects)

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TH (DV) - Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries to project from CE referral (or alternative system for DV projects)

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TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries to project from CE referral (or alternative system for DV projects)

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TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries to project from CE referral (or alternative system for DV projects)

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RRH (General) - Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation (General) - CoC assessment of fidelity to Housing First from CoC monitoring or review of project policies and procedures

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RRH (DV) - Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation - CoC assessment of fidelity to Housing First from CoC monitoring or review of project policies and procedures

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PSH (General) - Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation (General) - CoC assessment of fidelity to Housing First from CoC monitoring or review of project policies and procedures

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PSH (DV) - Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation - CoC assessment of fidelity to Housing First from CoC monitoring or review of project policies and procedures

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TH (General) - Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation (General) - CoC assessment of fidelity to Housing First from CoC monitoring or review of project policies and procedures

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TH (DV) - Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation - CoC assessment of fidelity to Housing First from CoC monitoring or review of project policies and procedures

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TH+RRH (General) - RRH Component - Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation (General) - CoC assessment of fidelity to Housing First from CoC monitoring or review of project policies and procedures

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TH+RRH (DV) - RRH Component - Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation - CoC assessment of fidelity to Housing First from CoC monitoring or review of project policies and procedures

Equity Factors

Agency Leadership, Governance, and Policies

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Recipient has under-representated individuals (BIPOC, LGBTQ+, etc) in managerial and leadership positions

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Recipient's board of directors includes representation from more than one person with lived experience of homelessness

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Recipient has relational process for receiving and incorporating feedback from persons with lived experience of homelessness

☒

Recipient has reviewed internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and has a plan for developing and implementing equitable policies that do not impose undue barriers

Yes

5

points

Program Participant Outcomes

☒

Recipient has reviewed program participant outcomes with an equity lens, including the disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, age, and/or other underserved populations

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Recipient has identified programmatic changes needed to make program participant outcomes more equitable and developed a plan to make those changes

☐

Recipient is working with HMIS lead to develop a schedule for reviewing HMIS data with disaggregation by race, ethnicity, gender identity, age, and/or other underserved populations

Other and Local Criteria

(select from drop-down menu)

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CoC Monitoring Score

Project is operating in conformance with CoC Standards

Yes

10

points

Total Maximum Score		RRH-General projects:	130	points
		RRH-DV projects:	130	points
		PSH-General projects:	130	points
		PSH-DV projects:	130	points
		TH-General projects:	130	points
		TH-DV projects:	130	points
		TH+RRH-General projects:	130	points
		TH+RRH-DV projects:	130	points

CUSTOMIZE NEW PROJECT RATING TOOL

Experience

Factor/Goal

Max Point Value

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General-A. Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-recipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.

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DV-A. Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-recipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.

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proposed in the application.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-B. Describe experience with utilizing a Housing First approach. Include 1) eligibility criteria; 2) process for accepting new clients; 3) process and criteria for exiting clients. Must demonstrate there are no preconditions to entry, allowing entry regardless of current or past substance abuse, income, criminal records (with exceptions of restrictions imposed by federal, state, or local law or ordinance), marital status, familial status, self-disclosed or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Must demonstrate the project has a process to address situations that may jeopardize housing or project assistance to ensure that project participation is terminated in only the most severe cases.	<div>10</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-B. Describe experience with utilizing a Housing First approach. Include 1) eligibility criteria; 2) process for accepting new clients; 3) process and criteria for exiting clients. Must demonstrate there are no preconditions to entry, allowing entry regardless of current or past substance abuse, income, criminal records (with exceptions of restrictions imposed by federal, state, or local law or ordinance), marital status, familial status, self-disclosed or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Must demonstrate the project has a process to address situations that may jeopardize housing or project assistance to ensure that project participation is terminated in only the most severe cases.	<div>10</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-C. Describe experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.	<div>5</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-C. Describe experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.	<div>5</div> points

Design of Housing & Supportive Services

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-A. Extent to which the applicant 1) Demonstrates understanding of the needs of the clients to be served. 2) Demonstrates that type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served. 3) Demonstrates that type and scale of the all supportive services, regardless of funding source, meets the needs of clients to be served. 4) Demonstrates how clients will be assisted in obtaining mainstream benefits. 5) Establishes performances measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.	<div>15</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-A. Extent to which the applicant 1) Demonstrates understanding of the needs of the clients to be served. 2) Demonstrates that type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served. 3) Demonstrates that type and scale of the all supportive services, regardless of funding source, meets the needs of clients to be served. 4) Demonstrates how clients will be assisted in obtaining mainstream benefits. 5) Establishes performances measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.	<div>15</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-B. Describe the plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.	<div>5</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-B. Describe the plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.	<div>5</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-C. Describe how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently.	<div>5</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-C. Describe how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently.	<div>5</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-D. Project leverages housing resources with housing subsidies or units not funded through the CoC or ESG programs.	<div>10</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-D. Project leverages housing resources with housing subsidies or units not funded through the CoC or ESG programs.	<div>10</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-E. Project leverages health resources, including a partnership commitment with a healthcare organization.	<div>10</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-E. Project leverages health resources, including a partnership commitment with a healthcare organization.	<div>10</div> points

Timeliness

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-A. Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program, documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.	<div>10</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-A. Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program, documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.	<div>10</div> points

Financial

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-A. Project is cost-effective when projected cost per person served is compared to CoC average within project type.	<div>5</div> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-A. Project is cost-effective when projected cost per person served is compared to CoC average within project type.	<div>5</div> points
B. Organization's most recent audit:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	General-1. Found no exceptions to standard practicess	
<input type="checkbox"/>	DV-1. Found no exceptions to standard practicess	
<input type="checkbox"/>	General-2. Identified agency as 'low risk'	
<input type="checkbox"/>	DV-2. Identified agency as 'low risk'	
<input type="checkbox"/>	General-3. Indicates no findings	
<input type="checkbox"/>	DV-3. Indicates no findings	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General-C. Documented match amount meets HUD requirements.	<div>5</div> points

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DV-C. Documented match amount meets HUD requirements.	<u>5</u> points
<input type="checkbox"/>	General-D. Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	DV-D. Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.	

Project Effectiveness

☐ General-Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries projected to come from CE referrals

☐ DV-Coordinated Entry Participation- Minimum percent of entries projected to come from CE referrals

Equity Factors

Agency Leadership, Governance, and Policies

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New project has under-represented individuals (BIPOC, LGBTQ+, etc) in managerial and leadership positions	Yes	10	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New project's organizational board of directors includes representation from more than one person with lived experience (per 578.75(g))	Yes	10	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New project has relational process for receiving and incorporating feedback from persons with lived experience or a plan to create one	Yes	10	points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New project has reviewed internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and has a plan for developing and implementing equitable policies that do not impose undue barriers that exacerbate disparities and outcomes	Yes	10	points

Program Participant Outcomes

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New project describes their plan for reviewing program participant outcomes with an equity lens, including the disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age. If already implementing a plan, describe findings from outcomes review	<u>10</u> points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New project describes plan to review whether programmatic changes are needed to make program participant outcomes more equitable and developed a plan to make those changes. If already implementing plan, describe findings from review	<u>10</u> points
<input type="checkbox"/>	New project describes plan to work with HMIS lead to develop a schedule for reviewing HMIS data with disaggregation by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and or/age. If already implementing plan, describe findings from review	

Other and Local Criteria

Total Maximum Score	General projects:	70	points
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RENEWAL/EXPANSION THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

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Organization Name: Valley Youth House

Project Type: RRH

Project Identifier: 31

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Renewal/Expansion Projects

Threshold Review Complete

100%

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO
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For each threshold, select "Yes" if applicant has fulfilled the threshold requirement and is eligible to submit an application.

Stakeholders should NOT assume all requirements are fully addressed through this tool. CoC Program application requirements change periodically and annual NOFAs may provide more detailed guidance. The CoC collaborative applicant and project applicants should carefully review the annual NOFA criteria each year.

☒ Yes to all

HUD THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant has Active SAM registration with current information, and maintains an active SAM registration annually.	Yes
2. Applicant has Valid UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) Number.	Yes
3. CoC Program Eligibility – Project applicants and potential subrecipients meet the eligibility requirements of the CoC Program as described in the Act and the Rule and provide evidence of eligibility required in the application (e.g., nonprofit documentation).	Yes
4. Financial and Management Capacity: Project applicants and subrecipients 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.	Yes
5. Certifications - Project applicants submit the required certifications specified in the NOFO.	Yes
6. Population Served - The population to be served meets program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule, and the NOFO.	Yes
7. HMIS Participation - Project applicants, except Collaborative Applicants that only receive awards for CoC planning costs and, if applicable, UFA Costs, agree to participate in a local HMIS system. However, in accordance with Section 407 of the Act, any victim service provider that is a recipient or subrecipient not disclose, for purposes of HMIS, any personally identifying information about any client. Victim service providers use a comparable database that captures the required HMIS data in addition to meeting the needs of the local HMIS.	Yes
8. Applicant has no Outstanding Delinquent Federal Debts – It is HUD policy, consistent with the purposes and intent of 31 U.S.C. 3720B and 28 U.S.C. 3201(e), that applicants with outstanding delinquent federal debt will not be eligible to receive an award of funds unless. a) A negotiated repayment schedule is established and the repayment schedule is not delinquent, or b) Other arrangements satisfactory to HUD are made before the award of funds by HUD	Yes
9. Applicant has no Debarments and/or Suspensions – In accordance with 2 CFR 2424, no award of federal funds may be made to debarred or suspended applicants, or those proposed to be debarred or suspended from doing business with the Federal government.	Yes
10. Pre-selection Review of Performance - If your organization has delinquent federal debt or is excluded from doing business with the Federal government, the organization may be ineligible for an award. In addition, before making a Federal award, HUD reviews information available through any OMB-designated repositories of government-wide eligibility qualification or financial integrity information, such as Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS), and the “Do Not Pay” website. HUD reserves the right to: a) Deny funding, or with a renewal or continuing award, consider suspension or termination of an award immediately for cause; b) Require the removal of any key individual from association with management or implementation of the award; and c) Make provisions or revisions regarding the method of payment or financial reporting requirements	Yes

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Renewal/Expansion Projects Threshold Review Complete

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THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO
11. Sufficiency of Financial Management System - HUD will not award or disburse funds to applicants that do not have a financial management system that meets Federal standards as described at 2 CFR 200.302. HUD may arrange for a survey of financial management systems for applicants selected for award who have not previously received Federal financial assistance, where HUD Program officials have reason to question whether a financial management system meets Federal standards, or for applicants considered high risk based on past performance or financial management findings.	Yes
12. False Statements - A false statement in an application is grounds for denial or termination of an award and may result in criminal, civil, and/or administrative sanctions, including fines, penalties, and imprisonment. Recipient or applicant confirms all statements are truthful.	Yes
13. Mandatory Disclosure Requirement - Recipients or applicants disclose in writing to the awarding program office at HUD, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award within ten days after learning of the violation. Recipients that have received a Federal award including the term and condition outlined in Appendix XII to 2 CFR part 200—Award Term and Condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters are required to report certain civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings to SAM. Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in § 200.338 Remedies for noncompliance, including suspension or debarment. (See also 2 CFR part 180, 31 U.S.C. 3321,and.S.C. 2313.)	Yes
14. Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities - Applicants are subject to the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121, 31 U.S.C. 1352, (the Byrd Amendment), and 24 CFR part 87, which prohibit recipients of federal awards from using appropriated funds for lobbying the executive or legislative branches of the Federal government in connection with a Federal award. All applicants submit with their application the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying included in the Application download from Grants.gov. In addition, applicants disclose, using Standard Form LLL (SFLLL), “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities,” any funds, other than federally appropriated funds, that will be or have been used to influence federal employees, members of Congress, or congressional staff regarding specific awards. Federally-recognized Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe’s sovereign power are excluded from coverage of the Byrd Amendment, but state-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established only under state law shall comply with this requirement. Applicants submit the SFLLL if they have used or intend to use non-federal funds for lobbying activities.	Yes
15. Equal Participation of Faith-Based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities – Projects ensure that all projects meet the requirements under 24 CFR 5.109. On April 4, 2016, HUD amended 24 CFR 5.109 consistent with E.O. 13559, entitled Fundamental Principles and Policymaking Criteria for Partnerships with Faith-Based and Other Neighborhood Organizations (75 Fed. Reg. 71319 (Nov. 22, 2010)). (See 81 FR 19355). These regulations apply to all HUD programs and activities, including all of HUD’s Native American Programs, except as may be otherwise provided in the respective program regulations, or unless inconsistent with the respective program authorizing statute.	Yes
16. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters - Outstanding civil rights matters be resolved before the application submission deadline. Project applicants, who after review are confirmed to have civil rights matters unresolved at the application submission deadline, will be deemed ineligible. Their applications will receive no further review, will not be rated and ranked, and will not receive funding.	Yes

CoC THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	
For each requirement, select “Yes” if the project has provided reasonable assurances that the project will meet the requirement, has been given an exception by the CoC or will request a waiver from HUD. Otherwise select “No”.	
Coordinated Entry Participation	Yes
Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation	Yes
Documented, secured minimum match	Yes
Project has reasonable costs per permanent housing exit, as defined locally	Yes
Project is financially feasible	Yes
Applicant is active CoC participant	Yes
Application is complete and data are consistent	Yes

RENEWAL/EXPANSION THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

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Renewal/Expansion Projects
Threshold Review Complete

100%

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO
Data quality at or above 90%	Yes
Bed/unit utilization rate at or above 90%	Yes
Acceptable organizational audit/financial review	Yes

RENEWAL/EXPANSION PROJECT RATING TOOL

Project Name: CoC Rapid Rehousing (31)

Organization Name: Valley Youth House

Project Type: RRH (General)

Project Identifier: 31

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Renewal/Expansion Projects
Rating Complete

0%

Print Report Card

Met all threshold requirements

RATING FACTOR	PERFORMANCE GOAL	PERFORMANCE	POINTS AWARDED	MAX POINT VALUE
PERFORMANCE MEASURES				
Length of Stay				
Rapid Re-Housing	On average, participants are placed in housing 15 days after referral to RRH	<div></div> days	<div>10</div>	out of 20
Exits to Permanent Housing				
Rapid Re-Housing	90% move to PH	<div></div> %	<div>25</div>	out of 25
Returns to Homelessness				
Within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	≤ 10% of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to PH	<div></div> %	<div>15</div>	out of 15
New or Increased Income and Earned Income				
Earned income for project stayers	25%+ of participants with new or increased income	<div></div> %	<div>5.0</div>	out of 5
Non-employment income for project stayers	60%+ of participants with new or increased income	<div></div> %	<div>0.0</div>	out of 5
Performance Measures Subtotal			55	out of 70
SERVE HIGH NEED POPULATIONS				
Rapid Re-Housing	≥ 95% of participants are chronically homeless	<div></div> %	<div>0</div>	out of 20
Serve High Need Populations Subtotal			0	out of 20
PROJECT EFFECTIVENESS				
Project Effectiveness Subtotal			0	out of 0
EQUITY FACTORS				
Agency Leadership, Governance, and Policies				
Recipient Management & Leadership Positions	BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, etc representation	<div></div>	<div>5</div>	out of 5
Recipient Board of Directors	BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, etc representation	<div></div>	<div>5</div>	out of 5
Process for receiving & incorporating feedback	Process includes persons with lived experience	<div></div>	<div>5</div>	out of 5
Internal Policies and Procedures	Policies with equitable lense, no undue barriers	<div></div>	<div>5</div>	out of 5
Program Participant Outcomes				
Outcomes with an equity lens	Data disaggregated by underserved populations	<div></div>	<div>5</div>	out of 5
Program changes for equitable outcomes	Plan to create more equitable program outcomes	<div></div>	<div>5</div>	out of 5
Equity Factors Subtotal			30	out of 30
OTHER AND LOCAL CRITERIA				
CoC Monitoring Score	Project is operating in conformance to CoC standards	<div></div>	<div>10</div>	out of 10
Other and Local Criteria Subtotal			10	out of 10
TOTAL SCORE				
TOTAL SCORE			95	out of 130
Weighted Rating Score				
Weighted Rating Score			73	out of 100

PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CoC funding requested

Amount of other public funding (federal, state, county, city)

Amount of private funding

TOTAL PROJECT COST

CoC Amount Awarded Last Operating Year

CoC Amount Expended Last Operating Year

Percent of CoC funding expended last operating year

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\$85,113

\$18,973

\$104,086

\$82,677

\$82,677

100%

NEW PROJECTS THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

c) Make provisions or revisions regarding the method of payment or financial reporting requirements

NEW PROJECTS THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

Project Name: ✓ WRC Community Collaborative (33)

Organization Name: Women's Resource Center, Inc.

Project Type: TH+RRH

Project Identifier: 33

Completed projects will be moved to the bottom of the list

If you would like to change the project type, please do so in the LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE REVIEWED.

New Projects

Threshold Review Complete

100%

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO
11. Sufficiency of Financial Management System - HUD will not award or disburse funds to applicants that do not have a financial management system that meets Federal standards as described at 2 CFR 200.302. HUD may arrange for a survey of financial management systems for applicants selected for award who have not previously received Federal financial assistance, where HUD Program officials have reason to question whether a financial management system meets Federal standards, or for applicants considered high risk based on past performance or financial management findings.	Yes
12. False Statements - A false statement in an application is grounds for denial or termination of an award and may result in criminal, civil, and/or administrative sanctions, including fines, penalties, and imprisonment. Recipient or applicant confirms all statements are truthful.	Yes
13. Mandatory Disclosure Requirement - Recipients or applicants disclose in writing to the awarding program office at HUD, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award within ten days after learning of the violation. Recipients that have received a Federal award including the term and condition outlined in Appendix XII to 2 CFR part 200—Award Term and Condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters are required to report certain civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings to SAM. Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in § 200.338 Remedies for noncompliance, including suspension or debarment. (See also 2 CFR part 180, 31 U.S.C. 3321,and.S.C. 2313.)	Yes
14. Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities - Applicants are subject to the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121, 31 U.S.C. 1352, (the Byrd Amendment), and 24 CFR part 87, which prohibit recipients of federal awards from using appropriated funds for lobbying the executive or legislative branches of the Federal government in connection with a Federal award. All applicants submit with their application the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying included in the Application download from Grants.gov. In addition, applicants disclose, using Standard Form LLL (SFLLL), “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities,” any funds, other than federally appropriated funds, that will be or have been used to influence federal employees, members of Congress, or congressional staff regarding specific awards. Federally-recognized Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe’s sovereign power are excluded from coverage of the Byrd Amendment, but state-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established only under state law shall comply with this requirement. Applicants submit the SFLLL if they have used or intend to use non-federal funds for lobbying activities.	Yes
15. Equal Participation of Faith-Based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities – Projects ensure that all projects meet the requirements under 24 CFR 5.109. On April 4, 2016, HUD amended 24 CFR 5.109 consistent with E.O. 13559, entitled Fundamental Principles and Policymaking Criteria for Partnerships with Faith-Based and Other Neighborhood Organizations (75 Fed. Reg. 71319 (Nov. 22, 2010)). (See 81 FR 19355). These regulations apply to all HUD programs and activities, including all of HUD’s Native American Programs, except as may be otherwise provided in the respective program regulations, or unless inconsistent with the respective program authorizing statute.	Yes
16. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters - Outstanding civil rights matters be resolved before the application submission deadline. Project applicants, who after review are confirmed to have civil rights matters unresolved at the application submission deadline, will be deemed ineligible. Their applications will receive no further review, will not be rated and ranked, and will not receive funding.	Yes

CoC THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	
For each requirement, select “Yes” if the project has provided reasonable assurances that the project will meet the requirement, has been given an exception by the CoC or will request a waiver from HUD. Otherwise select “No”.	
Coordinated Entry Participation	Yes
Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation	Yes
Documented, secured minimum match	Yes
Project has reasonable costs per permanent housing exit, as defined locally	Yes
Project is financially feasible	Yes
Applicant is active CoC participant	Yes

NEW PROJECTS THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

Project Name: ✓ WRC Community Collaborative (33)

Organization Name: Women's Resource Center, Inc.

Project Type: TH+RRH

Project Identifier: 33

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New Projects

Threshold Review Complete

100%

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO
Application is complete and data are consistent	Yes
Data quality at or above 90%	Yes
Bed/unit utilization rate at or above 90%	Yes
Acceptable organizational audit/financial review	Yes

NEW PROJECTS RATING TOOL

Project Name: ✓ WRC Community Collaborative (33)

Organization Name: Women's Resource Center, Inc.

Project Type: TH+RRH (DV)

Project Identifier: 33

Print Blank Template

New Projects
Rating Complete

Met all threshold requirements

100%

Print Report Card

RATING FACTOR	POINTS AWARDED		MAX POINT VALUE
EXPERIENCE			
A. Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-recipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.	14	out of	15
B. Describe experience with utilizing a Housing First approach. Include 1) eligibility criteria; 2) process for accepting new clients; 3) process and criteria for exiting clients. Must demonstrate there are no preconditions to entry, allowing entry regardless of current or past substance abuse, income, criminal records (with exceptions of restrictions imposed by federal, state, or local law or ordinance), marital status, familial status, actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity. Must demonstrate the project has a process to address situations that may jeopardize housing or project assistance to ensure that project participation is terminated in only the most severe cases.	10	out of	10
C. Describe experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.	5	out of	5
Experience Subtotal	29	out of	30
DESIGN OF HOUSING & SUPPORTIVE SERVICES			
A. Extent to which the applicant 1. Demonstrate understanding of the needs of the clients to be served. 2. Demonstrate type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served 3. Demonstrate type and scale of the all supportive services, regardless of funding source, meet the needs of the clients to be served. 4. Demonstrate how clients will be assisted in obtaining and coordinating the provision of mainstream benefits 5. Establish performance measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable, and meet or exceed any established HUD, HEARTH or CoC benchmarks.	15	out of	15
B. Describe the plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.	5	out of	5
C. Describe how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently.	5	out of	5
D. Project leverages housing resources with housing units not funded through the CoC or ESG programs.	5	out of	5
E. Project leverages health resources, including a partnership commitment with a healthcare organization.	5	out of	5
Design of Housing & Supportive Services Subtotal	35	out of	35
TIMELINESS			
A. Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.	10	out of	10
Timeliness Subtotal	10	out of	10
FINANCIAL			
A. Project is cost-effective - comparing projected cost per person served to CoC average within project type.	5	out of	5
B. Audit			
C. Documented match amount	5	out of	5
Financial Subtotal	10	out of	10
PROJECT EFFECTIVENESS			
Project Effectiveness Subtotal	0	out of	0
EQUITY FACTORS			
Agency Leadership, Governance, and Policies			
Recipient has under-represented individuals (BIPOC, LGBTQ+, etc) in managerial and leadership positions	0	out of	10
Recipient’s board of directors includes representation from more than one person with lived experience of homelessness	10	out of	10
Recipient has relational process for receiving and incorporating feedback from persons with lived experience of homelessness	10	out of	10
Recipient has reviewed internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and has a plan for developing and implementing equitable policies that do not impose undue barriers	10	out of	10
Program Participant Outcomes			
Recipient has reviewed program participant outcomes with an equity lens, including the disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, age, and/or other underserved populations	10	out of	10
Recipient has identified programmatic changes needed to make program participant outcomes more equitable and developed a plan to make those changes	10	out of	10
Equity Factors Subtotal	50	out of	60
OTHER AND LOCAL CRITERIA			
Other and Local Criteria Subtotal	0	out of	0
TOTAL SCORE			
134	out of	145	
Weighted Rating Score			
92	out of	100	
PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION			
CoC funding requested	NOTE: Edit on the LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE REVIEWED tab		\$ 253,666
Amount of other public funding (federal, state, county, city)			\$ -
Amount of private funding			\$ 65,547
TOTAL PROJECT COST			\$ 319,213

RATING RESULTS

Make sure to save any rating you've done before running.

= Not all req

RATING RESULTS

Project ID	Grant Number	Renewal, New, Expansion, Reallocate	Project Name	Organization Name	Project Type	General/ DV	McKinney	McKinney-	YHDP	All Fam Beds	DV Fam Beds	CH Fam Beds	Vet Fam Beds	Par Youth Beds	All Ind Beds
							- Vento: YHDP	Vento: Renewals	Funding Round						
34		New	CMC PSH 2	Catherine McAuley Center	PSH	General	No	No		18	0	6	0	1	2
36		New	FOTP PSH 1	Friends of the Poor	PSH	General	No	No		18	0	6	0	1	2
35		New	Empowering Survivors TH-RRH	Women's Resource Center, Inc.	TH+RRH	DV	No	No		9	9	0	0	1	3
37	PA0200L3T082215	Renewal	HMIS	United Neighborhood Centers of	HMIS		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	PA0382L3T082214	Renewal	Permanent Supportive Housing 1	United Neighborhood Centers	PSH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
27	PA0581L3T082211	Renewal	Permanent Supportive Housing fo	United Neighborhood Centers	PSH	NA	No	No		67	0	64	0	0	0
7	PA0201L3T082215	Renewal	CMC PSH	Catherine McAuley Center	PSH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
12	PA0198L3T082212	Renewal	CSS PSH 2	Catholic Social Services of the Di	PSH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
20	PA0448L3T082212	Renewal	CIC PSH 2	Community Intervention Center	PSH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
21	PA0734L3T082207	Renewal	PSH 3	Community Intervention Center	PSH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
8	PA0631L3T082209	Renewal	Permanent Supportive Housing FA	Catherine McAuley Center	PSH	NA	No	No		30	0	30	0	0	0
11	PA0376L3T082214	Renewal	CSS PSH	Catholic Social Services of the Di	PSH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
14	PA0518L3T082210	Renewal	VA Permanent Supportive Housing	Catholic Social Services of the Di	PSH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
19	PA0375L3T082214	Renewal	CIC PSH	Community Intervention Center	PSH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
9	PA0379L3T082214	Renewal	Rapid Re-Housing Program	Catherine McAuley Center	RRH	NA	No	No		32	0	0	0	0	0
30	PA0806L3T082206	Renewal	UNC Rapid ReHousing for Families	United Neighborhood Centers	RRH	NA	No	No		62	0	0	0	0	0
4	PA0733L3T082207	Renewal	WRC CoC Rapid ReHousing	Women's Resource Center, Inc.	RRH	DV	No	No		17	17	0	0	11	0
31	PA0924L3T082204	Renewal	CoC Rapid Rehousing	Valley Youth House	RRH	NA	No	No		6	0	0	0	6	0
22	PA0199L3T082212	Renewal	Shelter Me Safe Haven	Community Intervention Center	SH	NA	No	No		0	0	0	0	0	0
33	PA1028	Renewal	WRC Community Collaborative	Women's Resource Center, Inc.	TH+RRH	DV	No	No		20	20	0	0	0	0

RATING RESULTS



Requirements met or threshold scoring not started

RATING

Project ID	DV Ind Beds	Total CH Ind Beds	Vet Ind Beds	Single Youth Beds	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Fam (Yes/No)	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Ind (Yes/No)	Is 100% DV (Yes/No)	CoC Funding Requested	Amount of Other Public Funding (Federal, state, county, city)	Amount of private Funding	CoC Amount Expended Last Operating Year	Met All HUD Threshold Requirements	Met All CoC Threshold Requirements	Weighted Rating Score
34	0	2	0	0	1 No	Yes	No	\$203,146			\$0	Yes	Yes	85
36	0	2	0	0	1 No	Yes	No	\$177,000			\$0	Yes	Yes	84
35	3	0	0	0	1 No	No	Yes	\$186,652			\$0	Yes	Yes	80
37	0	0	0	0	0 No	No	No	\$59,556			\$59,556			NOT RATED
26	0	0	0	0	0			\$364,577			\$353,134	Yes	Yes	95
27	0	0	0	0	0			\$458,487			\$442,820	Yes	Yes	95
7	0	0	0	0	0			\$162,216			\$158,252	Yes	Yes	91
12	0	0	0	0	0			\$105,890			\$105,890	Yes	Yes	90
20	0	0	0	0	0			\$130,753			\$126,800	Yes	Yes	90
21	0	0	0	0	0			\$232,411			\$224,854	Yes	Yes	90
8	0	0	0	0	0			\$199,891			\$199,891	Yes	Yes	87
11	0	0	0	0	0			\$139,319			\$135,463	Yes	Yes	84
14	0	0	0	8	0			\$109,063			\$105,088	Yes	Yes	81
19	0	0	0	0	0			\$174,214			\$169,237	Yes	Yes	80
9	0	0	0	0	0			\$163,480			\$158,260	Yes	Yes	81
30	0	0	0	0	0			\$256,012			\$249,244	Yes	Yes	81
4	0	0	0	0	0			\$210,260			\$205,976	Yes	Yes	77
31	0	0	0	0	2			\$85,113			\$82,677	Yes	Yes	73
22	0	0	0	0	0			\$146,031			\$146,031			NOT RATED
33	0	0	0	0	0 No	No	Yes	\$253,666			\$0	Yes	Yes	92

GENERAL FUNDING INFORMATION

Annual Renewal Demand (ARD): \$ 3,250,939

CoC Bonus Funding: \$ 237,764

DV Bonus: \$ 339,663

YHDP: \$ -

Adjusted ARD: \$ 3,250,939

Tier 1 Funding: \$ 3,023,373

Tier 2 Funding: \$ 804,993

Total YHDP Round 2 or Later Renewals + Replacements

ARD - YHDP Round 2 or Later

Adjusted ARD * 93%

(Adjusted ARD * 7% + CoC Bonus) + DV Bonus

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Project Types to Consider for CoC Bonus/Reallocation:

☐ New PSH for 100% Dedicated PLUS or chronically homeless individuals

☒ New PSH for 100% Dedicated PLUS or chronically homeless families

☒ New RRH for individuals

☒ New RRH for families

Project Types to Consider for DV Bonus Funding:

☒ New TH+RRH for families

☒ New TH+RRH for individuals

☐ New HMIS

☐ New SSO coordinated entry

Project Types to Consider for DV Bonus Funding:

☒ New RRH for individuals

☒ New RRH for families

☒ New TH+RRH for individuals

☒ New TH+RRH for families

☒ New SSO coordinated entry

FUNDING CEILINGS AND PRIORITIES BY PROJECT TYPE AND POPULATION

For each project type/population combination, specify the maximum number of beds (renewal and new combined), maximum level of funding (ceiling), and relative priority. If beds or \$ are left blank, then projects within that category will not be capped. If the table below is blank, then projects will be ranked solely based on their rating scores. The ranking list will be generated in the following order:

- 1) HMIS and non-DV bonus-funded SSO-coordinated entry projects will be listed first in Tier 1 because they are required elements of a CoC’s system. This does not mean that HUD is encouraging you to rank them first; rather you should set local policies on their relative priority and move them accordingly after the initial ranking is generated.
- 2) CoC Bonus/new DV bonus-funded projects will be ranked just like other projects, and will be highlighted in pink/gray formatting. You should set local policies on their relative priority and move them accordingly after the initial ranking is generated.
- 3) Projects in the high priority categories, listed in order of their rating score, up to the maximum number of beds or funding level specified for each project type/population.
- 4) Projects in the medium priority categories, listed in order of their rating score, up to the maximum number of beds or funding level specified for each project type/population.
- 5) Projects in the low priority categories, listed in order of their rating score, up to the maximum number of beds or funding level specified for each project type/population.
- 6) Projects with unspecified priority, listed in order of their rating score.
- 7) Other SSO grants.

Projects that exceed the beds or \$ targets specified on the chart will be listed in the “Projects Not Selected for Funding” section of the FUNDING ANALYSIS + RANKING tab because they represent inventory above the needs of the system. The CoC NOFO Committee may want to solicit additional projects to fill project type and population targets that are not met for this CoC Program NOFO or subsequent NOFOs.

[Instructions on Completing Funding Ceilings and Priorities](#)

Total \$ Need Specified Below: \$ -

		PSH			RRH			TH			TH+RRH		
		Beds	\$	Priority	Beds	\$	Priority	Beds	\$	Priority	Beds	\$	Priority
All Families	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>												
DV Families	<input type="checkbox"/>												
Chronically Homeless Families	<input type="checkbox"/>												
Veteran Families	<input type="checkbox"/>												
Parenting Youth	<input type="checkbox"/>												
All Individuals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>												
DV Individuals	<input type="checkbox"/>												
Chronically Homeless Individuals	<input type="checkbox"/>												
Veteran Individuals	<input type="checkbox"/>												
Single Youth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>												

FUNDING ANALYSIS + RANKING																																
CoC Bonus Funding			\$237,764	Tier 1 (Adj ARD * 93%)			\$3,023,373	Tier 2 (Adj ARD * 7% + CoC Bonus) + DV Bonus			\$804,993	DV Bonus Funding			\$339,663	Projects Exceeding Adj ARD + CoC Bonus + DV Bonus																
Allocated			\$203,146	Allocated from Tier 1			\$3,165,826	Allocated from Tier 2			\$617,364	Allocated to Tier 1			\$0	Amount																
% Allocated			85%	Straddle			\$142,453	Remaining			\$187,629	Allocated to Tier 2			\$186,652	% Allocated																
Remaining			\$34,618					Remaining				Remaining			\$153,011																	
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Ranking			Priority Level	Weighted Rating Score	Renewal, New, Expansion, Reallocate		Grant Number	Project Type	General/DV	Organization Name	Project Name	CoC Funding Requested	CoC Amount Expended Last Operating Year	CoC Funding Recommendation (manual entry)	All Fam Beds	DV Fam Beds	CH Fam Beds	Vet Fam Beds	Par Youth Beds	All Ind Beds	DV Ind Beds	Total CH Ind Beds	Vet Ind Beds	Single Youth Beds	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Fam (Yes/No)	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Ind (Yes/No)	Is 100% DV (Yes/No)	Met All HUD Threshold Requirements	Met All CoC Threshold Requirements	Project ID	McKinney - Vento: YHDP Renewals	
TIER 1 (Adj ARD * 93%)	↓	↑	1	Unspecified	NOT RATED	Renewal	PA0200L3T082215	HMIS	0	United Neighborhood C	HMIS	\$ 59,556	\$ 59,556	\$ 59,556	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No	No	No			37	0	
	↓	↑	2	Unspecified	95	Renewal	PA0382L3T082214	PSH	NA	United Neighborhood C	Permanent Supporti	\$ 364,577	\$ 353,134	\$ 364,577	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	26	No	
	↓	↑	3	Unspecified	95	Renewal	PA0581L3T082211	PSH	NA	United Neighborhood C	Permanent Supporti	\$ 458,487	\$ 442,820	\$ 458,487	67	0	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	27	No	
	↓	↑	4	Unspecified	92	Renewal	PA1028	TH+RRH	DV	Women's Resource Cen	WRC Community Co	\$ 253,666	\$ -	\$ 253,666	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	33	No		
	↓	↑	5	Unspecified	91	Renewal	PA0201L3T082215	PSH	NA	Catherine McAuley Cen	CMC PSH	\$ 162,216	\$ 158,252	\$ 162,216	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	7	No	
	↓	↑	6	Unspecified	90	Renewal	PA0198L3T082212	PSH	NA	Catholic Social Services	CSS PSH 2	\$ 105,890	\$ 105,890	\$ 105,890	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	12	No	
	↓	↑	7	Unspecified	90	Renewal	PA0448L3T082212	PSH	NA	Community Intervention	CIC PSH 2	\$ 130,753	\$ 126,800	\$ 130,753	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	20	No	
	↓	↑	8	Unspecified	90	Renewal	PA0734L3T082207	PSH	NA	Community Intervention	PSH 3	\$ 232,411	\$ 224,854	\$ 232,411	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	21	No	
	↓	↑	9	Unspecified	87	Renewal	PA0631L3T082209	PSH	NA	Catherine McAuley Cen	Permanent Supporti	\$ 199,891	\$ 199,891	\$ 199,891	30	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	8	No	
	↓	↑	10	Unspecified	84	Renewal	PA0376L3T082214	PSH	NA	Catholic Social Services	CSS PSH	\$ 139,319	\$ 135,463	\$ 139,319	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	11	No	
	↓	↑	11	Unspecified	81	Renewal	PA0518L3T082210	PSH	NA	Catholic Social Services	VA Permanent Supp	\$ 109,063	\$ 105,088	\$ 109,063	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0				Yes	Yes	14	No	
	↓	↑	12	Unspecified	81	Renewal	PA0379L3T082214	RRH	NA	Catherine McAuley Cen	Rapid Re-Housing Pr	\$ 163,480	\$ 158,260	\$ 163,480	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	9	No	
	↓	↑	13	Unspecified	81	Renewal	PA0806L3T082206	RRH	NA	United Neighborhood C	UNC Rapid ReHousin	\$ 256,012	\$ 249,244	\$ 256,012	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	30	No	
	↓	↑	14	Unspecified	80	Renewal	PA0375L3T082214	PSH	NA	Community Intervention	CIC PSH	\$ 174,214	\$ 169,237	\$ 174,214	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	19	No	
	↓	↑	15	Unspecified	NOT RATED	Renewal	PA0199L3T082212	SH	NA	Community Intervention	Shelter Me Safe Hav	\$ 146,031	\$ 146,031	\$ 146,031	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						22	No	
	↓	↑	16	Unspecified	77	Renewal	PA0733L3T082207	RRH	DV	Women's Resource Cen	WRC CoC Rapid ReH	\$ 210,260	\$ 205,976	\$ 210,260	17	17	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	4	No	
TIER 2 (Adj ARD)	↓	↑	17	Unspecified	73	Renewal	PA0924L3T082204	RRH	NA	Valley Youth House	CoC Rapid Rehousin	\$ 85,113	\$ 82,677	\$ 85,113	6	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	2				Yes	Yes	31	No	
	↓	↑	18	Unspecified	80	New		TH+RRH	DV	Women's Resource Cen	Empowering Surviv	\$ 186,652	\$ -	\$ 186,652	9	9	0	0	1	3	3	0	0	1	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	35	No	
	↓	↑	19	Unspecified	85	New		PSH	General	Catherine McAuley Cen	CMC PSH 2	\$ 203,146	\$ -	\$ 203,146	18	0	6	0	1	2	0	2	0	1	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	34	No	
Projects Not Selected For Funding															MANUALLY EDIT!																	
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↓	↑	0	Unspecified	84	New			PSH	General	Friends of the Poor	FOTP PSH 1	\$ 177,000	\$ -	\$ 177,000	18	0	6	0	1	2	0	2	0	1	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	36	No	
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Ranking			Priority Level	Weighted Rating Score	Renewal, New, Expansion, Reallocate		Grant Number	Project Type	General/DV	Organization Name	Project Name	CoC Funding Requested	CoC Amount Expended Last Operating Year	CoC Funding Recommendation (manual entry)	All Fam Beds	DV Fam Beds	CH Fam Beds	Vet Fam Beds	Par Youth Beds	All Ind Beds	DV Ind Beds	Total CH Ind Beds	Vet Ind Beds	Single Youth Beds	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Fam (Yes/No)	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Ind (Yes/No)	Is 100% DV (Yes/No)	Met All HUD Threshold Requirements	Met All CoC Threshold Requirements	Project ID	McKinney - Vento: YHDP Renewals	
R O U N D			YHDP	N/A								\$ -	\$ -	\$ -																		

RENEWAL/EXPANSION THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

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Project Type: PSH

Project Identifier: 26

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Renewal/Expansion Projects Threshold Review Complete

100%

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO
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For each threshold, select "Yes" if applicant has fulfilled the threshold requirement and is eligible to submit an application.

Stakeholders should NOT assume all requirements are fully addressed through this tool. CoC Program application requirements change periodically and annual NOFAs may provide more detailed guidance. The CoC collaborative applicant and project applicants should carefully review the annual NOFA criteria each year.

☒ Yes to all

HUD THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicant has Active SAM registration with current information, and maintains an active SAM registration annually.

2. Applicant has Valid UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) Number.

3. CoC Program Eligibility – Project applicants and potential subrecipients meet the eligibility requirements of the CoC Program as described in the Act and the Rule and provide evidence of eligibility required in the application (e.g., nonprofit documentation).

4. Financial and Management Capacity: Project applicants and subrecipients 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.

5. Certifications - Project applicants submit the required certifications specified in the NOFO.

6. Population Served - The population to be served meets program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule, and the NOFO.

7. HMIS Participation - Project applicants, except Collaborative Applicants that only receive awards for CoC planning costs and, if applicable, UFA Costs, agree to participate in a local HMIS system. However, in accordance with Section 407 of the Act, any victim service provider that is a recipient or subrecipient not disclose, for purposes of HMIS, any personally identifying information about any client. Victim service providers use a comparable database that captures the required HMIS data in addition to meeting the needs of the local HMIS.

8. Applicant has no Outstanding Delinquent Federal Debts – It is HUD policy, consistent with the purposes and intent of 31 U.S.C. 3720B and 28 U.S.C. 3201(e), that applicants with outstanding delinquent federal debt will not be eligible to receive an award of funds unless.

a) A negotiated repayment schedule is established and the repayment schedule is not delinquent, or

b) Other arrangements satisfactory to HUD are made before the award of funds by HUD

9. Applicant has no Debarments and/or Suspensions – In accordance with 2 CFR 2424, no award of federal funds may be made to debarred or suspended applicants, or those proposed to be debarred or suspended from doing business with the Federal government.

10. Pre-selection Review of Performance - If your organization has delinquent federal debt or is excluded from doing business with the Federal government, the organization may be ineligible for an award. In addition, before making a Federal award, HUD reviews information available through any OMB-designated repositories of government-wide eligibility qualification or financial integrity information, such as Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS), and the “Do Not Pay” website. HUD reserves the right to:

a) Deny funding, or with a renewal or continuing award, consider suspension or termination of an award immediately for cause;

b) Require the removal of any key individual from association with management or implementation of the award; and

c) Make provisions or revisions regarding the method of payment or financial reporting requirements

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

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Renewal/Expansion Projects Threshold Review Complete

100%

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO
11. Sufficiency of Financial Management System - HUD will not award or disburse funds to applicants that do not have a financial management system that meets Federal standards as described at 2 CFR 200.302. HUD may arrange for a survey of financial management systems for applicants selected for award who have not previously received Federal financial assistance, where HUD Program officials have reason to question whether a financial management system meets Federal standards, or for applicants considered high risk based on past performance or financial management findings.	Yes
12. False Statements - A false statement in an application is grounds for denial or termination of an award and may result in criminal, civil, and/or administrative sanctions, including fines, penalties, and imprisonment. Recipient or applicant confirms all statements are truthful.	Yes
13. Mandatory Disclosure Requirement - Recipients or applicants disclose in writing to the awarding program office at HUD, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting the Federal award within ten days after learning of the violation. Recipients that have received a Federal award including the term and condition outlined in Appendix XII to 2 CFR part 200—Award Term and Condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters are required to report certain civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings to SAM. Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in § 200.338 Remedies for noncompliance, including suspension or debarment. (See also 2 CFR part 180, 31 U.S.C. 3321,and.S.C. 2313.)	Yes
14. Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities - Applicants are subject to the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121, 31 U.S.C. 1352, (the Byrd Amendment), and 24 CFR part 87, which prohibit recipients of federal awards from using appropriated funds for lobbying the executive or legislative branches of the Federal government in connection with a Federal award. All applicants submit with their application the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying included in the Application download from Grants.gov. In addition, applicants disclose, using Standard Form LLL (SFLLL), “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities,” any funds, other than federally appropriated funds, that will be or have been used to influence federal employees, members of Congress, or congressional staff regarding specific awards. Federally-recognized Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) established by federally-recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe’s sovereign power are excluded from coverage of the Byrd Amendment, but state-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established only under state law shall comply with this requirement. Applicants submit the SFLLL if they have used or intend to use non-federal funds for lobbying activities.	Yes
15. Equal Participation of Faith-Based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities – Projects ensure that all projects meet the requirements under 24 CFR 5.109. On April 4, 2016, HUD amended 24 CFR 5.109 consistent with E.O. 13559, entitled Fundamental Principles and Policymaking Criteria for Partnerships with Faith-Based and Other Neighborhood Organizations (75 Fed. Reg. 71319 (Nov. 22, 2010)). (See 81 FR 19355). These regulations apply to all HUD programs and activities, including all of HUD’s Native American Programs, except as may be otherwise provided in the respective program regulations, or unless inconsistent with the respective program authorizing statute.	Yes
16. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters - Outstanding civil rights matters be resolved before the application submission deadline. Project applicants, who after review are confirmed to have civil rights matters unresolved at the application submission deadline, will be deemed ineligible. Their applications will receive no further review, will not be rated and ranked, and will not receive funding.	Yes

CoC THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	
For each requirement, select “Yes” if the project has provided reasonable assurances that the project will meet the requirement, has been given an exception by the CoC or will request a waiver from HUD. Otherwise select “No”.	
Coordinated Entry Participation	Yes
Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation	Yes
Documented, secured minimum match	Yes
Project has reasonable costs per permanent housing exit, as defined locally	Yes
Project is financially feasible	Yes
Applicant is active CoC participant	Yes
Application is complete and data are consistent	Yes

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Renewal/Expansion Projects
Threshold Review Complete

100%

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	YES/NO
Data quality at or above 90%	Yes
Bed/unit utilization rate at or above 90%	Yes
Acceptable organizational audit/financial review	Yes

RENEWAL/EXPANSION PROJECT RATING TOOL

Project Name: Permanent Supportive Housing 1 (26)

Organization Name: United Neighborhood Centers

Project Type: PSH (General)

Project Identifier: 26

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Renewal/Expansion Projects
Rating Complete

0%

Print Report Card

Met all threshold requirements

RATING FACTOR	PERFORMANCE GOAL	PERFORMANCE	POINTS AWARDED	MAX POINT VALUE
PERFORMANCE MEASURES				
Length of Stay				
Permanent Supportive-Housing	On average, participants are placed in housing 15 days after referral to PSH	21 days	15 out of	20
Exits to Permanent Housing				
Permanent Supportive-Housing	90% remain in or move to PH	100 %	25 out of	25
Returns to Homelessness				
Within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	≤ 10% of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to PH	0 %	15 out of	15
New or Increased Income and Earned Income				
Earned income for project stayers	25%+ of participants with new or increased income	46.67 %	5.0 out of	5
Non-employment income for project stayers	60%+ of participants with new or increased income	50 %	4.0 out of	5
Performance Measures Subtotal			64 out of	70
SERVE HIGH NEED POPULATIONS				
Permanent Supportive-Housing	≥ 95% of participants are chronically homeless	100 %	20 out of	20
Serve High Need Populations Subtotal			20 out of	20
PROJECT EFFECTIVENESS				
Project Effectiveness Subtotal			0 out of	0
EQUITY FACTORS				
Agency Leadership, Governance, and Policies				
Recipient Management & Leadership Positions	BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, etc representation	Yes	5 out of	5
Recipient Board of Directors	BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, etc representation	Yes	5 out of	5
Process for receiving & incorporating feedback	Process includes persons with lived experience	Yes	5 out of	5
Internal Policies and Procedures	Policies with equitable lense, no undue barriers	Yes	5 out of	5
Program Participant Outcomes				
Outcomes with an equity lens	Data disaggregated by underserved populations	Yes	5 out of	5
Program changes for equitable outcomes	Plan to create more equitable program outcomes	Yes	5 out of	5
Equity Factors Subtotal			30 out of	30
OTHER AND LOCAL CRITERIA				
CoC Monitoring Score	Project is operating in conformance to CoC standards	Yes	10 out of	10
Other and Local Criteria Subtotal			10 out of	10
TOTAL SCORE				
TOTAL SCORE			124 out of	130
Weighted Rating Score			95 out of	100

PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CoC funding requested	NOTE: Edit on the LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE REVIEWED tab	\$ 364,577
Amount of other public funding (federal, state, county, city)		
Amount of private funding		\$ 49,955
TOTAL PROJECT COST		\$ 414,532
CoC Amount Awarded Last Operating Year	NOTE: Edit on the LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE REVIEWED tab	\$ 353,134
CoC Amount Expended Last Operating Year	NOTE: Edit on the LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE REVIEWED tab	\$ 353,134
Percent of CoC funding expended last operating year		100%

From: [Nathan Morgan](#)
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Hello Megan,

Please know the SLCoC Board voted to reject Friend's of The Poor's new project application.

Thank you,
Nathan

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Hello CoC Board members,

Thank you again for attending today's meeting. Please know the 2023 Rank and Review Scoring was **approved** as presented.

The next Ah Hoc board meeting is on Sept 22cd to review the full NOFO application. The NOFO application will be shared by email

As always, please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Nathan

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FUNDING ANALYSIS + RANKING														
CoC Bonus Funding		\$237,764	Tier 1 (Adj ARD * 93%)		\$3,023,373	Tier 2 (Adj ARD * 7% + CoC Bonus) + DV Bonus		\$804,993	DV Bonus Funding		\$339,663	Projects Exceeding Adj ARD + CoC Bonus + DV Bonus		
Allocated		\$203,146	Allocated from Tier 1		\$3,165,826	Allocated from Tier 2		\$617,364	Allocated to Tier 1		\$0	Amount		\$0
% Allocated		85%	Straddle		-\$142,453	Remaining		\$187,629	Allocated to Tier 2		\$186,652			
Remaining		\$34,618							% Allocated		55%			
									Remaining		\$153,011			

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			Ranking	Priority Level	Weighted Rating Score	Renewal, New, Expansion, Reallocate	Grant Number	Project Type	General/DV	Organization Name	Project Name	CoC Funding Requested	CoC Amount Expended Last Operating Year	CoC Funding Recommendation (manual entry)	All Fam Beds	DV Fam Beds	CH Fam Beds	Vet Fam Beds	Par Youth Beds	All Ind Beds	DV Ind Beds	Total CH Ind Beds	Vet Ind Beds	Single Youth Beds	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Fam (Yes/No)	Is 100% Dedicated + or CH Ind (Yes/No)	Is 100% DV (Yes/No)	Met All HUD Threshold Requirements	Met All CoC Threshold Requirements	Project ID	
TIER 1 (Adj ARD * 93%)	↓	↑	1	Unspecified	NOT RATED	Renewal	PA0200L3T082215	HMIS	0	United Neighborhood Ce	HMIS	\$ 59,556	\$ 59,556	\$ 59,556	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						37	0
	↓	↑	2	Unspecified	95	Renewal	PA0382L3T082214	PSH	NA	United Neighborhood Ce	Permanent Supportiv	\$ 364,577	\$ 353,134	\$ 364,577	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	26	No
	↓	↑	3	Unspecified	95	Renewal	PA0581L3T082211	PSH	NA	United Neighborhood Ce	Permanent Supportiv	\$ 458,487	\$ 442,820	\$ 458,487	67	0	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	27	No
	↓	↑	4	Unspecified	92	Renewal	PA1028	TH+RRH	DV	Women's Resource Cent	WRC Community Col	\$ 253,666	-	\$ 253,666	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	33	No
	↓	↑	5	Unspecified	91	Renewal	PA0201L3T082215	PSH	NA	Catherine McAuley Cent	CMC PSH	\$ 162,216	\$ 158,252	\$ 162,216	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	7	No
	↓	↑	6	Unspecified	90	Renewal	PA0198L3T082212	PSH	NA	Catholic Social Services c	CSS PSH 2	\$ 105,890	\$ 105,890	\$ 105,890	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	12	No
	↓	↑	7	Unspecified	90	Renewal	PA0448L3T082212	PSH	NA	Community Intervention CIC	PSH 2	\$ 130,753	\$ 126,800	\$ 130,753	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	20	No
	↓	↑	8	Unspecified	90	Renewal	PA0734L3T082207	PSH	NA	Community Intervention	PSH 3	\$ 232,411	\$ 224,854	\$ 232,411	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	21	No
	↓	↑	9	Unspecified	87	Renewal	PA0631L3T082209	PSH	NA	Catherine McAuley Cent	Permanent Supportiv	\$ 199,891	\$ 199,891	\$ 199,891	30	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	8	No
	↓	↑	10	Unspecified	84	Renewal	PA0376L3T082214	PSH	NA	Catholic Social Services c	CSS PSH	\$ 139,319	\$ 135,463	\$ 139,319	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	11	No
	↓	↑	11	Unspecified	81	Renewal	PA0518L3T082210	PSH	NA	Catholic Social Services c	VA Permanent Suppx	\$ 109,063	\$ 105,088	\$ 109,063	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0				Yes	Yes	14	No
	↓	↑	12	Unspecified	81	Renewal	PA0379L3T082214	RRH	NA	Catherine McAuley Cent	Rapid Re-Housing Pr	\$ 163,480	\$ 158,260	\$ 163,480	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	9	No
	↓	↑	13	Unspecified	81	Renewal	PA0806L3T082206	RRH	NA	United Neighborhood Ce	UNC Rapid ReHousin	\$ 256,012	\$ 249,244	\$ 256,012	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	30	No
	↓	↑	14	Unspecified	80	Renewal	PA0375L3T082214	PSH	NA	Community Intervention CIC	PSH	\$ 174,214	\$ 169,237	\$ 174,214	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	19	No
	↓	↑	15	Unspecified	79	Renewal	PA0199L3T082212	SH	NA	Community Intervention Shelter	Me Safe Haw	\$ 146,031	\$ 146,031	\$ 146,031	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						22	No
	↓	↑	16	Unspecified	77	Renewal	PA0733L3T082207	RRH	DV	Women's Resource Cent	WRC CoC Rapid ReH	\$ 210,260	\$ 205,976	\$ 210,260	17	17	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0				Yes	Yes	4	No
TIER 2 (Adj ARD * 93%)	↓	↑	17	Unspecified	73	Renewal	PA0924L3T082204	RRH	NA	Valley Youth House	CoC Rapid Rehousing	\$ 85,113	\$ 82,677	\$ 85,113	6	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	2				Yes	Yes	31	No
	↓	↑	18	Unspecified	80	New		TH+RRH	DV	Women's Resource Cent	Empowering Survivo	\$ 186,652	-	\$ 186,652	9	9	0	0	1	3	3	0	0	1	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	35	No
	↓	↑	19	Unspecified	85	New		PSH	General	Catherine McAuley Cent	CMC PSH 2	\$ 203,146	-	\$ 203,146	18	0	6	0	1	2	0	2	0	1	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	34	No

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PIT Count Data for PA-508 - Scranton/Lackawanna County CoC

Total Population PIT Count Data

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	177	165	188	234
Emergency Shelter Total	79	81	93	140
Safe Haven Total	11	10	11	9
Transitional Housing Total	71	66	71	50
Total Sheltered Count	161	157	175	199
Total Unsheltered Count	16	8	13	35

Chronically Homeless PIT Counts

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	10	15	7	24
Sheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	7	13	7	3
Unsheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	3	2	0	21

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Homeless Households with Children PIT Counts

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of the Number of Homeless Households with Children	24	23	23	32
Sheltered Count of Homeless Households with Children	24	23	23	32
Unsheltered Count of Homeless Households with Children	0	0	0	0

Homeless Veteran PIT Counts

	2011 PIT	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of the Number of Homeless Veterans	35	33	31	42	27
Sheltered Count of Homeless Veterans	35	31	31	38	26
Unsheltered Count of Homeless Veterans	0	2	0	4	1

*For CoCs that did not conduct an unsheltered count in 2021, 2020 data were used.

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HIC Data for PA-508 - Scranton/Lackawanna County CoC

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Current, Year-Round, HMIS Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds*	HMIS Bed Coverage Rate for Year-Round Beds	Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds**	HMIS Comparable Bed Coverage Rate for VSP Beds	Total Current, Year-Round, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
ES Beds	73	65	65	100.00%	8	8	100.00%	73	100.00%
SH Beds	11	11	11	100.00%	0	0	NA	11	100.00%
TH Beds	61	49	49	100.00%	12	12	100.00%	61	100.00%
RRH Beds	141	120	123	97.56%	18	18	100.00%	138	97.87%
PSH Beds	238	173	238	72.69%	0	0	NA	173	72.69%
OPH Beds	0	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0	NA
Total Beds	524	418	486	86.01%	38	38	100.00%	456	87.02%

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Notes

*For OPH Beds, this does NOT include any beds that are Current, Non-VSP, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.

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In the HIC, "Year-Round Beds" is the sum of "Beds HH w/o Children", "Beds HH w/ Children", and "Beds HH w/ only Children". This does not include Overflow ("O/V Beds") or Seasonal Beds ("Total Seasonal Beds").

In the HIC, Current beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").

PSH Beds Dedicated to Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness

Chronically Homeless Bed Counts	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
Number of CoC Program and non-CoC Program funded PSH beds dedicated for use by chronically homeless persons identified on the HIC	164	169	167	170

Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Units Dedicated to Persons in Household with Children

Households with Children	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
RRH units available to serve families on the HIC	35	33	38	42

Rapid Rehousing Beds Dedicated to All Persons

All Household Types	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
RRH beds available to serve all populations on the HIC	139	122	130	141

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FY2022 - Performance Measurement Module (Sys PM)

Summary Report for PA-508 - Scranton/Lackawanna County CoC

Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

This measures the number of clients active in the report date range across ES, SH (Metric 1.1) and then ES, SH and TH (Metric 1.2) along with their average and median length of time homeless. This includes time homeless during the report date range as well as prior to the report start date, going back no further than October, 1, 2012.

Metric 1.1: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES and SH projects.

Metric 1.2: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES, SH, and TH projects.

a. This measure is of the client's entry, exit, and bed night dates strictly as entered in the HMIS system.

	Universe (Persons)		Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)			Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)		
	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
1.1 Persons in ES and SH	303	480	72	60	-12	24	13	-11
1.2 Persons in ES, SH, and TH	427	598	165	127	-38	51	25	-26

b. Due to changes in DS Element 3.17, metrics for measure (b) will not be reported in 2016.

This measure includes data from each client's "Length of Time on Street, in an Emergency Shelter, or Safe Haven" (Data Standards element 3.17) response and prepends this answer to the client's entry date effectively extending the client's entry date backward in time. This "adjusted entry date" is then used in the calculations just as if it were the client's actual entry date.

NOTE: Due to the data collection period for this year's submission, the calculations for this metric are based on the data element 3.17 that was active in HMIS from 10/1/2015 to 9/30/2016. This measure and the calculation in the SPM specifications will be updated to reflect data element 3.917 in time for next year's submission.

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	Universe (Persons)		Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)			Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)		
	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
1.1 Persons in ES, SH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	382	525	183	174	-9	37	24	-13
1.2 Persons in ES, SH, TH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	494	641	233	218	-15	65	41	-24

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Measure 2: The Extent to which Persons who Exit Homelessness to Permanent Housing Destinations Return to Homelessness

This measures clients who exited SO, ES, TH, SH or PH to a permanent housing destination in the date range two years prior to the report date range. Of those clients, the measure reports on how many of them returned to homelessness as indicated in the HMIS for up to two years after their initial exit.

	Total # of Persons who Exited to a Permanent Housing Destination (2 Years Prior)	Returns to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months		Returns to Homelessness from 6 to 12 Months		Returns to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months		Number of Returns in 2 Years	
		FY 2022	% of Returns	FY 2022	% of Returns	FY 2022	% of Returns	FY 2022	% of Returns
Exit was from SO	8	1	13%	1	13%	0	0%	2	25%
Exit was from ES	126	10	8%	6	5%	5	4%	21	17%
Exit was from TH	39	0	0%	0	0%	1	3%	1	3%
Exit was from SH	8	1	13%	0	0%	0	0%	1	13%
Exit was from PH	101	10	10%	3	3%	7	7%	20	20%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	282	22	8%	10	4%	13	5%	45	16%

Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Metric 3.1 – Change in PIT Counts

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This measures the change in PIT counts of sheltered and unsheltered homeless person as reported on the PIT (not from HMIS).

	January 2021 PIT Count	January 2022 PIT Count	Difference
Universe: Total PIT Count of sheltered and unsheltered persons	165	188	23
Emergency Shelter Total	81	93	12
Safe Haven Total	10	11	1
Transitional Housing Total	66	71	5
Total Sheltered Count	157	175	18
Unsheltered Count	8	13	5

Metric 3.2 – Change in Annual Counts

This measures the change in annual counts of sheltered homeless persons in HMIS.

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Unduplicated Total sheltered homeless persons	427	606	179
Emergency Shelter Total	293	470	177
Safe Haven Total	22	24	2
Transitional Housing Total	123	122	-1

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Measure 4: Employment and Income Growth for Homeless Persons in CoC Program-funded Projects

Metric 4.1 – Change in earned income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	116	117	1
Number of adults with increased earned income	11	22	11
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	9%	19%	10%

Metric 4.2 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	116	117	1
Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	21	24	3
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	18%	21%	3%

Metric 4.3 – Change in total income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	116	117	1
Number of adults with increased total income	27	44	17
Percentage of adults who increased total income	23%	38%	15%

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Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	65	54	-11
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	10	14	4
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	15%	26%	11%

Metric 4.5 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	65	54	-11
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	17	18	1
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	26%	33%	7%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	65	54	-11
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	25	28	3
Percentage of adults who increased total income	38%	52%	14%

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Measure 5: Number of persons who become homeless for the 1st time

Metric 5.1 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, and TH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH or TH during the reporting period.	331	517	186
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	85	101	16
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time)	246	416	170

Metric 5.2 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, TH, and PH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH, TH or PH during the reporting period.	490	674	184
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	106	126	20
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time.)	384	548	164

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Measure 6: Homeless Prevention and Housing Placement of Persons defined by category 3 of HUD's Homeless Definition in CoC Program-funded Projects

This Measure is not applicable to CoCs in FY2022 (Oct 1, 2021 - Sept 30, 2022) reporting period.

Measure 7: Successful Placement from Street Outreach and Successful Placement in or Retention of Permanent Housing

Metric 7a.1 – Change in exits to permanent housing destinations

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons who exit Street Outreach	15	23	8
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	1	2	1
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	13	17	4
% Successful exits	93%	83%	-10%

Metric 7b.1 – Change in exits to permanent housing destinations

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FY2022 - Performance Measurement Module (Sys PM)

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons in ES, SH, TH and PH-RRH who exited, plus persons in other PH projects who exited without moving into housing	322	486	164
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	116	111	-5
% Successful exits	36%	23%	-13%

Metric 7b.2 – Change in exit to or retention of permanent housing

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons in all PH projects except PH-RRH	185	191	6
Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	180	186	6
% Successful exits/retention	97%	97%	0%

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	All ES, SH			All TH			All PSH, OPH			All RRH			All Street Outreach		
	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022
1. Number of non-DV Beds on HIC	59	67	74	63	63	63	232	222	232	106	103	109			
2. Number of HMIS Beds	59	67	74	63	63	63	164	169	167	101	99	108			
3. HMIS Participation Rate from HIC (%)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	70.69	76.13	71.98	95.28	96.12	99.08			
4. Unduplicated Persons Served (HMIS)	440	733	501	91	126	103	198	198	168	190	324	178	28	22	18
5. Total Leavers (HMIS)	401	535	430	38	60	53	34	20	33	57	87	17	8	3	17
6. Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	172	273	346	0	1	2	0	0	1	1	1	3	4	0	0
7. Destination Error Rate (%)	42.89	51.03	80.47	0.00	1.67	3.77	0.00	0.00	3.03	1.75	1.15	17.65	50.00	0.00	0.00

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Submission and Count Dates for PA-508 - Scranton/Lackawanna County CoC

Date of PIT Count

	Date	Received HUD Waiver
Date CoC Conducted 2023 PIT Count	1/25/2023	

Report Submission Date in HDX

	Submitted On	Met Deadline
2023 PIT Count Submittal Date	4/27/2023	Yes
2023 HIC Count Submittal Date	4/27/2023	Yes
2022 System PM Submittal Date	2/16/2023	Yes

Scranton Housing Authority

400 ADAMS AVENUE, SCRANTON, PA 18510
MAIN OFFICE - TELEPHONE: (570) 348-4400

EXECUTIVE OFFICES FAX: (570) 348-4442
TDD (570) 348-4415

August 16, 2023

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% Scranton/Lackawanna County Continuum of Care

Re: Catherine McAuley Center- PSH/PHA Program- NEW PA508-18 Letter of Support

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Scranton Housing Authority, please accept this letter of support to the Catherine McAuley Center in their application for a PSH/PHA Program.

The Scranton Housing Authority recognizes the need to serve our community through safe and affordable housing and offers support to the Catherine McAuley Center's PSH/PHA Program through the provision of housing choice vouchers or housing units to 25% (approximately two) of the program's participants.

The Scranton Housing Authority recognizes the success of the Catherine McAuley Center's housing programs and believes that this new program will be of value to our community.

If you require more information about the Scranton Housing Authority or our support for this project, please contact us at (570) 348-4400.

Sincerely,


Karl P. Lynett
Scranton Housing Authority

September 13, 2023

Nathan Morgan
Director, Continuum of Care
United Neighborhood Centers of Northeastern Pennsylvania
425 Alder Street
Scranton, PA 18505

Dear Mr. Morgan:

Re: Catherine McCauley Center Permanent Supportive Housing
FY2023 Continuum of Care, Scranton-Lackawanna Continuum of Care

Scranton Primary Health is pleased to provide this letter committing the below-detailed in-kind services for individuals served through the Scranton-Lackawanna Continuum of Care. This commitment is provided in association with the new project application submitted by Catherine McCauley Center for their proposed Permanent Supportive Housing proposal for the FY 2023 HUD Continuum of Care program.

Scranton Primary Health Center will provide services worth \$50,787 to any individual served through the Scranton-Lackawanna Continuum of Care, including, but not limited to, those served through Catherine McCauley Center for the Permanent Supportive Housing program.

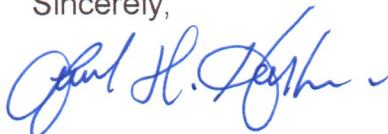
The undersigned further certifies that there is no expectation of compensation in return for the services described. Please see below for the additional required details regarding the contribution.

Description of Allowable CoC Services/ Activities to be provided	Healthcare resources, including, but not limited to, primary care visits, perinatal, women's health, family medicine, pediatric, dental, and behavioral health care.
Total Value of Donated Services	\$50,787.00

Value Determination / Calculation	140 clients from any Scranton-Lackawanna Continuum of Care housing program will receive a minimum of 2 visits per year. These visits will be a blend of primary care visits, dental, perinatal, family, behavioral health, infectious disease, and pediatric care. The rate of reimbursement for each visit is \$123.92, when multiplied by three visits for 140 clients per year, exceeds the value of the donated services.
Qualification(s) of persons providing services	Various staff including those certified as MD, DMD, DO, and CRNP
Total Clients to be served	140 clients per year
Start and End Dates of the period during which the Match resource will be available	Start Date: 10/01/2024 End Date: 09/30/2025

Please contact me at jhh@scrantonprimary.org if any additional information is needed.

Sincerely,



Joseph H. Hollander
Chief Executive Officer

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2023 Youth Housing Survey

Sponsored by: Scranton/Lackawanna County Continuum of Care and
PA Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program

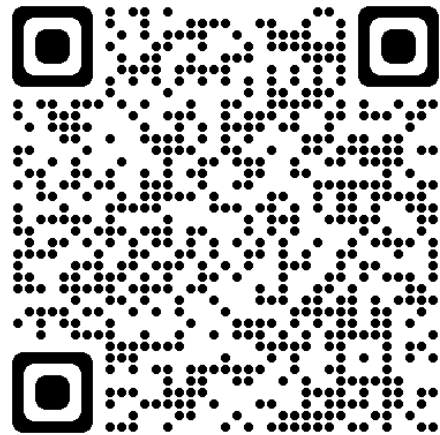
DO YOU HAVE A SAFE PLACE TO SLEEP AT NIGHT?

DO YOU SLEEP OUTSIDE OR ON THE STREETS?

DO YOU LIVE IN A CAR OR AN ABANDONED BUILDING?

ARE YOU CURRENTLY STAYING AT AN EMERGENCY SHELTER?

**If 'YES' to any of these questions,
please complete
this ANONYMOUS survey
on January 25th or 26th
by scanning this QR code.**



**IF YOU NEED SUPPORT COMPLETING THIS SURVEY:
Contact your school guidance counselor
or call Megan at 272-228-1766**

Disclaimer: The data collected in this survey will be included in the 2023 Lackawanna County Point-In-Time count on Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2023. All data collected is anonymous. *Survey participants will not receive a follow-up.*

Declining to participate in this survey does not prevent you from receiving social services.

The Scranton/Lackawanna Continuum of Care (SLCoC) is a HUD funded collaboration and is HIPPA compliant.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

Drop-in Youth Services Contacts:

NEPA Youth Shelter: 570-909-9671

UNC Youth Programs: 570-961-1592, ext.105

Catherine McAuley Shelter: 570-342-1342

Scan QR Code for Housing resources:



Encuesta de Vivienda Juvenil 2023

Patrocinado por: Scranton/Lackawanna County Continuum of Care and
Programa de educación de PA para niños y jóvenes sin hogar

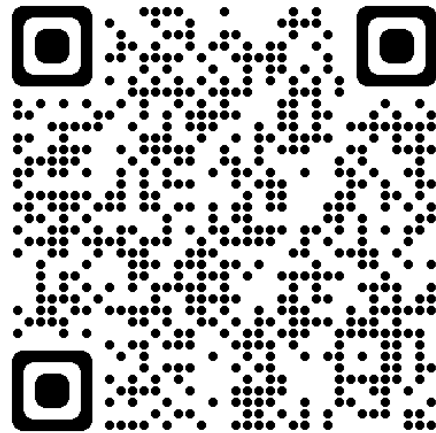
¿TIENES UN LUGAR SEGURO PARA DORMIR POR LA NOCHE?

¿DUERMES AFUERA O EN LAS CALLES?

¿VIVE EN UN COCHE O EN UN EDIFICIO ABANDONADO?

¿SE ESTÁ QUEDANDO ACTUALMENTE EN UN REFUGIO DE EMERGENCIA?

Si respondió 'SÍ' a cualquiera de estas
preguntas,
por favor complete
esta encuesta ANÓNIMA
el 25 o 26 de enero escaneando
este código QR.



SI NECESITA APOYO PARA COMPLETAR ESTA ENCUESTA:

Comuníquese con el consejero de orientación de su escuela
o llame a Megan al 272-228-1766

Descargo de responsabilidad: los datos recopilados en esta encuesta son el recuento puntual del condado de Lackawanna de 2023 el miércoles 25 de enero de 2023. Todos los datos recopilados son anónimos. *Los participantes de la encuesta no serán contactados.* Negarse a participar en esta encuesta no le impide recibir servicios sociales. Scranton/Lackawanna Continuum of Care (SLCoC) es una colaboración financiada por HUD y cumple con HIPPA.

RECURSOS ADICIONALES:

Contactos de servicios juveniles
sin cita previa:

Refugio para jóvenes NEPA: 570-909-9671

Programas Juveniles UNC: 570-961-1592, ext.105

Refugio Catherine McAuley: 570-342-1342

Escanee el código QR para recursos de
vivienda:



Scranton/Lackawanna Unsheltered Plan

CoC PA-508

Unsheltered Plan Taskforce Committee

This plan illustrates unsheltered homelessness in Lackawanna County and demonstrates various pathways to housing for those who are unhoused. This plan was written between April to July 2023 in conjunction with a special Unsheltered Plan Taskforce Committee. The Taskforce Committee met three times during the months of May and June 2023 to provide insight into unsheltered homelessness within Lackawanna County and share how their organization helps the unsheltered find stable housing. The Taskforce Committee was supported by the sixteen organizations listed below. This plan was only made possible through their support, and the SLCoC is grateful to work with so many outstanding organizations in Lackawanna County!

- Catherine McAuley Center (CMC)
- City of Scranton - Multiple Departments
- Keystone Mission (KM)
- Lackawanna County Veterans Affairs (VA)
- North Penn Legal Services
- St. Joseph's Center (SJC)
- United Way of Lackawanna & Wayne Counties
- Valley Youth House (VYH)
- Wright Center for Community Health
- Catholic Social Services (CSS)
- Community Intervention Center (CIC)
- Lackawanna County Department of Health and Human Services (LCDHS)
- NEPA Youth Shelter
- Scranton Primary Health Care Center (SPHCC)
- United Neighborhood Centers (UNC)
- Women's Resource Center (WRC)

Collaboration

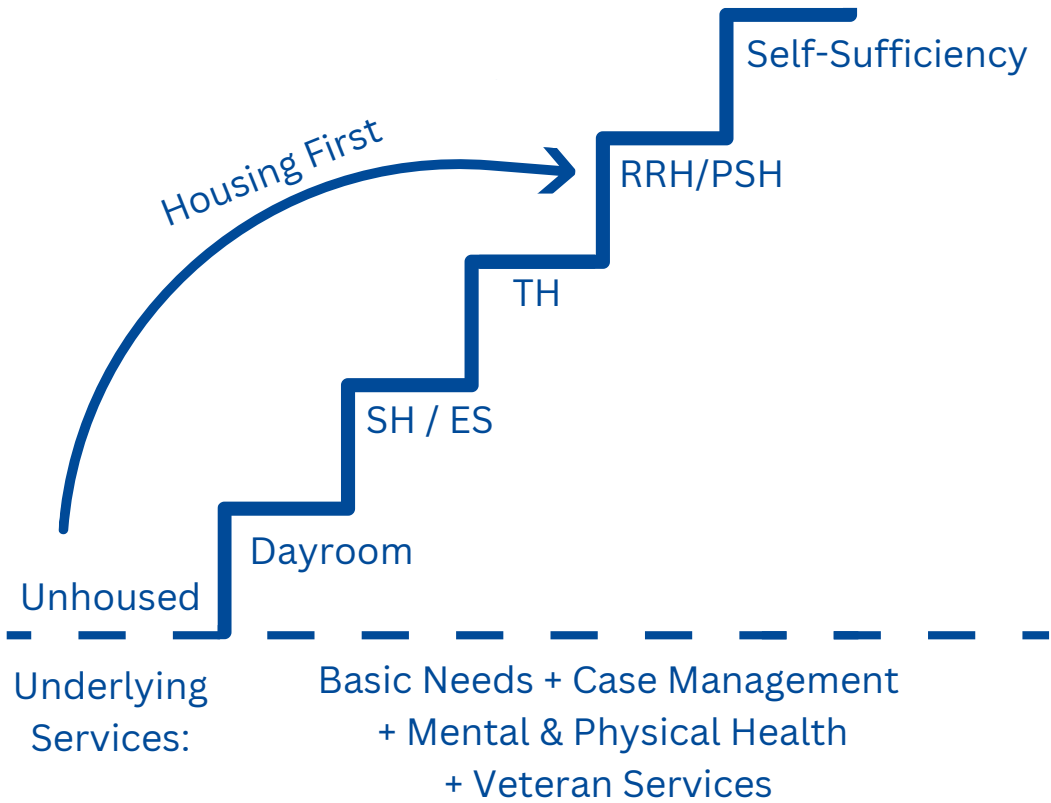
Supporting those experiencing homelessness requires county-wide collaboration and a multifaceted approach. As such, the SLCoC supports a "No Wrong Door" approach where CoC-funded agencies share one centralized Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). As stated by HUD, "a 'No Wrong Door' approach in which a homeless family or individual can present at any homeless housing and service provider in the geographic area but is assessed using the same tool and methodology so that referrals are consistently completed across the CoC" (Source: [Link](#)). This approach allows for smooth referrals between the five HMIS participating organizations, including CIC, CMC, CSS, UNC, and VYH. Looking beyond the SLCoC, this spirit of collaboration is true of many service providers in the area who frequently collaborate and welcome client referrals.

Diagram: From Unhoused to Self-Sufficiency

Most pathways to housing begin at CIC or KM. Both CIC and KM offer drop-in dayrooms, food, and other basic services. CIC and KM are readily accessible to those experiencing unsheltered homelessness and serve as a frequent first point of contact in Scranton. From CIC or KM, people are often referred to one of the area's Emergency Shelters (ES) or, if eligible, CIC's Safe Haven (SH). From ES or SH, people are often referred to a Transitional Housing (TH) program, Rapid ReHousing (RRH) program, or Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) when ready. The SLCoC's Housing First model also empowers people to enter housing through RRH/PSH at their own discretion. The SH, TH, RRH, and PSH categories below are used as defined by HUD.

Underlying services can be accessed at any point during one's journey from unsheltered homelessness to self-sufficiency. Basic needs include food, clothing, showers, and laundry services. Various providers offer services to address basic needs, as listed below under 'Programs & Services.' Other underlying services include physical health services at SPHCC and similar providers, mental health services at Scranton Counseling Center, and other veteran-specific services. CoC and Non-CoC agencies alike offer case management to connect people with housing resources and help maintain safe and affordable housing.

SLCoC Housing First Diagram:



Lackawanna's Unsheltered Population

Unsheltered homelessness can affect anyone at any time. In Lackawanna County, homelessness most often affects single mothers with children and single, middle-aged males. Frequent causes of homelessness include financial instability, rising rent prices, and a limited housing stock in and around the City of Scranton. In this plan, homelessness is described in two categories as defined by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD): literal homelessness and chronic homelessness.

Literal Homelessness: Individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:

1. Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not meant for human habitation; *or*
2. Is living in a publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state and local government programs); *or*
3. Is exiting an institution where (s)he has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.

Source: CoC and ESG Homeless Eligibility - Category 1: Literally Homeless - HUD Exchange

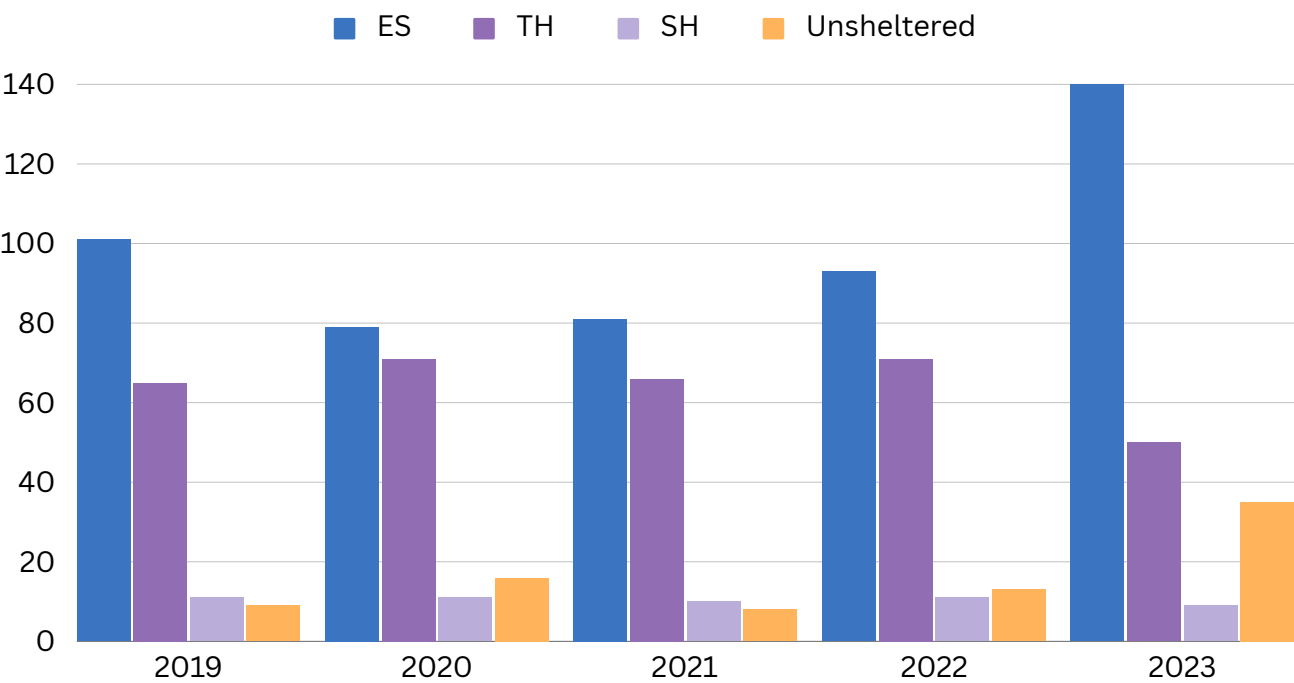
Causes: Initial homelessness can be caused by any major life change or catastrophic event that causes a loss of stable housing. Common life changes include: job loss, a health condition, divorce, domestic abuse, a substance use disorder, familial rejection due to LGBTQ+ status, or any other personal or family crisis.

Sleeping at Night: Cars, abandoned buildings, emergency shelters, transitional housing, or motel/hotel vouchers paid with government or charitable funds.

Narrative: In Lackawanna County, a loss of housing typically stems from the loss of employment or an inability to pay rent. Post-pandemic rent prices have been on the rise due to a limited housing stock in Lackawanna County and out-of-state landlords raising rent prices. Rising rent continues to be the leading cause of literal homelessness in Lackawanna County. This reality is reflected in PA-508's Point-In-Time data, with increasing Emergency Shelter (ES) stays and increasing total homelessness from 2021-2023.

Point-In-Time (PIT) data from 2019–2023 suggests that the majority of individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness are residing in Emergency Shelters (ES), Transitional Housing (TH), or a Safe Haven (SH) program. While insightful, efforts to improve the SLCoC PIT in 2024 may reveal a larger unsheltered population than previously reported.

Point-In-Time by Program: 2019-2023 (Appendix 1)



Common Unsheltered Locations: Individuals without access to a personal vehicle or who are not enrolled in an ES, TH, or SH program often sleep outside in cars, abandoned buildings, behind public buildings, in public parks, under bridges, or in tent communities. Most people sleeping outside reside near Scranton's two homeless hospitality centers: Community Intervention Center (CIC) and Keystone Mission (KM). The Lackawanna Heritage Trail in Scranton is a frequent destination for tent communities given its thick surrounding forest and numerous overpass bridges. With the exception of the Scranton Expressway, all of the bridges listed below cross over the Lackawanna Heritage Trail. This trail also supports a community pavilion near W. Olive St. between CIC and KM that is frequently visited by those without housing. The pavilion offers shade, has power outlets used to charge mobile devices, and is a known area for drug trafficking and alcohol consumption.

Parks	Lackawanna Heritage Trail; Rockwell Park; Sweeny Beach; Nay-Aug Park
Bridges	W Lackawanna Ave; Linden St; US 11 near Mulberry St; W Olive St; Poplar St; Scranton Expressway
Business	U-Hal Moving & Storage of Scranton; Sheetz Gas Station on 7th Ave; Lackawanna Transit Center; Steamtown Mall Parking Garage
Other	Cars (parking lots at night); Wooded areas near CIC & KM; Railroad tracks along Lackawanna River

Local Data: CIC and KM offer various services, including a dayroom, meals, showers, laundry, food pantry, clothing closet, and more. A full list of CIC and KM's programs is provided below. CIC and KM both report around 70 known unsheltered individuals in the City of Scranton and about 100 people who use their services daily. Both organizations report that the vast majority of their consumers are middle-aged, white/Caucasian males. These reported demographics align closely with local Census and SLCoC data (Appendix 3 & 4).

	Total	Women	Men	Nonbinary
Unsheltered Population*	71	12	59	-
CIC Daily Average	90-110	25-30%	70-75%	0-3%
KM Daily Average	80-100	16%	74%	11%

*Reported on May 15, 2023 by CIC Street Outreach Coordinator

Chronic Homelessness: People experiencing chronic homelessness have been literally homeless for +12 months and have a disabling condition. Disabling conditions can include physical, mental, or emotional impairment, typically caused by an underlying mental or physical health condition, alcohol dependence, or substance abuse.

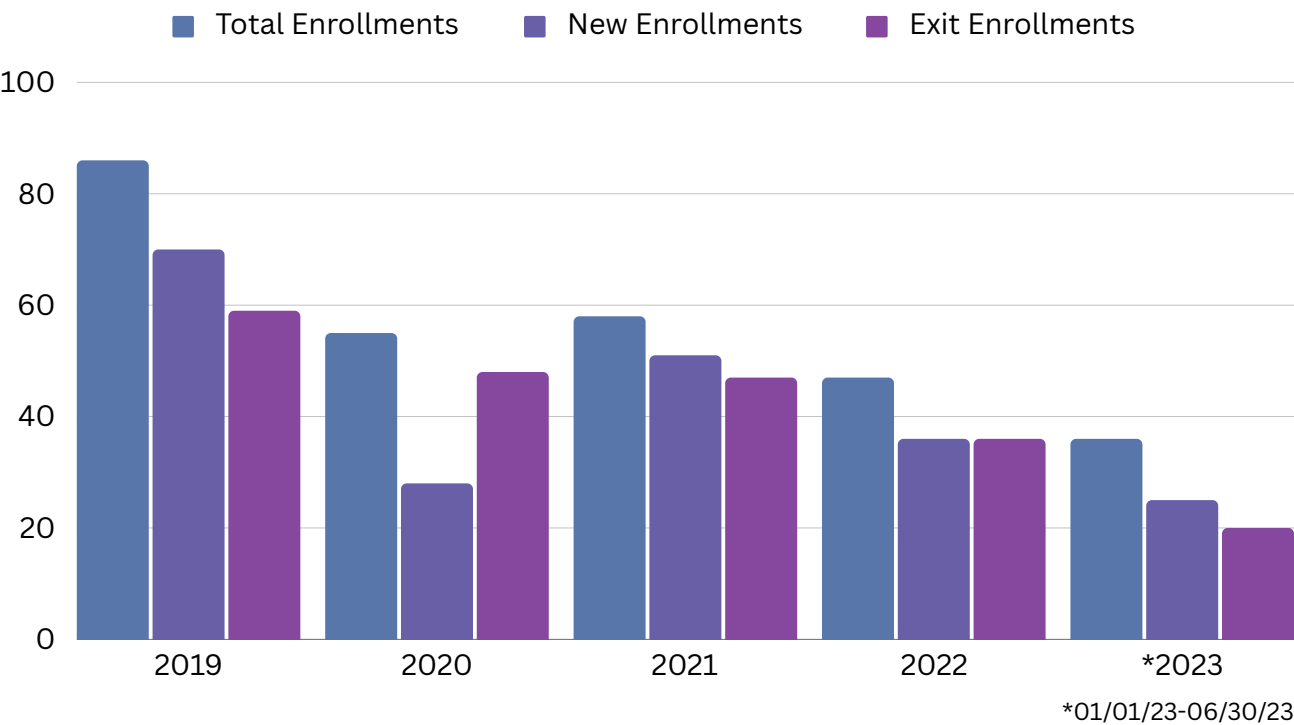
HUD Criteria:

- A homeless individual with a disability as defined in section 401(9) of the McKinney-Vento Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(9)), who:
 - Lives in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter, *and*
 - Has been homeless and living as described for at least 12 months or on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years, as long as the combined occasions equal at least 12 months and each break in homelessness separating the occasions included at least 7 consecutive nights of not living as described.
- An individual who has been residing in an institutional care facility for less, including jail, substance abuse or mental health treatment facility, hospital, or other similar facility, for fewer than 90 days and met all of the criteria of this definition before entering that facility; or
- A family with an adult head of household (or, if there is no adult in the family, a minor head of household) who meets all of the criteria of this definition, including a family whose composition has fluctuated while the head of household has been homeless.

Source: [CoC and ESG Homeless Eligibility - Chronic Homelessness - HUD Exchange](#)

Narrative: Enrollment to the Chronic Homeless list requires a Coordinated Assessment conducted by any CoC funded agency with access to HMIS. The vast majority of enrollments (+70%) are conducted by CIC. Enrollments for 2023 will have overlapping data with the Unsheltered Population statistics presented above in Local Data.

Chronic Homeless Enrollments: 2019-2023 (Appendix 2)



Programs & Services

In this plan, programs for unsheltered homelessness are separated into three categories: immediate response, pathways to housing, and preventative programing. Programs that offer immediate services include soup kitchens, clothing closets, day rooms, food pantries, and emergency shelters. Pathways to housing help place individuals in rental units alongside financial and case management support. Preventative programs aim to keep people from entering homelessness, often through rental or utility assistance, housing counseling, or job application assistance.

Immediate Response: As mentioned above, CIC and KM are the primary two homeless hospitality centers in Scranton. Their respective dayrooms are a safe place to go during the day. Each organization's mailbox and paperwork services are vital for helping individuals prove residency and obtain eligibility for local services. Both organizations work closely with the area's Emergency Shelters and Scranton Counseling for Mental Health services.

Basic Needs:

Dayroom	CIC & KM
Shower & Laundry	CIC; KM; CSS St. Anthony's haven
Hot Meals	CSS St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen; KM; CIC

Food Pantry	Food pantry: Friends of The Poor; CHOP; CMC; UNC's Angel's Attic; NEPA Youth Shelter; SJC Baby and Children's Pantry
Clothing	CSS St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen; UNC's Angel's Attic; Friends of The Poor; Dress For Success; NEPA Youth Shelter
Mailboxes	CIC; KM
Government IDs & Paperwork	CIC; KM
Physical Health	<p>SPHCC for physical health, dental care, OB department, and clinic in South Scranton. SPHCC administers flu shots and vaccinations on behalf of The City of Scranton. SPHCC also administers flu shots and COVID-19 vaccinations at various locations such as the St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen</p> <p>The Wright Center for Community Health works with CIC and KM to offer vaccines and other walk-in services</p> <p>City of Scranton Health Fair @ CIC offers vaccinations and other healthcare services</p>
Mental Health	<p>UNC Community Health Department for mental health diagnosis and individual counseling for adults</p> <p>Scranton Counseling Center for Mental Health diagnosis, drug and alcohol dependence diagnosis, medication, and psychiatric appointments</p>

Emergency Shelters:

Catholic Social Services (CSC)	<p>Overnight beds for 6 Female beds and 20 Male beds at St. Anthony's Haven. Includes laundry, showers, and a hot dinner</p> <p>St. Anthony's Haven is Scranton's foremost overnight shelter</p>
Catherine McAuley Center (CMC)	<p>Multiple shelters for women, single mothers</p> <p>Shelter for fathers with children</p>
NEPA Youth Shelter	Drop-in youth shelter for homeless or runaway youth
Uniter Neighborhood Centers (UNC)	Motel vouchers for qualifying individuals or families through UNC's Homeless Assistance Program (HAP) & the Lackawanna County Office of Youth and Family Services (OYFS)

Valley Youth House (VYH)	Group living and individual apartments for single or parenting youth between the ages of 16 & 22
St. Joseph's Center (SJC)	Shelter for up to four women during their pregnancies at SJC's Walsh Manor
Women's Resource Center, Inc. (WRC)	Shelter for unsheltered survivors fleeing Domestic Violence (DV) or Sexual Assault (SA) & 24/7 Phone Hotline
Code Blue Shelter (Temporary)	KM converts a gym Weston Field on Providence Road into an overnight shelter when the City of Scranton declares a Code Blue emergency

Pathways to Housing: As stated above, most pathways to housing begin at CIC or KM, where individuals are referred to an emergency shelter. From the emergency shelter, people are referred to a Safe Haven (SH), Transitional Housing (TH) program, Rapid ReHousing (RRH) program, or Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) program. The SLCoC's Housing First model also empowers consumers to enter housing whenever without prerequisites. The programs listed below are separated into SLCOC-funded projects and non-SLCOC-funded projects. The SH, TH, RRH, and PSH categories are as defined by HUD for the Housing Inventory Count.

SLCoC Housing Programs:

SH	CIC: 4-unit house for Individuals
TH	WRC: For DV & SA Survivors
RRH	CMC: For Individuals UNC: For Families VYH: For Youth (Single or Parenting) WRC: For DV or SA Survivors
PSH	CMC: For Individuals & Families CSS: For Individuals CIC: For Individuals UNC: For Individuals and Families
Veteran Services	CSS: PSH for Veterans

Non-SLCoC Programs:

TH	SJC: For Mothers with Infants
RRH (ESG)	CMC: For Individuals
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)	Multiple SH, TH, PSH, RRH, and SH programs are funded through the local VA. These programs are administered through CSS, CEO, and local housing authorities The VA also offers a monthly food pantry for veterans and a job-readiness program

Preventative Programing:

Rental & Utility Assistance	UNC, CMC, CSS, Salvation Army, TreHab Additional support may be available at other organizations given periodic or one-time funding opportunities
Housing Counseling	UNC for housing navigation, budget workshops, and landlord-tenant mediation
Legal Representation	North Penn Legal, Lackawanna Pro Bono

Success Stories

The SLCoC boasts of hundreds of success stories every year thanks to the continuum’s collaboration and commitment to serving our clients. One client, Dan, was kind enough to share his success story with the SLCoC. With respect to privacy, Dan’s story below intentionally does not contain Personal Identification Information (PII).

Dan’s Story:

Dan’s experience of homelessness alternated between living outside, couch surfing, and sleeping at emergency shelters in Scranton. When asked what this period of his life was like, Dan stated that being homeless was “too difficult to describe” and attributed financial instability as the primary cause for his homelessness. Dan shared that the only thing he looked forward to was a hot meal at St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen. Dan also benefited from Keystone Mission and other local charities while being unhoused and is continually grateful for their support.

Life began to improve for Dan in 2018 when he approached UNC's Community Service office in search of rental assistance. Dan was identified as Chronically Homeless, referred to PSH, and assigned a case manager. Within one month of visiting UNC, Dan's case manager helped place him in his own apartment. Dan also benefited from CSS St. Anthony's Haven and CIC's Dayroom while waiting for an apartment.

Today, Dan continues to maintain his own apartment and enjoys fishing and drawing. When asked what the biggest factor in his success was, Dan said, "The biggest part is having a place to live and somewhere safe to go." Dan said he would not be where he is today without his loyal case manager and financial support through PSH. Dan is currently interviewing with several local stores and is optimistic about reentering the workforce.

Room for Improvement

While boasting many success stories, the SLCoC and county alike has room for improvement in serving our unsheltered population.

County-Wide:

- Increased *safe* and *attainable* housing stock
- Improved engagement with out-of-state landlords
- Increased access for mental health services and diagnoses
- More emergency shelters for men and single fathers

SLCoC:

- Improved PIT count and volunteer coordination
- Improved engagement with out-of-state landlords
- Improved HMIS capturing of youth 18-24 y/o data

Appendix 1: PIT Program Enrollments 2019-2023

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
ES	101	79	81	93	140
TH	65	71	66	71	50
SH	11	11	10	11	9
Unsheltered	9	16	8	13	35
Total	186	177	165	188	234

Source: 2023 PIT Data & [PIT and HIC Data Since 2007 - HUD Exchange](#)

Appendix 2: Chronic Homeless Enrollments Demographics: 2019-2023

Chronic Homeless enrollments are conducted and tracked through the SLCoC's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS). Service providers able to enroll people onto the Chronic Homeless list are all located within the City of Scranton.

Gender Identity:

	HMIS Total	Percent
Female	76	29.92%
Male	175	68.90%
Multiple-Genders	3	1.18%
Total	254	

Age:

	HMIS Total	Percent
Under 18	36	14.17%
(18 - 24)	20	7.87%
(25 - 34)	49	19.29%
(35 - 44)	49	19.29%
(45 - 54)	59	23.23%
(55 - 64)	29	11.42%
(65 or older)	12	4.72%
Total	254	

Race:

	HMIS Total	Percent
White	203	79.92%
Black, African American, or African	34	13.39%
Multi-Racial	14	5.51%
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	2	0.79%
Client doesn't know	1	0.39%
Total	254	

Ethnicity:

	HMIS Total	Percent
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latin(a)(o)(x)	222	87.40%
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	32	12.60%
Total	254	

Source: SLCoC HMIS Database

Appendix 3: PIT Demographics 2019-2023

Gender Identity:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Female	66	72	66	73	86
Male	119	103	97	114	139
Non-Binary	-	-	1	-	1
Questioning	<i>Not Collected</i>	<i>Not Collected</i>	<i>Not Collected</i>	-	6
Transgender	1	2	1	1	2
Total	186	177	165	188	234

Age:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total # Of Households	155	134	117	121	139
Under 18	24	38	46	51	81
18 to 24	27	18	16	20	22
Over 24	135	121	103	117	131
Total	186	177	165	188	234

Race:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous	-	-	-	-	3
Asian or Asian American	-	-	2	-	-
Black, African American, or African	32	16	31	33	34
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	-	1	2	-	-
White	143	151	126	146	180
Multiple Races	11	9	4	9	17
Total	186	177	165	188	234

Ethnicity:

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Non-Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	153	157	147	166	187
Hispanic/Latin(a)(o)(x)	33	20	18	22	47
Total	186	177	165	188	234

Source: 2023 PIT Data & [PIT and HIC Data Since 2007 - HUD Exchange](#)

Appendix 4: Scranton & Lackawanna County Demographics in 2020 Census

Gender Identity:

	Lackawanna County Total	Lackawanna County Percent	City of Scranton Total	City of Scranton Percent
Male	105,707	49.00%	37,477	49.40%
Female	109,956	51.00%	38,390	50.60%
Total	215,663		75,867	

Age:

	Lackawanna County Total	Lackawanna County Percent	City of Scranton Total	City of Scranton Percent
Under 5 years	10,784	5.00%	4,492	5.90%
5 to 9 years	12,196	5.70%	4,158	5.50%
10 to 14 years	14,232	6.60%	4,058	5.30%
15 to 19 years	12,831	5.90%	6,228	8.20%
20 to 24 years	12,450	5.80%	6,218	8.20%
25 to 34 years	27,729	12.90%	10,059	13.30%
35 to 44 years	25,717	11.90%	9,080	12.00%
45 to 54 years	25,850	12.00%	8,568	11.30%
55 to 59 years	14,710	6.80%	4,482	5.90%
60 to 64 years	15,543	7.20%	4,362	5.70%
65 or older	43,621	20.2%	14,162	18.6%
Total	215,663		75,867	

Race:

	Lackawanna County Total	Lackawanna County Percent	City of Scranton Total	City of Scranton Percent
One race	194,548	90.20%	65,139	85.90%
Two or more races	21,115	9.80%	10,728	14.10%

White	197,743	91.70%	63,386	83.50%
Black or African American	10,915	5.10%	6,445	8.50%
American Indian	5,102	2.40%	1,843	2.40%

and Alaska Native				
Asian	8,013	3.70%	4,892	6.40%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	-	0.00%	-	0.00%
Some other race	18,391	8.50%	11,623	15.30%
Total	215,663		75,867	

Ethnicity:

	Lackawanna County Total	Lackawanna County Percent	City of Scranton Total	City of Scranton Percent
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	20,389	9.50%	12,688	16.70%
Not Hispanic or Latino	195,274	90.50%	63,179	83.30%
Total	215,663		75,867	

Source: [DP05: ACS DEMOGRAPHIC AND ... - Census Bureau Table](#)