

**Local Scoring Guidelines: New Projects
Annual NOFO**

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Threshold Requirements:

- Project will be administered by an eligible organization
- Match at 25% for eligible activities (all budget line items, except leasing)
- As applicable, participate in the most recent PIT, HIC, and LSA
- Agrees to participate in HMIS
- Agrees to have all referrals for proposed project routed through Coordinated Entry
- Meet all requirements listed in the Annual NOFO (part of esnaps review)

Projects which meet all of the above threshold requirements will be scored according to the following guidelines:

New Housing Projects

- Permanent Housing – Permanent Supportive Housing
- Permanent Housing – Rapid Re-housing
- Joint Transitional Housing and Permanent Housing – Rapid Re-housing

| WEIGHT | CATEGORY | EVALUATION CRITERIA |
|--------|---|---|
| 20 | Organizational Experience and Capacity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No/minor past audit or monitoring findings or concerns (fiscal or program) from HUD or independent auditors • Grant management system in place for complying with government grants • Involvement in the local homeless housing and services system or local low-income housing and services system. (DV bonus-History of serving DV clients) • Effective record of administering government funded housing programs for homeless persons or housing for low-income persons. |
| 20 | Unmet Need | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target population • Demonstrate need using data from Housing Inventory Chart and Point in Time Count • Impact on community performance related to HUD system performance measures • Address racial disparities to ensure equity |
| 15 | Timeliness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline for project implementation • Plan to fully expend HUD funds within grant operating period |

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| 35/(25 for DV) | Supportive Services and Housing First | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilization of Housing First <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rapidly securing housing for clients and support housing retention ○ No preconditions such as sobriety, service participation, or minimum income • Plan to assist clients with employment/other income • Plan to coordinate with other mainstream health, social services and employment programs • Leveraging healthcare resources • Utilizing lived expertise in planning programming and services |
| 10 (DV Only) | DV Experience, Plan and Outcomes (DV Projects Only) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (DV) Trauma-informed and client-centered policies |
| 10 | Application/Budget Quality | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Followed instructions • Submitted on time, with all required attachments • Responses provide sufficient detail and are appropriate for the type of project and target population • Is cost effective, meets matching requirements, leverages support from other partners |

New Coordinated Assessment Project

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| 20 | Organizational Experience and Capacity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No/minor past audit or monitoring findings or concerns (fiscal or program) from HUD or independent auditors Grant management system in place for complying with government grants Involvement in the local homeless housing and services system or local low-income housing and services system. (DV bonus-History of serving DV clients) Effective record of administering government funded housing programs for homeless persons or housing for low-income persons. |
| 20 | Unmet Need | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Target population Demonstrate need using data from Housing Inventory Chart and Point in Time Count Impact on community performance related to HUD system performance measures Address racial disparities to ensure equity |
| 15 | Timeliness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timeline for project implementation Plan to fully expend HUD funds within grant operating period |
| 35/(25 for DV) | Supportive Services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inclusive plan for coordination with stakeholders System design that is accessible for all persons seeking information regarding homelessness assistance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (DV) Trauma-informed and client-centered policies Strategy for advertising the program to reach homeless persons with the highest barriers Standardized assessment process Ensuring that program participants are directed to appropriate housing and services |
| 10 (DV Only) | DV Experience, Plan and Outcomes (DV Projects Only) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (DV) Trauma-informed and client-centered policies |
| 10 | Application/Budget Quality | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Followed instructions Submitted on time, with all required attachments Responses provide sufficient detail and are appropriate for the type of project and target population Is cost effective, meets matching requirements, leverages support from other partners |

New HMIS Project

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| <i>Because only the HMIS Lead is eligible to apply for funds, capacity will be weighted at 15% rather than 20%</i> | | |
| 15 | Organizational Experience and Capacity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No/minor past audit or monitoring findings or concerns (fiscal or program) from HUD or independent auditors Grant management system in place for complying with government grants Involvement in the local homeless housing and services system or local low-income housing and services system. Effective record of administering government funded housing programs for homeless persons or housing for low-income persons. |
| 25 | Unmet Need | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact on community performance on HUD system performance measures Timeline for project implementation Plan to fully expend HUD funds Demonstrate need using data related to current HMIS staffing and ability to meet current demands Detailed work plan for use of funds Address racial disparities to ensure equity |
| 15 | Timeliness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timeline for project implementation Plan to fully expend HUD funds within grant operating period |
| 35/(25 for DV) | System Design | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How the HMIS funds will be expended in a way that is consistent with the CoC's funding strategy for the HMIS and furthers the CoC's HMIS implementation. The HMIS collects all Universal Data Elements as set forth in the HMIS Data Standards. The ability of the HMIS to un-duplicate client records. The HMIS produces all HUD-required reports and provides data as needed for HUD reporting (e.g., APR, quarterly reports, data for CAPER/ESG reporting) and other reports required by other federal partners. |
| 10 (DV Only) | DV Experience, Plan and Outcomes (DV Projects Only) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (DV) Trauma-informed and client-centered policies |
| 10 | Application/Budget Quality | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Followed instructions Submitted on time, with all required attachments Responses provide sufficient detail and are appropriate for the type of project and target population Is cost effective, meets matching requirements, leverages support from other partners |