

# **2022 HUD NOFO INFORMATION**

This <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)</u> establishes the funding criteria for the FY 2022 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program. HUD is making available approximately \$2,794,000,000 is available in this FY 2022 CoC Program NOFO, including approximately \$80,000,000, available for non-competitive YHDP renewal and replacement expiring grants, and at least \$52,000,000 available for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus) projects, described in Section II.B.5 of this NOFO. HUD may add to the total amount with available funds that have been carried over or recaptured from previous fiscal years and authorized by prior Acts. All requirements in the FY 2022 application process, including requirements for the entire CoC Consolidated Application and the total amount of funds available, are included in this NOFO. HUD will continue to require Collaborative Applicants to rank all projects, except YHDP renewal, YHDP replacement, CoC Planning, and Unified Funding Agency (UFA) Costs in two tiers as described in Sections II.B.11.a and b of this NOFO.

# The FY 2022 CoC Program Competition opened August 1, 2022 and consolidated community CoC applications are due September 30, 2022 at 8:00 PM EST.

The CoC Application, CoC Priority Listing, and Project Applications will be available in e-snaps. Collaborative Applicant (BBCoC) and project applicants will be able to access the applications to review, update, and enter information that is required for the application process. To access more information please refer to <a href="https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2022-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/">https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2022-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/</a>.

# **Project Applicants**

Eligible project applicants permitted to participate in the local BBCoC HUD CoC Request for Applications (RFA)include nonprofit organizations, local governments, and instrumentalities of state and local government. For-profit entities are ineligible, and applications submitted from these entities will not be reviewed.

- Returning project applicants can choose to import the FY 2019 renewal project application
  responses; however, this must be requested during your registration of the Renewal Funding
  Opportunity in e-snaps and is only available if you submitted a renewal project application in
  last year's FY 2019 CoC Program Competition. Imported responses should be carefully reviewed
  to ensure accuracy and that the information is a true representation of the project activities. Be
  advised that the FMR, rent and leasing line items in projects may need adjusting for the 2020
  FMR since there was not a competitive competition in 2020 where this information was
  populated accurately.
- First-time renewal projects must complete the entire renewal project application.

- New project applications must be completed in full and in line with the new project application components permitted in this year's competition
- CoC planning applications will only be reviewed if submitted by the CoC's designated Collaborative Applicant identified in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps which is Apalachee Regional Planning Council.
- Dedicated HMIS projects, renewal and new, can only be submitted by the CoC's designated HMIS Lead as identified in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps which is Apalachee Regional Planning Council.

## What's New for the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition

The list below highlights some important information regarding new concepts CoCs should consider while planning for the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition. This list is not exhaustive and additional details are in the NOFA.

- 1. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260, approved December 27, 2020) added section 435 of the Act to allow Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHE) to be Collaborative Applicants, eligible entities, or subrecipients of the CoC Program in addition to amending section 401 of the Act to add the terms "Formula Area" and "Indian Tribe." These amendments mean that not only may Tribes and TDHEs apply for grants through other CoCs, but that formula areas, as that term is defined in the Indian Housing Block Grant program at 24 CFR 1000.302, are eligible to be added to the geographic areas of existing CoCs or may be included in newly formed CoCs through the CoC registration process (see Notice CPD-22-02). HUD chose to implement integration of Tribes and TDHEs into the CoC program in stages. In the FY 2021 competition, Tribes and TDHEs were eligible to apply for projects through existing CoCs only. In the FY 2022 competition, HUD published PPRNs for all formula areas, including tribal formula areas and allowed CoCs to include tribal formula areas in their CoC geography during the FY 2022 CoC Program registration process. Additional information can be found on page 7 of the NOFO.
- 2. HUD first introduced transition grants in the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition. This process provides an opportunity for renewal projects to transition from one CoC Program component to another during the CoC Program Competition. New this year, CoCs will not be limited to only 50 percent of awarded funds to be used for the costs of eligible activities of the program component originally funded. Instead, recipients may use as much of the awarded grant funds on the costs of eligible activities of the program component originally funded; however, by the end of the operating year, the recipient must be fully operating the new program component. Recipients will be eligible for renewal in subsequent fiscal years for eligible activities of the new program component. See Section III.B.2.cc for more information on Transition Grants.

- 3. HUD revised its rating factors regarding CoC evaluation of racial disparities to place greater emphasis on racial equity and increased the number of points in Section VII.B.1.q of this NOFO on whether CoCs and homeless providers have identified barriers that lead to racial disparities, have taken steps to eliminate barriers to improve racial equity, and have implemented measures to evaluate the efficacy of the steps taken. Additionally, points were added to Section VII.B.2.e of this NOFO that will be awarded to CoCs that are promoting racial equity through the local CoC competition. These points will be awarded on the rating factors; review, selection, and ranking processes used; and if rating and ranking of projects is based on the degree to which projects have 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 are taking or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.
- 4. HUD revised of the rating factors for addressing the needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) individuals to place greater emphasis on CoCs implementing and training their providers on the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policies that ensure LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination. Further, points were added to Section VII.B.1.f of this NOFO that will be awarded to CoCs that are updating their CoC-wide anti-discrimination policies based on stakeholder feedback and assisting providers in developing their own agency anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policies.
- 5. Throughout the past two years, as CoCs responded to the challenges of COVID-19, partnerships were developed between CoCs, homeless service providers, and state and local public health agencies. In the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition, HUD asked CoCs to demonstrate how these partnerships increased the safety of people experiencing homelessness from contracting COVID-19 and helped people increase vaccination rates amongst people experiencing homelessness. In the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition, HUD is asking CoCs to demonstrate how they will build on these partnerships to ensure they are prepared to prevent and respond to future infectious disease outbreaks amongst people experiencing homelessness. See Section VII.B.1.0 for more information.
- 6. As described in Section II.B.11.e of this NOFO, for new projects the CoC would like to be considered as part of the DV Bonus, HUD revised the point value distribution for project applications based on the CoC Application score and responses to the revised domestic violence bonus specific questions in the project applications. For the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition, HUD added scoring factors based on the responses to questions that demonstrate CoCs' collaboration with victim service providers in the CoC Application, projects' plans to include survivors with lived experience in policy and program development and the inclusion of victim-centered practices in operating their projects.

Please refer to <u>http://bigbendcoc.org/2022-coc-nofo/</u> for additional information on Big Bend CoC Local Funding Competition timelines, updates, and further instructions. Also visit HUD's website <u>https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2022-coc-program-nofa-coc-programcompetition/</u> for additional information.

#### 2022 HUD NOFA

### **BBCoC Funding Availability and Prioritized Projects**

**Annual Renewal Demand Report from HUD:** HUD has not released this information. We will update this document as soon as the information is available.

#### Projects Eligible for Renewal Reviews Based on Annual Renewal Demand (ARD): TBA

- Ability 1<sup>st</sup> A Place Called Home for Families Permanent Supportive Housing Program
- Big Bend Homeless Coalition Home Plate Permanent Supportive Housing Program
- Big Bend Homeless Coalition Youth Rapid Rehousing Program
- Big Bend CoC HMIS
- Refuge House DV Rapid Rehousing

#### New Funding and Prioritized Project Types Under CoC Bonus: TBA

- Permanent housing-permanent supportive housing (PH-PSH) projects
- Permanent housing-rapid rehousing (PH-RRH) projects
- Supportive services only (SSO-CE) project to develop or operate a coordinated assessment system.
- Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects

#### New Domestic Violence Bonus Funding: TBA

- DV Specific Rapid Rehousing
- DV Specific Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing
- DV Supportive Services Only for implementation of Coordinated Entry

#### **CoC Planning: TBA**

Funding awarded to CoC's designated Collaborative Applicant identified in the CoC Applicant Profile in esnaps which is Apalachee Regional Planning Council. Funding dedicated to the planning duties for our CoC service area.



# **BIG BEND COC LOCAL TIMELINE FOR 2022 HUD NOFA**

HUD released the 2021 NOFO on August 1, 2022. The Collaborative Application is due on September 30, 2022 at 8:00 pm.

#### **BIG BEND COC LOCAL DEADLINES FOR NEW AND RENEWING PROJECTS:**

**RENEWAL PROJECTS:** Please see the Renewal Project Review Process for information on project review and submission.

NEW PROJECTS: Please see New Project Review Process for information on project review and submission.

The local process is posted at <u>http://bigbendcoc.org/2022-coc-nofo/</u> and the HUD process is available at <u>https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2022-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/</u>.

#### 2022 HUD COC NOFO COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION- August 15, 2022 2-3 PM ET

This meeting will provide a thorough review of the 2022 NOFA, local competition timeline, local application submission requirements, ESNAPS submission, and project review process. Any agency who may be interested in submitting a project should attend this meeting. To register for this meeting please go to

https://teams.microsoft.com/registration/dWMXo9klVkuL\_8fdmkKAXQ,Cewjqt7v1kiTDb4snLgGpg,vlNSn z8mLEW9FU7027NobQ,UgpjV4pFmkS66JPfQmr\_4w,vndeYw0WikS1z-

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Questions can also be submitted to applications@bigbendcoc.org prior to meeting.

## August 16, 2022 12 MIDNIGHT EASTERN TIME- LETTERS OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR NEW PROJECTS DUE.

All Letters of Intent should be submitted as a PDF attachment to <u>applications@bigbendcoc.org</u>. Letter of Intent should include **project type, target county(s), target population(s) and name of agency interested in applying** and should be initiated by either the **agency Executive Director or Board Chair**. Organizations submitting a letter of intent to apply for an eligible activity under this funding will receive additional group technical assistance on the expectations and priorities of the CoC as well as how to utilize the HUD project submission system known as ESNAPS.

# August 24-25, 2022- PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE CONVENES TO EVALUATE RENEWAL PROJECTS

Committee reviews info and makes recommendations on Relocation of funds if necessary. This process will include review of Annual Performance Reports, System Performance Impact, Cost Effectiveness. Documents for review will be generated by CoC staff through HMIS and specific project submissions of

past APRs in SAGE.

# August 30, 2022- 12 MIDNIGHT ET- NEW AND RENEWING PROJECT APPLICATIONS DUE IN ESNAPS AND AS A PDF ATTACHMENT TO applications@bigbendcoc.org

September 7-9, 2022- PROJECT REVIEW COMMITTEE CONVENES TO REVIEW, SCORE, AND RANK NEW PROJECT PROPOSALS. Only committee members who have participated in orientation, completed Conflict of Interest Forms and been approved to review projects will participate. This process will also include a 20-minute virtual presentation from each project with a 10-minute Q&A session.

September 13, 2022- PRIORITY LISTING RANKING AND TIERING OF NEW AND RENEWAL PROJECTS APPROVAL BY COC BOARD for inclusion in the 2022 CoC Collaborative Application.

September 14, 2022 – APPLICANTS NOTIFIED IN WRITING OF THE STATUS OF THEIR PROJECT APPLICATIONS and inclusion or exclusion from ranking and tiering.

September 24, 2022- CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY APPLICATION AND INDIVIDUAL PROJECT APPLICATIONS POSTED TO <u>WWW.BIGBENDCOC.ORG</u> FOR COMMUNITY REVIEW AND BBCOC BOARD APPROVAL TO SUBMIT TO HUD- feedback is requested.

September 28, 2022- COC STAFF TO SUBMIT CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION IN ESNAPS leaving a buffer of 2 days prior to submission deadline set by HUD.

Please review the Detailed Timeline for more information.

For more information, please contact Johnna Coleman, BBCoC Executive Director at <u>jcoleman@bigbendcoc.org</u> or 850-739-5162 or BBCoC at <u>info@bigbendcoc.org</u>