FY2021 COC NOFO COMPETITION INFO & Q&A SESSION

09/09/2021

VIA WEBEX

SLC COC LOCAL COMPETITION MATERIALS

- All local Materials can be found here
- Review the NOFO Timeline
- Review Supplemental Application
 - All applicants must complete the HUD eSnaps & supplemental applications
- Review Score Tools per Project Type
 - PSH, RRH, TH
 - Additional Score tool for DV Bonus
- Review Ranking & Review Policy
 - Details Ranking & Review Process
 - Detail Appeals Process

<u>NEW & BONUS PROJECTS ONLY:</u> SUBMIT LETTER OF INTENT TO APPLY <u>COCHOMELESSPROGRAMS@STLOUISCOUNTYMN.GOV.</u> LOI TEMPLATE IS AVAILABLE<u>HERE</u>.

SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2021

September 23rd, 2021MICH Review and Application Support Session, St Louis County GSC Building, 3rd Floor Computer lab. Mask
Required in all County Buildings. Please RSVP to CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov.

1:00-4:00 pm For remote or 1:1 TA sessions, please email Pat Leary at <u>pat.leary@state.mn.us</u>.

September 27th, 2021 New and renewing applicants submit completed CoC Supplemental Application to: <u>CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov</u> –This application is available_here.

September 27th, 2021 Submit Project Applications to: <u>CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov</u> Please include a copy of your full e-snaps application, your completed Local CoC Supplemental Application, and your most recent APR for each project.

September 29th, 2021 Applications sent to Review Committee.

October 6^{th,} 2021 Ranking Committee meets and ranks applications.

October 21 st , 2021	Project rankings will be presented to the CoC Governance Board for review.
October 22 nd , 2021	SLC will notify applicants via email whether their applications will be accepted and ranked on the CoC Priority Listing, rejected, or reduced.
October 29 th , 2021	All appeals should be sent via email to: <u>CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov</u> by 12:00pm.
November 3 ^{rd,} 2021	Appeal Meeting via WebEx, if needed.
November 5 th ,2021	SLC Board letter for planning grant drafted and NOFA ranking will be submitted to SLC Commissioners for grant approval.
тво	SLC Board of Commissioners Meeting to approve planning grant.
November 10th, 2021	 All final project applications are required to be submitted to HUD via e-snaps, if different from or not submitted on September 27th submission. I. Email time stamp from e-snaps submission to: <u>CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov</u> 2. Email PDF of Final Project Application submitted to HUD via e-snaps to: <u>CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov</u> 3. Email Match letters and all other attached documents submitted to SLC at: <u>CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov</u>
November 12th, 2021	SLC CoC will post <u>all parts</u> of the CoC Consolidated Application (which are the CoC Application and CoC Priority Listing with all project applications accepted and ranked, or rejected and the Project Applications) on its website for public viewing.
November 16th, 2021	Final Edits, Review and Submission of 2021 Heading Home SLC NOFA Application due to HUD

KEY LOCAL SCORING PRIORITIES

- System performance measures
 - Returns to homelessness
 - Exits to Permanent housing
 - Income maintained or increased
- Housing First
- Evidence based practice: harm reduction, person centered, trauma informed
- Racial Equity
- Culturally Responsive/Specific Services
- Domestic Violence Safety Policies

2021 HUD PRIORITIES

- Housing First policies
- Advance racial equity
- Reducing unsheltered homelessness
- Increase in Rapid Rehousing
- Domestic violence services
- Healthcare Collaboration
- Collaboration with HRAs

- Overall goals and progress towards ending homelessness
- Improve Systems Performance
- Involve People With Lived Experience
- Collaboration with Schools & Early Childhood Providers
- Focus on keeping families together

TIER I & TIER 2 GUIDANCE

- Tier I=100 percent Annual Renewal Demand
 - SLC CoC ARD: \$3,266,071
- Tier 2=Bonus Funds & New projects
 - SLC CoC Ranking & review policy states that all new projects will be ranked below renewal projects, unless a renewal project is reallocated
 - Reallocation Funding: To be announced (if any)
 - DV Bonus Funding: \$569,752
 - CoC Bonus Funding: \$189,917

COC BONUS FUNDS: \$189,917

- No guarantee SLC CoC will be awarded bonus fund, if awarded can be used for new projects
- Permanent Housing-Permanent Supportive Housing Projects for chronically homeless at program entry
- Permanent Housing-Rapid Rehousing Projects for people who qualify as homeless
- Rapid Rehousing or Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing Component Projects for people who qualify as homeless
- Supportive Services Only Projects for Coordinated Entry Project to develop or operate a centralized or coordinated assessment system.

DV BONUS FUNDS: \$569,752

- No guarantee SLC CoC will be awarded bonus fund, if awarded can be used for new projects
- Permanent Housing-Rapid re-housing projects dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking that are defined as homeless (24 CFR 578.3)
- Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects defined in Section III.B.2.q of the NOFO dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who are defined as homeless (24 CFR 578.3)
- Supportive services only (SSO)-coordinated entry project to implement policies, procedures, and practices that equip the CoC's coordinated entry to better meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking
- Per HUD guidelines for the DV Bonus funds, new DV Bonus project applications may not request less than \$50,000. In addition, victim service providers are required to use or create an Alternate Database comparable to HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) to produce reports for HUD and aggregate unduplicated count data for CoC planning.

TIPS FOR APPLICATION

- Read through the HUD Detailed Application Instructions
 - <u>Renewal Projects</u>
 - New/Bonus projects
- Use the eSnaps Navigational Guide
 - <u>Renewal Projects</u>
 - New/Bonus Projects
- HUD Scores each question separately, so repetition is your friend
- Double check all attachments (P. 27 in Navigational Guide)
- Form 2880 Guidance
- Remember the 25% match requirement
 - Documentation (3rd party only)
- All new or Bonus projects are encouraged to use TA supports
- Start early & ask lots of questions!

HELPFUL RESOURCES

- HUD CoC Program Competition Page
- Full FY2021 HUD CoC NOFO Competition Notice
- HUD Project Application FAQs
- <u>eSnaps Resources Page</u>
- HUD Exchange CoC 101 Page
- HUD CoC Program Rule (24 CFR 578)
- eSnaps Guide for Creating New Applicant Profile

QUESTIONS?

- Should the CoC host a Bonus Funds open planning session?
- Additional support needed from the CoC? (ex. Office hours, additional Q&A)
 - Contact: CoC Coordinator, Courtney Cochran with any questions <u>cochranc@stlouiscountymn.gov</u> or (218) 725- 5158
 - For I:I TA requests to Pat Leary: pat.leary@state.mn.us
 - HUD NOFO specific Questions: CoCNOFO@hud.gov
 - eSnaps specific questions: <u>e-snaps@hud.gov</u>