

# FY2022 COC NOFO COMPETITION INFO & Q&A SESSION

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# SLC COC LOCAL COMPETITION MATERIALS

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- [All local Materials can be found here](#)
- Review the NOFO Timeline: **Applications due to CoC: August 30<sup>th</sup>, Final HUD deadline: Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>**
- **New project LOIs due August 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Review Supplemental Application: **Start this ASAP: Due August 30<sup>th</sup>**
- All applicants must complete the HUD eSnaps & supplemental applications
- Review Score Tools per Project Type
  - PSH & RH-TH
- Review Ranking & Review Policy
  - Details Ranking & Review, Reallocation, & Appeals Processes

## KEY LOCAL SCORING PRIORITIES

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- 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 • CONSULTATION WITH THOSE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE OF HOMELESSNESS

# FY2022 HUD PRIORITIES

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- Ending homelessness for all people
- Housing First
- Reduce unsheltered homelessness
- Improve System performance
- Partner with Housing Health, & service agencies
- Racial Equity
- Improve assistance to LGBTQIA2S+ people
- Increase Affordable Housing Supply



# CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS NOFOS

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- Tribes can apply directly to CoCs for project funds, but only tribes that registered as a part of the CoC geography in the FY2022 application process.
- Greater scoring emphasis on racial equity
- Greater scoring emphasis on how projects/CoCs equitably serve LGBTQIA2S+ households
- Emphasis on engaging those with lived experience in project planning & CoC Planning
- CoCs can only submit one SSO-CE grant in this competition
- No clear CoC Bonus fund amount, maybe created from funds returned to HUD

# DV BONUS FUNDS

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- No guarantee SLC CoC will be awarded bonus fund, if awarded can be used for new projects
- Permanent Housing or 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), generally up to 24 months of assistance
- Supportive services only Coordinated Entry(SSO-CE)-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.

# ELIGIBLE NEW PROJECTS TYPES (THROUGH REALLOCATION OR POTENTIAL COC BONUS)

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- a) PH-PSH projects.
- (b) PH-RRH projects.
- (c) Joint TH/PH-RRH component projects.
- (d) Dedicated HMIS project for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(4) that can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the recipient or subrecipient of an HMIS grant and is listed on the HMIS Lead form in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Additionally, if the CoC has organizations within its geographic area that are victim service providers, the HMIS Lead, or subrecipient, may request HMIS funds for a comparable database. Victim service providers may also request HMIS funds in their project application budgets to enter data into a comparable database.
- (e) SSO-CE project to develop or operate a centralized or coordinated assessment system.

# TIER 1 & TIER 2 GUIDANCE

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- Tier 1=95% percent Annual Renewal Demand +Reallocation Funding (if any)
- SLC CoC ARD: \$3,429,881
- Tier 2=5% ARD+DV Bonus Funds & New projects
  - Our CoC policy ranks new projects & bonus projects below renewals (unless renewal is reallocated)
  - 5% ARD= \$171,494.05
- SLC CoC Ranking & review policy states that all new projects will be ranked below renewal projects, unless a renewal project is reallocated
- Reallocation Funding: Voluntary Reallocation + Involuntary Reallocation: TBD (if any)
- DV Bonus Funding: Top limit for CoC applications not clear yet



# HOUSING & HEALTHCARE MOUS (SEC. II.B.4 FY2022 NOFO)

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- New PSH-RRH Projects should seek an MOU, commitment letter, etc. for healthcare & housing leverage services and attach this with your application
- Healthcare MOUs:
  - This could be for mental health, chemical dependency, behavioral health, physical health services that will be provided
  - This can from internally offered services or an external partnership
  - Include dates of services offered, approximate value of services offered, and number of individuals that can be served by these services
  - Must be available for all project participants
- For housing resource leverage MOUs, at least 25 percent of units funded outside of CoC funds (ex. Housing supports, PHA housing choice voucher, etc)

# HELPFUL REMINDERS

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- Tribes that were included in our CoC geographic area for FY2022 HUD registration are eligible to apply
- All CoC funded project must participate in Coordinated Entry
- All program participants must meet HUD homeless definition, with RRH & PSH project prioritizing Chronic Homelessness (details on next slide)
- For renewal applicants: You can only apply for your budget amount that is on the FY2022 Grant Inventory Worksheet (or Less)
  - If you hope to increase your project funds you have to apply for an additional CoC grant and later merge it with your existing grant award, considered a transition grant.
- Emergency Shelter is not an eligible project type for CoC funds
- All grants need 25 % match, cannot match with CoC funds with ESG or CoC funds
- No funds are guaranteed in this process and our CoC does the best to protect our existing funds and compete for new funds, but ultimately HUD decides.
  - Since only 95% of ARD is in Tier I this year, we could see cuts to renewal grants.

# HUD HOMELESS REQUIREMENT

- Renewal projects cannot change your population focus or who you serve from previous years
  - For most projects (PSH & RRH), this means prioritizing Chronic Homelessness
- New projects can serve anyone who qualifies under HUD Homeless 1, 2, or 4 in 24 CFR 578.3
  - Chronic homelessness must still be prioritized for RRH & PSH
  - Any youth-serving provider funded may serve unaccompanied youth aged 24 and under (or families headed by youth aged 24 and under) who have an unsafe primary nighttime residence and no safe alternative to that residence.
- Chronic: Category 1 HUD homeless & 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

Categories	Persons who are . . .
1. Literally Homeless	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• sleeping outside</li><li>• in a shelter</li><li>• in a place not meant for human habitation</li><li>• exiting an institution after &lt;90 days AND entered as homeless</li></ul>
2. Imminently Homeless	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Within 14 days of losing housing AND has no other safe place AND lacks resources to obtain other housing.</li></ul>
3. Other Federal Statutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• unaccompanied youth or families with kids who fit other federal statutes AND don't have resources or supports, have persistent instability, AND have significant barriers (MH, SA, or 2+ employment barriers).</li></ul>
4. Fleeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• fleeing or attempting to flee violence or abuse including trafficking or other life-threatening conditions related to violence AND have no other resources to obtain safe housing.</li></ul>

# WHAT APPLICATION MATERIALS ARE REQUIRED TO APPLY?

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- Renewal Applicants
  - Renewal Project LOI (Already completed by all projects!)
  - Local/Supplemental Application (Only Complete one for all projects) **due by August 30th**
  - Copy of E-Snaps application (HUD application) **due by August 30th**
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# TIPS FOR APPLICATION

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- Read through the HUD Detailed Application Instructions
- Use the eSnaps Navigational Guide
- HUD Scores each question separately, so repetition is your friend
- Double check all attachments
- [Form 2880 Guidance](#)
- Remember the 25% match requirement

# HELPFUL RESOURCES

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- [HUD CoC Program Competition Page](#)
- [Full FY2022 HUD CoC NOFO Competition Notice](#)
- [HUD Project Application FAQs](#)
- [eSnaps Resources Page](#)
- [HUD Exchange CoC 101 Page](#)
- [HUD CoC Program Rule \(24 CFR 578\)](#)
- [eSnaps Guide for Creating New Applicant Profile](#)

# QUESTIONS?

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- Contact: CoC Coordinator, Courtney Cochran with any questions [cochranc@stlouiscountymn.gov](mailto:cochranc@stlouiscountymn.gov) or (218) 725- 5158
- For I:I TA requests to Pat Leary: [pat.leary@state.mn.us](mailto:pat.leary@state.mn.us)
- HUD NOFO specific Questions: [CoCNOFO@hud.gov](mailto:CoCNOFO@hud.gov)
- eSnaps specific questions: [e-snaps@hud.gov](mailto:e-snaps@hud.gov)
- Weekly CoC Office Hours: Thursdays 11am to 12:30pm via Microsoft Teams, email [cochranc@stlouiscountymn.gov](mailto:cochranc@stlouiscountymn.gov) for the link