

## HUD CoC Consolidated Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Application

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, States, Indian Tribes or Tribally Designated Housing Entities and local governments to quickly rehouse individuals and families experiencing homelessness, persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth experiencing homelessness, while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families, and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

This funding opportunity is driven by a competitive process, both on the national level and at the local level.

Each CoC must score and rank all renewal and new projects each year, which offers flexibility to adjust in rank order to implement local funding priorities and ensure that they are ranked appropriately according to community needs. As in years past, the PEC ranked all Renewal Applications above all New Applications as a strategy to maximize funding from HUD, since HUD generally intends to continue to fund projects that are currently serving people to avoid having them experience homelessness again. HUD recommends that certain projects (those related to the HMIS and CE leads that provide infrastructure to the entire CoC) be ranked at the top; some projects (the CoC Planning Grant and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program projects) are non-competitive.

HUD outlines the amount of funding each CoC can apply for in its CoC Program NOFO each year. The amounts vary based on how much Congress appropriates and any additional requirements Congress applies in that appropriation. The primary factor in determining how much a CoC can apply for is its Annual Renewal Demand (ARD). The ARD is based on the total amount of each project in the CoC that is currently receiving CoC Program funding and is eligible to apply for funding again in the upcoming competition. HUD's intent is to continue to fund projects that are currently serving people to avoid having them experience homelessness again. HUD's CoC Program Interim Rule outlines the Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN) formula that takes the national-level PPRN amount and assigns a need amount to each geographic area in the United States. The amount for each geographic area is based on the population, poverty, housing overcrowding, and age of housing in each area. Through this process, HUD informs each community of the maximum funding that they may be allowed to apply for.

2024 Annual Renewal Demand for Nashville/ Davidson County	\$9,314,015
Tier 1	\$6,649,461
CoC Bonus	\$1,117,682
DV Bonus	\$926,665
CoC Planning Grant	\$465,701

**Tier 1.** Tier 1 is the amount equal to 90% of the Annual Renewal Demand minus the amounts of the YHDP projects. For example, this year the ARD is \$9,314,015 minus the amounts of the two YHDP projects, \$1,286,725 and \$639,000, equals \$7,388,290, times 90%, equals \$6,649,461

**Tier 2.** Tier 2 is the difference between Tier 1 and the maximum amount of CoC Renewal (including DV Renewal), DV Bonus, and CoC Bonus funds that a CoC applies for. For example, this year the maximum amount of CoC Renewal, DV Bonus, and CoC Bonus funds are \$11,358,362; when subtracting the Tier 1 amount of \$6,649,461, so the Tier 2 amount for this year is \$4,708,901.

The CoC Bonus is the amount awarded by HUD to a community each year based on the strength of their consolidated community application from the previous year's application. The CoC Bonus allows CoCs to use up to 12 percent of their Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN), which is the higher of either the Preliminary Pro Rata Need or the Annual Renewal Demand, to create one or more new project applications. New projects created through the CoC Bonus must meet the project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements established by HUD in this NOFO. To be eligible to receive a CoC Bonus project, the Collaborative Applicant must demonstrate its CoC evaluates and ranks projects based on how they improve system performance.

The Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus) is for the provision of a new project that is dedicated to individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who qualify under the paragraphs (1) or (4) of definition of homeless at of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. Survivors of human trafficking may qualify as homeless under paragraph (4) of the homeless definition of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act because they are often also victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, however, a DV Bonus project may not exclusively serve people fleeing or attempting to flee human trafficking. CoCs may apply for DV Bonus projects where the total amount for one year of funding for all DV Bonus applications is up to 15 percent of its Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN); however, this amount is limited to:

- (a)** a minimum of \$50,000 if 15 percent of the CoC's PPRN is less than \$50,000; or
- (b)** a maximum of \$5 million if 15 percent of the CoC's PPRN is more than \$5 million.

**Application deadline:  
October 30, 2024 at 8:00 pm**

## CoCBuils Notice of Funding Opportunity

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Builds (CoCBuils) NOFO targets efforts within CoC geographic areas to address and reduce persons experiencing homelessness by adding new units of permanent supportive housing (PSH) through new construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation through one-time CoCBuils awards under the CoC Program. Through the CoCBuils NOFO, HUD is encouraging CoCs to leverage funds provided for construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of new PSH units with other funding sources to maximize the amount of housing that can be directed to meeting the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness. PSH is permanent housing in which supportive services are provided to assist individuals with a disability and families where at least one household member has a disability and is experiencing homelessness to live independently. Additionally, no more than 20 percent of each award may be used for other eligible CoC Program activities associated with the PSH project (e.g., supportive services, operating costs), and no more than 10 percent of an award may be used for project administration.

HUD has the following six goals for this competition:

1. Increase housing opportunities for people with high risk of levels of need.
2. Increase the supply of permanent supportive housing units within CoC geographic areas to address individuals and families experiencing homelessness where one member of the household has a disability.
3. Encourage coordination between housing providers, health care organizations, and social service providers.
4. Ensure access to resources for projects to expand opportunities for new PSH units in States with populations less than 2.5 million.
5. Ensure new PSH units are conveniently located near local services; e.g., walking distance, near reliable transportation services, provide access to telehealth.
6. Affirmatively further fair housing by addressing barriers which perpetuate segregation, hinder access to areas of opportunity for protected class groups and concentrate affordable housing in under-resourced areas.

HUD will only review CoCBuils project applications submitted by the CoC-designated Collaborative Applicants. Each CoC-designated Collaborative Applicant may only submit one CoCBuils application.

CoCs are required to review proposed CoCBuils applications locally and if more than one application is received, the CoC must determine which application it will submit to HUD. While only one project application per CoC may be submitted, where feasible, HUD encourages inclusion of one or more subrecipients that will contribute towards the goals of this NOFO (e.g., capital costs, housing, supportive services).

*The Application deadline is 11:59:59 PM Eastern Time on 11/21/2024.*

*The Local Application Due Date was 11:59:59 PM Central Time on 10/4/2024.*

## Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Notice of Funding Opportunity

The goal of the Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP) is to support selected communities in the development and implementation of a coordinated community approach to preventing and ending youth homelessness. This community planning approach supports the foundations outlined in All In and will guide communities in designing solutions that match the needs in their community, and sharing that experience with and mobilizing communities around the country toward the same end. The population to be served by this demonstration program is youth experiencing homelessness, age 24 and under, including unaccompanied youth and pregnant or parenting youth who are experiencing homelessness. HUD will award approximately \$72,000,000 in YHDP under this NOFO.

Additionally, communities receiving YHDP funding in previous years have been, prior to this NOFO, ineligible for additional funding. That changed this year and nine previously awarded communities are eligible to apply for additional funding. Of these nine, four will be awarded funding.

Once HUD announces the selected communities, communities will have a total of 6 months to submit a first draft of the coordinated community plan, which is comprised of certain components of the overall coordinated community plan. After the first draft of the CCP is approved, applicants may apply for projects up to the total amount made available to the community under the YHDP, minus amounts previously awarded for planning activities. Communities will be expected to fully participate in any evaluation activities conducted by HUD beginning no earlier than the announcement of community selection.

### Rating Factors

Points are assigned for five rating factors: YAB Integration, Community Need, Collaboration, Youth Collaboration and Data and Evaluation Capacity; as well as bonus points for Rural Areas. Applications will be evaluated based on responses to all narratives. The table below outlines the selection criteria by rating factor with the points that may be awarded for each out of a possible 100 total points.

YAB Integration	20
Community Need	25
Collaboration	20
Youth Collaboration	20
Data and Evaluation Capacity	15
Total	100
Rural Bonus (NA for our Community)	10

*The Application Deadline was 11:59:59 PM on 8/29/2024*

*The Local Application will be conducted in Spring 2025 if funded is awarded to Nashville.*