FY2020 CoC Competition Plan and Timeline

Ohio BoSCoC

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Overview of CoC Program

HUD, the largest federal program to assist households experiencing homelessness, awards $2 billion through the annual CoC Competition.

Ohio BoSCoC is awarded approximately $20 million annually.

ODSA and COHHIO

ODSA, the Collaborative Applicant, submits the consolidated CoC Application on behalf of Ohio BoSCoC.

COHHIO manages all work related to the CoC process. Applicants and/or providers will primarily work with COHHIO throughout the 2020 process.
Overview of FY2020 CoC Competition Process

- Evaluation of Renewal CoC Projects
- Submission of New Projects Applications
- Submission of All Project Applications in e-snaps
- Completion of Consolidated CoC Application

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CoC Competition Requirements

- CoCs must operate collaborative process for development of project applications.
- CoCs must establish priorities for funding projects.
- CoCs must designate a Collaborative Applicant to submit combined information for all project applicants.
Goals for FY2020 CoC Competition

- Promote the use of best practices
- Maximize available funding for the Ohio BoSCoC
- Fund projects that:
  - meet community needs
  - are cost effective and maximize program and mainstream resources
  - successfully end homelessness
  - help achieve the federal strategic plan goals to end homelessness for veterans, chronically homeless, families, youth, and all others

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- preserve low-ranking Permanent Housing (PH) projects at risk of losing funding where those projects represent the only CoC Program funded PH in their communities
- prioritize projects that have demonstrated the use of Housing First practices
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Renewal Project Evaluation

Purpose and Process
- Determines which projects best meet CoC and HUD goals priorities
- Informs rank order of projects

The Ohio BoSCoC Project Evaluation Workgroup develops the project evaluation process and tool

Which projects are evaluated?
- Projects renewing CoC Program funding in 2020
- Exceptions for projects operating less than 9 months and for YHDP projects
- The list of projects is included in the FY2020 CoC Competition Plan and Timeline document

Effects of COVID-19 on FY2020 Renewal Project Evaluation:
- In an effort to ease the burden on grantees during the pandemic, the project evaluation process for this year has been scaled back and excludes evaluation on implementation of best practices and grant expenditures

Renewing CoC Projects are evaluated and scored on the following:
- Project Participant Impact
- Meeting Community Need
- Project Capacity

Reporting Period
January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019
Project Evaluation Measures

Project Participant Impact

Housing Stability
- Exits to permanent housing
- Retention of or exit to other permanent housing
- Exiting to household’s own housing unit (TH/HH/Safe Haven)
- Limited returns to homelessness

Access to Income and Benefits
- Employment
- Non-cash benefits

Length of Time Homeless

Project Evaluation Measures

Meeting Community Need

Serving Those with Most Severe Needs and Longest Homeless Histories
- Entries from streets and emergency shelter
- Entries with no income
- Median Homeless History Index Score
- Long-term homeless entries into PSH

Median Homeless History Index Score
- Produces a median score factored on number of times homeless, number of months homeless, and approximate date homelessness started
- Higher median score means adults with longer homeless histories prioritized

Long-term homeless entries into PSH
- Long-term is defined as four episodes of homelessness in three years. The cumulative total equals at least 12 months or 12 months of continuous homelessness.

HMIS Data Quality
- No clients with Duplicate Entry Exits, Missing Head of Household, Too Many Heads of Household, or Children Only Households
- Only Errors and High Priority Data Quality issues are counted against this measure. (NOT Warnings.)
- Fewer errors in HMIS data means more points
Renewal Project Evaluation

Data Sources

- **HMIS**
  - • Project Evaluation report (in R minor)

- **Provider Documents**
  - • Annual Performance Reports (APR) for victim services providers

Renewal Project Evaluation

- **Check R minor** and **R minor elevated** to be sure your HMIS data is accurate.

- **Bed Utilization Report**
- **Data Quality Report**
- **Project Evaluation Report**

- Address all data quality issues that are either High Priority or Errors (at the very least).
- Ensure that the data being used for your point calculations is accurate.

Renewal Project Evaluation

**HMIS Data Quality Measured in Two Ways:**

1. (Number of Errors + the number of High Priority issues) / total clients served during 2019 will yield a possible 5 points.
2. More than 2% missing relevant data for a particular measure will result in a score of 0 for the measure.

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<td>Increase income; No Income at Entry; Missing Income; Increase income; Non-Cash Benefits</td>
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Renewal Project Evaluation

- **R minor and R minor elevated** will be updated with the new Project Evaluation report on June 3, 2020.

- **R minor**
  - **Public**
  - Requires login (HMIS users)

- **R minor elevated**
  - Will show Points Summary for each CoC-funded provider

The report is completely new this year so it is VERY IMPORTANT that you check this as soon as possible and report anything you don’t understand to hmis@cohhio.org as soon as you notice it.
Project Evaluation Report

Combined projects will read like “GLCAP PSH Combined” and will have combined data and scoring.

Correcting and Finalizing HMIS Data

HMIS users should have finalized and corrected their HMIS data by June 12, 2020.

Renewal Project Evaluation

Non-Participating Providers

Non-HMIS participating providers (victims services providers) must complete an APR and submit to COHHIO. The APR reporting period is January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019.

• Due June 19, 2020

Providers That Consolidated in 2019

Any projects that consolidated will be listed in the Project Evaluation report in R minor as a single provider with all the consolidated projects’ data included. For example, if 3 providers called Housing First A - PSH, Housing First B - PSH, and Housing First C - PSH consolidated, you might see it in the Project Evaluation report as “Housing First PSH Combined.”
Renewal Project Evaluation and Preliminary Project Ranking

Project evaluation results inform project ranking. Lower ranking projects (including those in Tier 2) may be re-ranked after the CoC Competition opens, based on the CoC’s project ranking goal and priorities.

Renewal Project Evaluation Resources

Ohio BoSCoC FY2020 CoC Competition Plan and Timeline
- Renewal CoC Project List
- Renewal Project Evaluation Specifications and Points Structure
  https://cohhio.org/boscoc-project/

Appealing Renewal Project Evaluation Results

Appeals for project evaluation results should be submitted via email to ohiososcoc@cohhio.org by July 8, 2020.

Renewal Project Applications

- Due after CoC Competition open
- Dates TBD
- CoC staff will host webinar at that time
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New Project Applications

More information regarding New Project applications will be provided after HUD releases the FY2020 CoC Competition Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

New Project Applications

Project Conversions

Eligible Applicants
- Current CoC recipients only
- Transitional Housing

Eligible Conversions
- Can only convert to Rapid Re-Housing for families or individuals or Permanent Supportive Housing for chronically homeless

Funding Request Limitations
- Level funding requests only
- Grant Term = 1 year

New Project Applications

New Projects

Eligible Applicants
- Non-profit agencies (currently CoC funded or not)

Eligible Project Types
- RRH
- PSH
- Joint TH-RRH
New Project Applications

**New Projects**
- **New Project Proposal**
  - Use required form
  - CoC staff provides feedback
- **New Project Application**
  - Only approved projects submit full application

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<td>Ohio BoSCoC: 2020 CoC Competition Training</td>
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<td>TBD</td>
<td>Ohio BoSCoC Grant Inventory Worksheet finalized (ODSA/COHHIO to Complete)</td>
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<td>6/3/20</td>
<td>Project Evaluation Data available in R Minor (Rm) and R Minor Elevated (Rme) <strong>Reporting Period = 1/1/19 – 12/31/19</strong></td>
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<td>Projects review data and address data quality concerns as needed</td>
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<td>Non-HMIS projects submit APRs</td>
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<td>CoC staff post online preliminary renewal project ranking</td>
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<td>Projects submit project evaluation appeals to <a href="mailto:ohioboscoc@cohio.org">ohioboscoc@cohio.org</a></td>
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<td>CoC staff communicate appeals decisions</td>
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<td>Ohio BoSCoC Steering Committee Review of all Applications &amp; Notification of Needed Corrections</td>
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<td>Corrections by Renewal Project Applicants &amp; Approved New Project Applications due in e-snaps</td>
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<td>File Ohio BoSCoC Project Applications Submitted to HUD via e-snaps (ODSA/COHHIO to complete)</td>
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Additional Resources

**HUD**
https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/

**COHHIO**
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