

**FY2021 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.

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ODOD and COHHIO



ODOD, the Collaborative Applicant, submits the consolidated CoC Application on behalf of Ohio BOSCO.



COHHIO manages all work related to the CoC process. Applicants and/or providers will primarily work with COHHIO throughout the 2021 process.

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Overview of CoC Competition Process

Evaluation of Renewal CoC Projects

Submission and Selection of New Projects Applications

Submission of Project Applications in e-snaps

Completion of Consolidated CoC Application

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Goals for FY2021 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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Goals for FY2021 CoC Competition

Project Ranking Goal

To rank Ohio BoSCoC new and renewal projects in a way that helps the CoC continue to meet local homeless needs, while also maximizing CoC Program funds and ensure ongoing national competitiveness

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Goals for FY2021 CoC Competition

Project Ranking Priorities

The CoC may...

- preserve low-ranking projects at risk of losing funding where those projects represent the only CoC Program funding in their communities
- 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
- reduce funding requests for the lowest ranked projects as a means to preserve funding for higher ranked projects, if needed, and keeping in line with other priorities
- consider ranking new projects higher than some renewal projects, where the CoC believes doing so will better help the CoC meet the ranking goal outlined above

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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.

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CoC Competition Process and Submission Dates

CoC Competition

August 19, 2021

- Competition opens

November 16, 2021

- CoC Consolidated Application, including all renewal and approved new and applications, due to HUD (ODOD/COHHIO submits)

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CoC Competition Process and Submission Dates

Renewal Project Applications

Sept. 24

- Applications completed in e-snaps
- PDF of draft application emailed to CoC staff for review
- HUD Monitoring report (for any monitoring since 2018) emailed to CoC staff

Oct. 8

- CoC staff provides feedback on needed corrections

Oct. 22

- Final/corrected applications due in e-snaps

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CoC Competition Process and Submission Dates

Renewal Projects - Submission of HUD Monitoring Report

- Any monitoring that occurred January 1, 2018 or later
- Email monitoring reports and closed findings letters, if applicable, to ohiohoscoc@cohhio.org
- Due Sept. 24, 2021
- Will verify with HUD field office
- Monitoring results may be considered when final project ranking decisions are made
 - Will be fully incorporated into the FY22 CoC Competition project evaluation process

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CoC Competition Process and Submission Dates

Renewal Project Applications

- Projects with Recent Grant Amendments
 - These should be reflected in the GIW Change Form
 - When submitting application in e-snaps, do not 'submit without changes'. You will need to ensure grant amendment is reflected in renewal application
- Projects with Actual Rents
 - Will need to ensure application reflects the correct rental assistance/leasing budgets based on corrected actual rents
 - Do not 'submit without changes' so you can ensure correct budgets are included in the renewal application

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CoC Competition Process and Submission Dates

New Project Applications

- June 25
 - New Project Proposals due
- Sept. 15
 - CoC Bonus Projects selected and applicants notified
- Oct. 1
 - New Project Proposals for DV Bonus due (see RFP)
- Oct. 13
 - DV Bonus Projects selected and applicants notified
- Oct. 15 and 22
 - Approved new project applications completed in e-snaps
 - PDF of application due to CoC staff for review
- Nov. 4
 - Final/corrected applications due in e-snaps

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Funding Availability

- \$2.65 billion (approx) available nationally
- CoCs must rank projects in two tiers
- Ohio BoSCoC funding:
 - \$21,759,784 = annual renewal demand (ARD)
 - \$21,759,784 = amount in Tier 1
 - \$1,087,989 = max PH Bonus amount
 - \$3,095,182 = max DV Bonus funds

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New Projects

- New Project Applications
 - Submitted June 25th
 - September 15th – New project selections communicated

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DV Bonus Projects

- RFP available at <https://cohhio.org/boscoc/coc-program/>
- Proposals due October 1, 2021
 - ohioboscoc@cohhio.org
- Ohio BoSCoC may submit multiple DV Bonus project applications
 - Minimum funding request is \$25,000
- Project selections announced no later than October 13, 2021

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DV Bonus Projects

- Eligible Project Types
 - Rapid Re-housing
 - Joint Transitional Housing (TH) – Rapid Rehousing (RRH)
 - Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry
 - Only one CE application may be submitted by a CoC
- Eligible Applicants
 - Orgs with experience managing public funding
 - Orgs with experience serving survivors of DV or other victims of trauma
 - Active member of local homeless planning region and homeless coalition
 - Actively involved in Coordinated Entry systems/processes

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DV Bonus Projects

- Priorities and Considerations
 - Expand resources that make most impact on efforts to reduce homelessness
 - Increase resources in as much of the CoC as possible
 - Implement projects in accordance with the Homeless Program Standards
 - Projects must dedicate beds/resources to survivors of DV
 - Projects must use trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches
 - Applicants do NOT need to be victim service providers to submit a proposal

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DV Bonus Projects

- Considerations for Project Types
 - RRH
 - Continues to be largest need for Ohio BoSCoC
 - Joint TH-RRH
 - Newer project type
 - More information available at:
 - <https://www.budexchange.info/news/snaps-in-focus-the-new-joint-transitional-housing-and-rapid-rehousing-component>
 - SSO-CE
 - Only ONE SSO-CE project may be funded with DV Bonus funds

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TA Resources

HUD

<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/>
<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/>

COHHIO

Ohio BoSCoC: 2021 CoC Competition Plan and Timeline
<https://cohhio.org/boscoc/coc-program/>

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Completing Applications

Before You Get Started

- Review available e-snaps training modules
- Review Frequently Asked Questions
- Enter data only as yourself
 - If you do not have a username and password, create a profile and have your Authorized Rep add you as a registrant

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Completing Applications

- Review Instructional Guides:

- <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources/#general-resources>

Click on the headings in the gray boxes below to expand the resources beneath them.

<p>Updating CoC and Project Applicant Information Resources for updating Applicant Profiles, intended for organizations with funding, those that intend to apply for funding, and Collaborative Applicants.</p>
<p>Registering the Continuum of Care (only for the CoC) Resources for CoC Registration and CoC Renewal, specifically for the Collaborative Applicant.</p>
<p>Submitting the CoC Consolidated Application Resources for Collaborative Applicants to assist with the CoC Consolidated Application, which consists of the CoC Application and the CoC Priority Listing.</p>
<p>Submitting Applications for Project Funding Resources for project applicant organizations who intend to apply for project funding, including renewals, new projects, CoC Planning funds, and LHA funds.</p>
<p>How To: Technical Guides Resources for all e-snaps users to assist with e-snaps technical functions.</p>

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Completing Applications

Certifications of Consistency with Con Plan

- Some grantees need to complete certifications of consistency with local Con Plans.
- CoC staff will work with grantees individually to get these completed

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Key Terms

- Applicant - the organization applying for funding who is ultimately responsible for project oversight and implementation
- Project Application – the application submitted for new or renewal projects
- CoC Application- the consolidated application submitted to HUD on behalf of the entire CoC
- e-snaps - the online system which contains the application forms to be submitted to HUD under the CoC NOFA for Homeless Assistance Programs

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E-Snaps

- Project Applications
 - Click 'Save' frequently
 - Provide correct answers in drop-down boxes, as those responses shape the rest of the project application
 - Click on 'show' next to instructions when you need more information about a formlet
 - You can work on your project application over time as long as you save your work. Access the in-process project application by logging into e-snaps, selecting 'Submissions' from the left menu, and clicking on your project

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Steps to Complete Project Application

- Create or Update Applicant Profile
- Register for the 2021 Funding Opportunity
- Create your Project Application
 - Renewals should import data from previous application, unless they have made recent grant amendments
- Work on Project Application
 - Including updated signed versions of all required attachments



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Authorized Rep Changes

- If you have a change in Authorized Representative you must formally request a change in authorized representative to gain access to e-snaps application
 - Information about the process is at: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2906/instructions-for-updating-coc-project-applicant-authorized-representative/>



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Grant Inventory Worksheet

- The *Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW)* includes key information for renewing projects
 - Approved funding requests and budget amounts
 - Expiring grant numbers
- Renewal projects must refer to this document when completing project applications
 - <https://cohhio.org/boscoc/coc-program/>

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Submitting Renewals without Changes

- Submission Without Changes
 - Renewal applicants with no changes may choose 'Submission without Changes'
 - Will still need to update 1A – 1J
 - Make selection on 'Submission Without Changes' screen to submit without changes
 - Can only edit the following screens:
 - 3A (project detail)
 - 7A (attachments)
 - 7B (certifications)

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Project Application Reminders

- 1D: Congressional District
 - #17 Proposed Start Date
- 1E: Compliance
 - #19 – select 'program is subject to EO 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review'

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Project Application Reminders

- 4B: Housing Type and Location
 - PSH projects originally funded as chronic dedicated must report all beds as chronic dedicated
 - All other PSH projects may report beds as **DedicatedPLUS**, if they choose

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Project Application Reminders

- Budgets
 - Remember match requirements
 - (25% required match)
 - Budget amounts need to match the GIW
 - No budget details screens for renewal applications for leasing, services, or operations budgets, if submitting without changes
 - The number of units for which you request rental assistance should match exactly what is listed in the GIW

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Project Application Reminders

- Match
- Match commitment letters must be attached and dated between in the CoC Competition window
 - Letters must contain:
 - Name of project, recipient and sub-recipient
 - Name of organization providing contribution
 - Date contribution is available (should coincide with project year)
 - Value of contribution and how value was determined

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Project Application Reminders

- MOUs
 - When services provided by a third party, MOUs must be in place prior to grant execution
- MOUs must include
 - Unconditional commitment to provide services
 - Services to be provided
 - Hourly cost of services

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Completing Project Applications

After completing project application:

1. Export to PDF and save using the following file naming convention: Agency Name_Project Name
Example:
Athens MHA_Athens Shelter Plus Care
2. Email to ohioboscoc@cohhio.org
 - Put the Applicant Name and Project Name in the Subject Line

DO NOT submit the application in e-snaps until approved to do so

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