**FY2022 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 over $2 billion through the annual CoC Competition.

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ODOD and COHHIO

ODOD, 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 FY2022 process.
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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 FY2022 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 all populations
Goals for FY2022 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.

Goals for FY2022 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.
  - Consider unresolved HUD monitoring findings when making final ranking decisions for the lowest ranking projects.

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Renewal Project Evaluation

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

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

Which projects are evaluated?

- Projects renewing CoC Program funding in 2022
- Exceptions for projects operating less than 9 months
- Project list is included in the FY2022 CoC Competition Plan and Timeline document

Effects of COVID-19 on FY2022 Renewal Project Evaluation:

- In an effort to account for the effects of the pandemic, certain Project Evaluation Items have been removed or adjusted.

Renewing CoC Projects are evaluated and scored on the following:

- Project Participant Impact
- Meeting Community Need
- Implementing Best Practices
- Coordinated Entry Compliance
- Project Capacity

Reporting Period

January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021

Project Evaluation Measures

Project Participant Impact

Housing Stability

- Exits to permanent housing
- Rapid placement into housing

Accessing Mainstream Resources

- Non-cash benefits
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
- Entries for whom HoH had a VI-SPDAT recorded in HMIS

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.

Implementing Best Practices

• Housing First Practices
• Chronic Homeless Prioritization (PSH only)
• Analyzing and Addressing Racial Disparities and Advancing Race Equity

Document Submission Process
- Submit program documents for Housing First practices and Chronic Prioritization, if required
- If program documents are not submitted, 10 points may be deducted from project evaluation score.
- All projects required to submit narratives describing efforts to identify and address racial disparities and advance race equity
  - If narratives not provided, 2 points may be deducted from project evaluation score.
Project Evaluation Measures

Implementing Best Practices

Analyzing and Addressing Racial Disparities and Advancing Race Equity

• Narrative response describing the analysis to identify any disparities in the provision and outcomes of services as compared to the racial/ethnic make-up of those experiencing homelessness and the action plan developed.
• Narrative response describing the evaluation of policies, procedures, and practices, and development of action plans.

Project Evaluation Measures

Analyzing and Addressing Racial Disparities and Advancing Race Equity Narratives:

• The data reviewed to determine if racial disparities exist in program enrollments or outcomes, and what the data shows.
• If you used the Assessment of Racial Disparities Template to guide your assessment of racial disparities in your project, provide the completed tool as your response to #1.
• Description of how you assessed your project to determine what programmatic barriers to entry might exist for potential clients. This type of assessment could involve surveys of past clients, interviews with people who have experienced homelessness in your system, and/or discussions with direct service staff to identify possible barriers.
• What, if any, disparities were identified in enrollments, outcomes, or barriers to entry.
• If disparities were identified, describe the action steps the project will take to address those disparities and the plan and timeline for taking those steps.
• Describe how the project will conduct disparities analyses on an ongoing, regular basis.

Project Evaluation Measures

Analyzing and Addressing Racial Disparities and Advancing Race Equity Narratives:

• Description of how you evaluated the project’s practices and Policies and Procedures (P&P) to determine if they advance or impede race equity.
• Identification of any P&P or practices that may need to be revised as a result of this evaluation.
• Describe the action steps the project will take to address the P&P and/or practices in need of revision and the timeline for taking those steps.
• How the project will determine if the revisions have improved the project’s ability to advance racial equity.
Project Evaluation Measures

Coordinated Entry Compliance

Adherence to CE Prioritization Process
- PSH projects evaluated on the use of Prioritization Workgroups to make prioritization decision for PSH openings
- To demonstrate compliance, projects must submit:
  - Prioritization Workgroup meeting notes, documented communications re: workgroup meetings, or a written statement from workgroup members

Coordinated Entry Compliance

HMIS Data Quality
- No clients with Duplicate Entry Exits, Missing Head of Household, Missing Relationship to Head of Household, Too Many Heads of Household, Children Only Households, or Incorrect Entry Exit Type
- Only Errors and some High Priority Data Quality issues are counted against this measure. (NOT Warnings.)
- Fewer errors in HMIS data means more points
- Use Warnings to find potential data problems (leave data as is if the data is correct)

Project Capacity

Timely APR Submission
- Each APR that has not been submitted on time, or has been rejected by HUD, will result in a deduction of 5 points from total project evaluation score

Project Capacity

Organizational Race Equity Self-Assessment tool
- Complete and submit tool to ohiobosco@cohio.org for up to 5 bonus points in project evaluation process
- Details about the process and to access the tools - https://cohio.org/programs/racialequity/
Renewal Project Evaluation

Data Sources

HMIS
• BoSiCoC Competition tab (in R minor)

Provider Documents
• Annual Performance Reports (APR) for victim services providers
• Program Policies & Procedures, supplementary documents
• Narratives
• Coordinated Entry compliance documentation
• Organizational Race Equity Self-Assessment tool (bonus pts)

Renewal Project Evaluation

Check R minor and R minor elevated to ensure HMIS data accuracy.

Bed Utilization Report

Data Quality

Make sure that your Bed Utilization data looks accurate for 2021.

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

Data Quality Measured in Two Ways:
1. \[
\frac{(\text{Number of Errors} + \text{the number of High Priority issues})}{\text{total clients served during 2021}}\]
   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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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.
BoS CoC Competition Tab

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 11:59pm, May 20, 2022.

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.
Appealing Renewal Project Evaluation Results

Appeals for project evaluation results should be submitted via email to ohioboscoc@cohio.org by June 17, 2022

Renewal Project Applications

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

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New Project Eligibility

New Projects
- Eligible Applicants
  - Non-profit agencies (currently CoC funded or not)
- Eligible Project Types
  - RRH
  - PSH
  - TH
  - Joint TH-RRH
Funding Opportunities

- Project Conversions
- Tax Credit PSH
- Leveraging PHA or healthcare provider partnerships
- DV Bonus
- General New Projects

Funding Opportunities

- 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

Funding Opportunities

- Tax Credit PSH
  - Eligible Applicants
    - Applicants whose tax credit project was already identified as the Ohio BoSCoC’s highest priority for 2022-2023 Housing Tax Credit application
  - Funding Request Limitations
    - New PSH project funding only
    - Grant Term = 1 year

Funding Opportunities

- Leveraging PHA or Healthcare Partnerships
  - Eligible Applicants
    - Non-profit agencies (currently CoC funded or not)
  - Eligible Project Types
    - RRH
    - PSH
    - TH
    - Joint TH-RRH
  - Funding Request Limitations
    - Grant Term = 1 year
Funding Opportunities

DV Bonus
Eligible Applicants
• Non-profit agencies (currently CoC funded or not) with experience working with survivors of domestic violence and using Traum-Informed approaches

Eligible Project Types
• RRH
• Joint TH-RRH

Funding Request Limitations
• Grant Term = 1 year

New Project Applications

General New Projects
Eligible Applicants
• Non-profit agencies (currently CoC funded or not)

Eligible Project Types
• RRH
• PSH
• TH
• Joint TH-RRH

Funding Request Limitations
• Grant Term = 1 year
• Applications for projects located in priority geographies will be more competitive

Submission Process
New Project Proposal
• Use required form – Due 5/6/22
• CoC staff provides feedback

New Project Application
• Only approved projects submit full application – Due 6/24/22

More information regarding the ranking of new projects will be provided after HUD releases the FY2022 CoC Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
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Additional Resources

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

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