

**Youth Homelessness
Demonstration Program
Funding Opportunity**

Ohio BoSCoC

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YHDP Overview

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Objectives

1. Build National Momentum
2. Promote Equity in the Delivery and Outcomes of Homeless Assistance
3. Evaluate the Coordinated Community Plan Approach
4. Expand Capacity
5. Evaluate Performance Measures
6. Establish a Framework for Federal Program and TA Collaboration

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YHDP Overview

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Values & Principles

1. Special populations (LGBTQ+ youth, youth under age 18, system involved youth, etc.)
2. Equity
3. Positive Youth Development & Trauma Informed Care
4. Family Engagement
5. Immediate access to housing with no preconditions
6. Youth Choice
7. Individualized and client driven supports
8. Social & Community Integration
9. Coordinated Entry

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YHDP Overview

- 25 communities will be selected
 - At least 8 will be 'rural'
 - Special consideration given to rural applicants
 - \$72 million available to selected YHDP communities
 - Project funding is renewable under the CoC Program
- Application deadline = June 28, 2022

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YHDP NOFA Overview

After Award, Selected Communities will:

- Find out their award amount (minimum of \$1 million)
- Develop and/or strengthen a Youth Action Board (YAB)
- Write a Coordinated Community Plan over 6-9 months
- Submit project applications reflective of the coordinated community plan
- Receive TA support

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Why Apply for YHDP?

- Need
- Gap in services
- Gap in specialized services for youth
- Need in other systems
- Funding is renewable
- Develop best practices in rural communities for preventing and ending youth homelessness
- Further data collection around youth homelessness

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What Can YHDP Fund?

- Project Types:
 - Rapid Re-Housing
 - Transitional Housing
 - Even if used as ES
 - Street Outreach
 - Combined Transitional Housing/Rapid Re-Housing (crisis to permanent housing model)
 - Permanent Supportive Housing
 - Supportive Services Only
 - To support system navigators, case management, etc.
- Activities
 - Supportive Services (staffing)
 - Rental Assistance/Leasing
 - Operations
 - Administrative costs
 - Host Homes and Shared Housing

YHDP funds **cannot** be used to fund emergency shelter project types, but can fund TH used as ES.

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What Can YHDP Fund?

- Waivers of CoC Program Requirements
 - Many waivers available to help YHDP projects respond to youth need in innovative ways

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YHDP Application

Application Features:

- Submitted applications do NOT request funding for projects

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YHDP Application Threshold Requirements

YHDP NOFA Requires:

- The applicant is the CoC Collaborative Applicant
 - ODOD
- A Youth Advisory Board with meaningful participation in determining priorities and implementation of YHDP
 - Signed letter must accompany application
 - You can create a new YAB in response to this NOFA
- The child welfare agency (local or state) to be a CoC member with an MOU demonstrating proof of commitment to and participation in YHDP

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Ohio BoSCoC YHDP Application Opportunity

- Submit **ONE** YHDP application on behalf of targeted counties/regions that express interest & capacity in the Ohio BoSCoC
 - Excluding the 10 counties already part of YHDP sites (Region 6 and part of Region 17)

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Ohio BoSCoC YHDP Application Strategies

- Benefits
 - If successful, would be awarded more funding and would be able to support projects in multiple regions/communities

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Ohio BoSCoC YHDP Application Strategies

- Challenges
 - We **MUST** have providers/agencies willing to develop youth projects and system responses
- Lessons Learned
 - Using round 4 & 5 debrief to strategically target geographies based on expressed interest in advance
 - Expanding upon YHDP experience from round 1 & 3 as a strategy
 - Expanding upon racial equity planning through CE demo and REACH efforts

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Ohio BoSCoC YHDP Letter of Interest

- Letters of Interest
 - Identify providers/communities/regions interested in being a part of a YHDP application
 - Provide some information about youth work so far
 - Describe local community needs related to youth

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Ohio BoSCoC YHDP Letter of Interest

- Letters of Interest
 - Due to ghjoboscoc@cohhio.org by May 11, 2022

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Ohio BoSCoC YHDP Letter of Interest

- Commitments
 - Stakeholders are committing to the following:
 - Work with COHHIO to complete the YHDP Application
 - Engage in Coordinated Community Planning Process
 - Support project implementation

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YHDP Timelines

- 10/2022 (estimate) = Award announcements made by HUD
- 10/2022-4/2023 = Draft and Submit Coordinated Community Plan and form YAB
- 4/2023 – 7/2023 = Begin project selection and submission of applications
- 8/2023-11/2023 = Providers selected implement projects
- YHDP includes a 2 year demonstration, after 2 years, eligible YHDP projects fold into the existing CoC Competition

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Starting from Scratch?

- Previous YHDP sites started from scratch – it can be done!
- Peer learning opportunities
- Value in the work, even if not selected for YHDP – much local and national attention on serving youth

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Feedback from Youth

- Youth Action Boards (YAB)
- Lessons Learned

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Discussion and Questions

- Is your community/region interested in YHDP?
 - If so, what conversations have you had so far? what partnerships have you put into place? What system do you currently coordinate with to address the needs of youth and young adults?
 - Have you engaged in any early planning work to prepare for a YHDP application? if so, what?
 - Have you established or are you working on establishing a Youth Advisory Board or something similar?
- What questions do you have about YHDP?

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Resources

- HUD YHDP Information
 - <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/yhdp/>
- COHHIO YHDP information
 - <https://cohhio.org/programs/youth-initiative/yhdp/>
- Southeast Ohio Coordinated Community Plan to Prevent and End Youth Homelessness
 - <https://cohhio.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/FINAL-SEOH-YHDP-CCP-optimized.pdf>
- Region 6 Coordinated Community Plan
 - <https://cohhio.org/boscoc/special-initiatives/>

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