



FY2023 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 \$3 billion through the annual CoC Competition.



Ohio BoSCoC is awarded approximately \$24 million annually.

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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 2023 process.

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Overview of CoC Competition Process



Evaluation of Renewal CoC Projects



Submission and Selection of New Project Applications



Submission of Project Applications in e-snaps



Completion of Consolidated CoC Application

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HUD's 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 Requirements



CoCs must develop the CoC application.



CoCs must develop a ranked project listing.



CoCs must submit the consolidated application package to HUD by the deadline.

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Goals for FY2023 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 FY2023 CoC Competition



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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CoC Competition Process and Submission Dates

CoC Competition

July 5, 2023

- Competition opens

September 7, 2023

- All new and renewal project applicants notified of CoC Board's intent to reject or accept their applications and include in the CoC project listing

September 28, 2023

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

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CoC Competition Process and Submission Dates

Renewal and Approved New Project Applications

8/28/23

- Applications completed in e-snaps
- PDF of draft application emailed to CoC staff for review

9/5/23

- CoC staff provides feedback on needed corrections

9/12/23

- Final/corrected applications due in e-snaps

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CoC Competition Process and Submission Dates

RFP #2 Approved New Project Applications (pending)

7/25/23

- RFP #2 Released

8/25/23

- New Project Proposals due

9/7/23

- New projects selected and applicants notified

9/18/23

- Approved new project applications completed in e-snaps
- PDF of application due to CoC staff for review

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What's New

- Round 1 YHDP Grants Renewal
- YHDP Special Activities
- CoC Planning Increase
- New Eligible Continuum of Care Activities
 - VAWA costs
 - Rural housing stability costs
- Federal Relay Service's Text Telephone (TTY) service
- Amendment to criteria for qualifying as "homeless"

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What's New

- YHDP Special Activities
 - YHDP Renewals may request special activities via renewal or replacement application
 - May request a waiver of match requirement with justification
 - Review NOFO

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What's New

- New Eligible Continuum of Care Activities
 - VAWA - Emergency transfer plan compliance costs
 - Rural housing stability costs

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What's New

- Amendment to criteria for qualifying as “homeless”
 - Includes any individual or family who
 1. is experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to, or fleeing or attempting to flee, DV, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous, traumatic, or life-threatening conditions related to the violence against the individual or a family member in the individual's or family's current housing situation, including where the health and safety of children are jeopardized;
 2. has no other safe residence; and
 3. lacks the resources to obtain other safe permanent housing

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Funding Availability

- CoC Program renewal applications are limited to a one-year grant term and one year of funding
- \$3.134 billion available nationally
 - Includes \$147 million for competitive renewal of YHDP grants
 - Additional \$52 million DV Bonus, awarded separately
- *Ohio BoSCoC funding availability:*
 - \$24,470,190 for renewals
 - \$2,362,109 for DV Bonus projects
 - \$1,662,632 for CoC Bonus projects

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Project Ranking

- *CoCs must rank projects in two tiers*

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New Projects

- New Project Applications
 - Submitted June 25th
 - CoC Board preliminary selected new projects to include in the CoC project listing

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RFP #2 for New Project Proposals

- RFP available at <https://cohhio.org/boscoc/coc-program/>
- Proposals due August 25, 2023
 - ohioboscoc@cohhio.org
- Seeking new projects that partner with local PHA
 - Max funding request = \$1m
- Project selections announced no later than September 7, 2023

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RFP #2 New Projects

- Eligible Project Types
 - Permanent Supportive Housing
- Eligible Applicants
 - Nonprofit organizations in the BoS with experience working to end homelessness
 - Public Housing Authorities

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RFP #2 New Projects

- Project Requirements
 - The PHA must commit to provide at least 25% of the total housing provided in the project
 - Housing assistance may include project-based assistance or tenant-based assistance
 - PHA may be the applicant or a partner
 - If a non-profit organization is the applicant, they may seek CoC funding for services to pair with the PHA housing
 - Clients must be eligible for PSH and prioritized through CE

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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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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
- Ensure agency contacts are correct and updated
 - Authorized Rep in Applicant profile
 - Contact Person
- Notify CoC staff of any new staff who will work on applications so we can add to our BoSCoC listserv

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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.

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.
Registering the Continuum of Care (only for the CoC) Resources for CoC Registration and CoC Review, specifically for the Collaborative Applicant.
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.
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 UFA funds.
How To: Technical Guides Resources for all e-snaps users to assist with e-snaps technical functions.

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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
- Must be signed between May 1 and Sept 28, 2023

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E-Snaps Tips

- 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 2023 Funding Opportunity
- Create your Project Application
 - Renewals can import data from previous application, unless they have made recent grant amendments or need to make changes
- Work on Project Application
 - Including updated signed versions of all required attachments



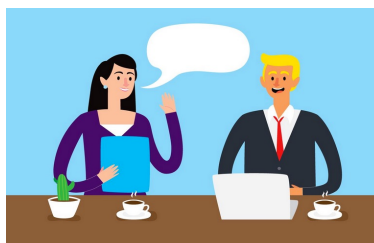
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Authorized Rep Changes

- 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
 - Includes correct info for grants with recent amendments
- 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 PSH projects urged to change from DedicatedPLUS to Chronic Dedicated***

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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
 - If you had to refer to the GIW Change Form or Actual Rents Report, you cannot 'submit without changes'

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Project Application Reminders

Match

- Match commitment letters must be attached and dated between May 1 and Sept. 2023
- 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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Renewal and Approved New Project Applications Deadlines:

August 28

- Applications completed in e-snaps
- PDF of draft application emailed to CoC staff for review

September 5

- CoC staff provides feedback on needed corrections

September 12

- Final/corrected applications due in e-snaps

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Completing Project Applications

RFP #2 New Project Applications Deadlines:

Aug. 25

- New project proposals due to ohioboscoc@cohhio.org

Sept. 7

- Applicants notified of selection or rejection

Sept. 18

- Approved new project applications completed in e-snaps
- PDF of application due to CoC staff for review

Sept. 18 – 28

- Final/corrected applications due in e-snaps

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Additional Training

Promoting Equity, Lived Experience,
Housing First, and System Performance:
What Matters in the 2023 NOFO

National Alliance to End Homelessness

Thursday, August 3, 2023
12:15 – 2:00 P.M. ET



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TA Resources

HUD

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

COHHIO

Ohio BoSCoC: 2023 CoC Competition Guide
RFP for New Projects

<https://cohhio.org/boscoc/coc-program/>

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Questions

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