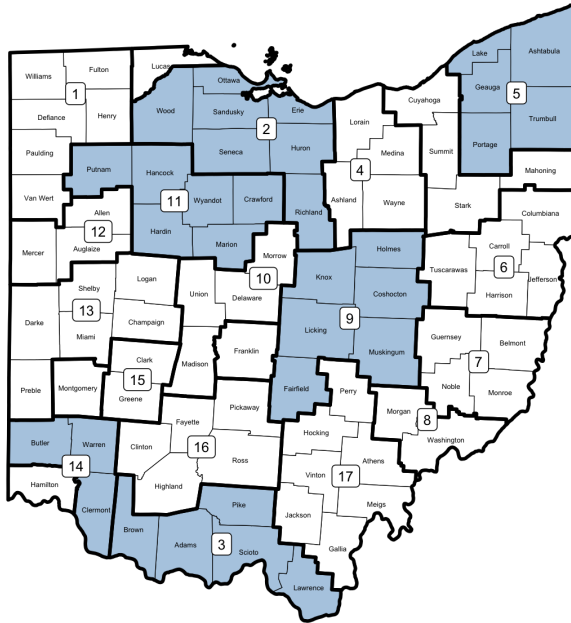


Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Round 7 Ohio BoSCoC LOI Info Session



Collaborating to prevent and end youth homelessness in rural and underserved communities in Ohio

March 27, 2024



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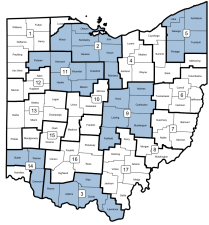


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Keep your microphone on mute

Introduce yourself in the chat with your name, pronouns, and identities, role, and location

Share any questions or comments in the chat.
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YHDP Round 7

- YHDP Round 7 Overview
- New Projects
 - PH:TH-RRH
 - SSO: Crisis Outreach/Navigation
- LOI Requirements

What is YHDP?

- Youth-led coordinated community planning process with HUD supports



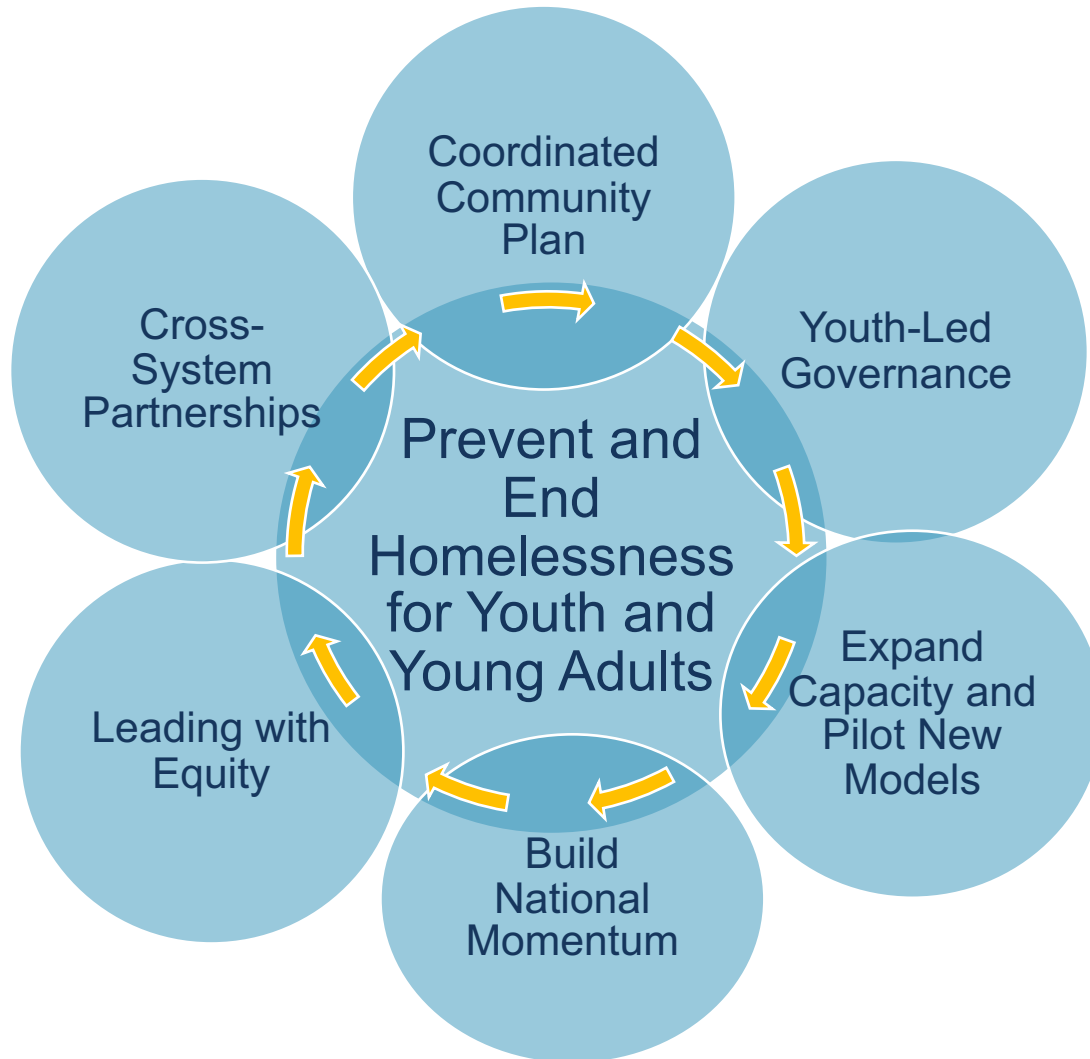
- New projects dedicated to youth experiencing homelessness



- Continuous quality improvement with youth-driven accountability



YHDP Goals



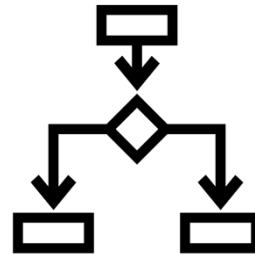
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Continuum of Care (CoC)

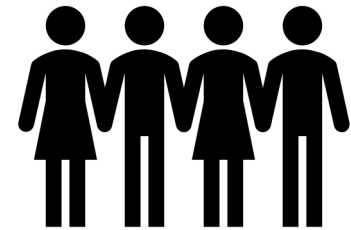
The federally recognized homeless system for a geography



Name of the federal
homeless assistance
program
(HUD's CoC
Program)



Organized
homelessness
response
(Ohio BoSCoC)



Group of
representatives
(local/regional
CoC)

How does HUD fund projects?



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Balance of State
Continuum of Care

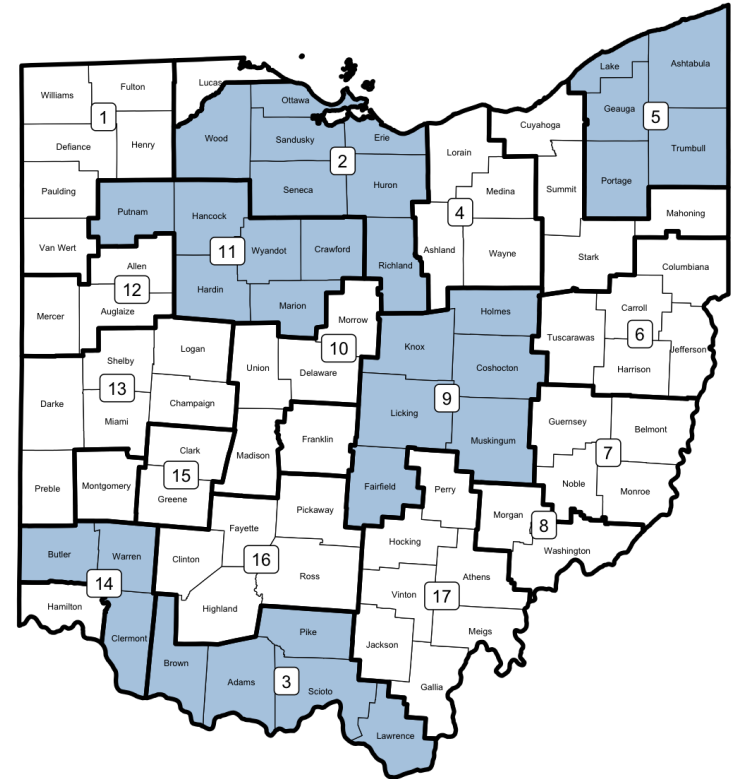
HUD, the largest federal program to assist households experiencing homelessness, awards funding including YHDP grants to CoCs through competitive grants.



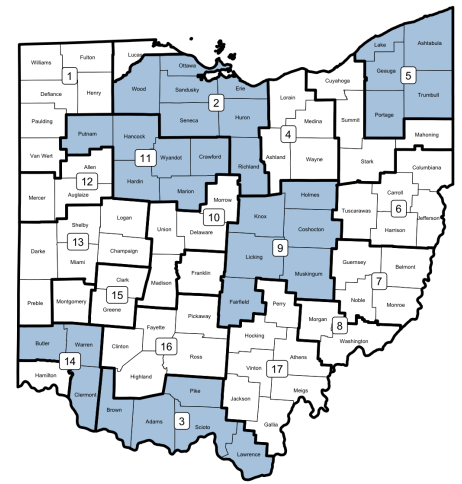
ODOD -> Ohio BoSCoC has been competitively awarded multiple rounds of YHDP funding, including Round 7

Ohio Balance of State Round 7

- Applied June 2023, awarded September 2023
- Regions 2, 3, 5, 9, 11, and 14
- 32 counties
- \$5.16 million
- Considered a rural project award
- One of 16 communities awarded, along with Akron/Summit County CoC



YHDP Round 7 Areas



Region 2 Wood, Sandusky, Ottawa, Seneca, Erie, Huron, and Richland

Region 3 Brown, Adams, Pike, Lawrence, and Scioto

Region 5 Portage, Geauga, Lake, Ashtabula, and Trumbull

Region 9 Coshocton, Fairfield, Holmes, Knox, Licking, and Muskingum

Region 11 Marion, Hancock, Hardin, Wyandot, Putnam, and Crawford

Region 14 Butler, Warren, and Clermont

Basic Award Info

- All YHDP grants are for 2 years, except planning grants which are for 1 year
 - There is no limit to the number of projects a community can submit; the only limit is that funding across all projects cannot exceed total YHDP award.
- Communities can be innovative as they create projects that meet youth-defined needs
 - YHDP communities can implement several special YHDP activities outside of the regular CoC regulations.



YHDP is Youth-Led

- Youth and young adults (YYA) with lived experience of homelessness must lead the process and have decision-making power.
- The identities and experiences of YYA included in our YHDP process should be representative of those who experience homelessness in our CoC.
 - **Black, Indigenous, and YYA of Color** must be included in this process
 - **LGBTQ+ YYA** must be included in this process
- Tokenization, or inviting YYA to “check the youth collaboration box,” is not authentic youth collaboration.

Phases of YHDP



Planning
(September 2023-
March 2024)

- Engage in a youth-led, community-wide **planning process** to envision what you need to end youth homelessness across CoC
- Put that into a **Coordinated Community Plan (CCP)** that HUD must approve before accessing YHDP funding



YHDP Project
Selection
Spring - Summer
2024

- Based on what is decided in the planning process, determine which entities will run **new projects using YHDP funding**



Project
Implementation &
Systems-Change
2024-beyond

- Transform local work to end youth homelessness
- Start up **new projects**
- **Get started on steps in the action plan** from the CCP

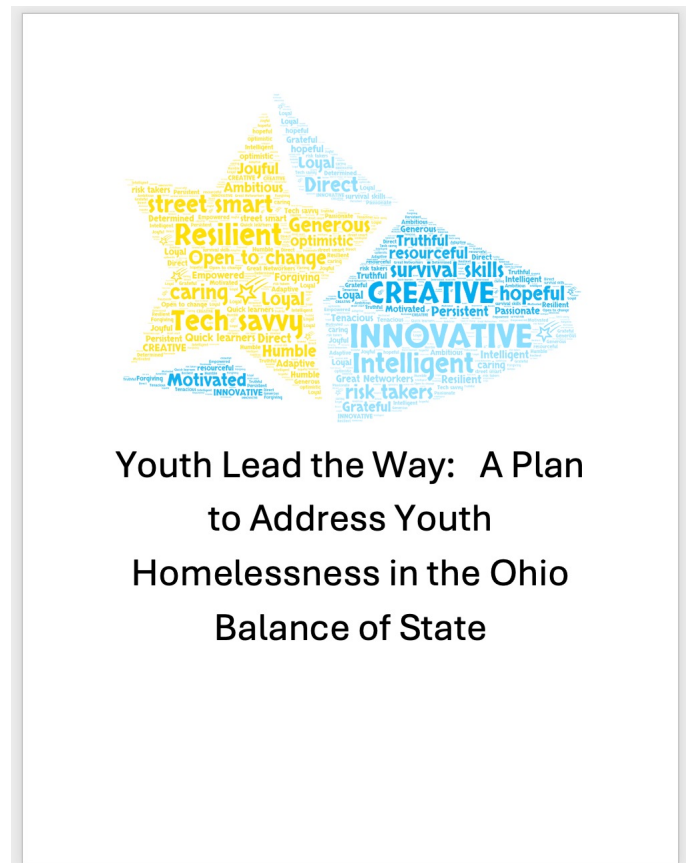


New Projects

Joint Transitional Housing Rapid Re-Housing (TH-RRH)

➤ Project Details and Special Activities

<https://cohhio.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Youth-Lead-The-Way-CCP-Draft-for-Approval-March-25-2024.pdf>



Youth Lead the Way: A Plan to Address Youth Homelessness in the Ohio Balance of State

What does this look like?

DO YOU HAVE A SAFE PLACE TO SLEEP TONIGHT?

Counties we serve:
Columbiana
Jefferson
Tuscarawas
Carroll
Harrison

Services:

- Resources
- Housing assistance
- Case management
- Referrals
- Outreach

Assisting ages 18-24 facing homelessness, facing eviction or in crisis.

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- TH: 4 BR house, 3 BR house
- SOAR-trained navigators
- Avg LOS 45-55 days

What questions do you have?



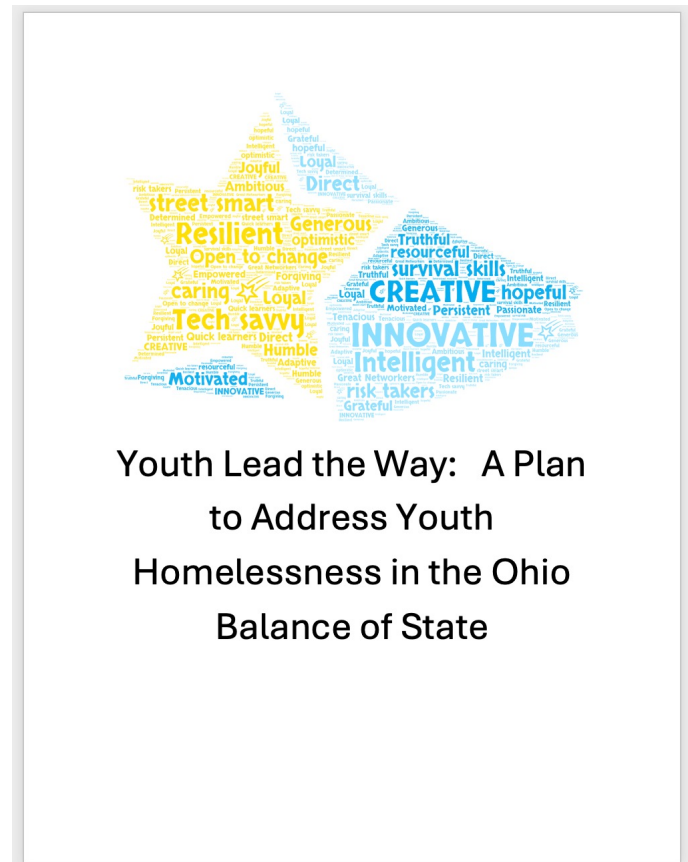


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- Services to be available = provided by lead agency or by another community partner via MOU.
- Project Details and Special Activities

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Lessons Learned

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- CAA of Columbiana County
 - Case mgmt. and navigation is very difficult without housing options
 - Outreach via CE has been a challenge

What questions do you have?



Letter of Interest - LOI

- Prepares you and the CoC Project Selection Workgroup for your response to the RFP
- Helps identify additional areas of need
 - Capacity to partner with YYA
 - Training/TA on project types
 - Outreach to different communities and types of providers
- Requirement in order to respond to the RFP

Eligibility to Submit an LOI

- Be a non-profit organization or unit of local government
- Have experience administering federal and/or state funds, and be in good standing with current funders
- Have experience administering programs and services that assist people experiencing homelessness and/or housing crises, and/or programs serving youth and young adults
- Demonstrate commitment to youth-led, youth-centered programming
- Have experience administering programs in at least one of the 32 counties included in the Round 7 award area
 - Applicants selected to administer YHDP projects will be required to accept program participants through the Ohio BoSCoC coordinated entry process.
 - Applicants will also be expected to participate in ongoing Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) work and system planning with the R7 YHDP Team and Continuum of Care throughout the duration of administration of the YHDP project.
 - Projects must use HMIS.
- Have participated in some element of planning to develop the Round 7 BoSCoC CCP

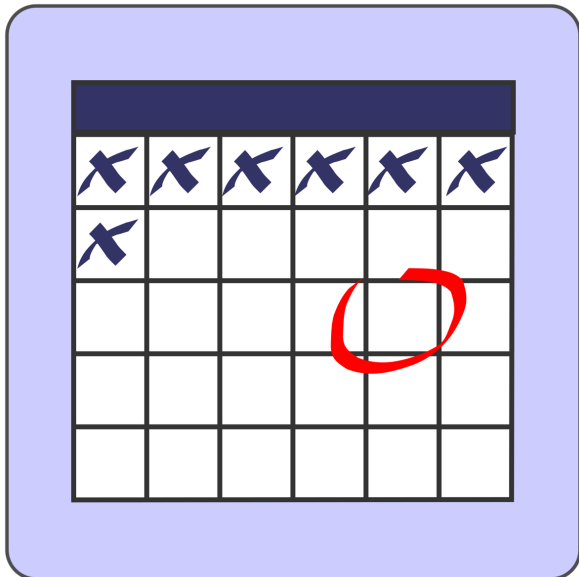
Key considerations

- ✓ YHDP projects must ensure the provision of a crisis TH/ES option if an applicant only applies for the SSO project in a particular area. Remember that the primary goal of YHDP is housing.
- ✓ Commitment to staff training toward youth-centered implementation of appropriate youth-dedicated services is critical.
- ✓ Project partners who are new to HUD, CoC, and/or YHDP projects can receive training and technical assistance to ensure they are operating programs within HUD rules.

What questions do you have?



Timeline



April 5 – CoC submits CCP to HUD

April 15 – LOIs Due

End of April – confirm CCP accepted by HUD, release RFP

May 31 – RFPs for new projects due

Mid-June – new projects selected

June 28 – new projects submitted in esnaps

July-September – project implementation support

September 30 – funds obligated to new projects

Helpful Resources

[HUD YHDP Round 7 Community Folder \(links to Google drive\)](#)

[COHHIO Youth Initiative - YHDP](#)

[BoSCoC Round 7 CCP](#)

[YHDP NOFO](#)

[YHDP HUD Exchange](#)

[Youth Collaboration Road Map 101 and 102](#)

[YHDP Lessons Learned](#)

[Overcoming Rural Specific Obstacles to Ending Youth Homelessness](#)

[CoC Program Eligible Activities](#)



Ohio Balance of State Continuum of Care:
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Learn more about other YHDPs in Ohio:
cohhio.org/programs/youth-initiative/yhdp/

The journey to success

Success looks like sharing the story of how ***we made a difference*** so that people know what's out there. It means ***we worked hard*** to have ***more people connect with us*** and those ***people were connected to housing.***

-BoS YAB Members, 2023 YHDP Application

Thank You!



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