Strategies For Change

FY 2018 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Local Application Process

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• Slides are available in “handouts”
• Slides will also be available on the THN website after the webinar.
• Ask a question by typing it in the chat box.
Agenda

- Overview of the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program and Local Application Process
- What’s New This Year
- Funding Available
- Request for Proposals (RFP)
- New/Expansion Project Application Guide
- Renewal Project Application Guide
- Questions During Competition
Polls
THN and the TX BoS CoC

• THN is the Lead Agency for the TX BoS CoC

• THN is the HMIS Lead Agency for the TX BoS CoC

• TX BoS CoC covers 215 of Texas’ 254 counties (87% of Texas’s land mass)
CoC Program Description

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to:
• Promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness;
• Provide funding... to quickly re-house homeless persons... while minimizing trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness;
• Promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by persons in homeless situations; and
• Optimize self-sufficiency among persons experiencing homelessness.
HUD’s Policy Priorities

- Ending Homelessness
- Creating a systemic response to homelessness
- Strategically allocating and using resources
- Using a Housing First approach
CoC Program Requirements

- Document homelessness and chronic homelessness for each project participant
- Use the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) (or, for victim services, an HMIS-comparable database) to collect data
- Participate in Coordinated Entry (CE)
- Report performance in Annual Performance Reports (APRs) and in the System Performance Measures (SPMs)
- Adhere to the CoC Program Interim Rule and other applicable regulations, policies, procedures, and standards
- And others outlined in the CoC Expectations Form…
Local Application Process/Competition
Local Application Process Overview

FY2018 Texas Balance of State Continuum of Care (TX BoS CoC) Application Process for HUD CoC Program Funds

June 20 - July 27

July 27 - August 22

August 31

For Applicants:
- Read HUD's NOFA and application materials; evaluate a Renewal Project or design a New/Expansion Project
- Read TX BoS CoC’s RFP and complete Renewal Project Application If Renewal Project is New/Expansion Project Application Packet
- Complete HUD’s Project Application packet and submit the appropriate Application Packet to THN
- Submit HUD’s Project Application packet

TX BoS CoC’s Request for Proposals (RFP), Application, and Evaluation
- Renewal Projects will complete and submit the Renewal Project Application Packet.
- New/Expansion Projects will complete and submit the New/Expansion Project Application Packet.

Collaborative Applicant Process:
- THN staff study RFP, applications, and other materials; CoC Board oversees process
- THN staff posts Competition materials, holds hearings, and provides Technical Assistance (TA)
- CoC’s Independent Review Team (IRT) scores applications; CoC Board and THN staff rank projects
- THN staff submit Consolidated Application to HUD

The order of ranking will be set by the TX BoS CoC Board.

The Consolidated Application includes the CoC Application (representing the entire TX BoS CoC), each Project Application (for individual projects), and the Priority Listing (list of projects in rank order).
# Local Application Process Timeline

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<td>TX BoS CoC's Request For Proposals (RFP) and application materials available on the THN website</td>
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<td>7/9/18</td>
<td><strong>Mandatory</strong> TX BoS CoC Project Applicant Webinar to review RFP and competition requirements from 2:00-4:00 PM</td>
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<td>Technical Assistance (TA) appointments available</td>
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<td>Complete application packets due to THN by email to <a href="mailto:txboscoc@thn.org">txboscoc@thn.org</a> by 5:00 PM CDT</td>
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New in FY 2018 from HUD

• DV Bonus Project
• Consolidation and Transition Grants
• System Performance Measures make up 28% of CoCs’ score
• Racial equity
• Move On Strategies
New in FY 2018 from THN

• Less intense Threshold Review for renewal project applications
• Updated Scorecards
  • Agency-level SPMs
  • DV Considerations
  • Adjustments for PSH projects with no leavers
• Housing First Questionnaire
Funding Available

- Estimated Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)*: $5,854,328
- Tier 1 (94% of ARD): $5,503,068
- Tier 2 (6% of ARD + Bonuses): $351,260
- Bonus: $2,284,471
- DV Bonus: $3,807,452
- Reallocated Funds: TBD

*ARD is the total amount of all the CoC’s projects that are eligible for renewal in the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition, before any required adjustments to funding for leasing, rental assistance, and operating budget line items based on FMR changes.
Tiering

• Tier 1
  • 94% of ARD
  • Projects ranked in Tier 1 are more likely to receive funding

• Tier 2
  • 6% of ARD + Bonus
  • Projects ranked in Tier 2 are more at-risk of not receiving funding
Bonus Funds

• New Projects that can be created through Bonus funding:
  • Permanent Housing-Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH) that is either 100% dedicated to serving chronically homeless persons or DedicatedPLUS
  • Permanent Housing-Rapid Re-Housing (PH-RRH) that will serve homeless individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth, who meet the criteria outlined in the FY 2018 CoC Program NOFA
  • Joint Transitional Housing (TH) and PH-RRH
  • Supportive Services Only for Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE)
Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus

The only persons who may be served in projects funded through the DV Bonus are survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who are defined as homeless at 24 CFR 578.3.
Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus (cont.)

A CoC may apply for only one of each of the following project types:

• Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) projects that follow a Housing First approach

• Joint TH and PH-RRH (TH-RRH) component projects, as defined in Section II.C.3.m. of the FY 2018 CoC Program NOFA, that follow a Housing First approach

• SSO Projects for Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) to implement policies, procedures, and practices that equip a community's CE process to better meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.
Expansions through the DV Bonus

A Renewal Project applicant may expand an existing Renewal Project that is not dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking that meet the definition of homeless in paragraph (4) of 24 CFR 578.3 in order to dedicate additional units, beds, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants to the DV Bonus population.
Expansion Projects

• Projects can increase the number of participants it serves
• Both CoC Program-Funded and Non-CoC Program-funded projects may apply
• Funded through Bonus, DV Bonus, and Reallocation funds
  • Projects may not replace state and/or local funds with CoC Program funds
Bonus and DV Bonus Funds

Whether a CoC receives Bonus or DV Bonus funds is based on three criteria:

• CoC need
• CoC overall performance
• Project quality

Therefore, Bonus and DV Bonus funds are not guaranteed to be awarded.
Reallocation

• Voluntary – A Renewal Project chooses not to apply for renewal funding

• Involuntary – Funds are reallocated away from a Renewal Project by the TX BoS CoC Board due to:
  • Unspent funds;
  • Poor performance;
  • Not serving the intended population; and/or
  • Unresolved HUD monitoring findings
Reallocation (cont.)

• New Projects that can be created through Reallocation:
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Polls
Request for Proposals (RFP)

• The 2018 TX BoS CoC Request for Proposals (RFP) is available on THN’s website at https://www.thn.org/texas-balance-state-continuum-care/continuum-care-program/
RFP Highlights
New/Expansion Project Application Guide

Renewal Project Application Guide

Questions during the NOFA

• Please review all guidance documentation before contacting TX BoS CoC staff:
  • CoC Program Interim Rule
  • HUD Exchange FY 2018 CoC Program Competition
  • FY 2018 New Project Application Detailed Instructions
  • FY 2018 Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions
  • HUD Exchange CoC FAQs
  • HUD Exchange e-snaps FAQs (CoC Competition)
  • TX BoS CoC FY 2018 RFP
  • TX BoS CoC 2018 New/Expansion Application Guide
  • TX BoS CoC 2018 Renewal Application Guide

• If you have consulted all materials available and still have not answered your question, contact TX BoS CoC staff at txboscoc@thn.org.
Technical Assistance
Appointments Available!

• Need help understanding the local process? Talk directly with THN staff.

• A Doodle poll listing available appointments for Monday, July 16th and Tuesday, July 17th will be sent via the CoC's email list.

• New applicants are strongly encouraged to sign up!
Polls
Questions?