

FY22 CoC Competition Deadlines and NOFO Highlights

HUD published the FY2022 Continuum of Care (CoC) Funding Notice for Homeless Assistance Grants on August 1, 2022. Approximately \$2.79 billion is available. Of this, \$52 million is available for Domestic Violence bonus projects and \$80 million for Youth Homeless Demonstration project renewals. The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition (NOFO) has been posted on Grants.gov and is available on the Funding Opportunities page on HUD's website. Additional resources are available on the Continuum of Care Program Competition page of HUD's website between August 1-22, 2022. The CoC Consolidated Application, CoC Priority Listing, and Project Applications are available in e-snaps. Collaborative Applicants and project applicants are able to access the applications to review, update, and enter required information for the application process. Additional guidance is posted on the CoC Program Competition page of HUD's website. The HUD deadline date is September 30, 2022. This is an accelerated timeframe for the FY22 CoC competition.

*The Continuum of Care for Kane County has already received and reviewed new and renewal project applications. Projects will be tiered based on information from the NOFO. The only additional projects that will be accepted for this year's competition are DV bonus projects

Total Available Funding for Kane County

Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) — The total amount for all projects eligible for renewal in the 2022 competition based on the HUD approved Grants Inventory Worksheet. The Kane CoC Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) amount approved was \$ \$2,275,818.

<u>Coc Planning Costs</u> – Eligible costs are related to the collaborative process for an application to HUD, evaluating the outcomes of projects, and participating in the jurisdiction's consolidated planning process. The total amount available for this year is \$68,275.

Funding for New Projects

New projects may be created through the reallocation process, bonus funds, or a combination of reallocation and bonus funds. There is an amount allocated to each CoC for bonus projects that is equal to 5% of the Final Pro Rata Need. This amount is \$113,791. Multiple projects are allowed. There may also be reallocation funds available. Reallocation and bonus funds may be combined to funds new projects. All New project applications <u>are</u> included in the project tiering except Planning.

5 types of new projects were allowed:

• Permanent supportive housing that serve chronically homeless or eligible under the Dedicated PLUS definition. See NOFA definition p. 18



- Rapid Rehousing projects that serve households who meet the homeless definition categories of 1, 2 or 4. See NOFA p. 14
- Joint TH and PH-RRH component project that serve households who meet the homeless definition categories of 1,2 or 4.— See NOFA p.18
- Dedicated HMIS (only by the current HMIS Lead)
- Coordinated Entry (supportive services only) to develop or operate a coordinated entry system.

Funding for Domestic Violence Bonus Project

There is an additional amount allocated to each CoC for projects dedicated to victims of domestic violence. This amount is 10% of the Preliminary Pro Rata Need of \$2,026,363 which is **\$202,636.** Projects must serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. The eligible population is survivors of domestic violence who are defined as homeless at 24CFR 578.3 (4). All DV projects must be for a grant term of 1 year. NOTE: Expansion of any existing RRH or Joint TH-RRH renewal that is non-DV will qualify as a new DV bonus if it exclusively serves DV person. These projects will be selected by HUD based on CoC Score plus other criterion noted in NOFA p.15-16 using a 100 point scale. CoCs may create any of the following project types if the amount is at least \$50,000:

- Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH);
- Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing (Joint TH-RRH)
- Supportive Services Only-Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) that targets victims of domestic violence. (Only one Coordinated Entry application is allowed).

Deadlines

August 17, 2022 – New Project Applications for DV bonus projects submitted.

Deadlines

August 24, 2022 – CoC Board meets to review project application ranking and tiering.

Project Tiering - The CoC will submit a Priority Listing that lists the new and renewal projects that are being applied for. All projects that are approved for inclusion will be prioritized in a two tier approach. The tiers are financial thresholds. <u>Tier 1 is 95%</u> of the Annual Renewal Demand for current projects. Tier 2 is the difference between Tier 1 and the maximum amount of renewal, reallocation and bonus funds available. (excluding the DV bonus amount). The Planning project is excluded from tiering.

Tier 2 project-level scoring remains the same with 3 criteria — CoC Application score, ranked position of the project application in Tier 2, and the project application's commitment to Housing First. Up to 50 pts CoC Score + 40 pts Rank number in Tier 2 + 10pts. Housing First.



August 31, 2022 – Project submissions in E-Snaps complete. CoC local competition closes.

Project submission instructions for esnaps will be reviewed at an APPLICATION WORKSHOP

scheduled for August 26, 2022 from 1:30 pm. – 2:30 pm. This is a Zoom meeting and the link will be sent out ahead of time. If you have not received the link please contact Nisreen Wakileh at wakilehnisreen@countyofkane.org.

September 15, 2022 – Public posting and email notification to all project applicants whether their project will be accepted, ranked, rejected or reduced on the CoC Priority Listing.

September 28, 2022 – Public posting and email notification to community members of the CoC Consolidated Application, Priority Listing and all attachments.

Esnaps submission of projects may be no later than 30 days before the HUD deadline of 9/30/22. The Kane CoC will notify all project applicants no later than 15 days before the application deadline of September 30, 2022 whether their project application will be accepted and ranked, rejected or reduced as part of the CoC Consolidated application and of their number ranking. All project application deadlines and materials have been posted on Pages - Continuum of Care (countyofkane.org)

Changes and Highlights to the FY22 NOFO

- The CoC application score is back to 200 points.
- CoCs are required to have leveraging agreements with housing providers and health care organizations for at least one new project.
- The DV bonus project point scoring has been changed adding 2 additional scoring criteria.
- HUD continues to provide opportunities to expand or consolidate CoC projects. Expansions submit a standalone renewal application and a standalone new project application. Consolidations submit 2 individual stand alone renewal project applications.
- Transition Grants are permitted from one CoC Program Component by using the reallocation process to eliminate the current project and reallocate it to the new project type. Instead of a 50% limit on the original project costs, 100% may be used as long as the project is fully transitioned by the end of the operating year. Examples: transition from a PSH to a Rapid Rehousing or a Transitional Housing to a Joint TH-RRH.
- Indian Tribes are eligible to be designated as Collaborative Applicants.
- Greater emphasis on racial equity in scoring.
- Greater emphasis on addressing the needs of LGBTQ + and anti-discrimination policies.
- Points were added to the CoC application related to how the CoC will respond to future disease outbreaks.
- A new rating factor on engaging local leaders to increase the affordable housing supply.



Questions regarding the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition process must be submitted to CoCNOFO@hud.gov.

Questions related to *e-snaps* functionality (e.g., password lockout, access to user's application account, updating Applicant Profile) must be submitted to <u>e-snaps@hud.gov</u>.

Posted Documents:

New Project Evaluation Sheet

https://www.countyofkane.org/Documents/Community%20Investment/Continuum%20of%20Care/02%202022%20New%20Project%20Evaluation%20Sheet.docx

Renewal Project Evaluation Sheet

https://www.countyofkane.org/Documents/Community%20Investment/Continuum%20of%20Care/02%202022%20New%20Project%20Evaluation%20Sheet.docx