



2019 NOFA

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Memphis/Shelby County Continuum of Care Competition: Applying for Expansion Projects

Expansion Project Overview

HUD will allow project applicants to apply for a new expansion project (see Section III.C.2.j of this NOFA) under the DV Bonus, reallocation, and CoC bonus processes to expand existing projects that will increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-Coordinated Entry projects. If the new expansion project will expand an existing eligible CoC Program renewal project HUD will not fund capital costs (i.e., new constructions, rehabilitation, or acquisition) and HUD will only allow a 1-year funding request.

Applying for an Expansion Project

New in FY 2019, the process to apply for a new project that will expand an existing eligible CoC Program renewal project requires three project applications. The following guidance only pertains to new expansion projects that intend to expand and combine with a current eligible CoC Program renewal project. If a project applicant intends to expand a project, but not combine grants, or if a project applicant intends to expand a project that is currently funded with other resources (e.g., other federal funds, local funds, or private funds) the applicant will submit a new project application only.

New in FY 2019, the process to apply for a new project that will expand an existing eligible CoC Program renewal project/grant, requires three project applications:

1. Renewal project application that mirrors the current project eligible for FY 2019 renewal;
2. New project application(s) with the expanded activities; and
3. Renewal project application that mirrors the current project eligible for FY 2019 renewal, plus the expanded activities of the new project.

For the combined renewal expansion project application to be considered for conditional award, all three project applications must individually pass eligibility and quality threshold review. For the new expansion project to be selected for conditional award the renewal project application must also be selected for conditional award.

Ranking Process for Expansion Projects

While the renewal and new projects will be ranked by the CoC, the combined expansion project will not be ranked and, if selected for conditional award, will take the ranked position of the stand-alone renewal project, and the separate new project will be removed from the ranking resulting in project applications below to slide up one ranked position. However, if

the combined renewal expansion project is also part of a consolidation project application, HUD will follow the ranking process for consolidated projects outlined in Section II.B.5 and if the combined expansion and consolidation is selected for conditional award, the ranked position of the stand-alone renewal project and the new project will be removed from the ranking, resulting in project applications below to slide up. If HUD determines the combined expansion project is ineligible, HUD will review the renewal and new project applications separately as these projects will retain their ranked position on the CoC Project listings.

Project applicants that intend to submit a new project application for the purposes of expanding an eligible CoC Program renewal project must:

1. enter the grant number of the project that is eligible for renewal that the project applicant requests to expand on the new project application;
2. indicate how the new project application will expand units, beds, services, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants, or in the case of HMIS or SSO-Coordinated Entry projects, how the current activities will be expanded for the CoC's geographic area; and
3. ensure the funding request for the expansion grant is within the funding parameters allowed under the reallocation or bonus funding amounts available.

Expansion Projects Under the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus

Project applicants may expand an existing renewal project that is not currently dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking that meet the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3 to dedicate additional beds, units, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants to this population. This funding will be awarded through the DV Bonus, which HUD has allocated \$50 million for in the FY2019 CoC Competition NOFA.