

FY26 CoC Renewal Project Funding (HUD NOFO)

Information Session

June 12th, 2026

10:00 am



Presentation Overview

1. CoC funding process
2. Threshold criteria
3. Local competition timeline
4. Changes from FY24/FY25 NOFO
5. Applying as a renewal project
6. Transition grants
7. Open time for Q&A



Continuum of Care Funding Process



CoC Funding Process



HUD releases CoC Program NOFA (Notice of Funding Availability) for fiscal year and local CoC publishes local timeline and deadlines

Applicants submit new or renewal project applications in e-snaps (HUD's grant application platform)

Community's Rank & Review Committee prioritizes projects based on performance evaluation, strategic resource allocation, and community impact

Prioritization list of new and renewal projects is submitted to HUD alongside community's Consolidated Application

HUD makes all final funding determinations based on project review, community's application score, and project prioritization list

- Largest annual federal funding source for homeless services and programs
- **FY26 NOFO Timeline:**
 - **Anticipated award date:** 12/1/2026
 - **Estimated Performance Period Start Date:** 1/1/2027
 - **Estimated Performance period end date:** 12/31/2027

CoC Funding Process

- Funding available **nationally: \$4,040,000,000 (2026)**
- Funding available **locally:**
 - **TN-501 ARD:** Waiting on this amount to be released from HUD
 - **CoC Bonus-** Waiting on this amount to be released from HUD
 - **DV- Bonus-** Waiting on this amount to be released from HUD
- **At least \$430 million** must be used for Permanent Housing projects including Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) or Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) for families with children.
- **Up to \$1.3 billion** is set aside for **NEW** projects ranked in Tier 2, with selection priority for **new Transitional Housing (TH)** and **Supportive Services Only (SSO)** projects. New projects can also be ranked in Tier 1 but will not be applied to the set-aside amount.

CoC Funding Process

- The rank and review committee ranks projects into two tiers and HUD selects projects based on how HUD ranks individual projects and whether they are in Tier 1 or Tier 2.
- **Projects ranked in Tier 1** are awarded first based on passing eligibility, quality, and threshold review.
- **Projects ranked in Tier 2** are awarded based on project score that takes into account the CoC score, ranking, and commitment to service participation requirements.

Tier 1 = 60% of funds dependent on CoC overall score. *(90% in 2024)*

Tier 2 = 40% of funds dependent on CoC overall score. *(10% in 2024)*

Tier 2 scoring now favors projects with required services. See page 90 of the NOFO for more information.

CoC Funding Process

- Once local Rank and Review is complete, CAFTH submits all projects to HUD with a Collaborative Application. HUD makes the final determination of funding, and there is no guarantee all or any will be funded.



Threshold Criteria



Threshold Eligibility Criteria

The Applicant must:

- Have an accounting financial management system that satisfies HUD requirements (Ex: Accountant).
- Have **no** outstanding delinquent federal debts.
- Have **no** debarments/suspensions from doing business with federal government.
- Disclose any violations of Federal criminal law potentially affecting Federal award.
- Agree to participate in Coordinated Entry if funded
- Document the required 25% match
- Become or be a current Memphis/Shelby County Homeless Consortium
- Have a current [LiveGive Midsouth profile](#)
- 501(c)3 designation (or be unit of government)
- Complete SAM and UEI Registration: www.sam.gov

Review page 58 of the NOFO for all threshold requirements.



Renewal Project Requirements

- Project applicants must also certify affirmatively to the following:
 - The project applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination. This is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).
- - The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites" in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(1), knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(2), or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia in violation of 21 U.S.C. 863. This is consistent with the objectives outlined in Section III.B of the NOFO and is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a). **This certification is not a requirement that program participants must be sober in order to receive assistance, participate in treatment in order to receive assistance, or be evicted or exited from assistance for a first-time violation of a drug-related program policy or lease requirement.**

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***Local CoC
Competition
Timeline***



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June

12th | New Project Information Session (Virtual), 9 - 10 am

12th | Renewal Project Information Session (Virtual), 10 - 11 am

12th | YHDP Project Information Session (Virtual), 11 - 12 pm

18th | E-Snaps Information Session (Virtual), 11 am - 1 pm

July

1st | APRs pulled by HMIS (**current projects only*)

15th | Consumer Surveys Due (**current projects only*)

17th | In Person E-Snaps and Narrative Writing TA, 9 - 12 pm

20th | In-Person E-Snaps and Narrative Writing TA, 1 - 4 pm

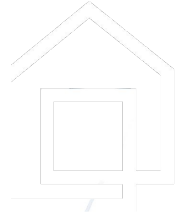
29th | Scorecards to agencies for review (**current projects only*)

31st | Deadline for project submission to CAFTH at 2:59:59 PM! All of the following are also due via email to haley@cafth.org.

- CDB agreement (DV Bonus Projects Only)
- DV Bonus Supplemental Application (DV Bonus Projects Only)

*links to all informational and TA sessions can be found on [CAFTH's website](#) and Coalition Manager

Local CoC Competition Timeline (cont'd)



August

6th | Rank & Review

7th | Rank & Review

10th | Notify Projects of Rank & Review Score via email

17th | Deadline for appeal (closes at 9:59:59 am) *Deadline for appeal of rejection.*

All projects making an appeal of rejection must submit their appeal via email to

myletta@cafth.org by Monday, August 17th, 2026 at 9:59:59 am

21st | Public Posting of collaborative application and prioritization list

26th | Deadline for public comments & submission to HUD

FY26 CoC Competition Timeline



Please check our [2026 NOFO page](#) on the website frequently for updates to the local timeline of events and due dates.

***Changes from
Last Year's NOFO***



HUD Priorities

Your project should be grounded in the following HUD priorities:

- 1) Improving Outcomes
- 2) Creating Competition to Improve Innovation and Accountability
- 3) Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care
- 4) Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self-Sufficiency.
- 5) Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency
- 6) Advancing Public Safety For All
- 7) Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations
- 8) Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology

You can read more about HUD's priorities on page 29 of the NOFO



Changes from Previous NOFO

- **Changes to Tiering.** Tier 1 is set at 60 percent of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD).
- **Expanded Eligibility for PSH.** PSH projects that are not dedicated to chronically homeless households or designated as DedicatedPLUS may serve people with disabilities who meet Category 2 of the homeless definition in addition to Categories 1 and 4.



Changes from Previous NOFO

- **Reinterpretation of “self-sufficiency”.** Optimizing self-sufficiency among homeless individuals and families is one of the stated purposes of the CoC Program. This has long been understood and operationalized as the ability to live independently and maintain housing with or without assistance. HUD is now interpreting this to mean “the ability to meet basic needs, including a place to live, without public or private assistance.”
- **Factors Impacting the Likelihood of Project Rejection.**
 - HUD has expanded what can be considered in its risk review of applicants to include information from public sources like news reports and new subjective criteria such as the ability to promote self-sufficiency. It has also, for the first time, made the results of the risk review alone a valid reason for adverse funding decisions.
 - In addition to the results of the threshold criteria, merit review, and the risk review, HUD may also consider additional factors that provide HUD broad authority to reject otherwise qualified projects for subjective reasons such as the “likelihood that the proposed project will result in the benefits expected.”

Changes from Previous NOFO

- **New National Priorities for HUD.** HUD's new national priorities center on treatment, service participation requirements, civil commitment, and public safety. Merit criteria provide significant points for CoCs that prioritize both voluntary and involuntary treatment and what HUD deems as "promoting public safety." Service requirements feature prominently in the merit criteria and selection criteria.
- **NSPIRE.** Effective October 1, 2026, housing leased with CoC funding, or for which rental assistance payments are made, will be required to meet the National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE).

Applying as Renewal



Applying as a Renewal

Projects may renew under the CoC Program NOFO to continue ongoing leasing, operating, supportive services, rental assistance, HMIS and project Admin costs ***IF***

- Currently operating
- Have an expiration date in CY 2027 (Jan 1, 2027 - Dec. 31st, 2027)

Renewal Projects ***MUST***:

- Be submitted by same recipient that signed executed grant agreement for the grant being renewed
- Be for the same amount of funding before any adjustments described in this NOFO
- Be for the same program component
- In case of DV or YHDP renewals, be for the same subpopulation



Applying as a Renewal

The following requests may be made within a renewal application:

- Non-significant changes including shifting up to 10 percent of funds from one approved eligible activity to another
 - Applicants making significant changes above 10% will not be considered by HUD
 - Applicants seeking to make significant changes to grant should contact their Field Office and request a grant agreement amendment



Transition Grant



Applying as a Transition Grant

CoC renewal project applicants may also apply to **transition** an eligible renewal project from one program component to another eligible new component over a one year period through reallocation and use those funds to create a single, new transition grant (except YHDP)

Transition grants must show:

- The renewal project transitioning to a new component must fully transition to the new component by the end of the 1-year grant term AND may only apply for renewal in the next CoC program competition under the component to which it transitioned
- For transition grant, you would apply as a **NEW PROJECT APPLICATION** in E-snaps. Application must include grant numbers of the project being eliminated to create the new project and attach a copy of the most recently awarded renewal project application



Applying as a Transition Grant

CoCs may use the Transition Grant process described in Sec. II.B.3.k to create new projects.

HUD reminds CoCs that individuals living in Permanent Housing may be eligible for Transitional Housing under certain circumstances:

1. Where program participants meet the criteria of paragraph (2) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3 (Category 2) at intake for TH. This means that the program participant will imminently lose their permanent housing, and they have not identified a subsequent residence, and they lack the resources and support networks to obtain other permanent housing. In that instance, program participants may be eligible to move from their PSH or RRH project to a TH project. or

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2. Where program participants meet the criteria of paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3 (Category 4) at intake for TH. This means that the program participant is experiencing trauma or violence related to, or fleeing or attempting to flee, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking or other dangerous, traumatic, or life-threatening conditions related to the violence in their current housing. The program participant must also have no other safe residence and lack the resources and support networks to obtain other safe permanent housing. In that instance, program participants may be eligible to move from their PSH or RRH project to a TH project.

See [HUD guidance](#) to see if this will be a good fit for your specific program.

***Competitive
Project***



Project Requirements per HUD

All program participants are referred through the CoC's Coordinated Entry System.

The Coordinated Entry System (CES) is a collaborative community response to anyone experiencing homelessness. It provides streamlined and equitable access to housing interventions for people experiencing homelessness in Memphis/Shelby County.

The Coordinated Entry System contains access points for populations, who are assessed and prioritized based on vulnerability and eligibility, then referred to CoC-funded housing programs.

You can find more [information about the CES on CAFTH's website](#).



Additional Requirements for Renewals

- If you have had CoC funded projects before, you must have had satisfactory capacity, drawdowns, and performance for existing grant(s) funded under the CoC Program, as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients, regular drawdowns, and timely resolution of any monitoring findings;
- Project applicants must also demonstrate their ability to meet all timeliness standards per 24 CFR 578.85. HUD reserves the right to deny a funding request for a new project, if the request is made by an existing recipient that HUD finds to have significant issues related to capacity, performance, unresolved audit, or monitoring findings related to one or more existing grants; or does not routinely draw down funds from eLOCCS at least once per quarter. HUD also reserves the right to withdraw funds if no APR is submitted on the prior grant



Additional Resources

- 2026 CoC NOFO Local Competition Documents:
<https://www.cafth.org/what-we-do/2026-nofo/>
(recording/slides will be posted here)
- HUD Exchange CoC Resources:
www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/
- e-snaps toolkits:
<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/>



Thank you for attending!

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