

HUD Youth Homelessness NOFO for FY24 and FY25: Information Session

July 6, 2026



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Youth Homelessness FY24 & FY25 NOFO Details



- HUD published the FY24/25 Youth Homelessness NOFO on **June 10, 2026**
- Differentiating NOFOs:
 - The FY26 CoC/YHDP NOFO allows **existing** YHDP projects to renew, replace or reallocate their grants.
 - This Youth Homelessness NOFO allows us to apply for **NEW** YHDP or YHSI grants for our community.
- **\$193 million** in competitive funding provided
 - YHSI: \$49 million over FY24, FY25
 - YHDP: \$144 million over FY24, FY25
- **~73 awards** from funds available
 - 49 YHSI awards
 - At least 24 YHDP FY24 & FY25 YHDP Community recipients, with approximately 120 project awards

Who Can Apply?

- State, County, City or township governments
- Faith Based Organizations
- Special district governments
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)



Eligible Project Applicants Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are found at 24 CFR 578.15

Who Cannot Apply?

- For-profit entities are ineligible to apply for grants and are prohibited from being subrecipients of CoC Program grant funds.
- Individuals, foreign entities, and sole proprietorship organizations are not eligible to compete for or receive awards made under this announcement



Goals of this NOFO



- **Prevent and End Youth Homelessness**
 - Projects should aim to support efforts to make youth homelessness (ages 18-24) rare, brief, and non-recurring.
- **Facilitate Self-Sufficiency**
 - Projects should include interventions that help youth establish independent, sustainable lives for themselves, and if applicable, their children. Connections should prioritize education, employment, and behavioral health supports.
- **Innovate and Expand Capacity**
 - Projects should expand services to homeless youth, including piloting new models of assistance.
- **Reduce Trauma and Provide Safety**
 - Projects should enhance coordinated, trauma-informed responses to youth homelessness by addressing risks of trafficking, abuse, and substance use through cross-system partnerships, safe housing, and safer community connection.

Priorities

- Priorities center on:
 - Positive Youth Development & Trauma-Informed Care
 - Connecting young people to safe and stable housing
 - Improving young people's social and emotional well-being
 - Improving long term self-sufficiency through connections to education and employment
 - Creating lasting permanent connections in young people's lives
- Project examples:
 - Housing navigation
 - Behavioral health services in transitional housing or standalone programs
 - Outreach services
 - Recovery-oriented housing



YHDP Grant Details

YHDP (Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program)

- Funds support communities in implementing **direct housing and services projects**
- HUD anticipates selecting between **24-50 communities**, with a priority (16) for communities with substantial rural populations
- The **minimum** award for a YHDP Community Recipient is **\$500,000**, and the **maximum** amount is **\$15 million**.
- Period of performance dates may range from **24-30 months**
- Recipients may **renew** YHDP project grants for **1-year grant terms** under the CoC.
- Applicants for YHDP Community funding must **submit single application, including a priority listing** of project applications.
 - Communities may use YHDP funding for a single project or split among 10 projects via priority listing
- Match: YHDP project recipients must meet the **25% cost sharing or matching** requirements as described in the regulation at 24 CFR 578.73, except as otherwise provided in Appendix II, I.C.1.b.4 and I.C.1.b.5. (pg 68).

YHDP Eligible Project Types



HUD will only fund the following project types under YHDP:

- **Transitional Housing (TH)**, including Crisis Residential Housing and Shared Housing
- **Supportive Services Only (SSO)**, including but not limited to projects dedicated to:
 - CES
 - Host Homes & Kinship Care
 - Housing search & placement services
 - Case management
 - Supportive services connected with Foster Youth to Independence vouchers
 - Street outreach
- SSO-Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE)
- HMIS (HMIS Lead Agency)
- Planning (Collaborative Applicant)

Transitional Housing + SSO



“HUD recognizes that Transitional Housing and supportive services as critical components of a truly comprehensive approach to reducing youth homelessness. Homeless youth and young adults have diverse needs, strengths, and levels of readiness for independent living.

Transitional Housing offers more than a temporary place to stay; it provides a supportive environment where young people can build stability, reengage in education or employment, address behavioral health needs, and develop independent living skills. **Transitional Housing provides pathways to self-sufficiency by pairing time-limited housing assistance with wraparound supportive services.**”

"HUD finds that Transitional Housing for youth is undersupplied relative to Permanent Housing, given that studies have shown that most youth can successfully exit homelessness and gain self-sufficiency with Transitional Housing and robust services."

YHDP Eligible Costs

Project Type	Leasing	Supportive Services	Rental Assistance	Operating	HMIS	Project Administration
Transitional Housing (TH)	X	X		X	X	X
Supportive Services Only (SSO)	X	X			X	X

Indirect costs are allowable for all projects using a federally negotiated indirect cost rate agreement (NICRA) or a de-minimis rate of 15%. Please note that if you use an approved NICRA rate, supporting documentation must be provided.

Youth Homelessness Threshold Requirements

1. Active SAM.gov Registration at time of application and throughout the award
2. Forms, assurances or certifications required for submission in E-SNAPS*
3. Must be members of the Memphis & Shelby County Homeless Consortium (MSCHC)
4. Must participate in the Homelessness Management Information System (HMIS) and Memphis & Shelby County Coordinated Entry System (CES).

**Please review pages 21-22 in the Youth Homelessness NOFO for more details on forms, assurances, and certifications.*

Youth Homelessness Threshold Requirements

5. Certify compliance with applicable federal, civil rights, and program requirements.
 - a. “Awards cannot be used to conduct activities that subsidize or facilitate illegal racial preferences or other forms of illegal discrimination, including activities where race or intentional proxies for race will be used as selection criteria for employment or program participation.”
 - b. The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or “safe consumption sites,” knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia on or off of property under their control, permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control, or conduct any of these activities under the pretext of “harm reduction.”

**Please review pages 21-22 in the Youth Homelessness NOFO for more details on forms, assurances, and certifications.*

Youth Homelessness Rating Factors



General Rating Factors Criteria	Total number of points = 50
Youth Leadership	15 points
Community Connections	20 points
Building Safe Communities	15 points
Total	50 points

Youth Homelessness System Improvement (YHSI) Rating Factors

YHSI Rating Factors Criteria	Total number of points = 50
Project Proposal	50 points
Total	50 points

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Rating Factors

Criteria	Total number of points = 50
Community Coordination	40 points
System Planning and Data	10 points
Total	50 points
Bonus: Rural Communities	10 points

You can find more information about these rating factors on page 27 of the Youth HomelessnessNOFO

Key Rating Areas

- **Experience & Capacity**
 - Demonstrated experience operating youth-focused housing or supportive services, with staffing models that meet program needs and reflect appropriate ratios and qualifications.
- **Service Quality & Youth Outcomes**
 - Delivery of trauma-informed, positive youth development-focused services that support safe and stable housing, social-emotional well-being, education and employment, and long-term stability (including low returns to homelessness).
- **Partnerships & System Coordination**
 - Strong, formalized partnerships with mainstream systems (e.g., healthcare, SSI/SNAP, behavioral health), housing providers, substance use treatment, and supporting safety (e.g., DV/trafficking services, law enforcement), with clear referral pathways and coordination.
- **Budget, Fiscal Management & Compliance**
 - Cost-effective budgets with clear justification, demonstrated fiscal management capacity, compliance with federal requirements, and ability to meet the 25% match requirement.
- **Population & Program Priorities**
 - Alignment with prioritized youth subpopulations (e.g., unsheltered youth, parenting or pregnant youth, youth experiencing DV or trafficking, youth with substance use disorders, youth exiting foster care or justice systems) and proposed program models that meet identified community needs.

Ranking Priorities



- **Community Coordination**
 - Projects may be prioritized that:
 - Are deeply partnered (PHA, schools, workforce, behavioral health, DV, trafficking systems)
 - Integrate services across systems
 - Include clear referral pathways and coordination
- **Supportive Services & Self-Sufficiency:**
 - Projects should:
 - Include strong wraparound supportive services (case management, education, employment)
- **Subpopulation Coverage:**
 - Projects may rank higher if they:
 - Serve high-need populations, such as: • Pregnant/parenting youth • DV survivors • Youth with SUD histories or • Youth with trafficking histories • Youth exiting foster care or justice systems
- **System Gaps:**
 - Projects may rank higher if they:
 - Address documented unmet needs
 - Expand capacity where data shows gaps
 - Introduce new or improved interventions

Local Competition Timeline



- **June 10:** Youth Homelessness NOFO announced
- **July 6:** Today's Information Session
- **July 8:** [Interest forms](#) are due by 12:00 pm
- **July 13:** Application is anticipated to be available in E-SNAPS
- **July 17:** CAFTH In-person E-SNAPS Office Hours - [Register here](#)
- **July 20:** CAFTH In-person E-SNAPS Office Hours - [Register here](#)
- **July 27:** Completed application due in E-SNAPS by 3:00 pm
- **July 30-31:** Rank & Review Committee meets
- **August 3:** CAFTH notifies projects of acceptance or rejection
- **August 10:** CAFTH submits the Youth Homelessness Consolidated application and selected projects to HUD
- **September 15:** Anticipated Award Date
- **October 1, 2026:** Estimated Performance Start Date
- **March 31, 2029:** Estimated Performance End Date

Local Competition Process

1. Interested applicants must fill out the Youth Homelessness **Interest Form by July 8th at 12:00 pm.**
2. Applicants will submit their application in E-SNAPS by **July 27th, 3:00pm.**
3. The review committee will meet on 7/30-7/31 to select and rank projects to represent Memphis/Shelby County.
4. CAFTH will inform projects of acceptance or rejection for our consolidated application on August 3rd.
5. CAFTH will then submit to HUD on behalf of our community/CoC by August 10th.



More Information



- CAFTH's Youth Homelessness NOFO page
 - <https://www.cafth.org/what-we-do/yhdp-2026nofo/>
- HUD's Youth Homelessness NOFO page
 - <https://www.hud.gov/hud-partners/community-youth>
- HUD's Matching Info
 - <https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Virtual-Binders-At-A-Glance-Match.pdf>
- E-SNAPS Info Session
 - [Slides](#)
 - [Recording](#)

Questions?

Thank you for attending!

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