



Mandatory Applicant Meeting

2022 COC ANNUAL
COMPETITION

UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS
SPECIAL NOFO

CoC Changes

- Washoe County Housing and Homeless Services is now the CoC lead entity and the CoC Coordinator
- Washoe County Housing and Homeless Services is also the Collaborative Applicant
- Catrina Peters is the main point of the contact for the FY 22 CoC Annual Competition and the Special Unsheltered NOFO
 - [Email: cpeters@washoecounty.gov](mailto:cpeters@washoecounty.gov)
 - Cell: 775-530-9772
- Civitas has been contracted to assist with developing the CoC applications, facilitating the rating and ranking and conducting the annual grantee monitoring

2022 HUD CoC Annual NOFO

HUD Continuum of Care Program Notice of Funding Opportunity. CoC NOFO is shorthand for the Department of Housing & Urban Development's annual national funding competition for homeless services funding.

Each year HUD releases a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Grants Competition.

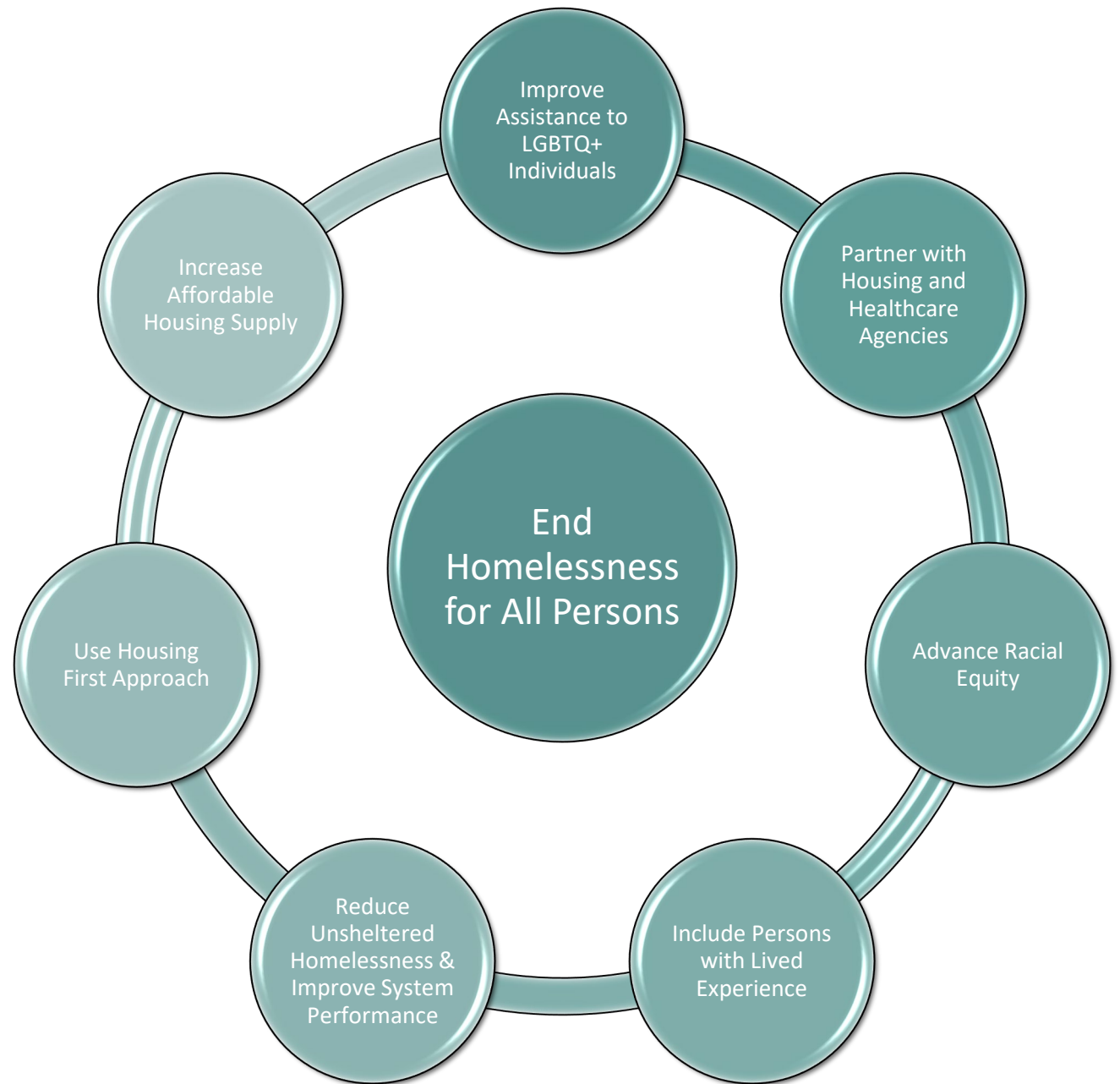
Preliminary Pro Rata Need	Estimated ARD	Tier 1	CoC Bonus	DV Bonus	CoC Planning
TBD	\$2,460,674	\$2,337,640	TBD	TBD	TBD

Annual CoC Program Description

The Continuum of Care Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness.

- Rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing from domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness;
- To promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families;
- To optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

HUD's Policy Priorities



What is Housing First

- Direct, or nearly direct, placement of targeted or prioritized homeless people into permanent housing
- Supportive services are offered and readily available, but are not required to remain in housing.
- Assertive outreach to engage and offer housing to homeless people, including unsheltered people
- Low demand approach that accommodates client alcohol and/or substance use and symptoms of mental illness
- Continued effort to provide case management

What is NOT Housing First

- Mandating sobriety or compliance with treatment
- Prohibiting people with criminal history
- Requiring participation in religious services or practices
- Requiring clients to “be ready” for housing

2022 Local Competition Timeline

Date	Activity Details
August 31, 2022	Project applications due to the CoC
September 1 – September 14, 2022	Rating and Ranking Review
September 15, 2022	Rating and Ranking Review Committee Meeting and applicant notification of project inclusion
September 19, 2022	Rating and Ranking debrief summary
September 25, 2022	Revised project applications due
September 27, 2022	Posting of the full CoC Collaborative Application

What is New in 2022

- HUD will incentivize CoC that create projects that coordinate with housing providers and healthcare organizations to provide permanent affordable housing and rapid rehousing services.
- HUD increased the number of points awarded related to the CoC coordination with Public Housing Agencies
- HUD revised its evaluation of racial disparity from the 2021 CoC Program NOFO to place greater emphasis on:
 - Racial Equity
 - Addressing the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals
- Points associated with CoC's demonstrating how they will build on the partnerships developed during COVID-19 to ensure they are prepared to prevent and respond to future infectious diseases outbreaks amongst people experiencing homelessness

Renewal Project Types

Eligible Project Types for Renewal:

1. Permanent Housing
 - Permanent Supportive Housing
 - Rapid Rehousing
2. Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing (TH/PH-RRH)
3. Supportive Services Only (for Coordinated Entry)
4. Dedicated HMIS

Local Priorities

1. Permanent Supportive Housing

--147 people on the queue in the PSH scoring range

2. Rapid Re-housing

--306 people score in the RRH/EHV range

Single adults in both scoring ranges are the top need

New Projects: CoC Bonus Project Types

Eligible Project Types:

1. Permanent Housing
 - Permanent Supportive Housing
 - Rapid Rehousing
2. Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing (TH/PH-RRH)
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New Projects: DV Bonus Project Types

DV Bonus funding may be used for new projects and/or to expand an existing renewal project that is not dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who meet the definition of homeless in paragraph (4) of 24 CFR 578.3 so long as the DV Bonus funds for expansion are solely for additional units, beds, or services dedicated to persons eligible to be served with DV Bonus funding.

Eligible Project Types:

1. Permanent Housing
 - Rapid Rehousing
2. Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing (TH/PH-RRH)
3. Supportive Services Only (for Coordinated Entry)

Expansion Projects

The process by which a renewal project applicant submits a new project application to expand its current operations by adding units, beds, persons served, services provided to existing program participants as defined in Section III.B.2.j. The expansion project (i.e., the existing renewal project and the new expanded portion of the project) must meet the conditions below:

- A. The renewal project and the new expanded portion of the project must both have the same component type.
- B. Eligible project components: PH-PSH, PH-RRH, Joint TH/PH-RRH, SSO-CE, or HMIS · The new expanded portion of the project may be funded through reallocation, DV Bonus, and CoC bonus processes.
- C. If using DV Bonus funds, the new expanded portion of the project is solely for additional units, beds, or services dedicated to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking who qualify under paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3.

Once an expansion and its accompanying renewal application are submitted and ranked, applicants will submit a combined application for the competition.

Consolidated Projects

Eligible renewal project applicants will continue to have the ability to consolidate two or more eligible renewal projects (but no more than ten projects) into one project application during the application process. The projects being combined during a grant consolidation will continue uninterrupted. To be eligible for consolidation, the projects must have the same recipient and be for the same component; and will be funded in this competition only with FY 2022 funds (meaning no funds recaptured from prior years will be awarded to the project).

HUD will not permit a transitional housing and a permanent housing project to consolidate to form a Joint TH and PH-RRH component project and will not permit a transition grant to be consolidated with any other project. If a project meeting these characteristics attempts to consolidate as part of the project application process, the submitted consolidated project will be rejected by HUD during the application review process.

To apply for a consolidated grant, applicants must submit separate renewal project applications for each of the grants that are proposed to be consolidated, and an application for the new consolidated grant with the combined budget and information of all grants proposed for consolidation. Project applications for the grants that are proposed to be consolidated will be ranked, and if all those grants are selected, HUD will award the single consolidated grant. If one of the grants proposed to be consolidated is found to be ineligible for consolidation or is not selected, HUD will award all grants that are eligible for renewal and selected as separate grants. See Section V.B.4.(7) of the NOFO for additional requirements.

Eligible Costs

See 24 CFR 578.37(a) for more information on eligible costs

Eligible Costs	Program Components						
	Permanent Housing						
	PSH	RRH	TH-RRH	TH	SSO	HMIS	SH
Acquisition	X			X	X		
Rehabilitation	X			X	X		
New Construction	X			X			
Leasing	X		X	X	X		X
Rental Assistance	X	X TBRA only	X	X			
Supportive Services	X	X	X	X	X		X
Operating Costs	X		X	X			X
HMIS	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Project Administration	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

CoC Threshold Criteria

- Coordinated Entry Participation – Must participate in HMIS
- Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation
- Document Secured Minimum Match (per Subpart D of the CoC Program Interim Rule)
- Active CoC Participant
- Demonstration the financial and management capacity to be able to administer federal funds including Acceptable Organizational Audit and Financial Review

Project Rating and Ranking

All renewal and new applications will be reviewed by an unbiased review panel composed of representatives from neutral (non-applicant) organizations, referred to as the Rating and Ranking Committee (RRC). The RRC will drive the rating and ranking process and will adopt a rating and ranking tool that meets all HUD and CoC requirements.

The CoC local criteria ensure that applicants are responsive to local needs and requirements, while also meeting the standards laid out in the 2022 CoC NOFO. **The detailed Rating and Ranking tool will be made available to all project applicants and posted on the CoC's website as soon as possible.**

The Rating and Ranking process will take place between September 1, 2022 and September 14, 2022. RRC members will be oriented to the NOFO, the CoC competition, the Rating and Ranking tool, and the CoC's priorities. They will receive each application electronically and review each application independently. Projects will first be rated based on minimum threshold requirements, then ratings will be assigned based on the customized rating criteria previously established.

On September 15, 2022, raters will convene to review rating scores and rank applications. Thereafter, the RRC will discuss and adjust the ranking for each project based on its established criteria and the CoC's priorities. The RRC will finalize the Ranking to best meet the priorities of the CoC.

Competition Selection Process

HUD requires CoCs to rank project applications in two tiers reflecting HUDS funding priorities, local need, and data-driven evaluation process evaluating individual project performance. Prior to the ranking process, the Rating and Ranking Committee conducts a performance evaluation of all projects.

Tier 1 Projects:

- Equal to 95% of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)

Tier 2 Projects:

- The difference between Tier 1 and the maximum amount of renewal, reallocation, and CoC Bonus funds that a CoC can apply for but does not include CoC planning projects or projects selected with DV bonus funds.
- Projects in tier 2 are considered at a higher risk of not being funded.

HUD CoC Unsheltered Homelessness Special NOFO

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a [Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#) for the Continuum of Care Program (CoC) to address unsheltered and rural homelessness on June 22, 2022. The purpose of this Special NOFO is to target efforts to reduce unsheltered homelessness, particularly in communities with very high levels of unsheltered homelessness and homelessness in rural areas.

CoC Number and Name	Maximum Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside	Maximum Rural Set Aside Amount	CoC Planning
NV-501 Reno/Sparks/ Washoe County CoC	\$2,410,608	\$0.00	Up to 3% of awarded amount for Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside

Eligible Participants

Projects funded through the Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside must have the following eligibility criteria for program participants:

1. Meet the criteria of paragraph (1) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3, except that persons coming from transitional housing must have originally come from places not meant for human habitation, emergency shelters, safe havens, or institutions where they resided for 90 days or less and originally came from places not meant for human habitation, safe havens, or emergency shelters; or
2. Meet the criteria of paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3.

Eligible Project Types

1. Permanent Housing

- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Rapid Rehousing

2. Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing (TH/PH-RRH)

3. Supportive Services Only (SSO)

- SSO (Non-Coordinated Entry)
- SSO (Coordinated Entry)

4. Dedicated HMIS

The initial grant term for all projects awarded by HUD through the Special NOFO will be for 3 years, including CoC Planning and UFA costs. Grant terms may be extended, consistent with 2 CFR 200.308 and 2 CFR 200.309.

Unsheltered Special NOFO Local Competition Timeline

Date	Activity Details
September 6, 2022	Project applications due to the CoC
September 7 – September 14, 2022	Rating and Ranking Review
September 15, 2022	Rating and Ranking Review Committee Meeting
September 19, 2022	Applicant notification of project inclusion in CoC application
October 5 , 2022	Rating and Ranking debrief summary
October 14, 2022	Revised project applications due
October 17, 2022	Posting of the full CoC Collaborative Application

Submission Requirements

- ❖ Submit new and renewal project applications in e- snaps
- ❖ All application attachments are to be submitted to the CoC by emailing them to Cpeters@washoecounty.gov

New Application Attachments

- New Project Supplemental Application
- Assurances – New Project Grant Applicants
- 501c3 determination letter (If your agency does not currently receive a HUD CoC grant)
- Most recent audit and management letter

Renewal Application Attachments:

- Renewal/ Expansion Project Supplemental Application
- Assurances – Renewal/ Expansion Grant Applicants
- Most recent audit and management letter
- Most recently submitted Annual Performance Report (APR)

Resources

[Continuum of Care \(CoC\) \(washoecounty.gov\)](https://www.washoecounty.gov/)

[24 CFR Part 578 - CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM](#)

[FY 2022 CoC Program Competition: Funding Opportunity - HUD Exchange](#)

[Continuum of Care Supplemental to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness \(Special NOFO\) | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#)



Questions?