

# CoC Review and Ranking Process for FY 2018 HUD NOFA

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## What we know

The deadline for CoCs to register for the opportunity to apply for FY 2018 funds through HUD's CoC Program Competition was May 14th. We completed and submitted registration for our CoC May 11. This is the first step in this year's funding competition.

While there is no way to know for sure when the Notice of Fund Availability (NOFA) will be released, with registration closed, the NOFA will likely be out soon. We need to get our Review and Ranking process up and running so that there is sufficient time for the R&R Committee to conduct its work and bring recommendations back to the Advisory Board.

## Recommended Process

It is the recommendation of R&R leadership and OHS staff to maintain the overall approach adopted by the Advisory Board in 2010 which established a framework that

- Is objective, standardized and transparent; and
- Evaluates performance outcomes consistent with the priorities in the HEARTH Act.

All organizations with projects eligible to seek renewal funding will receive notice to submit to OHS for each project:

- HMIS-generated performance outcomes for a specified 12-month period
- consumer satisfaction survey results
- amount of funds awarded for the most recently completed grant year, the total expenditures of HUD dollars for that period and frequency of draws of the HUD funds and
- most recent agency audit and management letters
- as determined by the Committee, information/data not generated by HMIS for projects serving populations with substantial challenges/needs (youth, for example), and specific aspects of rapid re-housing

The rest of the timeline and activities leading up to the R&R Committee presenting a recommendation on renewing projects to the Advisory Board are

- OHS staff will enter performance outcome results by project type (permanent supportive housing and rapid re-housing) onto spreadsheets. Scores from performance outcomes and consumer satisfaction surveys will generate a total score for each project.
- The R&R Committee will meet in June to evaluate all projects to identify 1) any additional information needed and 2) projects to receive site visits either due to low performance scores or to permit Committee members to gain a better understanding of the program.
- After the first meeting, committee members will conduct site visits, as needed
- The Committee will meet after site visits are completed to evaluate results and develop a recommendation to present to the Advisory Board. **In addition to renewing projects, the recommendation may include**

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**application(s) for reallocation of funds to address community needs and/or application(s) for bonus dollars, if available.**

Board members who are not affiliated with an organization receiving HUD Homeless Assistance funding are welcome to join this year's R&R Committee.

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**Subject:** Continuum of Care NOFA for FY2018

Dear all –

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued the FY2018 Continuum of Care for Homeless Assistance yesterday (6/20/18). The application is due on September 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM. You can access the NOFA through this link:

[Notice of Funding Availability \(NOFA\) for the Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2018 Continuum of Care \(CoC\) Program Competition](#) has been posted to the [FY 2018 CoC Program Competition: Funding Availability](#) page on the HUD Exchange. Additional resources are available on the [e-snaps page](#) on the HUD Exchange.

The OHS staff would like to offer an opportunity to anyone who is interested to attend a meeting to learn about the NOFA requirements:

- what is new this year;
- what the CoC Annual renewal amount
- What Bonus \$\$ will be available
- What the HUD scoring approach is
- Where we lost points in the FY 2017 application
- Etc.

The meeting will be at the ADAMHS Board, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, on Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 – 10:00 AM.

Thank you –

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