### Welcome

- We will start at 5 past the hour while we wait for others to join.
- During the wait, please review the call's housekeeping instructions:
  - ✓ In the chat please put your organization name
  - Everyone will be muted during the presentation
  - ✓ During the presentation, please use the chat functionality to ask any questions
  - Questions will be collected from the chat and a formal Q & A response document will be sent to the CoC membership along with the PPT presentation by August 23, 2024.
- This presentation will be a general overview of the FY 2024 & FY 2025 HUD CoC Program NOFO and the Northern Nevada Continuum of Care local competition process.
- Applicants are responsible for reading the NOFO and other related guidance as it is released by HUD.

#### THE NORTHERN NEVADA CONTINUUM OF CARE COC NOFO and Local Competition Overview

MANDATORY APPLICANT MEETING

# HUD CoC NOFO Available Funding

The Department of Housing & Urban Development released the FY 2024 & FY 2025 Continuum of Care Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on July 31, 2024.

Funding available through this NOFO in FY 2024 for the Northern Nevada CoC region is as follows:

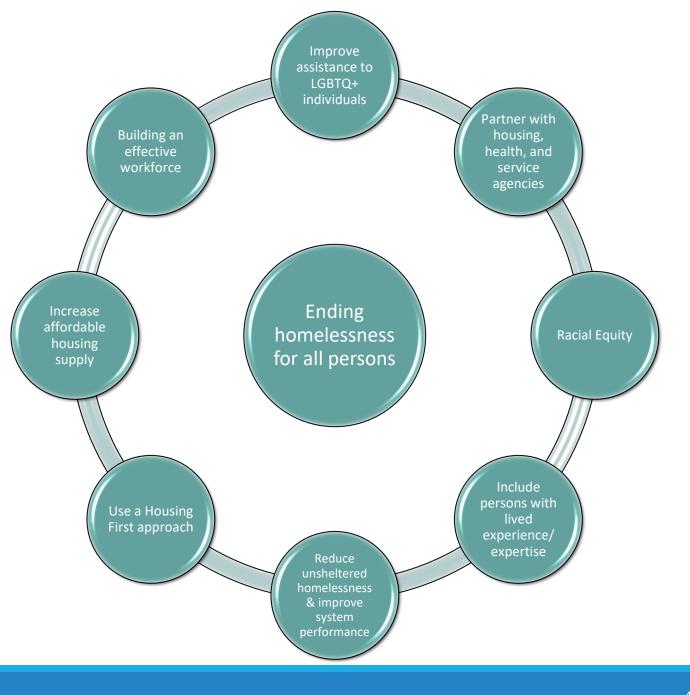
Preliminary Pro Rata Need	Estimated ARD	Tier 1	CoC Bonus	DV Bonus	CoC Planning
TBD	\$3,059,590	\$2,753,631	TBD	TBD	TBD

# CoC Program Description

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

- Provides funding to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, youth, persons fleeing from domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking 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 Homeless Policy Priorities



#### Collaborative Applicant

#### Washoe County is the Collaborative Applicant for the Northern Nevada Continuum of Care

- •Designated by the CoC to prepare and submit the CoC Registration and CoC Consolidated Application;
- •Apply for the CoC planning funds on behalf of the CoC during the CoC Program Competition; and
- •Any additional responsibilities as assigned by the CoC Leadership Council.

## 2024 Local Competition Timeline

Date	Activity Details		
September 13, 2024 by 5:00 PM	e-snaps Project Applications & Supplemental Applications due to the CoC		
September 16 – September 23, 2024	Rating and Ranking Application Review		
September 25, 2024	Rating and Ranking Review Committee Meeting		
September 27, 2024	Applicant notification, outside of e-snaps, of project inclusion		
September 27 – October 4, 2024	Applicant appeals process		
October 9, 2024	Rating and Ranking debrief summary		
October 18, 2024	Revised project applications due in e-snaps		
October 25, 2024	Posting of the full CoC Consolidated Application & Priority Listing		

#### What is New in 2024

#### • Changes to Tiering:

Tier 1 is set at 90 percent of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD). In FY 2023 Tier 1 was set at 93 percent. This means that the project competition at a national level will be more competitive.

#### 2-Year NOFO:

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024, authorizes HUD to issue a single two-year NOFO for fiscal years 2024 and 2025. The application and selection process for the FY 2024 funds awarded through this NOFO will proceed much like it has in prior-year competitions. However, CoCs are only required to submit one CoC application that will be applicable to the FY 2024 and FY 2025 funds. Projects that are awarded FY 2024 funds may be eligible for award of FY 2025 funds using their FY 2024 application submission and are not required to apply for renewal for FY 2025 funds.

### What is New in 2024

#### DV Reallocation

In this NOFO, HUD has expanded reallocation to include DV Reallocation. HUD establishes these terms to distinguish between funding sources that must continue to serve the same populations of the projects being reallocated.

CoCs may reallocate eligible Renewal projects that were previously funded, in whole or in part, with DV Bonus funding to create DV Reallocation projects that are dedicated to serving the same population. New DV Reallocation projects must be 100 percent dedicated to serving individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who qualify under paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act [see sections I.B.2.b.(24) and III.B.4.a.(4) of the NOFO for more information].

#### • Cost of Living Adjustments

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 authorizes HUD to make reasonable cost of living adjustments to renewal amounts to help afford increasing cost of operations due to inflation. See section V.D.2. of the NOFO for more information.

# 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

## 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)
- 3. Supportive Services Only (for Coordinated Entry)
- 4. Dedicated HMIS

# 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. 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/or the CoC Bonus.
- 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
- D. If using DV reallocation funds, to expand an existing renewal project that is not currently dedicated to serving individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to dedicate additional beds, units, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants of this population, the entire project, including the renewal project being expanded, must serve 100 percent individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

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 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 renewal projects must have the same recipient and be for the same component.

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.

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 each project application must identify that it is part of a consolidation. Project applications for the grants that are proposed to be consolidated will be ranked, and if all grants are selected, HUD will award the single consolidated grant. If one of the grants proposed to be consolidated to be ineligible for consolidation or is not selected, HUD will award all grants that are eligible for renewal and selected as separate grants.

### **Transition Grants**

A Transition grant can be used to transition a renewal project from one program type to another eligible project type over a oneyear period. For a new project to be considered a Transition grant, the applicant for the new project must be the recipient listed on the current grant agreement for the eligible renewal grant being transitioned through reallocation.

The new transition project must meet the following requirements to be eligible:

- A. The renewal project being transitioned was not originally awarded with DV Bonus funding (DV Renewal)
- B. The current renewal project recipient must have the consent of its Continuum of Care; and
- C. The new project application must meet project eligibility and project quality thresholds established by HUD

<u>Recipients of a renewal project that are interested in applying for a new transition grant must notify the Northern Nevada CoC by</u> <u>email no later than September 13th at 5pm.</u> The Northern Nevada CoC will work with recipients that have requested a transition grant to determine if the transition from one project type to another is eligible, feasible, and is in line with CoC priorities.

Transition grants HUD conditionally awards in the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition will have one year to fully transition from the original project type to the new project type during the normal operating year once HUD executes the grant agreement.

## Eligible Costs

- Acquisition, Rehabilitation, or new construction of PSH
- Leasing or Rental Assistance
- Supportive Services (<u>§ 578.53</u>)
  - Moving Costs
  - Childcare
  - Transportation
  - Utility Deposits
  - Case Management
- Operating Costs (§ 578.55) TH and PSH-Leasing Only
  - Maintenance and repair
  - Property taxes and insurance
  - Electric, gas, and water
  - Furniture and equipment
- HMIS
- VAWA Costs moving costs, travel costs, security deposits, utility costs, housing fees, case management for emergency transfers, etc.
- Project Administration up to 10% for new projects

### Local CoC Priorities

1. Permanent Supportive Housing

--219 people on the queue in the PSH scoring range

2. Rapid Re-housing

--248 people score in the RRH range

\*Single adults in both scoring ranges are the top need for the CoC

## CoC Threshold Criteria

- Coordinated Entry Participation (must participate in HMIS) 95% or more of openings during the previous performance year were filled with households referred from the CoC's Coordinated Entry
- Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation
- Document, secured minimum match of at least 25% of the CoC funds requested (excluding leasing budget line item)
- Active CoC Participation minimum of 4 CoC membership meetings attended from 7/23 6/24
- Demonstrate the financial and management capacity to be able to administer federal funds including acceptable organizational audit/financial review

# 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 from entering your program with criminal history or other barriers
- Requiring clients to "be ready" for housing
- Discharging a client for not participating in supportive services

# 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 FY 2024 & 2025 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 16, 2024 and September 23, 2024. 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 25, 2024, 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.

#### **Tier 1 Projects:**

• Equal to 90% 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.

\*\* Please note that HUD makes the final award for CoC program grants. The CoC will notify all applicants when HUD makes an award announcement for FY 2024.

## Submission Requirements

- Submit new and renewal project applications in e- snaps by 5:00 PM on September 13, 2024 (Local Competition Deadline)
- All Supplemental Applications and attachments are to be submitted to the CoC by emailing them to <u>cocmatchmaker@washoecounty.gov</u> by 5:00 PM on September 13, 2024 (Local Competition Deadline)

#### **New Application Required Attachments:**

- New Project Supplemental Application (CoC Bonus and/or DV Bonus)
- Assurances New Project Grant Applicants
- Most recent audit and management letter
- PDF copy of the submitted e-snaps application

#### **Renewal Application Required Attachments:**

- Renewal/ Expansion Project Supplemental Application
- Assurances Renewal/ Expansion Grant Applicants
- Most recent audit and management letter
- Most recent HUD monitoring letter, if received in the last 24 months
- PDF copy of the submitted e-snaps application

#### Important Resources

NOFO Questions: <u>CoCNOFO@hud.gov</u>

e-snaps Technical Assistance: <u>e-snaps@hud.gov</u>

<u>Continuum of Care (CoC) (washoecounty.gov)</u>

24 CFR Part 578 - CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM

HUD Exchange: CoC Program

e-snaps Portal

FY 2024 & FY 2025 CoC Program Competition: Funding Opportunity - HUD.gov

2024 Renewal Project Detailed Instructions

2024 Renewal Projects e-snaps Navigational Guide (Coming Soon)

2024 New Project Detailed Instructions

2024 New Projects e-snaps Navigational Guide (Coming Soon)

FY 2024 Project Application HUD FAQs



# **Questions?**