

Federal Grant Recipient Monthly Call

August 2023



South Alamo Regional Alliance for the Homeless

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Today's Agenda

- CoC Program Updates
- CoC & ESG Written Standards
- Unsheltered Special NOFO
- Data Reports Available
- HMIS Lead Agency Update
- Upcoming Funding Opportunity

CoC Program Updates

- CoC NOFO Competition
 - Ranking will be released on 9/13/23 and uploaded to our website
- New Technical Assistance Specialist
 - Starts 9/11/23
- Updated Site Visit Schedule
 - Bi-annual site visits – Late Fall and Spring
 - Currently scheduled site visits will be canceled and rescheduled after the NOFO (October – November). These will include NOFO debriefs
 - Spring site visits will include Housing First evaluations
- New CoC Project – The Salvation Army RRH DV Bonus starts 10/1/2023

CoC Program Updates

- Updated Grant Spending Procedure
 - **No longer required to submit eLOCCS spending tracking documents**
 - We will be updating our forms and will let you know this fall if you will be required to submit proof of draws
- CoC Scorecard
 - Updates enacted 8/1/2023
 - We will be hosting a CoC Scorecard training this fall

CoC & ESG Written Standards

- Grievance Policy
 - [Page 11 of Written Standards](#)
 - For CoC grantees, we will review at Fall site visits
- Grievance Appeal Policy
 - For grievances that need to be appealed to the CoC
 - Agency appeal – Page 6 of Written Standards
 - Client appeal – Page 11 of Written Standards
- NSPIRE (National Standards for Physical Inspection of Real Estate)
 - Updates to HUD's housing quality standards
 - Implementation date: October 1, 2023
 - [Learn more here.](#) HUD will be releasing additional guidance.
 - [Training available on HUD Exchange](#) (TBD)

Unsheltered Special NOFO

- SARA H met with our assigned Technical Assistance provider on 8/22
- We will be hosting a launch meeting in September with all Unsheltered NOFO grantees
- We will have individual virtual onboarding sessions in October. Look out for an email from Chelsey
- We are anticipating project start dates of November 1, 2023

Data Reports Available

- We have posted the final 2023 PIT, 2023 HIC, and 2022 SPM reports on our website under 'HUD Reporting and Resources'
- These are the reports we submit to HUD, not the community report we do in the Spring after PIT
- [Click here to access](#)

HMIS Lead Agency Updates

- Changes to Services Search Function – started 8/14
- Training Non-Attendance and Non-Completion Policy
- New Community-Approved Term Definitions
 - Housed
 - Returns to Homelessness
 - Unsheltered
 - First Time Homeless
- 2024 HMIS Data Standards Training
 - Invites will be sent out soon

Upcoming Funding Opportunity

- Grant transfer for CoC RRH DV Bonus project in the amount of \$661,697
- Project was funded in FY22 NOFO and has not started yet
- Can only serve Category 4 (survivors of DV)
- Estimated project start date: 12/1/2023
- Will be released in October

Resources

- [Federal Grant Recipient Monthly Call Recordings and Slides](#) (posted the following week & sent out via email)
- [August 2023 CoC Newsletter](#)
- [Homelink Helpful Resources One-Pager](#)
- [CoC and ESG Virtual Binders](#)
- [CoC and ESG Written Standards](#)
- [Housing Voucher information](#)

Technical Assistance

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- [CoC Newsletter](#)
- [Homelink Happenings Newsletter](#)
- [HMIS Newsletter](#)
- [HUD SNAPS Distribution List – Funding Competitions](#)
- [HUD SNAPS Distribution List – Program Information](#)
- [HUD Exchange](#)