



**2022 CoC Special NOFO
Project Eligibility & Threshold Requirements**

Agency

The agency above is applying for Continuum of Care funding through the 2022 HUD Special NOFO. CoCs are required to score & rank all project applications to be considered in the selection project. The initials and signatures on this document indicate that the applicant is aware of and will abide by the requirements listed.

A. Eligible Applicants – In order to be an eligible applicant, agencies must provide evidence of the following. Failure to provide this information will result in the project not being recommended for funding.

_____ **1. SAM Registration Requirement**

- Applicants must be registered with <https://www.sam.gov> BEFORE submitting their application.
- Applicants must maintain an active SAM registration with current information while they have an active Federal award or an application or plan under consideration by HUD.

_____ **2. UEI Number Requirement**

- Applicants must provide a valid UEI number, registered and active at, www.sam.gov, in the application.

_____ **3. Agency Eligibility**

- Applicants must provide proof of nonprofit documentation (for profit agencies are not permitted to apply).

B. Past Performance – All project applicants must pass minimum project performance standards in regard to prior or existing grant(s) that are funded by HUD. Failure to provide the following will result in the project not being recommended for funding:

- _____ 1. Evidence of timely and regular drawdowns & expenditure of prior award(s).
- _____ 2. Evidence of timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), or at least quarterly.
- _____ 3. Evidence of timely resolution of monitoring findings.
- _____ 4. No outstanding obligation to HUD that is in arrears or for which a payment schedule has not be agreed upon.
- _____ 5. No audit finding(s) for which a response is overdue or unsatisfactory.
- _____ 6. Evidence of having met performance targets as established in prior grant agreements.

C. Participant Eligibility – Projects funded through the Unsheltered Homeless Set Aside must serve project participants meeting one of the following eligibility criteria:

- _____ 1. Paragraph (1) of the definition of homeless at 578.3 – An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:
 - An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground.
 - An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals).
 - 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.
 - An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.

- _____ 2. Paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless at 578.3 – Any individual or family who:
 - Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence,
 - Has no other residence, and
 - Lacks the resources or support networks, *e.g.*, family, friends, and faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing.

D. Project Quality Threshold – All project applicants must be the following project quality threshold requirements to be recommended for funding:

Permanent Housing: Permanent Supportive Housing or Rapid Rehousing		
Rating Factor for New Project Types	Points Available	Criteria
New permanent housing projects must receive at least 4 out of the 5 points available for this project type. Projects that do not receive at least 4 points will be rejected.	1	The type of housing proposed, including the number and configuration of units, will fit the needs of the program participants (e.g., two or more bedrooms for families).
	1	The type of supportive services that will be offered to program participants will ensure successful retention in or help to obtain permanent housing, including all supportive services regardless of funding source.

_____	1	The proposed project has a specific plan for ensuring program participants will be individually assisted to obtain the benefits of mainstream health, social, and employment programs for which they are eligible to apply meets the needs of program participants (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, Food Stamps, local Workforce office, early childhood education).
	1	Program participants are assisted to obtain and remain in permanent housing in a manner that fits their needs (e.g., provides the participant with some type of transportation to access needed services, safety planning, case management, additional assistance to ensure retention of permanent housing).
	1	The proposed project is consistent with the plan described by the CoC in response to Section VII.B.4 of this NOFO (i.e., CoC Plan for Serving Individuals & Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs).

SSO – Coordinated Entry (CoC Lead Agency Only)

Rating Factor for New Project Types	Points Available	Criteria
New SSO-Coordinated Entry project applications (also known as centralized or coordinated assessment) must receive at least 2 out of the 4 points available for this product type. New SSO-Coordinated Entry projects that do not receive at least 2 points will be rejected. _____	1	The centralized or coordinated assessment system is easily available/reachable for all persons within the CoC’s geographic area who are seeking homeless assistance. The system must also be accessible for persons with disabilities within the CoC’s geographic area.
	1	There is a strategy for advertising that is designed specifically to reach homeless persons with the highest barriers within the CoC’s geographic area.
	1	There is a standardized assessment process.
	1	Ensures program participants are directed to appropriate housing and services that fit their needs.

Supportive Services Only (not including Coordinated Entry)

Rating Factor for New Project Types	Points Available	Criteria
SSO project applications must receive 4 out of 6 points available for this project type. Projects that do not receive at least 4 points will be rejected. _____	1	The proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to those with the highest service needs, including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services.
	1	Program participants are assisted to obtain and maintain permanent housing in a manner that fits their needs.
	1	The proposed project has a specific plan for ensuring program participants will be individually assisted to obtain the benefits of mainstream health, social services, and employment programs for which they are eligible to apply, and which meet the needs of the program participants

		(e.g., Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, Food Stamps, local Workforce office, early childhood education).
	2	The project proposed will participate in coordinated entry.
	1	The proposed project is consistent with the plan described by the CoC in response to Section VII.B.4 of this NOFO (i.e., CoC Plan for Serving Individuals & Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs).
HMIS (CoC Lead Agency Only)		
Rating Factor for New Project Types	Points Available	Criteria
HMIS project applications must receive at least 3 out of the 4 points available for this project type. New HMIS projects that do not receive at least 3 points will be rejected. _____	1	How the HMIS funds will be expended in a way that is consistent with the CoC's funding strategy for the HMIS and furthers the CoC's HMIS implementation.
	1	The HMIS collects all Universal Data Elements as set forth in the HMIS Data Standards.
	1	The ability of the HMIS to un-duplicate client records.
	1	The HMIS produces all HUD-required reports and provides data as needed for HUD reporting (e.g., APR, quarterly reports, data for CAPER/ESG reporting) and other reports required by other federal partners.
CoC Planning (CoC Lead Agency Only)		
Rating Factor for New Project Types	Points Available	Criteria
CoC Planning projects submitted only by the CoC's designated Collaborative Applicant, must receive at least 3 out of the 5 points available for this project type. CoC planning projects that do not receive at least 3 points will be rejected. _____	1	Governance and Operations – The CoC conducts meetings of the entire CoC membership that are inclusive and open to members and demonstrates the CoC has written a governance charter in place that includes CoC policies.
	1	CoC Committees – The CoC has CoC-wide planning committees, subcommittees, or workgroups to address homeless needs in the CoC's geographic area that recommends and sets policy priorities for the CoC.
	2	The proposed planning activities that will be carried out by the CoC with grant funds are compliant with the provisions of 24 CFR 578.7.
	1	The funds requested will improve the CoC's ability to evaluate the outcome of both CoC and ESG funded projects.

Print Name of Agency Approved Signatory:	Signature of Agency Approved Signatory:
Title:	Date:

Sections below to be filled out by Lead Agency & Steering Committee

CoC Lead Agency Comments:

_____ **Does meet the Project Eligibility Threshold**

_____ **Does NOT meet the Project Eligibility Threshold**

Print Name of The Way Home CoC Representative:	Signature of The Way Home CoC Representative:
Title:	Date:

Projects not meeting the above thresholds will not be included in the 2022 CoC SPECIAL NOFO application.