

2. Experience and Leveraging

Has the applicant been previously awarded HUD McKinney-Vento, State or other Federal grants for PSH or RRH projects?

Yes: 5 points

No: 0 points

This year, all projects must provide a minimum of 150% leverage in order to be included in the New Hampshire Balance of State application. Pending HUD's final guidance; if no HUD guidance is given leveraging will be required at 100% per CoC project.

What percentage of leveraging did you provide for the 2016 NOFA funding?

150% or more: 3 points

100-149%: 1 point

0-99%: 0 points

3. CoC Participation (BoS Meetings - 9/15, 9/30, 11/10, 1/12, 3/8).

What number of BoSCoC meetings in the past year (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016) was your organization/agency represented?

5 meetings: 10 points

4 meetings: 8 points

3 meetings: 2 points

2 meetings or less: 0 points

4. Policy Priorities

Housing First is an approach where homeless persons are provided **immediate access to housing** and then offer the supportive services that may be needed to foster long-term stability and prevent a return to homelessness. This approach removes unnecessary barriers and assumes that supportive services are more effective in addressing needs when the individual or family is housed – when the daily stress of being homeless is taken out of the equation. Key components of this model include a simple application process, a harm-reduction approach, and no conditions of tenancy beyond those included in the lease. Sobriety, mental health services, medication stability, sexual orientation, vulnerability to illness, vulnerability to victimization, vulnerability to physical assault, trafficking, or sex work are not required for entry into Housing First.

The following questions will provide the scoring team with indicators as to whether your project is using a Housing First Model as defined by HUD.

Will your project serve a high percentage of people with significant barriers to stability?

___ Having little or no income (2 points)

___ Active and/or history of substance abuse (2 points)

___ *Having a criminal record with exception of state-mandated restrictions (2 points)*

Will your project ensure participants are not terminated for the following reasons?

___ *Failure to participate in supportive services (2 points)*

___ *Failure to make progress on a service plan (2 points)*

___ *Loss of income or failure to improve income (2 points)*

___ *Being a victim of domestic violence (2 points)*

___ *Any other activity not covered in a lease agreement typically found in the region (2 points)*

Did your agency reallocate a Transitional Housing project this year?

(Yes: 5 points)

(No: 0 points)