

2017 CoC Renewal Project Application Scoring Tool

NH-500 Balance of State CoC

Agency: _____

Agency Contact: _____

Program Name: _____

Reviewer's Name: _____

Total Score: _____

All renewal projects must meet HUD threshold requirements.

1 Project proposes to serve an eligible population for the project type

Yes No

2. Match is greater than or equal to 25%

Yes No

3. Project agrees to participate in CoC Coordinated Entry System (CES), and demonstrates participation in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) or other comparable system for DV providers.

Yes No

If any of the above answers are NO, project does not meet threshold and is not eligible for funding consideration.

Project Type

4. What is project type?

Permanent Supportive Housing: *10 points*

Rapid Re-Housing: *10 points*

SSO (CES): *10 points*

Transitional Housing: *5 points*

SSO: *1 point*

Population Served

HUD's priority population is chronically homeless individuals and families.

5. Percentage of new participants served in most recently completed grant year that were experiencing chronically homelessness upon program entry?

85-100%: 10 points

76-84%: 5 points

70-75%: 2 points

65-69%: 1 point

0-64%: 0 Points

6. Upon turnover, how many currently non-dedicated CH PSH units will you prioritize for a CH individual or family?

95-100%: 10 points

90-94%: 8 points

80-89%: 5 points

70-79%: 1 point

0-69%: 0 points

7. Percentage of beds served in most recently completed grant year that were youth (18-24) upon program entry?

85-100%: 5 points

76-84%: 4 points

70-75%: 3 points

65-69%: 2 point

0-64%: 0 Points

8. Percentage of beds served in most recently completed grant year that were Veterans?

85-100%: 5 points

76-84%: 4 points

70-75%: 3 points

65-69%: 2 point

0-64%: 0 Points

Program Utilization

9. Did the project serve the number of participants/ households it proposed to serve in the FY 2015 application?

- **If the project is in its first operating year and did not operate for at least six months prior to this review, full points will be awarded.**
- **If the project is in its first operating year and operated for six months or more, the number served as of the 6 month date will be obtained from HMIS to determine if the project is on track to serve the number proposed in the original application. Points will be awarded based on the scale below.**

90-100%: 10 points

85-89%: 5 points

80-84%: 3 points
65-79%: 2 points
60-64%: 1 point
0-59%: 0 points

Program Measurements

HUD is increasingly looking at System Performance Measures, and individual program performance when considering funding.

10a. INCREASED HOUSING STABILITY (PSH PROGRAMS ONLY)

Percentage of individuals and families who stayed in PSH at end of program operating year or who exited to other PH? 90-100%: 10 points

85-89%: 8 points
75-84%: 5 points
50-74%: 1 point
0-49%: 0 points

10b. TRANSITIONED TO HOUSING STABILITY (RRH, TH and SSO only)

Percentage of individuals and families who transitioned from TH or SSO programs to PH by the end of the program operating year?

90-100%: 10 points
85-89%: 8 points
75-84%: 5 points
60-74%: 2 points
50-59%: 1 point
0-49%: 0 points

11. INCREASED PROJECT PARTICIPANTS EARNED INCOME (ALL PROJECTS)

Percentage of individuals whose income from employment increased from program entry date to program exit date or individuals who participated in program for over a year

20-100%: 10 points
15-19%: 5 points
10-14%: 2 points
0-9%: 0 points

12. INCREASED PROJECT PARTICIPANTS' UNEARNED INCOME (ALL PROJECTS)

Percentage of participants whose income increased from sources other than employment from program entry to program exit date, or for individuals who participated in program for over a year

54-100%: 10 points
45-53%: 5 points
25-44%: 1 point
0-24%: 0 points

13. INCREASED NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS OBTAINING NON-CASH MAINSTREAM BENEFITS

Percentage of participants' who obtained non-cash mainstream benefits from program entry to program exit or end of operating year?

56-100%: 10 points

50-55%: 5 points

25-49%: 2 points

0-24%: 0 points

14. REDUCING RECIDIVISM

Percentage of all leavers who exited to shelter, streets or unknown

**10% or less = 2 points*

**Over 10% = 0 points*

15. Percentage of leavers who moved to their own housing unit at exit (permanent tenure)

80-100% = 2 points

60% - 79% = 1 point

0- 60% = 0 points

Financial

It is expected that all programs will submit invoices on a monthly basis. These questions will be answered based on BHHS financial records.

16. How often does the program invoice expenses on the project or draw down funds from HUD?

Monthly: 10 points

Bi-monthly: 5 points

Quarterly or less frequently: 0 points

17. What percentage of the grant was expended for the last full operating year?

95-100%: 10 points

90-94%: 8 points

85-89%: 6 points

75-84%: 4 points

Less than 75%: 0 points

HMIS Participation

18. Percentage of HMIS client records with "null or missing values" for each Universal Data Element – *BHHS will provide report for each renewal project. If the project is required by law to use a comparable database (eg. victim service providers), the same data standards apply based on the data reporting provided to the CoC.

0-9%: 10 points

10-15%: 2 points

16-100%: 0 points

19. Timeliness of data entry into HMIS or comparable database as required by victim service providers.

1-3 days: 10 points

4-6 days: 8 points

7-10 days: 6 points

11-14 days: 4 points

More than 14 days: 0 points

CoC Participation (BoS Meetings – 7/12/16, 9/19/16, 11/9/16, 1/10/17, 3/7/17, 5/9/17)

20. What number of BoSCoC meetings in the past year (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017) was your organization/agency represented?

5 meetings: 5 points

4 meetings: 4 points

3 meetings: 3 points

2 meetings or less: 0 points

21. Does a member of your agency sit on a BoSCoC Subcommittee, and maintain regular attendance?

Yes: 5 points

No: 0 points

Policy Priorities

Housing First is an approach where homeless persons are provided **immediate access to housing** and then offered 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.

ATTACH a copy of your project policy, rules and any other standard participant agreements to your project application.

The following points will be determined by reviewing the project application and attached policies supporting the project application. If an applicant does not attach a copy of the Project Policy, rules, or any other standard participant agreement, no more than ½ the points in each question for a “yes” response may be awarded.

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.

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

Having little or no income (2 points)

Active or history of substance abuse (2 points)

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

23. 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)