

Missouri Balance of State Continuum of Care

FY 2019 Rank and Review Committee Training

AUGUST 2019



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Amount of Funds Available

CoC Number and Name: MO-606 - Missouri Balance of State CoC

Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) Estimated: \$4,779,809

CoC Bonus: \$281,643

DV Bonus - \$563,286

Tier 1: \$4,512,659

Tier 2: \$548,793

CoC Planning - \$168,986

Project Type Overview

- **Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)**
 - Indefinite leasing or rental assistance paired with services to help homeless people with disabilities achieve housing stability.
 - “Legacy” Shelter Plus Care and Single Room Occupancy projects are funded under Permanent Supportive Housing. The Mo BoS CoC has several Shelter Plus Care projects.
- **Rapid Rehousing (RRH)**
 - Emphasizes housing search and relocation services and short- and medium-term rental assistance to move homeless people as rapidly as possible into permanent housing.
 - May provide rental assistance for up to 24 months.
- **Transitional Housing (TH)**
 - Designed to provide homeless individuals and families with interim stability and support to successfully move to and maintain permanent housing
 - May be used to cover the costs of up to 24 months of housing with accompanying supportive services
 - De-emphasized by HUD except for specific subpopulations like youth age 16 – 24.
- **TH:RRH Joint Component (TH:RRH)**
 - Provides either transitional housing or rapid rehousing based on client choice. May serve any subpopulation.
- **Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry (SSO:CE)**
 - Dedicated to operated the CoC’s coordinated entry system for people experiencing homelessness.
- **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) - available to the HMIS Lead Agency**

Eligible Project Types

- **Renewal Projects**
 - Any CoC-funded project that will be under grant agreement by December 31, 2019 and will have an expiration date between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020.
- **New CoC Projects (reallocation and CoC Bonus)**
 - Permanent Support Housing
 - Rapid Rehousing
 - Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing
 - HMIS
 - Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry
- **Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus**
 - Rapid Rehousing
 - Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing
 - Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry

Transition Grants

- Allows projects to change project type (for example, transitional housing to rapid rehousing).
- The previous project will be reallocated and the applicant will submit an application for a new project with the desired project type.
- Requires CoC approval.
- We are not expecting any transition grants in the FY 2019 competition.

Consolidation Grants

- Applicants may consolidate up to four renewal projects into one project.
- Projects must have the same recipient and project type.
- Each project will be scored under the renewal category.

2018 Implications for Scoring

- Three (3) consolidated projects were submitted and funded in the 2018 competition.
 - Eight (8) total projects were consolidated
- Each consolidated project will be scored by combining data from each individual project.
- Example:

Consolidated Project Name = “Consolidated Western”

Projects that were consolidated:

- 2018 SZI
- 2018 SZK
- 2018 SZM
- 2018 SZO

2019 Score:

Raw *2018 SZI* Data
+ Raw *2018 SZK* Data
+ Raw *2018 SZM* Data
+ Raw *2018 SZO* Data

Expansion Grants

- Allows renewal projects to expand their operations.
- Applicants will submit three (3) applications.
 - Renewal project 1 (current information only).
 - Scored and ranked with renewal projects.
 - New project (expansion information only).
 - Scored and ranked with new projects.
 - Renewal project 2 (combined information current and expansion information).
 - Not scored or ranked.

HUD 2019 Continuum of Care Priorities

1. Ending homelessness for all persons
2. Creating a systemic response to homelessness
3. Strategically allocating and using resources
4. Using an evidence-based approach
5. Increasing employment
6. Providing flexibility for housing first with service participation requirements

Review & Ranking Process

- August 30th – Last day to submit applications.
- September 6th – MHDC reviews all applications and sends packets to Rank and Review Committee.
- September 9th and 10th - Rank and Review Committee meets to review, score, and rank or reject all project applications.
 - Committee chair should have review process outlined (MHDC is able to assist).
 - Committee members should review packets/applications ahead of meeting.
 - MHDC can only help with questions or issues **not** related to scoring (for example: regulations, definitions, explanation of scoring criteria). MHDC **cannot** answer any questions directly related to scoring.
- September 10th – Rank and Review Committee creates project priority listings.
- September 12th (tentative) – CoC Board approves the priority listing.
- September 13 (tentative) – Project priority listings posted to website and applicants notified.
- September 16th and 17th (tentative) – Grievance period.
- September 30th – Last day to submit project priority listings to HUD.

Ranking Process

- Projects must be ranked according to Mo BoS CoC policies.
 - Step 1: Sort projects by category ([2019 Ranking and Prioritization Policy](#)).
 - Step 2: Within each category, sort by score with priorities ranked at the top (2019 Prioritization Structure, Renewal Project Scorecard, New Project Scorecard).
 - Step 3: Place projects into list in rank order, known as the “Priority Listing”.
 - Step 4: Place project into tiers
 - Tier 1: \$4,512,659 (100% of funding for first time renewal projects PLUS 94% of funding for all other renewal projects).
 - Tier 2: \$548,793 (6% of funding for non-first year renewal projects PLUS CoC Bonus funding).
 - Tier 2 does not include DV Bonus.

Ranking Categories

1. Continuum-wide activities
 - a. HMIS project
 - b. Coordinated entry project (if applicable)
2. Projects exempted from scoring
 - a. Renewal projects without an APR in the reporting period
3. Renewal projects*
4. New projects – reallocated funding
5. New projects – CoC Bonus funding (non-DV)
6. New projects – DV Bonus funding

*Does not include transition projects. Transition projects are considered new projects and will be ranked with all other new projects.

Mo BoS CoC Prioritization

New CoC Project (non-DV Bonus) Priority: Rapid Rehousing

- All other project will be ranked below rapid rehousing projects regardless of score.

DV Bonus Priorities: Rapid Rehousing and Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing

- Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry projects will be ranked below all rapid rehousing and joint transitional housing and rapid rehousing projects regardless of score.

Scoring

Maximum Points

- Renewal Projects: 110
 - Projects that haven't completed three (3) years grant operating years are exempted from the *Unspent Grant Funds* measure (worth 20 points), and their scores will be adjusted to be comparable to all other renewal projects.
- New Projects (CoC Bonus and DV Bonus): 100

Scoring Differences

- Renewal
 - Projects are scored on past performance.
 - Renewal projects that haven't completed one grant operating year are exempted from scoring.
- DV Bonus
 - Projects must describe additional information that describes how they will assist survivors of domestic violence obtain and remain in permanent housing and how they will use trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches.

Renewal Project Scoring Detail

Scored items (maximum points)

1. Participation in Coordinated Entry (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant and verified by MHDC
2. Housing First Assessment Tool (10)
 - Calculated by MHDC; verified and scored by Rank and Review Committee
3. Unspent Grant Funds (20)
 - Calculated by MHDC; verified and scored by Rank and Review Committee
4. Grant Spending Timeliness (10)
 - Calculated by MHDC; verified and scored by Rank and Review Committee
5. Point-in-Time Count Participation (5)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
6. CoC Planning and Operations Activities (5)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
7. Project Description Narrative: Clarity (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
8. Project Description Narrative: Completeness (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
9. Performance Improvement (30)
 - Calculated and scored by Institute for Community Alliances and MHDC; verified by Rank and Review Committee.

New Project Scoring Detail

Scored items (maximum points)

1. Participation in Coordinated Entry (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant and verified by MHDC
2. Participation in HMIS (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
3. Housing First Assessment Tool (10)
 - Calculated by MHDC; verified and scored by Rank and Review Committee
4. CoC Meeting Attendance
 - Calculated by MHDC; verified and scored by Rank and Review Committee
5. Point-in-Time Count Participation (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
6. CoC Planning and Operations Activities (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
7. Project Description Narrative: Clarity (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
8. Project Description Narrative: Completeness (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
9. Performance Improvement (10)
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant
10. Experience of Applicant
 - **Scored by Rank and Review Committee** based on information submitted by applicant

Rejection and Reduction

Project applications may be rejected or reduced during the review and ranking process.

Ineligibility

- The Rank and Review Committee should reject any project applications that are ineligible to receive CoC funding.

Lack of funding

- The Rank and Review Committee should reject projects for which insufficient funding is available.
- The Rank and Review Committee may confer with the Collaborative Applicant (MHDC) and project applicants to reduce the size of a project's operations in order to fit a project into a funding tier or place a project on a priority listing.

Priority Listings

Tiered project listing

- All projects listed in order of rank and separated into Tier 1 and Tier 2.
- A project may straddle tiers.
- Must indicate the reason for the rejection or reduction for all rejected or reduced projects.

Review & Ranking Practice

1. Ranking Practice
2. Scoring Practice

Important Policies & Documents

- [Housing First Assessment Tool](#)
- [Ranking and Prioritization Policy](#)
- [Prioritization Structure](#)
- [Renewal Project Scorecard](#)
- [New Project Scorecard](#)
- [Reallocation Policy](#)
- [Grievance Policy](#)

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Competition Timeline

NOFA Release	July 3, 2019
July 31, 2019	New & Renewal Project Training Columbia, MO
August 8, 2019	Rank and Review Training #2
August 30, 2019	Project applications due to MHDC both In e-snaps and outside of e-snaps
September 6, 2019	MHDC reviews and confirm e-snaps information with applicants
September 9-10, 2019	Rank and review
September 12, 2019 (tentative)	Mo BoS CoC Board reviews and approves priority listing
September 13, 2019 (tentative)	Final project priority listing posted on website and notification sent to applicants outside of e-snaps
September 16-17, 2019	Grievance period for project applicants
September 26, 2019 (tentative)	Final submission of full CoC application