

Orange County Continuum of Care Program

Notice of Funding Opportunity Reallocation Strategy

Background

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) releases an annual Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Competition. The CoC Program NOFO details the process for renewal and new projects and may make CoC Bonus and Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus funding available to the CoCs across the nation.

The Office of Care Coordination as the CoC Collaborative Applicant, on behalf of the Orange County CoC, submits a consolidated application to HUD annually. To support with the local competition process, the CoC Board appoints a CoC NOFO Ad Hoc on an annual basis. The CoC NOFO Ad Hoc is comprised of non-conflicted members and is tasked with providing unbiased funding recommendations to the CoC Board regarding the CoC Program NOFO.

In effort to promote and recommend the most effective projects that improve the overall system performance in the CoC for inclusion in the CoC Program NOFO application, the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc in partnership with the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Lead and Collaborative Applicant discussed the importance of a consistent reallocation strategy to be used year over year.

Policy

At the August 24, 2022, meeting, the CoC Board approved the recommendation from the FY 2022 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc to implement a strategy for reallocating funding from CoC Renewal Projects that have a total project performance score of less than 60% over the course of two (2) CoC NOFO funding cycles. See [Item 3.a. in the August 24, 2022 CoC Board Agenda](#).

Procedure

The approved strategy was applicable for the FY2022 CoC Program NOFO and all future CoC NOFO competitions. The strategy serves as a notice to agencies whose project(s) score below 60% during the CoC Program NOFO cycles on the need to improve project performance during the subsequent year. Renewal agencies will be offered technical assistance from the Collaborative Applicant and HMIS Lead after the first year where the project performance score is less than 60%, with the goal to increase the projects performance and maintain its funding. If project performance does not improve in the second year and the project performance is again below 60%, the funding allocated to that project will be available for reallocation through a local Request For Proposal (RFP) process during the CoC Program NOFO cycle.