



**Orange County Continuum of Care (CoC)
Board Meeting
July 24, 2024**

Public Comments

Board Member Comments

Thank you!

The Office of Care Coordination and CoC Board
would like to thank Frank Luna for their
dedicated service as a CoC Board member.

Consent Calendar

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1. Agencies and Jurisdictions Approved for Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Access
 - a. Receive and file list of agencies and jurisdictions approved for HMIS access from April 20, 2024, through July 19, 2024.

Business Calendar

**Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 CoC Program Notice
of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager, and
Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator,
Office of Care Coordination

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CoC Program NOFO

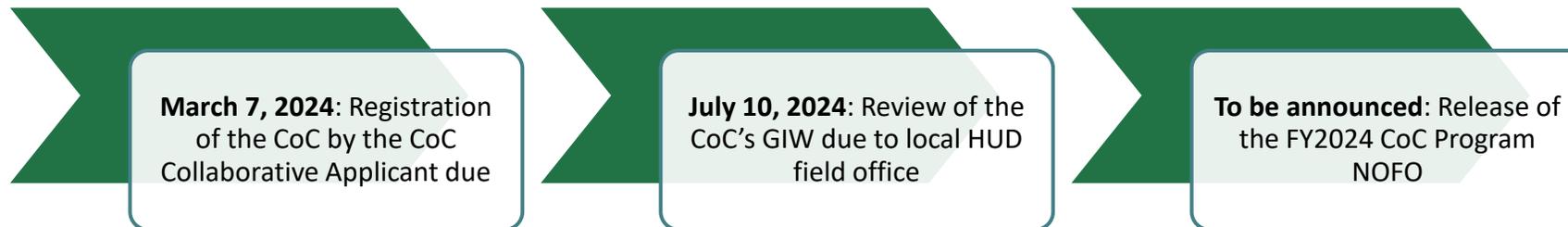
- The CoC Program NOFO Competition is facilitated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and occurs annually, inviting CoCs from across the nation to apply for competitive funding.
- Each Fiscal Year (FY) competition process begins with registration of the CoC by the CoC Collaborative Applicant, followed by the review of the CoC's Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW) and the release of the CoC Program NOFO.
- The Office of Care Coordination, as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC, facilitates the local competition process and completes the Consolidated Application that is submitted to HUD, consisting of:
 - ❖ Final Project Priority Listing with the ranking and tiering of new and renewal projects
 - ❖ CoC Application, which includes responses to multiple narrative and data-related questions
- **Lead entities involved:**
 - ❖ County of Orange – Collaborative Applicant to coordinate and complete Consolidated Application
 - ❖ CoC NOFO Ad Hoc (NOFO Ad Hoc) – Develop NOFO policies and processes, including Scoring and Rating criteria, review and evaluate the CoC Renewal Project Applications
 - ❖ CoC Board – Review and approve CoC NOFO policies and processes, including Scoring and Rating criteria and Ranking and Tiering policy; approve final Project Priority Listing, as recommended by the NOFO Ad Hoc

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FY2024 CoC Program NOFO - GIW

- In preparation for the upcoming FY2024 CoC Program NOFO, HUD’s Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) posted the FY2024 GIWs for review by CoC Collaborative Applicants and project applicants on June 26, 2024.
- The Office of Care Coordination, as the CoC Collaborative Applicant, reviewed the FY2024 GIW and confirmed accuracy of the GIW with the local HUD field office in advance of the July 10, 2024, deadline.
- The FY2024 CoC Program NOFO is estimated to be released within the next few weeks.

FY-2024-CA-602-GIW		
Field Office:	Los Angeles	
CoC Number:	CA-602	
CoC Name:	Santa Ana, Anaheim/Orange County CoC	
CA Name:	County of Orange	
DV ARD (Estimated):	\$4,271,014	(Reallocation Restriction)
YHDP ARD (Estimated):	\$0	
CoC's ARD (Estimated):	\$32,801,133	



Orange County Continuum of Care FY2023 NOFO Award

Agencies awarded funding are considered CoC Renewal Projects

Total Annual Renewal Amount Awarded: \$32,801,133
CoC Planning Awarded: \$1,500,000

Total CA-602 FY2023 Award Amount: \$34,301,133

Project Ranking	Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Component	Total Applied	Total Awarded
1	Pathways of Hope	PSH for Families	PSH	\$346,067	\$371,107
2	Anaheim Supportive Housing, Inc.	Tyrol Plaza Senior Apartments	PSH	\$231,212	\$242,702
3	Mercy House Living Centers	OC PSH Collaboration Project II - Expansion	PSH	\$2,298,858	\$2,458,279
4	Orange County Housing Authority	#1 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA 2023 Renewal Project	PSH	\$4,472,267	\$4,910,855
5	Serving People in Need	CoC Rapid Re-Housing 2023	RRH	\$629,234	\$668,258
6	Orange County Housing Authority	Jackson Aisle Continuum of Care TRA 2023 Renewal Project	PSH	\$389,050	\$422,110
7	Interval House	Rapid Rehousing Program	RRH	\$234,783	\$257,331
8	Interval House	Domestic Violence Transitional Housing- Rapid Rehousing Program	Joint TH-RRH	\$946,775	\$1,018,919
9	Friendship Shelter, Inc.	Friendship Shelter Rapid Re-Housing	RRH	\$362,421	\$392,481
10	Friendship Shelter, Inc.	Henderson House Permanent Supportive Housing	PSH	\$632,877	\$670,222
11	Illumination Foundation	Stanton Multi-Service Center	PSH	\$472,533	\$502,365
12	Orange County Housing Authority	#3 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA 2023 Renewal Project	PSH	\$2,957,977	\$3,249,601
13	Illumination Foundation	Street2Home OC Expansion	PSH	\$1,956,881	\$2,060,842
14	Mercy House Living Centers	OC PSH Collaboration Project	PSH	\$3,641,354	\$3,874,353
15	Orange County Housing Authority	#2 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA 2023 Renewal Project	PSH	\$1,938,248	\$2,129,192
16	Orange County Housing Authority	#4 Consolidated Continuum of Care TRA 2023 Renewal Project	PSH	\$2,304,462	\$2,529,678
17	Mercy House Living Centers	Aqua PSH	PSH	\$295,784	\$304,429
18	Mercy House Living Centers	Mills End and PSH Leasing Consolidation	PSH	\$574,790	\$614,034
19	American Family Housing	Permanent Housing 2 FY2023	PSH	\$593,107	\$627,053
20	Mercy House Living Centers	Mercy House - CoC Leasing - Renewal	PSH	\$539,006	\$575,240
21	American Family Housing	Permanent Housing Collaborative FY2023	PSH	\$384,629	\$403,927
22	County of Orange	Coordinated Entry System SSO Grant 2023	HMIS	\$1,481,239	\$1,481,239
23	Orange County's United Way (Orange County United Way)	HMIS Consolidated Community Support NOFO 2023	SSO-CES	\$650,575	\$650,575
24	Human Options	DV Bonus Project	Joint TH-RRH	\$82,369	\$ 82,369
			Tier 1 Total	\$28,445,805	\$ 30,497,161
	Human Options	DV Bonus Project	Joint TH-RRH	\$1,559,007	\$1,688,487
25	Families Forward	Rapid Rehousing for Families (Reallocation)	RRH	\$579,869	\$615,485
26	Interval House	Domestic Violence Transitional Housing - Rapid Rehousing Program (DV Bonus)	Joint TH-RRH	\$2,076,061	
27	Friendship Shelter, Inc.	Henderson House Permanent Supportive Housing Expansion (CoC Bonus)	PSH	\$2,138,876	
			Tier 2 Total	\$6,353,813	\$2,303,972
			CoC Application Total	\$34,770,311	\$32,801,133

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CoC Renewal Funding Scoring and Rating Strategy

- At the July 26, 2023, meeting, the CoC Board approved a scoring and rating strategy for Transition Projects that have not yet completed a full grant term to be evaluated using only the applicable scoring criteria from the approved FY2023 CoC Renewal Scoring and Rating Criteria. The strategy was applied beginning the FY2023 CoC Program NOFO with the commitment to amend year after year, reflecting the most updated scoring criteria.
- The Office of Care Coordination met with the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc **to discuss a proposed amendment to the strategy** to support the success of **all projects that have not yet completed a full grant term** and ensure fair evaluation against other renewal projects in the local competition.
- For the FY2024 CoC Program NOFO Scoring and Rating Criteria, the following would be impacted:
 - ❖ **Unspent Funds:** points would be removed and non-applicable
 - ❖ **Project Effectiveness:** a portion of the point allocation would be reduced and non-applicable
 - ❖ **Overall maximum number of points** projects that have not yet completed a full grant term can receive would decrease.
- Only projects that receive a project performance score will be evaluated with the Project Performance criterion, however, this does not apply to any CoC renewal projects for the FY2024 CoC Program NOFO competition.

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CoC Renewal Funding Scoring and Rating Strategy

- For the Orange County CoC, approval of this strategy would impact:
 - ❖ Pathways of Hope’s Permanent Supportive Housing for Families project (**Transition Project**)
 - ❖ Families Forward’s Rapid Rehousing for Families project (**First year renewal project**)
 - ❖ Friendship Shelter’s Friendship Shelter Rapid Re-Housing project (**Not yet completed a full grant term**)
- The CoC NOFO Ad Hoc recommends approving the amended scoring and rating strategy for projects that have not yet completed a full grant term, including first year renewal projects, Transition Projects and Consolidation projects, to be evaluated only on applicable scoring criteria from the approved FY2024 CoC Renewal Scoring and Rating Criteria.
- If approved, the recommendation would be applicable for the FY2024 CoC Program NOFO and amended year after year, reflecting the most updated scoring criteria.

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Recommended Action

- a. CoC Renewal Funding
 - i. Approve scoring and rating strategy for projects that have not yet operated for a full grant term, including first year renewal, Transition and Consolidation Projects, to be evaluated using only the applicable scoring criteria from the approved FY2024 CoC Renewal Scoring and Rating Criteria, as recommended by the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc.

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CoC Reallocation Recommendations

- Reallocation is a process that CoCs use to shift funds in whole or in part from existing eligible renewal projects to create one or more new projects without affecting the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD).
- Prior to the CoC Program NOFO competition process, CoC-funded agencies are asked to complete an Intent to Renew Certification survey, which includes the opportunity to indicate a potential desire to **voluntarily reallocate renewal project funding** – in whole or in part.
- HUD incentivizes CoCs to evaluate project performance and gives points in the Consolidated Application to CoCs that either reallocate funding from lower performing projects to create new higher performing projects or have a process to review the performance of existing projects and reallocate funding from lower performing projects to higher performing projects.

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CoC Reallocation Recommendations

- In May 2024, Anaheim Supportive Housing reached out to the Office of Care Coordination as the CoC Collaborative Applicant to explore whether a voluntary reallocation of the funding for the Tyrol Senior Plaza Senior Apartments project was desired.
- The Office of Care Coordination supported with reaching out to technical assistance providers and exploring options to support the decision-making process for Anaheim Supportive Housing, centering the support and services for older adults within the Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project.
- Ultimately, Anaheim Supportive Housing determined not to apply for renewal funding as part of the FY2024 CoC Program NOFO and has remained in conversation with the Office of Care Coordination to ensure housing stabilization and minimal disruption of services to current participants.

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CoC Reallocation Recommendations

- The Tyrol Plaza Senior Apartments project currently uses **\$242,702** to fund **14 units of PSH for Older Adults**, with
 - ❖ 12 units/households receiving funding for supportive services only, and
 - ❖ Two (2) units/households receiving rental assistance and supportive services
- To support the stabilization of households for the project, which will end in September 2025, the Office of Care Coordination recommended that the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc consider reallocating the funds to a new PSH project with a similar design.
- A **new project** can also be an **Expansion Project**, which combines an existing eligible renewal project with up to two new projects that request funding to expand the existing project.

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CoC Reallocation Recommendations

- The Office of Care Coordination met with the NOFO Ad Hoc to identify recommended project types and households to be served with the reallocated funding.
- The CoC NOFO Ad Hoc recommends that the reallocation funding be utilized to create a new **PSH project that serves Older Adults (ages 62 and older)**, to be solicited through the release of the CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding Request for Proposals.
- This recommendation will support the Orange County CoC in ensuring current households receiving intensive supportive services and rental assistance will remain stabilized in housing.

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Recommended Actions

b. CoC Reallocation Recommendations

- i. Accept the voluntary reallocation of \$242,702 in funding from Anaheim Supportive Housing's Tyrol Plaza Senior Apartments project during the FY2024 CoC Program NOFO.
- ii. Approve the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc recommendation to utilize the reallocated funding to solicit Permanent Supportive Housing projects that serve Older Adults (ages 62 and older).

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CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding Overview

- The exact funding allocation available to the Orange County CoC for CoC Bonus projects will be announced when HUD publishes the Estimated ARD Report.
- New projects eligible to be created through CoC Bonus and/or Reallocation funding include:
 - ❖ Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
 - ❖ Rapid Rehousing (RRH)
 - ❖ Dedicated HMIS project that can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead
 - ❖ Supportive Services Only Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) project to develop or operate a centralized or coordinated assessment system
- The Office of Care Coordination met with the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc to further discuss recommended priorities for the CoC Bonus and Reallocation funding, presenting on potential options based on HUD's priorities outlined in the NOFO process and current needs presented through system data.

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CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding

- The CoC NOFO Ad Hoc members present at the July 5, and July 17, 2024, meetings, reviewed the CoC Bonus and Reallocation funding priorities from the FY2023 CoC Program NOFO competition as a starting point.
- Due to HUD's continued emphasis on serving households with the highest need in the CoC, including households with severe service needs, it was recommended to the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc to consider prioritizing similar populations to be served through CoC Bonus and Reallocation funding.

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CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding

- For the purposes of the FY2024 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus, and Reallocation Request for Proposals (RFP) Scoring and Rating Criteria, **severe service needs** means any combination of the following factors:
 - ❖ **Facing significant challenges or functional impairments**, including any physical, mental, developmental or behavioral health disabilities regardless of the type of disability, which require a significant level of support in order to maintain permanent housing (this factor focuses on the level of support needed and is not based on disability type);
 - ❖ **High utilization of crisis or emergency services** to meet basic needs, including but not limited to emergency rooms, jails, and psychiatric facilities;
 - ❖ **Currently living** in an unsheltered situation or **having a history of living** in an unsheltered situation;
 - ❖ Experiencing a **vulnerability to illness or death**;
 - ❖ Having a **risk of continued or repeated homelessness**; and
 - ❖ Having a **vulnerability to victimization**, including physical assault, trafficking or sex work.

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CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding

- Members of the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc recommended:
 - ❖ Including all households with severe service needs as eligible populations to be served, with an incentive for new CoC Bonus and Reallocation projects to consider designated units for the following special populations*, including Families, Transitional Age Youth (TAY), Individuals experiencing chronic homelessness and Older Adults.
 - ❖ Soliciting RRH and PSH project types for the CoC Bonus and Reallocation funding.
- The CoC Board is being asked to approve the Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC to create and release a RFP to solicit new RRH and PSH projects, with a focus on serving households with severe service needs and/or designating a minimum percentage of units to any of the above-listed special populations.

*Special populations are further defined as Families (households with at least one minor child and one adult), Transitional Age Youth (ages 18 – 24), Individuals (adult only households) experiencing chronic homelessness and Older Adults (ages 62 and older)

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CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding: Request for Proposals Review Panel

- Additionally, with the release of a CoC Bonus and Reallocation RFPs, there is a need to establish a non-conflicted review panel to evaluate proposals received.
- Establishing a Review Panel to review and recommend proposals submitted in response to the CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding RFPs for the FY2024 CoC Program NOFO will support the Orange County CoC in submitting applications that could bring additional housing resources to Orange County.
- The Office of Care Coordination will outreach to the CoC General Membership and local stakeholders, being intentional with involving members who are representative of the population within the homeless service system.

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FY2024 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria

- The FY2024 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria is to be utilized to determine the Tiering and Project Priority Listing for CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and/or Reallocation projects as part of the annual CoC Program grant application.
- The CoC NOFO Ad Hoc discussed evaluating new project proposals on the ability to center equity and accessibility in the project design and implementation and recommended prioritizing Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning, Intersex, Asexual, and Other Gender or Sexual Identities (LGBTQIA+) populations to be served under the CoC Bonus and Reallocation funded projects.
- To reflect the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc recommendation, a description for evaluation of a project's ability to address and eliminate barriers experienced by people disproportionately impacted by homelessness, including individuals and families who are within the Black or African American; American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous; Latina/e/o; and LGBTQIA+ communities, within the **Proposed Project Service Plan and Supportive Services** criterion.
- Further exploring of CES prioritization by race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, and/or sexual expression can be done for future funding opportunities.

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FY2024 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria

- The CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria remains consistent with the FY2023 CoC Program NOFO competition scoring and rating criteria, with increased point allocation to the Populations to Be Served criterion.
- Up to 20 points continue to be allocated to projects that can **leverage housing and/or healthcare resources**
- All projects, except Joint Transitional Housing – Permanent Housing: Rapid Rehousing (Joint TH/PH-RRH), will be scored on a 150-point scale. Joint TH/PH-RRH projects will be scored on a 130-point scale, as Joint TH/PH-RRH project types will not be scored on the Leveraging of Resources. Projects will be scoring using the following criteria, detailed in **Item 1. Attachment A:**

	Criterion	Points	Description of basis for assigning points
1	CoC Participation	Up to 10 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant has demonstrated participation and involvement in the Orange County CoC and core activities of the CoC, such as Point In Time Count and Housing Inventory Count. • Applicant participates in the local HMIS and completes timely and curate data submissions, as requested. • Applicant participates in the local Coordinated Entry System (CES).
2	Capacity of Applicant and Partner	Up to 10 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past and current relevant experience in providing housing and services related to those in this solicitation, including evaluation of current and similar project types • Past and current relevant experience in effectively utilizing federal funds and performing the activities proposed in the application, including, administrative, financial, and programmatic components
3	Applicant Service Experience and Approach	Up to 20 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant has demonstrated experience in working with target population to quickly secure housing, make connections to supportive services, and promote housing stability. • Applicant described service delivery approach for serving people with severe service needs¹. • Applicant described service delivery approach to serving communities who are substantially overrepresented in the homeless population. • Applicant described data driven approach to service delivery.

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FY 2023 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria

4	Involving Persons with Lived Experience	Up to 20 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant has a member on Board of Directors with current and/or past lived experience of homelessness. • Applicant ensures perspectives of people with lived experience of homelessness are meaningfully and intentionally integrated into the decision-making process. • Applicant practices meaningful involvement of people with lived experience in program design, delivery of services and program evaluation.
5	Proposed Project Service Plan and Supportive Services	Up to 30 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed project, including service plan and supportive services, is appropriate for the household type and/or subpopulation. • Proposed project includes strategies to assist participants to obtain and remain in permanent housing, increase their employment and/or income and maximum their ability to live independently. • Proposed project will implement a Housing first, client-centered approach; plan to address the housing and safety needs of survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking² by adopting victim-centered practices ; and other evidence-based practices in program operations. To receive full points, applicants must clearly describe the evidence-informed practices that the project will use in policies, procedures, and operations. • Proposed project will have tailored approach to serve people with severe service needs and communities who are substantially overrepresented in the homeless population. • Proposed project will address and eliminate barriers experienced by people disproportionately impacted by homelessness, including individuals and families who are within the Black or African American; American Indian, Alaska Native, or Indigenous; Latina/e/o; and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning, Intersex, Asexual, and Other Gender or Sexual Identities (LGBTQIA+) communities.
6	Outcomes	Up to 10 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed performance outcomes (not outputs) that will be achieved by the project and how data will be used to measure those outcomes and determine success. • Proposed performance outcomes should focus on participants housing placement and permanent housing retention, as well as improved quality of life, rather than measuring the amount or types of services provided (not outputs).

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FY 2023 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria

7	Project Readiness	Up to 5 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estimated schedule for the proposed project to begin operations, including housing services and supportive services activities. Full points will be given to projects that can begin soon after grant is awarded.
8	Budget and Match	Up to 10 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget is reasonable for type of project proposed, total number of households and participants to be served and clearly articulated. Applicant can provide the required match of at least 25% and it is included and documented. Applicant can demonstrate how leverage housing resources and/or health care resources contribute to the overall budget of the project proposed.
9	Leveraging of Resources ³	Up to 20 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leverage Housing Resources – Project demonstrates that it will provide housing subsidies or subsidizing housing units not currently funded through the CoC or Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program for at least 25% of the program participants anticipated to be served by the project. Full points will be given to projects that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) in the case of a permanent supportive housing project, provide at least 25% of the units included in the project; or (ii) in the case of a rapid re-housing project, serve at least 25% of the program participants anticipated to be served by the project. (iii) Attach letters of commitment, contracts, or other formal written documents that demonstrate the number of subsidies or units being provided to support the project. Leveraging Healthcare Resources – Project demonstrates the use of healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Full points will be given to projects that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) in the case of a substance abuse treatment or recovery provider, it will provide access to treatment or recovery services for all program participants who qualify and choose those services; or (ii) the value of assistance being provided is at least an amount that is equivalent to 25% of the funding being requested for the project, which will be covered by the healthcare organization. (iii) Provide formal written agreements that include the value of the commitment and dates the healthcare resources will be provided.

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FY 2023 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria

10	Populations to be Served	Up to 15 points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed project primarily serves (75% or more) households with severe service needs; or Proposed Permanent Supportive Housing project type has minimum of 5 to 10% of units a designated to serve any of the following special populations, including Families (households with at least one minor child and one adult), Transitional Age Youth (ages 18 – 24), Individual (adult only households) experiencing chronic homelessness and Older Adults (ages 62 and older).⁴ Proposed Rapid Rehousing project type has a minimum of 25% of units designed to serve any of the following special populations, including Families (households with at least one minor child and one adult), Transitional Age Youth (ages 18 – 24), Individual (adult only households) experiencing chronic homelessness and Older Adults (ages 62 and older).⁵
Total Points		150 Maximum Points Possible	

⁴ Criteria only applies to CoC Bonus and Reallocation projects.

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Note: Please see Item 1. Attachment A for additional footnotes.

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Recommended Actions

- c. CoC Bonus and Reallocation Funding RFP
 - i. Approve the Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC to create and issue a CoC Bonus and Reallocation RFP to solicit new RRH and PSH projects that primarily serve households with severe service needs or designate a minimum percentage of units to any of the following special populations, including Families (households with at least one minor child and one adult), TAY (ages 18 – 24), Individuals (adult only households) experiencing chronic homelessness and Older Adults (ages 62 and older) as recommended by the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc .
 - ii. Establish a non-conflicted review panel to evaluate proposals received in response to the issued RFP.
 - iii. Approve FY2024 CoC Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria to evaluate proposals as submitted in response to the RFP.

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Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Funding

- Eligible Project Types
 - RRH
 - Joint TH/PH-RRH
 - SSO-CE
- The NOFO Ad Hoc is recommending that both **RRH** and **Joint TH/PH-RRH** component projects be solicited as part of the local competition process.
- HUD evaluates RRH and Joint TH/PH-RRH component projects on several criteria, including the CoC's collaboration with victim service providers, need for the project, quality of the project applicant's experience, demonstration of inclusion of victim-centered practices and demonstration of plan to include survivors with lived expertise.
- To support the solicitation of new DV Bonus Projects, the CoC Board is being asked to approve the Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC to create and issue a DV Bonus RFP.

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DV Bonus Funding: Request for Proposals Review Panel

- Additionally, with the release of a DV Bonus RFP, there is a need to establish an additional non-conflicted review panel to evaluate proposals received for the FY2024 CoC Program NOFO .
- Establishing a Review Panel to review and recommend proposals will support the Orange County CoC in submitting applications that could bring additional housing resources to Orange County that serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking (survivors).
- The Office of Care Coordination will outreach to the CoC General Membership and local stakeholders, being intentional with involving members who are representative of the population within the homeless service system, specifically those with expertise in working with survivors.

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FY2024 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria

- The DV Bonus project proposals will also be scored with the FY2024 CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Scoring and Rating Criteria
- Further, the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc considered feedback provided within CoC Board meetings related to additional resources needed for survivors who are currently experiencing homelessness and have severe service needs, and is recommending new projects applying for DV Bonus funding to be scored for their ability to primarily serve survivors with severe service needs.
- Notable DV Bonus Project Scoring and Rating Criteria to call out:
 - ❖ **Leveraging of Resources:** any Joint TH/PH-RRH project types will not be scored on the leveraging of resources. (20 points)
 - ❖ **Populations to be Served:** projects applying for DV Bonus funding will be scored on their ability to serve a majority (75% or more) of survivors with severe service needs. (15 points)

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Recommended Actions

- d. DV Bonus Funding
 - i. Approve the Office of Care Coordination as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC to create and issue a DV Bonus RFP to solicit new RRH and Joint TH/PH-RRH projects that primarily serve households with severe service needs as recommended by the CoC NOFO Ad Hoc.
 - ii. Establish a non-conflicted review panel to evaluate proposals received in response to the issued RFP.
 - iii. Approve the FY2024 DV Bonus Scoring and Rating Criteria to evaluate proposals as submitted in response to the RFP.

**Orange County CoC Youth Action Board
Committee**

Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

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Orange County CoC Youth Action Board (YAB) Committee

- On June 6, 2024, the award of \$51.1 million in its first ever Youth Homelessness Systems Improvement (YHSI) grant to 38 Communities across 26 states, to further allocate resources to youth systems development.
- On the same day, HUD announced the FY2023 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) NOFO Round 8 to support the implementation of coordinated community approaches in select communities, including providing direct assistance for tailored housing and services interventions for youth experiencing homelessness.
- The Office of Care Coordination, as the Collaborative Applicant for the Orange County CoC, previously applied for Rounds 6 and 7 of the YHDP NOFO.
- Though the Orange County CoC has not yet been awarded YHDP funding, the learnings from previous rounds of YHDP NOFO applications have supported the Office of Care Coordination to collaborate with the TAY Collaborative Committee (TAY Collaborative), CoC Board and other local partners serving youth to lay the groundwork for a more competitive YHDP funding application in Round 8.

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Orange County CoC YAB Committee

- HUD continues emphasizing the need to integrate people with lived experience in decision making processes of the CoC, and specifically youth with lived expertise for communities applying for YHDP funding.
- The CoC Board is being asked to consider establishing a YAB.
- The YHDP NOFO describes that an established YAB under the CoC is required to apply for YHDP funding and the following requirements for the YAB must be met:
 - The **YAB must have at least 4 youth with voting power** on policy decisions of the CoC
 - At least **two-thirds of the YAB members must be age 24 or younger** and have **lived experience** of homelessness
 - The YAB should be **representative of the youth** population experiencing homelessness in the community
 - The YAB must be a **formal committee within the CoC**



Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program

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Orange County CoC Youth Action Board Committee

- At the TAY Collaborative meeting on Friday, July 12, 2024, the Office of Care Coordination, in partnership with Ami Rowland as Chair, brought forth the recommendation to establish an Orange County CoC YAB Committee under the CoC.
- The TAY Collaborative agreed and provided feedback on how to be intentional with recruitment, orientation, compensation, and staff support provided to the Orange County CoC YAB.
- The CoC Board membership is being asked to establish an Orange County CoC YAB, as recommended by the TAY Collaborative, to ensure that the YAB is fully integrated under the Orange County CoC and support the Orange County CoC application for YHDP funding.
- If approved, the Office of Care Coordination will work closely with the TAY Collaborative, local youth service providers, and technical assistance providers (if available), to ensure the Orange County CoC YAB composition, recruitment, compensation process, and governance structure is designed in partnership with youth with lived expertise.

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Recommended Action

- a. Establish the Orange County CoC Youth Action Board, as recommended by the TAY Collaborative Committee.

**HMIS Access Working Group Member
Appointment**

Felicia Boehringer, CoC Administrator, Office of
Care Coordination

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HMIS Access Working Group Member Appointment

- At the August 23, 2023, meeting of the CoC Board, the CoC Board approved the appointment procedure to be followed by the HMIS Access Working Group members when there is a vacancy and the desired member qualifications.
- On May 29, 2024, the CoC Collaborative Applicant sent out an email via the CoC distribution list notifying CoC General Membership of vacancies in the HMIS Access Working Group and inviting them to apply.
- The HMIS Access Working Group interest form was open from May 29, 2024, through June 14, 2024.
- On July 17, 2024, the HMIS Access Working Group, CoC Collaborative Applicant and HMIS Lead reviewed all interested candidates, using the approved HMIS Access Working Group desired qualifications as a guide, to select the most qualified applicant for the working group to be recommended to the CoC Board for appointment.
- As such, the CoC Board is being asked to appoint Amy Lazari from Mercy House to the HMIS Access Working Group to fill the current vacancy.

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Recommended Action

- a. Appoint Amy Lazari to the HMIS Access Working Group.

Orange County Homelessness Updates

Doug Becht, Director of Office of Care
Coordination and Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

System of Care Update
Doug Becht, Director
Office of Care Coordination

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Upcoming Meetings

- **Commission to End Homelessness (IN PERSON):** Wednesday, August 21, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: County Administration South (CAS) Building, Conference Center, 425 West Santa Ana Blvd. Room 104/106, Santa Ana, CA 92701
 - ❖ *Virtual listen-in option will be available*

Orange County Affordable Housing Developments and CES

- Orange County Affordable Housing Developments – There has been an increase in affordable housing developments utilizing CES for support with referrals due to funding requirements
 - *Reported in the 2024 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) there were 27 permanent housing developments with a total of 831 permanent supportive housing (PSH) units*
- The influx of additional permanent supportive housing developments opening in the last few years has strained the existing CES system which has highlighted some areas of system improvement
- The Office of Care Coordination has received feedback from permanent housing development stakeholders to support an evaluation and assessment of the system and processes in place
- As the CES Lead, the Office of Care Coordination is working closely with the contracted CES Administrators to identify solutions and recommendations for improvements to be presented to the CES Steering Committee for feedback
- *Some of the areas of focus include but are not limited to:*
 - *Updating CES Access point and housing provider expectations*
 - *Clarified roles and responsibilities*

Continuum of Care Update
Sarah Jones, CoC Manager,
Office of Care Coordination

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2024 Annual Calendar of CoC Activities

- The Office of Care Coordination will provide regular updates on the calendar of activities for the Orange County CoC.
- CoC Board members were provided a calendar of CoC activities for the year at the January 2024 meeting.
- The end of Quarter 3 and beginning of Quarter 4 highlighted activities and meetings are included in this chart for reference, as well.

August

- Estimated release of the CoC Program NOFO
- FY2024 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc meetings
- CoC Vision Ad Hoc meetings with consultant support
- Strategic Investment Planning: Planning phase (continued)
- Estimated release of FY2024 RFP for CoC Bonus, DV Bonus and Reallocation Projects
- Estimated recommendation to appoint the 2024 CoC Nominating Ad Hoc
- Estimated recommendation of HMIS Policies and Procedures
- Annual CoC Board Nomination and Election process begins
- YHDP NOFO application due by August 29, 2024

September

- FY2024 CoC NOFO Ad Hoc meetings
- CoC Nominating Ad Hoc meetings
- CoC Vision Ad Hoc meetings with consultant support
- Strategic Investment Planning: Planning phase (continued)
- Estimated recommendation of final FY2024 CoC Program NOFO Project Priority Listing
- Estimated FY2024 CoC Program NOFO consolidated application due to HUD.
- Estimated update on the Request for Information (RFI): Financial Compensation Program Coordination for People with Lived Experience of Homelessness

October

- CoC Nominating Ad Hoc meetings
- CoC Vision Ad Hoc meetings with consultant support
- Strategic Investment Planning: Planning phase (continued)
- Estimated CoC Governance Charter revisions from the CoC Nominating Ad Hoc
- Estimated update on the RFP for HHAP Program Rounds 1-4 remaining funds
- Estimated update on the CoC Vision Strategic Plan

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Upcoming Meetings

- **Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee Special Meeting (IN PERSON):** Wednesday, July 31, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: CAS County Conference Center Room 104, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701
- **Policies, Procedures and Standards Committee (IN PERSON):** Tuesday, August 13, 2024, from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 - ❖ Location: CAS County Conference Center Room 104, 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701
- **Service Provider Forum (IN PERSON):** Thursday, August 17, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
 - ❖ Location: Clifton C. Miller Community Center, 300 Centennial Way, Tustin, CA 92780
- **Domestic Violence Committee (IN PERSON):** Tuesday, August 20, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
 - ❖ Location: The Village at 17th Street Large Community Room, 1505 17th St, Santa Ana, CA 92705
 - ❖ Meeting may be cancelled in place of a special meeting

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CoC Builds (CoCBuilds) NOFO

- On July 22, 2024, [HUD announced](#) the release of the first-of-its-kind funding for new construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of permanent supportive housing, called the CoCBuilds NOFO.
- Funding of approximately **\$175,000,000** is available through this NOFO.
 - ❖ Of the funding available, \$65,000,000 is available only for CoCs that are located in states with populations of fewer than 2.5 million people
 - ❖ Minimum Award Amount per Project Period: \$1,000,000
 - ❖ Maximum Award Amount per Project Period: \$10,000,000
- HUD expects to make **approximately 25 awards** from the funds available under this NOFO.
- Through one-time awards under the CoC program, the CoCBuilds NOFO will enable communities to develop new units of rental housing with supportive services for people experiencing homelessness.
- Through the CoCBuilds NOFO, HUD is encouraging CoCs to leverage funds provided for construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation of new PSH units with other funding sources to maximize the amount of housing that can be directed to meeting the needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness.
- The CoCBuilds application is **due on November 21, 2024**.

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CoCBuils NOFO

- Applications are to be completed by the organization that will administer the funds and must be sent to the CoC's Collaborative Applicant for review and submission.
 - ❖ The application may include one or more subrecipients and we encourage collaborative efforts.
- The CoC's **Collaborative Applicant** must submit the project application(s) through grants.gov.
- View the [CoCBuils NOFO](#) here on [grants.gov](#)

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CoC Vision Ad Hoc: Request for Feedback on the CoC Strategic Plan

- The CoC Vision Ad Hoc will begin convening this week to focus on completing the Orange County CoC Strategic Plan by the end of Calendar Year 2024.
- There are two ways to participate and provide feedback on the current framework that the Vision Ad Hoc will be updating:
 - 1. Review and provide feedback in writing by July 31, 2024.** If you would like to review the current goals and objectives, please add comments to this shared [Google doc](#) by the of the day on Wednesday, July 31.
 - 2. Review and provide feedback during a CoC Strategic Plan Feedback Session on July 29, 2024.** The Office of Care Coordination will host a virtual session via Zoom on Monday, July 29, from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. To join this session, please use the link and information below:
 - ❖ Join Zoom Link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85004974225?pwd=z6CHWQialrXP6bowJ2TfKSTlnJpa7N.1&from=addon>
 - ❖ Meeting ID: 850 0497 4225
 - ❖ Passcode: 239210

Please reach out to the Office of Care Coordination at CareCoordination@ocgov.com with the subject line "Vision Ad Hoc" if you have any questions or are unable to access the Google doc.

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California Victim Compensation Board (CalVCB) and Crime Victim Services

- The California Victim Compensation Board (CalVCB) wants all CoCs to learn about the services CalVCB provides and have the opportunity to understand the application process.
- CalVCB helps victims rebuild their lives by providing reimbursement for crime-related expenses to victims who suffer physical injury or the threat of physical injury as a result of a violent crime.
- CalVCB invites your case managers and advocates to learn more about CalVCB and how they can assist claimants throughout the application process, including applying for compensation and accessing benefits by attending one of the monthly webinars.



Advocate Webinars

Topic: How to Complete a CalVCB Application

Event Overview: Learn the difference between a victim, claimant and applicant and what information is important in streamlining the application process.

When: Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Link to Register: [Register](#)

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VAWA Forms Public Comments Due to HUD August 15, 2024

- On July 16th, 2024, HUD released a [30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Implementation of the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act \(VAWA\) of 2013](#).
- HUD made modifications to several VAWA forms in response to public comment received as part of the 60-day notice-and-comment period in 2023.
- HUD is requesting comments from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The deadline for comments is **August 15, 2024**.
- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and CoC grantees are highly encouraged to submit comments.
- The revised VAWA PRA forms are labeled “Supporting and Related Material” on [regulations.gov](#) and can be found at: <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/HUD-2022-0081/document>

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NSPIRE Compliance Date Extended for CoC, ESG and HOPWA

- On July 5, 2024, HUD published a notice extending the compliance date for implementation of the **National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE)** for Continuum of Care (CoC) and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) recipients and subrecipients and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) grantees to **October 1, 2025**.
- The [Notice](#) allows recipients, subrecipients, and grantees additional time implement HUD's NSPIRE standards.
- HUD intends to publish standards specific to each of the several Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD) programs before the compliance date.
- Additional guidance to assist CoC and ESG recipients and subrecipients, and HOPWA grantees, in this transition is forthcoming. While SNAPS develops additional guidance, communities may review the resources listed below.
 - ❖ [NSPIRE Final Rule](#)
 - ❖ [NSPIRE Website](#)

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, August 28, 2024,
from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

