



**COUNTY OF ORANGE**  
**OFFICE OF CARE**  
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**FY2026 Youth Homelessness Demonstration  
Program (YHDP)  
Request for Proposals Overview  
July 8, 2026**

# *Welcome!*

Please note, today's webinar is being recorded.

The presentation slides and recording will be uploaded on the [YHDP NOFO webpage](#) for reference.

## Session Overview

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# FY2026 CoC Program NOFO Overview

## Youth Homelessness NOFO

### NOFO Release

- HUD released the Youth Homelessness NOFO for FY2024 and FY2025 on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, for Youth Homelessness System Improvement Program (YHSI) and the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP).
  - YHSI grants will support communities in establishing, implementing, or improving a response system for youth homelessness.
  - YHDP will provide funding to communities nationwide to provide transitional housing and supportive services to youth experiencing homelessness

### Funding Available:

- YHDP – \$144 million
  - HUD expects to award 12 Community Recipients per FY2024 and FY2025, 24 Community Recipients total
  - HUD expects to award approximately 120 YHDP projects.

### Estimated YHDP Funding Available to the Orange County CoC:

- \$15,000,000

**Application Due Date:** Wednesday, August 10, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. PT

# FY2026 CoC Program NOFO Overview

## YHDP: HUD's Goals and Objectives

1. **Prevent and End Youth Homelessness.** YHDP projects should support effective youth homeless response systems and make youth homelessness rare and, if it occurs, brief and non-recurring.
2. **Facilitate Self-Sufficiency.** YHDP projects should emphasize the importance of creating interventions that help youth establish independent, sustainable lives for themselves and, if applicable, their children.
3. **Innovate and Expand Capacity.** YHDP funds along with technical assistance will support expanding community capacity to serve homeless youth, pilot new models of assistance, and determine effective interventions.
4. **Reduce Trauma and Provide Safety.** YHDP projects should reduce youth homelessness through partnerships with domestic violence and trafficking agencies, local law enforcement, and substance abuse treatment organizations, while coordinating or creating safe housing and service environments, and reducing unsafe public camping and drug use conditions.

# FY2026 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program RFP

## RFP Overview

- **Bid Title:** FY2026 Request for Proposals for Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program
- **Bid Starts:** July 1, 2026, at 5:50 p.m. PT
- **Bid Ends:** July 14, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. PT
  - ❖ [Detailed Description: FY2026 Request for Proposals for Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program](#)
  - ❖ [Application: FY2026 Request for Proposals for Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program \(PDF\)](#)
  - ❖ [Application: FY2026 Request for Proposals for Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program \(Word\)](#)
- **Eligible project types:** Transitional Housing (TH); Supportive Services Only (SSO)

# FY2026 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program RFP

## Eligible Applicants

- Are you interested in submitting a proposal in response to the FY2026 RFP for Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP)?
- Eligible Applicants for the FY2026 RFP for YHDP Funding include:
  - Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
  - Government entities
  - Public housing authorities
  - Native American tribal governments that are federally recognized
  - Faith-based organizations

# Eligible Project types and Populations to be served

## YHDP Funding Overview

- YHDP Funding Approximately Available to the Orange County CoC: **\$15,000,000**
- Eligible project types:
  - ❖ Supportive Services Only
  - ❖ Transitional Housing
- This RFP will be utilized to identify new projects for the YHDP funds available through the Youth Homelessness NOFO.
- All proposed services must be new, and proposed project funding cannot replace other existing funding sources.

# Eligible Project types and Populations to be served

## Eligible Project Types

Eligible activities/expenses for each project type are listed.

### Supportive Services Only (SSO)

- Acquisition, Rehabilitation, or Leasing of a space to provide supportive services,
- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS),
- Project Administration, and
- Supportive Services:
  - Annual Assessment of Services
  - Moving costs
  - Case management
  - Childcare
  - Education services
  - Employment assistance and job
  - Food
  - Housing search and counseling services
  - Legal services
  - Life skills training
  - Mental health services
  - Outpatient health services
  - Outreach services
  - Substance abuse treatment services
  - Transportation
  - Utility deposits

### Transitional Housing (TH)

- Leasing Assistance,
- Rental Assistance (6 - 24 months),
- Homeless Management Information System (HMIS),
- Project Administration, and
- Supportive Services
  - Annual Assessment of Services
  - Moving costs
  - Case management
  - Childcare
  - Education services
  - Employment assistance and job
  - Food
  - Housing search and counseling services
  - Legal services
  - Life skills training
  - Mental health services
  - Outpatient health services
  - Outreach services
  - Substance abuse treatment services
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# Eligible Project types and Populations to be served

## Helpful Tips!

The following webpage provides information on eligible cost per program component and activities: <https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/coc-esg-virtual-binders/coc-eligible-activities/coc-eligible-activities-overview/list-of-coc-eligible-activities/>.

When reviewing the CoC Interim Rule references, this webpage has the information in a reader friendly format:

<https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-24/subtitle-B/chapter-V/subchapter-C/part-578>

**Example:** The following are the eligible costs for SSO – Supportive Services: Transportation as allowed by the CoC Interim Rule.

(15) *Transportation.* Eligible costs are:

- (i) The costs of program participant's travel on public transportation or in a vehicle provided by the recipient or subrecipient to and from medical care, employment, child care, or other services eligible under this section.
- (ii) Mileage allowance for service workers to visit program participants and to carry out housing quality inspections;
- (iii) The cost of purchasing or leasing a vehicle in which staff transports program participants and/or staff serving program participants;
- (iv) The cost of gas, insurance, taxes, and maintenance for the vehicle;
- (v) The costs of recipient or subrecipient staff to accompany or assist program participants to utilize public transportation; and
- (vi) If public transportation options are not sufficient within the area, the recipient may make a one-time payment on behalf of a program participant needing car repairs or maintenance required to operate a personal vehicle, subject to the following:
  - (A) Payments for car repairs or maintenance on behalf of the program participant may not exceed 10 percent of the Blue Book value of the vehicle (Blue Book refers to the guidebook that compiles and quotes prices for new and used automobiles and other vehicles of all makes, models, and types);
  - (B) Payments for car repairs or maintenance must be paid by the recipient or subrecipient directly to the third party that repairs or maintains the car; and
  - (C) The recipients or subrecipients may require program participants to share in the cost of car repairs or maintenance as a condition of receiving assistance with car repairs or maintenance.

# Eligible Project types and Populations to be served

## YHDP Funding: Eligible Populations to be Served

- Eligible households to be served with YHDP funding:
  - ❖ Youth, as defined below, who initially qualify as homeless under paragraph (1)-(3) of the homeless definition in 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 578.3; or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. Notwithstanding the above, youth-serving providers (defined in I.C.3 of Appendix II in the Youth Homelessness NOFO) may serve unaccompanied youth who are living in unsafe situations or families headed by youth who are living in unsafe situations (defined in I.C.6 of Appendix II). As explained in I.C.3 of Appendix I in of the Youth Homeless NOFO, youth aged 24 and under must not be required to provide third-party documentation that they meet the homeless definition in 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act as a condition for receiving services funded with YHDP. YHDP recipients must ensure proper documentation of homelessness status for participants.

# Required Documents Checklist

## YHDP Application Checklist

- Exhibit 1: Lead Agency Information Form
  - Attachment 1: Organizational Chart – include Board of Director's body as it relates to the entire organization, and organization's staff names and titles/positions
  - Attachment 2: Board of Directors' Roster and Resolution authorizing submittal of a new project application in response to the Youth Homelessness NOFO competition process
  - Attachment 3: State Certificate of Status, if applicable
  - Attachment 4: Agency's Code of Conduct
  - Attachment 5: 501(c)3 Certification, if applicable
- Exhibit 2: Terms and Conditions
- Exhibit 3: Financial Assessment
  - Attachment 6: Two most recent single audits, previously known as the OMB Circular A-133 audit, if applicable. If not applicable, please instead submit the two most recent agency financial audits by a certified public accountant (CPA)

# Required Documents Checklist

## YHDP Application Checklist

- Exhibit 4: Project Information Form
  - Attachment 7: Certificate of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan
  - Attachment 8: Environmental Information – Limited Scope Environmental Review Form or Environmental Review of Categorically Excluded not Subject to Section 58.5 or Environmental Clearance Letter
  - Attachment 9: 25% Match Documentation, including letters of match commitment and/or in-kind Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
- Exhibit 5: Service Experience and Approach
- Exhibit 6: Project Description
- Exhibit 7: Recovery and Supportive Services Participation
  - Attachment 10: Supportive Services Agreement, if applicable
- HUD CoC Project Application (e-SNAPS)

# Required Documents Checklist

## YHDP Application Checklist

### *Reminders*

- For instructions for completing Attachment 7: Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan and Attachment 8: Environmental Information, visit the Orange County CoC FY2026 CoC NOFO webpage, at <https://ceo.ocgov.com/fy2026cocnofo>
- Review Scoring and Rating Criteria to ensure application responses capture all requirements and desired project components

# Scoring and Rating Criteria

## FY2026 YHDP Scoring and Rating Criteria

YHPD projects will be scored on a 100-point scale using the following criteria:

|   | Criterion                                 | Points          | Description of basis for assigning points                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---|-------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Administrative Capacity of Applicant      | Up to 10 points | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Current relevant experience in providing services related to those outlined in this solicitation, including evaluation of current and similar project types. (5 points)</li><li>• Past and Current relevant experience in effectively utilizing federal funds and performing the activities proposed in the application, including administrative, financial and programmatic components. (5 points)</li></ul> |
| 2 | Applicant Service Experience and Approach | Up to 15 points | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Applicant has demonstrated experience working with youth experiencing homelessness to secure housing and stability. (5points)</li><li>• Applicant has demonstrated experience implementing similar or comparable project types to the services being proposed. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant has demonstrated a data-driven approach to program design and implementation. (5 points)</li></ul>               |
| 3 | Youth Leadership and Lived Experience     | Up to 15 points | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Applicant demonstrates how youth with lived experience are involved with the design and implementation of programs, including how lived experience will be integrated into the proposed project. (10 points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates how youth with lived experience are provided opportunities for leadership and decision-making roles. (5 points)</li></ul>                                        |

# Scoring and Rating Criteria

**YHPD** projects will be scored on a 100-point scale using the following criteria:

|   | Criterion               | Points          | Description of basis for assigning points                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| 3 | Proposed Project Design | Up to 50 points | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Applicant demonstrates how positive youth development and trauma-informed care models will be incorporated to support the social and emotional well-being of youth. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant describes the strategies to promote economic independence, self-sufficiency, personal responsibility, resilience-building, character development. and prevent long-term dependency on social services. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates how the proposed project will build connections between at-risk youth and school, life skills training, job attainment skills, or employment opportunities. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates how the proposed project will foster community coordination with housing agencies and providers, residential care facilities, and educational institutions. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates how the unique needs of youth with disabilities will be addressed to foster self-sufficiency and long-term stability. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates strategies to assist youth experiencing or at risk of experiencing any form of trafficking, sexual exploitation or similar traumatic experiences. (5points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates how the proposed project will address the needs of youth with mental health conditions and/or substance use disorders. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates how the proposed project will promote and encourage supportive services participation. TH projects must describe how they will implement supportive service agreements with residents. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates how the proposed project will prioritize family reunification and preservation. (5 points)</li><li>• Applicant demonstrates effective screening and assessment tools to identify: Pregnant or parenting youth; Youth exiting the foster care or justice systems; Labor or sexually exploited or trafficked youth; Youth in need of substance abuse or mental health services. (5 points)</li></ul> |

# Scoring and Rating Criteria

YHPD projects will be scored on a 100-point scale using the following criteria:

|              | Criterion | Points                      | Description of basis for assigning points                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|--------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4            | Outcomes  | Up to 10 points             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Applicant demonstrates the 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. This includes the strategy to measure and achieve self-sufficiency and stability outcomes including long-term stability and stable housing; education, employment, increased income, and career growth; permanent social connections; and social and emotional well-being.</li></ul> |
| Total Points |           | 100 Maximum Points Possible |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

# Timeline and Submission Requirements

## Timeline and Due Dates

| Activity                                                                                                                                 | Dates                                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| HUD released FY2026 Youth Homelessness NOFO                                                                                              | June 10, 2026                                     |
| Request for Proposals (RFP) of New YHDP Projects Released                                                                                | July 1, 2026                                      |
| Youth Homelessness Community Convening                                                                                                   | July 7, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. PT.                    |
| Technical Assistance Office Hours via Microsoft Teams.<br>Contact Zulima Lundy at Zulima.Lundy@ceo.oc.gov to schedule an appointment     | July 8, 2026, to July 9, 2026                     |
| Webinar: Overview of the RFP for YHDP via Microsoft Teams                                                                                | July 8, 2026, at<br>2:00 p.m. PT                  |
| Office Hours via Microsoft Teams                                                                                                         | July 10, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to<br>12:00p.m. PT |
| Question and Answer Period Ends                                                                                                          | July 10, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. PT                   |
| <b>Deadline for Agencies to submit proposals in response to FY2026 RFP for YHDP Projects to the County's Office of Care Coordination</b> | <b>July 14, 2026, at<br/>12:00 p.m. (PT)</b>      |
| HUD submission deadline for FY2026 CoC Program NOFO                                                                                      | August 10, 2026, at<br>8:59 p.m. PT               |

# Timeline and Submission Requirements

## Office Hours via Microsoft Teams

**Friday, July 10, 2026, from 10 am to 12 pm**

Join: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/256212503365208?p=EbRlMjb0ZK9RTstDd0>

Meeting ID: 256 212 503 365 208

Passcode: 4Dk9Jj7p

Dial in by phone

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Phone conference ID: 445 152 058#

# Timeline and Submission Requirements

## Submission Requirements

The FY2026 RFP for YHDP including all Exhibits and Attachments must be submitted by **July 14, 2026, at 12:00 pm PT**, via Dropbox

## Technical Requirements

- One (1) electronic copy via Dropbox with completed Request for Proposals submittal – exhibits, attachments, and supporting documents – to be organized and separated per Document Presentation Requirements.
  - ❖ **Note: Do not submit all Exhibits and Attachments as one condensed file. Each Exhibit and Attachment should be labeled as a separate file.**
  - ❖ Dropbox Instructions:
    1. Create a Dropbox account.
    2. Click [here](#) to view instructions on how to use Dropbox or visit <https://learn.dropbox.com/self-guided-learning/dropbox-fundamentals-course/how-to-use-dropbox>
    3. Option 1: Share files via Dropbox link to the following email addresses:
      - [CareCoordination@ceo.oc.gov](mailto:CareCoordination@ceo.oc.gov)
      - [zulima.lundy@ceo.oc.gov](mailto:zulima.lundy@ceo.oc.gov)
      - [tully.mackay-tisbert@ceo.oc.gov](mailto:tully.mackay-tisbert@ceo.oc.gov)
    4. Option 2: Copy the Dropbox link to the files and paste it into an email to the above email addresses.

# Technical Assistance Contact Information and Resources

## Submission Requirements

### Document Presentation Requirements

- No late submissions will be accepted.
- All sections must be **numbered separately** in accordance with the Document Checklist.
- **Do not leave any blank responses** without an explanation (e.g., if the question is not applicable, indicate “N/A”).
- All documents with a signature block **must be signed** by the authorized representative(s).
- All required documents must be included and legible in the submission. Note, if e-snaps application has not been released by HUD prior to the RFP submission deadline, the application will not be marked incomplete.

# Technical Assistance Contact Information and Resources

## CoC Staff Support

- General Questions
  - ❖ For questions related to the RFP, please contact the Office of Care Coordination at [CareCoordination@ceo.oc.gov](mailto:CareCoordination@ceo.oc.gov) and Cc Zulima Lundy: [zulima.lundy@ceo.oc.gov](mailto:zulima.lundy@ceo.oc.gov) and Tully MacKay-Tisbert: [tully.mackay-tisbert@ceo.oc.gov](mailto:tully.mackay-tisbert@ceo.oc.gov)
  - ❖ Additional instructional guides for completing new project applications will be available on the [HUD CoC Program NOFO Competition website](#)
- Questions related to e-snaps access (e.g., password lockout, access to user's application account, updating Applicant Profile) must be submitted to [e-snaps@hud.gov](mailto:e-snaps@hud.gov)
- A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document will be made available on the FY 2026 YHDP RFP website in the coming days, updated as additional questions are shared.

# Questions?





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