



Yolo County Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)

Notice of Funding for Homeless Services *FY 2018 Continuum of Care Competition*

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the 2018 Continuum of Care (CoC) program on June 20, 2018. The full NOFA can be found on the [HUD Exchange website](#).

The CoC Program is designed to accomplish several goals, including:

- Promoting a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness;
- Providing funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, states and local government to quickly re-house homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness;
- Promoting access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and
- Optimizing self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

APPLICATION QUICK FACTS

Eligible agencies within the Davis/Woodland/ Yolo County Continuum of Care (CA-521) (also known as the Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)) are eligible to receive a estimated combined total of \$569,006, divided as follows:

- \$476,153 in renewal funding (*annual renewal demand*)
- \$28,569 in permanent housing bonus funding (*6% of annual renewal demand*)
- \$50,000 in domestic violence bonus funding
- \$14,284 in planning funding (*3% of annual renewal demand*)

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS:

CoCs may request renewals for existing projects, or may use reallocation, the permanent housing bonus, or the domestic violence bonus to request funding for new projects as described below. Eligible entities include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments and public housing authorities.

Renewal Projects

All projects funded by the CoC Program that are currently in operation and will expire in Calendar Year 2019 (January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019) are eligible to apply for renewal funding.

- **New in FY 2018:** Eligible renewal project applicants will have the ability to consolidate two or more eligible renewal projects (but no more than 4) into one project application during the application process.

New Projects

CoCs may request funding for new projects through (1) the process of reallocation or (2) bonus funding.



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- Through the **reallocation process**, which reallocates funds from a currently funded project to a new project, CoCs may create six types of new projects:
 - New permanent supportive housing projects where all beds will be dedicated for use by chronically homeless individuals and families.
 - New permanent supportive housing projects that meet the requirements of Dedicated PLUS as defined in Section III.A.3.d of the NOFA.
 - New rapid re-housing projects that will serve homeless individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth.
 - New Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Re-Housing projects as defined in Section III.A.3.h of the NOFA.
 - New Supportive Services Only (SSO) projects specifically for a centralized or coordinated assessment system.
 - New dedicated Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) projects carried out by the HMIS lead.
- Through the **permanent housing bonus**, the Yolo CoC may request up to \$29,473 for the following types of new projects:
 - New permanent supportive housing projects where all beds will be dedicated for use by chronically homeless individuals and families.
 - New permanent supportive housing projects that meet the requirements of Dedicated PLUS as defined in Section III.A.3.d of the NOFA.
 - New rapid re-housing projects that will serve homeless individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth.
 - New Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Re-Housing projects as defined in Section III.A.3.h of the NOFA.
- Through the **domestic violence bonus**, the Yolo CoC may request up to \$50,000 (split between up to three projects) for the following types of projects:
 - New rapid re-housing projects that must follow a housing first approach.
 - New Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Re-Housing projects as defined in Section II.C.3.m of the NOFA that must follow a housing first approach.
 - New Supportive Services Only projects for Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) to implement policies, procedures and practices that equip the CoC's coordinated entry to better meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.
 - **Please Note:**
 - The CoC may only submit no more than one domestic violence bonus application for each project type listed above.



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- The CoC may apply for domestic violence bonus funds to expand an existing project that is not dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence if the funds are used to dedicate additional units, beds persons served, or services provided to existing program participants of this population.
- HUD will allow CoC's to apply for a new "expansion project" using the reallocation process or bonus projects. This will allow applicants to expand an existing eligible renewal project to increase the number of units or serve additional persons.
- **New if FY 2018:** HUD will allow CoCs to create Transition Grant projects, intended to transition an eligible renewal project being eliminated through reallocation to a new project, with the transition from one project component to another occurring over a 1-year period. No more than 50% of funds may be used for costs of eligible activities of the program component being eliminated.

YOLO COC PROJECT RANKING

CoCs will be required to hold a local funding competition and use an objective ranking system to determine the project applications to be submitted to HUD in this funding round. Projects submitted cannot equal more than the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) of \$476,153, permanent housing bonus of \$28,569, and domestic violence bonus of \$50,000. Once the final projects have been selected, the CoC must rank the project applications in two tiers.

- Tier 1 will be equal to 94 percent of Yolo's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) of \$476,153.
- Tier 2 will be equal to the remaining balance of ARD, plus any amounts available for bonus projects.

HUD Selection

- HUD will conditionally select projects that are fully within Tier 1 that pass eligibility and threshold review, based on CoC score beginning with highest scoring CoC to the lowest scoring.
- HUD will select projects in Tier 2 in order of CoC score and project score until there are no more funds available.
- If a project application is straddling the Tier 1 and Tier 2 funding line, HUD will conditionally select the project up to the amount of funding that falls within Tier 1. If HUD does not fund the Tier 2 portion, HUD may award the project at the reduced amount, provided the project is still feasible with the reduced funding.
- For projects the CoC indicates it would like to be considered as part of domestic violence bonus, HUD will award a separate point value to each project application. CoCs are required to rank all domestic violence bonus projects among the other new CoC projects, but also to assign domestic violence projects a unique rank number. If a domestic violence bonus project is selected by HUD for receipt of domestic violence bonus funds, HUD will remove that project from the CoC's ranked list of new projects, and all other project applications ranked below the domestic violence bonus project will move up one ranked position. If the domestic violence



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bonus project is not selected for domestic violence funding, the project application will remain in its ranked position and will be considered as a permanent housing bonus project within the other CoC funding competition.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

- Eligible applicants must submit a project application in the [e-snaps system](#) no later than **11:59pm on August 5, 2018**.
- Applicants requesting funding for new projects should express their intent to apply to the Yolo County Homeless Coordinator at Tracey.Dickinson@yolocounty.org or (530) 666-8559 no later than **5:00pm on Friday, August 3, 2018**.
- Project applicants will be notified regarding the status of their application (including approval or denial, and ranking if approved) no later than **5:00pm on Friday, August 31, 2018**.



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APPENDIX A: APPLICATION TIMELINE

6.20.18	HUD released Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for 2018 CoC Competition
6.28.18	CoC Technical Subcommittee revises project ranking and selection process
7.13.18	CoC formally adopts project ranking and selection process and posts online
8.3.18	Notice of Intent Due to Homeless Coordinator for New Projects
8.5.18 @ 11:59pm	Project applications must be submitted to CoC in e-snaps
8.13.18-8.14.18	Homeless Coordinator conducts threshold review of project applications
8.15.18-8.24.18	Ranking of project applications
8.27.18-8.31.18	CoC formally adopts project ranking at HPAC Meeting
8.31.18 @ 5:00pm	Notification letters issued to applicants
9.5.18	CoC Coordinator sends comments and corrections to project applicants on apps
9.10.18	Project applicants return final corrected applications in e-snaps
9.14.18	CoC target for submitting collaborative application and project priority listing
9.18.18 @ 4:59pm	CoC application due to HUD



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APPENDIX B: HUD SCORING

Applications will be assessed on a 200-point scale.

CoC Coordination and Engagement	48 Points/ 24%
Inclusive Structure and Participation	4
Coordination with the Consolidated Plan, Emergency Solutions Grants and Other Organizations	2
Addressing the Needs of Victims of Domestic Violence	3
Addressing the Needs of LGBT Individuals	2
Public Housing Agencies	5
Discharge Planning	2
Housing First and Reducing Barriers	7
Street Outreach	3
Affirmative Outreach	1
Criminalization	2
Rapid Re-Housing	10
Mainstream Benefits	1
Coordinated Entry	3
Addressing Racial Disparities in Homelessness	3
Section 3 Requirements for CoCs	
Project Ranking, Review and Capacity	29 Points/ 15%
Objective Criteria and Past Performance	18
Reallocating Projects	4
Severity of Needs and Performance	4
Ranking and Selection Process	3
Homeless Management Information System	13 Points/ 9%
HMIS Governance	2
HMIS Policy and Procedures	2
Housing Inventory Count (HIC)	1
Bed Coverage	6
Annual Homeless Assessment Report	2
Point-in-Time Count	6 Points/ 5%
PIT Count and Data Submissions	3
Effectively Counting Youth	3
System Performance	56 Points/ 28%
Reducing the Number of Homeless Individuals and Families	10
Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless	3
Length of Time Homeless	14
Successful Permanent Housing Placement or Retention	11
Returns to Homelessness	8
Jobs and Income Growth	4
HMIS System Performance Measures	6
Performance and Strategic Planning	48 Points/ 24%
Ending Chronic Homelessness	12
Ending Homelessness Among Households with Children	12
Ending Youth Homelessness	12
Ending Veteran Homelessness	12