

Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

1. the CoC Application,
2. the CoC Priority Listing, and
3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

1. The FY 2023 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2023 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It
- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.

- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with—if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.

- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: SC-501 - Greenville, Anderson, Spartanburg/Upstate CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: United Housing Connections

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: United Housing Connections

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.1.a.(1), V.B.1.e., V.B.1f., and V.B.1.p.	
	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023:	
	1. select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC’s coordinated entry system; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC’s geographic area:	

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC’s Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	No
3.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	No
4.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
5.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	No	Yes
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	No	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	Yes	Yes	No
10.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	No	No
11.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
12.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	Yes
13.	Local Jail(s)	No	No	No
14.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes

16.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes	Yes	Yes
17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	No	No
18.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	Yes	Yes
19.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
20.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes
21.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	No
22.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
24.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
25.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	No	No	No
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	Yes	Yes	No
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	Yes	Yes	No
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.	Veteran Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
35.	Faith Based Organization	Yes	Yes	Yes

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(2)	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;
2.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and
3.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).

(limit 2,500 characters)

1B2-1: The Upstate CoC's service area is divided into four local Chapters. We hold monthly Advisory Council and Chapter meetings with an open invitation to anyone interested in or providing homeless or ancillary services. The CoC also hosts biannual training events to advance on important topics. These training events serve as an opportunity for new members to learn more about the CoC and the services we provide as a collective. Our Spring 2023 Training Event featured a session called "CoC 101", covering our structure and operations, our funding sources, and our HMIS and Coordinated Entry System (CES). Invitations to all CoC events are shared through member connections, community resource fairs, our website, multiple social media platforms, and print and electronic media.

1B2-2: To ensure effective communication for persons with disabilities, the CoC uses a variety of mediums to host our meetings and publish our news. Since 2020, CoC meetings have allowed persons to join virtually. On our website, members and the public can access CoC news and foundational documents, including HMIS and CES training materials, that are both written and recorded. When registering for a CoC event, participants can request accommodations for an equitable experience. Lastly, the CoC partners with disability service providers and an Equity Inclusion Officer to meet the needs of special populations, including persons with hearing or visual impairments or language barriers.

1B2-3: Over the past year, the CoC has amplified our efforts to invite culturally specific organizations to participate in our Continuum. At our Spring 2022 Training Event, the Co-Founder of 864pride presented on exemplifying LGBTQ+ cultural acceptance. And in April 2023, our Collaborative Applicant partnered with Pastors United for Action and the NAACP – Greenville Branch to host a public "Breakfast and Learn" to discuss barriers and experiences specific to homeless persons that identify as Black, African and/or African American. The training events have been a great platform for educating members, but we also need deeper involvement from culturally specific organizations in our day-to-day operations. To address this gap, the CoC established a DEI Committee in May 2023. The DEI Committee is in contract with a Certified Consultant to develop a Charter of Responsibilities. The committee will identify organizations that are missing from our CoC and solicit their input on how to better serve our community.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(3)		
Describe in the field below how your CoC:		
1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;	
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information;	
3.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and	
4.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1B3-1: Half of our Spring 2023 Training Event was structured as a listening session to gather input on CoC operations. Participants included government representatives, law enforcement, school administrators, homelessness service providers, first responders, persons experiencing homelessness and the interested public. The CoC Chair presented our 2023 Strategic Plan, modeled after the Federal "All In" Plan, and aggregate data from our Statewide State of Homelessness Report. We then invited participants to break into diversified small groups based on their Chapter. The small groups discussed major issues in their community and theorized ways to implement the Strategic Plan. Information collected from these groups was shared on our CoC website and at our following Advisory Council meeting.

1B3-2: At our listening sessions and public forums, the CoC communicates information by presenting our Strategic Plan, including our progress and our next steps. We also share aggregate data from the Statewide State of Homelessness Report and Chapter-specific reports. We structure all public meetings to share digestible goals and data, but also to leave time for direct feedback and solicitation of CoC membership.

1B3-3: All CoC meetings use a variety of mediums to ensure effective communication for persons with and without disabilities. All meetings include an option to join virtually. Minutes are shared with our membership and materials are uploaded to our CoC website as both documents and videos. We give meeting participants the opportunity to request accessibility accommodations, and we also partner with disability service providers to address special situations.

1B3-4: The feedback we collect at listening sessions and public forums is taken into consideration when identifying priorities as a Continuum. Any service gaps identified are considered when planning our annual Gaps Analysis report. If the service gap is verified by CoC data, then we include it in our report to explore the issue and suggest possible solutions. Additionally, the majority of the small groups at our Spring 2023 Training Event identified the same issues in their community. Inspired by these region-wide issues, the CoC is working with local housing developers, PHAs, and local governments to build low-barrier housing for the chronically homeless, single occupancy units, and shared housing. We are also working to find funding to augment substance abuse treatment and mental health services.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(4)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:	
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;	
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications—the process;	
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and	

4.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats.
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1B4-1: On 7/5/23, we announced on our CoC website that the NOFO was released and that a webpage was in development to share local CoC Program Competition information with applicants. On 7/16/23, an email was sent out to our full CoC membership, inviting new and renewing applicants to visit our webpage. By then, our page featured several resources for new applicants, including Threshold Requirements, our Rating tool for new projects, and e-snaps guides for new users. At our Advisory Council meeting on 7/25/23, the local timeline was discussed and attendees were reminded that if they wished to renew their application or apply as a new applicant for CoC funding, they must complete a Housing First Questionnaire and Letter of Intent to Apply. All Advisory Council meetings are open to the public, and this information was also included in the minutes.

1B4-2: Our 2023 NOFO webpage was finalized by 7/17/23, including a local competition timeline. The timeline listed dates and requirements for applicants to submit their project applications. It included deadlines for applicants to submit their Housing First Questionnaire and Letter of Intent to Apply; for the Grants Committee to review and approve applicants to submit a project application; for applicants to email an export of their project application to the Grants Committee for final review; for the Grants Committee to notify applicants of any suggested edits; and lastly, for applicants to submit their applications in e-snaps.

1B4-3: Our 2023 NOFO webpage included our Threshold Requirements, which details for new and renewing applicants the foundational requirements they have to meet to apply. The local timeline posted to our webpage explained that the Grants Committee would be asking for a Letter of Intent to Apply, and if approved, an applicant could submit a project application in e-snaps. It also explains that all applications submitted in e-snaps would be reviewed by the Grants Committee and the Rating and Ranking Committee, and applicants would be notified by email if their application was approved and would be submitted to HUD. These details were also discussed at the July and August Advisory Council meeting.

1B4-4: All announcements about the 2023 NOFO application process were shared online, via email, and in-person at Advisory Council meetings. Any new or renewing applicants that requested accommodations specific to the application process were addressed individually and assisted as needed.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	
	In the chart below:	
	1. select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.	

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Yes
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	Yes
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Yes
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	No
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	No
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	

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1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG Program funds;
2.	participated in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients;
3.	provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area; and
4.	provided information to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions to address homelessness within your CoC's geographic area so it could be addressed in the Consolidated Plan update.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C2-1: The CoC works with the ESG Program at the SC Department of Administration (DOA) to coordinate and maximize the outcomes of ESG funds to help persons experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. One outcome of this collaboration is the annual “ESG Workshop”. This year, it was a component of our Spring 2023 Training Event. At this Workshop, DOA and CoC staff presented on the ESG component types, the process to apply and manage ESG funding, and the coordination of services to minimize service duplication. During these meetings, we ask for feedback on programming gaps and offer technical assistance to any applicant who wishes to apply for ESG funding. All presentation materials from these workshops are posted on our CoC website and shared with our membership.

1C2-2: The CoC’s HMIS Lead is directly involved in the evaluation and reporting for ESG program recipients and subrecipients from both State and Local sources. The HMIS System Administrator provides training and technical assistance to ESG recipients to ensure a high degree of data quality. Collecting accurate and complete data allows the CoC to run reports on ESG outcomes and for the recipient to submit an ameliorated CAPER. Data collected in HMIS from ESG programs is included in multiple CoC reports, including our annual Statewide State of Homeless Report and Chapter-level reports. When the CoC is asked to provide an endorsement letter for new or renewing ESG applicants, they are evaluated based on their adherence to HMIS data quality standards and their attendance at CoC Advisory Council meetings and training events.

1C2-3: The CoC participates in Consolidated Planning in each jurisdiction where an ESG Program operates. A primary way the CoC helps with ESG planning and allocation is by providing data from the Point in Time (PIT) Count, the Housing Inventory Count (HIC), and aggregate data from HMIS on clients served in our CoC. Further, the State-level ESG funding source, the South Carolina Department of Administration, requests routine, specific reports from the HMIS System Administrator to demonstrate the outcomes of ESG funded programs within the Upstate CoC and across the state.

1C2-4: The CoC works with jurisdictions across our region, attending consolidated planning meeting and providing anecdotal input and HMIS data. The CoC also provides jurisdictions with current details about our programs when requesting Form 2991 as part of the Certification of Consistency.

1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.c.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity:

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	No
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	No
3.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients.	Yes
4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance.	Yes
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers.	No

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	Yes
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C4a: Members of our CoC have formal partnerships with State Education Agencies (SEAs), Local Education Agencies (LEAs) and school districts. Our CoC as a whole is intentional about collaboration to end child homelessness in our region. Local McKinney-Vento education liaisons are actively involved in the CoC's efforts. LEA and SEA representatives participate in monthly Chapter meetings and attend CoC Advisory Council meetings to keep service providers informed of the needs of children experiencing homelessness. Our District 7 McKinney Vento Liaison even serves as our Cherokee, Union, and Spartanburg County Chapter president. SEA and LEA representatives also partner with CoC members to refer families for assessment in our Coordinated Entry System as they are identified as at-risk or experiencing literal homelessness. Additionally, each family with school-aged children that is assessed by one of our Coordinated Entry System Access Points is referred to the local McKinney Vento education liaison to learn about the services available to them. SEAs and LEAs have also been integral in ensuring that families in CoC shelters or transitional housing have transportation to and from school, have adequate school supplies, and are able, when possible, to remain in the same school for the duration of the school year. SEAs and LEAs have also referred many families with children in the 2022-23 school year to the CoC's ESG and Emergency Rental Assistance programs to assist at-risk families in remaining stably housed and for children to remain in their school of origin.

1C-4b.	Informing Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC uses to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C4b : All four CoC chapters have representatives that inform the McKinney-Vento Liaison in writing of every participant with children in school of their eligibility for McKinney-Vento funds and services. These formal letters are distributed locally and then sent to the State Title I Part D and McKinney-Vento State Coordinator for the SC Dept of Education, at the state level. Shelters and other service providers within the CoC have policies, procedures and appropriate staff dedicated to helping families gain access to educational services. All state McKinney-Vento liaisons attend CoC Chapter Meetings and Advisory Council Meetings on a regular basis. They often provide trainings and serve on speaker panels at our CoC annual events to share information regarding educational opportunities and support services for children and families in our region who are experiencing homelessness.

1C-4c.	Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

		MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years	No	No
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	No	No
3.	Early Childhood Providers	No	No
4.	Early Head Start	No	Yes
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	No	No
6.	Head Start	No	Yes
7.	Healthy Start	No	No
8.	Public Pre-K	No	No
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.	DSS Childcare vouchers for children experiencing homelessness.	No	Yes

1C-5.	Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors–Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

In the chart below select yes or no for the organizations your CoC collaborates with:

	Organizations	
1.	state domestic violence coalitions	Yes
2.	state sexual assault coalitions	Yes
3.	other organizations that help this population	Yes

1C-5a.	Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers to Address Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations indicated in Question 1C-5 to:

1.	update CoC-wide policies; and
2.	ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C5a-1: The CoC reviews and updates its Written Standards, Coordinated Entry System Policies and Procedures, and HMIS Policies and Procedures on an annual basis. This process includes a strong collaboration with State and Local domestic violence/sexual assault victim service providers to ensure all CoC policies are up to date with current standards. A Director from a local victim service provider serves as our CoC Executive Committee At-Large Member and Monitoring Committee Chair and is especially involved in updating CoC-wide policies.

1C5a-2: The CoC has strong and consistent relationships with State and Local victim service providers (VSPs). Due to the high rate of domestic violence instances in South Carolina, our VSPs have stepped up as a readily available resource for all members of the CoC. VSPs make survivor-centered and trauma-informed trainings available to all CoC membership, including case management and Coordinated Entry System staff, on at least an annual basis. At our Spring 2022 Training Event, more than 100 attendees gathered to learn about trauma-informed care and best practices for supporting survivors of domestic violence or sexual assault. This training was open to the public and service providers across all disciplines- not just housing- who may intersect with survivors. Information about other training opportunities, such as webinars developed by HUD and national DV-specific advocacy groups, are regularly distributed to our membership to encourage ongoing development of skills related to client safety. Further, all Coordinated Entry System staff are required to attend CoC trainings and HUD-sponsored trainings for trauma-informed care and safety protocols. All VSP staff attend a mandatory core training and must complete annual training to satisfy their Victim Service Provider Credits. Training materials are also posted to the CoC website and shared at monthly Chapter meetings.

1C-5b.	Coordinated Annual Training on Best Practices to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinates to provide training for:	
	1. project staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma-informed, victim-centered) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually); and	
	2. Coordinated Entry staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma informed care) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually).	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C5b-1 and 2: As mentioned above, our State and Local VSPs make survivor-centered and trauma-informed trainings available to all CoC membership, including case management and Coordinated Entry System staff, on at least an annual basis. They frequently present safety and planning protocols to CoC membership and the public at our biannual training events. Information from our local trainings and HUD-sponsored trainings are distributed to our membership to encourage ongoing development of skills related to client safety. Training materials are also posted to the CoC website and shared at monthly Chapter meetings.

1C-5c.	Implemented Safety Planning, Confidentiality Protocols in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
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NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry includes:

1.	safety planning protocols; and	
2.	confidentiality protocols.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C5c-1: Our CoC's Coordinated Entry System (CES) Policies and Procedures includes specific details on safety planning protocols. CES Access Points are instructed that when an individual or family that is actively fleeing domestic violence presents at a non-VSP organization, they must make every effort to connect them with a VSP. Our CoC understands that VSP organizations are best equipped to help survivors determine their level of imminent danger and file for an order of protection if necessary. For all Access Points, services provided can include assessment for CES, but also shelter, advocacy, safety planning and peer counseling. If when a CES assessment is being conducted, an individual or family is determined to be at imminent risk of harm due to domestic violence, the Access Point should call the local domestic violence hotline or SC 211 to coordinate immediate transportation and security needs. All Access Points must also maintain after-hours answering services that provide information on emergency resources for survivors.

1C5c-2: Our CoC's Coordinated Entry System (CES) Policies and Procedures includes specific details on confidentiality protocols for survivors. For all participants in CES, no personal identifying information or history of service may be shared with any individual or organization that has not signed our HMIS Privacy Statement, which includes guidance from our Statewide HMIS Policies and Procedures about protecting sensitive information. Further, our CES Policies and Procedures adds that any communications about survivors in particular should refer to the individual or head of household by utilizing their HMIS Client ID to protect all possible identifying information. All CoC documents are strict and clear about the termination of any CES of HMIS users that violate these confidentiality protocols.

1C-5d.	Used De-identified Aggregate Data to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
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NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

Describe in the field below:

1.	the de-identified aggregate data source(s) your CoC used for data on survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and	
2.	how your CoC uses the de-identified aggregate data described in element 1 of this question to evaluate how to best meet the specialized needs related to domestic violence and homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C5d-1: The CoC utilizes a comparable database to track all services provided to survivors of domestic violence or sexual assault. This comparable database (Wellsky Community Services) is administered separately from the HMIS implementation used by all other homeless service providers in the CoC. Within the comparable database, visibility of client records is locked so that only the victim service provider directly serving the client can access their information. This additional level of security ensures that survivors are never exposed to unnecessary risk when disclosing identifying information.

1C5d-2: The CoC’s Coordinated Entry System includes a separate, specific process for placing survivors into CoC or ESG funded permanent housing programs. On the comparable database, victim service providers can complete a CES assessment with their qualifying clients. Then, the Coordinated Entry Systems Manager can produce a de-identified prioritization list with only survivors who were entered into CES on the comparable database. This prioritization list is used to determine the most vulnerable clients and refer clients to permanent housing programs when available. The list also provides current insight on the housing needs of survivors, both in terms of total numbers and the need for specific locations and types of housing (permanent supportive housing or rapid/transitional housing).

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1C-5e.	Implemented Emergency Transfer Plan Policies and Procedures for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC communicates to all individuals and families seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance:	
	1. whether your CoC has policies and procedures that include an emergency transfer plan;	
	2. the process for individuals and families to request an emergency transfer; and	
	3. the process your CoC uses to respond to individuals’ and families’ emergency transfer requests.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C5e-1, 2, and 3: In accordance with the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), the CoC Written Standards cover emergency transfer plans for survivors. All housing providers within the CoC allow survivors emergency transfer assistance between housing units when there is imminent risk of harm. This allows for identification, documentation, and confidentiality protections during transfer to ensure tenant safety and security. Key elements of the CoC plan include: (a) Tenant initiates emergency transfer request through the case manager or housing provider who placed the tenant into housing; (b) Receiving agency will conduct a brief assessment to determine urgency of transfer and the type of transfer required; (c) A statement of confidentiality from the sender and recipient; (d) Immediate transfer (within 48 hours) upon availability of safe unit; (e) Trauma informed response; (f) Client choice-based placement; and (g) Assisting tenants in accessing support services through a network of providers.

1C-5f.	Access to Housing for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	

1.	ensures that survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all of the housing and services available within the CoC’s geographic area; and
2.	proactively identifies systemic barriers within your homeless response system that create barriers to safely house and provide services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C5f-1: All persons experiencing literal homelessness – including people experiencing chronic homelessness, veterans, families with children, youth, and survivors of domestic violence or sexual assault – have fair and equal access to our Coordinated Entry System (CES), regardless of the location or method by which they first present to the system. Any organization or individuals that volunteers to act as an Access Point for our CES must go through training with our CES Manager to understand best practices of equal access and adhere to our “no wrong door” policy. Additionally, our Coordinated Entry Specialists have created a housing determination process that includes evaluation of client vulnerability scoring, client preference, as well as victim service provider consultations to determine secure, optimized housing solutions for all clients.

1C5f-2: The CoC’s Coordinated Entry System (CES) utilizes a Housing First approach to reduce barriers for all participants, including survivors of domestic violence or sexual assault, to access permanent housing and supportive services. Per our CES Policies and Procedures, our Coordinated Entry Specialists will aim to connect individuals and families to permanent housing quickly and successfully without any preconditions or barriers to entry, such as sobriety, treatment, or service participation requirements. To identify systematic barriers for survivors in our CES, victim service providers use their secured comparable database to regularly run System Performance Measures and custom reports on their projects. These reports can break down the history of homelessness of CES clients, aggregate demographics of clients utilizing their shelters, and the income and disabling condition status of clients entering their permanent housing programs.

1C-5g.	Ensuring Survivors With a Range of Lived Expertise Participate in Developing CoC-Wide Policy and Programs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

1.	ensured survivors with a range of lived expertise are involved in the development of your CoC-wide policy and programs; and
2.	accounted for the unique and complex needs of survivors.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C5g-1: All CoC meetings, including our Advisory Council and Chapter meetings, are open to our full membership and the public to attract a variety of ideas. Additionally, to ensure that different persons are involved in the program development and policy-making of our CoC, we rotate our Advisory Council voting members. These members are elected or re-elected at the Chapter level on an annual basis. We encourage our Chapter Leads to nominate providers or persons with lived experience that can represent special populations. In recent years, our CoC has had a survivor with lived experience serve as one of our Advisory Council voting members. We also have several representatives from victim service provider organizations as voting members.

1C5g-2: The victim service providers (VSPs) in our CoC offer a spectrum of trauma-informed services to survivors and their children, including emergency shelter, transitional housing, rapid rehousing, counseling, case management, safety planning, and connection to relevant community resources. Safe Harbor, one of our exemplary multi-county VSPs, runs a rapid rehousing program that is flexible to meet the complex needs of survivors. Their case manager takes into account each participant's unique experience, level of danger, identity, culture, and specific obstacles in order to build a case plan. Safe Harbor also equips all participants with knowledge of their housing rights and develops relationships with landlords and property managers to raise awareness about the unique obstacles that survivors often face, including the inability to meet traditional tenant eligibility requirements (credit, income, housing history, etc.) due to control and financial coercion in abusive relationships. Additionally, Safe Harbor staff members routinely participate in CoC activities to help keep members and the wider community informed about the unique needs and barriers of survivors, how to offer support, and how the community can become part of the solution.

1C-6.	Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+--Anti-Discrimination Policy and Training.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

1.	Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	No
3.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	No

1C-6a.	Anti-Discrimination Policy--Updating Policies--Assisting Providers--Evaluating Compliance--Addressing Noncompliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ and other organizations to update its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary to ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families;
2.	how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy;
3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and

4. your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C6a-1: The CoC's non-discrimination policy in our Written Standards was most recently updated in 2022 and reviewed in 2023. All CoC foundational documents, including our Written Standards, are reviewed on an annual basis by our Advisory Council. Our Advisory Council is made up of persons with diverse identities, including representatives from LGBTQ+ organizations. In March 2023, the Advisory Council reviewed our Written Standards, including our non-discrimination policy, and updated as necessary.

1C6a-2: Per our CoC Written Standards, all providers must have non-discrimination policies in place and reach out to people least likely to engage in the homeless system. They must also develop project-level non-discrimination policies that include the Fair Housing Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity Final Rule. At our Spring 2022 Training Event, the Co-Founder of 864pride presented on exemplifying LGBTQ+ cultural acceptance and humility. CoC Leadership took this opportunity to refresh all attendees on our non-discrimination policies and the requirement of project-level policies.

1C6a-3: Our CoC has a Monitoring Committee that is tasked with performing risk assessments and annual monitoring to ensure all CoC programs are in compliance with our Written Standards. The Upstate CoC Monitoring Policies and Procedures document, which is posted to our website, includes that agencies will be asked to present anti-discrimination policies for their projects.

1C6a-4: If the Monitoring Committee finds an agency to be non-compliant with the CoC's policies- including anti-discrimination- they are given 15 days to establish a corrective plan or risk losing their program funding.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area--New Admissions--General/Limited Preference--Moving On Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the current CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with--if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2022 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
The Greenville Housing Authority	8%	Yes-Both	No
Spartanburg Housing	4%	Yes-Both	No

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or	
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1C7a-1 and 2: Two of the largest housing authorities in our continuum, Greenville Housing Authority (TGHA) and Spartanburg Housing Authority, have adopted a homeless admission preference. Our CoC works closely with both of these PHAs to ensure the homeless preference remains intact to help house the most vulnerable. Our CoC's Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections (UHC), entered an open-ended MOU for 60 Housing Preference Vouchers with the Greenville Housing Authority and has held that agreement since 2015. Over that period, UHC and TGHA have housed more than 165 households at 30-50% AMI. Currently, there is no standing MOU with the Spartanburg Housing Authority, however, the PHA staff has a system to alert UHC when there are vouchers available and maintains a preference for households that are active in our Coordinated Entry System.

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:	

1.	Multifamily assisted housing owners	Yes
2.	PHA	Yes
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	Yes
4.	Local low-income housing programs	Yes
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
5.		

1C-7c.	Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
	In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process:	

1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	Yes
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	No
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	Yes
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	No
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No
7.	Public Housing	No
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	

1C-7d.	Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

1.	Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)?	No
		Program Funding Source
2.	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	

1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV).	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

	Did your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	Yes
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1C-7e.1.	List of PHAs with Active MOUs to Administer the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Does your CoC have an active Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any PHA to administer the EHV Program?	Yes
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If you select yes to question 1C-7e.1., you must use the list feature below to enter the name of every PHA your CoC has an active MOU with to administer the Emergency Housing Voucher Program.

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The Greenville Ho...

1C-7e.1. List of PHAs with MOUs

Name of PHA: The Greenville Housing Authority

1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Discharge Planning Coordination.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.h.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the systems of care listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.

1. Foster Care	Yes
2. Health Care	Yes
3. Mental Health Care	Yes
4. Correctional Facilities	No

1D-2.	Housing First—Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2023 CoC Program Competition.	17
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2023 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	17
3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

You must upload the Housing First Evaluation attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC evaluates every project—where the applicant checks Housing First on their project application—to determine if they are using a Housing First approach;
2.	the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation; and
3.	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D2a-1: As outlined in our local competition timeline, each applicant must complete a Housing First Questionnaire (HFQ) for their new or renewing project(s) before they are approved to submit an application in the CoC Program Competition. Our HFQ has been turned into an electronic survey that all applicants complete with the Letter of Intent to Apply. The HFQ is comprehensive and is intended to ensure that all applicants understand and implement the requirements of Housing First.

1D2a-2: Our complete Housing First Questionnaire is attached to this application. Performance indicators include the prohibition of requiring clients to have income at entry, the prohibition of requiring clients to adhere to standards not found in mainstream leases, the mandate to serve all persons regardless of identity, and the mandate to provide clients with choice in accessing supportive and community services.

1D2a-3: All CoC-funded projects in our Continuum are monitored annually, beginning in April of each year per our Monitoring Policies and Procedures in our CoC Written Standards. The first portion of monitoring is a risk assessment, where all projects are evaluated first by their adherence to HMIS standards, and second by their participation and performance as a member of the CoC. If there are any findings on the risk assessment, then the agency will undergo a deeper on-site monitoring that includes the evaluation of adherence to Housing First requirements.

1D-3.	Street Outreach—Scope.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.j.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	your CoC's street outreach efforts, including the methods it uses to ensure all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness are identified and engaged;
2.	whether your CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC's geographic area;
3.	how often your CoC conducts street outreach; and
4.	how your CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D3-1: The CoC has an extensive street outreach (SO) network, covering the most densely populated areas in our Continuum. As a CoC, we promote the Peer Support model, relying on the expertise of certified Peers with lived experience. Our SO programs partner with crisis response teams and mental health services to address specific needs of those experiencing homelessness and living with a mental illness or substance abuse disorder. Our teams also partner with law enforcement, local hospitals, and judicial systems to curb the criminalization of homelessness through interventions like Homeless Court. Our staff works with court clerks and judges to direct those experiencing homelessness to housing and programming before sentencing takes place to avoid incarceration if possible. Our SO programs utilize HMIS to track interactions with clients and coordinate services with other agencies.

1D3-2: Referencing our 2023 Point in Time Count, we estimate that our CoC's SO programs are directly accessible to around 87% of the persons experiencing homelessness in our Continuum. As a 13-county CoC, we are still pushing to develop housing and supportive programs in our more rural areas. Every year, the SO programs in our two most populated counties continue to cultivate partnerships with smaller neighboring communities. We hope to utilize our more developed programs to support and model for new SO programs in rural areas.

1D3-3: The majority of our SO programs have dedicated staff that provide services, Monday through Friday. However, in Greenville- our most populated community- we have grown our SO team to be able to serve on weekends as well. The City of Greenville financed this expansion and allows us to better serve persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness.

1D3-4: Street outreach programs across our Continuum visit encampments and other public spaces, extending assistance to individuals who are least likely to utilize emergency services. We find that the majority of our unsheltered homeless population are chronically homeless and avoid shelters because of the inability to adhere to admission policies. Our Peer Support Specialists understand the heightened challenges this population faces and are committed to daily interactions when possible to meet clients where they are and develop a supportive relationship. Our CoC believes in a person-centric approach, where our specialists work alongside clients to achieve stability and progress toward goals.

1D-4.	Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.k.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate strategies your CoC implemented to ensure homelessness is not criminalized and to reverse existing criminalization policies in your CoC's geographic area:

	Your CoC's Strategies	Ensure Homelessness is not Criminalized	Reverse Existing Criminalization Policies
1.	Engaged/educated local policymakers	Yes	Yes
2.	Engaged/educated law enforcement	Yes	Yes
3.	Engaged/educated local business leaders	Yes	Yes

4. Implemented community wide plans	Yes	Yes
5. Other:(limit 500 characters)		

1D-5.	Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) or Longitudinal Data from HMIS.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.I.	

		HIC Longitudinal HMIS Data	2022	2023
	Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC or the number of households served per longitudinal HMIS data, e.g., APR.	HIC	139	149

1D-6.	Mainstream Benefits–CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

	Mainstream Benefits	CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	SSDI–Social Security Disability Insurance	Yes
4.	TANF–Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
5.	Substance Use Disorder Programs	Yes
6.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
7.	Other (limit 150 characters)	

1D-6a.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

1.	systemically provides up-to-date information on mainstream resources available for program participants (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, SSDI, TANF, substance abuse programs) within your CoC's geographic area;
2.	works with project staff to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including substance abuse treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services; and
3.	works with projects to promote SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D6a-1: Multiple agencies in the CoC employ full-time SOAR specialists to assist program participants with applying for and receiving SSI and SSDI benefits. Our Collaborative Applicant has a SOAR specialist that attends Advisory Council meetings and reminds all attendees how they can connect their clients to benefits. Other SOAR specialists also attend Chapter meetings to share information. News and information about connecting clients to other mainstream resources is shared at our Advisory Council and Chapter meetings, through emails and newsletters, and on the CoC website.

1D6a-2: Street outreach programs and permanent housing programs in our CoC have many different referral systems in place with mental and physical health services and substance abuse treatment services. For example, a substance abuse treatment facility in Spartanburg County regularly attends our Advisory Council meetings to share program information and receives referrals from housing programs in the area. In Greenville County, a representative from the local hospital's Emergency Department refers homeless clients to our Coordinated Entry System (CES) Access Points and attends our weekly CES meetings to case conference. Outside of these two examples, CoC agencies have referral systems with healthcare clinics, mental health counselors, dental providers, HIV/AIDS resources, opioid treatment specialists, residential substance abuse treatment facilities, behavioral health centers, and more.

1D6a-3 : The CoC encourages all member agencies, especially those with street outreach programs, to promote SOAR certification of program staff. CoC leadership shares information about SOAR certification at our local meetings and at South Carolina Interagency Council on Homelessness meetings, where all four CoCs in the state collaborate. Additionally, our Collaborative Applicant employs a full-time SOAR specialist, modeling the importance of SOAR certification for all CoC member agencies.

1D-7.	Increasing Capacity for Non-Congregate Sheltering.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC is increasing its capacity to provide non-congregate sheltering.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D7: In recent years, our CoC has identified a significant portion of our homeless population that avoids typical emergency shelter settings due to their inability to follow admission policies or inability to adjust to a communal environment, particularly among single men. Because of this, the CoC has promoted the development of non-congregate shelter and identified this resource as one of the top four priorities in our 2023 Strategic Plan. Our Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections, obtained funding through the SC Housing Development and Finance Authority to build 36 non-congregate units for persons experiencing chronic homelessness and living with a disability. In the GAMES Chapter of our CoC, Pathway House has established a “tiny home” village with 24-30 units of non-congregate shelter for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. In the CUS Chapter, The Bridge at Green Street is developing 12-18 "tiny homes" to house single homeless females. The CoC is also working with the City of Greenville to develop a pilot program that would provide 24 hour/7days a week low-barrier day and night shelter in both non-congregate and congregate settings to meet the needs of those who cannot adhere to typical shelter admission policies. When HOME-ARP funds became available in our region, the CoC worked with participating jurisdictions to circulate surveys about the utilization of funds, which allowed us to continue to promote the need for non-congregate shelter.

ID-8.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies–Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to:	
1.	develop CoC-wide policies and procedures to respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and	
2.	prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D8-1: During and following the COVID-19 pandemic, the CoC substantially strengthened its relationships with healthcare systems, DHEC, Emergency Management, city/state/county governments, first responders, the United Way and the general public in order to respond to infectious disease outbreaks more effectively. Our COVID Response Team consisted of representatives from all of these sectors. We also developed a sustainable communications plan with policies and procedures on responding to infectious disease crises. Our plan includes the utilization of the 211 referral system to reduce the length of time between the request for assistance and receiving assistance for those in crisis. We also created an extensive healthcare resources list, updating it as often as needed to ensure contact information is current.

1D8-2: On the local level, a network of services for outreach has been established with procedures to ensure that outbreak education, PPE and available resources for any treatment, quarantine, or alternate shelter can be quickly assembled. On the state level, the CoC provided data for and publicized the South Carolina Homeless Vaccination Plan, which was produced by DHEC in 2021. Our statewide plan outlines the roles and responsibilities of homeless services providers to assist in infectious disease prevention, including coordinating vaccination clinics and conducting outreach to educate persons experiencing homelessness.

ID-8a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	shared information related to public health measures and homelessness, and	
2.	facilitated communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D8a-1: In response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, our CoC participated in bi-weekly COVID-19 Response Planning meetings, beginning in March 2020. In addition, statewide CoC conference calls were held on a monthly basis to ensure all CoCs in the state were informed of efforts to prepare, prevent, and respond to COVID-19. DHEC provided online trainings on the importance of vaccination, how the vaccine would be distributed, and where testing kits could be located. PPE protocol information was also provided and shared regularly with our membership and clients through emails, videos, public service announcements, and flyers posted in congregate locations regarding COVID-19 protocols and precautions.

1D8a-2: The CoC assisted street outreach teams in preventing and limiting infectious disease outbreaks by working with local partners to implement an established protocol, including government officials, hospital systems, and DHEC representatives. A part of this protocol was setting up and informing the homeless population about hand-washing stations, vaccine clinics, and PPE to prevent the spread of disease. The CoC helped emergency shelters by developing a quarantine protocol, including processes for developing quarantine space to isolate persons exposed to or testing positive for contagious disease. Because many shelters did not have the space to create a quarantine area, the CoC partnered with Greenville County and the SC Department of Administration to utilize ESG funds to establish and manage the only dedicated quarantine shelter in the state. The CoC served more than 205 COVID-19 patients at the shelter in partnership with PRISMA Health, DHEC, the Phoenix Center, Miracle Hill Shelter and many others.

1D-9.	Centralized or Coordinated Entry System—Assessment Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	covers 100 percent of your CoC's geographic area;	
2.	uses a standardized assessment process; and	
3.	is updated regularly using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D9-1: Our Coordinated Entry System (CES) is accessible to all persons experiencing homelessness in our 13-county region. We have developed a strong network of Access Points, several of which are non-CoC-funded volunteers, that are trained to complete entry assessments to enroll clients into our CES. We have at least one Access Point available in-person or by phone in each county, and a list of Access Points is posted to our CoC website.

1D9-2: Our Coordinated Entry System is a systematic method to prioritize the most vulnerable persons for housing assistance programs. To determine the most vulnerable, all CES Access Points utilize a standardized assessment tool that provides an objective way to measure a client or household’s level of vulnerability. The tool we utilize is reviewed on an annual basis. In our CES Policies and Procedures, we have also provided Access Points with conversation outlines to use in the assessment process to create an equitable experience no matter which Access Point is reached.

1D9-3: Our CoC holds a weekly meeting with all case managers who receive clients from our CES. At this meeting, attendees case conference the active households on our CES Prioritization List and determine referrals to available housing assistance programs. We also designate time at the end of every weekly meeting to solicit feedback from case managers on how we can improve our CES process. Case managers share their own opinions, but they also represent the opinions of their current clients that came to them through CES. Within the past year, we received a lot of feedback about the need for an additional question on our entry assessment that would determine where a client might be willing to relocate to for a housing assistance program, and if they have transportation to be able to relocate. These two questions were added to our entry assessment as an update to our process.

1D-9a.	Program Participant-Centered Approach to Centralized or Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;	
2.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance;	
3.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their preferences; and	
4.	takes steps to reduce burdens on people using coordinated entry.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D9a-1: Our CoC’s network of Access Points ensures that CES entry is accessible to all persons experiencing homelessness in our CoC, no matter their physical location or which Access Point they reach. Additionally, our CoC has specialized efforts to reach rural communities to encourage unsheltered homeless individuals to complete a CES entry assessment. These efforts are spearheaded by partners who regularly serve populations that are less likely to seek assistance, including veteran service providers, youth and parenting youth providers, and substance abuse treatment facilities.

1D9a-2: The standardized assessment tool we use in our CES objectively determines which individuals or households are the most vulnerable. We supplement objective ratings with case conferencing, breaking any “ties” between clients’ numerical scores by discussing additional notes, including their length of time homeless, disabling conditions, and unsheltered status. In 2022, we added conversation guides to our CES Policies and Procedures for Access Points, ensuring that all persons who are entering our CES have exhausted other avenues and are among the most vulnerable.

1D9a-3: As mentioned, our CoC holds a weekly meeting with all case managers who receive clients from our CES. Per our Policies and Procedures, case managers have one week to reach out to their referrals and determine their interest. Case managers must provide updates on their referrals at the following meeting, and if a referral is unsuccessful, the client is returned to our CES Prioritization List with updates on their preferences. Additionally, we have providers at our weekly meetings that can help replace a client’s vital documentation, such as IDs and birth certificates. If a client is noted as not having their vital documentation at any point in our CES process, they are referred to these programs to replace their documents and be better prepared for a swift placement into housing.

1D9a-4: Our CoC has streamlined our CES process to be as simple as possible for clients. To enroll in our CES, clients can call or arrive in person at any Access Point. If an Intake Specialist is not available, they will be scheduled for their entry assessment. The initial pre-screening and assessment are done in a single interview, reducing the need to contact clients for additional information. Once entered, no client is taken out of our CES unless they have been moved into housing or have permanently left our Continuum.

1D-9b.	Informing Program Participant about Rights and Remedies through Centralized or Coordinated Entry—Reporting Violations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC through its centralized or coordinated entry:	
1.	affirmatively markets housing and services provided within the CoC’s geographic area and ensures it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness;
2.	informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and
3.	reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants to the jurisdiction(s) responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D9b-1: All organizations that participate in our CoC’s Coordinated Entry System (CES) as an Access Point are asked to include CES entry assessments in their listing of services online and in media. Our Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections, has a full time Intake Specialist for CES who attends multiple community events throughout the year to spread information and complete on-site assessments. She attends homeless court on a monthly basis and sets up physical space at resource fairs to complete assessments with persons that may not be able to reach our system due to the lack of a phone or transportation. Additionally, the CoC has a digestible list of Access Points available on our website.

1D9b-2: Our CES Access Points are required by our CES Policies and Procedures to have a copy of our Participant Rights and Responsibilities Notice easily visible at their location of assessment. If an assessment is being conducted by a street outreach worker outside of the office, the assessor is responsible for informing the client of their rights. Participant rights include being treated with dignity and respect at all points in the CES process, receiving services free of discrimination, being informed about the housing assistance options available to you, and having your personal information treated confidentially. The second page of our Notice details the process for filing a grievance about our CES process should a client feel their rights were violated. Clients are asked to submit a written grievance to our CES Manager within 30 days of the rights violation. Additionally, a member agency in Greenville County, the Greenville County Human Resources Commission, holds an annual statewide training on compliance with fair housing laws. They provide all attendees- including CoC members, landlords, property managers, and the general public- with a better understanding of fair housing and share any new updates or future challenges.

1D9b-3: Any organization or individual that serves as an Access Point or receives clients through CES is responsible for adhering to the best practices in our CES Policies and Procedures, to Housing First principles, and to their respective jurisdiction’s consolidated plan. Any action that impedes these standards or fair housing choice for current or prospective clients is reported immediately by our CES Manager to the jurisdiction responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.

1D-10.	Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness—Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	No
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	09/30/2019

1D-10a.	Process for Analyzing Racial Disparities—Identified Racial Disparities in Provision or Outcomes of Homeless Assistance. NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
Describe in the field below:		
1.	your CoC’s process for analyzing whether any racial disparities are present in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and	
2.	what racial disparities your CoC identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D10a-1: In our 2019 Racial Disparities Study, the CoC compared demographic data from the Census (American Community Survey) of our 13-county region to the data our providers collected in HMIS. Aggregate data was included from our 2019 AHAR, 2019 Point in Time Count, and Coordinated Entry System. Data was analyzed to identify any trends that would indicate overrepresentation of minority racial groups in our homeless data set when compared to the Census data. Our report also utilized data from our System Performance Measures to determine if there was a distinct difference in the length of time homeless and return rate to homelessness between persons that identified as White and persons that identified as Black, African, or African American—our two largest racial groups.

1D10a-2: In our 2019 Study, our CoC identified that minority racial groups are largely overrepresented in our homeless data set when compared to the regional Census. Culminating our AHAR, Point in Time Count, and Coordinated Entry System data, persons who identified as Black, African or African American made up over 50% of our homeless population, compared to 19% of the overall population from the Census. We also identified that persons who identified as Black, African or African American had longer median and average lengths of stay in sheltered homeless settings compared to persons who identified as White. Since 2019, the CoC has passionately spread this information and has established racial equity as a priority in all reports and publications. Our Collaborative Applicant is working to schedule another racial disparity analysis within the next few months to determine our progress over the past 4 years.

1D-10b.	Implemented Strategies that Address Racial Disparities. NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
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Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to address any racial disparities.

1.	The CoC’s board and decisionmaking bodies are representative of the population served in the CoC.	Yes
2.	The CoC has identified steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC.	Yes
3.	The CoC is expanding outreach in geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups.	Yes
4.	The CoC has communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups.	Yes

5.	The CoC is training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness.	Yes
6.	The CoC is establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector.	Yes
7.	The CoC has staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness.	Yes
8.	The CoC is educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity.	Yes
9.	The CoC reviewed coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
10.	The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system.	Yes
11.	The CoC is conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
Other:(limit 500 characters)		
12.	The CoC has developed a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee to fortify and prioritize these efforts listed above.	Yes

1D-10c.	Implemented Strategies that Address Known Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below the steps your CoC is taking to address the disparities identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

In summary, our 2019 Study identified that persons who identify as Black, African or African American are overrepresented in our homeless population and are more likely to remain homeless for a longer period of time. In an effort to combat this disparity, the CoC augmented outreach and homeless prevention programs in the two counties – Greenville and Spartanburg- where our recent Point in Time (PIT) Counts have identified concentrations of minority racial groups. In Greenville County, our Collaborative Applicant runs a homeless prevention program that started in 2020 and is programmatically designed to reach both low-income neighborhoods and neighborhoods that are largely populated by minority racial groups. Community Intake Specialists were hired to establish contacts in these communities and help persons navigate the application for rental assistance. In Spartanburg County, the City of Spartanburg created a Homeless Response Team in 2022 and hired two full-time outreach workers in 2023 to respond to the increasing needs of persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness. Several other housing programs and supportive services operate in these communities, but these two programs stand as examples of our increased efforts to prevent homelessness and shorten the length of time homeless in our communities with the greatest overrepresentation of minority racial groups. Additionally, the CoC is excited about the development of a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee. We project that this committee will ameliorate racial equity in our CoC by increasing diversity in our CoC leadership and soliciting membership from organizations that serve minority racial groups. In April 2023, our Collaborative Applicant partnered with the NAACP - Greenville Branch to host an educational community event, and we hope to expand this relationship.

1D-10d.	Tracked Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
	Describe in the field below:	
	1. the measures your CoC has in place to track progress on preventing or eliminating disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and	
	2. the tools your CoC uses.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D10d-1 and 2: When the CoC conducted a local racial disparity study in 2019, we were able to identify where inequities existed within our systems and our programming. Since then, the CoC has worked to spread information from our report and support our member agencies and the community in prioritizing racial equity. While we have not produced another in-depth report since 2019, we have developed a couple of procedures to act as progress checkpoints on a regular basis. Our Coordinated Entry System (CES) Manager runs quarterly reports on active CES clients to share at our Advisory Council meetings, providing aggregate data and trends based on client gender, race, veteran status and household composition. Additionally, our HMIS System Administrator assists in the development of routine Chapter-level reports that include demographic data on clients served, length of time persons are experiencing homeless, and client exit destinations.

1D-11.	Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking—CoC’s Outreach Efforts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	
	Describe in the field below your CoC’s outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decision making processes.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D11: There have been several instances in the past two years where the CoC made time and space to engage with persons with lived experience of homelessness. In 2022, our CoC Chair led listening sessions at day shelters, overnight shelters, and other public spaces where homeless services are provided to solicit direct feedback on our systems and programs. In both 2022 and 2023, we added custom questions to our Point in Time Count surveys that allowed participants to share their opinions on the services they have utilized in the past year and to identify services that are missing in our community. As of 2023, our CoC has at least one person in each CoC chapter with lived experience of homelessness. We also rotate our voting member positions to bring in persons with lived experience to the leadership level.

1D-11a.	Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	
	You must upload the Letter Signed by Working Group attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the four categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1.	Included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	14	6
2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	4	3
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	1	0
4.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	1	1

1D-11b.	Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D11b: One example of a member agency that provides professional development opportunities is Sunbelt Human Advancement Resources (SHARE). SHARE offers housing assistance, job training programs, and connections to employment for persons currently or previously experiencing homelessness across the Upstate. SHARE operates a comprehensive job training and placement program called Lifelong Advancement through Diligence, Determination, and Employment Resources (LADDER). The LADDER program is designed for low and moderate income households and recruits participants from neighborhoods impacted by revitalization efforts. Through the LADDER program, SHARE helps participants form unique employment plans designed to remove barriers and gain family-wage employment. SHARE partners with more than 37 local service providers and employers to implement this program. Other opportunities in our Continuum include partnerships with SC Works, Second Chance Jobs for Veterans, and 90-day programs at our local technical colleges. Additionally, our CoC promotes the Peer Support Model for our street outreach programs. The Peer Support Model relies on the expertise of persons with lived experience. In Greenville and Spartanburg County, employers prioritized job candidates with lived experience for street outreach positions.

1D-11c.	Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC routinely gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;
2.	how your CoC routinely gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC or ESG Programs; and

3.	the steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness.
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1D11c-1: As mentioned previously, all of our CoC Advisory Council meetings are open to the public and regularly host persons with lived experience to make space for their feedback on our operations and programs. There are several established CoC members with lived experience who attend each month, including CEOs of member agencies and case management staff. We also rotate our Advisory Council voting members to allow persons with lived experience to participate on a leadership level. In the past two years, we have held listening sessions at shelters and other public spaces to gather input from persons currently or previously experiencing homelessness.

1D11c-2: Per our Coordinated Entry System (CES) Policies and Procedures, all agencies that receive CoC or ESG funding to operate housing assistance programs must receive their clients through our CES. All agencies that participate in our CES come together for weekly meetings to discuss our CES Prioritization List and determine referrals for available opportunities. We also designate time at the end of every meeting to solicit feedback from case managers on how we can improve our CES process and CoC operations. Case managers share their own opinions, but they also represent the opinions of their current clients that came to them through CES.

1D11c-3: Our CoC values input from persons with lived experience and utilizes their feedback to identify and eliminate barriers. To understand the housing barriers that our local population are facing, our CoC's outreach teams and Peer Support Specialists develop lasting relationships with the clients they serve. Providers will take the time to connect with clients, gathering information about their current situation and specific challenges before developing an action plan. Additionally, during our Point in Time (PIT) Count, we include a custom question on our survey to ask participants what barriers they are facing in our system. The information that we collect from outreach and our PIT survey allows the CoC to develop strategies to eliminate barriers. For example, one common theme we noticed was previous evictions and criminal history keeping clients from entering leases. To reduce the charges on homeless persons' records, the City of Spartanburg implemented a homeless court in 2019 to dismiss charges for homeless persons that connect with supportive services. Greenville County is in process of developing a homeless court to expand the effects of this program.

1D-12.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.t.	
	Describe in the field below at least 2 steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months to engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:	
	1. reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and	
	2. reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1D12-1 and 2: The Upstate CoC has partnered with The Greenville Housing Fund to advocate for zoning reform and land use policies review in order to promote more opportunities for affordable housing. The former Chair of the CoC sat on the board of this organization and served to provide input on affordable housing development that would meet the needs of those experiencing homelessness and in need of supportive housing. This group is advocating for a permanent set-aside in housing subsidy funding to support housing those who are unsheltered. In addition, the CoC has been working with the SC Housing Development and Finance Authority to build a program that would provide permanent supportive housing for people experiencing homelessness through the Small Rental Development Program. The Authority has provided a set-aside for this type of housing and has funded 36 units of permanent supportive housing that began late 2022. This development is called Church Street Place and will provide furnished, single room occupancy units, 24-hour security, on-site support services and connections to healthcare, job training, and more. In Greenville County, CoC member agencies have supported the foundation of Greenville Organized for Accountable Leadership (GOAL). GOAL is a network of grass-root advocates and religious congregations focused on holding public decision-makers accountable on justice issues that affect all members of the community. In March 2023, GOAL asked for commitments from Greenville City and County officials to designate a greater portion of their budget to developing affordable housing for low-income families. Greenville's Mayor and a majority of City council committed to these requests and have since allocated 5 million dollars toward affordable housing in their 2023-25 budget.

1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1E-1.	Web Posting of Your CoC’s Local Competition Deadline–Advance Public Notice.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a. and 2.g.	
	You must upload the Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Enter your CoC’s local competition submission deadline date for New Project applicants to submit their project applications to your CoC—meaning the date your CoC published the deadline.	07/17/2023
2.	Enter the date your CoC published the deadline for Renewal Project applicants to submit their project applications to your CoC’s local competition—meaning the date your CoC published the deadline.	07/17/2023

1E-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC’s eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., 2.d., and 2.e.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:	

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.	Yes

5.	Used data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	Yes
6.	Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.	No

1E-2a.	Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.	

You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
 Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:

1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	100
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	16
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-PSH

1E-2b.	Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.d.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing;
2.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing;
3.	how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and
4.	considerations your CoC gave to projects that provide housing and services to the hardest to serve populations that could result in lower performance levels but are projects your CoC needs in its geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1E2b-1: All 2023 renewal projects were rated by our Grants Committee, using the Renewal Rating Tool attached. This tool was locally developed in 2019 and considers data from the project’s Annual Performance Report (APR), their most recent grant closeout, their adherence to HMIS data quality standards, and other sources to objectively rate each project. To determine the degree to which a project successfully housed participants, Standard 2.1 on our tool analyzes APR data. We look at how many participants were served by the project in their most recent grant year, then how many participants stayed in successful housing placements, and for participants that left, how many exited to permanent housing. Projects with at least a 94% rate of retention and positive exits receive full points.

1E2b-2: Standard 2.1a on our tool analyzes APR data to determine how quickly each project moved participants into housing. We look at how many persons were served by the project in their most recent grant year, then how many participants fell into each of the following categories: moved into housing in 7 days or less, within 8-14 days, within 15-21 days, and within 22-30 days. Projects with at least 80% of participants being moved into housing in under 30 days receive full points.

1E2b-3 and 4: Standards 2.6b, c, and d award points to projects that serve difficult populations, including participants with no income, more than one disability, and coming from unsheltered homelessness. However, the greatest example of how we give consideration to projects that serve difficult populations and are vital to our community is through our Rating and Ranking Committee. This committee has one representative from each of our four Chapters, coming from a member organization that does not receive CoC Program funding. This committee meets once a year to review the numerical scores for each renewal project. In addition to the score, they also considers the population each project serves and where specific adjustments are needed based on increased difficulty in serving certain participants. For example, in previous years, our Rating and Ranking Committee decided to allocate bonus points to domestic violence providers and move them farther up our Priority Listing due to our community’s need for that specific service. The Priority Listing that our Rating and Ranking Committee produces weighs many different perspectives outside of our numerical tool, and their rating is considered final.

1E-3.	Advancing Racial Equity through Participation of Over-Represented Populations in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.e.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC used the input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, to determine the rating factors used to review project applications;
2.	how your CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population in the review, selection, and ranking process; and
3.	how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree to which their project has identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1E3-1 and 2: Our Grants Committee is responsible for reviewing our Rating Tools on a yearly basis and making any necessary edits to our rating process or scoring system. The Upstate CoC Grants Committee is a diverse group of 7 providers from across the Continuum, representing different age groups, genders, races and other factors of identity. Additionally, our CoC presents an open invitation to join the Grants Committee on an annual basis. Any persons who attends our Advisory Council meetings can join our Grants Committee.

1E3-3: Our current rating tools for new and renewal projects do not include standards that measure how well a project identifies and reduces the barriers of any particular racial or ethnic group, or any other identifying factor. However, our Rating and Ranking Committee may independently choose to prioritize projects that serve over-represented racial groups during their scoring process. All committee members are familiar with our State of Homelessness report and Chapter-level reports that identify over-represented populations. The committee may elect to read the project application and Letter of Intent to Apply to understand what population the project serves and award additional points to those that help reduce barriers of over represented populations.

1E-4.	Reallocation—Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	your CoC’s reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed;
2.	whether your CoC identified any low performing or less needed projects through the process described in element 1 of this question during your CoC’s local competition this year;
3.	whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and
4.	why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1E4-1: Per our CoC’s Written Standards, programs funded by the CoC can be reallocated by a voluntary or competitive process. If a project is identified as under-performing during the rating process, demonstrates unsatisfactory outcomes, has unresolved monitoring findings, and/or there is a lack of participation in the CoC, the Grants Committee reserves the right to require the project to submit a corrective action plan to our Advisory Council. If, in the timeframe outlined, the project does not make significant improvements, the CoC reserves the right to reallocate funding. If the Grants Committee determines that a renewal project does not meet the minimum Threshold Requirements, they will present their findings to the Advisory Council to determine if funds should be released for a competitive reallocation process.

1E4-2: In the 2023 CoC Program Competition, the Grants Committee found all new and renewing applicants to be in adherence with our Threshold Requirements and did not identify any projects as under-performing during the rating process.

1E4-3: As mentioned above, the CoC did not reallocate any projects due to under-performance. We did reallocate one project on our application because the agency decided to voluntarily reallocate.

1E4-4: The Grants Committee did not find any new or renewal projects to be under-performing or less needed in the community during the rating process. Thus, reallocating grant funding would not prove efficient or beneficial to our community during the 2023 Competition.

1E-4a.	Reallocation Between FY 2018 and FY 2023.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2018 and FY 2023?	No
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1E-5.	Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Did your CoC reject any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
2.	Did your CoC reduce funding for any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
3.	Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
4.	If you selected Yes for element 1 or element 2 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2023, 06/27/2023, and 06/28/2023, then you must enter 06/28/2023.	

1E-5a.	Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2023, 06/27/2023, and 06/28/2023, then you must enter 06/28/2023.	09/07/2023
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1E-5b.	Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names; 2. Project Scores; 3. Project accepted or rejected status; 4. Project Rank—if accepted; 5. Requested Funding Amounts; and 6. Reallocated funds.	Yes
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1E-5c.	Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application 2 Days Before CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g. and 24 CFR 578.95.	
	You must upload the Web Posting–CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC posted the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC’s website or partner’s website—which included: 1. the CoC Application; and 2. Priority Listings for Reallocation forms and all New, Renewal, and Replacement Project Listings.	09/20/2023
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1E-5d.	Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application was posted on your CoC’s website or partner’s website.	09/20/2023
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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- Section 3 Resources;
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- Frequently Asked Questions

2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	WellSky Community Services
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2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Statewide
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2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.a.	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2023 HIC data into HDX.	04/24/2023
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2A-4.	Comparable Database for DV Providers–CoC and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Collection and Data Submission by Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.b.	

	In the field below:	
	1. describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in HMIS comparable databases;	
	2. state whether DV housing and service providers in your CoC are using a HUD-compliant comparable database–compliant with the FY 2022 HMIS Data Standards; and	

3. state whether your CoC's HMIS is compliant with the FY 2022 HMIS Data Standards.

(limit 2,500 characters)

2A4-1: All victim service providers (VSPs) in our Continuum utilize a comparable database managed by Wellsky Community Services, our same vendor for HMIS. The CoC pays for this contract with our HMIS award. This ensures that all providers in our Continuum, no matter the population served, can collect the same client information, produce the same reporting, and have an equitable monitoring experience. This comparable database is managed by our HMIS System Administrator, who routinely provides training and technical assistance to all VSP end users. Additionally, all VSP end users have been trained to run routine reports in the database to monitor their data quality and program status.

2A4-2 and 3: Both our HMIS and our VSP comparable database are compliant with the 2022 HMIS Data Standards. Our HMIS System Administrator is working to prepare for the implementation of the 2024 Data Standards.

2A-5.	Bed Coverage Rate—Using HIC, HMIS Data—CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c. and V.B.7.	

Enter 2023 HIC and HMIS data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Total Year-Round Beds in 2023 HIC	Total Year-Round Beds in HIC Operated by Victim Service Providers	Total Year-Round Beds in HMIS	HMIS Year-Round Bed Coverage Rate
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	908	124	272	34.69%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	12	0	12	100.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	217	49	97	57.74%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	149	16	133	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	354	32	322	100.00%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	0	0	0	

2A-5a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c.	

For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:

1. steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and
2. how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.

(limit 2,500 characters)

2A5a-1 and 2: Our CoC has historically missed the mark for emergency shelter beds. In our Continuum, a large percentage (36%) of the CoC's non-DV emergency shelter beds are operated by a faith-based organization named Miracle Hill Ministries. Miracle Hill is an active participant in CoC operations, including our Advisory Council and biannual training events, but they elect not to utilize our HMIS. Their presented reasons include: they do not accept any federal funding, they use a customized in-house database for all of their locations, and they serve so many clients with so little staff that they could not adhere to our HMIS data quality standards. The CoC has made numerous efforts over the past years to integrate Miracle Hill into HMIS, but they remain strictly opposed. Within the past year, we have made some ground and agency leadership is considering becoming an Access Point for our Coordinated Entry System in HMIS, which would be a good start. For transitional housing beds, many of the organizations that do not participate in HMIS are smaller faith-based organizations. To increase HMIS coverage, the CoC will continue to develop relationships with these community partners. In the next 12 months, a specific goal is to connect with organizations in rural communities that are not using HMIS. To work toward this goal, our System Administrator will attend events and trainings as frequently as possible to spread information about the benefits of utilizing HMIS, no matter your program's funding source.

2A-6.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.d.	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2023 HDX Competition Report to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by February 28, 2023, 8 p.m. EST?	Yes
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2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2023 PIT count.	01/25/2023
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2B-2.	PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2023 PIT count data in HDX.	04/23/2023
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2B-3.	PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth in Your CoC’s Most Recent Unsheltered PIT Count.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
	1. engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations in your CoC’s most recent PIT count planning process;	
	2. worked with unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during your CoC’s most recent PIT count planning process; and	
	3. included youth experiencing homelessness as counters during your CoC’s most recent unsheltered PIT count.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

2B3-1: Our CoC’s largest youth service provider, Pendleton Place, is a routine supporter of our annual Point in Time (PIT) Count. Pendleton Place attends coordination meetings to determine our surveying methodology, they assist in recruiting volunteers, and they help implement the count on the Night of Reference.

2B3-2 and 3: Pendleton Place attends our PIT Count planning meetings to help us determine where we should be surveying to capture an accurate representation of our CoC’s youth experiencing homelessness. They will often lead the implementation of the count in these identified areas with assistance from volunteers. Pendleton Place has a campus in Greenville County where they operate a family resource center, an emergency youth shelter, drop-in services like showers and laundry, and where they base their street outreach program. On the Night of Reference, Pendleton Place relies on their staff and a handful of regular homeless youth clients to conduct surveys on and around their campus. Additionally, our CoC is involved in the SC Interagency Council on Homelessness Youth Experiencing Homelessness Taskforce. In our next PIT Count, we hope to increase our involvement with the taskforce to identify further areas for surveying and assist our neighboring CoCs in conducting a statewide youth count.

2B-4.	PIT Count–Methodology Change–CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.a and V.B.7.c.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2022 and 2023, if applicable;
2.	describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2022 and 2023, if applicable; and
3.	describe how the changes affected your CoC’s PIT count results; or
4.	state “Not Applicable” if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2023.

(limit 2,500 characters)

2B4-1, 2 and 3: For the 2023 PIT Count, our CoC made two significant changes that had a positive impact on our planning process and our implementation of the count. First, we took steps to increase the utilization of the electronic survey as opposed to the paper version. We first implemented an electronic survey option in 2022, but we had an almost equal mix of paper and electronic surveys submitted, which made it difficult to compile data for submission. To encourage the electronic version, we distributed the link to all surveying agencies and volunteers and asked that our PIT Count Coordinators ensure that all surveyors reviewed the electronic survey before the Night of Reference to gain familiarity. Additionally, we produced a step-by-step video on using the electronic version that was distributed to all surveyors. In Greenville County, we even purchased tablets and hotspots to help our outreach workers use the electronic survey during their encounters. In 2023, over 75% of the surveys completed were through our electronic version. This made data compilation much easier and resulted in more accurate data, as surveyors were required to respond to vital questions- even if the response was "client refused"- before submitting their survey. Second, we allowed our PIT Count Coordinators to purchase their own incentive items for participants and be reimbursed by the CoC, as opposed to running a donation drive or implementing the same incentive item for the whole Continuum. As small as this sounds, it seems to have had a positive impact on our unsheltered results. Coordinators were able to use their knowledge of their local population to select incentive items that were actually useful to their unsheltered population, including first aid kits, hand warmers, backpacks, personal hygiene kits, and more. While we encourage all surveyors to recruit survey participants by explaining the importance of the count, it also helps when you can offer an important item as compensation that the participant may not be able to get through other local sources. It's difficult to determine an exact correlation, but our surveyors reported a more positive experience and our unsheltered count increased from 2022 to 2023.

2C. System Performance

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2C-1.	Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless–Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;	
2.	describe your CoC’s strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time	

(limit 2,500 characters)

2C1-1: In 2022, our CoC worked with homeless service providers, Coordinated Entry System Access Points, and our HMIS data to determine the following risk factors for persons becoming homeless for the first time: single-parents with small children and low to no income; youth ages 17-24 couch surfing with family or friends; victims of domestic violence and other physical or mental trauma; living with chronic disabling conditions; and being adversely affected by COVID-19.

2C1-2: To decrease the rate of first time homelessness among all of these vulnerable populations, our CoC utilized ESG, CDBG and CSBG funds to provide rent and utilities assistance to keep individuals and families at-risk for homelessness or adversely affected by COVID-19 in stable housing. In 2023, we have 8 active homeless prevention programs serving households in our Continuum. All Coordinated Entry System Access Points, spread across our 13-county geography, practiced diversion and referral techniques to inform clients of these programs that can prevent homelessness. According to our FY2021 System Performance Measures (SPM) Resubmission, 891 persons experienced homelessness for the first time in FY2021. In FY2022, our SPM reported a reduced 874 persons, and we hope to continue this trend.

2C1-3: Our CoC's Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections, is responsible for overseeing our CoC's strategy to reduce the number of households experiencing homelessness for the first time. The Upstate CoC Advisory Council is responsible for creating and adapting our strategy.

2C-1a.	Impact of Displaced Persons on Number of First Time Homeless.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b	

Was your CoC's Number of First Time Homeless [metric 5.2] affected by the number of persons seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance displaced due to:
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1.	natural disasters?	No
2.	having recently arrived in your CoCs' geographic area?	No

2C-2.	Length of Time Homeless—CoC's Strategy to Reduce.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.c.	

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;
2.	describe how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

2C2-1: The CoC’s Coordinated Entry System (CES) has continued to facilitate efficient placement of persons experiencing homelessness into housing resources. Case managers that receive clients through our CES are responsible for connecting with their referrals in under a week, and if the referral is unsuccessful, we will try to connect that household with another opportunity as quickly as possible. However, the lasting effects of COVID-19 have greatly impacted the already scarce availability of housing stock. To accommodate, our CES may utilize other funding sources or housing programs that a household may qualify for in order to serve them more quickly and efficiently. This allows us to focus on our scarce resources on the most vulnerable members of our community.

2C2-2: The first step in our CES process is for clients to be assessed by our standardized assessment tool, which gives them a numerical score that suggests their level of vulnerability. In addition, we have a weekly CES meeting where case managers and other interested parties case conference about a client’s situation. Attendees discuss factors that are not captured by the assessment tool to prioritize the most vulnerable, including length of time spent homeless. Whenever we have a situation where a household is tied by their numerical score for a housing assistance opportunity, we will break the tie by discussing these important factors.

2C2-3: Our CoC’s Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections, is responsible for overseeing our CoC’s strategy to reduce the length of time persons experience homelessness. The Upstate CoC Advisory Council is responsible for creating and adapting our strategy.

2C-3.	Exits to Permanent Housing Destinations/Retention of Permanent Housing–CoC’s Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.d.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC’s strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;	
	2. describe your CoC’s strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and	
	3. provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

2C3-1: According to our FY2022 System Performance Measures, 37% of persons who exited our CoC’s emergency shelters, transitional housing, or rapid rehousing projects exited to permanent housing. Because of the extreme lack of affordable housing in our community and the lasting effects of COVID-19, we are appreciative of this percentage, but we hope to continue increasing positive outcomes. To do so, our CoC will continue to work with our community partners to promote the development of low income and subsidized housing. Additionally, we will continue to recruit organizations to participate in our Coordinated Entry System (CES) as Access Points. We find that emergency shelters in particular that enroll their clients into our CES have a greater opportunity for helping their clients exit to housing. We will also invite representatives from shelters, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing programs to our weekly CES meetings and our Chapter meetings to share information about external resources that may be able to house clients upon exit.

2C3-2: According to our FY2022 System Performance Measures, 99% of participants enrolled in our CoC’s permanent housing projects, excluding rapid rehousing, retained their housing placement or exited to another housing destination. We are extremely proud of this percentage, especially considering the steady increase from last year. Our CoC will continue to ensure that our programs’ case managers receive proper training and the resources necessary to support their chronically homeless clients in achieving social and financial well-being. Our case managers and SOAR specialists will continue to connect clients with mainstream benefits and employment opportunities to continue to develop self-sufficiency.

2C3-3: Our CoC’s Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections, is responsible for overseeing our CoC’s strategy to increase the rate of retention and exits to permanent housing. The Upstate CoC Advisory Council is responsible for creating and adapting our strategy.

2C-4.	Returns to Homelessness—CoC’s Strategy to Reduce Rate.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.e.	

In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;
2.	describe your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

2C4-1: Our CoC’s HMIS is fully integrated with the other three CoCs in South Carolina. This collaboration allows us to easily identify persons who return to homelessness, regardless of their physical location in the state. With a statewide perspective, we have a more complete picture of a person’s experience, which helps inform interventions to returning to homelessness. Our statewide committee of HMIS System Administrators from each CoC is able to routinely review the rate of return and share information for our reports and strategic planning. This compounds upon our CoC’s individual System Performance Measure report.

2C4-2: According to our FY2022 System Performance Measures, 14% of persons who exit our CoC’s programs return to homelessness within 2 years. To decrease the rate of returns, our CoC continues to promote the development of homeless prevention programs to reduce both new and repeated experiences of homelessness. Additionally, we will continue to review our Coordinated Entry System process to ensure we are making meaningful referrals that lead to housing retention. In 2022, we added a question to our standardized assessment tool that allowed us to gauge where a person would be willing to relocate for housing and if they had transportation to relocate. Custom questions like these allow us to refer clients to opportunities that are more likely to result in successful retention and reduce our rate of returns.

2C4-3: Our CoC’s Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections, is responsible for overseeing our CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate of returns to homelessness. The Upstate CoC Advisory Council is responsible for creating and adapting our strategy.

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income—CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to access employment cash sources;	
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income; and	
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to increase income from employment.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

2C5-1 and 2: Our CoC understands that not all persons experiencing homelessness in our Continuum will be able to secure or increase employment cash sources due to disabling conditions and/or enrollment in SSI or SSDI. However, to provide opportunities for persons that are eligible, our CoC partners with community resources to integrate homeless and formerly homeless persons back into the workforce. Our CoC is able to connect clients with technical training opportunities through our local colleges. Most of these programs can be completed in a matter of months, including CDL courses, culinary courses, healthcare training, forklift certification, and more. Additionally, there are numerous CoC member agencies that offer job-placement assistance. Examples of these agencies are SC Works, SHARE, United Ministries, and Goodwill Industries. To develop partnerships with mainstream employment organizations, our street outreach teams have been prioritizing relationships to help clients find employment. In both Greenville and Spartanburg County, our most densely populated areas, street outreach teams have informal agreements with local businesses to place clients into full or part-time roles as they work on securing housing.

2C5-3: Our CoC's Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections, is responsible for overseeing our CoC's strategy to increase employment income for homeless and formerly homeless persons. The Upstate CoC Advisory Council is responsible for creating and adapting our strategy.

2C-5a.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access non-employment cash income; and	
2.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

2C5a-1: Our CoC recognizes that connection to non-employment income is crucial for both our homeless population and the clients in our housing programs, particularly for persons living with a chronic disabling condition that limits their ability to secure employment income. The greatest strategy our CoC uses to increase non-employment income opportunities for homeless and formerly homeless persons is connection to SSI and SSDI. As part of their improvement plan, case managers works with clients to submit applications to qualify for this type of assistance, as well as TANF and SNAP. To facilitate applications for people that are homeless, our CoC promotes SOAR certification. SOAR specialists from local organizations and the South Carolina Department of Mental Health (SCDMH) connect dozens of homeless individuals with federal benefits each year. Our partnership with SCDMH is in its third year and continues to produce outstanding outcomes for our homeless population.

2C5a-2: Our CoC's Collaborative Applicant, United Housing Connections, is responsible for overseeing our CoC's strategy to increase non-employment income for homeless and formerly homeless persons. The Upstate CoC Advisory Council is responsible for creating and adapting our strategy.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	No
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3A-2.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	No
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3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.	
	If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.	

Project Name	Project Type	Rank Number	Leverage Type
This list contains no items			

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

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3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	

Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No
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3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	

If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:

1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and
2.	HUD’s implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.

(limit 2,500 characters)

3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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3C-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

	Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No
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3C-2.	Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:

1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.

(limit 2,500 characters)

4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants for New DV Bonus Funding

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4A-1.	New DV Bonus Project Applications.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.	

	Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?	No
Applicant Name		
This list contains no items		

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

We have provided the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:

1. You must include a Document Description for each attachment you upload; if you do not, the Submission Summary screen will display a red X indicating the submission is incomplete.
2. You must upload an attachment for each document listed where 'Required?' is 'Yes'.
3. We prefer that you use PDF files, though other file types are supported—please only use zip files if necessary. Converting electronic files to PDF, rather than printing documents and scanning them, often produces higher quality images. Many systems allow you to create PDF files as a Print option. If you are unfamiliar with this process, you should consult your IT Support or search for information on Google or YouTube.
4. Attachments must match the questions they are associated with.
5. Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process.
6. If you cannot read the attachment, it is likely we cannot read it either.
 - . We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).
 - . We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment.
7. After you upload each attachment, use the Download feature to access and check the attachment to ensure it matches the required Document Type and to ensure it contains all pages you intend to include.
8. Only use the "Other" attachment option to meet an attachment requirement that is not otherwise listed in these detailed instructions.

Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No	PHA Homeless Pref...	09/19/2023
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No		
1D-11a. Letter Signed by Working Group	Yes	Letter Signed by ...	09/14/2023
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation	Yes	Housing First Eva...	09/14/2023
1E-1. Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline	Yes	Web Posting of Lo...	09/19/2023
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	09/14/2023
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project	Yes	Scored Form for O...	09/14/2023
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Notification of P...	09/14/2023
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes	Notification of P...	09/14/2023
1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Final Project Sco...	09/14/2023
1E-5c. Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		

1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		
2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes	FY2023 HDX Compet...	09/14/2023
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No		
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No		
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
Other	No		

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Submission Summary

Ensure that the Project Priority List is complete prior to submitting.

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TGHA Board Approved June 3, 2021

HCV Administrative Plan

THE GREENVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Approved by the HA Board of Commissioners: June 3, 2021

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Mainstream Vouchers

Vouchers used to assist in providing rental assistance to very low-income families where the head, spouse, or co-head is non-elderly or elderly persons with a disability.

Foster Youth to Independence - Tenant Protection Vouchers

Vouchers used for a period not to exceed 36 months, otherwise eligible youths who have attained at least 18 years and not more than 24 years of age and who have left foster care, or will leave foster care within 90 days, in accordance with a transition plan describe in section 475(5)(H) of the Social Security Act and is homeless or is at risk of being homeless at age 16 or older.

Emergency Housing Vouchers

Vouchers awarded to TGHA pursuant to HUD PIH Notice 2021-15 (HA) to be used to assist individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness; at risk of experiencing homelessness; fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; or were recently homeless and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or having high risk of housing instability. There are specific operating requirements set forth in the Notice which will be adhered to by TGHA.

Regular HCV Funding

Regular HCV funding may be used to assist any eligible family on the waiting list. Families are selected from the waiting list according to the policies provided in Section 4-III.C.

4-III.C. SELECTION METHOD

PHAs must describe the method for selecting applicant families from the waiting list, including the system of admission preferences that TGHA will use [24 CFR 982.202(d)].

Local Preferences [24 CFR 982.207; HCV p. 4-16]

PHAs are permitted to establish local preferences, and to give priority to serving families that meet those criteria. HUD specifically authorizes and places restrictions on certain types of local preferences. HUD also permits TGHA to establish other local preferences, at its discretion. Any local preferences established must be consistent with TGHA plan and the consolidated plan and must be based on local housing needs and priorities that can be documented by generally accepted data sources.

TGHA Policy

TGHA will use the following local preferences in selecting from its HCV wait list:

1. **Residency Preference** - At the time of application, the head of household and spouse or co-head live, work, or have been notified that they are hired to work in one of the counties listed in the waiting list for which they are applying for.
2. **Homeless Preference** - The Homeless Preference will go into effect once the current 2017 wait list has been exhausted.

Homeless Definition

- i) Individuals and families who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and includes a subset of an individual who resided in an emergency shelter, or a place not meant for human habitation and who is exiting an institution where the individual or family temporarily resided.
- ii) Individuals and families who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence.
- iii) Unaccompanied youth and families with children and youth who are defined as homeless under other Federal statutes who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition. Youth is defined as less than 25-years of age.
- iv) Individuals and families who are fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member. Third party documentation is required.

For purposes of this policy, a homeless family lacks a fixed and regular and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:

- (a) Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private shelter not meant for human habitation;
- (b) Is living in a publicly or privately-operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, and local government programs); or
- (c) Is exiting an institution where (s)he has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.

Memorandum of Understanding

All individuals or families who claim a homeless preference must present a letter from an agency that has a memorandum of understanding with The Greenville Housing Authority (TGHA) to certify that the particular individuals or families are homeless with respect to the above definition. Memoranda of understanding are to be developed with various entities and will be available on the TGHA website when agreements are established. TGHA reserves the right to add or remove agencies from this list at any time. TGHA retains the sole right to determine whether an applicant meets the criteria for the homeless preference and may consider any other available information in making this determination.

Priority Local Preferences

Certain families may be assisted without being placed on TGHA's HCV waiting list.

1. **VAWA** - TGHA will offer a preference to families that include victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who have either been referred by a partnering service agency or consortia or is seeking an emergency transfer under VAWA from TGHA's public housing program or other covered housing program

operated by TGHA. The applicant must certify that the abuser will not reside with the applicant unless TGHA gives prior written approval.

2. **Insufficient Funding** - TGHA will offer a preference to any family that has been terminated from its HCV program due to insufficient program funding. These families have been returned to the TGHA HCV wait list.
3. **Public Housing Demolition/Disposition** - Residents in “good standing” at a TGHA public housing community on the date the community was approved by HUD to be disposed or demolished.
4. **Public Housing Over/Under Housed Families** - Residents in “good standing” at a TGHA public housing community or a TGHA sponsored mixed finance community who are over-housed or under-housed and no appropriate size housing unit exists to house the family.
5. **Tenants in Projects Approved for PBV** – Tenants that were in “good standing” at an existing or rehabilitation project approved by TGHA pursuant to a solicitation for Project Based Vouchers
6. **Tenants Moving from PBV** - Tenants in “good standing” who currently reside in units attached to Project-based Vouchers and are requesting regular vouchers through the TGHA Choice Mobility process.

TGHA will assist families in the order of the preferences listed above.

Special Programs with Voucher Set-Asides:

The Special Programs listed below have voucher set-asides and are placed on a separate wait list according to MOUs between TGHA and the named entity. These preferences entitle the eligible applicant to be serviced and admitted to the program for which it qualifies and on the separate wait list.

- a. **HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) Program**

The HUD-VASH program is a joint national initiative of HUD and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) The program combines HUD Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) rental assistance for homeless veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) at its medical centers and in the community in an attempt to return the veteran to mainstream society. HUD allocated a specific number of HUD-VASH vouchers to TGHA. The local VA hospitals or clinics refer HUD-VASH eligible families to TGHA for the issuance of a HUD-VASH voucher. TGHA issues a voucher to eligible referrals on the condition that the participant will continue to receive case management services from the Veterans Administration Medical Center (VAMC). Although HUD-VASH vouchers are administered in accordance with the Housing Choice Voucher regulations at 24 CFR part 982, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008 (Pub. L. 110-161) authorized the HUD Secretary to waive, or specify alternative requirements for, any provision of any statute or regulation deemed necessary for effective delivery and administration of the HUD-VASH program. (Certain exceptions apply).

- b. **Homeless Referrals** – Homeless families certified by United Housing Connections as homeless and actively participating in case management services

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referred to TGHA under the terms and conditions of a Memorandum of Agreement between TGHA and United Housing Connections to house 60 homeless families. At least 10 of those families must contain school age children.

- c. **Returning Citizens** – Returning citizens certified by Soteria Community Development Corporation as actively participating in case management services referred to TGHA under the terms and conditions of a Memorandum of Agreement between TGHA and Soteria Community Development Corporation to house 15 families.

Income Targeting Requirement [24 CFR 982.201(b)(2)]

HUD requires that extremely low-income (ELI) families make up at least 75 percent of the families admitted to the HCV program during TGHA’s fiscal year. ELI families are those with annual incomes at or below the federal poverty level or 30 percent of the area median income, whichever number is higher. To ensure this requirement is met, a PHA may skip non-ELI families on the waiting list in order to select an ELI family.

Low-income families admitted to the program that are “continuously assisted” under the 1937 Housing Act [24 CFR 982.4(b)], as well as low-income or moderate-income families admitted to the program that are displaced as a result of the prepayment of the mortgage or voluntary termination of an insurance contract on eligible low-income housing, are not counted for income targeting purposes [24 CFR 982.201(b)(2)(v)].

TGHA Policy

TGHA will monitor progress in meeting the income targeting requirement throughout the fiscal year. Extremely low-income families will be selected ahead of other eligible families on an as-needed basis to ensure the income targeting requirement is met.

Order of Selection

TGHA system of preferences may select families based on local preferences according to the date and time of application or by a random selection process (lottery) [24 CFR 982.207(c)]. If a PHA does not have enough funding to assist the family at the top of the waiting list, it is not permitted to skip down the waiting list to a family that it can afford to subsidize when there are not sufficient funds to subsidize the family at the top of the waiting list [24 CFR 982.204(d) and (e)].

TGHA Policy

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ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN
FOR THE
HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

Approved by the HA Board of Commissioners: June 26, 2018

Submitted to HUD: July 2018

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SHA Policy

The SHA shall select from the HCV waiting list first based upon date and time of application. Within the date and time of application the following listed preferences and **designated ranking system** will apply.

Within the date and time of application, the SHA will offer a preference to:

1. Any family that has been terminated from its HCV program due to insufficient program funding **(10 Points)**
2. Families who are a current resident of Spantanburg County **(10 Points)**
3. Families who have been displaced due to action taken by the SHA for demolition or rehabilitation or sale of unit in which the family is currently housed **(10 Points)**
4. Families who are verified as working 30 or more hours per week for six consecutive months, elderly, handicap, and/or disabled **(7 Points)**
5. Families who are homeless or have been displaced due to local, Federal or State governmental action **(5 Points)**
6. Veterans **(5 Points)**
7. Project-based voucher holders who applied for HCV assistance at the time the waiting list was open and have currently completed the requirements of their contract within the PBV unit and are in good standing **(1 Points)**

In the event the family does not qualify for any preference, they will be placed on the waiting list within the date and time of application. **(0 Points)**

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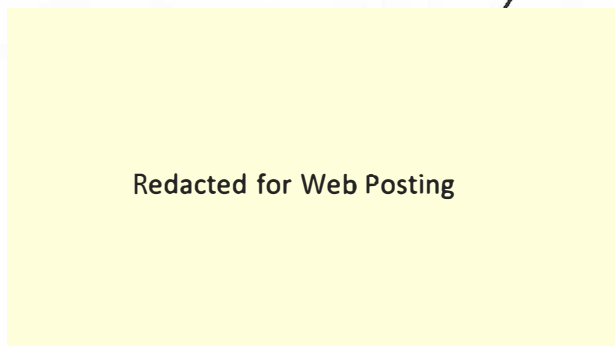
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2023 Upstate Continuum of Care Housing First Self Questionnaire

Agency Name:
City of Spartanburg

Project Name:
Opening Doors

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Beth Rutherford

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Phone
(864) 921-6297

Housing First projects are effective in assisting all subpopulations of people experiencing homelessness to access and sustain permanent stable housing. It has been demonstrated that projects can operate well and safely without requirements that prevent many people living on the streets and in the shelter system from entering and/or remaining in housing.

As part of the NOFO solicitation for new and renewal projects, applicants are required to answer the following questions related to the proposed project's eligibility criteria and project rules.

Agencies with multiple projects must submit a questionnaire for each project!

Does the project require clients to pass a background screening prior to project entry (excluding sexual offender/predator check)?

No

Does the project prohibit all persons with specified criminal convictions on a blanket basis to be excluded from admission (excluding registered sexual offenders)?

No

Does the project require participants to be clean and sober for a specified period prior to project entry as a condition for admission?

No

Does the project serve individuals and families regardless of sexual orientation, family composition, or marital status and are transgendered persons served according to the gender with which they identify?

Yes

Does the project expedite the admission process including aiding in assembling necessary documents in order to support the application for admission and using person-centered and flexible processes for admission to the project?

Yes

Does the project actively participate in Housing Determination Committee meetings and, if applicable, are all new project entrants being referred through coordinated entry?

Yes

Does the project terminate participants for failure to participate in treatment or support services including case management?

No

Does the project terminate participants solely for engaging in substance use?

No

Does the project require participants to have income at entry?

No

Does the project make all efforts to avoid discharging participants into homelessness including referral back to coordinated entry for those who cannot remain in the project?

Yes

Are project participants held to standards/behaviors not found in mainstream leases (such as not being allowed visitors, curfews, required to do chores, or not be allowed to have alcoholic beverages in their unit)?

No

Does the project provide participant choice in accessing services and are efforts made to connect participants to community based services?

Yes

Does the project provide regular opportunities for program participants to provide input on project policies and operations?

Yes

Are the project staff trained in clinical and non-clinical strategies to support participant engagement including harm reduction, motivational interviewing, and trauma informed approaches?

Yes

Score

14.00

TOTAL SCORE:

14.00/ 14

I attest that the answers above are true and are provided without any additional comment or clarification.

Signature

Date

7/27/2023

Beth Rutherford



The FY2023 CoC Program Competition is Now Open

The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Fiscal Year 2023 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition has been posted to the [FY 2023 CoC Program Competition: Funding Availability](#) page on the HUD Exchange. Additional resources are available on the [e-snaps page](#) on the HUD Exchange.

The CoC Application, CoC Priority Listing, and Project Applications will be available soon in [e-snaps](#). Collaborative Applicants and project applicants will be able to access the applications to review, update, and enter information that is required for the application process.

Local Competition Timeline

Monday, July 31, 2023 - All applicants, new or renewing, must submit their Letter of Intent to Apply and Housing First Questionnaire via Cognito.

Friday, August 4, 2023 - All applicants will be notified whether their Letter of Intent to Apply was approved.

Monday, August 21, 2023 - All applicants must email a PDF export of their project application in e-snaps to nrivera@uhcsc.org for Grants Committee review.

Thursday, August 24, 2023 - Grants Committee will notify applicants of any changes required before submission in e-snaps.

Monday, August 28, 2023 - All project applications are required to be submitted in e-snaps.

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 - Upstate CoC will post the Consolidated Application and Priority listing to website for review.

Friday, September 22, 2023 - Target due date for submitting 2023 Consolidated Application and Priority Listing. Due September 28, 2023.

[DOWNLOAD 2023 COMPETITION TIMELINE](#)

****NOTE:** Links for the Housing First Questionnaire and Letter of Intent are attached to the Competition Timeline.

If you have any issues accessing resources necessary for new or renewal application, please email nrivera@uhcsc.org.

New Project Rating Tool

Based of narrative from Letter of Intent to Apply
and from Project Application.

New Project/Renewal Project (without Performance Data) Rating Criteria *Scoring Rubric*

Experience

- A. Describe your agency's experience in working with the proposed population and in providing housing similar to that proposed in the application. (6 points)

Scoring Criteria	Score (Check One)
6 – Agency has a long, exceptional history of working with the proposed population and has extended experience providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.	
5 – Agency has a great amount of experience working with the proposed population, but has limited experience providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.	
4 – Agency has moderate experience working with the proposed population but has limited experience providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.	
3 – Agency has little experience working with the proposed population and limited experience providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.	
2 – Agency has no experience working with the proposed population or providing housing similar to that proposed in the application but demonstrates in their response the potential to develop competency in both areas.	
1 – Agency has no experience working with the proposed population or providing housing similar to that proposed in the application and does not demonstrate in their response the potential to develop competency in both areas.	
0 – The agency did not answer or provide any relevant response to directly address the prompt.	

- B. Describe your agency’s experience with utilizing a Housing First approach. In your response, include: 1) eligibility criteria; 2) process for accepting new clients; 3) process and criteria for exiting clients. The applicant must demonstrate there are no preconditions to entry, allowing entry regardless of current or past substance abuse, income, criminal records (with exceptions of restrictions imposed by federal, state, or local law or ordinance), marital status, familial status, actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identify. The applicant must also demonstrate the project has a process to address situations that may jeopardize housing or project assistance to ensure that project participation is terminated in only the most severe cases. (6 points)

Scoring Criteria	Score (Check One)
<p>6 – Agency has a long, exceptional history of utilizing a Housing First approach and, in their response, includes very specific details about the eligibility criteria (void of preconditions to entry), process for accepting new clients, and the process for exiting clients (designed to avoid termination of project participation).</p>	
<p>5 – Agency has a great amount of experience utilizing a Housing First approach and, in their response, includes details about the eligibility criteria (void of preconditions to entry), process for accepting new clients, and the process for exiting clients (designed to avoid termination of project participation).</p>	
<p>4 – Agency has experience utilizing a Housing First approach and, in their response, includes incomplete details about the eligibility criteria (void of preconditions to entry), process for accepting new clients, and the process for exiting clients (designed to avoid termination of project participation).</p>	
<p>3 – Agency has little experience utilizing a Housing First approach and, in their response, includes sporadic details about the eligibility criteria (void of preconditions to entry), process for accepting new clients, and the process for exiting clients (designed to avoid termination of project participation).</p>	
<p>2 – Agency has no experience utilizing a Housing First approach and, in their response, does not include many details about the eligibility criteria (void of preconditions to entry), process for accepting new clients, and the process for exiting clients (designed to avoid termination of project participation).</p>	
<p>1 – Agency has no experience utilizing a Housing First approach and, in their response, provides details contrary to Housing First projects regarding eligibility criteria (void of preconditions to entry), process for accepting new clients, and the process for exiting clients (designed to avoid termination of project participation).</p>	
<p>0 – The agency did not answer or provide any relevant response to directly address the prompt.</p>	

- C. Describe your agency’s experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants. (6 points)

Scoring Criteria	Score (Check One)
6 – Agency has a long, exceptional history of effectively utilizing federal funds, and, in their response, included very specific details about their experience with grant management.	
5 – Agency has a history of effectively utilizing federal funds, and, in their response, included specific details about their experience with grant management.	
4 – Agency has some experience effectively utilizing federal funds, and, in their response, included incomplete details about their experience with grant management.	
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Design of Housing & Supportive Services

- A. Describe the extent to which you:
- a. Demonstrate an understanding of needs of the clients to be served (2 points)

Scoring Criteria	Score (Check One)
2 – Agency provided a sufficiently detailed response to the prompt	
1 – Agency provided some details, but an incomplete response to the prompt	
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- c. Demonstrate the type and scale of the all supportive services, regardless of funding source, to meet the needs of the clients to be served (2 points)

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B. Describe your plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs. (6 points)

Scoring Criteria	Score (Check One)
6 – Agency provided an exceptionally clear and comprehensive plan for assisting clients to rapidly secure and maintain appropriate permanent housing that meets their needs.	
5 – Agency provided a detailed plan for assisting clients to rapidly secure and maintain appropriate permanent housing that meets their needs.	
4 – Agency provided a moderately detailed plan for assisting clients to rapidly secure and maintain appropriate permanent housing that meets their needs.	
3 – Agency provided a minimally acceptable plan for assisting clients to rapidly secure and maintain appropriate permanent housing that meets their needs.	
2 – Agency provided some details, but an overall incomplete plan for assisting clients to rapidly secure and maintain appropriate permanent housing that meets their needs.	
1 – Agency provided no substantive details and an incomplete plan for assisting clients to rapidly secure and maintain appropriate permanent housing that meets their needs.	
0 – The agency did not answer or provide any relevant response to directly address the prompt.	

C. Describe how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently. (6 points)

Scoring Criteria	Score (Check One)
6 – Agency provided an exceptionally clear and comprehensive plan for assisting clients to increase their employment and/or income to maximize their ability to live independently.	
5 – Agency provided a detailed plan for assisting clients to increase their employment and/or income to maximize their ability to live independently.	
4 – Agency provided a moderately detailed plan for assisting clients to increase their employment and/or income to maximize their ability to live independently.	
3 – Agency provided a minimally acceptable plan for assisting clients to increase their employment and/or income to maximize their ability to live independently.	
2 – Agency provided some details, but an overall incomplete plan for assisting clients to increase their employment and/or income to maximize their ability to live independently.	
1 – Agency provided no substantive details and an incomplete plan for assisting clients to increase their employment and/or income to maximize their ability to live independently.	
0 – The agency did not answer or provide any relevant response to directly address the prompt.	

Timeliness

- A. Describe the plan for rapid implementation of the program – documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant. Provide a detailed schedule of activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award. (6 points)

Scoring Criteria	Score (Check One)
6 – Agency provided an exceptionally clear and comprehensive plan and itemized schedule for rapidly implementing the program including how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant.	
5 – Agency provided a detailed plan and schedule for rapidly implementing the program including how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant.	
4 – Agency provided a moderately detailed plan and schedule for rapidly implementing the program including how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant.	
3 – Agency provided a minimally acceptable plan and schedule for rapidly implementing the program including how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant.	
2 – Agency provided some details, but an overall incomplete plan and schedule for rapidly implementing the program including how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant.	
1 – Agency provided no substantive details and an incomplete plan and schedule for rapidly implementing the program including how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant.	
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Points Summary

Total Points Possible: 46

Total Points: ____

Percentage: ____%

(Total Points/Total Points Possible)*100

Renewal Project Rating Tool

All data used in this tool is collected from the HMIS or the comparable database for victim service providers. This tool is used for all project types.

#	Overview	Where to find information	Formula Information	DATA	Scoring Criteria	Max Pts	SCORE
Upstate CoC Renewing CoC Project Annual Performance Monitoring							
AGENCY NAME:		Insert Agency Name Here					
PROJECT NAME:		Insert Project Name Here					
COMPONENT TYPE			FIRST TIME RENEWALS ONLY: NUMBER OF QUARTERS THE PROJECT HAS OPERATED		NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS IN 2022 CoC PROJECT APP		
REPORTING PERIOD:		Insert Reporting Dates Here					

Scorecard Summary

Rating Category	Maximum Points	Project Score <i>(This section auto-populates as card is completed)</i>
1. HMIS Data Quality	27	0
2. Project Performance	61	0
3. Grant Management	24	0
Total Points	112	0
Score Adjusted to 100 pts. Scale		0.00%

Max Objective Points: 62
Max System Performance Points: 47
Max Severe Barriers Points: 3

#	Overview	Where to find information	Formula Information	DATA	Scoring Criteria	Max Pts	SCORE
1: HMIS (Or Comparable Database) Data Quality							
1. Overview of HMIS (Or Comparable Database) Data Quality							
<p>► HMIS participation and data quality are priorities for both the Upstate CoC and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Accurate, complete, and timely data is crucial to determine how projects are contributing to ending homelessness.</p> <p>► High quality data is the key to understanding what projects are doing, and how project management, Upstate CoC, and HUD can make decisions about the project.</p>							
1.1	Data Quality The CoC is monitored by HUD for Data Quality, including completeness. <i>Does the Project have any Universal Data Element with an error rate greater than 5% ?</i>	Attach Sage APR Upload Review the data in the "% of Error Rate" column of Q06a. and Q06b. Enter the highest number that appears in these columns in cell F18.			Error Rate • <2% → 5 pts • 2 < 5% → 3 pts • > 5.1% → 0 pts	5	
1.2	Data Quality The CoC is monitored by HUD for Data Quality, including completeness. <i>Does the Project have any Income and Sources information with an error rate greater than 5% ?</i>	Attach Sage APR Upload Review the data in the "% of Error Rate" column of Q06c. Enter the highest number that appears in these columns in cell F19.			Error Rate • <2% → 5 pts • 2 < 5% → 3 pts • > 5.1% → 0 pts	5	
1.3	Data Completeness - Is the project's Data Completeness Scorecard percentage above 95.5% on the June 2023 Reportcard?	Data Completeness Report Card distributed to HMIS providers.	N/A		Data Completeness Score • >=95.5% → 6 pts • 90% - 95.4% → 3 pts • <90% → 0 pts	6	
1.4.1	Data Timeliness at Entry - CoC Funded agencies are required to input client information no more than 3 days after a participant enters the project.	Attach Sage APR Upload. Review Q06e: Data Quality Timeliness. Enter the number of project start records >3 Days	Number of Entries completed between 0 and 3 days	#DIV/0!	Timeliness of Entry Assessments: 100% -> 4 pts, 80% to 99% -> 2 pts, <80% -> 0pt	4	
1.4.2	Data Timeliness at Exit - CoC Funded agencies are required to input client information no more than 3 days after a participant exits the project.	Attach Sage APR Upload. Review Q06e: Data Quality Timeliness. Enter the number of project Exit records >3 Days	Number of Exits completed between 0 and 3 days Number of Exits completed > 3 Days	#DIV/0!	Timeliness of Exit Assessments: 100% -> 4 pts, 80% to 99% -> 2 pts, <80% -> 0pt	4	
1.5	HMIS Monitoring Recently the state HMIS Committee, made up of each CoC System Administrators approved an HMIS Monitoring Checklist designed to assess HMIS agencies are taking the necessary precautions to ensure that client data is secure and protected at all times.	HMIS System Administrators will be conducting Monitoring Assessments and provide verification of pass or fail for this section.	N/A		HMIS Monitoring Checklist • Pass → 3 pts • Fail → 0 pts	0	N/A

1.6	Attendance at Required HMIS Trainings and Events CoC Program-funded Agencies are required to participate in required trainings and CoC-wide HMIS events. <i>Did the Agency have a representative attend the required HMIS trainings and events held during the past year?</i>	This information will be provided by the HMIS System Administrator for the Upstate CoC.	N/A	Participation in required HMIS Trainings and Events • All trainings and events attended → 3 pts • Some trainings and events attended → 1 pts • No trainings and events attended → 0 pts	3	
Total HMIS Data Quality					27	0

2: Project Performance

2: Overview of Project Performance

- ▶ Achieving project outcomes provides a benchmark for how well projects help to end homelessness.
- ▶ Assessing and monitoring project outcomes is necessary to understand a project's rate of success and their contribution toward meeting CoC-wide performance goals.

2.1	Successful Maintenance of/Housing Placement from PSH Successful housing outcomes are one of the most important measures of project success, as permanent housing is what ends a person's experience of homelessness. <i>What is the percentage of persons that maintained their housing or exited to a permanent housing destination?</i>	Attach Sage APR Upload Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column The calculation will be performed automatically.	Total Number of Persons served (Q05a, Row 1) Number of Stayers (Q5a, Row 8) Total persons exiting to positive housing destinations (Q23c, 3rd row from the bottom, Column 1) Persons with Successful Maintenance/Housing Placement 0	#DIV/0!	<i>Successful Housing Placement from PSH</i> • 94-100 % → 9 pts • 87-93 % → 6 pts • 80-86 % → 3 pts • <80 % → 0 pts	9	
2.1a	Rapid Placement into Permanent Housing. A well-functioning Housing Crisis Response System moves households from Homelessness to Permanent Housing as swiftly as possible. <i>Are the majority of participants placed into permanent housing within 30 days of project entry?</i>	Attach Sage APR Upload Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.	Total Persons moved into Housing(Q22c Row 9, Column 1) 7 Days or less (Q22c Row 1, Column 1) 8-14 Days (Q22c Row 2, Column 1) 15-21 Days (Q22c Row 3, Column 1) 22-30 Days (Q22c Row 4, Column 1)	#DIV/0!	<i>Placement in less than 30 Days</i> • >80% <30 Days → 5 pts • 79%-60% <30 Days → 3 pts • < 60% >30 Days → 0 pts Note: Some projects may not have this data available	5	
2.2	Returns to Homelessness Reducing returns to homelessness is one of the most important measures of program success. It is also System Performance Measure 2a. <i>What is the percentage of persons returning to homelessness within 6-12 months of exiting to permanent housing?</i>	This information will be provided by HMIS System Administrator if not accessible by Agency Admin. Run System Performance Measures report (HMIS canned report). Scope is Project-Focused, Measure is Measure 2.	N/A		<i>Returns to Homelessness</i> • 0-4 % → 7 pts • 5-9 % → 5 pts • 10-15 % → 3 pts • >15% → 0 pts	7	
2.3	Income Growth for Stayers Improving a household's access to financial resources is crucial to reducing vulnerability to homelessness. HUD measures the CoC's ability to increase participants' income through the NOFA and System Performance Measures. <i>What is the percentage of adults who increased their total income (earned and non-employment)?</i> <u>If this Project has been in Operation less than 1 year Select N/A</u>	Attach Sage APR Upload Q19a1. Row 5 ("Number of Adults with Any Income(i.e., total income), Column 9 ("Performance measure: Percent of persons who accomplished this measure") Enter the % listed where this row and column meet.	N/A		<i>Income Growth for Stayers</i> • 81-100 % → 6 pts • 61-80 % → 4 pts • 40-60 % → 2 pts • <40 % → 0 pts	6	

2.4	<p>Income Growth for Leavers Improving a household's access to financial resources is crucial to reducing vulnerability to homelessness. HUD measures the CoC's ability to increase participants' income through the NOFA and System Performance Measures.</p> <p><i>What is the percentage of adults who increased total income (earned and non-employment) by Project Exit? If this Project has no exits during the reporting period select N/A</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Q19a2. Row 5 ("Number of Adults with Any Income(i.e., total income), Column 9 ("Performance measure: Percent of persons who accomplished this measure")</p> <p>Enter the % listed where this row and column meet.</p>	N/A		<p><i>Income Growth for Leavers</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 91-100 % → 6 pts • 81-90 % → 4 pts • 71-80 % → 2 pts • <71 % → 0 pts 	6	
2.5	<p>Bed Utilization Rate Bed utilization rates demonstrate the CoC is fully utilizing its inventory. Refer to first page of APR for this information</p> <p><i>What is the project's average bed utilization rate?</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.</p>	<p>January Total (Q07b Row 1, Column 1)</p> <p>April Total (Q07b Row 2, Column 1)</p> <p>July Total (Q07b Row 3, Column 1)</p> <p>October Total (Q07b Row 4, Column 1)</p> <p>Total Number of Beds as Specified in the 2023 HIC</p>	#DIV/0!	<p><i>Bed Utilization Rate</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 96-100 % → 8 pts • 91-95 % → 6 pts • 85-90 % → 4 pts • <85 % → 0 pts 	8	
2.6a	<p>Targeting Eligible Participants To comply with CoC Program regulations, all households entering a CoC Program-funded project must meet the HUD definition of homeless under Category 1 or Category 4.</p> <p><i>What percentage of Project Participants enrolled from eligible residences prior to Project Entry?</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>**Manual calculations required**</p>	<p>Total Number of Adults (Q05a, Row 2)</p> <p>Download list of clients from Q15, "Subtotal" under "Other Locations". Cross reference with list of clients from Q14b, "Yes". Total number of persons not appearing on DV list:</p>	#DIV/0!	<p><i>Percentage of Eligible Participants</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 96-100 % → 6 pts • 91-95 % → 3 pts • <91 % → 0 pts 	6	
2.6b	<p>Vulnerable Populations - Zero Income at Entry CoC-funded projects are strongly encouraged to serve those who are most vulnerable and demonstrating a high level of need.</p> <p><i>What percentage of Project Participants have zero income at entry?</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.</p>	<p>Total Number of Adults (Q16, Row 13)</p> <p>Number of Adults with "No Income" at start (Q16, Row 1, Column 1)</p>	#DIV/0!	<p><i>Percentage of Clients with Zero Income at Entry</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >=65% -> 1 pts <65% -> 0 pts 	1	
2.6c	<p>Vulnerable Populations - More than One Disability at Entry <i>What percentage of Project Participants have more than one disability at entry?</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.</p>	<p>Total Number of Persons (Q13a2, Row 8)</p> <p>Number of Persons with 2 conditions (Q13a2, Row 3)</p> <p>Number of Persons with 3+ conditions (Q13a2, Row 4)</p>	#DIV/0!	<p><i>Percentage of Clients with More than One Disability</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >=75% -> 1 pts <75% -> 0 pts 	1	
2.6d	<p>Vulnerable Populations - Living Situation at Entry <i>What percentage of Project Participants entered from a "Place not meant for habitation?"</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.</p>	<p>Total number of persons (Q15, Row 31, Column 1)</p> <p>Total number of persons living in a "Place not meant for habitation" prior to entry (Q15, Row 4, Column 1)</p>	#DIV/0!	<p><i>Percentage of clients who are entering from a "Place not meant for habitation"</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >=75% -> 1 pts <75% -> 0 pts 	1	
2.7	<p>Coordinated Entry(CE) Clients: Per 24 CFR 578.(a)(8), CoCs must establish and operate a Coordinated Entry System that provides an initial comprehensive assessment of the needs of individuals and families for housing and services. The purpose is to allocate assistance as effectively as possible, prioritizing services to those that need it the most.</p> <p><i>What was the percentage of new clients that were enrolled into the project after June 01, 2016 that had completed Coordinated Entry and scored for PSH?</i></p>	<p>Agencies should score this metric based on their records. However, the Upstate CoC will validate scores using custom reporting in HMIS.</p>	<p>2.7.1 For the project's three most recent housing placements, is there a referral documented for each of the clients in the Housing Determination Committee minutes?</p> <p>2.7.2 Do all clients enrolled in the CoC funded program since October 1, 2016 have a VI-SPDAT</p>	<p>2.7.1 = Y/N</p> <p>2.7.2 = Y/N</p>	<p><i>Agency followed Coordinated Entry Policies</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.7.1 = Y → 3 pts 2.7.2 = Y → 0 pts N → -5 pts 	3	

2.8	Low-barrier admission policies Low barrier admission policies are important to prevent screening out people for assistance because of perceived barriers to housing or services. Housing First practices are a requirement of all HUD CoC-funding recipients. The four components are:	The agency will complete and submit the Housing First Questionnaire for the project based on their previous practice over the past year. CoC Staff will review the responses to the Questionnaire and provide a point total based on the Scoring Criteria.		Y/N	<i>Low-barrier admission policies</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program does not screen out on any of the criteria → 8 pts • Program adheres to all but one of the criteria → 2 pts • Program screens out by a combination of more than one of the criteria → 0 pts 	8		
2.8a	Income: Are participants screened out based on having too little or no							Y/N
2.8b	Substance Use: Are participants screened out based on an active or history of substance use?							Y/N
2.8c	Criminal Record: Are participants screened out based on having a criminal record - with exceptions for HUD-mandated restrictions?							Y/N
2.8d	Domestic Violence: Are participants screened out based on history of domestic violence (e.g. lack of a protective order, period of separation from abuser, or law enforcement							Y/N
2.8e	Lack of Existing Connection to Services: Are participants screened out because they do not have existing connections to other relevant service providers prior to their enrollment in							Y/N
Total for Section 2						61	0	

3. Grant Management & CoC Involvement

3: Overview of Grant Management

- ▶ **Projects must demonstrate understanding of a compliance with the federal and local regulations governing operation of the project**
- ▶ **Effective Grant Management includes appropriate tracking of expenditures**
- ▶ **Ensuring participation in mandated Continuum of Care Activities (e.g. mandatory webinars and trainings)**

3.1	Financial Administration Did the project spend down all funds from the most recent Grant Year Closeout? <u>If the Project is in the first year of operation select N/A</u>	Provide your most recent Grant Closeout Agreement. CoC Staff will score this criteria.	Total funds expended for the most recently completed grant year, as reflected in the Grant Closeout Agreement	#DIV/0!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <10% Underspent → 12 pts • >10% Underspent → 0 pts 	12	
			Total Grant Amount Awarded for most recently completed grant year, as reflected in the Grant Closeout Agreement.				
3.2	eLOCCS Draws Did this Project make at least one successful draw from eLOCCS at least once every 3mos for the most recently completed Project Year?	Provide screenshots showing that a drawdown had taken in each quarter of the funding year. CoC Staff will compare the eLOCCS screenshots to determine if the Project is making successful Quarterly Draws.	N/A	Y/N	<i>Frequency of draws in e LOCCS</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly or Quarterly Draws → 0 pts • <1 Draw per Quarter → -10pts 	0	
3.3	Participation in CoC Activities Did an authorized representative from the Agency attend all required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CoC General Meetings • Required CoC Program Trainings 	CoC Staff will score this metric. Providers will be offered the opportunity to contest CoC Staff recordkeeping prior to the finalization of the scorecard.	No action required from project staff.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Participation (100%) → 5 pts • <100-90% Attendance → 2 pts • <90% Attendance → 0 pts 	5	
3.4	Timely APR Submission Timely submission of APRs to HUD is mandatory for compliance with the CoC Interim rule. <i>Did the project submit its APR for the most recently completed grant year within the required period, that is within 90 days of the end of the grant's operating year?</i> <u>If this Project is in the first year of Operation, select N/A</u>	Attach a screenshot of the Sage APR submission timestamp for the last submitted APR to the scorecard.	N/A	Y/N	<i>Timely APR Submission</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • APR submitted on time (<90 Days) → 0 pts • APR not submitted on time (>=91 Days) → -6 pts 	0	

3.5	CoC Program Compliance Has the Project been monitored by the HUD CPD Field Office Representative assigned to the Project in the last 12 months? Does the Agency have monitoring findings as a result of that monitoring?	Please attach to the scorecard either HUD's final monitoring report or a statement from the Executive Director on Agency Letterhead stating that the project has not been monitored in the last 12 months.			Open Monitoring Findings • This Project was/was not monitored in the last 12 months and has no monitoring Findings.→ 0 pts • This Project was monitored in the last 12 months and received findings as a result of that monitoring.→ -3pts <u>for each finding</u>	0	
3.6	Standards reflecting Equal Access	Agency to provide policies and procedures reflecting Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs	N/A	Y/N	Yes → 1 pts No → 0 pts	1	
3.7	Standards reflecting adoption of Preventing Involuntary Family Separation	Agency to provide policies and procedures reflecting Preventing Involuntary Family Separation	N/A	Y/N	Yes → 1 pts No → 0 pts	1	
3.8	Grantee has consumer representation on Agency Board or Governing Body	Agency will provide the information.		Y/N	Representation on board or governing body: Yes → 5 pts No → 0 pts	5	
Total for Section 3						24	0

4: Scorecard Comments

► Use this space to write any comments on your score after completing scorecard.

#	Overview	Where to find information	Formula Information	DATA	Scoring Criteria	Max Pts	SCORE
Upstate CoC Renewing CoC Project Annual Performance Monitoring							
AGENCY NAME:		United Housing Connections					
PROJECT NAME:		HOME PSH					
COMPONENT TYPE		PSH-Leasing	FIRST TIME RENEWALS ONLY: NUMBER OF QUARTERS THE PROJECT HAS OPERATED		NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS IN 2022 CoC PROJECT APP 4B2a		
REPORTING PERIOD:		7/1/2021 - 6/30/2022					

Scorecard Summary

Rating Category	Maximum Points	Project Score <i>(This section auto-populates as card is completed)</i>
1. HMIS Data Quality	27	14
2. Project Performance	61	44
3. Grant Management	24	24
Total Points	112	82
Score Adjusted to 100 pts. Scale		73.21%

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1.2	Data Quality The CoC is monitored by HUD for Data Quality, including completeness. <i>Does the Project have any Income and Sources information with an error rate greater than 5% ?</i>	Attach Sage APR Upload Review the data in the "% of Error Rate" column of Q06c. Enter the highest number that appears in these columns in cell F19.		10%	<i>Error Rate</i> • <2% → 5 pts • 2 < 5% → 3 pts • > 5.1% → 0 pts	5	0
1.3	Data Completeness - Is the project's Data Completeness Scorecard percentage above 95.5% on the June 2023 Reportcard?	Data Completeness Report Card distributed to HMIS providers.	N/A	100%	<i>Data Completeness Score</i> • >=95.5% → 6 pts • 90% - 95.4% → 3 pts • <90% → 0 pts	6	6
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1.4.2	Data Timeliness at Exit - CoC Funded agencies are required to input client information no more than 3 days after a participant exits the project.	Attach Sage APR Upload. Review Q06e: Data Quality Timeliness. Enter the number of project Exit records >3 Days	Number of Exits completed between 0 and 3 days 1 Number of Exits completed > 3 Days 2	33%	<i>Timeliness of Exit Assessments:</i> 100% -> 4 pts, 80% to 99% -> 2 pts, <80% -> 0pt	4	0
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Total HMIS Data Quality					27	14

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2: Overview of Project Performance
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2.1a	Rapid Placement into Permanent Housing. A well-functioning Housing Crisis Response System moves households from Homelessness to Permanent Housing as swiftly as possible. <i>Are the majority of participants placed into permanent housing within 30 days of project entry?</i>	Attach Sage APR Upload Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.	Total Persons moved into Housing(Q22c Row 9, Column 1) 2 7 Days or less (Q22c Row 1, Column 1) 2 8-14 Days (Q22c Row 2, Column 1) 0 15-21 Days (Q22c Row 3, Column 1) 0 22-30 Days (Q22c Row 4, Column 1) 0	100%	<i>Placement in less than 30 Days</i> • >80% <30 Days → 5 pts • 79%-60% <30 Days → 3 pts • < 60% >30 Days → 0 pts Note: Some projects may not have this data available	5	5
2.2	Returns to Homelessness Reducing returns to homelessness is one of the most important measures of program success. It is also System Performance Measure 2a. <i>What is the percentage of persons returning to homelessness within 6-12 months of exiting to permanent housing?</i>	This information will be provided by HMIS System Administrator if not accessible by Agency Admin. Run System Performance Measures report (HMIS canned report). Scope is Project-Focused, Measure is Measure 2.	N/A	0%	<i>Returns to Homelessness</i> • 0-4 % → 7 pts • 5-9 % → 5 pts • 10-15 % → 3 pts • >15% → 0 pts	7	7
2.3	Income Growth for Stayers Improving a household's access to financial resources is crucial to reducing vulnerability to homelessness. HUD measures the CoC's ability to increase participants' income through the NOFA and System Performance Measures. <i>What is the percentage of adults who increased their total income (earned and non-employment)?</i> <u>If this Project has been in Operation less than 1 year Select N/A</u>	Attach Sage APR Upload Q19a1. Row 5 ("Number of Adults with Any Income(i.e., total income), Column 9 ("Performance measure: Percent of persons who accomplished this measure") Enter the % listed where this row and column meet.	N/A	67%	<i>Income Growth for Stayers</i> • 81-100 % → 6 pts • 61-80 % → 4 pts • 40-60 % → 2 pts • <40 % → 0 pts	6	4

2.4	<p>Income Growth for Leavers Improving a household's access to financial resources is crucial to reducing vulnerability to homelessness. HUD measures the CoC's ability to increase participants' income through the NOFA and System Performance Measures.</p> <p><i>What is the percentage of adults who increased total income (earned and non-employment) by Project Exit? If this Project has no exits during the reporting period select N/A</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Q19a2. Row 5 ("Number of Adults with Any Income(i.e., total income), Column 9 ("Performance measure: Percent of persons who accomplished this measure")</p> <p>Enter the % listed where this row and column meet.</p>	N/A	67%	<p><i>Income Growth for Leavers</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 91-100 % → 6 pts • 81-90 % → 4 pts • 71-80 % → 2 pts • <71 % → 0 pts 	6	0
2.5	<p>Bed Utilization Rate Bed utilization rates demonstrate the CoC is fully utilizing its inventory. *Refer to first page of APR for this Information</p> <p><i>What is the project's average bed utilization rate?</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.</p>	<p>January Total (Q07b Row 1, Column 1) 12</p> <p>April Total (Q07b Row 2, Column 1) 11</p> <p>July Total (Q07b Row 3, Column 1) 12</p> <p>October Total (Q07b Row 4, Column 1) 11</p> <p>Total Number of Beds as Specified in the 2023 HIC 13</p>	#DIV/0!	<p><i>Bed Utilization Rate</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 96-100 % → 8 pts • 91-95 % → 6 pts • 85-90 % → 4 pts • <85 % → 0 pts 	8	4
2.6a	<p>Targeting Eligible Participants To comply with CoC Program regulations, all households entering a CoC Program-funded project must meet the HUD definition of homeless under Category 1 or Category 4.</p> <p><i>What percentage of Project Participants enrolled from eligible residences prior to Project Entry?</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>**Manual calculations required**</p>	<p>Total Number of Adults (Q05a, Row 2) 15</p> <p>Download list of clients from Q15, "Subtotal" under "Other Locations". Cross reference with list of clients from Q14b, "Yes". Total number of persons not appearing on DV list: 0</p>	100%	<p><i>Percentage of Eligible Participants</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 96-100 % → 6 pts • 91-95 % → 3 pts • <91 % → 0 pts 	6	6
2.6b	<p>Vulnerable Populations - Zero Income at Entry CoC-funded projects are strongly encouraged to serve those who are most vulnerable and demonstrating a high level of need.</p> <p><i>What percentage of Project Participants have zero income at</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.</p>	<p>Total Number of Adults (Q16, Row 13) 15</p> <p>Number of Adults with "No Income" at start (Q16, Row 1, Column 1) 5</p>	33%	<p><i>Percentage of Clients with Zero Income at Entry</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >=65% -> 1 pts <65% -> 0 pts 	1	0
2.6c	<p>Vulnerable Populations - More than One Disability at Entry</p> <p><i>What percentage of Project Participants have more than one disability at entry?</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.</p>	<p>Total Number of Persons (Q13a2, Row 8) 15</p> <p>Number of Persons with 2 conditions (Q13a2, Row 3) 5</p> <p>Number of Persons with 3+ conditions (Q13a2, Row 4) 8</p>	87%	<p><i>Percentage of Clients with More than One Disability</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >=75% -> 1 pts <75% -> 0 pts 	1	1
2.6d	<p>Vulnerable Populations - Living Situation at Entry</p> <p><i>What percentage of Project Participants entered from a "Place not meant for habitation?"</i></p>	<p>Attach Sage APR Upload</p> <p>Enter the numbers found in the locations described in column D. The calculation will be performed automatically.</p>	<p>Total number of persons (Q15, Row 31, Column 1) 15</p> <p>Total number of persons living in a "Place not meant for habitation" prior to entry (Q15, Row 4, Column 1) 6</p>	40%	<p><i>Percentage of clients who are entering from a "Place not meant for habitation"</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >=75% -> 1 pts <75% -> 0 pts 	1	0
2.7	<p>Coordinated Entry(CE) Clients: Per 24 CFR 578.(a)(8), CoCs must establish and operate a Coordinated Entry System that provides an initial comprehensive assessment of the needs of individuals and families for housing and services. The purpose is to allocate assistance as effectively as possible, prioritizing services to those that need it the most.</p> <p><i>What was the percentage of new clients that were enrolled into the project after June 01, 2016 that had completed Coordinated Entry and scored for PSH?</i></p>	<p>Agencies should score this metric based on their records. However, the Upstate CoC will validate scores using custom reporting in HMIS.</p>	<p>2.7.1 For the project's three most recent housing placements, is there a referral documented for each of the clients in the Housing Determination Committee minutes?</p> <p>2.7.2 Do all clients enrolled in the CoC funded program since October 1, 2016 have a VI-SPDAT</p>	<p>2.7.1 = Y</p> <p>2.7.2 = Y</p>	<p><i>Agency followed Coordinated Entry Policies</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.7.1 = Y → 3 pts 2.7.2 = Y → 0 pts N → -5 pts 	3	3

2.8	Low-barrier admission policies Low barrier admission policies are important to prevent screening out people for assistance because of perceived barriers to housing or services. Housing First practices are a requirement of all HUD CoC-funding recipients. The four components are:	The agency will complete and submit the Housing First Questionnaire for the project based on their previous practice over the past year. CoC Staff will review the responses to the Questionnaire and provide a point total based on the Scoring Criteria.		Y	<i>Low-barrier admission policies</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program does not screen out on any of the criteria → 8 pts • Program adheres to all but one of the criteria → 2 pts • Program screens out by a combination of more than one of the criteria → 0 pts 	8	8
2.8a	Income: Are participants screened out based on having too little or no income?						
2.8b	Substance Use: Are participants screened out based on an active or history of substance use?						
2.8c	Criminal Record: Are participants screened out based on having a criminal record - with exceptions for HUD-mandated restrictions?						
2.8d	Domestic Violence: Are participants screened out based on history of domestic violence (e.g. lack of a protective order, period of separation from abuser, or law enforcement						
2.8e	Lack of Existing Connection to Services: Are participants screened out because they do not have existing connections to other relevant service providers prior to their enrollment in						
Total for Section 2						61	44

3. Grant Management & CoC Involvement

3: Overview of Grant Management
▶ **Projects must demonstrate understanding of a compliance with the federal and local regulations governing operation of the project**
▶ **Effective Grant Management includes appropriate tracking of expenditures**
▶ **Ensuring participation in mandated Continuum of Care Activities (e.g. mandatory webinars and trainings)**

3.1	Financial Administration Did the project spend down all funds from the most recent Grant Year Closeout? <u>If the Project is in the first year of operation select N/A</u>	Provide your most recent Grant Closeout Agreement. CoC Staff will score this criteria.	Total funds expended for the most recently completed grant year, as reflected in the Grant Closeout Agreement \$ 211,309 Total Grant Amount Awarded for most recently completed grant year, as reflected in the Grant Closeout Agreement. \$ 227,613	7%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <10% Underspent → 12 pts • >10% Underspent → 0 pts 	12	12
3.2	eLOCCS Draws Did this Project make at least one successful draw from eLOCCS at least once every 3mos for the most recently completed Project Year?	Provide screenshots showing that a drawdown had taken in each quarter of the funding year. CoC Staff will compare the eLOCCS screenshots to determine if the Project is making successful Quarterly Draws.	N/A	Y/N	<i>Frequency of draws in e LOCCS</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly or Quarterly Draws → 0 pts • <1 Draw per Quarter → -10pts 	0	0
3.3	Participation in CoC Activities Did an authorized representative from the Agency attend all required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CoC General Meetings • Required CoC Program Trainings 	CoC Staff will score this metric. Providers will be offered the opportunity to contest CoC Staff recordkeeping prior to the finalization of the scorecard.	No action required from project staff.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Participation (100%) → 5 pts • <100-90% Attendance → 2 pts • <90% Attendance → 0 pts 	5	5
3.4	Timely APR Submission Timely submission of APRs to HUD is mandatory for compliance with the CoC Interim rule. <i>Did the project submit its APR for the most recently completed grant year within the required period, that is within 90 days of the end of the grant's operating year?</i> <u>If this Project is in the first year of Operation, select N/A</u>	Attach a screenshot of the Sage APR submission timestamp for the last submitted APR to the scorecard.	N/A	Y/N	<i>Timely APR Submission</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • APR submitted on time (<90 Days) → 0 pts • APR not submitted on time (>=91 Days) → -6 pts 	0	0

3.5	CoC Program Compliance Has the Project been monitored by the HUD CPD Field Office Representative assigned to the Project in the last 12 months? Does the Agency have monitoring findings as a result of that monitoring?	Please attach to the scorecard either HUD's final monitoring report or a statement from the Executive Director on Agency Letterhead stating that the project has not been monitored in the last 12 months.			Open Monitoring Findings • This Project was/was not monitored in the last 12 months and has no monitoring Findings.→ 0 pts • This Project was monitored in the last 12 months and received findings as a result of that monitoring.→ -3pts <u>for each finding</u>	0	0
3.6	Standards reflecting Equal Access	Agency to provide policies and procedures reflecting Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs	N/A	Y/N	Yes → 1 pts No → 0 pts	1	1
3.7	Standards reflecting adoption of Preventing Involuntary Family Separation	Agency to provide policies and procedures reflecting Preventing Involuntary Family Separation	N/A	Y/N	Yes → 1 pts No → 0 pts	1	1
3.8	Grantee has consumer representation on Agency Board or Governing Body	Agency will provide the information.		Y/N	Representation on board or governing body: Yes → 5 pts No → 0 pts	5	5
Total for Section 3						24	24

4: Scorecard Comments

► Use this space to write any comments on your score after completing scorecard.



To whom it may concern:

The Upstate CoC (SC-501) did not reject or reduce any projects during our CoC's local competition. One project was reallocated on a voluntary basis.

Sincerely,

Natalie Rivera

Upstate CoC Director of Operations

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Subject: NOFO: All Projects Accepted to Priority Listing
Importance: High

Good afternoon 2023 NOFO Applicants,

I'm writing to inform you that all of your projects have been accepted and ranked by the Upstate CoC Rating and Ranking Committee on our New and Renewal Priority Listing. No projects were rejected or reduced.

The Priority Listing produced by the Rating and Ranking Committee will go to the Upstate CoC Advisory Council Voting Members for final approval. Once both the Priority Listing and Consolidated Application have been approved by our Voting Members, they will be published to the CoC Website (<https://www.upstatecoc.org/2023-nofo>) no later than Wednesday, September 20th at 5pm. Once published, a notification email will be sent to all CoC members and key stakeholders.

I want to thank you all again for not only dedicating time and effort into producing a CoC Program Competition application(s), but also for the meaningful work you continue to do in our community. If you have any questions about the remainder of the NOFO process, please let me know!

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Subject: RE: NOFO: All Projects Accepted to Priority Listing
Attachments: 2023 R&R Priority Listing.pdf

Good morning all, and Happy Friday!

I have gotten several questions about viewing the priority listing that was developed by the Rating and Ranking Committee. I have attached it to this email, but I want to stress that this is **not** the finalized version. It's unlikely that the order will change, but the Advisory Council Voting Members must vote to approve this listing before it's 100% final.

For those of you that serve on the Grants Committee, you will notice that they adopted our initial suggestion without any changes. The Grants Committee suggested a priority listing that placed renewals over new projects, because we felt that the impact on our community of an existing project being defunded would be greater than a new project not being funded. From there, projects were ranked based on their numerical score from our rating tools. The Rating and Ranking Committee met on September 7, spent roughly 45 minutes reviewing applicant materials, and decided not to make any changes.

It's unfortunate that we have to put the stress on an applicant of being placed in Tier 2, but please remember that all of our projects were funded in full last year because of our high score as a CoC. I understand this has been achieved in the past as well. It is UHC's and the Executive Committee's every intention to submit an even stronger application this year.

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This official Priority Listing will be submitted by United Housing Connections to HUD as a component of the finalized CoC Consolidated Application.

Sincerely,

Armilla Moore, Representing Tri-County Chapter

Chris Padgett, Representing GAMES Chapter

Kelly Schlossin, Representing CUS Chapter

Lauren Stephens, Representing Greenville/Laurens Chapter

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PIT Count Data for SC-501 - Greenville, Anderson, Spartanburg/Upstate CoC

Total Population PIT Count Data

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	1536	1280	1263	1424
Emergency Shelter Total	858	650	780	889
Safe Haven Total	12	11	12	12
Transitional Housing Total	169	122	119	147
Total Sheltered Count	1039	783	911	1048
Total Unsheltered Count	497	497	352	376

Chronically Homeless PIT Counts

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	353	341	283	318
Sheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	178	166	162	182
Unsheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	175	175	121	136

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Homeless Households with Children PIT Counts

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of the Number of Homeless Households with Children	101	82	70	75
Sheltered Count of Homeless Households with Children	81	62	64	71
Unsheltered Count of Homeless Households with Children	20	20	6	4

Homeless Veteran PIT Counts

	2011 PIT	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of the Number of Homeless Veterans	115	98	104	99	104
Sheltered Count of Homeless Veterans	91	67	73	84	75
Unsheltered Count of Homeless Veterans	24	31	31	15	29

*For CoCs that did not conduct an unsheltered count in 2021, 2020 data were used.

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HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Current, Year-Round, HMIS Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds*	HMIS Bed Coverage Rate for Year-Round Beds	Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds**	HMIS Comparable Bed Coverage Rate for VSP Beds	Total Current, Year-Round, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
ES Beds	901	265	777	34.11%	124	124	100.00%	389	43.17%
SH Beds	12	12	12	100.00%	0	0	NA	12	100.00%
TH Beds	217	97	168	57.74%	49	49	100.00%	146	67.28%
RRH Beds	149	133	133	100.00%	16	16	100.00%	149	100.00%
PSH Beds	354	322	322	100.00%	32	32	100.00%	354	100.00%
OPH Beds	0	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0	NA
Total Beds	1,633	829	1,412	58.71%	221	221	100.00%	1,050	64.30%

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In the HIC, Current beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").

PSH Beds Dedicated to Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness

Chronically Homeless Bed Counts	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
Number of CoC Program and non-CoC Program funded PSH beds dedicated for use by chronically homeless persons identified on the HIC	339	370	367	354

Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Units Dedicated to Persons in Household with Children

Households with Children	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
RRH units available to serve families on the HIC	8	22	28	42

Rapid Rehousing Beds Dedicated to All Persons

All Household Types	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
RRH beds available to serve all populations on the HIC	34	121	139	149

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FY2022 - Performance Measurement Module (Sys PM)

Summary Report for SC-501 - Greenville, Anderson, Spartanburg/Upstate CoC

Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

This measures the number of clients active in the report date range across ES, SH (Metric 1.1) and then ES, SH and TH (Metric 1.2) along with their average and median length of time homeless. This includes time homeless during the report date range as well as prior to the report start date, going back no further than October, 1, 2012.

Metric 1.1: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES and SH projects.

Metric 1.2: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES, SH, and TH projects.

a. This measure is of the client's entry, exit, and bed night dates strictly as entered in the HMIS system.

	Universe (Persons)		Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)				Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)			
	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
1.1 Persons in ES and SH	1053	1041	96	118	144	26	48	40	50	10
1.2 Persons in ES, SH, and TH	1191	1246	149	131	155	24	64	49	60	11

b. This measure is based on data element 3.17.

This measure includes data from each client's Living Situation (Data Standards element 3.917) response as well as time spent in permanent housing projects between Project Start and Housing Move-In. This information is added to the client's entry date, effectively extending the client's entry date backward in time. This "adjusted entry date" is then used in the calculations just as if it were the client's actual entry date.

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	Universe (Persons)		Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)				Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)			
	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
1.1 Persons in ES, SH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	1316	1262	368	375	402	27	192	179	183	4
1.2 Persons in ES, SH, TH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	1443	1438	373	379	410	31	217	190	187	-3

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Measure 2: The Extent to which Persons who Exit Homelessness to Permanent Housing Destinations Return to Homelessness

This measures clients who exited SO, ES, TH, SH or PH to a permanent housing destination in the date range two years prior to the report date range. Of those clients, the measure reports on how many of them returned to homelessness as indicated in the HMIS for up to two years after their initial exit.

	Total # of Persons who Exited to a Permanent Housing Destination (2 Years Prior)		Returns to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months			Returns to Homelessness from 6 to 12 Months			Returns to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months			Number of Returns in 2 Years	
	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	% of Returns	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	% of Returns	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	% of Returns	FY 2022	% of Returns
Exit was from SO	63	34	7	1	3%	1	1	3%	4	1	3%	3	9%
Exit was from ES	295	270	22	15	6%	12	8	3%	11	17	6%	40	15%
Exit was from TH	38	57	0	6	11%	0	2	4%	5	6	11%	14	25%
Exit was from SH	1	4	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0%
Exit was from PH	267	146	7	3	2%	3	3	2%	17	8	5%	14	10%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	664	511	36	25	5%	16	14	3%	37	32	6%	71	14%

Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Metric 3.1 – Change in PIT Counts

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This measures the change in PIT counts of sheltered and unsheltered homeless person as reported on the PIT (not from HMIS).

	January 2021 PIT Count	January 2022 PIT Count	Difference
Universe: Total PIT Count of sheltered and unsheltered persons		1263	
Emergency Shelter Total	650	780	130
Safe Haven Total	11	12	1
Transitional Housing Total	122	119	-3
Total Sheltered Count	783	911	128
Unsheltered Count		352	

Metric 3.2 – Change in Annual Counts

This measures the change in annual counts of sheltered homeless persons in HMIS.

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Unduplicated Total sheltered homeless persons	1039	1226	1271	45
Emergency Shelter Total	890	1080	1050	-30
Safe Haven Total	14	14	12	-2
Transitional Housing Total	171	180	252	72

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Measure 4: Employment and Income Growth for Homeless Persons in CoC Program-funded Projects

Metric 4.1 – Change in earned income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	119	110	117	7
Number of adults with increased earned income	4	2	5	3
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	3%	2%	4%	2%

Metric 4.2 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	119	110	117	7
Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	58	54	29	-25
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	49%	49%	25%	-24%

Metric 4.3 – Change in total income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	119	110	117	7
Number of adults with increased total income	60	55	34	-21
Percentage of adults who increased total income	50%	50%	29%	-21%

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Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	184	158	92	-66
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	13	9	5	-4
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	7%	6%	5%	-1%

Metric 4.5 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	184	158	92	-66
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	25	18	7	-11
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	14%	11%	8%	-3%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	184	158	92	-66
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	38	27	12	-15
Percentage of adults who increased total income	21%	17%	13%	-4%

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Measure 5: Number of persons who become homeless for the 1st time

Metric 5.1 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, and TH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH or TH during the reporting period.	863	1015	987	-28
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	133	124	113	-11
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time)	730	891	874	-17

Metric 5.2 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, TH, and PH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH, TH or PH during the reporting period.	1140	1298	1192	-106
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	189	165	142	-23
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time.)	951	1133	1050	-83

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Measure 6: Homeless Prevention and Housing Placement of Persons defined by category 3 of HUD's Homeless Definition in CoC Program-funded Projects

This Measure is not applicable to CoCs in FY2022 (Oct 1, 2021 - Sept 30, 2022) reporting period.

Measure 7: Successful Placement from Street Outreach and Successful Placement in or Retention of Permanent Housing

Metric 7a.1 – Change in exits to permanent housing destinations

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons who exit Street Outreach	939	982	1177	195
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	53	68	70	2
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	22	22	15	-7
% Successful exits	8%	9%	7%	-2%

Metric 7b.1 – Change in exits to permanent housing destinations

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	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons in ES, SH, TH and PH-RRH who exited, plus persons in other PH projects who exited without moving into housing	1012	1111	1041	-70
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	452	446	383	-63
% Successful exits	45%	40%	37%	-3%

Metric 7b.2 – Change in exit to or retention of permanent housing

	Submitted FY 2021	Revised FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons in all PH projects except PH-RRH	358	361	324	-37
Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	324	336	322	-14
% Successful exits/retention	91%	93%	99%	6%

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	All ES, SH			All TH			All PSH, OPH			All RRH			All Street Outreach		
	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022
1. Number of non-DV Beds on HIC	766	722	730	168	132	116	339	370	430	34	99	124			
2. Number of HMIS Beds	288	292	301	65	90	86	303	334	335	34	99	124			
3. HMIS Participation Rate from HIC (%)	37.60	40.44	41.23	38.69	68.18	74.14	89.38	90.27	77.91	100.00	100.00	100.00			
4. Unduplicated Persons Served (HMIS)	975	925	948	171	205	227	403	388	335	368	463	379	346	581	309
5. Total Leavers (HMIS)	785	713	665	110	133	154	39	61	17	191	313	229	235	247	187
6. Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	0	8	13	0	9	16	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	6	24
7. Destination Error Rate (%)	0.00	1.12	1.95	0.00	6.77	10.39	0.00	1.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.06	0.00	2.43	12.83

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Submission and Count Dates for SC-501 - Greenville, Anderson, Spartanburg/Upstate CoC

Date of PIT Count

	Date	Received HUD Waiver
Date CoC Conducted 2023 PIT Count	1/25/2023	

Report Submission Date in HDX

	Submitted On	Met Deadline
2023 PIT Count Submittal Date	4/23/2023	Yes
2023 HIC Count Submittal Date	4/24/2023	Yes
2022 System PM Submittal Date	2/22/2023	Yes