

Loudoun County Continuum of Care FY21 HUD Program Competition Local Competition Public Posting Results

The Continuum of Care's (CoC) Rank and Review Committee is tasked with prioritizing the most impactful and efficient HUD CoC Programs, both new and renewal for inclusion in the FY21 HUD CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NoFO). In order to accomplish this, the Rank and Review Committee creates a two-tier Project Priority Listing of all HUD CoC project applicants.

Project Review

The Loudoun County CoC recruits qualified, non-conflicted Rank and Review Committee members who are knowledgeable about homelessness and housing in the area and who are representative of the relevant sectors and subpopulations. The Rank and Review Committee is composed of diverse representatives from a broad range which might include: Faith-based and non-profit providers of homeless services and housing; housing developers; city representatives; County employees; mental health providers; substance abuse clinicians; veteran's services coordinators, and when appropriate consumers.

To determine which new projects applications, to include in the Collaborative Application, the Rank and Review committee reviews local applications. To complete this task, the committee evaluates submitted applications and community need and selects from the following proposals:

Project Applicant	Proposed Project	Project Status	FY21 Tier
Department of Family Services	Permanent Supportive Housing	Accepted	Tier 1
Good Shepherd of Northern Virginia	Permanent Housing-Permanent Supportive Housing	Rejected	Tier 2
Volunteers of America Chesapeake and the Carolinas	Permanent Supportive Housing	Rejected	Tier 2
No applicants	CoC Bonus	n/a	-
No applicants	DV Bonus	n/a	-

Selection Process

Tiers are divided by the community's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD), which is \$178,836 for the County of Loudoun. Details on how the tiers are divided is listed below:

- <u>Tier 1 High Priority Projects and Renewal Applicants</u>
 - Defined by HUD as a percent of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) approved by HUD on the final HUD approved Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW).
 - Tier 1 projects must score a minimum of 80 points and are traditionally protected from HUD cuts.
- <u>Tier 2 Bonus Projects, Low Priority Projects and New Applicants</u>
 - Defined by HUD as the difference between Tier 1 and the CoC's ARD plus any amount available for bonus (including Domestic Violence Bonus) as described in the HUD NoFO.
 - Tier 2 projects must score a minimum of 75 points and compete nationally for funding.

Projects are reviewed, scored and ranked according to the CoC's Project Scoring and Ranking Tool, alignment with Housing First and prior year spending of grant funds, and participation in Coordinated Entry. Currently funded projects that do not meet the scoring threshold will be placed at the bottom of Tier 1 ahead of any Renewal Projects ranked in Tier 2 and New Projects unless otherwise instructed in the HUD CoC NoFO. Current projects that are deemed essential to the CoC



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but which would be at risk of losing funding if placed in Tier 2, will be ranked at the bottom of Tier 1.

New and Renewal projects must be ranked in tiers using a standard and objective score produced by the scoring matrix in conjunction with community need. Proposed project expansions must be scored individually.

Proposed projects must meet the scoring threshold for inclusion on the Collaborative Application. There is a maximum of five (5) bonus points for applications that reflect partnerships with homeless services and healthcare.

Organizations are informed via email of their project score and ranking no less than 15 days prior to the submission of the HUD CoC Program Competition Collaborative Application. The approved CoC Consolidated Application will be shared with CoC members and posted on the CoC webpage.