

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 2026 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2026 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 2026 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.

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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- Frequently Asked Questions

1A-1. CoC Name and Number: CA-613 - Imperial County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: County of Imperial

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Regional Task Force on Homelessness

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Accountable Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Accountable Structure and Participation.	
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In the chart below for the period from June 1, 2025 to May 31, 2026:

1.	select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below if the entity listed participated in CoC meetings or select 'Nonexistent' if the entity does not exist in your CoC's geographic area, and
2.	enter the number of persons on the board for each category where you answered 'Yes' in the Participated in CoC Meetings column.

You must click Save at the bottom of the form before entering the number of persons for each category where you answered 'Yes'.

	Entity	Participated in CoC Meetings	Number of Board Members
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	2
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction(s)	Yes	1
3.	Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC)	Nonexistent	
4.	Community Mental Health Center (CMHC)	Yes	1
5.	Disability Advocate(s)	Yes	0
6.	Disability Service Organization(s)	Yes	0
7.	Emergency Medical Services (EMS)/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	1
8.	Employment Assistance Program(s) (e.g., Local Workforce Development, American Job Center)	Yes	1
9.	Faith-based Organization(s)	Yes	0
10.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Person(s)	Yes	1
11.	Hospital(s)	No	
12.	Other Primary Healthcare Provider(s) (e.g., Federally Qualified Health Center, Healthcare for the Homeless)	Yes	1
13.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	No	
14.	Law Enforcement	Yes	2
15.	Local Court Systems, Including Specialty Courts (e.g., Mental Health Court, Drug Court, Care Court)	Yes	1
16.	Local Government Staff/Official(s)	Yes	2

17.	State Government Staff/Official(s)	Yes	0
18.	State or Local Elected Public Official(s)	Yes	1
19.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	1
20.	Mental Health Service Organization(s)	Yes	1
21.	Mental Illness Advocate(s)	Yes	1
22.	Organization(s) led by and serving people with disabilities	No	0
23.	Other homeless subpopulation advocate(s)	Yes	0
24.	Other nonprofit homeless assistance provider(s)	Yes	1
25.	Other social service provider(s)	Yes	0
26.	Public Housing Agencies	Yes	1
27.	Recovery Housing or Sober Living Provider(s)	Yes	1
28.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaison(s)	Yes	0
29.	School District(s)	Yes	0
30.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	1
31.	Substance Abuse Advocate(s)	Nonexistent	
32.	Substance Abuse Service Organization(s)	No	
33.	Universities	No	
34.	Veteran Serving Organization(s)	Yes	0
35.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	1
36.	Victim Service Provider(s)	Yes	1
37.	Domestic Violence Advocate(s)	Yes	1
38.	Other Victim Service Organization(s)	Yes	0
39.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	Nonexistent	
40.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	Nonexistent	
41.	Youth Advocate(s)	Yes	0
42.	Youth Homeless Organization(s)	Yes	0
43.	Youth Service Provider(s)	Yes	2
44.	Other Homeless Assistance Provider(s)	Yes	0
45.	Local Business or Chamber of Commerce or a Member of a Business Improvement District	Yes	1
	Other: (limit 50 characters)		
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47.			

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	
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Describe your CoC's transparent process (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to invite new members to join the CoC at least annually.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC accepts applications from organizations and individuals year-round and are reviewed in accordance with CA-613 governing charter. CoC membership applications are posted on the CoC website for the public to view and submit. The CoC extends invitations for new members by posting on our website monthly calendars for Executive and General Membership meetings. The calendars include date, time and location of said meetings. In addition, the CoC attends community stakeholder events regularly throughout the year to encourage and increase stakeholder participation. Individuals and organizations may submit a membership application to become part of the CoC. Membership applications are accepted year-round and are reviewed in accordance with our local CoC's governing charter.

New members are expected to attend regular meetings and actively participate in achieving the CoC's goals. Voting privileges are earned through attendance and participation, as detailed in established policies. Members are encouraged to recruit others committed to addressing homelessness in Imperial County and join the CoC's committee. Agendas and minutes are publicly accessible on the CoC website. Members' responsibilities are clearly outlined in the CoC charter.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit and Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	
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Describe your CoC's transparent process (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit and consider opinions regarding the CoC's general performance, strategies, and priority setting process from a broad array of individuals and organizations that have knowledge of homelessness or an interest in preventing or ending homelessness in the CoC's geographic area.
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(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC gathers insights during Executive Board (EB), General Membership (GM), and committee meetings. The EB includes public officials, philanthropists, public housing authority representatives, healthcare and behavioral health professionals, business leaders, and individuals with lived experience. The GM comprises members from non-profits, public agencies, chambers of commerce, religious groups, the education sector, healthcare organizations, housing authorities, law enforcement, veterans, crisis centers, and the disabled community. Agendas are posted to the CoC website, shared via email with stakeholders, and displayed outside meeting rooms before meetings. As these meetings are open to the public, they primarily serve to soliciting feedback through a "public comment" section, allowing members and non-members to request information or provide information relevant to CoC's general performance, strategies, and efforts. CoC website includes a "contact us" link to solicit additional feedback. Feedback from EB, GM, and committee meetings enhance performance, and the CoC utilizes ideas from public comments and committee discussions. One of the most recent and engaging meetings for stakeholder feedback took place on April, May, June, and July of 2025 when soliciting feedback for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Round 6 Regionally Coordinated Action Plan.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.	
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Describe your CoC's transparent process to accept and consider proposals from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding including faith-based organizations.
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(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC encourages organizations that have not previously received funding to apply by posting funding announcements on the CoC website and announcing them at Executive Board (EB) and General Membership (GM) meetings, which are open to the public. Prior to the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) release, reminders are provided during EB and GM meetings. The IVCCC General Membership comprises a diverse array of organizations, including faith-based organizations. The NOFO is posted on the CoC website under the "Funding Announcement" section. Additionally, a Zoom workshop is held to inform potential applicants about eligibility, and to support new and previous applicants.

This year the IVCCC received FY 2026 CoC Program proposals for the first time from Whole Person Care Clinic, Encompass Housing, and Imperial Community College District. The CoC will continue to practice transparency and adequate updates to ensure organizations that have not previously received CoC funding are aware of all funding opportunities.

1B-5 Plan for Comprehensive Strategies for Reducing Homelessness.

Describe how your CoC will incorporate comprehensive strategies for reducing homelessness, including interventions in 42 U.S.C. 11386b(d) and other targeted projects for specific subpopulations, by providing a plan to address a gap in the CoC's current homelessness system.

(limit 2,500 characters)

During 2025, the CoC conducted stakeholder outreach events to build upon CA 613 existing homelessness strategic plan, the Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan (RCHAP). As part of stakeholder outreach process, interested members of the community were encouraged to provide their feedback identifying needs and gaps within the Imperial County homelessness response system. Notwithstanding the scheduled Imperial County CoC Executive Board/ General Membership meetings regularly held throughout the year in which public comment is invited, the CoC held four stakeholder meetings. Through participation in CoC stakeholder meetings, people with lived experience identified critical barriers such as a lack of affordable housing and transportation challenges. In response, the RCHAP developed strategies to expand access to mental health services, increase the availability of long-term housing solutions, strengthen partnerships to connect individuals to employment and income support programs and highlighted the local coordinated entry system, often connecting persons to mainstream programs prior to losing housing. As a result of developing the RCHAP, the CoC developed key actions and milestone dates to track progress and improvement, identifying funding sources to support implementation of the key actions within the homelessness response system and achieve positive system exit outcomes. Through the RCHAP, the CoC recognized that there was a need to strengthen interim housing and service coordination efforts to reduce returns to homelessness by providing wraparound support, including navigation to mental health and substance abuse treatment utilizing federal and state funding sources such as Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention program funding, and mainstream benefits. In addition, funding through the Mental Health Services Act and Behavioral Health Services Act. Other strategies of the RCHAP included emphasizing permanent housing solutions such as rapid rehousing and homelessness prevention activities that provide flexible subsidies and robust case management to include income building and navigation to services that reduce barriers to sustaining housing. Funding sources include HHAP funding, California Department Social Services Housing programs, California Emergency Solutions Grant, CoC-funded programs, public housing authority housing choice vouchers. Successes of the RCHAP are tracked through state performance measures that are publicly published.

1B-5a	Confirmation of Plan Coverage.
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Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether your narrative in question 1B-5 addresses the following aspects of your plan to address a gap in the CoC's current homelessness system.

1. Identifies the gap, using data or stakeholder feedback	Yes
2. The strategy to address the needs of all relevant subpopulations	Yes
3. Sets quantifiable performance measures	Yes
4. Identifies timelines for the completion of specific tasks	Yes
5. Identifies specific funding sources for planned activities	Yes
6. An individual or body responsible for overseeing implementation of specific strategies	Yes

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1C-1.	Treatment and Recovery Services—On-site Substance Use Treatment Availability.	
	You must upload the List of TH/RRH/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	What percent of your TH/RRH/PSH projects have substance use treatment available on site?	0%

If you are a rural CoC, describe what substance use treatment is available in your CoC and how people you serve access those services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Imperial County CoC is not a Rural CoC.

1C-1a. Treatment and Recovery Services—Outpatient Treatment for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders.

Describe how your CoC partners with, or has projects that provide, outpatient treatment for mental health and substance use disorders with a range of appropriate levels of care, psychosocial interventions, medication management, suicide prevention, and recovery supports.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC actively collaborates with healthcare organizations, including those that provide substance use disorder treatment and mental health services, to facilitate access to healthcare services for program participants. The Imperial County Department of Social Services (DSS), serving as the collaborative applicant for the CoC, administers Medi-Cal (Medicaid) among other benefits. The County, acting as the CoC's Administrative Entity, has forged partnerships with Medi-Cal Managed Care organizations to enhance healthcare access and address housing instability. Imperial County Behavioral Health, a member of the CoC, provides services through their Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment program, Anxiety and Depression Services for Adults and Youth, Suicide & Crisis Hotline, Crisis Mobile Unit, and the Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Program that targets individuals experiencing homelessness with serious behavioral health conditions, including substance use disorders and severe mental illness, to help them transition out of homelessness and into housing. The CoC actively collaborates with veteran staffed veteran serving organizations, including Repts 4 Vets and VetConnect, to provide a holistic approach to addressing the mental health needs of veterans. Through this partnership, veterans can access supportive services that address physical, emotional and behavioral health needs. Services include outreach, case management, psychosocial interventions such as peer and family support groups, fitness and nutrition activities, suicide prevention education and support, and referrals to Imperial County Behavioral Health. There are two recuperative care programs in Imperial County, Whole Person Care Clinic and Rooted Life, which provide mental health counseling, substance use treatment, case management, prescription assistance, and connections to long term care supports for persons experiencing homelessness who have a serious mental illness and/or substance use disorder.

1C-1b. Treatment and Recovery Services—Peer Support and Recovery Navigation.

Describe how your CoC partners with, or has projects that provide access to, peer recovery specialists or other forms of peer support and recovery navigation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC Executive Board has a member that leads the Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) and General Membership contains members from the ICBHS team.

Through the Homeless Resource Assistance Line (HRAL) which is the main access point for the CoC's Coordinated Entry System (CES), referrals are made to community-based organizations providing peer support and recovery navigation.

ICBHS offers Medi-Cal Peer Support Services. Peer Support Specialist have qualifying lived experience and hold state Peer Support Specialist certifications. Peer Support Specialists provide structured recovery oriented, non-clinic support within the certified peer role. The services provided include individual or group services that promote engagement, recovery wellness, resiliency, self-advocacy, development of natural supports, community integrations.

Referral for Peer Support Services may include, but are not limited to:

- Support during transitions between levels of care, discharge planning, re-engagement during treatment.

- Clinical or therapeutic need for support navigating systems, modeling advocacy, enhancing relationships, and developing support.

- Educational/skill building to support engagement in recovery groups focused on self-sufficiency, socialization, and self-advocacy.

In addition, the CoC actively collaborates with veteran staffed veteran serving organizations, including Reps 4 Vets and VetConnect, which provides peer to peer supportive services for physical, emotional and behavioral health needs. Services include outreach, case management, psychosocial interventions such as peer and family support groups, fitness and nutrition activities, suicide prevention education and support.

1C-1c. Treatment and Recovery Services—Connecting Individuals Experiencing Serious Mental Illness with the Services Necessary to Promote Stability.

Describe how your CoC identifies individuals experiencing Serious Mental Illness and connects them with the services necessary to promote stability, such as Assertive Community Treatment teams and other models that combine intensive care coordination and assertive outreach with comprehensive treatment.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC Homeless Resource Assistance Line (HRAL) navigates individuals experiencing serious mental illness to Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS). ICBHS identifies, assesses, and provides services to those experiencing Serious Mental Illness. ICBHS's Full Service Partnership-Intensive Community Program (FSP-ICP) provides intensive care for adults through a evidenced-based intervention practice to assist in recovery and self-sufficiency and utilizes the Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Model to address the needs of high utilizers of hospital, crisis, and jail services to improve outcomes. Additionally, through their Mental Health Triage Unit, they are able to respond immediate needs for those experiencing psychiatric symptoms on a voluntary and involuntary basis, and accepts law enforcement referrals through the 5150 involuntary applications.

1C-1d. Treatment and Recovery Services—Coordination with Providers in Connection with Drug or Other Specialty Courts.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with a provider or entity providing services in connection with Drug Courts and other specialty courts serving individuals with mental and substance use disorders, Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) programs, and inpatient civil commitment.

(limit 500 characters)

The Director of Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) is a CoC Executive Board member. ICBHS is part of the CoC general membership. ICBHS maintains a strong partnership with the CoC. ICBHS takes an active role in the California Prop 36 and Care Court. Through Prop 36, individuals who are convicted of certain types of drug offenses are mandated to participate in drug treatment. Through Care Court, individuals with certain mental health conditions are supported to complete treatment

Describe how your CoC coordinates with the provider or entity identified above to support housing stability and movement towards independence, including by leveraging court orders.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC Executive Board has a member that leads in the Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) and the General Membership contains organization members from the ICBHS team. ICBHS maintains a strong partnership with the CoC.

ICBHS takes an active role in the California Prop 36 alternative pathway to incarceration. Adult offenders who are convicted of certain types of drug offenses are mandated to participate in drug treatment rather than being incarcerated without drug treatment. Individuals that are sentenced to go to treatment rather than incarceration are required to complete a drug treatment residential program of 90 days. Individuals that refuse treatment or individuals who do not complete treatment, are incarcerated. By requiring mandatory treatment rather than mandatory incarceration, individuals who have substance use disorders are able to heal and move toward independence, including housing self-sufficiency.

Through Care Court, under Senate Bill (SB) 1338, individuals (self-referral), family members, community organization staff members or county staff may petition to refer the individual to Care Court services. If determined appropriate for the individual with an eligible serious mental condition, behavioral health treatment is supported through a civil court process. As part of the process, a treatment plan is drafted with different element of the treatments recommended. Plans submitted to the Court for approval may include medication support, therapy, substance abuse treatment and other interventions. Personalized housing plans may also be developed with the Care Court participants prioritized for Behavioral Health Bridge Housing and Behavioral Health Service Act housing interventions. Goals for Care Court participation include preventing homelessness, incarceration and/or conservatorship. Care Court participants who do not complete Care Court treatment plans may be referred for conservatorship, in order to receive a higher level of care.

Through ICBHS, another option for serving clients with serious mental health conditions is an inpatient civil commitment. During the 5150 (72 Hour emergency Hold) or 5250 (14-day emergency hold after 5150) process if it is determined that a higher level of care is needed for an individual, the individual may be referred to inpatient civil commitment

1C-1e. Treatment and Recovery Services—Partnership with Local Crisis System of Care.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with the local crisis system of care including 988 and crisis contact centers, mobile crisis and outreach services, and crisis stabilization services.

(limit 500 characters)

ICBHS as a CoC EB and GM member provides essential services such as the Anxiety and Depression Services for Adults and Youth, Suicide & Crisis Hotline, 988 number, Crisis Mobile Unit, FSP-ICP, and the Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Program. Additional agencies providing crisis intervention include Sure Help Line and WomanHaven. WomanHaven and Sure Help Line's focus is serving those individuals experiencing domestic and sexual violence.

1C-1f.	Treatment and Recovery Services—Availability of Units for Persons Reporting Chronic Substance Use.	
	You must upload the List of CoC Program Projects and the Number of Units that require Substance Abuse Treatment attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	Identify the number of CoC Program-funded units that require program participant engagement in substance abuse treatment services as a condition of continued participation in the program in accordance with 24 CFR 578.75.	0
1C-1g.	Treatment and Recovery Services—24/7 Access to Detox, Residential, or Inpatient Treatment.	
Is there 24/7 access to detox, residential, and inpatient behavioral health treatment within the geographic area of your CoC?		No

1C-1h. Treatment and Recovery Services—Formal Partnership with Behavioral and Mental Health Facilities.

Identify at least one formal partnership the CoC has with a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), Community Mental Health Center (CMHC), SAMHSA Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) provider, Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals (GBHI) provider, or a similar facility if none of the above are located in the geographic area.

(limit 500 characters)

The Director of Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) is an CoC Executive Board member. ICBHS is part of the CoC general membership. ICBHS maintains a strong partnership with the CoC. As part of their suite of services, ICBHS's PATH Homeless Program provides case management, placement and linkage to food, medical care, mental health services, benefit acquisition and contact with family members.

1C-1i. Treatment and Recovery Services—Sober Housing Availability.

Identify at least one new or existing CoC Program-funded project that operates sober housing in accordance with 24 CFR 578.93(b)(5).

(limit 500 characters)

Through the Homeless Resource Assistance Line (HRAL), the main access point for the CoC's Coordinated Entry System (CES), referrals are made to Sober Housing services. CES is a CoC program funded project in Imperial County. Whole Person Care Clinic (WPCC) operates a sobering center where clients are medically supervised, triaged and connected to behavioral health and substance use supports. WPCC's standalone supportive services and street outreach projects were recommended for Priority Listing.

1C-1j. Treatment and Recovery Services—Warm Hand-Offs to Stable Housing Providers.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with the programs named in questions 1C-1a through 1C-1i to facilitate warm hand-offs to stable housing providers and prevent entry into homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC Executive Board has a member that leads the Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) and General Membership contains organization members from the ICBHS team.

Through the Homeless Resource Assistance Line (HRAL) which is the main access point for the CoC's Coordinated Entry System (CES), referrals are made to WPCC, Rooted life, WomanHaven, Sure Helpline, VetConnect, Reps 4 Vets, and ICBHS.

Notwithstanding the treatment services that are part of ICBHS suite of services, ICBHS also has housing and supportive services assistance. When individuals with serious mental health conditions are identified, HRAL staff make referrals to ICBHS crisis unit or reach out to ICBHS on the client's behalf.

1C-2. Supportive Services Investment.

	Number
1. Enter your CoC's FY 2026 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD).	\$1,658,873
2. Of projects your CoC proposed to be funded in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition, enter the total amount of funding for the supportive services budget line items.	\$675,275
3. Percent of your CoC's FY 2026 ARD (from element 1 above) that is supportive services funding (from element 2 above).	41%
4. Enter the amount of funding, leverage, match, and funding commitment from other formal partnerships in supportive services for the projects included in your CoC's FY 2026 ARD.	\$185,069
5. Percent of your CoC's FY 2026 ARD (from element 1 above) that is the supportive services funding in proposed projects (from element 2 above) plus the amount of funding, leverage, match, and funding commitment from other formal partnerships in supportive services (from element 4 above).	52%

1C-3.

Participation Requirements for Supportive Services.

You must upload the Language from Project Supportive Service Agreements attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.

What percent of your housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH, and Joint projects) require program participants to take part in supportive services (e.g. case management, employment training, substance use disorder treatment) in line with 24 CFR 578.75(h)?	0.00%
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1C-4. Consulting with ESG Recipients.

Describe how your CoC has and will continue to consult with ESG recipients in the planning and allocation of ESG funds.

(limit 2,500 characters)

ESG Program recipients are voting members of the CoC and are invited to Executive Board (EB) and General Membership (GM) meetings that include discussion of ESG planning goals, allocation of funds and establishment of outcome measures. In addition, the CoC priorities adopted by the Executive Board (EB) are presented to the entire GM for feedback. Any local homeless information and/or data is shared with ESG recipients to support and help address any priority needs for local plans. The CoC solicits expressions of interest from ESG applicants. ESG NOFA information is provided at EB and GM meetings and distributed via email to the CoC' mailing list. The CoC also provides all relevant ESG NOFA information on the CoC website. Workshops are hosted to review annual ESG NOFA, evaluation and reporting performance requirements, and provide other technical assistance to interested organizations. The CoC's local scoring criteria considers local, state, and federal priorities. Applications are submitted to the rating and ranking committee for scoring prior to recommendation of applications for EB approval.

1C-4a. Coordination with Emergency Shelter Providers.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with shelter providers to connect individuals and families with CoC assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

County of Imperial, Administrative Entity for Imperial County CoC (CA-613), operates the Homeless Resource Assistance Line (HRAL), which is the main access point for the CoC's Coordinated Entry System (CES). Through the HRAL, staff help callers navigate to emergency shelter providers in the region. Additionally, if the caller consents, an assessment is conducted by HRAL staff to identify needs and barriers to housing. Using a prioritization tool, persons experiencing literal homeless with the highest acuity of needs and greatest barriers are prioritized for Rapid Rehousing Assistance.

1C-5. Data Sharing to Inform the Homelessness Response System.

Describe how your CoC has or will share PIT, HIC, HMIS, and System Performance data with state and local government as permitted by law in order to inform the homelessness response system.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC, Administered by the Imperial County Department of Social Services, submits in timely manner all PIT, HIC, HMIS, and System Performance data. Data not only becomes available through their corresponding agencies, but is presented locally by the CoC to the Executive Board and General Membership. HUD CoC Homeless Assistance Program Homeless Populations and Subpopulation Reports are uploaded and maintained accessible by the public through the CoC's website. Further, the state receives a separate upload from directly the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) which tracks homelessness response at the state level to assist with funding priorities and tracking effective homelessness response strategies to learn what strategies create positive permanent housing outcomes. Review of the homelessness response is tracked at the state level, through the state's system performance measures and region outcomes are tracked through several measures and regions results are posted publicly by the state.

1C-5a. Using Other Data Sources Alongside HMIS to Improve Care.

Describe how your CoC utilizes other data sources alongside HMIS to improve care (e.g., health care utilization and claims data, electronic health care record data; admission, discharge, and transfer data; and law enforcement and corrections system data).

(limit 2,500 characters)

Using data from interactions gathered from the Homeless Resource Assistance Line (HRAL), administered by the Administered Entity for Imperial County CoC (CA-613), care of persons experiencing homelessness and persons at imminent risk/ at risk of experiencing homelessness is improved as the HRAL is able to refer to programs including mainstream services outside of CoC funded projects. In some cases, the navigation and warm hand-off to available programs may result in interrupting the path to experiencing homelessness, ensuring that callers remain stably housed

1C-6. Employment and Workforce Development Partnership.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with employment and workforce development programs and organizations such as the Local Workforce Development Board, State Workforce Agency, American Job Center (also known as One-Stop Career Centers), registered apprenticeship program, community and technical college, union training program, adult education provider, or State Vocational Rehabilitation agency.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Imperial County CoC (CA-613) maintains strong partnerships with agencies such as the EDD, Veteran Job Services, Imperial County Workforce and Economic Development, and IVROP. These agencies have joined the General Membership and attend meetings. They provide information on programs available, updates on their services, and engage with the homelessness response system to aid self-sufficiency goals of the community served. The Imperial Valley Community College is also a member of the GM, providing information and updates on their services, and maintaining a Transitional Housing program funded through Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) state funding. The Homeless Resource Assistance Line also provides information to the general public reaching out for general resources and to those CES enrolled. CoC staff also joined the EDD Veterans Employment Committee and attends meetings.

1C-7. Street Outreach—Cooperation with First Responders and Law Enforcement.

Describe in the field below how your CoC's street outreach projects (including co-response) cooperate with first responders and law enforcement to increase positive interactions in order to increase housing and service engagement and promote use of CoC services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Imperial County CoC (CA-613) customizes regional street outreach efforts by collaborating with CoC funded street outreach providers, nonprofit organizations and public officials to effectively engage individuals experiencing homelessness, particularly those reluctant to seek assistance, including individuals displaced by natural disasters, and those affected by encampment clearances. To enhance outreach, the CoC partners with local county and city departments—such as law enforcement, mental health services, public health, and social services—as well as experienced nonprofits to coordinate co-responder response. In anticipation of CoC outreach efforts, the CoC conducts research on known unhoused individuals to ensure appropriate service representatives are present to meet specific needs and determine eligibility for public services, including housing assistance. This proactive approach allows for tailored services based on individual needs and circumstances. Recognizing that outreach engagement may be brief due to potential reluctance from clients, the CoC emphasizes preparedness to facilitate effective case management. Collaborations with Street Medicine providers have proven successful in housing individuals who have experienced chronic homelessness, as these providers often have established relationships with their patients, enabling outreach efforts to build upon existing trust. To foster ongoing relationships, the CoC understands that initial outreach attempts may not yield immediate results and therefore prioritizes continuous funding for street outreach projects to encourage relationship-building and trust with individuals experiencing homelessness.

1C-8. Family or Support Network Reunification.

Describe how your CoC, or your recipients, assist with family or support-network reunification efforts for individuals experiencing homelessness or living in CoC Program-funded housing (e.g., case management, travel costs, arrangement of assistance in another geographic area).

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC utilizes the Coordinated Entry System (CES) assessment and prioritization process to identify and prioritize individuals and families experiencing homelessness who have the highest housing and health needs and most significant barriers to obtaining and maintaining housing. The assessment includes matching individuals and families to appropriate housing interventions and supportive services.

One such program is a locally administered State-funded Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program housing intervention designed to explore reunification options for individuals or families experiencing homelessness to reunify with family members, friends or other supportive individuals when reunification is identified as a safe and appropriate housing option. Program services may include case management to develop reunification plans, communicating with the identified support network, and transportation assistance. When reunification is outside of the geographic area, the program may work with the individual or family to coordinate travel arrangements and travel costs to ensure successful transition.

In addition, the local Coordinated Entry System matches families to the State-funded locally administered Bringing Families Home (BFH) program which is designed to increase family reunification and to prevent foster care placement. Coordination involves the local Child Welfare Agency, Coordinated Entry System and contracted service provider to identify family housing needs for successful family reunification. Program services include housing related financial assistance and wrap around supportive services to support long-term housing stability.

1C-9	Partnering with Public Housing Agencies—Agreement to Enable Transition to HUD Assisted Housing.		
	Does your CoC have an agreement with at least one public housing agency to enable participants to transition from Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Permanent Supportive Housing to HUD assisted housing?	Yes	

1C-10. Protecting Public Safety—Cooperation with Law Enforcement.

You must upload the Evidence of Coordination and Non-Interference with Local Efforts to Advance Protecting Public Safety attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.

Describe how your CoC cooperates and does not interfere with or impede local efforts to advance the objectives below, and assists first responders in providing services to homeless individuals.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Imperial County CoC (CA-613) actively partners with the Imperial County Sheriff's Office regarding matters involving individuals experiencing homelessness and encampment removals in the Imperial County region. This coordination may include communication regarding public safety concerns, outreach activities, referrals to appropriate services, responses to calls for service, and efforts to connect individuals being released from custody or already experiencing homelessness with available housing and supportive services.

Imperial County CoC (CA-613) cooperates with local law enforcement and does not interfere with or impede lawful local efforts to protect public safety.

1C-10a. Protecting Public Safety—Plan to Quickly Clear Tents and Encampments.

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to quickly clear tents and encampments on public property and connect individuals who are camping in public with appropriate services and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC maintains communication with Cities and Caltrans to coordinate outreach efforts when notified of encampments and encampment removal dates. The CoC coordinates with different providers to assess and connect unsheltered individuals to the most appropriate services prior to the removal of the encampments.

1C-10b. Protecting Public Safety—Current Status of Tents and Encampments.

Describe the current status of tents and encampments in the CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Based on the most recent 2026 Street Outreach and Encampments Quarterly Report by the CoC, there approximately 40 different encampments encountered and address by CoC funded providers. The number of encampments reported have decreased from May with a total of 21 encampments, June activities reported 17 encampments, and a total of 8 different encampments were reported for July. The CoC continues to coordinate outreach efforts to address encampment reports received, as well as request quarterly updates on street outreach activities and encampment reports by providers

1C-10c. Protecting Public Safety—Plan to Decrease the Public Use of Illicit Drugs.

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to decrease the public use of illicit drugs and quickly connect individuals who are using illicit drug in public with appropriate services and/or law enforcement and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

California Health and Safety Code laws make it illegal to unlawfully possess controlled substances, regardless if the individual is in permanent or temporary housing or experiencing literal homelessness. When coordinating outreach efforts with goals of clearing encampments, County of Imperial, Administrative Entity (AE) of Imperial County CoC (CA-613), coordinates with funded street outreach providers, nonprofit organizations and public officials to effectively engage individuals experiencing homelessness in public spaces including in encampments. Responding partners include Imperial County Behavioral Health Services and local law enforcement. The AE will continue to collaborate with these departments to facilitate individuals transition into treatment and recovery by offering services directly to encampment populations. Given that encampment residents may be particularly reluctant to seek assistance, the CoC will continue to collaborate with Street Medicine providers. Street Medicine providers have proven successful in engaging individuals experiencing chronic homelessness, as these providers often have established relationships with their patients, enabling outreach efforts to build upon existing trust.

1C-10d. Protecting Public Safety—Current Status of Overdoses and Illicit Drug Use in Public Spaces.

Describe the current status of overdoses and illicit drug use in public spaces in the CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

In Imperial County, overdoses and illicit drug use in public spaces are a public health and safety concern. Although, the CoC does not collect data on current status of overdoses and illicit drug use in public spaces, partnerships have been formed between Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) and the Imperial County Sheriff's Office (ICSO) along with local law enforcement agencies to strengthen community outreach, education and access to resources. These collaborative efforts aim to increase awareness of substance use and its associated risks while connecting individuals and families to a comprehensive continuum of prevention, treatment, and supportive services.

In 2020, the Imperial County Sheriff's Office Coroner Division reported 86 drug overdose related deaths including 33 deaths involving fentanyl. Fentanyl-related overdose deaths subsequently declined to 17 in 2021 and 13 in 2022. Of the 328 United States Ports of Entry, Imperial County has been identified as one of the hot zones for fentanyl trafficking into the United States given the close proximity to the international border.

ICSO and ICBHS conduct ongoing community outreach and educational campaigns to increase awareness of substance use, overdose prevention, and the risks associated with fentanyl. These efforts include social media outreach, presentations at local schools for children and parents, and community-based education on drug awareness and prevention. In addition, ICBHS established partnerships with local hospitals through the California Bridge grant to expand access to addiction treatment and facilitate connections to appropriate services.

In coordination with the CoC, street outreach teams, street medicine teams, local law enforcement, behavioral health and other nonprofits and community-based organizations conduct street outreach throughout the geographic area. These collaborative efforts engage individuals experiencing homelessness, provide connections to behavioral health and substance use services, and facilitate access to the Coordinated Entry System for housing programs and supportive services. Through these partnerships, the County continues to strengthen its integrated approach to addressing substance use, overdose prevention, homelessness, and access to care.

1C-10e. Protecting Public Safety—Standards to Address Danger to Self or Others.

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to utilize standards that address homeless individuals who are a danger to themselves or others (e.g., involuntary commitment) and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS) has programs mandated through state law and/or local policies, that are available to address individual needs who are a danger to self or others.

Through Care Court, under Senate Bill (SB) 1338, individuals (self-referral), family members, community organization staff members or county staff may petition to refer the individual to Care Court services. If determined appropriate for the individual with an eligible serious mental condition, behavioral health treatment is supported through a civil court process. As part of the process, a treatment plan is drafted with different element of the treatments recommended. Plans submitted to the Court for approval may include medication support, therapy, substance abuse treatment and other interventions. Personalized housing plans may also be developed with the Care Court participants prioritized for Behavioral Health Bridge Housing and Behavioral Health Service Act housing interventions. Goals for Care Court participation include preventing homelessness, incarceration and/or conservatorship. Care Court participants who do not complete Care Court treatment plans may be referred for conservatorship, in order to receive a higher level of care.

Through ICBHS, another option for serving clients with serious mental health conditions is an inpatient civil commitment. During the 5150 (72 Hour emergency Hold) or 5250 (14-day emergency hold after 5150) process if it is determined that a higher level of care is needed for an individual, the individual may be referred to inpatient civil commitment.

Additionally, ICBHS has response teams to include the Crisis Co-Response Team (CCRT), Care Response Team (CRT), Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) and School Based Response Team (SBRT). The CCRT is a collaborative effort between law enforcement officers and Behavioral Health staff to provide field-based interventions. CRT staff responds to local hospital and ICBHS outpatient clinics to assess the client's immediate need and provide intervention to reduce current symptoms. Designated staff will determine if the individual is responsive to brief interventions. The MCRT provides immediate field-based de-escalation services. A mobile unit is dispatched to provide mental health services, giving individuals the opportunity to immediately access services in their community. The SBRT provides mobile crisis intervention services to students experiencing a psychiatric or emotional crisis.

1C-10f. Protecting Public Safety—Share Information in Accordance with SORNA.

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to comprehensively share information, including location information, in accordance with the Sex Offender Registry and Notification Act (SORNA) and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Previously, while collaborating with the local Public Housing Authority to assist with the administration of the Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV), the CoC collected lifetime Sex Offender Registration information to ensure Sex Offenders were not issued vouchers.

The Administrative Entity for the CoC is the County of Imperial. County of Imperial has Social Services Housing Programs that ensure that children are not placed in the homes with persons that are Sex Offenders.

Currently, while the Coordinated Entry System (CES) tracks history of incarceration as a barrier to acquiring housing and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) tracks incarceration through prior living situation, the only active projects in HMIS that track Sex Offender registration in Imperial County are the Supportive Services for Veteran Families Homelessness Prevention projects.

In Imperial County's HMIS Notice of Privacy Policies, disclosures to law enforcement may only be provided in the following circumstances:

- In response to a court order, subpoena, warrant, summons or similar process;
- About the victim of a crime if, under certain limited circumstances, we are unable to obtain the person's agreement;
- About a death we believe may be the result of criminal conduct;
- About criminal conduct at any of our facilities; or
- In emergency circumstances to report a crime; the location of the crime, the victim(s); or the identity, description or location of the person who committed the crime.

Given that the disclosures are only permitted with significant conditions and limitations based on published policies from HUD, the CoC is unable to provide any additional mitigating steps to comprehensively share information with law enforcement.

1C-11. Outreach Strategy.

Describe your CoC's strategy to outreach to all individuals and families experiencing homelessness across your geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Through Imperial County CoC's (CA-613) Administrative Entity, County of Imperial, street outreach efforts are customized by collaborating with CoC funded street outreach providers, nonprofit organizations and public officials to effectively engage individuals experiencing homelessness, particularly those reluctant to seek assistance, including individuals displaced by natural disasters, and those affected by encampment clearances. To enhance outreach, the CoC partners with local county and city departments—such as law enforcement, mental health services, public health, and social services—as well as experienced nonprofits to coordinate co-responder response. In anticipation of CoC outreach efforts, the CoC conducts research on known unhoused individuals to ensure appropriate service representatives are present to meet specific needs and determine eligibility for public services, including housing assistance. This proactive approach allows for tailored services based on individual needs and circumstances. Recognizing that outreach engagement may be brief due to potential reluctance from clients, the CoC emphasizes preparedness to facilitate effective case management. Collaborations with Street Medicine providers have proven successful in housing individuals who have experienced chronic homelessness, as these providers often have established relationships with their patients, enabling outreach efforts to build upon existing trust. To foster ongoing relationships, the CoC understands that initial outreach attempts may not yield immediate results and therefore prioritizes continuous funding for street outreach projects to encourage relationship-building and trust with individuals experiencing homelessness.

1C-12.	Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Written Agreements with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
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Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC or HUD-funded projects in the CoC have written agreements with the listed providers of educational supports and services for children ages 0-5:

		Written Agreement
1.	Child Care (including Child Care and Development Fund)	Yes
2.	Early Childhood Providers	Yes
3.	Early Head Start	Yes
4.	Home Visiting Program (including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	Yes
5.	Head Start	Yes
6.	Healthy Start	Yes
7.	Public Pre-K	Yes
8.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
9.		

1C-12a.	Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Formal Partnerships with Schools and Youth Education Providers.	
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Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate the youth education providers your CoC has a formal partnership with:

1.	McKinney-Vento Liaison(s) (including State Education Agency (SEA) or Local Education Agency (LEA))	Yes
2.	School District(s)	Yes
3.	General Education Development (GED) Program(s)	Yes
4.	Community College(s)	Yes
5.	Technical College(s)	Yes
6.	Other Post-Secondary Education Provider(s)	Yes

1C-12b. Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Informing Individuals and Families who Become Homeless about Eligibility for Educational Services.

Describe your CoC's written policies and procedures to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

To ensure individuals and families experiencing homelessness are informed of their eligibility for educational services, the local CoC has established Written Standards (Standards) that outline key system-level standards, including Educational and Early Childhood Services and an Educational Assurances Plan (Plan). These Standards form the foundation for all local CoC policies and procedures, setting the baseline for programs receiving HUD funding through the CoC Program Competition, ESG, California ESG Program, and other state-run programs like the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention program and California Department Social Services Housing programs. The Standards mandate that programs guarantee access to education for children and that those serving families or youth adhere to the Plan. Housing programs and service providers must inform family and youth-only households about the educational rights of children and unaccompanied youth in their care. The Plan requires programs to train staff on the rights of students experiencing homelessness as outlined in McKinney-Vento.

Additionally, programs must provide information to school principals, counselors, and McKinney-Vento liaisons regarding the services they offer. Staff are expected to maintain regular communication with McKinney-Vento school liaisons across districts to ensure that children are enrolled in school and connected to relevant community services, including early childhood programs like Head Start and various McKinney-Vento education services.

Furthermore, program staff are tasked with encouraging parental involvement and educating parents about its importance in their children's education. They also work to promote school attendance and identify and address any barriers that may prevent individuals from attending school.

1C-12c. Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Coordination with Foster Care or Child Welfare Services.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with foster care or child welfare services to assist youth transitioning from public systems of care.

(limit 2,500 characters)

To assist youth transitioning out of foster care and child welfare programs to safe, independent living and stable housing, our local CoC coordinates with foster care and child welfare agencies through formal partnerships and referral processes. These partnerships connect youth to our local coordinated entry system for referrals to youth-based housing programs and supportive services which include coordinated case management. Our local coordinated entry system maintains by-name lists including homeless youth by-name lists to help facilitate connections to appropriate housing interventions and supportive services. Referrals to youth housing programs may include Transitional Aged Youth (TAY) programs, Extended Foster Care, Independent Living Program (ILP) services, rapid rehousing programs, homelessness prevention, emergency shelter, transitional housing, recuperative care, local housing authority voucher-based programs and public housing. In addition, our local child welfare agency, CoC and public housing authority are collaborating to pursue Foster Youth to Independence housing vouchers to further support safe and stable housing for youth transitioning out of foster care. Housing referral coordination includes referrals to supportive services programs such as employment and job training programs, post-secondary education programs, life-skills training, transportation, behavioral health services, food assistance programs, childcare, and assistance obtaining identification and public assistance benefits. Coordinated case management supports youth throughout this process by helping them develop housing and stability plans to ensure the youth is connected to housing and community resources to support the youth to a pathway of self-sufficiency and long-term housing stability.

1C-12d. Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Coordination with Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)-funded Providers.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with RHY-funded providers including Street Outreach Programs, Basic Center Programs, Transitional Living Programs, and Maternity Group Homes where such providers exist.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY) funded projects are not currently among the projects funded in our local Continuum of Care.

1C-13. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—TH or RRH Project Dedicated to Serving Families with Children.

Identify at least one Rapid Rehousing (RRH) or Transitional Housing (TH) project in the CoC that primarily or exclusively serves families with children experiencing homelessness in accordance with 24 CFR 578.93(b).

(limit 500 characters)

The County of Imperial, Administrative Entity for Imperial County (CA-613), currently contracts with a local partner, IVROP, to administer two state-funded RRH programs that exclusively serve families with children. These programs are the Housing Support Program (HSP) and Bringing Families Home (BFH) Program. The HSP serves families receiving CalWORKs/ TANF benefits and the BFH program serves families involved with the child welfare system.

1C-13a. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Supportive Services to Improve Income to Pay Rent.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 provides supportive services focused on improving incomes to pay rent, such as workforce development, job training, or registered apprenticeship programs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program administers the CalWORKs Housing Support Program (HSP) and the Bringing Families Home (BFH) Program. Both programs have a similar suite of services but serve different types of families. HSP serves CalWORKs/ TANF assisted families and BFH serves families involved with the child welfare system and is designed to increase family reunification and to prevent foster care placement.

Case Management for both programs require a Housing Stability Plan to be created with the Head of Household. The Housing Stability plan identifies barriers to housing and works with the client to establish goals for self-sufficiency and housing stability. As a result of ongoing case management and identified barriers and goals in the Housing Stability Plan, services are focused on needs. Goals emphasized include income growth to pay rent unassisted. Income growth is emphasized with clear paths to attaining said income growth, such as workforce development, job training and other pathways to income self-sufficiency. Needs for health care, mental health treatment and substance use treatment/ recovery are explored and addressed as a required element for services

1C-13b. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Leveraging Funding from Mainstream Family Service Systems.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 leverages funding from mainstream family service systems, such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

(limit 2,500 characters)

Prior to receiving assistance from the Housing Support Program HSP, if eligible to Temporary Homeless Assistance (THA) or Permanent Housing Assistance (PHA), clients are required to apply for THA and/or PHA, which is a component of the CalWORKs (California TANF program). Normally, THA provides payment for emergency non-congregate shelter for up to 16 days during a year period. If the applicant is a victim of domestic violence, THA provides payment for up to 32 days during a year period. During those days of non-congregate shelter, THA recipients are required to search for permanent housing daily. If permanent housing is found, PHA may pay for housing and utility deposits. If no permanent housing is found by the time that THA has ended, HSP may continue non-congregate emergency shelter services with a path to permanent housing.

1C-13c. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Combining Housing Assistance with Parental Support.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 combines housing assistance with childcare, parenting support, pregnancy-related and child healthcare, and education.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program administers the CalWORKs (California TANF program) Housing Support Program (HSP) and the Bringing Families Home (BFH) Program. Both programs have a similar suite of services but serve different types of families. HSP serves CalWORKs/ TANF assisted families and BFH serves families involved with the child welfare system and is designed to increase family reunification and to prevent foster care placement.

To be eligible for HSP, the families served must be receiving CalWORKs. CalWORKs recipients through the Welfare to Work (WTW) program have childcare available to support families that are working or completing activities to acquire employment including workforce development and educational achievement. Additionally, CalWORKs recipients receive Medi-Cal (California Medicaid program) for their healthcare.

1C-14. Collaboration with Veteran Serving Organizations—Partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or Veteran Serving Organization.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with the Department of Veterans Affairs or other Veteran Serving Organizations.

(limit 500 characters)

The CoC collaborates with Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) to provide veteran referrals through the Coordinated Entry System by-name list to the VA to assist veterans through the VASH program. Further, IVCCC General Membership includes veteran-serving organizations such as National Community Health Partners, Adjoin Veterans and EDD Veteran Job Services.

1C-14a	Collaboration with Veteran Serving Organizations.	
	Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether the partnership(s) identified in 1C-14 does the following:	

1.	Refers veterans identified by the CoC to VA or other Veteran Serving Organizations for assistance?	Yes
2.	Coordinates the provision of emergency shelter, supportive services, and housing for veterans?	Yes
3.	Ensures access to a full spectrum of employment and career pathway opportunities?	Yes
4.	Shares data with the Department of Veterans Affairs as appropriate?	Yes
5.	Identifies service gaps for veterans?	Yes
6.	Fills service gaps for veterans?	Yes

1C-15. Collaboration with Organizations who Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.

Identify at least one partnership your CoC has with victim service providers, state domestic violence coalitions, state sexual assault coalitions, anti-trafficking service providers or other organizations who help provide shelter, housing, and services to individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

(limit 500 characters)

County CoC (CA-613) partners with WomanHaven, a victim services provider, who provides emergency shelter, rapid rehousing, case management, safety planning, counseling to individuals and families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. Referrals are coordinated through the CoC's coordinated entry system, the Homeless Resources Assistance Line.

1C-16. Collaboration with Justice System Re-entry Partners.

Identify at least one partnership your CoC has to prevent homelessness among people transitioning from prisons, jails, or court-ordered programs.

(limit 500 characters)

The CoC Executive Board has a member from the Imperial County Sheriff's Office who coordinates correctional reentry. Through consistent collaboration and contact with the CoC, referrals are coordinated through the CoC's coordinated entry system, the Homeless Resources Assistance Line. Providing a warm hand-off by telephone assists persons transitioning from incarceration avoid homelessness.

1C-17. Collaboration with Partners to Address High Utilizers of Healthcare Systems.

Identify at least one partnership or project your CoC has to provide specialized supportive services for homeless individuals with a high level of medical needs.

(limit 500 characters)

Imperial County CoC (CA-613) partners with Whole Person Care Clinic Street Medicine team to connect people experiencing homelessness with high level of medical needs to comprehensive care services which include primary medical care, behavioral health support, case management, and connections to community resources and referrals to recuperative care. The Street Medicine team involves a multidisciplinary team of providers, including physicians, nurses, case managers and navigation specialists.

1C-18. Collaboration with Partners to Address the Needs of Aging and Elderly Individuals Experiencing Homelessness.

Identify at least one partnership or project your CoC has to serve aging and elderly individuals experiencing homelessness, such as with a provider of residential care, assisted living, or medical respite services.

(limit 500 characters)

Imperial County CoC (CA-613) Homeless Resource Assistance Line (HRAL), which is the main access point for the Coordinated Entry System (CES), assesses the needs of aging and elderly callers who are experiencing homelessness. Through its collaboration with Imperial County Adult Protective Services, the HRAL is able to refer those individuals for immediate assessment and assistance with housing and supportive services.

1C-19. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Project that Prioritizes Individuals Experiencing Chronic Homelessness.

Identify at least one Rapid Rehousing (RRH) or Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project that prioritizes individuals experiencing chronic homelessness.

(limit 500 characters)

WomanHaven, a local victim service provider, receives referrals from the Coordinated Entry System (CES) for rapid rehousing projects. The CoC's CES prioritizes persons experiencing chronic homelessness.

1C-19a. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—On-site Behavioral Healthcare.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 provides on-site behavioral healthcare.

(limit 2,500 characters)

WomanHaven case managers complete a housing stability plan with Rapid Rehousing participants. If a case manager identifies a need for a Behavioral Health intervention, participants may be referred to one of following two pathways for treatment:

1. WomanHaven's Wellness Program -This program includes assessments, plan development, individual therapy sessions, and rehabilitation, along with continued access to crisis management and case management services. Counselors are able to provide therapy on-site, in the participant's home, once they have moved into housing.
2. Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS)- Participants can be referred directly to Imperial County Behavioral Health Services for mental health treatment.

1C-19b. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Assesses Need for Higher Level of Care.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 has a policy for assessing program participant need for higher level of care (i.e., assisted living, residential treatment).

(limit 2,500 characters)

While participants are enrolled in WomanHaven's Wellness Program, and staff determine a need for a higher level of care, such as psychiatric care, the participant is referred to Imperial County Behavioral Health Services (ICBHS). ICBHS would assess further needs for a higher level of care.

1C-19c. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Assesses Readiness for Moving On.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 has a policy for assessing program participant readiness for moving on to unsubsidized or other permanent housing.

(limit 2,500 characters)

WomanHaven's Navigation Center staffs Housing Advocates to provide vital support to participants to increase self-sufficiency and long-term housing stability. This includes providing case management to develop individualized housing plans which are tailored to the participants' housing needs, goals and barriers to stable housing. Through this coordinated approach, participants are assisted with individual counseling, legal and social services advocacy, employment assistance and life skills development with the goal of achieving permanent housing. By providing individualized support and coordinated referrals, WomanHaven helps participants build the skills, resources, and support networks necessary to move toward sustained housing stability and self-sufficiency.

1D. 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) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question along with the required attachment as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
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You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.

Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate how your CoC reviewed, rated, and ranked project applications during your local competition:

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 50 percent of the total available points were based on objective criteria to review, rate, and rank project applications.	Yes
3.	At least 25 percent of the total available points were based on system performance measures to review, select and rate project applications.	No
4.	Considered returns to homelessness in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).	No
5.	Considered employment income in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).	Yes
6.	Considered supportive service participation requirements in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).	Yes

1D-2.	New Proposals.	
	Does your CoC invite new proposals from entities that have not previously received funding, if such eligible entities exist?	Yes

1D-2a.	Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application Before the CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline.	
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	Enter the date your CoC posted all parts of the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC's website or partner's website—which included: 1. the CoC Application, and 2. Project Priority Listings.	09/30/2026
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1D-2b.	Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders by Email that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on the Website.	
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	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.	09/30/2026
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1D-2c.	Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names, 2. Project Scores, 3. Project Rank, 4. Project Status—Accepted, Rejected, Reduced Reallocated, Fully Reallocated, 5. Amount Requested from HUD, and 6. Reallocated Funds +/-.	Yes
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1D-2d.	Projects Rejected/Reduced—Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
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1.	Did your CoC reject or reduce any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
2.	If you selected 'Yes' for element 1 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.	09/23/2026
3.	Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes

1D-2e.	Projects Accepted—Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
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	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.	09/23/2026
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1D-3.	Reallocation—Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	
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	Describe:
1.	your CoC's reallocation process to reallocate from lower performing projects to create new high performing projects, 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)

1. The decision as to whether or not to reallocate funding of renewal projects currently begins with the scoring and ranking committee's review of applications and ends with the committee's recommendation to reallocate presented before the Executive Board to either approve the reallocation or to leave funding as is. Financial costs are reviewed in order to determine whether or not the program is cost effective compared to other similar programs. This process also takes into account the increased costs associated with providing services to specific subpopulations such as the chronically homeless and those fleeing domestic violence.

Programs were therefore reviewed based on:
-length of time prior to move in date;
-exits to permanent housing,
-and project cost effectiveness per positive exit.

Should a program have been deemed to be underperforming by the scoring and ranking committee based on these factors, the committee was expected to discuss whether or not reallocation should be considered while taking into account factors such as the need for the program and whether the reallocation of funding would leave a gap in care within the CoC's geographic area.

2. Of the two renewal project applications received this year, neither project was identified as underperforming.

3. After the review of the applications, the recommendation was made to continue funding the previously funded renewals. As such, there were no reallocation of awards made by the Executive Board.

4. The decision to not reallocate was due to the high need for the programs within the CoC's geographic area. The first program, a rapid rehousing program, serves those fleeing domestic violence, a subpopulation identified by the CoC as high priority. The second program, a Coordinated Entry System program, serves the entire geographic area and ensures that all individuals are granted equal access through the Coordinated Entry System assessment that prioritizes those with the highest acuity of need and the most barriers.

1D-3a.	Reallocation Between FY 2021 and FY 2026.	
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	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2021 and FY 2026?	No
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and System Performance

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) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

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

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.(limit 75 characters)	BitFocus
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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.	Single CoC
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2A-3.	PIT Count—Methodology Change.	
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	Describe:
1.	any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2025 and 2026, if applicable, and
2.	how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. A few changes in the unsheltered PIT Count implementation were possible by the work of the PIT Committee's planning efforts. Additional law enforcement support contributed to a more organized execution of the count. In the past, volunteers expressed concern to the PIT Committee to conduct the count at the Slab City community as this area is composed of a various encampments located in a remote area of the county; law enforcement participation has provided peace of mind for all participants and the means to move around the rough terrain. Revisions were also made to the survey for the race, ethnicity, and sex options/categories with the purpose to adhere to HUD's requirements on data quality elements. Additionally, every year the PIT Committee revises the PIT Count Volunteer Training Presentation by considering new questions from volunteers and any other important considerations based on any notes taken during the count dates by the coordinators.
2. The 2026 Count demonstrated how the PIT Committee planning efforts and training changes have impacted the volunteers' preparedness and safety and their understanding on survey questions and purpose for accurate data collection. The most recent 2026 PIT Count has demonstrated a significant decrease in the unsheltered community. Data collected not only showed how encampments move to different places throughout the county, but also how volunteers have a better understanding in coordination to avoid duplication of surveys, assessment of encampments, and the unsheltered homeless definition.

2A-4. Reduce Encampments—Actions to Reduce Encampments.

Describe in the field below the actions your CoC took to reduce the number of encampments or the number of people residing in encampments during your evaluation period.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC, through its General Membership and partnerships with organizations, conduct street outreach, to identify various local encampments and areas where people experiencing homelessness congregate. Additionally, the CoC accepts all community encampment reports coming in through the Homeless Resource Assistance Line and the IVCCC website and updates internal record of encampments. Through increased coordination and targeted street outreach at those areas where congregations of unsheltered individuals have been noted, individual needs are accessed, enrolled into the region's CES and linked to the most appropriate resources to exit their homelessness status. The successful linkage and tracking of program enrollments to rapid rehousing and others during the 2025-year period, have demonstrated an increase in successful enrollments to interim housing and exits to permanent housing. Current practices have proven to enhance street outreach efforts to encampments in the region. The 2026 PIT Count results are also an indicator of the reduction of homeless individuals and households in the Imperial County Region.

2A-4a.	Reduce Encampments—Number of Encampments.	
1.	Enter the estimated number of encampments in the beginning of your evaluation period.	10
2.	Enter the reduction in the number of encampments during your evaluation period.	8

2A-4b.	Reduce Encampments—Number of People in Encampments.	
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1. Enter the estimated number of people in encampments in the beginning of your evaluation period.	27
2. Enter the reduction in the number of people in encampments during your evaluation period.	20

2A-4c.	Reduce Encampments—Plans to Reduce Encampments.
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If there has been no reduction in encampments or persons in encampments in your CoC, describe the plans your CoC has to participate in efforts to reduce these numbers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Not Applicable

2A-5. Reducing the Number of First Time Homeless—CoC's Plan.

Describe your CoC's plan to decrease the number of individuals and families becoming homeless for the first time.

(limit 2,500 characters)

To decrease the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time, the CoC is implementing a coordinated system focused on prevention and diversion. This includes targeted outreach and expanded access to programs such as CalWORKs, Cal Fresh, and Medi-Cal to stabilize households before a housing crisis. Additionally, the Homeless Resources Assistance Line, operated by the Imperial County Department of Social Services and staffed by experienced social workers, continues to serve as a critical access point for referrals to local organizations offering homelessness prevention, basic needs assistance, and supportive services. These coordinated efforts reduce inflow into the homelessness system, directly decreasing the number of people experiencing homelessness for the first time. CoC service providers and partnering agencies continue to coordinate efforts to ensure available housing support services are identified on a real-time basis. Additionally, the CoC continues to review, apply for and accept homelessness prevention funding opportunities

2A-6. Reducing Length of Time Homeless—CoC's Plan.

Describe your CoC's plan to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC continues to implement strategies to reduce the length of time individuals and families experience homelessness using a variety of methods. Current funding such as Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program prioritized to focus on housing subsidies to include non-congregate emergency shelter motel vouchers as a bridge to permanent housing, rapid rehousing, and permanent housing. HHAP funded projects are required to incorporate street outreach and education/training components, increasing engagement, and optimizing self-sufficiency. ICDSS has additional homelessness response funding that provides housing services for vulnerable populations to include elderly persons, disabled persons, and families with children through their Home Safe, Housing and Disability Advocacy Program and Bringing Families Home, CalWORKs Housing Support Program and CalWORKs Temporary and Permanent Homeless Assistance programs.

The CoC utilizes the Coordinated Entry System (CES) assessment tool to prioritize households with the highest needs, and those prioritized are offered housing and supportive services, to support a rapid exit from homelessness. Individuals and families with the longest length of time experiencing homelessness are identified through the CES assessment tool and a score is used to establish a level of priority based on the participant's vulnerability and considers length of time homeless. The CoC continues to coordinate efforts with homeless service providers and partnering agencies to ensure that barriers preventing shorter timeframes are identified by reviewing and evaluating current and past cases. The input from lived experience individuals is crucial to identify improvements to the system which can be modified to improve the system. Based on the information, additional steps ensure suitable programs and services such as; job training, behavioral services, and other programs are based on the needs while suggestions are established and implemented.

2A-7.	Successful Permanent Housing Placement—Exits to Unsubsidized Housing.	
	Based on HMIS data, what percent of program participants exited from TH/RRH/PSH collectively to unsubsidized housing?	65.00%

Describe how you calculated the data for this response.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The percent of program participant that exited from TH/RRH/ PSH was calculated as follows:

Collectively, there were 940 exits reported in HMIS for the period of 01/01/2025-12/31/2025, of which 611 were exits with destinations of staying or living with family, permanent tenure; staying or living with friends, permanent tenure; rental by client, no ongoing housing subsidy; or owned by client, no ongoing housing subsidy. $611 / 940 = .65$ or 65% of exits were to unsubsidized housing.

2A-8.	Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Date.	
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	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2026 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) count.	01/22/2026
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2A-8a.	HIC and PIT Count Data—HDX 2.0 Submission Date.	
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	Did your CoC submit its 2026 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) count data in HDX 2.0 by April 30, 2026, 8:00 p.m. EDT?	Yes
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2A-8b.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Data—HDX 2.0 Submission Date.	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2026 HDX Competition Report to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	

	Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by January 16, 2026, 11:59 p.m. EST?	Yes
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2A-8c.	System Performance Measures (SPM) Data—HDX 2.0 Submission Date.	
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	Did your CoC submit its FY 2025 System Performance Measures data in HDX 2.0 by March 4, 2026, 8:00 p.m. EDT?	Yes
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2A-9.	HMIS and Comparable Database Participation—Bed Coverage Rate.	
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Using the FY 2026 HDX Competition Report we issued your CoC, enter data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current Non-VSP Beds	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	327	37	332	91.21%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	0.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	52	9	35	57.38%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	197	0	197	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	12	0	12	100.00%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	448	0	448	100.00%

2A-9a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates of 84.99 Percent or Lower for Any Project Type in Question 2A-9.	
	For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is 84.99 percent or lower in question 2A-9, 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)

1. For those providers that are not HMIS participants, the CoC will continue outreach to the providers to encourage HMIS participation to ensure accurate data collection and bed inventory. With this outreach, the CoC will increase local efforts to increase HMIS bed coverage by facilitating educational workshops and orientations with agencies to demonstrate the importance of data collection in one uniformed system. Providers are often discouraged in becoming HMIS participants because of the associated cost, for this reason the CoC continues to leverage funding sources to cover HMIS cost for prospective HMIS agencies. We've been able to increase the rate for ES, RRH, PSH, and OPH beds since 2024, the CoC will continue to take these steps to increase TH beds database coverage.

2. The CoC will increase bed coverage to 85% by onboarding non-HMIS participants, increasing training and awareness on the associated benefits of HMIS data, and evaluating progress. Service providers will be educated on the benefits and fundamentals of becoming an HMIS participant. Information to provide include highlighting the scope of care coordination, identification of needs and gaps in services through client outcomes, services coordination among programs and other providers, additional case management support, and the ability to measure program performance. To obtain the agencies' leadership support, the CoC will delineate the benefits of HMIS for public policy. These include: understanding the extent and scope of the local homelessness background which in turns allows for more informed policy decisions, increased ability to measure performance of the community system to prevent and eradicate homelessness, and also providing a forum for addressing communitywide issues which essentially will increase HMIS participation within the next 12 months.

3A. Policy Initiatives

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3A-1.	Supporting Activities within an Opportunity Zone.	
	You must upload the HUD-2996 Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Will the proposed activities/projects occur within Opportunity Zone Census Tracts?	No
2.	Do you expect to use at least 50% of the proposed activities/projects in Opportunity Zones Census Tracts?	No

3A-2	Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.
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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

4A. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

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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.		
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Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
01. 1C-1. List of TH/RRH/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment	Yes	1C-1 List of THRR...	09/30/2026
02. 1C-1f. List of CoC Program Projects and Number of Units that require Substance Abuse Treatment	Yes	1C-1f. List of Co...	09/30/2026
03. 1C-3. Language from Project Supportive Service Agreements	Yes	Language from Pro...	09/30/2026
04. 1C-10. Evidence of Coordination and Non-Interference with Local Efforts to Advance Public Safety	Yes	Evidence of Coord...	09/29/2026
05. 1D-1. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	09/29/2026

06. 1D-2c. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Local Competition...	09/29/2026
07. 2A-8b. FY 2026 HDX Competition Report	Yes	FY 2026 HDX Compe...	09/29/2026
08. 3A-1. HUD-2996 Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points	No		
09. 3A-2a. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
10. 3A-DP. Your CoC's Policy or Statement to Advance Recovery	No		
11. Other	No	FY 2026 CoC Appli...	09/30/2026

Attachment Details

Document Description: 1C-1 List of THRRHPSH Projects and Treatment Providers with OnSite Substance Use Treatment

Attachment Details

Document Description: 1C-1f. List of CoC Program Projects and Number of Units that Require Substance Abuse Treatment

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Submission Summary

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

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1C-1 List of TH/RRH/PSH Projects **and Treatment Providers with On-** **Site Substance Use Treatment**

Imperial County CoC (CA-613)

TH/RRH/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment

Imperial County CoC (CA-613) currently has no TH/RRH/PSH projects with on-site substance use treatment.



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1C-1f. List of CoC Program Projects **and Number of Units that Require** **Substance Abuse Treatment**

Imperial County CoC (CA-613)

Substance Abuse Treatment Required Available Units

CoC Program Project	Project Type	Number of Units
IV CAP II FY 2026	SSO-CE	0
IV CAP II FY 2026 Expansion	SSO-CE	0
A Safe Home Project	PH-RRH	0
Peace at Home Project	PH-RRH	0
WPCC Street Outreach Supportive Services Project	SSO-S/O	0
WPCC Supportive Services Standalone Project	SSO-S/A	0
IV Planning Grant FY 2026	Planning	0

*Imperial County CoC (CA-613) currently has no CoC Program-funded units that require substance abuse treatment.



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1C-3. Language from Project **Supportive Service Agreement**

Supportive Services Agreement (Draft Template)

Project Name: [Project Name, exactly as in eSNAPS]

Recipient/Subrecipient: [Agency Legal Name]

Component Type: [TH] / [RRH] / [PSH] / [SSO or SSO–SO]

Participant Name: [First Last or Household Head]

Agreement Term: Effective [Start Date] through [End Date] or while enrolled in the project, whichever comes first].

1) Purpose & Authority

This Agreement explains the supportive services offered and the participant obligations related to services while enrolled in [Project Name]. It is issued pursuant to program rules (including 24 CFR 578.75(h) regarding participant engagement in supportive services) and the requirements described in the FY2026 CoC NOFO.

2) Services Offered (What, How Often, and By Whom)

The project will provide or coordinate the following housing-focused services to help participants obtain and retain permanent housing:

Core Housing Services (in-house or via partner MOUs):

- Housing Case Management: [weekly / biweekly / monthly] by [Title or Partner].
- Housing Navigation/Lease-Up (TH→PH or RRH/PSH retention): [cadence] by [Title/Partner].
- Benefits Access (SSI/SSDI, SNAP, Medicaid/Medicare, TANF): [cadence] by [Title/Partner].
- Employment & Income Supports (WIOA/Workforce): [cadence] by [Title/Partner].
- Tenancy Skills / Budgeting / Landlord Mediation: [cadence] by [Title/Partner].
- Transportation Supports (bus passes, accompaniment): [as needed / schedule] by [Title/Partner].
- Behavioral Health / SUD linkages (incl. MAT if applicable): [referral cadence / onsite days] via [FQHC/BH provider].

Accessibility, Safety, & Cultural Responsiveness: Services will be delivered with reasonable accommodations, language access, trauma-informed practices, and flexible scheduling (including field-based/onsite visits) to meet participant needs.

Attach or reference the internal Service Plan that lists individualized goals, visit frequency, and responsible staff.

3) Participant Engagement Requirement (24 CFR 578.75(h))

By signing this Agreement, the participant acknowledges the following:

Required Services (select the items that apply to this project):

- ☐ Attend Housing Case Management at least [frequency].
- ☐ Participate in Tenancy Skills/Budgeting as scheduled.
- ☐ Complete Benefits Screening/Applications (SSI/SSDI/SNAP/Medicaid) with staff assistance.
- ☐ Participate in Employment Navigation/Job Coaching (if job-seeking).
- ☐ Safety planning and coordination for appointments as needed.
- ☐ Substance Use Disorder Treatment
- ☐ Behavioral Health Treatment
- ☐ Other project-specific required services: [list].

Optional/Offered Services (not required): [List optional offerings, e.g., peer support groups, life-skills classes.]

Reasonable Accommodations: If a disability or other circumstance affects participation, the participant may request reasonable changes to service delivery or cadence. The project will engage in an interactive process to adjust the plan.

4) TH-Only Clause: 20 Hours/Week of Individualized Services

Include this section for TH projects only. Remove for RRH/PSH/SSO.

- The project will ensure each TH participant is offered 20 hours per week of individualized supportive services consistent with the FY2026 NOFO.
- Proportional Reduction for Employment: If the participant is employed, weekly service hours will be reduced proportionally to reflect work hours.

- Exclusions: Participants who are 62+ or who have a physical or developmental disability (not including SUD alone) are excluded from the 20-hour calculation.
- Documentation: The project will document weekly offerings and participation (or exemptions) in case notes/service logs.

5) Communication, Scheduling, & Attendance

- The project will provide a written Service Schedule (days/times/locations or virtual options).
- The participant agrees to keep scheduled appointments or notify staff of conflicts to reschedule.
- Missed contacts will trigger supportive follow-up (calls, texts, field attempts) to re-engage.

6) Monitoring, Progress, & Supportive Responses

Staff will record service contacts and progress in HMIS (or a comparable database for VSPs) consistent with CoC policies.

If engagement lapses, the project will use supportive, non-punitive steps (problem-solving, adjusting cadence/format, accommodations).

Graduated Responses for Persistent Non-Engagement:

- 1) Re-engagement outreach and barrier-solving.
- 2) Case conference to modify the plan and offer accommodations.
- 3) Written notice with options to re-engage and appeal.
- 4) As a last resort and when required by program rules/lease/occupancy agreement, the project may take administrative steps consistent with rights, protections, and due process.

Note: For RRH/PSH, housing retention should remain the priority. Non-engagement in services should not automatically cause a lease violation; follow your lease/landlord and program rules.

7) Participant Rights, Grievances, & Safety

- Rights & Non-Discrimination: Services are provided without discrimination, consistent with Fair Housing and applicable civil-rights laws.
- VAWA Protections: Except that consistent with 24 CFR 5.2005(b)(1) assistance may not be denied on the basis or as a direct result of the fact that the participant is or has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, if the participant otherwise qualifies for admission, assistance, participation, or occupancy.

- Confidentiality & VAWA: Information is confidential; survivors may refuse to share VAWA-protected information. Releases are time-limited and revocable.
- Grievances/Appeals: Participants may file a grievance about services or staff conduct. The project will provide a written process and respond within [X] days.
- Safety: The participant and staff will follow safety practices (home-visit protocols, scheduling during daylight where appropriate, etc.).

8) Data Collection & HMIS/Comparable Database

- The participant consents to data entry in HMIS (or a comparable database for VSPs) per CoC policy, with signed releases as required.
- Data will be used to coordinate care, track outcomes, and meet reporting requirements.

9) Mainstream Resources & Coordination

The project will help participants apply for and maintain benefits and resources (e.g., SSI/SSDI, SNAP, Medicaid/Medicare, TANF, WIOA/Workforce), and will coordinate with FQHCs/BH providers, housing authorities/landlords, and other community partners to support housing stability.

10) No Waiver of Rights

Nothing in this Agreement waives any rights afforded to the participant under applicable law, lease/occupancy agreements, or program rules.

11) Acknowledgment & Signatures

By signing below, the participant and project representative acknowledge that they have read, understand, and agree to the terms of this Supportive Services Agreement. A copy will be provided to the participant.

Participant: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Project Staff (Name/Title): _____ Date: ____/____/____

Agency Contact (Phone/Email): [Insert]



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1C-10. Evidence of Coordination **and Non-Interference with** **Local Efforts to Advance Public** **Safety**



IMPERIAL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
FRED MIRAMONTES
SHERIFF-CORONER-MARSHAL



September 25, 2026

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
451 7th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20410

Re: Letter of Support - Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Collaborative Application (CA-613)

The Imperial County Sheriff's Office recognizes the importance of strong coordination and collaboration among law enforcement, local government, homeless service providers, and community partners in addressing homelessness and promoting public safety throughout the Imperial County.

Our agency has maintained a longstanding and collaborative working relationship with the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC) and the broader homelessness response network. This partnership reflects our shared commitment to serving individuals experiencing homelessness while supporting safe, effective, and responsible use of public spaces throughout our communities.

The Imperial County Sheriff's Office and the IVCCC regularly work together on matters involving individuals experiencing homelessness and encampment-related concerns. This collaboration may include communication regarding public safety concerns, outreach efforts, referrals to appropriate housing and supportive services, responses to calls for service, and efforts to connect individuals being released from custody or otherwise experiencing homelessness with available community resources.

We value the IVCCC's cooperation with local law enforcement and its commitment to working within established community processes while respecting lawful efforts to protect public safety. Likewise, the Sheriff's Office recognizes the important role that the IVCCC, service providers, local government, and community organizations play in connecting individuals with resources and addressing the underlying challenges associated with homelessness.

Our agencies have always shared a common interest in the well-being of the communities we serve. Through open communication, mutual respect, and continued collaboration, the Imperial County Sheriff's Office and IVCCC are better positioned to respond to community concerns, promote public safety, and help individuals experiencing homelessness access appropriate services and support.

The Imperial County Sheriff's Office appreciates the strong partnership that has been built with the IVCCC over the years. We believe continued cooperation among law enforcement, service

providers, local government, and community stakeholders is essential to developing effective and compassionate responses that benefit the entire community.

We are pleased to express our support for this ongoing collaborative relationship and look forward to continuing our work together in the interest of public safety, community well-being, and positive outcomes for individuals and families throughout the County.

Respectfully,



Fred Miramontes

Sheriff-Coroner-Marshal



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1D-2. Local Competition Scoring

Tool

Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program Competition
New Project or Expansion for CoC Bonus Scoring and Ranking Tool

Instructions: Projects will be scored based on total scores for sections 2 through 4. Section 1 should only be used to determine if project meets minimum project quality threshold requirements.

Project Title/ Name of Organization

1. Project Quality & Design (<i>Select only one subsection . Only one project type may be ranked per Scoring and Ranking Tool. Project type description is found in purple. </i>)	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Transitional Housing (TH)		
a. The proposal demonstrates that the project will provide and/or partner with other organizations to provide eligible supportive services that are necessary to assist program participants to obtain and maintain housing (i.e., case management, behavioral healthcare, employment training, etc.)	2	
b. The applicant has prior experience operating transitional housing or other projects that have successfully helped homeless individuals and families exit homelessness within 24 months or has a plan in place to ensure homeless individuals and families will exit homelessness within 24 months.	1	
c. The applicant has previously operated or currently operates transitional housing or another homelessness project, or has a plan in place to ensure that at least 50 percent of participants exit to a positive destination within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant.	1	
d. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
e. The proposed project will assess the service needs of program participants, and provide individualized services during their time in TH that will result in at least 20 hours per week of engagement in services, activities or employment, except for a participants over age 62 or who is disabled as defined in 24 CFR 8.3 or with a developmental disability (24 CFR 578.3). Employment may contribute to the 20 hours per week of engagement. The project description provided here does not constitute a reporting or documentation requirement. Service plans will be created for each program participant that include services to be provided, frequency, and by whom all services will be provided. The plan should also include goals, strategies for achieving those goals, and target dates for achievement to focus on improved health and wellness, housing stability, and increased employment income leading to financial stability and self sufficiency.	2	
f. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
Transitional Housing (TH) (Minimum score 6 out of 8 points to continue; If less than 6 points please stop application evaluation)	8	
Supportive Services Only – Standalone- Project Quality & Design		
a. The Supportive Services project is necessary to assist people in exiting homelessness, addressing barriers to stable housing (e.g., substance use disorder, unemployment, childcare, etc.) and increasing self-sufficiency and the Recipient will conduct an annual assessment of the service needs of the program participants.	1	
b. The proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services.	2	

c. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
d. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
Supportive Services Only <i>(Minimum score 4 out of 5 points to continue; If less than 4 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	5	
Supportive Services Only – Street Outreach (S/O) Project Quality & Design		
a. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
b. The proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services.	2	
c. The project demonstrates that the applicant has a history of, or a plan for, partnering with first responders and law enforcement to engage people living in places not meant for human habitation to access emergency shelter, treatment programs, reunification with family, transitional housing or independent living. The applicant must cooperate and not interfere or impede with the enforcement of local laws such as public camping and public drug use laws and assist/be willing to assist first responders in their efforts to engage homeless individuals.	1	
d. The applicant has experience providing outreach services, or a plan for providing outreach services, consistent with the activity description at 24 CFR 578.53(e)(13) and has a plan for or has demonstrated effectiveness at helping people successfully exit from places not meant for human habitation to emergency shelter, treatment programs, transitional housing or permanent housing programs.	1	
e. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
Supportive Services Only- S/O <i>(Minimum score 5 out of 6 points to continue; If less than 5 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	6	
Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry System (CES) Project Quality & Design		
a. The Coordinated Entry system is easily available and reachable for all persons within the CoC's geographic area who are seeking homelessness assistance. The system must also be accessible for persons with disabilities within the CoC's geographic area.	1	
b. There is a strategy for advertising that is designed specifically to reach households experiencing homelessness with the highest needs.	1	
c. There is a standardized assessment process.	1	
d. The project will ensure program participants are directed to appropriate housing and services that fit their needs.	1	
Supportive Services Only- CE <i>(Minimum score 3 out of 4 points to continue; If less than 3 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	4	
Permanent Housing – Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Project Quality & Design		
a. The type of housing proposed, including the number and configuration of units, will fit the needs of the program participants.	1	
b. The type of supportive services and assistance that will be offered to program participants will ensure that the participant is able to successfully obtain and retain permanent housing and in a manner that fits their needs (e.g. transportation, safety planning, enhanced case management). If the applicant is proposing to expand an existing PH project, it must demonstrate how they are expanding supportive services to program participants, including where appropriate, on-site supportive services.	1	

c. The project will serve homeless individuals or families with a disability in accordance with 24 CFR 578.37(a)(1)(i).	1	
d. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
e. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
PH- PSH- Total <i>(Minimum score 3 out of 5 points to continue; If less than 3 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	5	
Permanent Housing: Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH) Project Quality & Design		
a. The provision of tenant-based rental assistance will help individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency within 24 months.	1	
b. The type of supportive services and assistance that will be offered to program participants (e.g., case management, substance use treatment, mental health treatment, and employment assistance) will ensure that the participant is able to successfully obtain self-sufficiency and exit homelessness.	2	
c. The applicant has previously operated or currently operates a homelessness project where, or has a plan in place to have, at least 50 percent of participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant, or has a plan in place to ensure this.	1	
d. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
e. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
PH- RRH Total <i>(Minimum score 4 out of 6 points to continue; If less than 4 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	6	
Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Project Quality & Design		
a. The proposed project demonstrates how the HMIS funds will be expended in a way that furthers the CoC's HMIS implementation.	1	
b. The HMIS collects all Universal Data Elements as set forth in the HMIS Data Standards.	1	
c. The ability of the HMIS to un-duplicate client records.	1	
d. The HMIS produces all HUD-required reports and provides data as needed for HUD reporting (e.g., APR, quarterly reports, data for CAPER/ESG reporting) and other reports required by other federal partners.	1	
HMIS Total <i>(Minimum score 3 out of 4 points to continue; If less than 3 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	4	
Please ensure project design scores at least the minimum number of points required. If this condition is not met, please stop application evaluation. These points will not be used in the overall scoring and ranking. They should only be used to determine if project meets minimum project quality threshold requirements.		

2. Project Eligibility: Experience and Capacity	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Applicants meet the eligibility requirements of the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program per the Federal and Local Notice of Funding Opportunity.	2	
Applicant Eligibility Total:	2	
Applicants have demonstrated: 1) the financial and management capacity to carry out the project, AND 2) the capacity to administer federal funds. As indicated by:		
a. Experience with similar projects:		

1. Applicant and subrecipients have experience working with the proposed population and in providing housing and services similar to that proposed in the application.	15	
2. Program ensures program does not engage in any type of racial preferences, even under the guise of "diversity, equity, and inclusion." (pg. 34)	15	
3. The proposed project includes participation requirements	20	
b. Financial standing as indicated by:		
1. No adverse reports or findings from audits performed under Subpart F – Audit Requirements of 2 CFR part 200 or the reports and findings of any other available audits. (e.g., confirmation of good financial standing in SAM, no exclusions or proceedings. Copy of most recent audit report if applicable).	2	
2. The quality of the applicable financial management structure. (e.g., the quality of systems of accounting and the ability to account for funds in compliance with applicable reporting and recordkeeping requirements).	2	
c. History of performance:		
1. Experience with successful administration of Supportive Housing Program (SHP), Shelter Plus Care (S+C), or CoC Program funds or other federal funds.	2	
2. Ability to effectively implement statutory, regulatory, or other requirements imposed on non-Federal entities.	1	
3. Timely completion of CoC program competition activities, receipt of documentation and expenditure of leveraged funds on prior projects. (e.g., regular drawdowns, timely reimbursement of subrecipients, timely submission of required reporting documents) If not previously awarded CoC Competition funding, no points will be given in this line item.	6	
Applicant Financial & Management Capacity Total:	63	
a. Applicant has submitted the required certifications specified in the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC NOFO. (Application is complete and data is consistent).	1	
b. Project applicants must certify affirmatively to the following:		
1. The project applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination. This is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).	5	
2. The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites", knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control, or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia. This is consistent with the objectives outlined in Section III.B of the FY 26 CoC NOFO above and is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).	5	
Required Certifications Total:	11	
The target population identified in the application continues to meet the program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule, and sections II.B.3.c, section II.B.3.f, section II.B.3.i, and section II.B.3.k of the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC NOFO.	3	
Target Population Total:	3	
Applicant and subrecipients agrees to utilize the local Coordinated Entry System (CES) and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) or comparable database if the provider is a victim service provider	1	
CES Total:	1	
Category 1 - Project Eligibility Total Points (Sum of Blue Rows):	80	

3. Project Timeliness	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program. In the case of a housing program, document how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.	5	
Timeliness Total:	5	

4. Project Financial Feasibility	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
a. The average cost per household served is reasonable, meaning that the costs for housing and services provided by the project are consistent with the population the project plans to serve. (e.g., Project is cost-effective when projected cost per person served is compared to CoC average).	5	
b. Documented match amount meets HUD requirements.	5	
c. Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.	5	
Financial Total	15	

Overall Application Score	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Overall Application Score(Sum of Gray Rows):	100	

Evaluator Signature: _____

Date: _____

Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program Competition
New Project or Expansion for DV Bonus Scoring and Ranking Tool

Instructions: Projects will be scored based on total scores for sections 2 through 4. Section 1 should only be used to determine if project meets minimum project quality threshold requirements.

Project Title/ Name of Organization

1. Project Quality & Design (Select only one subsection . Only one project type may be ranked per Scoring and Ranking Tool. Project type description is found in purple.)	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Transitional Housing (TH)		
a. The proposal demonstrates that the project will provide and/or partner with other organizations to provide eligible supportive services that are necessary to assist program participants to obtain and maintain housing (i.e., case management, behavioral healthcare, employment training, etc.)	2	
b. The applicant has prior experience operating transitional housing or other projects that have successfully helped homeless individuals and families exit homelessness within 24 months or has a plan in place to ensure homeless individuals and families will exit homelessness within 24 months.	1	
c. The applicant has previously operated or currently operates transitional housing or another homelessness project, or has a plan in place to ensure that at least 50 percent of participants exit to a positive destination within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant.	1	
d. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
e. The proposed project will assess the service needs of program participants, and provide individualized services during their time in TH that will result in at least 20 hours per week of engagement in services, activities or employment, except for a participants over age 62 or who is disabled as defined in 24 CFR 8.3 or with a developmental disability (24 CFR 578.3). Employment may contribute to the 20 hours per week of engagement. The project description provided here does not constitute a reporting or documentation requirement. Service plans will be created for each program participant that include services to be provided, frequency, and by whom all services will be provided. The plan should also include goals, strategies for achieving those goals, and target dates for achievement to focus on improved health and wellness, housing stability, and increased employment income leading to financial stability and self sufficiency.	2	
f. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
Transitional Housing (TH) (Minimum score 6 out of 8 points to continue; If less than 6 points please stop application evaluation)	8	
Supportive Services Only – Standalone- Project Quality & Design		
a. The Supportive Services project is necessary to assist people in exiting homelessness, addressing barriers to stable housing (e.g., substance use disorder, unemployment, childcare, etc.) and increasing self-sufficiency and the Recipient will conduct an annual assessment of the service needs of the program participants.	1	
b. The proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services.	2	

c. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
d. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
Supportive Services Only <i>(Minimum score 4 out of 5 points to continue; If less than 4 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	5	
Supportive Services Only – Street Outreach (S/O) Project Quality & Design		
a. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
b. The proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services.	2	
c. The project demonstrates that the applicant has a history of, or a plan for, partnering with first responders and law enforcement to engage people living in places not meant for human habitation to access emergency shelter, treatment programs, reunification with family, transitional housing or independent living. The applicant must cooperate and not interfere or impede with the enforcement of local laws such as public camping and public drug use laws and assist/be willing to assist first responders in their efforts to engage homeless individuals.	1	
d. The applicant has experience providing outreach services, or a plan for providing outreach services, consistent with the activity description at 24 CFR 578.53(e)(13) and has a plan for or has demonstrated effectiveness at helping people successfully exit from places not meant for human habitation to emergency shelter, treatment programs, transitional housing or permanent housing programs.	1	
e. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
Supportive Services Only- S/O <i>(Minimum score 5 out of 6 points to continue; If less than 5 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	6	
Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry System (CES) Project Quality & Design		
a. The Coordinated Entry system is easily available and reachable for all persons within the CoC's geographic area who are seeking homelessness assistance. The system must also be accessible for persons with disabilities within the CoC's geographic area.	1	
b. There is a strategy for advertising that is designed specifically to reach households experiencing homelessness with the highest needs.	1	
c. There is a standardized assessment process.	1	
d. The project will ensure program participants are directed to appropriate housing and services that fit their needs.	1	
Supportive Services Only- CE <i>(Minimum score 3 out of 4 points to continue; If less than 3 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	4	
Permanent Housing – Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Project Quality & Design		
a. The type of housing proposed, including the number and configuration of units, will fit the needs of the program participants.	1	
b. The type of supportive services and assistance that will be offered to program participants will ensure that the participant is able to successfully obtain and retain permanent housing and in a manner that fits their needs (e.g. transportation, safety planning, enhanced case management). If the applicant is proposing to expand an existing PH project, it must demonstrate how they are expanding supportive services to program participants, including where appropriate, on-site supportive services.	1	

c. The project will serve homeless individuals or families with a disability in accordance with 24 CFR 578.37(a)(1)(i).	1	
d. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
e. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
PH- PSH- Total <i>(Minimum score 3 out of 5 points to continue; If less than 3 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	5	
Permanent Housing: Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH) Project Quality & Design		
a. The provision of tenant-based rental assistance will help individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency within 24 months.	1	
b. The type of supportive services and assistance that will be offered to program participants (e.g., case management, substance use treatment, mental health treatment, and employment assistance) will ensure that the participant is able to successfully obtain self-sufficiency and exit homelessness.	2	
c. The applicant has previously operated or currently operates a homelessness project where, or has a plan in place to have, at least 50 percent of participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant, or has a plan in place to ensure this.	1	
d. The project demonstrates the average cost per household served for the project is reasonable. 2 CFR 200.404.	1	
e. The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.	1	
PH- RRH Total <i>(Minimum score 4 out of 6 points to continue; If less than 4 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	6	
Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Project Quality & Design		
a. The proposed project demonstrates how the HMIS funds will be expended in a way that furthers the CoC's HMIS implementation.	1	
b. The HMIS collects all Universal Data Elements as set forth in the HMIS Data Standards.	1	
c. The ability of the HMIS to un-duplicate client records.	1	
d. The HMIS produces all HUD-required reports and provides data as needed for HUD reporting (e.g., APR, quarterly reports, data for CAPER/ESG reporting) and other reports required by other federal partners.	1	
HMIS Total <i>(Minimum score 3 out of 4 points to continue; If less than 3 points please stop application evaluation)</i>	4	
Please ensure project design scores at least the minimum number of points required. If this condition is not met, please stop application evaluation. These points will not be used in the overall scoring and ranking. They should only be used to determine if project meets minimum project quality threshold requirements.		

2. Project Eligibility: Experience and Capacity	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Applicants meet the eligibility requirements of the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program per the Federal and Local Notice of Funding Opportunity.	2	
Applicant Eligibility Total:	2	
Applicants have demonstrated: 1) the financial and management capacity to carry out the project, AND 2) the capacity to administer federal funds. As indicated by:		
a. Experience with similar projects:		

1. Applicant and subrecipients have experience working with the proposed population and in providing housing and services similar to that proposed in the application.	15	
2. Program ensures program does not engage in any type of racial preferences, even under the guise of "diversity, equity, and inclusion." (pg. 34)	15	
3. The proposed project includes participation requirements	20	
b. Financial standing as indicated by:		
1. No adverse reports or findings from audits performed under Subpart F – Audit Requirements of 2 CFR part 200 or the reports and findings of any other available audits. (e.g., confirmation of good financial standing in SAM, no exclusions or proceedings. Copy of most recent audit report if applicable).	2	
2. The quality of the applicable financial management structure. (e.g., the quality of systems of accounting and the ability to account for funds in compliance with applicable reporting and recordkeeping requirements).	2	
c. History of performance:		
1. Experience with successful administration of Supportive Housing Program (SHP), Shelter Plus Care (S+C), or CoC Program funds or other federal funds.	2	
2. Ability to effectively implement statutory, regulatory, or other requirements imposed on non-Federal entities.	1	
3. Timely completion of CoC program competition activities, receipt of documentation and expenditure of leveraged funds on prior projects. (e.g., regular drawdowns, timely reimbursement of subrecipients, timely submission of required reporting documents) If not previously awarded CoC Competition funding, no points will be given in this line item.	6	
Applicant Financial & Management Capacity Total:	63	
a. Applicant has submitted the required certifications specified in the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC NOFO. (Application is complete and data is consistent).	1	
b. Project applicants must certify affirmatively to the following:		
1. The project applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination. This is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).	5	
2. The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites", knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control, or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia. This is consistent with the objectives outlined in Section III.B of the FY 26 CoC NOFO above and is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).	5	
Required Certifications Total:	11	
The target population identified in the application continues to meet the program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule, and sections II.B.3.c, section II.B.3.f, section II.B.3.i, and section II.B.3.k of the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC NOFO.	3	
Target Population Total:	3	
Applicant and subrecipients agrees to utilize the local Coordinated Entry System (CES) and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) or comparable database if the provider is a victim service provider	1	
CES Total:	1	
Category 1 - Project Eligibility Total Points (Sum of Blue Rows):	80	

3. Project Timeliness	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program. In the case of a housing program, document how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.	5	
Timeliness Total:	5	

4. Project Financial Feasibility	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
a. The average cost per household served is reasonable, meaning that the costs for housing and services provided by the project are consistent with the population the project plans to serve. (e.g., Project is cost-effective when projected cost per person served is compared to CoC average).	5	
b. Documented match amount meets HUD requirements.	5	
c. Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.	5	
Financial Total	15	

Overall Application Score	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Overall Application Score(Sum of Gray Rows):	100	

Evaluator Signature: _____

Date: _____

Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program Competition
Renewal Project Scoring and Ranking Tool

Instructions: Projects will be scored based on total scores for sections 1 through 4.

Project Title/ Name of Organization

1. Project Eligibility: Experience and Capacity	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Applicants meet the eligibility requirements of the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program per the Federal and Local Notice of Funding Opportunity.	2	
Applicant Eligibility Total:	2	
Applicants have demonstrated: 1) the financial and management capacity to carry out the project, AND 2) the capacity to administer federal funds. As indicated by:		
a. Experience with similar projects:		
1. Applicant and subrecipients have experience working with the proposed population and in providing housing and services similar to that proposed in the application.	15	
2. Program ensures program does not engage in any type of racial preferences, even under the guise of "diversity, equity, and inclusion." (pg. 34)	15	
3. The proposed project includes participation requirements	20	
b. Financial standing as indicated by:		
1. No adverse reports or findings from audits performed under Subpart F – Audit Requirements of 2 CFR part 200 or the reports and findings of any other available audits. (e.g., confirmation of good financial standing in SAM, no exclusions or proceedings. Copy of most recent audit report if applicable).	2	
2. The quality of the applicable financial management structure. (e.g., the quality of systems of accounting and the ability to account for funds in compliance with applicable reporting and recordkeeping requirements).	2	
c. History of performance:		
1. Experience with successful administration of Supportive Housing Program (SHP), Shelter Plus Care (S+C), or CoC Program funds or other federal funds.	2	
2. Ability to effectively implement statutory, regulatory, or other requirements imposed on non-Federal entities.	1	
3. Timely completion of CoC program competition activities, receipt of documentation and expenditure of leveraged funds on prior projects. (e.g., regular drawdowns, timely reimbursement of subrecipients, timely submission of required reporting documents) If not previously awarded CoC Competition funding, no points will be given in this line item.	6	
Applicant Financial & Management Capacity Total:	63	
Applicant has submitted the required certifications specified in the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC NOFO. (Application is complete and data is consistent).	1	
a. Project applicants must certify affirmatively to the following:		
1. The project applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination. This is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).	5	
2. The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites", knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control, or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia. This is consistent with the objectives outlined in Section III.B of the FY 26 CoC NOFO above and is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).	5	
Required Certifications Total:	11	

The target population identified in the application continues to meet the program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule, and sections II.B.3.c, section II.B.3.f, section II.B.3.i, and section II.B.3.k of the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC NOFO.	3	
Target Population Total:	3	
Applicant and subrecipients agrees to utilize the local Coordinated Entry System (CES) and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) or comparable database if the provider is a victim service provider	1	
CES Total:	1	
Category 1 - Project Eligibility Total Points (Sum of Blue Rows):	80	

2. Project Timeliness	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program. In the case of a housing program, document how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.	5	
Timeliness Total:	5	
3. Project Financial Feasibility	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
a. The average cost per household served is reasonable, meaning that the costs for housing and services provided by the project are consistent with the population the project plans to serve. (e.g., Project is cost-effective when projected cost per person served is compared to CoC average).	5	
b. Documented match amount meets HUD requirements.	5	
c. Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.	5	
Financial Total	15	
Bonus Points (Full Points awarded if meets requirement)	Available Amount	Total Awarded
a. Is this a renewal project?	75	
b. Is this an active Coordinated Entry project? (All CoCs are required to set up and maintain a Coordinated Entry System)	25	
Bonus Points Total	100	
Overall Application Score	Maximum Points	Total Awarded
Overall Application Score(Sum of Gray Rows):	200	

Evaluator Signature: _____

Date: _____



FY 2026

CoC Program Competition

1D-2c. Local Competition

Selection Results



IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL



September 23, 2026

Dear Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council:

The Scoring and Ranking committee met on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, to review, score, and rank all applications submitted for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. Notification of acceptance, reduction and rejection were sent to applicants on September 23, 2026.

The following project application funding requests were reduced due to requesting more funding than available:

1. WomanHaven's A Safe Home Project
2. Whole Person Care Clinic's WPCC Supportive Services Standalone Project

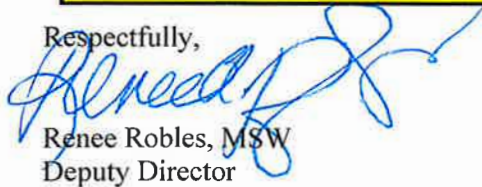
The following project applications were rejected based on the available allocation and the rank position of their projects:

1. Encompass Housing's Valley Village Project
2. Imperial Community College District's Pathways to Permanent Housing

The CoC has posted the results for the FY 2026 CoC Program at the [IVCCC website](https://www.imperialvalleycontinuumofcare.org/). The results are as follows:

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council FY 2026 CoC Competition Scoring and Ranking Allocations							
Grantee	Project Name	Project Type	Project Listing	Rank	Final Scores	Requested	Allocation
Tier I							
County of Imperial	IV CAP II FY 2026	SSO-CE	Renewal	1	559	\$ 49,796	\$ 49,796
WomanHaven	A Safe Home Project	PH-RRH	Renewal	2	498	\$ 163,587	\$ 72,894
						Total	\$ 122,690
Straddling Tier 1/2							
WomanHaven	A Safe Home Project	PH-RRH	Renewal	2 (straddling between Tier 1/2)			\$ 81,794
						Total	\$ 81,794
Tier 2: CoC Bonus and DV Bonus Projects							
County of Imperial	IV CAP II FY 2026 Expansion	SSO-CE	New Project - Expansion	3	265	\$ 165,000	\$ 165,000
WomanHaven	Peace at Home Project	PH-RRH	New Project	4	256	\$ 141,910	\$ 141,910
Whole Person Care Clinic	WPCC Street Outreach Supportive Services Project	SSO-S/O	New Project	5	251	\$ 197,590	\$ 197,590
Whole Person Care	WPCC Supportive Services Standalone Project	SSO-S/A	New Project	6	247	\$ 197,093	\$ 137,410
Encompass Housing	Valley Village Project	TH	New Project	7	177	\$ 460,196	N/A
Imperial Community College District	Pathways to Permanent Housing	PH-RRH	New Project	8	143	No e-snaps application provided	N/A
						Total	\$ 641,910
Unranked Planning Funds							
County of Imperial	IV Planning Grant FY 2026	Planning	CoC Planning	Unranked			\$ 50,000
						Total	\$ 50,000
All Applications Were Approved for Submittal on August 6, 2026 *Awards/Allocations are subject to HUD approval							

Respectfully,



Renee Robles, MSW
Deputy Director

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council



FY 2026

CoC Program Competition

2A-8b. CoC's FY 2026 Homeless **Data Exchange (HDX)** **Competition Report**

2026 HDX Competition Report

This workbook contains summary information about your CoC's data as it was entered into the HDX for your use as part of the 2026 Competition.

To Print this Workbook:

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This workbook attempts to maximize accessibility, navigability, printability, and ease of use. Merged cells have been avoided. All tables and text boxes have been given names. Extraneous rows and columns outside printed ranges have been hidden.

For Questions:

If you have questions, please reach out to HUD via the "Ask a Question" page, <https://www.hudexchange.info/program-support/my-question/> and choose "HDX" as the topic.

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HDX Data Submission Participation Information

Government FY and HDX Module Abbreviation	Met Module Deadline*	Data From	Data Collection Period in HDX
2025 LSA	Yes	Government FY 2025 (10/1/24 - 9/30/25).	November 2025 to January 2026
2025 SPM	Yes	Government FY 2025 (10/1/24 - 9/30/25).**	February 2026 to March 2026
2026 HIC	Yes	Government FY 2026. Exact HIC and PIT dates vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it was within the last 10 days of January, 2026.	March 2026 to April 2026
2026 PIT	Yes	Government FY 2026. Exact HIC and PIT dates vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it was within the last 10 days of January, 2026.	March 2026 to April 2026

1) FY = Fiscal Year

2) *This considers all extensions where they were provided.

3) ***"Met Deadline" in this context refers to FY25 SPM submissions. Resubmissions from FY24 (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024) were also accepted during the data collection period, but the previous year's submission is voluntary.

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LSA Usability Status 2025

Category	EST AO	EST AC	EST CO	RRH AO	RRH AC	RRH CO	PSH AO	PSH AC*	PSH CO
Fully Usable	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	N/A	☒
Partially Usable								N/A	
Not Usable								N/A	

Glossary: EST = Emergency Shelter, Save Haven, & Transitional Housing; RRH = Rapid Re-housing; PSH = Permanent Supportive Housing; AO = Persons in Households without Children; AC = Persons in Households with at least one Adult and one Child; CO=Persons in Households with only Children
*Usability was not determined for PSH-AC due to built-in conflicts between HOMES and HMIS. As

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 the look back stop date or client's date of birth, whichever is later.

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.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, and SH	252	136.6	52.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and TH	289	155.4	69.0

b. This measure is based on data element 3.917

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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Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and PH (prior to “housing move in”)	557	317.6	118.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH, and PH (prior to “housing move in”)	594	325.0	122.0

Measure 2: Returns to Homelessness for Persons who Exit to Permanent Housing (PH) Destinations

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 Exited to a PH Destination (2 Yrs Prior)	Returns to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months (0 - 180 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 6 to 12 Months (181 - 365 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months (366 - 730 days)		Number of Returns in 2 Years	
Metric	Count	Count	% of Returns	Count	% of Returns	Count	% of Returns	Count	% of Returns
Exit was from SO	8	1	12.5%	1	12.5%	0	0.0%	2	25.0%
Exit was from ES	70	4	5.7%	1	1.4%	3	4.3%	8	11.4%
Exit was from TH	22	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

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Exit was from SH	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exit was from PH	624	31	5.0%	31	5.0%	54	8.7%	116	18.6%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	724	36	5.0%	33	4.6%	57	7.9%	126	17.4%

Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Metric 3.1 – Change in PIT Counts
 Please refer to PIT section for relevant data.

Metric 3.2 – Change in Annual Counts
 This measures the change in annual counts of sheltered homeless persons in HMIS.

Metric	Value
Universe: Unduplicated Total sheltered homeless persons	297
Emergency Shelter Total	260
Safe Haven Total	0
Transitional Housing Total	37

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

This measure is divided into six tables capturing employment and non-employment income changes for system leavers and stayers. The project types reported in these metrics are the same for each metric, but the type of income and universe of clients differs. In addition, the projects reported within these tables are limited to CoC-funded projects.

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	0
Number of adults with increased earned income	0
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	0.0%

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	0
Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	0
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	0.0%

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	0
Number of adults with increased total income	0

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Percentage of adults who increased total income	0.0%
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Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	0
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	0
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	0.0%

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	0
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	0
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	0.0%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
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Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	0
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	0
Percentage of adults who increased total income	0.0%

Measure 5: Number of Persons who Become Homeless for the First Time

This measures the number of people entering the homeless system through ES, SH, or TH (Metric 5.1) or ES, SH, TH, or PH (Metric 5.2) and determines whether they have any prior enrollments in the HMIS over the past two years. Those with no prior enrollments are considered to be experiencing homelessness for the first time.

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH or TH during the reporting period.	206
Of persons above, count those who were in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	87

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Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time)	119
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Metric 5.2 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, TH, and PH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH, TH or PH during the reporting period.	1,199
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.	256
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.)	943

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

Measure 6 is not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.

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

This measures positive movement out of the homeless system and is divided into three tables: movement off the streets from Street Outreach (Metric 7a.1); movement into permanent housing situations from ES, SH, TH, and RRH (Metric 7b.1); and retention or exits to permanent housing situations from PH (other than PH-RRH).

Metric 7a.1 – Change in SO exits to temp. destinations, some institutional destinations, and permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons who exit Street Outreach	185
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	38
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	3

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% Successful exits	22.2%
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Metric 7b.1 – Change in ES, SH, TH, and PH-RRH exits to permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH and PH-RRH who exited, plus persons in other PH projects who exited without moving into housing	873
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	695
% Successful exits	79.6%

Metric 7b.2 – Change in PH exits to permanent housing destinations or retention of permanent housing

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in all PH projects except PH-RRH who exited after moving into housing, or who moved into housing and remained in the PH project	458

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Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	457
% Successful exits/retention	99.8%

System Performance Measures Data Quality

Data coverage and quality will allow HUD to better interpret your SPM submissions.

Metric	All ES, SH	All TH	All PSH, OPH	All RRH	All Street Outreach
Unduplicated Persons Served (HMIS)	260	37	493	1,505	324
Total Leavers (HMIS)	160	17	6	866	191
Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	10	0	1	95	57
Destination Error Rate (Calculated)	6.3%	0.0%	16.7%	11.0%	29.8%

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Notes For Each SPM Measure

Measure		Notes
Measure 1	No notes.	
Measure 2	No notes.	
Measure 3	No notes.	
Measure 4	No notes.	
Measure 5	No notes.	
Measure 6	No Notes. Measure 6 was not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.	
Measure 7	No notes.	
Data Quality	No notes.	

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current Non-VSP Beds In HMIS or Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV' Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster*	Adjusted*** Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Adjusted*** HMIS Bed Coverage Rate for Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV' Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster**	Adjusted*** Total Year-Round Current, VSP Beds	HMIS Comparable Bed Coverage Rate for VSP Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Adjusted*** Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP and VSP Beds	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
ES	364	295	327	0	327	90.2%	37	37	0	37	100.00%	332	364	91.21%
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA	0	0	0	0	NA	0	0	NA
TH	61	26	52	0	52	50.0%	9	9	0	9	100.00%	35	61	57.38%
RRH	197	197	197	0	197	100.0%	0	0	0	0	NA	197	197	100.00%
PSH	12	12	12	0	12	100.0%	0	0	0	0	NA	12	12	100.00%
OPH	448	448	448	0	448	100.0%	0	0	0	0	NA	448	448	100.00%
Total	1,082	978	1,036	0	1,036	94.4%	46	46	0	46	100.00%	1,024	1,082	94.64%

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For HIC conducted in January/February of 2026

- 1) † EHV = Emergency Housing Voucher
- 2) * This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds not associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.
- 3) ** This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating or HMIS-comparable database participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, VSP, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.
- 4) *** Adjusted bed counts exclude non-HMIS participating OPH EHV Beds and Beds Affected by Natural Disaster
- 5) Data included in these tables reflect what was entered into HDX 2.0.
- 6) In the HIC, "Year-Round Beds" is the sum of "Beds HH w/o Children", "Beds HH w/ Children", and "Beds HH w/ only Children". This does not include Overflow ("O/V Beds") or Seasonal Beds ("Total Seasonal Beds").
- 7) In the HIC, "Current" beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").
- 8) For historical data: Aggregated data from CoCs that merged are not displayed if HIC data were created separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

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For PIT conducted in January/February of 2026

Submission Information

Date of PIT Count	Received HUD Waiver
1/22/2026	Not Applicable

Total Population PIT Count Data

Category	2024	2025	2026
PIT Count Type	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count
Emergency Shelter Total	79	162	149
Safe Haven Total	0	0	0
Transitional Housing Total	54	48	41
Total Sheltered Count	133	210	190
Total Unsheltered Count	1,375	1,366	1,055
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count*	1,508	1,576	1,245

- 1) *Data included in this table reflect what was entered into HDX 2.0. This may differ from what was included in federal reports if the PIT count type was sheltered only.
- 2) Aggregated data from CoCs that merged is not displayed if PIT data were entered separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

Total People Experiencing Chronic Homelessness

Category	2024	2025	2026
PIT Count Type	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count
Total Sheltered Count	33	25	50
Total Unsheltered Count	470	54	53
Total	503	79	103



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Web Posting of Local Competition
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FY 2026 CoC Competition and Youth Homeless
Demonstration Program

Posted: 07/13/2026

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition on June 1, 2026. The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit, tribal, and local government organizations aiding homeless populations within the County of Imperial. The IVCCC is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus, and Expansion Projects.

HUD continues to upload and provide updates to this NOFO. Please ensure all of the e-snaps users in your organization have attempted to log in to the system. New security measures mean that many user accounts have been locked out due to inactivity.

Please continue to monitor this page for upcoming announcements and future updates (marked in red text).

Applicants must complete an application and upload the required attachments in e-snaps through the e-snaps portal. At this time, HUD has not opened the FY 2026 project applications in e-snaps or provided detailed application instructions.

As such, the Administrative Entity on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application within e-snaps, once the e-snaps application is opened. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. It is important that persons completing the e-snaps application do NOT click the "SUBMIT" button. Late applications will not be considered.

It is important that individuals completing the application do NOT click the "SUBMIT" button in e-snaps.

Export and save the application in PDF form and submit the application, application template and attachments to Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair and the IVCCC at the following email addresses for review by Friday, July 24, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. (PDT):

Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair: deserttrails@hotmail.com
Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Please attach a copy of the Code of Conduct along with applications.

Action	Due Date
Release of Notice for 2026 Local CoC Competition and YHDP Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on the IVCCC website.	Monday, July 13, 2026
Technical Assistance Workshop (Time: 2 PM) (https://teams.microsoft.com/join/288939867854005?p=YUv40t2PmuE9rCbuN)	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Notice of Intent to Submit a FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Application for New or Renewal Projects form due by 4:00 p.m. via email: IVCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us	Friday, July 17, 2026
Applications Due by 5:00 PM, Via email to: Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair and IVCCC	Friday, July 24, 2026
Tentative Date for Project Reviews, Scoring and Ranking of All Projects and Determine Surplus or Reallocation of Funds (Tier 1 & 2)	Wednesday, July 29, 2026
IVCCC Executive Board takes action on recommendations	Wednesday August 5, 2026
Post and Send Notice to Agencies of Recommended or Rejected Applications and Allocations on the IVCCC website	Friday, August 7, 2026
FY 2026 CoC Application, Priority Listing and Notification to the Community	Tuesday, August 11, 2026
HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8 PM ET	Wednesday, August 26, 2026

Technical Assistance Workshop

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2025

Time: 2:00 - 2:30 PM PDT

Link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Workshop](#)

Key Competition Links

- [FY 2026 HUD Continuum of Care Competition \(Main Page\)](#)
- [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#)
- [FY 2026 CoC Estimated Annual Renewal Demand Report \(Pending HUD's release\)](#)

CoC Local Notice of Funding

- [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding](#)
- [FY 2026 Notice of Intent to Apply](#)

FY 2026 CoC Local Competition Applications

- [FY 2026 New SSO Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 New Transitional Housing Project- Application Template](#)

- [FY 2026 New Permanent Housing Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 Renewal Project- Application Template](#)

For Renewal Applicants Only

- FY 2026 Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW)- Pending HUD's release

Detailed Instructions Links

- Pending HUD's release



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IMPERIAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
in collaboration with
IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL
Local Notice of Funding Opportunity
FISCAL YEAR 2026
CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM COMPETITION
POSTED: July 13, 2026

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit, tribal and local government organizations and faith-based organizations. Individuals are ineligible applicants. The IVCCC is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus, and Expansion, Projects, as noted in the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) (NOFO). All project applications including applications for Renewal Projects must follow the timeline, eligibility threshold, and other requirements identified through this Local Notice of Funding Opportunity and the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO.

Deadline:

Applicants may refer to the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition [Timeline](#) for activities and deadlines provided in the Timeline/Important Dates section of this notice. Applicants are responsible for adhering to all applicable dates on the timeline.

HUD may continue to provide updates regarding the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). Please ensure to monitor the HUD Coc Competition website and the IVCCC CoC local competition page for any updates regarding the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#).

Please ensure all of the e-snaps users in your organization have attempted to log in to the system. New security measures mean that many user accounts have been locked out due to inactivity.

Organizations that wish to apply should complete a Notice of Intent to Submit an Application Form no later than July 17, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. via email to: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us.

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Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair deserttrails@hotmail.com
Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Applications, application templates and attachments emailed at a later date and time will not be considered.

Please attach a copy of the organization's Code of Conduct along with all applications.

ICDSS will host a local FY 2025 CoC Program Competition Workshop for interested applicants on Thursday, July 16, 2026, 2:00 p.m. via the following link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition workshop](#).

Addenda to this Notice:

Please note that the County of Imperial reserves the right to issue an addendum to this notice if it determines that additional clarifications are needed. Updates will be posted on the [IVCCC](#) website.

Background/Purpose:

HUD released the [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition NOFO](#) on June 1, 2026, announcing the availability of approximately \$4,040,000,000, including \$52,000,000 available as Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus) funding. The CoC Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit, tribal, state and local government organizations to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

The [FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO](#) funds the renewal of existing CoC grants, including DV Renewal projects and projects originally funded under the Special NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness, and the competitive renewal or replacement of existing YHDP grants that are expiring in Calendar Year 2027. The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) also provides funding for new projects, including those created with DV Bonus, CoC Bonus, and the reallocation of existing renewal projects.

For FY 2026, HUD requires Collaborative Applicants to rank all project applications, except for CoC Planning, and if applicable, UFA Costs project applications.

The FY 2026 CoC Program Competition applications are due to HUD by Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.

This [NOFO](#) institutes a different approach to homeless response. Housing First is no longer prioritized in this [CoC competition NOFO](#).

The goals and objectives of the [HUD FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) are as follows:

1. Improving Outcomes
 - a) CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to determine their effectiveness in reducing homelessness and increasing self-sufficiency. CoCs should prioritize projects that promote self-sufficiency, increase employment income over government assistance, and promote treatment and recovery.
 - b) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) includes several options to help CoCs improve their effectiveness, including reallocation, expansion, and transition grants, and CoC's should take advantage of these options to expand the pool of successful providers, including faith-based providers, and improve the overall performance of the CoC.
2. Creating Competition to Improve Innovations and Accountability
 - a) CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to determine their effectiveness of their projects and invest in new projects that deliver the best results at reducing homelessness and optimizing self-sufficiency.
3. Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care
 - a) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) provides opportunities to restore a healthy balance of CoC-funded projects to further community-wide efforts to reduce homelessness. By investing in Transitional Housing and Supportive Service Only projects, HUD intends to restore the "continuum" to the Continuum of Care Program to help able-bodied people move to self-sufficiency.
 - b) To the extent permitted by law, HUD is shifting its focus from awarding nearly 90% of CoC funding to Permanent Housing to expand opportunities for other components of the CoC Program.
4. Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self- Sufficiency
 - a) CoCs should prioritize projects that provide the treatment and services people need to recover and regain self-sufficiency including on-site behavioral health treatment, robust wraparound supportive services, and participation requirements. The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) devotes resources to Transitional Housing programs and Supportive Service Only projects with the goal of improving health and long-term economic independence for the homeless.
 - b) HUD encourages CoCs to utilize the full array of mainstream programs and local and private resources to provide housing and healthcare needed to maintain safe and stable housing.
5. Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency
 - a) One of the primary purposes of the CoC Program is to optimize self-sufficiency. CoCs should partner with workforce development centers, employers, childcare, and other supportive service providers to increase employment and employment income for program

participants. CoCs should prioritize projects that help lead to long-term economic independence for individuals and families to exit homelessness to unsubsidized housing and prevent future returns to homelessness.

6. Advancing Public Safety for All

- a) Safety and security for all members of the public, especially those living unsheltered, is essential to promoting a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness. CoCs should cooperate with law enforcement to advance public safety for the entire community impacted by homelessness. No one should sleep outside on the street or in dangerous encampments, and everyone should be able to enjoy public spaces safely. HUD encourages CoCs to assist in preventing and minimizing the trauma associated with living on the streets or in encampments, especially for women and youth that are the victims of sexual assault and trafficking. Unchecked public camping and public illicit drug use inhibit nonprofit providers and local government from effectively addressing homelessness.
- b) First responders are critical partners in engaging people into treatment and services and protecting public order and vulnerable individuals experiencing homelessness. First responders and law enforcement are often the first to encounter our most vulnerable members of society and should be aware of the available services to triage individuals into safe and appropriate services, ideally alongside non-law enforcement service providers in the Continuum of Care. CoCs should work with law enforcement, first responders, and their state and local governments to reduce encampments and public drug use in order to address barriers to self-sufficiency.

7. Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations

- a) CoCs should encourage providers to provide trauma informed care and ensure participant safety in programs, especially for youth and survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

8. Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology

- a) To the fullest extent permitted by law, HUD will ensure that faith-based organizations can participate in the CoC program and operate consistent with their sincerely held religious beliefs, recognizing all relevant protections provided by subsection c of HUD's Equal Participation Rule, 24 CFR § 5.109, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, and the First Amendment.
- b) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) prohibits the use of federal funds being used for any type of racial preferences, even under the guide of “diversity, equity, and inclusion.” HUD wants to increase access to homelessness relief for all individuals and families.

Available Funding:

The [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition NOFO](#) potential funding amounts for Imperial County is anticipated to be released once the Annual Renewal Demand report is issued by HUD.

Match Requirement:

This Program requires cost sharing or matching, as described below:

24 CFR 578.73 of the Rule requires that recipients must match all grant funds, except for leasing funds, with no less than 25 percent of funds or in-kind contributions from other sources, (24 CFR 578.73). Project applicants that intend to use program income as a

match must provide an estimate of how much program income will be used for the match.

Eligible Project Applicants (McKinney-Vento Act, 24 CFR 578.15, 24 CFR 5.100):

Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are found at 24 CFR 578.15 and in the McKinney-Vento Act, and include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes, and TDHE [as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103)(TDHEs)]. Public housing agencies, as such term is defined in 24 CFR 5.100, are eligible without limitation or exclusion. For-profit entities are ineligible to apply for grants and are prohibited from being subrecipients of CoC Program grant funds.

Participant Eligibility:

Participants should carefully consider the participant eligibility requirements of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) renewal project and new project eligibility requirements.

Eligible Project Applications:

Project applicants must comply with all [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) application requirements and all other respective Detailed Instruction documents. At this time, HUD has not posted the Detailed Instructions for any projects, and the project applications are not accessible in e-snaps.

Imperial County on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application in e-snaps, once the application has been opened in e-snaps. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. Applicants should continue to monitor the [HUD CoC competition page](#) and the [IVCCC website](#) for the FY 2026 CoC Competition Detailed Instructions to be posted.

Applicants must meet the following HUD Threshold requirements and any additional requirements in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to ensure that application is potentially eligible:

1. Recipients and applicants have Active SAM registration with current information and maintains an active SAM registration annually.
2. Recipients and applicant must have a Valid UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) Number.
3. COC Program Eligibility – Project applicants, recipients and potential subrecipients meet the eligibility requirements of the CoC Program as described in the Act and the Rule and provide evidence of eligibility required in the application (e.g., nonprofit documentation).
4. Financial and Management Capacity – Project applicant, recipients and subrecipients must demonstrate the financial and management capacity and experience to carry out the project as detailed in the project application and the capacity to administer federal funds.
5. Forms – Project applicants and recipients must submit the required certifications specified in the HUD [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) and this local NOFO.
6. Populations Served – Project applications must include the population(s) and subpopulation(s) they will serve. The population to be served is required to meet program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule and Section III.G. 11 of the HUD

[FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) and this local NOFO.

7. HMIS Participation – Project applicants and recipients, except Collaborative Applicants that only receive awards for CoC planning costs and, if applicable, UFA Costs, agree to participate in a local HMIS system. However, in accordance with Section 407 of the Act, any victim service provider that is a recipient or subrecipient may not disclose, for purposes of HMIS, any personally identifying information about any client. Victim service provider must use a comparable database that captures the required HMIS data in addition to meeting the needs of the local HMIS.
8. HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject a project application submitted during the CoC Program Competition for the following reasons (but not limited to):
 - a) outstanding obligation to HUD that is in arrears or for which a payment schedule has not been agreed upon;
 - b) audit finding(s) for which a response is overdue or unsatisfactory;
 - c) history of inadequate financial management accounting practices;
 - d) evidence of untimely expenditures on prior award;
 - e) history of other major capacity issues that have significantly affected the operation of the project and its performance;
 - f) history of not reimbursing subrecipients for eligible costs in a timely manner, or at least quarterly; and
 - g) history of serving ineligible program participants, expending funds on ineligible costs, or failing to expend funds within statutorily established timeframes.
9. Debarments and/or Suspensions – Except as otherwise provided by 2 CFR part 2424, no award of Federal funds may be made to applicants that are debarred; suspended; proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4; or voluntarily excluded from doing business with the Federal government.
10. Pre-selection Review of Performance – In accordance with 2 CFR 200.206(a), before making an award, HUD reviews eligibility information for applicants and financial integrity information available through any OMB- designated databases per the Payment Integrity Information Act of 2019 (Pub. L. 116-117), the “Do Not Pay Initiative” (31 U.S.C. 3354), and 41 U.S.C. 2313. HUD also reviews the responsibility and qualification records available through SAM.gov and other OMB-designated databases about the applicant and any immediate highest-level owner, predecessor (i.e., an organization that is replaced by a successor), or subsidiary, identified for that applicant in SAM.gov. If and as HUD determines appropriate, based on this risk assessment and application Federal law, HUD may:
 - a) Deny funding, or with a renewal or continuing award, consider suspension or termination of the award; and
 - b) Required the removal of any key individual from association with management or implementation of the award; and
 - c) Make provision or revisions regarding the method of payment or financial reporting requirements; or
 - d) Impose other specific conditions as provided by 2 CFR 200.208
11. Sufficiency of Financial Management system – By applying, the recipient or applicant understands that HUD will not award or disburse funds to applicants that do not have a financial management system that meets Federal standards as described at 2 CFR 200.302.

HUD may arrange for a survey of financial management systems for applicants selected for award who have not previously received Federal financial assistance where HUD officials have reason to question whether a financial management system meets Federal standards, or for applicants considered high risk based on performance or financial management findings.

12. False statements – Recipient or applicant confirms all statements are truthful. By submitting an application, you acknowledge your understanding that providing false or misleading information during any part of the application, award, or performance phase of an award may result in criminal, civil or administrative sanctions, including but not limited to: fines, restitution, and/or imprisonment under 18 USC 287, 1001, 1012, and 1014; treble damages and civil penalties under the False Claims Act, 31 USC 3729 et seq.; double damages and civil penalties under the Administrative False Claims Act, 31 USC Sections 3801-3812; civil recovery of award funds; suspension and/or debarment from all federal procurement and non-procurement transactions under 2 CFR Parts 180 and 2424; and other remedies including termination of award under 2 CFR 200.339 and 200.340.
13. Mandatory Disclosure Requirement – By applying, recipients or applicants understand and agree to promptly disclose whenever, in connection with the Federal award (including any activities or subawards thereunder), it has credible evidence of the commission of a violation of Federal criminal law involving fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, or gratuity violations found in Title 18 of the United States Code or a violation of the civil False Claims Act ([31 U.S.C. 3729-3733](#)). The disclosure must be made in writing to the Federal agency, the agency's Office of Inspector General, and pass-through entity (if applicable). Recipients and subrecipients are also required to report matters related to recipient integrity and performance in accordance with [Appendix XII of Part 200](#). Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in [§ 200.339](#). (See also [2 CFR part 180](#), [31 U.S.C. 3321](#), and [41 U.S.C. 2313](#).)
14. Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities – Recipients and applicants are subject to the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121, 31 U.S.C 1352, (the Byrd Amendment), and 24 CFR part 87, which prohibit recipients of federal awards from using appropriated funds for lobbying the executive or legislative branches of the Federal government in connection with a Federal award. All applicants submit with their application the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying included in the Application. In addition, applicants disclose, using Standard Form LLL (SF-LLL), “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities,” any funds, other than federally appropriated funds, that will be or have been used to influence federal employees, members of Congress, or congressional staff regarding specific awards. Federally recognized Indian tribes and tribally housing entities (TDHEs) established by federally recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe’s sovereign power are excluded from coverage of the Byrd Amendment, but state-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established only under state law shall comply with the requirement. Applicants submit the SF-LLL if they have used or intend to use non-federal funds for lobbying activities.
15. Equal Participation of Faith-based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities -A faith-based organization may apply on the same basis as any other organization, subject to the requirements in 24 CFR 5.109, and receive the full protections for religion in Federal law, including the Free Speech and Free Exercise Clauses of the Constitution, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (42 U.S.C. § 2000bb-1), Title VII of the Civil Rights Act (42

U.S.C. §§ 2000e-1(a), 2000e-2(e), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12113(d)).

16. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters – By applying, recipients and applicants understand that outstanding civil rights matters must be resolved before the application submission. Project applications with unresolved civil rights matters won't be scored and applicants will not receive funding from HUD.
17. Certifications- Project applicants must certify affirmatively to the following:
 1. The project applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination. This is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).
 2. The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites" in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(1), knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(2), or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia in violation of 21 U.S.C. 863. This is consistent with the objectives outlined in Section III.B above and is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).

This certification is not a requirement that program participants must be sober in order to receive assistance, participate in treatment in order to receive assistance, or be evicted or exited from assistance for a first-time violation of a drug-related program policy or lease requirement.

The following types of project applications will be eligible for completion and submission in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition.

1. **CoC Planning Projects:**

All Collaborative Applicants are eligible and encouraged to apply for CoC Planning funds which they may use according to 24 CFR 578.39. CoC Planning project applications must be submitted by the CoC-designated Collaborative Applicant and the Collaborative Applicant organization must match the organization listed as the Collaborative Applicant in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Planning projects will not affect CoC's available amount for new and renewal project applications because it is not included in the CoC's ARD calculation. Collaborative Applicants must not rank Planning project applications in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition.

2. **CoC Bonus Project:**

The CoC Bonus allows CoCs to use up to 15 percent of their Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN) to create one or more new project applications. The CoC Bonus for a CoC that is neither a Split CoC nor a Merged CoC will be no less than \$500,000 and no more than \$5,000,000. New projects created through the CoC Bonus must meet the project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements established by HUD in sections V.4.c of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#).

CoCs may apply for the following types of new CoC projects through the CoC Bonus process:

- (1) SSO projects.
- (2) TH projects.
- (3) PH-PSH projects.

(4) PH-RRH projects.

(5) Dedicated HMIS projects for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(4) that may only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the recipient or subrecipient of an HMIS grant and is listed on the HMIS Lead form in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Additionally, if the CoC has organizations within its geographic area that are victim service providers, the HMIS Lead, or subrecipient, may request HMIS funds for a comparable database. Victim service providers may also request HMIS funds in their project application budgets to enter data into a comparable database.

(6) SSO-CE projects to develop or operate a Coordinated Entry system.

3. **Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus):**

A new project that is dedicated to serving individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and who qualify under the paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

New projects or expansion projects created with DV Bonus or DV Reallocation funding must meet DV Bonus and DV Reallocation project requirements. Additionally, the sum of all DV Reallocation applications must be for the same amount of funding made available from the DV Renewal funding being reallocated.

DV Bonus and DV Reallocation may only be used to create new SSO-Coordinated Entry, Rapid Re-housing (PH-RRH), and Transitional Housing (TH) projects.

CoCs may apply for DV Bonus projects where the total amount for one year of funding for all DV Bonus applications is up to 20 percent of its Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN); however, this amount is limited to:

- A minimum of \$50,000 if 20 percent of the CoC's PPRN is less than \$50,000; or
- A maximum of \$5 million if 20 percent of the CoC's PPRN is more than \$5 million.

4. **Expansion Project:**

The process used by eligible renewal project applicants to add funds to an existing CoC Renewal, DV Renewal or YHDP Renewal project to expand its current operations either through reallocation, DV Bonus or a CoC Bonus project application. The new funding being added to the existing renewal must be submitted as a new project in e-snaps. This portion of the project is known as new expansion project. HUD will allow project applicants to apply for new expansion projects to expand existing projects to increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-CE projects.

The new expansion project applications must meet the project eligibility and project quality thresholds in V.A.4.a, and V.A.4.c of the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO and must be for the same component as the project being expanded. Additionally, the renewal project being expanded must have an expiration date in CY 2027.

If a project application does not meet the requirements, or if the renewal project the new project application is proposing to expand, is not selected for award, HUD will review the new expansion project and will consider it as a standalone project during the selection process provided that the project is feasible on its own with its requested funding and provided it passes project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements.

5. **Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Renewal Projects (DV Renewal Projects):**

DV Renewal Projects are eligible renewal projects that were previously funded, in whole or in part, with DV Bonus funding or were at some point expanded using DV Bonus funding to continue serving individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and who qualify under paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homelessness at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

6. **CoC Renewal Projects**

CoC projects originally funded in FY 2025 or earlier, including projects originally funded under the Special NOFO or DV Bonus are eligible to renew under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#), provided the projects have an expiration date in CY 2027 (between January 1, 2027, and December 31, 2027). Renewal project applications must be submitted by the recipient currently under grant agreement to operate the project. See section II.B.4 of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) for more information on renewal project requirements.

Submission Requirements:

1. New or renewal applicants must complete a project application template outside of e-snaps and proposal in e-snaps once HUD has opened the application, following HUD guidelines. The e-snaps system may be accessed at: [e-snaps portal](#). As HUD has not released the e-snaps application as of the posting of this local NOFO, the application template has been developed to assist applicants in planning their project proposal.
2. Upon entering their official application in e-snap, applicants must **NOT** select the “submit” button for the initial submittal. This process will be completed after the local scoring and ranking of all projects.
3. Applicants will provide the most current information pertaining to any current awarded grants financial audit and any findings related to said audit. Specifically, whether there were any exceptions found to standard practices.
4. Provide Annual Performance Report (APR) for your agency for performance period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
5. FY 2026 Project Application will include:
 - a) Charts, narrative responses, and attachments.
 - b) Documentation of applicant and subrecipient eligibility - nonprofit project applicants must attach eligibility documentation to the Project Applicant Profile. If nonprofit subrecipients are included in a project application, subrecipient eligibility documentation must be attached to the project application.

- c) Applicant code of conduct - project applicants must ensure their organization has the most current Code of Conduct that complies with the requirements of 2CFR part 200 and is on file with [HUD](#). If the organization's Code of Conduct does not appear on HUD's website, the project applicant must attach its Code of Conduct that includes all required information to its Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
- d) HUD required forms (e-snaps) - The following forms are built into e-snaps and must be fully completed and electronically signed before project applicants have access to the project application:
 - 1. SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance;
 - 2. HUD 424-B Applicant and Recipient Assurances and Certifications;
 - 3. Form HUD-2880, Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/ Update Report;
 - 4. Certification Regarding Lobbying (if applicable);
 - 5. SF-LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying activities (if applicable);
 - 6. Form HUD-50070, Certification for Drug-Free Workplace;
 - 7. Assurances for Construction Programs Form SF-424D (if applicable)
 - 8. Certification of Need and Compliance with Housing Quality and Habitability Standards (if applicable)
 - 9. Form HUD 2996 Certification of Opportunity Zone Preference Points (if applicable)
 - 10. Indirect Cost Rate Certification HUD-426 (if applicable)
- e) The following forms are not built into e-snaps but are required to be submitted by Collaborative applicants with the CoC Priority listing:
 - 1. Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan Form HUD-2991.
 - 2. Tribal Resolution for Projects on Trust Land or Reservations, if applicable.
 - 3. Certification and Submission Form signed by Executive Director or authorized representative.
 - 4. All project applicants must ensure their organization has a Code of Conduct that complies with the requirements of 2 CFR part 200, as may be amended from time to time, and is included on HUD's website. If the organization's Code of Conduct does not appear on HUD's website, the project applicant must attach its Code of Conduct that includes all required information to its Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
 - 5. Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points (HUD 2996), if applicable. The HUD-2996 form is not built into e-snaps and must be submitted as an attachment to the CoC application in e-snaps on the Attachment screen if the CoC is requesting Opportunity Zone Preference Points.
- 6. All other attachments requested for the project application in the e-snaps system must be attached to the application in the order listed on the summary page.

Application Review, Scoring and Ranking:

The IVCCC utilizes a Scoring and Ranking Committee to review, score, establish funding allocations, and rank order project applications for submittal under the CoC Competition. Elements considered during the process include CoC threshold requirements, performance measures, experience, design of housing and supportive services projects, timeliness, financials, and local and HUD principles and prioritization criteria.

Technical Assistance:

Agencies interested in applying are strongly encouraged to attend the local FY 2026 CoC

Program Competition Workshop hosted by ICDSS on July 16, 2026, at 2 p.m. via the following link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop](#).

Applicants are advised to review the guides located on [HUD's CoC Competition website](#) and [Grants.gov](#) to include the following:

- a) [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) (this NOFO will also be posted on the IVCCC website)
- b) Applicable Detailed Instructions based on application/project type (pending HUD posting)
 1. New Projects Detailed Instructions
 2. Renewal Projects Detailed Instructions
 3. CoC Planning Detailed Instructions

***Please refer to HUD's website for additional information: [Continuum of Care Program Competition](#)**

Appeals of the Scoring and Ranking Committee:

1. The CoC Executive Board will appoint an Appeal Committee, and it will consist of two (2) to three (3) members who may not be members of the Scoring and Ranking committee.
2. Applicants may appeal if the applicant can prove the score is not reflective of the application information provided or if a scoring factor was missed or omitted.
3. Ineligible Appeals
 - a) Applicants found not to have met the threshold requirements are not eligible for an appeal.
 - b) Appeals cannot be based upon the judgment of the scoring and ranking committee.
 - c) Applicants may not attempt to assert influence or pressure on the Appeals Committee.
4. All notices of appeal must be based on the information submitted by the application due date.
5. No new or additional information will be considered. Omissions to the application cannot be appealed. The decision of the appeal committee will be final.

The Appeal Process:

1. Any and all appeals must be received in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the notification of project ranking, which will be posted on the [IVCCC](#) webpage. An email submission is acceptable.
2. The notice of appeal must include a written statement specifying in detail the grounds asserted for the appeal and must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the sponsoring agency (i.e., Executive Director).
3. The notice of appeal is limited to one page, single-spaced, in 12-point font.
4. The appeal must include a copy of the application/ proposal and accompanying materials submitted to the Scoring and Ranking Committee; no additional information can be submitted.
5. The appointed Appeal Committee will read, review, and evaluate all valid appeals.
 - a) All applicants will be invited to attend any appeal and make a 10-minute statement regarding the appeal.
 - b) The Appeal Committee will review the rankings made by the Scoring and Ranking Committee only on the basis of the submitted project application, the one-page appeal, any statements made during the appeal process, and the material used by the Scoring and Ranking committee members; no new information can be submitted by the applicant or reviewed by the Appeal Committee.
 - c) A simple majority vote must support the decision of the appeal process committee.

6. The appealing agency will be issued the Appeal Committee's decision in writing within 2 business days of the Appeal Committee Meeting; the decision of the Appeal Committee will be final.

Appeals through HUD

You may appeal an application decision or a HUD funding decision. Email your appeal to snapsappeals@hud.gov. The subject line of your email must include the CoC Number, "Appeal Notice," and type of appeal, i.e., Participation, HUD Error, or Consolidated Plan Certification. A sample email Subject Line is, Subject: XX-500 – Appeal Notice–Consolidated Plan Certification.

24 CFR 578.35 provides the appeal process options. Sections 578.35(b)(3), (b)(4), (c)(1), and (d)(2) authorize HUD to establish requirements for the form and manner of submissions for appeals by Solo Applicants, applicants with denied or decreased funding, and from competing CoCs. For HUD to consider an appeal under 24 CFR 578.35(b) or (c), the solo project applicant must follow the applicable application process set forth in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). The NOFO also provides guidance to CoCs and applicants regarding appeals of a jurisdiction's refusal to sign the Consolidated Plan certification for a project under 24 CFR 578.35(c).

Additionally, HUD has clarified the impact that Solo Applicant appeals will have on HUD signing grant agreements for funds awarded under this NOFO. If HUD receives one or more Solo Applicant appeals from a CoC, HUD will determine the amount of funding the Solo Applicant(s) have requested which may delay signing grant agreements for the awarded project(s) listed at the bottom of the CoC's Priority Listing that has requested funding under this NOFO equal to double the amount requested by the Solo Applicant(s).

Types of Appeals.

The provision at 24 CFR part 578 sets forth the following types of appeals:

- **Solo Applicants.** A process for eligible project applicants that attempted to participate in their CoC planning process and believe they were denied the right to participate in a reasonable manner.
- **Denied or Decreased Funding.** A process for eligible applicants that are denied fund by HUD or that requested more funds than HUD awarded to them.
- **Consolidated Plan Certification.** A process for eligible applicants whose jurisdiction refused to provide a Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan (form HUD 2990).
- **Competing CoCs.** A process when more than one CoC selects the same geographic area, for eligible applicants of lower-scoring CoCs, to appeal to HUD's decision to fund the competing CoC. Should two or more CoCs select the same geographic codes associated with formula areas during the CoC Program Registration process, HUD will use the competing CoC process provided by 24 CFR 578.35(d).

An applicant who intends to submit an appeal to HUD, must follow the steps outlined in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#), section VIII, Part D, Debriefing and Appeals.

Timeline/Important Dates:

Applicants are responsible for adhering to all applicable due dates on the following timeline.

FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Timeline	
Due Date	Activity
June 1, 2026	HUD released the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO
July 13, 2026	Release of Notice for 2026 Local CoC Competition and YHDP Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on the IVCCC website .
July 16, 2026	Technical Assistance Microsoft Teams Link: FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop Workshop Time: 2:00 p.m.
July 17, 2026	Notice of Intent to Submit a FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Application for New or Renewal Projects form due by 4:00 p.m. via email: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us
July 24, 2026	Applications Due by 5:00 p.m. Deliver by email to: Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair at deserttrails@hotmail.com and IVCCC at ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us
July 29, 2026	Tentative Date for Project Reviews, Scoring and Ranking of All Projects and Determine Surplus or Reallocation of Funds (Tier 1 & 2)
August 5, 2026	IVCCC Executive Board takes action on recommendations.
August 7, 2026	Post and Send Notice to Agencies of Recommended or Rejected Applications and Allocations on the IVCCC website .
August 11, 2026	FY 2026 CoC Application, Priority Listing and Notification to the Community
August 26, 2026	HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8:00 p.m. ET



IMPERIAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
in collaboration with
IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL
Local Notice of Funding Opportunity
FISCAL YEAR 2026
CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM COMPETITION
Updated: July 17, 2026

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit, tribal and local government organizations and faith-based organizations. Individuals are ineligible applicants. The IVCCC is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus, and Expansion, Projects, as noted in the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) (NOFO). All project applications including applications for Renewal Projects must follow the timeline, eligibility threshold, and other requirements identified through this Local Notice of Funding Opportunity and the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO.

Deadline:

Applicants may refer to the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition [Timeline](#) for activities and deadlines provided in the Timeline/Important Dates section of this notice. Applicants are responsible for adhering to all applicable dates on the timeline.

HUD may continue to provide updates regarding the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). Please ensure to monitor the HUD Coc Competition website and the IVCCC CoC local competition page for any updates regarding the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#).

Please ensure all of the e-snaps users in your organization have attempted to log in to the system. New security measures mean that many user accounts have been locked out due to inactivity.

Organizations that wish to apply should complete a Notice of Intent to Submit an Application Form no later than July 17, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. via email to: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us.

Applicants must complete an application and upload the required attachments in e-snaps through the [e-snaps portal](#). At this time, HUD has not opened the FY 2026 project applications in e-snaps or provided detailed application instructions. As such, the Administrative Entity on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application within e-snaps, once the e-snaps application is opened. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. It is important that persons completing the e-snaps application do **NOT** click the "SUBMIT" button.

Export and save the application in PDF form and submit the application, application template and attachments to **Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair and the IVCCC at the following email addresses** for review by Friday, July 24, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. (PDT):

Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair deserttrails@hotmail.com
Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Applications, application templates and attachments emailed at a later date and time will not be considered.

Please attach a copy of the organization's Code of Conduct along with all applications.

ICDSS will host a local FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop for interested applicants on Thursday, July 16, 2026, 2:00 p.m. via the following link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition workshop](#).

Addenda to this Notice:

Please note that the County of Imperial reserves the right to issue an addendum to this notice if it determines that additional clarifications are needed. Updates will be posted on the [IVCCC](#) website.

Background/Purpose:

HUD released the [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition NOFO](#) on June 1, 2026, announcing the availability of approximately \$4,040,000,000, including \$52,000,000 available as Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus) funding. The CoC Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit, tribal, state and local government organizations to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

The [FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO](#) funds the renewal of existing CoC grants, including DV Renewal projects and projects originally funded under the Special NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness, and the competitive renewal or replacement of existing YHDP grants that are expiring in Calendar Year 2027. The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) also provides funding for new projects, including those created with DV Bonus, CoC Bonus, and the reallocation of existing renewal projects.

For FY 2026, HUD requires Collaborative Applicants to rank all project applications, except for CoC Planning, and if applicable, UFA Costs project applications.

The FY 2026 CoC Program Competition applications are due to HUD by Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.

This [NOFO](#) institutes a different approach to homeless response. Housing First is no longer prioritized in this [CoC competition NOFO](#).

The goals and objectives of the [HUD FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) are as follows:

1. Improving Outcomes
 - a) CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to determine their effectiveness in reducing homelessness and increasing self-sufficiency. CoCs should prioritize projects that promote self-sufficiency, increase employment income over government assistance, and promote treatment and recovery.
 - b) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) includes several options to help CoCs improve their effectiveness, including reallocation, expansion, and transition grants, and CoC's should take advantage of these options to expand the pool of successful providers, including faith-based providers, and improve the overall performance of the CoC.
2. Creating Competition to Improve Innovations and Accountability
 - a) CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to determine their effectiveness of their projects and invest in new projects that deliver the best results at reducing homelessness and optimizing self-sufficiency.
3. Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care
 - a) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) provides opportunities to restore a healthy balance of CoC-funded projects to further community-wide efforts to reduce homelessness. By investing in Transitional Housing and Supportive Service Only projects, HUD intends to restore the "continuum" to the Continuum of Care Program to help able-bodied people move to self-sufficiency.
 - b) To the extent permitted by law, HUD is shifting its focus from awarding nearly 90% of CoC funding to Permanent Housing to expand opportunities for other components of the CoC Program.
4. Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self- Sufficiency
 - a) CoCs should prioritize projects that provide the treatment and services people need to recover and regain self-sufficiency including on-site behavioral health treatment, robust wraparound supportive services, and participation requirements. The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) devotes resources to Transitional Housing programs and Supportive Service Only projects with the goal of improving health and long-term economic independence for the homeless.
 - b) HUD encourages CoCs to utilize the full array of mainstream programs and local and private resources to provide housing and healthcare needed to maintain safe and stable housing.
5. Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency
 - a) One of the primary purposes of the CoC Program is to optimize self-sufficiency. CoCs should partner with workforce development centers, employers, childcare, and other supportive service providers to increase employment and employment income for program

participants. CoCs should prioritize projects that help lead to long-term economic independence for individuals and families to exit homelessness to unsubsidized housing and prevent future returns to homelessness.

6. Advancing Public Safety for All

- a) Safety and security for all members of the public, especially those living unsheltered, is essential to promoting a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness. CoCs should cooperate with law enforcement to advance public safety for the entire community impacted by homelessness. No one should sleep outside on the street or in dangerous encampments, and everyone should be able to enjoy public spaces safely. HUD encourages CoCs to assist in preventing and minimizing the trauma associated with living on the streets or in encampments, especially for women and youth that are the victims of sexual assault and trafficking. Unchecked public camping and public illicit drug use inhibit nonprofit providers and local government from effectively addressing homelessness.
- b) First responders are critical partners in engaging people into treatment and services and protecting public order and vulnerable individuals experiencing homelessness. First responders and law enforcement are often the first to encounter our most vulnerable members of society and should be aware of the available services to triage individuals into safe and appropriate services, ideally alongside non-law enforcement service providers in the Continuum of Care. CoCs should work with law enforcement, first responders, and their state and local governments to reduce encampments and public drug use in order to address barriers to self-sufficiency.

7. Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations

- a) CoCs should encourage providers to provide trauma informed care and ensure participant safety in programs, especially for youth and survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

8. Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology

- a) To the fullest extent permitted by law, HUD will ensure that faith-based organizations can participate in the CoC program and operate consistent with their sincerely held religious beliefs, recognizing all relevant protections provided by subsection c of HUD's Equal Participation Rule, 24 CFR § 5.109, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, and the First Amendment.
- b) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) prohibits the use of federal funds being used for any type of racial preferences, even under the guise of “diversity, equity, and inclusion.” HUD wants to increase access to homelessness relief for all individuals and families.

Available Funding:

The [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition NOFO](#) potential funding amounts for Imperial County is anticipated to be released once the Annual Renewal Demand report is issued by HUD.

Match Requirement:

This Program requires cost sharing or matching, as described below:

24 CFR 578.73 of the Rule requires that recipients must match all grant funds, except for leasing funds, with no less than 25 percent of funds or in-kind contributions from other sources, (24 CFR 578.73). Project applicants that intend to use program income as a

match must provide an estimate of how much program income will be used for the match.

Eligible Project Applicants (McKinney-Vento Act, 24 CFR 578.15, 24 CFR 5.100):

Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are found at 24 CFR 578.15 and in the McKinney-Vento Act, and include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes, and TDHE [as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103)(TDHEs)]. Public housing agencies, as such term is defined in 24 CFR 5.100, are eligible without limitation or exclusion. For-profit entities are ineligible to apply for grants and are prohibited from being subrecipients of CoC Program grant funds.

Participant Eligibility:

Participants should carefully consider the participant eligibility requirements of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) renewal project and new project eligibility requirements.

Eligible Project Applications:

Project applicants must comply with all [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) application requirements and all other respective Detailed Instruction documents. At this time, HUD has not posted the Detailed Instructions for any projects, and the project applications are not accessible in e-snaps.

Imperial County on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application in e-snaps, once the application has been opened in e-snaps. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. Applicants should continue to monitor the [HUD CoC competition page](#) and the [IVCCC website](#) for the FY 2026 CoC Competition Detailed Instructions to be posted.

Applicants must meet the following HUD Threshold requirements and any additional requirements in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to ensure that application is potentially eligible:

1. Recipients and applicants have Active SAM registration with current information and maintains an active SAM registration annually.
2. Recipients and applicant must have a Valid UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) Number.
3. COC Program Eligibility – Project applicants, recipients and potential subrecipients meet the eligibility requirements of the CoC Program as described in the Act and the Rule and provide evidence of eligibility required in the application (e.g., nonprofit documentation).
4. Financial and Management Capacity – Project applicant, recipients and subrecipients must demonstrate the financial and management capacity and experience to carry out the project as detailed in the project application and the capacity to administer federal funds.
5. Forms – Project applicants and recipients must submit the required certifications specified in the HUD [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) and this local NOFO.
6. Populations Served – Project applications must include the population(s) and subpopulation(s) they will serve. The population to be served is required to meet program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule and Section III.G. 11 of the HUD

[FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) and this local NOFO.

7. HMIS Participation – Project applicants and recipients, except Collaborative Applicants that only receive awards for CoC planning costs and, if applicable, UFA Costs, agree to participate in a local HMIS system. However, in accordance with Section 407 of the Act, any victim service provider that is a recipient or subrecipient may not disclose, for purposes of HMIS, any personally identifying information about any client. Victim service provider must use a comparable database that captures the required HMIS data in addition to meeting the needs of the local HMIS.
8. HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject a project application submitted during the CoC Program Competition for the following reasons (but not limited to):
 - a) outstanding obligation to HUD that is in arrears or for which a payment schedule has not been agreed upon;
 - b) audit finding(s) for which a response is overdue or unsatisfactory;
 - c) history of inadequate financial management accounting practices;
 - d) evidence of untimely expenditures on prior award;
 - e) history of other major capacity issues that have significantly affected the operation of the project and its performance;
 - f) history of not reimbursing subrecipients for eligible costs in a timely manner, or at least quarterly; and
 - g) history of serving ineligible program participants, expending funds on ineligible costs, or failing to expend funds within statutorily established timeframes.
9. Debarments and/or Suspensions – Except as otherwise provided by 2 CFR part 2424, no award of Federal funds may be made to applicants that are debarred; suspended; proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4; or voluntarily excluded from doing business with the Federal government.
10. Pre-selection Review of Performance – In accordance with 2 CFR 200.206(a), before making an award, HUD reviews eligibility information for applicants and financial integrity information available through any OMB- designated databases per the Payment Integrity Information Act of 2019 (Pub. L. 116-117), the “Do Not Pay Initiative” (31 U.S.C. 3354), and 41 U.S.C. 2313. HUD also reviews the responsibility and qualification records available through SAM.gov and other OMB-designated databases about the applicant and any immediate highest-level owner, predecessor (i.e., an organization that is replaced by a successor), or subsidiary, identified for that applicant in SAM.gov. If and as HUD determines appropriate, based on this risk assessment and application Federal law, HUD may:
 - a) Deny funding, or with a renewal or continuing award, consider suspension or termination of the award; and
 - b) Required the removal of any key individual from association with management or implementation of the award; and
 - c) Make provision or revisions regarding the method of payment or financial reporting requirements; or
 - d) Impose other specific conditions as provided by 2 CFR 200.208
11. Sufficiency of Financial Management system – By applying, the recipient or applicant understands that HUD will not award or disburse funds to applicants that do not have a financial management system that meets Federal standards as described at 2 CFR 200.302.

HUD may arrange for a survey of financial management systems for applicants selected for award who have not previously received Federal financial assistance where HUD officials have reason to question whether a financial management system meets Federal standards, or for applicants considered high risk based on performance or financial management findings.

12. False statements – Recipient or applicant confirms all statements are truthful. By submitting an application, you acknowledge your understanding that providing false or misleading information during any part of the application, award, or performance phase of an award may result in criminal, civil or administrative sanctions, including but not limited to: fines, restitution, and/or imprisonment under 18 USC 287, 1001, 1012, and 1014; treble damages and civil penalties under the False Claims Act, 31 USC 3729 et seq.; double damages and civil penalties under the Administrative False Claims Act, 31 USC Sections 3801-3812; civil recovery of award funds; suspension and/or debarment from all federal procurement and non-procurement transactions under 2 CFR Parts 180 and 2424; and other remedies including termination of award under 2 CFR 200.339 and 200.340.
13. Mandatory Disclosure Requirement – By applying, recipients or applicants understand and agree to promptly disclose whenever, in connection with the Federal award (including any activities or subawards thereunder), it has credible evidence of the commission of a violation of Federal criminal law involving fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, or gratuity violations found in Title 18 of the United States Code or a violation of the civil False Claims Act ([31 U.S.C. 3729-3733](#)). The disclosure must be made in writing to the Federal agency, the agency's Office of Inspector General, and pass-through entity (if applicable). Recipients and subrecipients are also required to report matters related to recipient integrity and performance in accordance with [Appendix XII of Part 200](#). Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in [§ 200.339](#). (See also [2 CFR part 180](#), [31 U.S.C. 3321](#), and [41 U.S.C. 2313](#).)
14. Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities – Recipients and applicants are subject to the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121, 31 U.S.C 1352, (the Byrd Amendment), and 24 CFR part 87, which prohibit recipients of federal awards from using appropriated funds for lobbying the executive or legislative branches of the Federal government in connection with a Federal award. All applicants submit with their application the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying included in the Application. In addition, applicants disclose, using Standard Form LLL (SF-LLL), “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities,” any funds, other than federally appropriated funds, that will be or have been used to influence federal employees, members of Congress, or congressional staff regarding specific awards. Federally recognized Indian tribes and tribally housing entities (TDHEs) established by federally recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe’s sovereign power are excluded from coverage of the Byrd Amendment, but state-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established only under state law shall comply with the requirement. Applicants submit the SF-LLL if they have used or intend to use non-federal funds for lobbying activities.
15. Equal Participation of Faith-based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities -A faith-based organization may apply on the same basis as any other organization, subject to the requirements in 24 CFR 5.109, and receive the full protections for religion in Federal law, including the Free Speech and Free Exercise Clauses of the Constitution, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (42 U.S.C. § 2000bb-1), Title VII of the Civil Rights Act (42

U.S.C. §§ 2000e-1(a), 2000e-2(e), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12113(d)).

16. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters – By applying, recipients and applicants understand that outstanding civil rights matters must be resolved before the application submission. Project applications with unresolved civil rights matters won't be scored and applicants will not receive funding from HUD.
17. Certifications- Project applicants must certify affirmatively to the following:
 1. The project applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination. This is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).
 2. The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites" in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(1), knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(2), or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia in violation of 21 U.S.C. 863. This is consistent with the objectives outlined in Section III.B above and is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).

This certification is not a requirement that program participants must be sober in order to receive assistance, participate in treatment in order to receive assistance, or be evicted or exited from assistance for a first-time violation of a drug-related program policy or lease requirement.

The following types of project applications will be eligible for completion and submission in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition.

1. **CoC Planning Projects:**

All Collaborative Applicants are eligible and encouraged to apply for CoC Planning funds which they may use according to 24 CFR 578.39. CoC Planning project applications must be submitted by the CoC-designated Collaborative Applicant and the Collaborative Applicant organization must match the organization listed as the Collaborative Applicant in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Planning projects will not affect CoC's available amount for new and renewal project applications because it is not included in the CoC's ARD calculation. Collaborative Applicants must not rank Planning project applications in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition.

2. **CoC Bonus Project:**

The CoC Bonus allows CoCs to use up to 15 percent of their Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN) to create one or more new project applications. The CoC Bonus for a CoC that is neither a Split CoC nor a Merged CoC will be no less than \$500,000 and no more than \$5,000,000. New projects created through the CoC Bonus must meet the project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements established by HUD in sections V.4.c of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#).

CoCs may apply for the following types of new CoC projects through the CoC Bonus process:

- (1) SSO projects.
- (2) TH projects.
- (3) PH-PSH projects.

(4) PH-RRH projects.

(5) Dedicated HMIS projects for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(4) that may only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the recipient or subrecipient of an HMIS grant and is listed on the HMIS Lead form in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Additionally, if the CoC has organizations within its geographic area that are victim service providers, the HMIS Lead, or subrecipient, may request HMIS funds for a comparable database. Victim service providers may also request HMIS funds in their project application budgets to enter data into a comparable database.

(6) SSO-CE projects to develop or operate a Coordinated Entry system.

3. **Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus):**

A new project that is dedicated to serving individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and who qualify under the paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

New projects or expansion projects created with DV Bonus or DV Reallocation funding must meet DV Bonus and DV Reallocation project requirements. Additionally, the sum of all DV Reallocation applications must be for the same amount of funding made available from the DV Renewal funding being reallocated.

DV Bonus and DV Reallocation may only be used to create new SSO-Coordinated Entry, Rapid Re-housing (PH-RRH), and Transitional Housing (TH) projects.

CoCs may apply for DV Bonus projects where the total amount for one year of funding for all DV Bonus applications is up to 20 percent of its Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN); however, this amount is limited to:

- A minimum of \$50,000 if 20 percent of the CoC's PPRN is less than \$50,000; or
- A maximum of \$5 million if 20 percent of the CoC's PPRN is more than \$5 million.

4. **Expansion Project:**

The process used by eligible renewal project applicants to add funds to an existing CoC Renewal, DV Renewal or YHDP Renewal project to expand its current operations either through reallocation, DV Bonus or a CoC Bonus project application. The new funding being added to the existing renewal must be submitted as a new project in e-snaps. This portion of the project is known as new expansion project. HUD will allow project applicants to apply for new expansion projects to expand existing projects to increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-CE projects.

The new expansion project applications must meet the project eligibility and project quality thresholds in V.A.4.a, and V.A.4.c of the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO and must be for the same component as the project being expanded. Additionally, the renewal project being expanded must have an expiration date in CY 2027.

If a project application does not meet the requirements, or if the renewal project the new project application is proposing to expand, is not selected for award, HUD will review the new expansion project and will consider it as a standalone project during the selection process provided that the project is feasible on its own with its requested funding and provided it passes project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements.

5. **Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Renewal Projects (DV Renewal Projects):**

DV Renewal Projects are eligible renewal projects that were previously funded, in whole or in part, with DV Bonus funding or were at some point expanded using DV Bonus funding to continue serving individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and who qualify under paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homelessness at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

6. **CoC Renewal Projects**

CoC projects originally funded in FY 2025 or earlier, including projects originally funded under the Special NOFO or DV Bonus are eligible to renew under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#), provided the projects have an expiration date in CY 2027 (between January 1, 2027, and December 31, 2027). Renewal project applications must be submitted by the recipient currently under grant agreement to operate the project. See section II.B.4 of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) for more information on renewal project requirements.

Submission Requirements:

1. New or renewal applicants must complete a project application template outside of e-snaps and proposal in e-snaps once HUD has opened the application, following HUD guidelines. The e-snaps system may be accessed at: [e-snaps portal](#). As HUD has not released the e-snaps application as of the posting of this local NOFO, the application template has been developed to assist applicants in planning their project proposal.
2. Upon entering their official application in e-snap, applicants must **NOT** select the “submit” button for the initial submittal. This process will be completed after the local scoring and ranking of all projects.
3. Applicants will provide the most current information pertaining to any current awarded grants financial audit and any findings related to said audit. Specifically, whether there were any exceptions found to standard practices.
4. Provide Annual Performance Report (APR) for your agency for performance period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
5. FY 2026 Project Application will include:
 - a) Charts, narrative responses, and attachments.
 - b) Documentation of applicant and subrecipient eligibility - nonprofit project applicants must attach eligibility documentation to the Project Applicant Profile. If nonprofit subrecipients are included in a project application, subrecipient eligibility documentation must be attached to the project application.

- c) Applicant code of conduct - project applicants must ensure their organization has the most current Code of Conduct that complies with the requirements of 2CFR part 200 and is on file with [HUD](#). If the organization's Code of Conduct does not appear on HUD's website, the project applicant must attach its Code of Conduct that includes all required information to its Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
- d) HUD required forms (e-snaps) - The following forms are built into e-snaps and must be fully completed and electronically signed before project applicants have access to the project application:
 - 1. SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance;
 - 2. HUD 424-B Applicant and Recipient Assurances and Certifications;
 - 3. Form HUD-2880, Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/ Update Report;
 - 4. Certification Regarding Lobbying (if applicable);
 - 5. SF-LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying activities (if applicable);
 - 6. Form HUD-50070, Certification for Drug-Free Workplace;
 - 7. Assurances for Construction Programs Form SF-424D (if applicable)
 - 8. Certification of Need and Compliance with Housing Quality and Habitability Standards (if applicable)
 - 9. Form HUD 2996 Certification of Opportunity Zone Preference Points (if applicable)
 - 10. Indirect Cost Rate Certification HUD-426 (if applicable)
- e) The following forms are not built into e-snaps but are required to be submitted by Collaborative applicants with the CoC Priority listing:
 - 1. Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan Form HUD-2991.
 - 2. Tribal Resolution for Projects on Trust Land or Reservations, if applicable.
 - 3. Certification and Submission Form signed by Executive Director or authorized representative.
 - 4. All project applicants must ensure their organization has a Code of Conduct that complies with the requirements of 2 CFR part 200, as may be amended from time to time, and is included on HUD's website. If the organization's Code of Conduct does not appear on HUD's website, the project applicant must attach its Code of Conduct that includes all required information to its Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
 - 5. Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points (HUD 2996), if applicable. The HUD-2996 form is not built into e-snaps and must be submitted as an attachment to the CoC application in e-snaps on the Attachment screen if the CoC is requesting Opportunity Zone Preference Points.
- 6. All other attachments requested for the project application in the e-snaps system must be attached to the application in the order listed on the summary page.

Application Review, Scoring and Ranking:

The IVCCC utilizes a Scoring and Ranking Committee to review, score, establish funding allocations, and rank order project applications for submittal under the CoC Competition. Elements considered during the process include CoC threshold requirements, performance measures, experience, design of housing and supportive services projects, timeliness, financials, and local and HUD principles and prioritization criteria.

Technical Assistance:

Agencies interested in applying are strongly encouraged to attend the local FY 2026 CoC

Program Competition Workshop hosted by ICDSS on July 16, 2026, at 2 p.m. via the following link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop](#).

Applicants are advised to review the guides located on [HUD's CoC Competition website](#) and [Grants.gov](#) to include the following:

- a) [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) (this NOFO will also be posted on the IVCCC website)
- b) Applicable Detailed Instructions based on application/project type (pending HUD posting)
 1. New Projects Detailed Instructions
 2. Renewal Projects Detailed Instructions
 3. CoC Planning Detailed Instructions

***Please refer to HUD's website for additional information: [Continuum of Care Program Competition](#)**

Appeals of the Scoring and Ranking Committee:

1. The CoC Executive Board will appoint an Appeal Committee, and it will consist of two (2) to three (3) members who may not be members of the Scoring and Ranking committee.
2. Applicants may appeal if the applicant can prove the score is not reflective of the application information provided or if a scoring factor was missed or omitted.
3. Ineligible Appeals
 - a) Applicants found not to have met the threshold requirements are not eligible for an appeal.
 - b) Appeals cannot be based upon the judgment of the scoring and ranking committee.
 - c) Applicants may not attempt to assert influence or pressure on the Appeals Committee.
4. All notices of appeal must be based on the information submitted by the application due date.
5. No new or additional information will be considered. Omissions to the application cannot be appealed. The decision of the appeal committee will be final.

The Appeal Process:

1. Any and all appeals must be received in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the notification of project ranking, which will be posted on the [IVCCC](#) webpage. An email submission is acceptable.
2. The notice of appeal must include a written statement specifying in detail the grounds asserted for the appeal and must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the sponsoring agency (i.e., Executive Director).
3. The notice of appeal is limited to one page, single-spaced, in 12-point font.
4. The appeal must include a copy of the application/ proposal and accompanying materials submitted to the Scoring and Ranking Committee; no additional information can be submitted.
5. The appointed Appeal Committee will read, review, and evaluate all valid appeals.
 - a) All applicants will be invited to attend any appeal and make a 10-minute statement regarding the appeal.
 - b) The Appeal Committee will review the rankings made by the Scoring and Ranking Committee only on the basis of the submitted project application, the one-page appeal, any statements made during the appeal process, and the material used by the Scoring and Ranking committee members; no new information can be submitted by the applicant or reviewed by the Appeal Committee.
 - c) A simple majority vote must support the decision of the appeal process committee.

6. The appealing agency will be issued the Appeal Committee's decision in writing within 2 business days of the Appeal Committee Meeting; the decision of the Appeal Committee will be final.

Appeals through HUD

You may appeal an application decision or a HUD funding decision. Email your appeal to snapsappeals@hud.gov. The subject line of your email must include the CoC Number, "Appeal Notice," and type of appeal, i.e., Participation, HUD Error, or Consolidated Plan Certification. A sample email Subject Line is, Subject: XX-500 – Appeal Notice–Consolidated Plan Certification.

24 CFR 578.35 provides the appeal process options. Sections 578.35(b)(3), (b)(4), (c)(1), and (d)(2) authorize HUD to establish requirements for the form and manner of submissions for appeals by Solo Applicants, applicants with denied or decreased funding, and from competing CoCs. For HUD to consider an appeal under 24 CFR 578.35(b) or (c), the solo project applicant must follow the applicable application process set forth in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). The NOFO also provides guidance to CoCs and applicants regarding appeals of a jurisdiction's refusal to sign the Consolidated Plan certification for a project under 24 CFR 578.35(c).

Additionally, HUD has clarified the impact that Solo Applicant appeals will have on HUD signing grant agreements for funds awarded under this NOFO. If HUD receives one or more Solo Applicant appeals from a CoC, HUD will determine the amount of funding the Solo Applicant(s) have requested which may delay signing grant agreements for the awarded project(s) listed at the bottom of the CoC's Priority Listing that has requested funding under this NOFO equal to double the amount requested by the Solo Applicant(s).

Types of Appeals.

The provision at 24 CFR part 578 sets forth the following types of appeals:

- **Solo Applicants.** A process for eligible project applicants that attempted to participate in their CoC planning process and believe they were denied the right to participate in a reasonable manner.
- **Denied or Decreased Funding.** A process for eligible applicants that are denied fund by HUD or that requested more funds than HUD awarded to them.
- **Consolidated Plan Certification.** A process for eligible applicants whose jurisdiction refused to provide a Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan (form HUD 2990).
- **Competing CoCs.** A process when more than one CoC selects the same geographic area, for eligible applicants of lower-scoring CoCs, to appeal to HUD's decision to fund the competing CoC. Should two or more CoCs select the same geographic codes associated with formula areas during the CoC Program Registration process, HUD will use the competing CoC process provided by 24 CFR 578.35(d).

An applicant who intends to submit an appeal to HUD, must follow the steps outlined in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#), section VIII, Part D, Debriefing and Appeals.

Timeline/Important Dates:

Applicants are responsible for adhering to all applicable due dates on the following timeline.

FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Timeline	
Due Date	Activity
June 1, 2026	HUD released the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO
July 13, 2026	Release of Notice for 2026 Local CoC Competition and YHDP Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on the IVCCC website .
July 16, 2026	Technical Assistance Microsoft Teams Link: FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop Workshop Time: 2:00 p.m.
July 17, 2026	Notice of Intent to Submit a FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Application for New or Renewal Projects form due by 4:00 p.m. via email: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us
July 24, 2026	Applications Due by 5:00 p.m. Deliver by email to: Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair at deserttrails@hotmail.com and IVCCC at ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us
July 29, 2026	Tentative Date for Project Reviews, Scoring and Ranking of All Projects and Determine Surplus or Reallocation of Funds (Tier 1 & 2)
August 5, 2026	IVCCC Executive Board takes action on recommendations.
August 7, 2026	Post and Send Notice to Agencies of Recommended or Rejected Applications and Allocations on the IVCCC website .
August 11, 2026	FY 2026 CoC Application, Priority Listing and Notification to the Community
August 26, 2026	HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8:00 p.m. ET



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FY 2026 CoC Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program

Posted: 07/13/2026
Updated: 07/15/2026
Updated: 07/17/2026
Updated: 07/21/2026
Updated: 07/22/2026

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition on June 1, 2026. The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit, tribal, and local government organizations aiding homeless populations within the County of Imperial. The IVCCC is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus, and Expansion Projects.

HUD continues to upload and provide updates to this NOFO. Please ensure all of the e-snaps users in your organization have attempted to log in to the system. New security measures mean that many user accounts have been locked out due to inactivity.

Please continue to monitor this page for upcoming announcements and future updates (marked in red text).

Applicants must complete an application and upload the required attachments in e-snaps through the e-snaps portal. At this time, HUD has not opened the FY 2026 project applications in e-snaps or provided detailed application instructions.

As such, the Administrative Entity on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application within e-snaps, once the e-snaps application is opened. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. It is important that persons completing the e-snaps application do NOT click the "SUBMIT" button. Late applications will not be considered.

Update 07/21/2026

The e-snaps application is now available for applicants to access. The application template and attachments remain a requirement as previously established. Please continue to follow the outlined instructions below.

It is important that individuals completing the application do NOT click the "SUBMIT" button in e-snaps.

Export and save the application in PDF form and submit the application, application template and attachments to Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair and the IVCCC at the following email addresses for review by Friday, July 24, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. (PDT):

Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair: deserttrails@hotmail.com
Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Please attach a copy of the Code of Conduct along with applications.

Timeline Updated 07/22/2026

Action	Due Date
Release of Notice for 2026 Local CoC Competition and YHDP Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on the IVCCC website.	Monday, July 13, 2026
Technical Assistance Workshop (Time: 2 PM) (https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/288939867854005?p=YTUv40t2PmuE9rCbuN)	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Notice of Intent to Submit a FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Application for New or Renewal Projects form due by 4:00 p.m. via email: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us	Friday, July 17, 2026
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FY 2026 CoC Application, Priority Listing and Notification to the Community	Tuesday, August 11, 2026
HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8 PM ET	Wednesday, August 26, 2026

Technical Assistance Workshop

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2025**Time: 2:00 - 2:30 PM PDT****Link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Workshop](#)****Key Competition Links**

- [FY 2026 HUD Continuum of Care Competition \(Main Page\)](#)
- [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#)
- [FY 2026 CoC Estimated Annual Renewal Demand Report](#) - Updated 07/21/2026

CoC Local Notice of Funding

- [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding](#) - Updated 07/22/2026
- [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding](#) - Updated 07/17/2026
- [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding](#)
- [FY 2026 Notice of Intent to Apply](#)
- [FY 2026 CoC Competition Workshop](#) - Updated 07/17/2026

FY 2026 CoC Local Competition Applications

- [FY 2026 New SSO Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 New Transitional Housing Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 New Permanent Housing Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 Renewal Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 CoC Local Competition Certification Form](#) - Updated 07/15/2026
- [HUD-2991, Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan](#) - Updated 07/15/2026

For Renewal Applicants Only

- FY 2026 Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW)- Pending HUD's release

Detailed Instruction Links

- [CoC New Project Application Detailed Instructions](#) - Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions](#) - Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Priority Listing Detailed Instructions](#) - Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Planning Project Application Detailed Instructions](#) - Updated 07/21/2026
- [FY 2026 Project Application FAQs \(07/17/2026\)](#) - Updated 07/21/2026
- [Project Applicant Profile e-snaps Navigational Guide](#) - Updated 07/21/2026
- [How to Access Project Applications in e-snaps](#) - Updated 07/21/2026
- [SSO Component Fact Sheet](#) - Updated 07/21/2026





IMPERIAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
in collaboration with
IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL
Local Notice of Funding Opportunity
FISCAL YEAR 2026
CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM COMPETITION
Updated: July 22, 2026

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit, tribal and local government organizations and faith-based organizations. Individuals are ineligible applicants. The IVCCC is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus, and Expansion, Projects, as noted in the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) (NOFO). All project applications including applications for Renewal Projects must follow the timeline, eligibility threshold, and other requirements identified through this Local Notice of Funding Opportunity and the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO.

Deadline:

Applicants may refer to the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition [Timeline](#) for activities and deadlines provided in the Timeline/Important Dates section of this notice. Applicants are responsible for adhering to all applicable dates on the timeline.

HUD may continue to provide updates regarding the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). Please ensure to monitor the HUD Coc Competition website and the IVCCC CoC local competition page for any updates regarding the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#).

Please ensure all of the e-snaps users in your organization have attempted to log in to the system. New security measures mean that many user accounts have been locked out due to inactivity.

Organizations that wish to apply should complete a Notice of Intent to Submit an Application Form no later than July 17, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. via email to: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us.

Applicants must complete an application and upload the required attachments in e-snaps through the [e-snaps portal](#). At this time, HUD has not opened the FY 2026 project applications in e-snaps or provided detailed application instructions. As such, the Administrative Entity on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application within e-snaps, once the e-snaps application is opened. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. It is important that persons completing the e-snaps application do **NOT** click the "SUBMIT" button.

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Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair deserttrails@hotmail.com
Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Applications, application templates and attachments emailed at a later date and time will not be considered.

Please attach a copy of the organization's Code of Conduct along with all applications.

ICDSS will host a local FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop for interested applicants on Thursday, July 16, 2026, 2:00 p.m. via the following link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition workshop](#).

Addenda to this Notice:

Please note that the County of Imperial reserves the right to issue an addendum to this notice if it determines that additional clarifications are needed. Updates will be posted on the [IVCCC](#) website.

Background/Purpose:

HUD released the [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition NOFO](#) on June 1, 2026, announcing the availability of approximately \$4,040,000,000, including \$52,000,000 available as Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus) funding. The CoC Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit, tribal, state and local government organizations to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

The [FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO](#) funds the renewal of existing CoC grants, including DV Renewal projects and projects originally funded under the Special NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness, and the competitive renewal or replacement of existing YHDP grants that are expiring in Calendar Year 2027. The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) also provides funding for new projects, including those created with DV Bonus, CoC Bonus, and the reallocation of existing renewal projects.

For FY 2026, HUD requires Collaborative Applicants to rank all project applications, except for CoC Planning, and if applicable, UFA Costs project applications.

The FY 2026 CoC Program Competition applications are due to HUD by Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.

This [NOFO](#) institutes a different approach to homeless response. Housing First is no longer prioritized in this [CoC competition NOFO](#).

The goals and objectives of the [HUD FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) are as follows:

1. Improving Outcomes
 - a) CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to determine their effectiveness in reducing homelessness and increasing self-sufficiency. CoCs should prioritize projects that promote self-sufficiency, increase employment income over government assistance, and promote treatment and recovery.
 - b) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) includes several options to help CoCs improve their effectiveness, including reallocation, expansion, and transition grants, and CoC's should take advantage of these options to expand the pool of successful providers, including faith-based providers, and improve the overall performance of the CoC.
2. Creating Competition to Improve Innovations and Accountability
 - a) CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to determine their effectiveness of their projects and invest in new projects that deliver the best results at reducing homelessness and optimizing self-sufficiency.
3. Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care
 - a) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) provides opportunities to restore a healthy balance of CoC-funded projects to further community-wide efforts to reduce homelessness. By investing in Transitional Housing and Supportive Service Only projects, HUD intends to restore the "continuum" to the Continuum of Care Program to help able-bodied people move to self-sufficiency.
 - b) To the extent permitted by law, HUD is shifting its focus from awarding nearly 90% of CoC funding to Permanent Housing to expand opportunities for other components of the CoC Program.
4. Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self- Sufficiency
 - a) CoCs should prioritize projects that provide the treatment and services people need to recover and regain self-sufficiency including on-site behavioral health treatment, robust wraparound supportive services, and participation requirements. The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) devotes resources to Transitional Housing programs and Supportive Service Only projects with the goal of improving health and long-term economic independence for the homeless.
 - b) HUD encourages CoCs to utilize the full array of mainstream programs and local and private resources to provide housing and healthcare needed to maintain safe and stable housing.
5. Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency
 - a) One of the primary purposes of the CoC Program is to optimize self-sufficiency. CoCs should partner with workforce development centers, employers, childcare, and other supportive service providers to increase employment and employment income for program

participants. CoCs should prioritize projects that help lead to long-term economic independence for individuals and families to exit homelessness to unsubsidized housing and prevent future returns to homelessness.

6. Advancing Public Safety for All

- a) Safety and security for all members of the public, especially those living unsheltered, is essential to promoting a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness. CoCs should cooperate with law enforcement to advance public safety for the entire community impacted by homelessness. No one should sleep outside on the street or in dangerous encampments, and everyone should be able to enjoy public spaces safely. HUD encourages CoCs to assist in preventing and minimizing the trauma associated with living on the streets or in encampments, especially for women and youth that are the victims of sexual assault and trafficking. Unchecked public camping and public illicit drug use inhibit nonprofit providers and local government from effectively addressing homelessness.
- b) First responders are critical partners in engaging people into treatment and services and protecting public order and vulnerable individuals experiencing homelessness. First responders and law enforcement are often the first to encounter our most vulnerable members of society and should be aware of the available services to triage individuals into safe and appropriate services, ideally alongside non-law enforcement service providers in the Continuum of Care. CoCs should work with law enforcement, first responders, and their state and local governments to reduce encampments and public drug use in order to address barriers to self-sufficiency.

7. Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations

- a) CoCs should encourage providers to provide trauma informed care and ensure participant safety in programs, especially for youth and survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

8. Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology

- a) To the fullest extent permitted by law, HUD will ensure that faith-based organizations can participate in the CoC program and operate consistent with their sincerely held religious beliefs, recognizing all relevant protections provided by subsection c of HUD's Equal Participation Rule, 24 CFR § 5.109, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, and the First Amendment.
- b) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) prohibits the use of federal funds being used for any type of racial preferences, even under the guise of “diversity, equity, and inclusion.” HUD wants to increase access to homelessness relief for all individuals and families.

Available Funding:

On July 21, 2026, HUD released the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition NOFO CoC Estimated Annual Renewal Demand Report. The potential funding for Imperial County includes the following:

- a) \$204,484 in Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)
- b) \$177,387 DV Bonus
- c) \$500,000 CoC Bonus
- d) \$50,000 in CoC Planning

Match Requirement:

This Program requires cost sharing or matching, as described below:

24 CFR 578.73 of the Rule requires that recipients must match all grant funds, except for leasing funds, with no less than 25 percent of funds or in-kind contributions from other sources, (24 CFR 578.73). Project applicants that intend to use program income as a match must provide an estimate of how much program income will be used for the match.

Eligible Project Applicants (McKinney-Vento Act, 24 CFR 578.15, 24 CFR 5.100):

Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are found at 24 CFR 578.15 and in the McKinney-Vento Act, and include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes, and TDHE [as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103)(TDHEs)]. Public housing agencies, as such term is defined in 24 CFR 5.100, are eligible without limitation or exclusion. For-profit entities are ineligible to apply for grants and are prohibited from being subrecipients of CoC Program grant funds.

Participant Eligibility:

Participants should carefully consider the participant eligibility requirements of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) renewal project and new project eligibility requirements.

Eligible Project Applications:

Project applicants must comply with all [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) application requirements and all other respective Detailed Instruction documents. At this time, HUD has not posted the Detailed Instructions for any projects, and the project applications are not accessible in e-snaps.

Imperial County on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application in e-snaps, once the application has been opened in e-snaps. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. Applicants should continue to monitor the [HUD CoC competition page](#) and the [IVCCC website](#) for the FY 2026 CoC Competition Detailed Instructions to be posted.

Applicants must meet the following HUD Threshold requirements and any additional requirements in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to ensure that application is potentially eligible:

1. Recipients and applicants have Active SAM registration with current information and maintains an active SAM registration annually.
2. Recipients and applicant must have a Valid UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) Number.
3. COC Program Eligibility – Project applicants, recipients and potential subrecipients meet the eligibility requirements of the CoC Program as described in the Act and the Rule and provide evidence of eligibility required in the application (e.g., nonprofit documentation).
4. Financial and Management Capacity – Project applicant, recipients and subrecipients must demonstrate the financial and management capacity and experience to carry out the project as detailed in the project application and the capacity to administer federal funds.

5. Forms – Project applicants and recipients must submit the required certifications specified in the HUD [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) and this local NOFO.
6. Populations Served – Project applications must include the population(s) and subpopulation(s) they will serve. The population to be served is required to meet program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule and Section III.G. 11 of the HUD [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) and this local NOFO.
7. HMIS Participation – Project applicants and recipients, except Collaborative Applicants that only receive awards for CoC planning costs and, if applicable, UFA Costs, agree to participate in a local HMIS system. However, in accordance with Section 407 of the Act, any victim service provider that is a recipient or subrecipient may not disclose, for purposes of HMIS, any personally identifying information about any client. Victim service provider must use a comparable database that captures the required HMIS data in addition to meeting the needs of the local HMIS.
8. HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject a project application submitted during the CoC Program Competition for the following reasons (but not limited to):
 - a) outstanding obligation to HUD that is in arrears or for which a payment schedule has not been agreed upon;
 - b) audit finding(s) for which a response is overdue or unsatisfactory;
 - c) history of inadequate financial management accounting practices;
 - d) evidence of untimely expenditures on prior award;
 - e) history of other major capacity issues that have significantly affected the operation of the project and its performance;
 - f) history of not reimbursing subrecipients for eligible costs in a timely manner, or at least quarterly; and
 - g) history of serving ineligible program participants, expending funds on ineligible costs, or failing to expend funds within statutorily established timeframes.
9. Debarments and/or Suspensions – Except as otherwise provided by 2 CFR part 2424, no award of Federal funds may be made to applicants that are debarred; suspended; proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4; or voluntarily excluded from doing business with the Federal government.
10. Pre-selection Review of Performance – In accordance with 2 CFR 200.206(a), before making an award, HUD reviews eligibility information for applicants and financial integrity information available through any OMB- designated databases per the Payment Integrity Information Act of 2019 (Pub. L. 116-117), the “Do Not Pay Initiative” (31 U.S.C. 3354), and 41 U.S.C. 2313. HUD also reviews the responsibility and qualification records available through SAM.gov and other OMB-designated databases about the applicant and any immediate highest-level owner, predecessor (i.e., an organization that is replaced by a successor), or subsidiary, identified for that applicant in SAM.gov. If and as HUD determines appropriate, based on this risk assessment and application Federal law, HUD may:
 - a) Deny funding, or with a renewal or continuing award, consider suspension or termination of the award; and
 - b) Required the removal of any key individual from association with management or implementation of the award; and

- c) Make provision or revisions regarding the method of payment or financial reporting requirements; or
 - d) Impose other specific conditions as provided by 2 CFR 200.208
11. Sufficiency of Financial Management system – By applying, the recipient or applicant understands that HUD will not award or disburse funds to applicants that do not have a financial management system that meets Federal standards as described at 2 CFR 200.302. HUD may arrange for a survey of financial management systems for applicants selected for award who have not previously received Federal financial assistance where HUD officials have reason to question whether a financial management system meets Federal standards, or for applicants considered high risk based on performance or financial management findings.
12. False statements – Recipient or applicant confirms all statements are truthful. By submitting an application, you acknowledge your understanding that providing false or misleading information during any part of the application, award, or performance phase of an award may result in criminal, civil or administrative sanctions, including but not limited to: fines, restitution, and/or imprisonment under 18 USC 287, 1001, 1012, and 1014; treble damages and civil penalties under the False Claims Act, 31 USC 3729 et seq.; double damages and civil penalties under the Administrative False Claims Act, 31 USC Sections 3801-3812; civil recovery of award funds; suspension and/or debarment from all federal procurement and non-procurement transactions under 2 CFR Parts 180 and 2424; and other remedies including termination of award under 2 CFR 200.339 and 200.340.
13. Mandatory Disclosure Requirement – By applying, recipients or applicants understand and agree to promptly disclose whenever, in connection with the Federal award (including any activities or subawards thereunder), it has credible evidence of the commission of a violation of Federal criminal law involving fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, or gratuity violations found in Title 18 of the United States Code or a violation of the civil False Claims Act ([31 U.S.C. 3729-3733](#)). The disclosure must be made in writing to the Federal agency, the agency's Office of Inspector General, and pass-through entity (if applicable). Recipients and subrecipients are also required to report matters related to recipient integrity and performance in accordance with [Appendix XII of Part 200](#). Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in [§ 200.339](#). (See also [2 CFR part 180](#), [31 U.S.C. 3321](#), and [41 U.S.C. 2313](#).)
14. Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities – Recipients and applicants are subject to the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121, 31 U.S.C 1352, (the Byrd Amendment), and 24 CFR part 87, which prohibit recipients of federal awards from using appropriated funds for lobbying the executive or legislative branches of the Federal government in connection with a Federal award. All applicants submit with their application the signed Certification Regarding Lobbying included in the Application. In addition, applicants disclose, using Standard Form LLL (SF-LLL), “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities,” any funds, other than federally appropriated funds, that will be or have been used to influence federal employees, members of Congress, or congressional staff regarding specific awards. Federally recognized Indian tribes and tribally housing entities (TDHEs) established by federally recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe’s sovereign power are excluded from coverage of the Byrd Amendment, but state-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established only under state law shall comply with the requirement. Applicants submit the SF-LLL if they have used or intend to use non-federal funds for lobbying

activities.

15. Equal Participation of Faith-based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities -A faith-based organization may apply on the same basis as any other organization, subject to the requirements in 24 CFR 5.109, and receive the full protections for religion in Federal law, including the Free Speech and Free Exercise Clauses of the Constitution, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (42 U.S.C. § 2000bb-1), Title VII of the Civil Rights Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e-1(a), 2000e-2(e), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12113(d)).
16. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters – By applying, recipients and applicants understand that outstanding civil rights matters must be resolved before the application submission. Project applications with unresolved civil rights matters won't be scored and applicants will not receive funding from HUD.
17. Certifications- Project applicants must certify affirmatively to the following:
 1. The project applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination. This is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).
 2. The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites" in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(1), knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(2), or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia in violation of 21 U.S.C. 863. This is consistent with the objectives outlined in Section III.B above and is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).

This certification is not a requirement that program participants must be sober in order to receive assistance, participate in treatment in order to receive assistance, or be evicted or exited from assistance for a first-time violation of a drug-related program policy or lease requirement.

The following types of project applications will be eligible for completion and submission in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition.

1. **CoC Planning Projects:**

All Collaborative Applicants are eligible and encouraged to apply for CoC Planning funds which they may use according to 24 CFR 578.39. CoC Planning project applications must be submitted by the CoC-designated Collaborative Applicant and the Collaborative Applicant organization must match the organization listed as the Collaborative Applicant in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Planning projects will not affect CoC's available amount for new and renewal project applications because it is not included in the CoC's ARD calculation. Collaborative Applicants must not rank Planning project applications in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition.

2. **CoC Bonus Project:**

The CoC Bonus allows CoCs to use up to 15 percent of their Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN) to create one or more new project applications. The CoC Bonus for a CoC that is neither a Split CoC nor a Merged CoC will be no less than \$500,000 and no more than \$5,000,000. New projects created through the CoC Bonus must meet the project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements established by HUD in sections V.4.c of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#).

CoCs may apply for the following types of new CoC projects through the CoC Bonus process:

- (1) SSO projects.
- (2) TH projects.
- (3) PH-PSH projects.
- (4) PH-RRH projects.
- (5) Dedicated HMIS projects for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(4) that may only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the recipient or subrecipient of an HMIS grant and is listed on the HMIS Lead form in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Additionally, if the CoC has organizations within its geographic area that are victim service providers, the HMIS Lead, or subrecipient, may request HMIS funds for a comparable database. Victim service providers may also request HMIS funds in their project application budgets to enter data into a comparable database.
- (6) SSO-CE projects to develop or operate a Coordinated Entry system.

3. **Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus):**

A new project that is dedicated to serving individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and who qualify under the paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

New projects or expansion projects created with DV Bonus or DV Reallocation funding must meet DV Bonus and DV Reallocation project requirements. Additionally, the sum of all DV Reallocation applications must be for the same amount of funding made available from the DV Renewal funding being reallocated.

DV Bonus and DV Reallocation may only be used to create new SSO-Coordinated Entry, Rapid Re-housing (PH-RRH), and Transitional Housing (TH) projects.

CoCs may apply for DV Bonus projects where the total amount for one year of funding for all DV Bonus applications is up to 20 percent of its Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN); however, this amount is limited to:

- A minimum of \$50,000 if 20 percent of the CoC's PPRN is less than \$50,000; or
- A maximum of \$5 million if 20 percent of the CoC's PPRN is more than \$5 million.

4. **Expansion Project:**

The process used by eligible renewal project applicants to add funds to an existing CoC Renewal, DV Renewal or YHDP Renewal project to expand its current operations either through reallocation, DV Bonus or a CoC Bonus project application. The new funding being added to the existing renewal must be submitted as a new project in e-snaps. This portion of the project is known as new expansion project. HUD will allow project applicants to apply for new expansion projects to expand existing projects to increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-CE projects.

The new expansion project applications must meet the project eligibility and project quality thresholds in V.A.4.a, and V.A.4.c of the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO and must be for the same component as the project being expanded. Additionally, the renewal project being expanded must have an expiration date in CY 2027.

If a project application does not meet the requirements, or if the renewal project the new project application is proposing to expand, is not selected for award, HUD will review the new expansion project and will consider it as a standalone project during the selection process provided that the project is feasible on its own with its requested funding and provided it passes project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements.

5. **Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Renewal Projects (DV Renewal Projects):**

DV Renewal Projects are eligible renewal projects that were previously funded, in whole or in part, with DV Bonus funding or were at some point expanded using DV Bonus funding to continue serving individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and who qualify under paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homelessness at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

6. **CoC Renewal Projects**

CoC projects originally funded in FY 2025 or earlier, including projects originally funded under the Special NOFO or DV Bonus are eligible to renew under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#), provided the projects have an expiration date in CY 2027 (between January 1, 2027, and December 31, 2027). Renewal project applications must be submitted by the recipient currently under grant agreement to operate the project. See section II.B.4 of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) for more information on renewal project requirements.

Submission Requirements:

1. New or renewal applicants must complete a project application template outside of e-snaps and proposal in e-snaps once HUD has opened the application, following HUD guidelines. The e-snaps system may be accessed at: [e-snaps portal](#). As HUD has not released the e-snaps application as of the posting of this local NOFO, the application template has been developed to assist applicants in planning their project proposal.
2. Upon entering their official application in e-snap, applicants must **NOT** select the “submit” button for the initial submittal. This process will be completed after the local scoring and ranking of all projects.
3. Applicants will provide the most current information pertaining to any current awarded grants financial audit and any findings related to said audit. Specifically, whether there were any exceptions found to standard practices.
4. Provide Annual Performance Report (APR) for your agency for performance period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

5. FY 2026 Project Application will include:
- a) Charts, narrative responses, and attachments.
 - b) Documentation of applicant and subrecipient eligibility - nonprofit project applicants must attach eligibility documentation to the Project Applicant Profile. If nonprofit subrecipients are included in a project application, subrecipient eligibility documentation must be attached to the project application.
 - c) Applicant code of conduct - project applicants must ensure their organization has the most current Code of Conduct that complies with the requirements of 2CFR part 200 and is on file with [HUD](#). If the organization's Code of Conduct does not appear on HUD's website, the project applicant must attach its Code of Conduct that includes all required information to its Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
 - d) HUD required forms (e-snaps) - The following forms are built into e-snaps and must be fully completed and electronically signed before project applicants have access to the project application:
 - 1. SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance;
 - 2. HUD 424-B Applicant and Recipient Assurances and Certifications;
 - 3. Form HUD-2880, Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/ Update Report;
 - 4. Certification Regarding Lobbying (if applicable);
 - 5. SF-LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying activities (if applicable);
 - 6. Form HUD-50070, Certification for Drug-Free Workplace;
 - 7. Assurances for Construction Programs Form SF-424D (if applicable)
 - 8. Certification of Need and Compliance with Housing Quality and Habitability Standards (if applicable)
 - 9. Form HUD 2996 Certification of Opportunity Zone Preference Points (if applicable)
 - 10. Indirect Cost Rate Certification HUD-426 (if applicable)
 - e) The following forms are not built into e-snaps but are required to be submitted by Collaborative applicants with the CoC Priority listing:
 - 1. Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan Form HUD-2991.
 - 2. Tribal Resolution for Projects on Trust Land or Reservations, if applicable.
 - 3. Certification and Submission Form signed by Executive Director or authorized representative.
 - 4. All project applicants must ensure their organization has a Code of Conduct that complies with the requirements of 2 CFR part 200, as may be amended from time to time, and is included on HUD's website. If the organization's Code of Conduct does not appear on HUD's website, the project applicant must attach its Code of Conduct that includes all required information to its Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
 - 5. Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points (HUD 2996), if applicable. The HUD-2996 form is not built into e-snaps and must be submitted as an attachment to the CoC application in e-snaps on the Attachment screen if the CoC is requesting Opportunity Zone Preference Points.
6. All other attachments requested for the project application in the e-snaps system must be attached to the application in the order listed on the summary page.

Application Review, Scoring and Ranking:

The IVCCC utilizes a Scoring and Ranking Committee to review, score, establish funding allocations, and rank order project applications for submittal under the CoC Competition. Elements

considered during the process include CoC threshold requirements, performance measures, experience, design of housing and supportive services projects, timeliness, financials, and local and HUD principles and prioritization criteria.

Technical Assistance:

Agencies interested in applying are strongly encouraged to attend the local FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop hosted by ICDSS on July 16, 2026, at 2 p.m. via the following link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop](#).

Applicants are advised to review the guides located on [HUD's CoC Competition website](#) and [Grants.gov](#) to include the following:

- a) [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) (this NOFO will also be posted on the IVCCC website)
- b) Applicable Detailed Instructions based on application/project type (pending HUD posting)
 1. New Projects Detailed Instructions
 2. Renewal Projects Detailed Instructions
 3. CoC Planning Detailed Instructions

Technical issues or questions related to *e-snaps* functionality (e.g., password lockout, access to user's application account, updating Applicant Profile) must be submitted to e-snaps@hud.gov.

***Please refer to HUD's website for additional information: [Continuum of Care Program Competition](#)**

Appeals of the Scoring and Ranking Committee:

1. The CoC Executive Board will appoint an Appeal Committee, and it will consist of two (2) to three (3) members who may not be members of the Scoring and Ranking committee.
2. Applicants may appeal if the applicant can prove the score is not reflective of the application information provided or if a scoring factor was missed or omitted.
3. Ineligible Appeals
 - a) Applicants found not to have met the threshold requirements are not eligible for an appeal.
 - b) Appeals cannot be based upon the judgment of the scoring and ranking committee.
 - c) Applicants may not attempt to assert influence or pressure on the Appeals Committee.
4. All notices of appeal must be based on the information submitted by the application due date.
5. No new or additional information will be considered. Omissions to the application cannot be appealed. The decision of the appeal committee will be final.

The Appeal Process:

1. Any and all appeals must be received in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the notification of project ranking, which will be posted on the [IVCCC](#) webpage. An email submission is acceptable.
2. The notice of appeal must include a written statement specifying in detail the grounds asserted for the appeal and must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the sponsoring agency (i.e., Executive Director).
3. The notice of appeal is limited to one page, single-spaced, in 12-point font.
4. The appeal must include a copy of the application/ proposal and accompanying materials

- submitted to the Scoring and Ranking Committee; no additional information can be submitted.
5. The appointed Appeal Committee will read, review, and evaluate all valid appeals.
 - a) All applicants will be invited to attend any appeal and make a 10-minute statement regarding the appeal.
 - b) The Appeal Committee will review the rankings made by the Scoring and Ranking Committee only on the basis of the submitted project application, the one-page appeal, any statements made during the appeal process, and the material used by the Scoring and Ranking committee members; no new information can be submitted by the applicant or reviewed by the Appeal Committee.
 - c) A simple majority vote must support the decision of the appeal process committee.
 6. The appealing agency will be issued the Appeal Committee's decision in writing within 2 business days of the Appeal Committee Meeting; the decision of the Appeal Committee will be final.

Appeals through HUD

You may appeal an application decision or a HUD funding decision. Email your appeal to snapsappeals@hud.gov. The subject line of your email must include the CoC Number, "Appeal Notice," and type of appeal, i.e., Participation, HUD Error, or Consolidated Plan Certification. A sample email Subject Line is, Subject: XX-500 – Appeal Notice–Consolidated Plan Certification.

24 CFR 578.35 provides the appeal process options. Sections 578.35(b)(3), (b)(4), (c)(1), and (d)(2) authorize HUD to establish requirements for the form and manner of submissions for appeals by Solo Applicants, applicants with denied or decreased funding, and from competing CoCs. For HUD to consider an appeal under 24 CFR 578.35(b) or (c), the solo project applicant must follow the applicable application process set forth in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). The NOFO also provides guidance to CoCs and applicants regarding appeals of a jurisdiction's refusal to sign the Consolidated Plan certification for a project under 24 CFR 578.35(c).

Additionally, HUD has clarified the impact that Solo Applicant appeals will have on HUD signing grant agreements for funds awarded under this NOFO. If HUD receives one or more Solo Applicant appeals from a CoC, HUD will determine the amount of funding the Solo Applicant(s) have requested which may delay signing grant agreements for the awarded project(s) listed at the bottom of the CoC's Priority Listing that has requested funding under this NOFO equal to double the amount requested by the Solo Applicant(s).

Types of Appeals.

The provision at 24 CFR part 578 sets forth the following types of appeals:

- **Solo Applicants.** A process for eligible project applicants that attempted to participate in their CoC planning process and believe they were denied the right to participate in a reasonable manner.
- **Denied or Decreased Funding.** A process for eligible applicants that are denied fund by HUD or that requested more funds than HUD awarded to them.
- **Consolidated Plan Certification.** A process for eligible applicants whose jurisdiction refused to provide a Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan (form HUD

2990).

- **Competing CoCs.** A process when more than one CoC selects the same geographic area, for eligible applicants of lower-scoring CoCs, to appeal to HUD's decision to fund the competing CoC. Should two or more CoCs select the same geographic codes associated with formula areas during the CoC Program Registration process, HUD will use the competing CoC process provided by 24 CFR 578.35(d).

An applicant who intends to submit an appeal to HUD, must follow the steps outlined in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#), section VIII, Part D, Debriefing and Appeals.

Timeline/Important Dates:

Applicants are responsible for adhering to all applicable due dates on the following timeline.

FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Timeline	
Due Date	Activity
June 1, 2026	HUD released the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO
July 13, 2026	Release of Notice for 2026 Local CoC Competition and YHDP Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on the IVCCC website .
July 16, 2026	Technical Assistance Microsoft Teams Link: FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop Workshop Time: 2:00 p.m.
July 17, 2026	Notice of Intent to Submit a FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Application for New or Renewal Projects form due by 4:00 p.m. via email: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us
July 24, 2026	Applications Due by 5:00 p.m. Deliver by email to: Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair at deserttrails@hotmail.com and IVCCC at ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us
July 28, 2026	Project Reviews, Scoring and Ranking of All Projects and Determine Surplus or Reallocation of Funds (Tier 1 & 2)
August 5, 2026	Tentative date for the IVCCC Executive Board to take action on recommendations.
August 7, 2026	Post and Send Notice to Agencies of Recommended or Rejected Applications and Allocations on the IVCCC website .
August 11, 2026	FY 2026 CoC Application, Priority Listing and Notification to the Community
August 26, 2026	HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8:00 p.m. ET



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FY 2026 CoC Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program

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The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition on June 1, 2026. The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit, tribal, and local government organizations aiding homeless populations within the County of Imperial. The IVCCC is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus, and Expansion Projects.

HUD continues to upload and provide updates to this NOFO. Please ensure all of the e-snaps users in your organization have attempted to log in to the system. New security measures mean that many user accounts have been locked out due to inactivity.

Please continue to monitor this page for upcoming announcements and future updates (marked in red text).

Applicants must complete an application and upload the required attachments in e-snaps through the e-snaps portal. At this time, HUD has not opened the FY 2026 project applications in e-snaps or provided detailed application instructions.

As such, the Administrative Entity on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application within e-snaps, once the e-snaps application is opened. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. It is important that persons completing the e-snaps application do NOT click the "SUBMIT" button. Late applications will not be considered.

Update 07/21/2026

The e-snaps application is now available for applicants to access. The application template and attachments remain a requirement as previously established. Please continue to follow the outlined instructions below.

It is important that individuals completing the application do NOT click the "SUBMIT" button in e-snaps.

Export and save the application in PDF form and submit the application, application template and attachments to Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair and the IVCCC at the following email addresses for review by Friday, July 24, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. (PDT):

Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair: deserttrails@hotmail.com
Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Please attach a copy of the Code of Conduct along with applications.

Timeline Updated 07/23/2026

Action	Due Date
Release of Notice for 2026 Local CoC Competition and YHDP Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on the IVCCC website.	Monday, July 13, 2026
Technical Assistance Workshop (Time: 2 PM) (https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/288939867854005?p=YTUv40t2PmuE9rCbuN)	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Notice of Intent to Submit a FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Application for New or Renewal Projects form due by 4:00 p.m. via email: IVCCCIquiries@co.imperial.ca.us	Friday, July 17, 2026
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Technical Assistance Workshop

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2025

Time: 2:00 - 2:30 PM PDT

Link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Workshop](#)

Key Competition Links

- [FY 2026 HUD Continuum of Care Competition \(Main Page\)](#)
- [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#)
- [FY 2026 CoC Estimated Annual Renewal Demand Report- Updated 07/21/2026](#)

CoC Local Notice of Funding

- [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding - Updated 07/23/2026](#)

- [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding](#) - Updated 07/22/2026
- [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding](#) - Updated 07/17/2026
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FY 2026 CoC Local Competition Applications

- [FY 2026 New SSO Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 New Transitional Housing Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 New Permanent Housing Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 Renewal Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 CoC Local Competition Certification Form](#) - Updated 07/15/2026
- [HUD-2991, Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan](#) - Updated 07/15/2026

For Renewal Applicants Only

- FY 2026 Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW)- Pending HUD's release

Detailed Instruction Links

- [CoC New Project Application Detailed Instructions](#)- Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions](#)- Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Priority Listing Detailed Instructions](#)- Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Planning Project Application Detailed Instructions](#)- Updated 07/21/2026
- [FY 2026 Project Application FAQs \(07/17/2026\)](#)- Updated 07/21/2026
- [Project Applicant Profile e-snaps Navigational Guide](#)- Updated 07/21/2026
- [How to Access Project Applications in e-snaps](#)- Updated 07/21/2026
- [SSO Component Fact Sheet](#)- Updated 07/21/2026



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IMPERIAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
in collaboration with
IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL
Local Notice of Funding Opportunity
FISCAL YEAR 2026
CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM COMPETITION
Updated: July 23, 2026

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit, tribal and local government organizations and faith-based organizations. Individuals are ineligible applicants. The IVCCC is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus, and Expansion, Projects, as noted in the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) (NOFO). All project applications including applications for Renewal Projects must follow the timeline, eligibility threshold, and other requirements identified through this Local Notice of Funding Opportunity and the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO.

Deadline:

Applicants may refer to the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition [Timeline](#) for activities and deadlines provided in the Timeline/Important Dates section of this notice. Applicants are responsible for adhering to all applicable dates on the timeline.

HUD may continue to provide updates regarding the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). Please ensure to monitor the HUD Coc Competition website and the IVCCC CoC local competition page for any updates regarding the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#).

Please ensure all of the e-snaps users in your organization have attempted to log in to the system. New security measures mean that many user accounts have been locked out due to inactivity.

Organizations that wish to apply should complete a Notice of Intent to Submit an Application Form no later than July 17, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. via email to: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us.

Applicants must complete an application and upload the required attachments in e-snaps through the [e-snaps portal](#). At this time, HUD has not opened the FY 2026 project applications in e-snaps or provided detailed application instructions. As such, the Administrative Entity on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application within e-snaps, once the e-snaps application is opened. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. It is important that persons completing the e-snaps application do **NOT** click the "SUBMIT" button.

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Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair deserttrails@hotmail.com
Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Applications, application templates and attachments emailed at a later date and time will not be considered.

The following items are required to be submitted by email:

- Application Template
- Exported pdf copy of e-snaps applications (do not click submit)
- Certification Form certifying that the applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination or operate drug injection sites or “safe consumption sites
- Please attach a copy of the organization’s Code of Conduct along with all applications.

Technical Assistance Workshop:

ICDSS will host a local FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop for interested applicants on Thursday, July 16, 2026, 2:00 p.m. via the following link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition workshop](#).

Addenda to this Notice:

Please note that the County of Imperial reserves the right to issue an addendum to this notice if it determines that additional clarifications are needed. Updates will be posted on the [IVCCC](#) website.

Background/Purpose:

HUD released the [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition NOFO](#) on June 1, 2026, announcing the availability of approximately \$4,040,000,000, including \$52,000,000 available as Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus) funding. The CoC Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit, tribal, state and local government organizations to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

The [FY 2026 CoC Program NOFO](#) funds the renewal of existing CoC grants, including DV Renewal projects and projects originally funded under the Special NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness, and the competitive renewal or replacement of existing YHDP grants that are expiring in Calendar Year 2027. The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) also provides funding for new projects, including those created with DV Bonus, CoC Bonus, and the reallocation of existing renewal projects.

For FY 2026, HUD requires Collaborative Applicants to rank all project applications, except for CoC Planning, and if applicable, UFA Costs project applications.

The FY 2026 CoC Program Competition applications are due to HUD by Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.

This [NOFO](#) institutes a different approach to homeless response. Housing First is no longer prioritized in this [CoC competition NOFO](#).

The goals and objectives of the [HUD FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) are as follows:

1. Improving Outcomes
 - a) CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to determine their effectiveness in reducing homelessness and increasing self-sufficiency. CoCs should prioritize projects that promote self-sufficiency, increase employment income over government assistance, and promote treatment and recovery.
 - b) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) includes several options to help CoCs improve their effectiveness, including reallocation, expansion, and transition grants, and CoC's should take advantage of these options to expand the pool of successful providers, including faith-based providers, and improve the overall performance of the CoC.
2. Creating Competition to Improve Innovations and Accountability
 - a) CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to determine their effectiveness of their projects and invest in new projects that deliver the best results at reducing homelessness and optimizing self-sufficiency.
3. Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care
 - a) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) provides opportunities to restore a healthy balance of CoC-funded projects to further community-wide efforts to reduce homelessness. By investing in Transitional Housing and Supportive Service Only projects, HUD intends to restore the "continuum" to the Continuum of Care Program to help able-bodied people move to self-sufficiency.
 - b) To the extent permitted by law, HUD is shifting its focus from awarding nearly 90% of CoC funding to Permanent Housing to expand opportunities for other components of the CoC Program.
4. Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self- Sufficiency
 - a) CoCs should prioritize projects that provide the treatment and services people need to recover and regain self-sufficiency including on-site behavioral health treatment, robust wraparound supportive services, and participation requirements. The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) devotes resources to Transitional Housing programs and Supportive Service Only projects with the goal of improving health and long-term economic independence for the homeless.
 - b) HUD encourages CoCs to utilize the full array of mainstream programs and local and

private resources to provide housing and healthcare needed to maintain safe and stable housing.

5. Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency
 - a) One of the primary purposes of the CoC Program is to optimize self-sufficiency. CoCs should partner with workforce development centers, employers, childcare, and other supportive service providers to increase employment and employment income for program participants. CoCs should prioritize projects that help lead to long-term economic independence for individuals and families to exit homelessness to unsubsidized housing and prevent future returns to homelessness.
6. Advancing Public Safety for All
 - a) Safety and security for all members of the public, especially those living unsheltered, is essential to promoting a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness. CoCs should cooperate with law enforcement to advance public safety for the entire community impacted by homelessness. No one should sleep outside on the street or in dangerous encampments, and everyone should be able to enjoy public spaces safely. HUD encourages CoCs to assist in preventing and minimizing the trauma associated with living on the streets or in encampments, especially for women and youth that are the victims of sexual assault and trafficking. Unchecked public camping and public illicit drug use inhibit nonprofit providers and local government from effectively addressing homelessness.
 - b) First responders are critical partners in engaging people into treatment and services and protecting public order and vulnerable individuals experiencing homelessness. First responders and law enforcement are often the first to encounter our most vulnerable members of society and should be aware of the available services to triage individuals into safe and appropriate services, ideally alongside non-law enforcement service providers in the Continuum of Care. CoCs should work with law enforcement, first responders, and their state and local governments to reduce encampments and public drug use in order to address barriers to self-sufficiency.
7. Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations
 - a) CoCs should encourage providers to provide trauma informed care and ensure participant safety in programs, especially for youth and survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.
8. Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology
 - a) To the fullest extent permitted by law, HUD will ensure that faith-based organizations can participate in the CoC program and operate consistent with their sincerely held religious beliefs, recognizing all relevant protections provided by subsection c of HUD's Equal Participation Rule, 24 CFR § 5.109, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, and the First Amendment.
 - b) The [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) prohibits the use of federal funds being used for any type of racial preferences, even under the guise of “diversity, equity, and inclusion.” HUD wants to increase access to homelessness relief for all individuals and families.

Available Funding:

On July 21, 2026, HUD released the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition NOFO CoC Estimated Annual Renewal Demand Report. The potential funding for Imperial County includes the following:

- a) \$204,484 in Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)
- b) \$177,387 DV Bonus
- c) \$500,000 CoC Bonus
- d) \$50,000 in CoC Planning

Match Requirement:

This Program requires cost sharing or matching, as described below:

24 CFR 578.73 of the Rule requires that recipients must match all grant funds, except for leasing funds, with no less than 25 percent of funds or in-kind contributions from other sources, (24 CFR 578.73). Project applicants that intend to use program income as a match must provide an estimate of how much program income will be used for the match.

Eligible Project Applicants (McKinney-Vento Act, 24 CFR 578.15, 24 CFR 5.100):

Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are found at 24 CFR 578.15 and in the McKinney-Vento Act, and include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes, and TDHE [as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103)(TDHEs)]. Public housing agencies, as such term is defined in 24 CFR 5.100, are eligible without limitation or exclusion. For-profit entities are ineligible to apply for grants and are prohibited from being subrecipients of CoC Program grant funds.

Participant Eligibility:

Participants should carefully consider the participant eligibility requirements of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) renewal project and new project eligibility requirements.

Eligible Project Applications:

Project applicants must comply with all [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) application requirements and all other respective Detailed Instruction documents. At this time, HUD has not posted the Detailed Instructions for any projects, and the project applications are not accessible in e-snaps.

As of July 21, 2026, HUD notified the IVCCC that the Detailed Instructions for new projects, renewals, CoC Planning, and CoC Priority Listing have been posted.

Imperial County on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application in e-snaps, once the application has been opened in e-snaps. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. Applicants should continue to monitor the [HUD CoC competition page](#) and the [IVCCC website](#) for the FY 2026 CoC Competition Detailed Instructions to be posted.

Applicants must meet the following HUD Threshold requirements and any additional requirements in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) to ensure that application is potentially eligible:

1. Recipients and applicants have Active SAM registration with current information and maintains an active SAM registration annually.
2. Recipients and applicant must have a Valid UEI (Unique Entity Identifier) Number.
3. COC Program Eligibility – Project applicants, recipients and potential subrecipients meet the eligibility requirements of the CoC Program as described in the Act and the Rule and provide evidence of eligibility required in the application (e.g., nonprofit documentation).
4. Financial and Management Capacity – Project applicant, recipients and subrecipients must demonstrate the financial and management capacity and experience to carry out the project as detailed in the project application and the capacity to administer federal funds.
5. Forms – Project applicants and recipients must submit the required certifications specified in the HUD [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) and this local NOFO.
6. Populations Served – Project applications must include the population(s) and subpopulation(s) they will serve. The population to be served is required to meet program eligibility requirements as described in the Act, the Rule and Section III.G. 11 of the HUD [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) and this local NOFO.
7. HMIS Participation – Project applicants and recipients, except Collaborative Applicants that only receive awards for CoC planning costs and, if applicable, UFA Costs, agree to participate in a local HMIS system. However, in accordance with Section 407 of the Act, any victim service provider that is a recipient or subrecipient may not disclose, for purposes of HMIS, any personally identifying information about any client. Victim service providers must use a comparable database that captures the required HMIS data in addition to meeting the needs of the local HMIS.
8. HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject a project application submitted during the CoC Program Competition for the following reasons (but not limited to):
 - a) outstanding obligation to HUD that is in arrears or for which a payment schedule has not been agreed upon;
 - b) audit finding(s) for which a response is overdue or unsatisfactory;
 - c) history of inadequate financial management accounting practices;
 - d) evidence of untimely expenditures on prior award;
 - e) history of other major capacity issues that have significantly affected the operation of the project and its performance;
 - f) history of not reimbursing subrecipients for eligible costs in a timely manner, or at least quarterly; and
 - g) history of serving ineligible program participants, expending funds on ineligible costs, or failing to expend funds within statutorily established timeframes.
9. Debarments and/or Suspensions – Except as otherwise provided by 2 CFR part 2424, no award of Federal funds may be made to applicants that are debarred; suspended; proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4; or voluntarily excluded from doing business with the Federal government.
10. Pre-selection Review of Performance – In accordance with 2 CFR 200.206(a), before making an award, HUD reviews eligibility information for applicants and financial integrity information available through any OMB- designated databases per the Payment Integrity Information Act of 2019 (Pub. L. 116-117), the “Do Not Pay Initiative” (31 U.S.C. 3354), and 41 U.S.C. 2313. HUD also reviews the responsibility and qualification

records available through SAM.gov and other OMB-designated databases about the applicant and any immediate highest-level owner, predecessor (i.e., an organization that is replaced by a successor), or subsidiary, identified for that applicant in SAM.gov.

If and as HUD determines appropriate, based on this risk assessment and application Federal law, HUD may:

- a) Deny funding, or with a renewal or continuing award, consider suspension or termination of the award; and
 - b) Required the removal of any key individual from association with management or implementation of the award; and
 - c) Make provision or revisions regarding the method of payment or financial reporting requirements; or
 - d) Impose other specific conditions as provided by 2 CFR 200.208
11. Sufficiency of Financial Management system – By applying, the recipient or applicant understands that HUD will not award or disburse funds to applicants that do not have a financial management system that meets Federal standards as described at 2 CFR 200.302. HUD may arrange for a survey of financial management systems for applicants selected for award who have not previously received Federal financial assistance where HUD officials have reason to question whether a financial management system meets Federal standards, or for applicants considered high risk based on performance or financial management findings.
12. False statements – Recipient or applicant confirms all statements are truthful. By submitting an application, you acknowledge your understanding that providing false or misleading information during any part of the application, award, or performance phase of an award may result in criminal, civil or administrative sanctions, including but not limited to: fines, restitution, and/or imprisonment under 18 USC 287, 1001, 1012, and 1014; treble damages and civil penalties under the False Claims Act, 31 USC 3729 et seq.; double damages and civil penalties under the Administrative False Claims Act, 31 USC Sections 3801-3812; civil recovery of award funds; suspension and/or debarment from all federal procurement and non-procurement transactions under 2 CFR Parts 180 and 2424; and other remedies including termination of award under 2 CFR 200.339 and 200.340.
13. Mandatory Disclosure Requirement – By applying, recipients or applicants understand and agree to promptly disclose whenever, in connection with the Federal award (including any activities or subawards thereunder), it has credible evidence of the commission of a violation of Federal criminal law involving fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, or gratuity violations found in Title 18 of the United States Code or a violation of the civil False Claims Act ([31 U.S.C. 3729-3733](#)). The disclosure must be made in writing to the Federal agency, the agency's Office of Inspector General, and pass-through entity (if applicable). Recipients and subrecipients are also required to report matters related to recipient integrity and performance in accordance with [Appendix XII of Part 200](#). Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in [§ 200.339](#). (See also [2 CFR part 180](#), [31 U.S.C. 3321](#), and [41 U.S.C. 2313](#).)
14. Prohibition Against Lobbying Activities – Recipients and applicants are subject to the provisions of Section 319 of Public Law 101-121, 31 U.S.C 1352, (the Byrd Amendment), and 24 CFR part 87, which prohibit recipients of federal awards from using appropriated funds for lobbying the executive or legislative branches of the Federal government in connection with a Federal award. All applicants submit with their application the signed

Certification Regarding Lobbying included in the Application. In addition, applicants disclose, using Standard Form LLL (SF-LLL), "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," any funds, other than federally appropriated funds, that will be or have been used to influence federal employees, members of Congress, or congressional staff regarding specific awards. Federally recognized Indian tribes and tribally housing entities (TDHEs) established by federally recognized Indian tribes as a result of the exercise of the tribe's sovereign power are excluded from coverage of the Byrd Amendment, but state-recognized Indian tribes and TDHEs established only under state law shall comply with the requirement. Applicants submit the SF-LLL if they have used or intend to use non-federal funds for lobbying activities.

15. Equal Participation of Faith-based Organizations in HUD Programs and Activities -A faith-based organization may apply on the same basis as any other organization, subject to the requirements in 24 CFR 5.109, and receive the full protections for religion in Federal law, including the Free Speech and Free Exercise Clauses of the Constitution, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (42 U.S.C. § 2000bb-1), Title VII of the Civil Rights Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e-1(a), 2000e-2(e), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12113(d)).
16. Resolution of Civil Rights Matters – By applying, recipients and applicants understand that outstanding civil rights matters must be resolved before the application submission. Project applications with unresolved civil rights matters won't be scored and applicants will not receive funding from HUD.
17. Certifications- Project applicants must certify affirmatively to the following:
 1. The project applicant will not engage in illegal racial discrimination. This is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).
 2. The project applicant will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites" in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(1), knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control in violation of 21 U.S.C. 856(a)(2), or knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia in violation of 21 U.S.C. 863. This is consistent with the objectives outlined in Section III.B above and is consistent with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.300(a).

This certification is not a requirement that program participants must be sober in order to receive assistance, participate in treatment in order to receive assistance, or be evicted or exited from assistance for a first-time violation of a drug-related program policy or lease requirement.

The following types of project applications will be eligible for completion and submission in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition.

1. **CoC Planning Projects:**

All Collaborative Applicants are eligible and encouraged to apply for CoC Planning funds which they may use according to 24 CFR 578.39. CoC Planning project applications must be submitted by the CoC-designated Collaborative Applicant and the Collaborative Applicant organization must match the organization listed as the Collaborative Applicant in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Planning projects will not affect CoC's available amount for new and renewal project applications because it is not included in the CoC's ARD calculation. Collaborative Applicants must not rank

Planning project applications in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition.

2. **CoC Bonus Project:**

The CoC Bonus allows CoCs to use up to 15 percent of their Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN) to create one or more new project applications. The CoC Bonus for a CoC that is neither a Split CoC nor a Merged CoC will be no less than \$500,000 and no more than \$5,000,000. New projects created through the CoC Bonus must meet the project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements established by HUD in sections V.4.c of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#).

CoCs may apply for the following types of new CoC projects through the CoC Bonus process:

(1) SSO projects.

(2) TH projects.

(3) PH-PSH projects.

(4) PH-RRH projects.

(5) Dedicated HMIS projects for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(4) that may only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the recipient or subrecipient of an HMIS grant and is listed on the HMIS Lead form in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Additionally, if the CoC has organizations within its geographic area that are victim service providers, the HMIS Lead, or subrecipient, may request HMIS funds for a comparable database. Victim service providers may also request HMIS funds in their project application budgets to enter data into a comparable database.

(6) SSO-CE projects to develop or operate a Coordinated Entry system.

3. **Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Bonus (DV Bonus):**

A new project that is dedicated to serving individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and who qualify under the paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

New projects or expansion projects created with DV Bonus or DV Reallocation funding must meet DV Bonus and DV Reallocation project requirements. Additionally, the sum of all DV Reallocation applications must be for the same amount of funding made available from the DV Renewal funding being reallocated.

DV Bonus and DV Reallocation may only be used to create new SSO-Coordinated Entry, Rapid Re-housing (PH-RRH), and Transitional Housing (TH) projects.

CoCs may apply for DV Bonus projects where the total amount for one year of funding for all DV Bonus applications is up to 20 percent of its Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN); however, this amount is limited to:

- A minimum of \$50,000 if 20 percent of the CoC's PPRN is less than \$50,000; or
- A maximum of \$5 million if 20 percent of the CoC's PPRN is more than \$5 million.

4. **Expansion Project:**

The process used by eligible renewal project applicants to add funds to an existing CoC Renewal, DV Renewal or YHDP Renewal project to expand its current operations either through reallocation, DV Bonus or a CoC Bonus project application. The new funding being added to the existing renewal must be submitted as a new project in e-snaps. This portion of the project is known as new expansion project. HUD will allow project applicants to apply for new expansion projects to expand existing projects to increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-CE projects.

The new expansion project applications must meet the project eligibility and project quality thresholds in V.A.4.a, and V.A.4.c of the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO and must be for the same component as the project being expanded. Additionally, the renewal project being expanded must have an expiration date in CY 2027.

If a project application does not meet the requirements, or if the renewal project the new project application is proposing to expand, is not selected for award, HUD will review the new expansion project and will consider it as a standalone project during the selection process provided that the project is feasible on its own with its requested funding and provided it passes project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements.

5. **Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Renewal Projects (DV Renewal Projects):**

DV Renewal Projects are eligible renewal projects that were previously funded, in whole or in part, with DV Bonus funding or were at some point expanded using DV Bonus funding to continue serving individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking and who qualify under paragraphs (1) or (4) of the definition of homelessness at 24 CFR 578.3 or section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

6. **CoC Renewal Projects**

CoC projects originally funded in FY 2025 or earlier, including projects originally funded under the Special NOFO or DV Bonus are eligible to renew under the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#), provided the projects have an expiration date in CY 2027 (between January 1, 2027, and December 31, 2027). Renewal project applications must be submitted by the recipient currently under grant agreement to operate the project. See section II.B.4 of the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) for more information on renewal project requirements.

Submission Requirements:

1. New or renewal applicants must complete a project application template outside of e-snaps and proposal in e-snaps once HUD has opened the application, following HUD guidelines. The e-snaps system may be accessed at: [e-snaps portal](#). As HUD has not released the e-snaps application as of the posting of this local NOFO, the application template has been developed

to assist applicants in planning their project proposal.

2. Upon entering their official application in e-snap, applicants must **NOT** select the “submit” button for the initial submittal. This process will be completed after the local scoring and ranking of all projects.
3. Applicants will provide the most current information pertaining to any current awarded grants financial audit and any findings related to said audit. Specifically, whether there were any exceptions found to standard practices.
4. Provide Annual Performance Report (APR) for your agency for performance period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
5. FY 2026 Project Application will include:
 - a) Charts, narrative responses, and attachments.
 - b) Documentation of applicant and subrecipient eligibility - nonprofit project applicants must attach eligibility documentation to the Project Applicant Profile. If nonprofit subrecipients are included in a project application, subrecipient eligibility documentation must be attached to the project application.
 - c) Applicant code of conduct - project applicants must ensure their organization has the most current Code of Conduct that complies with the requirements of 2CFR part 200 and is on file with [HUD](#). If the organization’s Code of Conduct does not appear on HUD’s website, the project applicant must attach its Code of Conduct that includes all required information to its Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
 - d) HUD required forms (e-snaps) - The following forms are built into e-snaps and must be fully completed and electronically signed before project applicants have access to the project application:
 1. SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance;
 2. HUD 424-B Applicant and Recipient Assurances and Certifications;
 3. Form HUD-2880, Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/ Update Report;
 4. Certification Regarding Lobbying (if applicable);
 5. SF-LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying activities (if applicable);
 6. Form HUD-50070, Certification for Drug-Free Workplace;
 7. Assurances for Construction Programs Form SF-424D (if applicable)
 8. Certification of Need and Compliance with Housing Quality and Habitability Standards (if applicable)
 9. Form HUD 2996 Certification of Opportunity Zone Preference Points (if applicable)
 10. Indirect Cost Rate Certification HUD-426 (if applicable)
 - e) The following forms are not built into e-snaps but are required to be submitted by Collaborative applicants with the CoC Priority listing:
 1. Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan Form HUD-2991.
 2. Tribal Resolution for Projects on Trust Land or Reservations, if applicable.
 3. Certification and Submission Form signed by Executive Director or authorized representative.
 4. All project applicants must ensure their organization has a Code of Conduct that complies with the requirements of 2 CFR part 200, as may be amended from time to time, and is included on HUD's website. If the organization's Code of Conduct does not appear on HUD's website, the project applicant must attach its Code of Conduct that includes all required information to its Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.
 5. Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points (HUD 2996), if applicable. The

HUD-2996 form is not built into e-snaps and must be submitted as an attachment to the CoC application in e-snaps on the Attachment screen if the CoC is requesting Opportunity Zone Preference Points.

6. All other attachments requested for the project application in the e-snaps system must be attached to the application in the order listed on the summary page.

Application Review, Scoring and Ranking:

The IVCCC utilizes a Scoring and Ranking Committee to review, score, establish funding allocations, and rank order project applications for submittal under the CoC Competition. Elements considered during the process include CoC threshold requirements, performance measures, experience, design of housing and supportive services projects, timeliness, financials, and local and HUD principles and prioritization criteria.

Technical Assistance:

Agencies interested in applying are strongly encouraged to attend the local FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop hosted by ICDSS on July 16, 2026, at 2 p.m. via the following link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop](#).

Applicants are advised to review the guides located on [HUD's CoC Competition website](#) and [Grants.gov](#) to include the following:

- a) [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#) (this NOFO will also be posted on the IVCCC website)
- b) Applicable Detailed Instructions based on application/project type (pending HUD posting)
 1. New Projects Detailed Instructions
 2. Renewal Projects Detailed Instructions
 3. CoC Planning Detailed Instructions

Technical issues or questions related to *e-snaps* functionality (e.g., password lockout, access to user's application account, updating Applicant Profile) must be submitted to e-snaps@hud.gov.

***Please refer to HUD's website for additional information: [Continuum of Care Program Competition](#)**

Appeals of the Scoring and Ranking Committee:

1. The CoC Executive Board will appoint an Appeal Committee, and it will consist of two (2) to three (3) members who may not be members of the Scoring and Ranking committee.
2. Applicants may appeal if the applicant can prove the score is not reflective of the application information provided or if a scoring factor was missed or omitted.
3. Ineligible Appeals
 - a) Applicants found not to have met the threshold requirements are not eligible for an appeal.
 - b) Appeals cannot be based upon the judgment of the scoring and ranking committee.
 - c) Applicants may not attempt to assert influence or pressure on the Appeals Committee.
4. All notices of appeal must be based on the information submitted by the application due date.
5. No new or additional information will be considered. Omissions to the application cannot be appealed. The decision of the appeal committee will be final.

The Appeal Process:

1. Any and all appeals must be received in writing within forty-eight (48) hours of the notification of project ranking, which will be posted on the [IVCCC](#) webpage. An email submission is acceptable.
2. The notice of appeal must include a written statement specifying in detail the grounds asserted for the appeal and must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the sponsoring agency (i.e., Executive Director).
3. The notice of appeal is limited to one page, single-spaced, in 12-point font.
4. The appeal must include a copy of the application/ proposal and accompanying materials submitted to the Scoring and Ranking Committee; no additional information can be submitted.
5. The appointed Appeal Committee will read, review, and evaluate all valid appeals.
 - a) All applicants will be invited to attend any appeal and make a 10-minute statement regarding the appeal.
 - b) The Appeal Committee will review the rankings made by the Scoring and Ranking Committee only on the basis of the submitted project application, the one-page appeal, any statements made during the appeal process, and the material used by the Scoring and Ranking committee members; no new information can be submitted by the applicant or reviewed by the Appeal Committee.
 - c) A simple majority vote must support the decision of the appeal process committee.
6. The appealing agency will be issued the Appeal Committee's decision in writing within 2 business days of the Appeal Committee Meeting; the decision of the Appeal Committee will be final.

Appeals through HUD

You may appeal an application decision or a HUD funding decision. Email your appeal to snapsappeals@hud.gov. The subject line of your email must include the CoC Number, "Appeal Notice," and type of appeal, i.e., Participation, HUD Error, or Consolidated Plan Certification. A sample email Subject Line is, Subject: XX-500 – Appeal Notice–Consolidated Plan Certification.

24 CFR 578.35 provides the appeal process options. Sections 578.35(b)(3), (b)(4), (c)(1), and (d)(2) authorize HUD to establish requirements for the form and manner of submissions for appeals by Solo Applicants, applicants with denied or decreased funding, and from competing CoCs. For HUD to consider an appeal under 24 CFR 578.35(b) or (c), the solo project applicant must follow the applicable application process set forth in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#). The NOFO also provides guidance to CoCs and applicants regarding appeals of a jurisdiction's refusal to sign the Consolidated Plan certification for a project under 24 CFR 578.35(c).

Additionally, HUD has clarified the impact that Solo Applicant appeals will have on HUD signing grant agreements for funds awarded under this NOFO. If HUD receives one or more Solo Applicant appeals from a CoC, HUD will determine the amount of funding the Solo Applicant(s) have requested which may delay signing grant agreements for the awarded project(s) listed at the bottom of the CoC's Priority Listing that has requested funding under this NOFO equal to double the amount requested by the Solo Applicant(s).

Types of Appeals.

The provision at 24 CFR part 578 sets forth the following types of appeals:

- **Solo Applicants.** A process for eligible project applicants that attempted to participate in their CoC planning process and believe they were denied the right to participate in a reasonable manner.
- **Denied or Decreased Funding.** A process for eligible applicants that are denied fund by HUD or that requested more funds than HUD awarded to them.
- **Consolidated Plan Certification.** A process for eligible applicants whose jurisdiction refused to provide a Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan (form HUD 2990).
- **Competing CoCs.** A process when more than one CoC selects the same geographic area, for eligible applicants of lower-scoring CoCs, to appeal to HUD's decision to fund the competing CoC. Should two or more CoCs select the same geographic codes associated with formula areas during the CoC Program Registration process, HUD will use the competing CoC process provided by 24 CFR 578.35(d).

An applicant who intends to submit an appeal to HUD, must follow the steps outlined in the [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#), section VIII, Part D, Debriefing and Appeals.

Timeline/Important Dates:

Applicants are responsible for adhering to all applicable due dates on the following timeline.

FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Timeline	
Due Date	Activity
June 1, 2026	HUD released the FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO
July 13, 2026	Release of Notice for 2026 Local CoC Competition and YHDP Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on the IVCCC website .
July 16, 2026	Technical Assistance Microsoft Teams Link: FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Workshop Workshop Time: 2:00 p.m.
July 17, 2026	Notice of Intent to Submit a FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Application for New or Renewal Projects form due by 4:00 p.m. via email: IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us
July 24, 2026	Applications Due by 5:00 p.m. Deliver by email to: Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair at deserttrails@hotmail.com and IVCCC at ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us
July 28, 2026	Project Reviews, Scoring and Ranking of All Projects and Determine Surplus or Reallocation of Funds (Tier 1 & 2)
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August 11, 2026	FY 2026 CoC Application, Priority Listing and Notification to the Community
August 26, 2026	HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8:00 p.m. ET



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The Administrative Entity, and Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), have received formal notification from Housing and Urban Development (HUD) indicating that the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) has been vacated due to the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island decision.

Per HUD, due to the court's order, the 2026 CoC NOFO and its August 26, 2026, application submission deadlines are no longer in force as HUD is unable to accept applications at this time. HUD has announced that they will communicate further guidance and additional updates via the SNAPs Competition Listserv and HUD.gov as they become available.

As a result, ICDSS will not be issuing recommended, reduced or rejected applications/allocation notices to applicants, nor posting the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council FY 2026 CoC Competition Scoring and Ranking Allocations announcement at this time.

Update: 08/07/2026

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), has received new information indicating that the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) has been set aside in its entirety.

On August 7, in *National Alliance to End Homelessness v. United States Department of Housing and Urban Development* (1:26-cv-00436) Document No. 34, the Court stated:

"The Court therefore sets aside HUD's issuance of the 2026 NOFO in its entirety as violative of the APA. The Court, however, denies Plaintiffs' request for a permanent injunction. Because, as described above, the Court concludes that the 2026 NOFO may not proceed based on its procedural infirmity, it obviates the need for the Court to rule on the other aspects of the parties' motions at this time."

<https://www.courtlistener.com/docket/73568402/national-alliance-to-end-homelessness-v-united-states-department-of/>

As a result of the Court's decision, ICDSS will not be issuing Award/Allocation Notices to applicants, nor posting the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council FY 2026 CoC Competition Scoring and Ranking Allocations announcement at this time.

We will continue to monitor this matter closely and will provide additional updates as soon as further guidance becomes available.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition on June 1, 2026. The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit, tribal, and local government organizations aiding homeless populations within the County of Imperial. The IVCCC is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus, Continuum of Care (CoC) Bonus, and Expansion Projects.

HUD continues to upload and provide updates to this NOFO. Please ensure all of the e-snaps users in your organization have attempted to log in to the system. New security measures mean that many user accounts have been locked out due to inactivity.

Please continue to monitor this page for upcoming announcements and future updates (marked in red text).

Applicants must complete an application and upload the required attachments in e-snaps through the e-snaps portal. At this time, HUD has not opened the FY 2026 project applications in e-snaps or provided detailed application instructions.

As such, the Administrative Entity on behalf of the IVCCC is providing an application template outside of e-snaps to assist in project planning and preparation to submit the application within e-snaps, once the e-snaps application is opened. The finalized application will be required to be completed in e-snaps. It is important that persons completing the e-snaps application do NOT click the "SUBMIT" button. Late applications will not be considered.

Update 07/21/2026

The e-snaps application is now available for applicants to access. The application template and attachments remain a requirement as previously established. Please continue to follow the outlined instructions below.

It is important that individuals completing the application do NOT click the "SUBMIT" button in e-snaps.

Export and save the application in PDF form and submit the application, application template and attachments to Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair and the IVCCC at the following email addresses for review by Friday, July 24, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. (PDT):

Mr. Les Smith, IVCCC Executive Board Chair: deserttrails@hotmail.com
Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Please attach a copy of the Code of Conduct along with applications.

Timeline Updated 07/23/2026

Action	Due Date
Release of Notice for 2026 Local CoC Competition and YHDP Program Notice of Funding Opportunity on the IVCCC website.	Monday, July 13, 2026
Technical Assistance Workshop (Time: 2 PM) (https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/288939867854005?p=YTUV40t2PmuE9rCbuN)	Thursday, July 16, 2026
Notice of Intent to Submit a FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Application for New or Renewal Projects form due by 4:00 p.m. via email: IVCCCIquiries@co.imperial.ca.us	Friday, July 17, 2026
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FY 2026 CoC Application, Priority Listing and Notification to the Community	Tuesday, August 11, 2026
HUD Deadline Via a process is 2 PM ET	Wednesday August

Technical Assistance Workshop

Date: Thursday, July 16, 2025

Time: 2:00 - 2:30 PM PDT

Link: [FY 2026 CoC Program Workshop](#)

Key Competition Links

- [FY 2026 HUD Continuum of Care Competition \(Main Page\)](#)
- [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO](#)
- [FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants Modified NOFO - Updated 07/24/2026](#)
- [FY 2026 CoC Estimated Annual Renewal Demand Report- Updated 07/21/2026](#)

CoC Local Notice of Funding

- [FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding - Updated 07/23/2026](#)
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- [FY 2026 CoC Competition Workshop - Updated 07/17/2026](#)

FY 2026 CoC Local Competition Applications

- [FY 2026 New SSO Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 New Transitional Housing Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 New Permanent Housing Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 Renewal Project- Application Template](#)
- [FY 2026 CoC Local Competition Certification Form - Updated 07/15/2026](#)
- [HUD-2991, Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan - Updated 07/15/2026](#)

Scoring and Ranking Tools

- [New Project or Expansion for CoC Bonus Scoring and Ranking Tool - Updated 07/24/2026](#)
- [New Project or Expansion for DV Bonus Scoring and Ranking Tool - Updated 07/24/2026](#)
- [Renewal Project Scoring and Ranking Tool - Updated 07/24/2026](#)

For Renewal Applicants Only

- [FY 2026 Grant Inventory Worksheet \(GIW\)- Pending HUD's release](#)

Detailed Instruction Links

- [CoC New Project Application Detailed Instructions-](#) Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions-](#) Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Priority Listing Detailed Instructions-](#) Updated 07/21/2026
- [CoC Planning Project Application Detailed Instructions-](#) Updated 07/21/2026
- [FY 2026 Project Application FAQs \(07/17/2026\)-](#) Updated 07/21/2026
- [Project Applicant Profile e-snaps Navigational Guide-](#) Updated 07/21/2026
- [How to Access Project Applications in e-snaps-](#) Updated 07/21/2026
- [SSO Component Fact Sheet-](#) Updated 07/21/2026

Awards

- [FY 2026 CoC Competition Scoring and Ranking Allocations](#) - Updated 09/23/2026
- [FY 2026 CoC Competition IVCCC Public Notification of Ranked Project Applications](#) - Updated 09/23/2026
- [FY 2026 CoC Posting of Notices of Award Allocation/Reduction/Rejection](#) - Updated 09/23/2026



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IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL



September 23, 2026

Dear Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council:

The Scoring and Ranking committee met on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, to review, score, and rank all applications submitted for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. Notification of acceptance, reduction and rejection were sent to applicants on September 23, 2026.

The following project application funding requests were reduced due to requesting more funding than available:

1. WomanHaven's A Safe Home Project
2. Whole Person Care Clinic's WPCC Supportive Services Standalone Project

The following project applications were rejected based on the available allocation and the rank position of their projects:

1. Encompass Housing's Valley Village Project
2. Imperial Community College District's Pathways to Permanent Housing

The CoC has posted the results for the FY 2026 CoC Program at the [IVCCC website](https://www.imperialvalleycontinuumofcare.org/). The results are as follows:

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council FY 2026 CoC Competition Scoring and Ranking Allocations							
Grantee	Project Name	Project Type	Project Listing	Rank	Final Scores	Requested	Allocation
Tier I							
County of Imperial	IV CAP II FY 2026	SSO-CE	Renewal	1	559	\$ 49,796	\$ 49,796
WomanHaven	A Safe Home Project	PH-RRH	Renewal	2	498	\$ 163,587	\$ 72,894
Total							\$ 122,690
Straddling Tier 1/2							
WomanHaven	A Safe Home Project	PH-RRH	Renewal	2 (straddling between Tier 1/2)			\$ 81,794
Total							\$ 81,794
Tier 2: CoC Bonus and DV Bonus Projects							
County of Imperial	IV CAP II FY 2026 Expansion	SSO-CE	New Project - Expansion	3	265	\$ 165,000	\$ 165,000
WomanHaven	Peace at Home Project	PH-RRH	New Project	4	256	\$ 141,910	\$ 141,910
Whole Person Care Clinic	WPCC Street Outreach Supportive Services Project	SSO-S/O	New Project	5	251	\$ 197,590	\$ 197,590
Whole Person Care	WPCC Supportive Services Standalone Project	SSO-S/A	New Project	6	247	\$ 197,093	\$ 137,410
Encompass Housing	Valley Village Project	TH	New Project	7	177	\$ 460,196	N/A
Imperial Community College District	Pathways to Permanent Housing	PH-RRH	New Project	8	143	No e-snaps application provided	N/A
Total							\$ 641,910
Unranked Planning Funds							
County of Imperial	IV Planning Grant FY 2026	Planning	CoC Planning	Unranked			\$ 50,000
Total							\$ 50,000
All Applications Were Approved for Submittal on August 6, 2026 *Awards/Allocations are subject to HUD approval							

Respectfully,

Renee Robles, MSW
Deputy Director

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council

From: [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
To: [Paula Llanas](#)
Cc: [Araceli Lopez](#); [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications- Notice of Award/Allocation
Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2026 1:59:00 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[County of Imperial CoC Competition Notice.pdf](#)

Good afternoon Ms. Llanas,

Enclosed you will find the Notice of Award/Allocation for the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program Competition. A hard copy of this letter will be mailed to your office today.

We thank you for your submittal during this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) process.

Respectfully,

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council



PAULA S. LLANAS
DIRECTOR



2995 SOUTH 4th STREET, SUITE #105
EL CENTRO, CA 92243
TELEPHONE: (760) 337-6800

Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail

September 23, 2026

Paula S. Llanas – Director
Imperial County Department of Social Services
2995 S. 4th Street, Suite 105
El Centro, CA 92243

Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications-
Notice of Award/Allocation

Dear Ms. Llanas,

The Imperial County Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC), is pleased to inform you that your FY 2026 CoC Program Competition project applications were selected to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing submission.

The following projects were approved to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing:

<u>Renewal Project</u>	<u>Rank Position</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
1) IV CAP II FY 2026	1	\$49,796
<u>CoC Bonus Project</u>	<u>Rank Position</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
2) IV CAP II FY 2026 Expansion	3	\$165,000

In order to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing, please submit your applications via *e-snaps* no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. The Collaborative Applicant will provide a final review of your applications and will contact you no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2026, if there are any additional changes or corrections that may be necessary.

The full list of the FY 2026 CoC competition rankings and allocations can be found on the IVCCC website via the following link: [FY 2026 Competition Page](#). Please note that the awards and allocations are subject to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approval.

If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to contact the IVCCC via email at IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us or via telephone at (760) 336-4099.

Sincerely,

Renee A. Robles, MSW
Deputy Director

From: [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
To: [Gina Vargas](#)
Cc: [Francisco Guerrero](#); [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications- Notice of Award/Allocation (Reduced Allocation)
Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2026 1:54:00 PM
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[WomanHaven CoC Competition Notice.pdf](#)

Good afternoon Ms. Vargas,

Enclosed you will find the Notice of Award/Allocation (Reduced Allocation) for the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program Competition. A hard copy of this letter will be mailed to your office today.

We thank you for your submittal during this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) process.

Respectfully,

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council





Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail

September 23, 2026

Gina Vargas - Executive Director
WomanHaven
1225 W. Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications-
Notice of Award/Allocation (Reduced Allocation)

Dear Ms. Vargas,

The Imperial County Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC), is pleased to inform you that your 2026 CoC Program Competition renewal project application and Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus project application were selected to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing submission.

The following projects were approved to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing; however, based on the available renewal funding, WomanHaven's renewal project allocation was reduced to the allocation amount listed below:

<u>Renewal Project Name</u>	<u>Rank Position</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
1) A Safe Home Project	2	\$154,688

The following funding request for the DV Bonus was approved to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing submission.

<u>DV Bonus Project Name</u>	<u>Rank Position</u>	<u>Allocation</u>
2) Peace at Home Project	4	\$141,910

Please ensure that your requests for funding matches the amounts in the allocations listed above. In order to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing, please submit your applications via e-snaps no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. The Collaborative Applicant will provide a final review of your applications and will contact you no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2026, if there are any additional changes or corrections that may be necessary.

The full list of the FY 2026 CoC competition rankings and allocations can be found on the IVCCC website via the following link: [FY 2026 Competition Page](#). Please note that the awards and allocations are subject to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approval.

PAULA S. LLANAS
DIRECTOR



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Sincerely,

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Renee A. Robles, MSW
Deputy Director

From: [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
To: tcampbell@wpcc.org
Cc: [Joaquin Zambrano](#); [Camille Andersen](#); [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications – Notice of Award/Allocation (Reduced Allocation)
Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2026 1:59:00 PM
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[WPCC CoC Competition Notice.pdf](#)

Good afternoon Ms. Campbell,

Enclosed you will find the Notice of Award/Allocation (Reduced Allocation) for the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program Competition. A hard copy of this letter will be mailed to your office today.

We thank you for your submittal during this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) process.

Respectfully,

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council



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Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail

September 23, 2026

Terry Campbell- Interim Executive Director
Whole Person Care Clinic
1131 Yourman Road, Suite A
Heber, CA 92249

Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications –
Notice of Award/Allocation (Reduced Allocation)

Dear Ms. Campbell,

The Imperial County Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC), is pleased to inform you that your 2026 CoC Program Competition CoC Bonus project application was selected to be included in the 2026 CoC priority listing submission.

The following projects were approved to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing; however, based on the available CoC Bonus allocation and your rank position, the funding request for the WPCC Supportive Services Standalone Project was reduced to the allocation amount listed below:

CoC Bonus Project	Rank Position	Allocation
1) WPCC Street Outreach Supportive Services Project	5	\$197,590
2) WPCC Supportive Services Standalone Project	6	\$137,410

Please ensure that your requests for funding matches the amounts in the allocations listed above. In order to be included in the 2026 CoC priority listing, please submit your applications via *e-snaps* no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. The Collaborative Applicant will provide a final review of your applications and will contact you no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2026, if there are any additional changes or corrections that may be necessary.

The full list of the FY 2026 CoC competition rankings and allocations can be found on the IVCCC website via the following link: [FY 2026 Competition Page](#). Please note that the awards and allocations are subject to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approval.

If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to contact the IVCCC via email at IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us or via telephone at (760) 336-4099.

PAULA S. LLANAS
DIRECTOR



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Sincerely,

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Renee A. Robles, MSW
Deputy Director

From: [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
To: [Deby Wolford](#)
Cc: [Betty Medina](#); sines@encompasshousing.org; [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications – Notice of Rejected Project Application
Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2026 1:54:00 PM
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[Encompass Housing CoC Competition Notice.pdf](#)

Good afternoon Ms. Wolford,

The Imperial County Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC), regrets to inform you that your 2026 CoC Program Competition CoC Bonus project application was rejected. Enclosed you will find the Notice of Rejected Project Application for the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program Competition. A hard copy of this letter will be mailed to your office today.

Respectfully,

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council



PAULA S. LLANAS
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Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail

September 23, 2026

Deby Wolford- Chief Executive Officer
Encompass Housing
2900 S. Harbor Blvd, Ste 100
Santa Ana, CA 92704

Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications –
Notice of Rejected Project Application

Dear Ms. Wolford,

This letter is to update you on the status of your application. The Imperial County Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC), regrets to inform you that your 2026 CoC Program Competition CoC Bonus project application was rejected.

Based on the available CoC Bonus allocation and your organization's application rank position, your application was not selected.

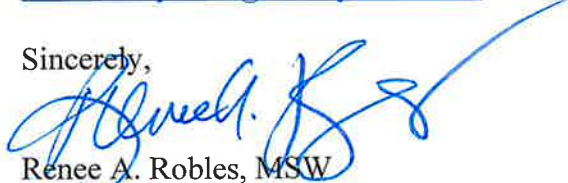
The unfunded project information and ranking are listed below:

<u>CoC Bonus Project</u>	<u>Rank Position</u>	<u>Allocation requested</u>
1) Valley Village Project	7	\$460,196.00

The full list of the FY 2026 CoC competition rankings and allocations can be found on the IVCCC website via the following link: [FY 2026 Competition Page](#).

If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to contact the IVCCC via email at IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us or via telephone at (760) 336-4099.

Sincerely,



Renee A. Robles, MSW
Deputy Director

From: [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
To: [Lennor Johnson](#)
Cc: [Alexis.ayala@imperial.edu](#); [dejon.davis@imperial.edu](#); [IVCCC inquiries - DSS Shared Mailbox](#)
Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications – Notice of Rejected Project Application
Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2026 1:55:00 PM
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Good afternoon Dr. Johnson,

The Imperial County Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC), regrets to inform you that your 2026 CoC Program Competition CoC Bonus project application was rejected. Enclosed you will find the Notice of Rejected Project Application for the Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program Competition. A hard copy of this letter will be mailed to your office today.

Respectfully,

Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council



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DIRECTOR



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Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail

September 23, 2026

Lennor M. Johnson- Superintendent/ President
Imperial Community College District
380 E Aten Rd
Imperial, CA 92251

Subject: FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Applications –
Notice of Rejected Project Application

Dear Dr. Johnson,

This letter is to update you on the status of your application. The Imperial County Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC), regrets to inform you that your 2026 CoC Program Competition CoC Bonus project application was rejected to be included in the 2026 CoC Priority Listing submission.

Based on the available CoC Bonus allocation and your organization's application rank position, your application was not selected.

As an additional note, the emailed proposal from Imperial Community College District/ Imperial Valley College did not include an e-snaps application but instead included an e-snaps project applicant profile.

The unfunded project information and ranking listed below:

<u>CoC Bonus Project Name</u>	<u>Rank Position</u>	<u>Allocation requested</u>
1) Pathways to Permanent Housing	8	no e-snaps application

The full list of the FY 2026 CoC competition rankings and allocations can be found on the IVCCC website via the following link: [FY 2026 Competition Page](#).

If you have any questions regarding the matter, please feel free to contact the IVCCC via email at IVCCCInquiries@co.imperial.ca.us or via telephone at (760) 336-4099.

Sincerely,

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Renee A. Robles, MSW
Deputy Director