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 2021 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
 2. The FY 2021 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 2021 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
 - 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.
 Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions
 Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

 Attachments
 Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed–including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.
 - Attachments must match the questions they are associated with–if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.
 - We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

To help you complete the CoC Application, HUD published resources at
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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: County of Imperial

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Sections VII.B.1.a.(1), VII.B.1.e., VII.B.1.n., and VII.B.1.p.	

	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021:
1.	select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted–including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC's coordinated entry system; or
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC's geographic area:

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing of CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC's Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
2.	Agencies serving survivors of human trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
3.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	Yes
4.	CoC-Funded Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
5.	CoC-Funded Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
6.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
8.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
9.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
10.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
11.	Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
12.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	No	No	No
13.	Law Enforcement	Yes	Yes	Yes
14.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	LGBT Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
16.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	Yes
17.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
18.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes

19.	**Mental Illness Advocates**	Yes	Yes	Yes
20.	**Non-CoC Funded Youth Homeless Organizations**	Yes	Yes	Yes
21.	**Non-CoC-Funded Victim Service Providers**	Yes	Yes	Yes
22.	**Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color**	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	**Organizations led by and serving LGBT persons**	Yes	Yes	Yes
24.	**Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities**	Yes	Yes	Yes
25.	**Other homeless subpopulation advocates**	Yes	Yes	Yes
26.	**Public Housing Authorities**	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	**School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons**	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	**Street Outreach Team(s)**	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	**Substance Abuse Advocates**	Yes	Yes	Yes
30.	**Substance Abuse Service Organizations**	Yes	Yes	Yes
31.	**Youth Advocates**	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	**Youth Service Providers**	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)			
33.	Adult Probation Dept	Yes	Yes	Yes
34.	Area Agency on Aging or Public Administrators	Yes	Yes	Yes

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

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	**communicated the invitation process annually to solicit new members to join the CoC;**
2.	**ensured effective communication with individuals with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats;**
3.	**conducted outreach to ensure persons experiencing homelessness or formerly homeless persons are encouraged to join your CoC; and**
4.	**invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, persons with disabilities).**

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. Interested organizations & individuals can join the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC) by attending a regularly scheduled meeting, completing a membership application, & committing to participate in the work of the IVCCC to achieve its purpose & goals. The IVCCC has created a webpage for interested individuals & organizations wishing to participate in the work of the IVCCC. The IVCCC accepts applications throughout the year. The IVCCC is also in the process of developing social media accounts on Facebook & Instagram where it will periodically invite new members to join. During the general membership monthly meetings, current IVCCC members are often encouraged to actively recruit additional members that are or would like to be engaged in the mission of the IVCCC. In addition, the IVCCC Executive Board regularly represents & promotes the CoC's work at civic groups, business networks, chambers of commerce, fraternal organizations, congregations, & special events, as a way to encourage others in the community to join the IVCCC. 2. All meetings are held virtually with the option of providing ADA compliant meeting rooms & other accommodations for individuals with disabilities & those that do not have access to the technology. Additionally,

meeting minutes are generated & are provided to all public members; the meeting minutes & all agendas are also published on the IVCCC website. All meetings are recorded & can be provided upon request. 3 Service providers & IVCCC staff provide information regarding the mission of the IVCCC & programs to homeless individuals served to encourage participation in the IVCCC. The IVCCC recently appointed a person with lived experience to serve as an Executive Board member. 4.All organizations that provide services to the homeless or at risk of homelessness are welcome to join the IVCCC. The Executive Board is actively working on nominating someone to serve on the Executive Board that will represent the BIPOC community.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.(3)	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information; and
3.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The IVCCC counts with an Executive Board (EB) and a General Membership (GM). EB members include stakeholders that represent private & public officials, philanthropic representatives, advocates, businesses, religious affiliates, service organizations, & those serving homeless subpopulations & a person with lived experience. Subpopulations include but are not limited to persons with substance use disorders; persons with HIV/AIDS; veterans; the chronically homeless; families with children; unaccompanied youth; persons with serious mental illness; & victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault & stalking. This includes one formerly homeless individual. The GM is comprised of individuals from a broad array of organizations that include: non-profits, public agencies, chambers of commerce, locally-owned businesses, religious affiliations, the education sector, health organizations, housing authorities, the general public, LGBTQ representation, law enforcement, veterans, skilled-training, crisis centers, disabled community. Both the EB & GM host monthly meetings where the members' opinions are openly discussed & taken into consideration when preparing agendas thus discussing & voting on specified interests.2. EB & GM agendas are posted on the IVCCC website & shared via email pursuant to the Brown Act. Meetings are open to the public with a clearly identified & set "public comment" portion where any member or general public can request information or provide information relevant to the efforts of the CoC. This is available to members & the general public. 3. All information gathered during public meetings is taken into consideration by the CoC. In the past 12 months, the recommendations & feedback received during public meetings & workshops have led to improvements in the solicitation process. In addition, the CoC makes concerted efforts to implement all ideas that are brought forward that can improve how homelessness is addressed in our region.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Funded.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.(4)	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:
1.	that your CoC's local competition was open and accepting project applications;
2.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;
3.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications;
4.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and
5.	how your CoC effectively communicated with individuals with disabilities, including making information accessible in electronic formats.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The IVCCC announced the release of the 2021 CoC Program Competition NOFO through email notification to all of the General Members, Executive Board, and non-voting individuals and organizations who have requested to receive notices and updates from the IVCCC. In addition, the IVCCC posted the local notice, NOFO, and the scoring and ranking tools on the IVCCC website. The local notice provided background on competition, funding principles, available funding, eligible project applications, submission requirements, application review, scoring and ranking process, appeal process, and timeline. The notice further included information related to the acceptance of new projects.
2. The local notice clearly identified the funds that were made available for renewal projects, new projects, and CoC planning. This information was further presented during an informational workshop that took place on October 22, 2021, for both new and returning applicants.
3. The IVCCC provided instructions on how to apply and submit applications in the local notice, this process was further explained during the workshop and general membership meeting.
4. The local notice also provides a summary of the rating and ranking process and presented this process in more detail during the public workshop.
5. All of the CoC local competition information was posted on the IVCCC website in electronic formats. The IVCCC can provide additional information and or resources to individuals with disabilities upon request.

1C. Coordination and Engagement–Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organiza

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1C-1.	**Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.**
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.b.

	In the chart below:
1.	**select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or**
2.	**select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.**

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

18.	County Public Administrators	Yes

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

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

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. ESG Program recipients are voting members of the IVCCC & are invited to meetings that include discussion of planning & allocation of funds. In addition, the IVCCC priorities adopted by the board are presented to the entire membership for feedback. Any local homeless information &/or data is shared with ESG recipients to support & help address any priority needs for local plans. The IVCCC solicits expressions of interest from ESG applicants. ESG NOFA data is provided at general meetings & distributed via email to the IVCCC's mailing list. Workshops are hosted to review annual ESG NOFA, evaluation & reporting performance requirements, & provide other technical assistance to interested organizations. The IVCCC's local scoring criteria considers local, state, & federal priorities. Applications are submitted to the rating & ranking committee for scoring prior to recommendation of applications for board approval.

2. The CoC evaluates & tracks expenditures/activities monthly to ensure accurate record keeping & proper use of funds. HMIS expectations are clearly identified in all contracts & subrecipients are provided with an invoice template. By capturing the data monthly, the program is evaluated on a monthly basis which in turn helps determine if a program is performing as intended.

3. The IVCCC coordinates the annual PIT count & generates an annual report that is submitted to HUD & available on their website for easy access.   The information is shared with City & County governments & with state HCD & federal HUD representatives.

4. PIT data from HUD's data exchange is extracted, compiled, & provided to County & City offices for inclusion in & development of Consolidated Plan. PIT & HIC data are taken directly from HUD's data exchange by the IVCCC's HMIS Coordinator to ensure consistency & accuracy in the development of plans that account for the full extent of homelessness & gaps in the region's shelter & housing inventory.

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

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

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	Yes
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	Yes
3.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients.	Yes
4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance.	Yes
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting AAQs or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance of service providers.	Yes
6.	Other. (limit 150 characters)	

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–SEAs, LEAs, Local Liaisons & State Coordinators.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC collaborates with youth education providers;	
2.	your CoC's formal partnerships with youth education providers;	
3.	how your CoC collaborates with State Education Agency (SEA) and Local Education Agency (LEA);	
4.	your CoC's formal partnerships with SEAs and LEAs;	
5.	how your CoC collaborates with school districts; and	
6.	your CoC's formal partnerships with school districts.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

1-6. The Continuum of Care General Membership includes participation from our local Education Agency and College. The IVCCC has also supported the efforts of our LEA to attain funding aimed at assisting children and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The Collaborative Applicant (CA) has partnerships with the LEA to provide services to homeless students, specifically children who are identified as homeless that need to attend their school of origin. The CA maintains a strong working relationship with the Foster Care Liaison to ascertain that homeless students are provided adequate educational resources. The CA is working on a formal partnership that will delineate the respective responsibilities of each party. In addition, the CA has formal agreements with Imperial Valley Regional Occupation Program (IVROP), a public educational agency for transitional housing placement through Project ACE. Project ACE Transitional Housing Placement (THP), is designed to serve homeless youth, both current and former foster youth between the ages of 18-25. Services include but are not restricted to rental assistance, on-call emergency support, housing navigation, crisis intervention, case management, educational advocacy, post-high school education training, life skills training, financial literacy, and job readiness.

1C-4a.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–Educational Services–Informing Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.	

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

(limit 2,000 characters)

The Continuum of Care has adopted Written Standards to prioritize homeless youth to include Transitional Age Youth, LGBTQ, and Domestic Violence/Human Trafficking Victims. The program standards contained within the Written Standards include educational advancements, such as GED preparation and attainment post-secondary training and vocational education that will be provided or will be coordinated through external referrals. To this end, the CoC has adopted Program Level Principle standards. Said standards delineate the responsibilities of programs serving homeless youth or families with homeless youth who must ensure access to education services for children. Each housing and housing case management program must be aware of, and inform family and youth-only households of the educational rights of children and unaccompanied youth in their programs. Programs serving families or youth will adhere to the provisions of the adopted CoC Educational Assurances policy. Each organization will implement the policy by public posting, clients rights to education and through the designation of staff who are responsible for a collaboration with McKinney-Vento School Liaisons or other school officials to coordinate educational services with program staff will highly encourage school attendance and will work with households to address any barriers to school attendance.

1C-4b.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–Educational Services–Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.	

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

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

1C-5.	Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors–Annual Training–Best Practices.	

	NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinates to provide training for:	
1.	Project staff that addresses safety and best practices (e.g., trauma-informed, victim-centered) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually); and	
2.	Coordinated Entry staff that addresses safety and best practices (e.g., trauma informed care) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually).	

(limit 2,000 characters)

1.The IVCCC Executive Board established a Victim Services Committee in 2018 with the specific task of providing training to CoC member organizations and other projects and providers in Imperial County. Through committee members, training is offered in trauma-informed practices, detecting and reporting suspected domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, recognizing warning signs, ensuring client confidentiality and safety, and other subjects, including coordination of multi-disciplinary care for family members regardless of age or gender. The committee has since been renamed from Victim Services Committee to the Vulnerable Population Committee. The Committee continues to have active participation from the Center for Family Solutions members serving victims of crime. The Committee has developed and provided workshops on best practices, including Crisis Intervention, Advocacy, Legal Assistance, Community Resources, Trauma-Informed Care, and Counseling and Children's Services. Committee members provided a workshop on October 6, 2021, and October 14, 2021, in which domestic violence was discussed in detail. The workshop incorporated information on understanding trauma, how it affects individuals and communities and ways to promote healing in a collaborative approach.
2. In addition, the IVCCC Coordinated Entry System (CES) Policies and procedures continue to be enhanced and will include specific policies to address the needs of individuals and families who are fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking and seeking shelter/housing services. The CA will develop semi-annual training for the General Membership.

1C-5a.	Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors–Using De-identified Aggregate Data.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC uses de-identified aggregate data from a comparable database to assess the special needs related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking survivors.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

The PIT count provides the largest data set for county-wide assessment of housing and service needs of people experiencing homelessness related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. The PIT survey includes questions to illicit confidential responses from victims and survivors. The coordinated assessment provides a second level of data to assess the scope of community need for persons seeking shelter and services. Collection of confidential data and self-reports from individuals and families allows for

aggregate reports from both the HMIS and the comparable database used by the CoC's victims service providers. Assessments provide a more thorough understanding of the multiple needs and any barriers confronting victims experiencing homelessness. Two IVCCC agencies operate emergency shelter/transitional housing projects specifically for women and children fleeing domestic violence. Both shelter programs contribute annual PIT numbers for inclusion in the CoC's system-level performance analysis and assessment of community needs. That data, along with calls for service and other evidence from IVCCC members, provides the third level of data that rounds out the complete body of information used to assess the level of community need, any trends or emerging issues, and successful strategies and approaches to reach and best serve victims experiencing homelessness.

1C-5b.	Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors–Coordinated Assessment–Safety, Planning, and Confidentiality Protocols.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system protocols incorporate trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches while maximizing client choice for housing and services that:	
1.	prioritize safety;	
2.	use emergency transfer plan; and	
3.	ensure confidentiality.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The IVCCC emergency transfer plan includes language to ensure the safety of all participants in programs providing services to victims of violence and trauma. Information obtained during an emergency transfer remains confidential, unless the tenant gives written permission to release the information on a time limited basis, or disclosure of the information is required by law or required for use in an eviction proceeding or hearing regarding termination of assistance from the covered program. This specifically includes keeping confidential the new location of the dwelling unit of the tenant from public disclosure or to the person(s) that committed an act(s) of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking against the tenant.
2. In addition, domestic violence service providers use an HMIS-conforming, comparable database that mirrors the CoC's primary HMIS and keeps participant data confidential to ensure the preservation of maximum safety. Participants are still provided access to mainstream housing choices with continuing support, housing navigation, case management and other services.
3. The IVCCC Domestic Violence Committee provides awareness and training on issues related to domestic violence, human trafficking, and other vulnerable victims. In addition, the IVCCC coordinated entry system (CES) policies and procedures continue to include specific policies to address the needs of individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking and seeking shelter/housing services. Safety and confidentiality planning in the CES policies and procedures will be addressed through additional training for access points, assessment centers and referral agencies.

1C-6.	Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender–Anti-Discrimination Policy and Training.	

NOFO Section VII.B.1.f.

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

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area–New Admissions–General/Limited Preference–Moving On Strategy. You Must Upload an Attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report at https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/FY-2020-CoC-PHA-Crosswalk-Report.pdf or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with–if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2020 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
Imperial Valley Housing Authority		Yes-Public Housing	No
Housing Authority of the City of Calexico		Yes-Public Housing	No

You must enter information for at least 1 row in question 1C-7.

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference–if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. There are two (2) PHA's in Imperial County which include Imperial Valley Housing Authority (IVHA) and Housing Authority of the City of Calexico (HACC). Both PHA's are voting members of the local CoC. The IVHA has established the following local preferences on individuals who are: displaced by government action or natural disaster, veteran, transitional housing graduate, and foster youth. The HACC's preference policy includes Veteran's and families participating in homelessness transitional housing program. The Housing Authority of the City of Calexico has been active participant in the IVCCC meetings and have applied for new funding opportunities to increase their assistance to homeless individuals within the City of Calexico.   The CoC

Executive Board has met with the IVHA to commence discussions regarding future prioritization of the homeless population in Imperial County via IVHA.

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:	

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

1C-7c.	Including PHA-Funded Units in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry System.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

Does your CoC include PHA-funded units in the CoC's coordinated entry process?	Yes

1C-7c.1.	Method for Including PHA-Funded Units in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry System.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

	If you selected yes in question 1C-7c., describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC includes the units in its Coordinated Entry process; and	
2.	whether your CoC's practices are formalized in written agreements with the PHA, e.g., MOUs.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

1.The CoC is currently updating its Coordinated Entry System and although it is currently collaborating with one of the local Housing Authorities as it processes Emergency Housing Vouchers, it is uncertain if once this program ends it will be able to continue assisting clients with PHA housing units. The PHA has limited housing stock and has a long list of individuals and families currently waiting to participate in this program. The CoC and partnering agencies will continue to provide housing navigation services and refer clients to the Housing Authorities to enroll in the program. The CoC Executive Board has met with the IVHA to commence discussions regarding future prioritization of the homeless population in Imperial County via IVHA.
2. The CoC currently has an MOU in place between the Imperial Valley Housing Authority (IVHA) and the CoC. The MOU establishes the responsibilities of both the CoC and IVHA in order to screen, process and ultimately issue Emergency Housing Vouchers to eligible individuals and families. The primary responsibility

of the Collaborative Applicant (CA) is to make direct referrals of qualifying individuals and families to the PHA. The CoC foresees project collaboration with IVHA in the future.

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

Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application(s) for funding of projects serving families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other non-federal programs)?	No

1C-7d.1.	CoC and PHA Joint Application–Experience–Benefits.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

	If you selected yes to question 1C-7d, describe in the field below:
1.	the type of joint project applied for;
2.	whether the application was approved; and
3.	how your CoC and families experiencing homelessness benefited from the coordination.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including American Rescue Plan Vouchers.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

Did your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	Yes

1C-7e.1.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Administer Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program–List of PHAs with MOUs.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

Did your CoC enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any PHA to administer the EHV Program?	Yes

If you select yes, you must use the list feature below to enter the name of every PHA your CoC has entered into a MOU with to administer the Emergency Housing Voucher Program.
PHA
Imperial Valley H...

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

Name of PHA: Imperial Valley Housing Authority

1C. Coordination and Engagement–Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organiza

1C-8.	Discharge Planning Coordination.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.h.	

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

1. Foster Care	Yes
2. Health Care	Yes
3. Mental Health Care	Yes
4. Correctional Facilities	Yes

1C-9.	Housing First–Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.i.	

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2021 CoC Program Competition.	2
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2021 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	2
3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, Safe-Haven, SSO non-Coordinated Entry projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1C-9a.	Housing First–Project Evaluation.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.i.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly evaluates projects to ensure those that commit to using a Housing First approach are prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing and are not requiring service participation or preconditions of program participants.

(limit 2,000 characters)

The IVCCC's strategic plan helps identify strategies to increase rates of emergency sheltered individuals exiting into permanent housing. The IVCCC's current strategy for ensuring that individuals and families exit to permanent housing destinations is built on two key elements, 1) the creation and

maintenance of an expanding inventory of permanent housing and 2) the provision of appropriate services in shelter programs that address housing readiness, including a housing plan that conforms to best Housing First practices. Funded rapid rehousing programs employ progressive engagement strategies and individualized housing plans that include tapering down rental assistance and connecting participants to community-based services, employment training, and other mainstream resources to rapidly transition households to self-sufficiency. The increase of housing retention for permanent housing residents remains a priority as well as enhancing our coordinated entry system to ensure that prioritization of needs and services are accessible to individuals homeless or at risk of homelessness. The Imperial County Department of Social Services is the Administrative Entity (AE) for Imperial County's CoC and ensures the CoC's overall strategies to reduce homelessness. The AE continues to increase HMIS analysis from data collected and entered by sub-recipients. The AE provides support to these agencies and helps identify areas for improvement with data entry. This information is continuously analyzed to help identify gaps in services, thus making improvements to program guidelines.

1C-9b.	Housing First–Veterans.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

Does your CoC have sufficient resources to ensure each Veteran experiencing homelessness is assisted to quickly move into permanent housing using a Housing First approach?	Yes

1C-10.	Street Outreach–Scope.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.j.	

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

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The IVCCC's street outreach includes programs operated by the Department of Social Services, Department of Behavioral Health Services, non-profits, churches and various civic groups. The regional plan for coordinated street outreach calls for organizations to conduct assessments of homeless individuals and families and for submission of assessment data to the CES database. Outreach coordinators & volunteers provide transportation and linkages to medical and mental health care, mainstream benefits, interim housing and other services. HMIS use and case conferencing allow for verification of referral services to ensure no service available is left on the table and that adequate referral takes place.
2. Outreach covers 100 percent of our area. Through various organizations that are either sub recipients of our grants, members of our CoC or service providers, population in each incorporated and non-incorporated area is

reached through various methods.

3. Through our grant sub recipients, street outreach is performed every day of the week. Additionally, local law enforcement agencies are active participants in our CoC membership, allowing for the knowledge of available resources to spread to those that are active in the community around the clock.

4. Outreach workers are trained and versed in working with all vulnerable populations and utilize repeated outreach to build trust with those likely to request services. This year, our Executive Board added a lived-experience member who has assisted in identifying methods that can be implemented to existing processes to influence those that might otherwise not be interested in assistance.

1C-11.	**Criminalization of Homelessness.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.k.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate strategies your CoC implemented to prevent the criminalization of homelessness in your CoC's geographic area:

1.	**Engaged/educated local policymakers**	Yes
2.	**Engaged/educated law enforcement**	Yes
3.	**Engaged/educated local business leaders**	Yes
4.	**Implemented communitywide plans**	Yes
5.	**Other:(limit 500 characters)**	
		No

1C-12.	**Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC).**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.l.	

	2020	2021
Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC–only enter bed data for projects that have an inventory type of "Current."	125	86

1C-13.	**Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance–Healthcare–Enrollment/Effective Utilization.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC assists persons experiencing homelessness with enrolling in health insurance and effectively using Medicaid and other benefits.

	Type of Health Care	**Assist with Enrollment?**	**Assist with Utilization of Benefits?**
1.	**Public Health Care Benefits (State or Federal benefits, Medicaid, Indian Health Services)**	Yes	Yes

2.	**Private Insurers**	Yes	Yes
3.	**Nonprofit, Philanthropic**	Yes	Yes
4.	**Other (limit 150 characters)**		
		No	No

1C-13a.	**Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance–Information and Training.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.m	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC provides information and training to CoC Program-funded projects by:	
1.	systemically providing up to date information on mainstream resources available for program participants (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, TANF, substance abuse programs) within your CoC's geographic area;	
2.	communicating information about available mainstream resources and other assistance and how often your CoC communicates this information;	
3.	working with projects to collaborate with healthcare organizations to assist program participants with enrolling in health insurance; and	
4.	providing assistance with the effective use of Medicaid and other benefits.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

The Department of Social Services (DSS) & Resources Committee jointly contribute to all IVCCC general meetings, ensuring that member agencies are aware of & up-to-date in referral protocols, eligibility criteria, & all aspects of mainstream benefits available to individuals & families experiencing homelessness. DSS personnel are available to provide technical assistance, staff training, presentations, & other forms of support to expedite the connection of homeless individuals & families to County offices & other organizations providing mainstream benefits assistance & expanded resources, including education & training, employment preparation & referral, family support, transportation assistance, legal consultation, financial literacy training & more. In fiscal year 20/21, 38,769 children & adults were provided access to food through CalFresh. DSS has provided a presentation to the IVCCC General Membership regarding the different benefits that DSS provides, including, Medical, Cal-Fresh, temporary homeless assistance, & housing support program. 2. Updates on available resources & active programs are provided once a month to IVCCC members & daily on our website or via our hotline where the team serves as a navigation center, referring those in need to proper services. Data is distributed via email to partner agencies who then distribute to their network. 3. The IVCCC members include DSS eligibility program representatives, which includes Medi-Cal. In fiscal year 20/21, 75,830 children & adults received health & wellness services through Medi-Cal. Along with the DSS, CoC membership includes reps from healthcare management plans & two local hospitals & several clinics. 4. The CoC works with program managers & analysts to update program guidelines to ensure effective use of available resources. Hotline Center staff keeps abreast of program changes to ensure eligible participants are properly connected to the assistance they need & qualify for to include Medicaid.

1C-14.	**Centralized or Coordinated Entry System–Assessment Tool. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.n.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:
1.	covers 100 percent of your CoC's geographic area;
2.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;
3.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance; and
4.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive assistance in a timely manner.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. Our CoC is working on a revamped Coordinated Entry System (CES) that was put on hold due to the Covid-19 pandemic. A pilot is scheduled to be rolled out during the first quarter of 2022. The existing CES is designed to provide pathways through the crisis response system while allowing for the quickest possible exit to permanent housing. To ensure it covers 100% of our area and access to eligible households, Access Points located throughout the County are being identified. Eligible households can connect to the CES in person through any of the Access Points, which includes telephone screenings and other flexible pathways. Households can also complete assessments through street-based outreach.

2-3. Street-based outreach teams have played an essential role in the CES. These teams have the first contact with a client and will keep them engaged throughout the process. This outreach allows for conducting assessments in the geographical locations where individuals and families experiencing homelessness reside, including streets, parks, campsites, abandoned buildings, cars, and other places not meant for human habitation. Access Points contain information on an array of services and mainstream resources to assist in resolving the immediate needs of a household and potentially end an episode of homelessness. This may include information on diversion opportunities, employment, education, transportation, public benefits, and legal services, among others.

4. Many of the people attempting to enter a shelter or complete a housing assessment are experiencing an immediate housing crisis that can be resolved without shelter entry. This requires staff trained in diversion who are strong problem solvers and understand that their goal is to figure out safe and feasible housing alternatives for people seeking shelter/assessment. This training ensures most people in need of assistance receive it in a timely manner.

1C-15.	Promoting Racial Equity in Homelessness–Assessing Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.o.	

Did your CoC conduct an assessment of whether disparities in the provision or outcome of homeless assistance exists within the last 3 years?	Yes

1C-15a.	Racial Disparities Assessment Results.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.o.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the findings from your CoC's most recent racial disparities assessment.

1.	People of different races or ethnicities are more likely to receive homeless assistance.	Yes
2.	People of different races or ethnicities are less likely to receive homeless assistance.	No
3.	People of different races or ethnicities are more likely to receive a positive outcome from homeless assistance.	Yes
4.	People of different races or ethnicities are less likely to receive a positive outcome from homeless assistance.	No
5.	There are no racial or ethnic disparities in the provision or outcome of homeless assistance.	Yes
6.	The results are inconclusive for racial or ethnic disparities in the provision or outcome of homeless assistance.	Yes

1C-15b.	Strategies to Address Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.o.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to address any racial disparities.

1.	The CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies are representative of the population served in the CoC.	Yes
2.	The CoC has identified steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC.	Yes
3.	The CoC is expanding outreach in geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups.	Yes
4.	The CoC has communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups.	Yes
5.	The CoC is training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness.	Yes
6.	The CoC is establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector.	Yes
7.	The CoC has staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness.	Yes
8.	The CoC is educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity.	Yes
9.	The CoC reviewed coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
10.	The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system.	Yes
11.	The CoC is conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	
12.		No

1C-15c.	Promoting Racial Equity in Homelessness Beyond Areas Identified in Racial Disparity Assessment.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.o.	

Describe in the field below the steps your CoC and homeless providers have taken to improve racial equity in the provision and outcomes of assistance beyond just those areas identified in the racial disparity assessment.

(limit 2,000 characters)

Our CoC has requested formal Technical Assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to include an evaluation of issues related to potential racial disparities. However, preliminary assessments do not indicate that there are significant disparities in the provision of services for the homeless population in Imperial County. Steps taken to improve and or eliminate disparities include language within our Written Standards wherein shelters must have a clear non-discrimination policy. In addition, all programs, and services must adhere to Fair Housing Standards.

1C-16.	Persons with Lived Experience–Active CoC Participation.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.p.	

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

	Level of Active Participation	**Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant**	**Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations**
1.	Included and provide input that is incorporated in the local planning process.	1	1
2.	Review and recommend revisions to local policies addressing homelessness related to coordinated entry, services, and housing.	1	1
3.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	1	1
4.	Included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	1	1
5.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	1	1

1C-17.	Promoting Volunteerism and Community Service.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.r.	

	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate steps your CoC has taken to promote and support community engagement among people experiencing homelessness in the CoC's geographic area:	

1.	**The CoC trains provider organization staff on connecting program participants and people experiencing homelessness with education and job training opportunities.**	Yes
2.	**The CoC trains provider organization staff on facilitating informal employment opportunities for program participants and people experiencing homelessness (e.g., babysitting, housekeeping, food delivery, data entry).**	Yes
3.	**The CoC works with organizations to create volunteer opportunities for program participants.**	Yes
4.	**The CoC works with community organizations to create opportunities for civic participation for people experiencing homelessness (e.g., townhall forums, meeting with public officials).**	Yes
5.	**Provider organizations within the CoC have incentives for employment and/or volunteerism.**	Yes
6.	**Other:(limit 500 characters)**	
		No

1D. Addressing COVID-19 in the CoC's Geographic Area

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https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition, including:
 - Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Continuum of Care Program
Competition
 - FY 2021 CoC Application Detailed Instructions–essential in helping you maximize your CoC
Application score by giving specific guidance on how to respond to many questions and
providing specific information about attachments you must upload
 - 24 CFR part 578

1D-1.	**Safety Protocols Implemented to Address Immediate Needs of People Experiencing Unsheltered, Congregate Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing Homelessness.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

	Describe in the field below protocols your CoC implemented during the COVID-19 pandemic to address immediate safety needs for individuals and families living in:
1.	**unsheltered situations;**
2.	**congregate emergency shelters; and**
3.	**transitional housing.**

(limit 2,000 characters)

1-3.The ICDSS is designated as the CoC Lead Agency (LA) & carries out the activities of the CoC. After Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the LA & partnering agencies assessed community needs to include funding, securing travel trailers & hotel rooms, implementing safety protocols & intake procedures for those serving homeless individuals. The LA & partnering agencies provided testing, screening for symptoms & non-congregate shelter to those +65 years or high risk due to medical conditions. Travel trailers were installed, serviced, & sanitized to house Covid-19 positive homeless individuals & those identified as close contacts. Meals were provided to those in travel trailers & hotel rooms to prevent community transmission. The LA provided +3,000 facemasks, 160 face shields, 43 gloves boxes, 1,220 hand sanitizers & +20 packages of disinfectant wipes to service providers. Through the Emergency Operations Center, the LA launched the Homeless Taskforce & provided coordinated services to include transportation, medical services, public health education, referrals to services such as nutritional services, substance abuse, mental health & others. Congregate emergency shelters were operated and available throughout the pandemic but if there was an outbreak, individuals were sent to the LA to assist with isolation services & mitigate exposure in shelters. Service providers applied social distancing & used proper PPE. Trailers, hotel rooms, shelters, offices & meeting rooms were disinfected regularly. The CA maintained communication with shelters to provide support & information from the CDC t o mitigate barriers. The CA also provided Interim Shelter Guidance from CDC. The CA assisted in identifying & eliminating barriers that shelters encountered. The CA developed a Homeless Resource Guide for homeless service providers that

gives recommendations for homeless individuals who contract COVID or identify as Persons Under Investigation.

1D-2.	Improving Readiness for Future Public Health Emergencies.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC improved readiness for future public health emergencies.

(limit 2,000 characters)

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Imperial County Department of Social Services who is designated as the CoC Lead Agency has developed and strengthened its relationship with the Imperial County Health Department, the Imperial County Office of Emergency Services as well as the rest of the homeless service providers. The CA developed a resource guide for homeless service providers that provided guidance as to how to address COVID with critical elements, recommendations, triage screening, pathways to housing, and identified support and wraparounds services. Similar guidelines will be developed to ensure that the CoC is ready to mobilize efforts during any future public health emergencies. Collaboration amongst all services providers with guidance from health agencies and organization have proven to be key during public emergencies. Knowing the right agency and/or individual to contact for guidance or assistance will be extremely important. The CoC knows the importance of digital information which includes social media and will ensure all available media resources are utilized to inform the public about available resources and accurate information.

1D-3.	CoC Coordination to Distribute ESG Cares Act (ESG-CV) Funds.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinated with ESG-CV recipients to distribute funds to address:
1.	safety measures;
2.	housing assistance;
3.	eviction prevention;
4.	healthcare supplies; and
5.	sanitary supplies.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. Our ESG-CV recipients have taken safety measures very seriously. As an example, one of the ESG-CV Emergency Shelter recipients have installed room dividers and sanitizing stations in order to make the congregate shelter environment safer for residents.
2. We have 2 ESG-CV recipients providing Rapid Rehousing (RRH) services. These RRH ESG-CV recipients are smaller, but have many years working within the community and have established relationships with landlords. While we have a very limited affordable housing stock in our community, because these RRH ESG-CV recipients already have established relationships within the community, they have more capability of accessing the limited housing stock.

3. Due to the regulations surrounding rental arrears assistance through homeless prevention during a time of eviction moratorium and the ERAP program initiation, we have been unable to prevent eviction due to rental arrears owed. However, our ESG-CV subrecipient that was granted Homeless prevention funding has used the funding to assist those at risk of homelessness due to other eligible reasons.

4. The ESG-CV recipient in our community that was granted funds for Street Outreach has used these funds to provide first aid kits and sanitizer. They also have funding budgeted for PPE. 5. The ESG-CV recipient in our community that was granted funds for Street Outreach already had a mobile shower unit that the provider was using to help members in the homeless community. Funding from the first round of ESG-CV was used to purchase mobile shower supplies and a truck to pull the mobile shower unit. Funding from the second round of ESG-CV was budgeted to purchase a mobile laundry trailer and a truck to be able to stow both the mobile shower unit and mobile laundry trailer to be used concurrently. Both the mobile shower unit and the mobile laundry trailer will help homeless members of the community maintain their personal hygiene by the giving them the ability to take showers and have clean clothing.

1D-4.	**CoC Coordination with Mainstream Health.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinated with mainstream health (e.g., local and state health agencies, hospitals) during the COVID-19 pandemic to:
1.	**decrease the spread of COVID-19; and**
2.	**ensure safety measures were implemented (e.g., social distancing, hand washing/sanitizing, masks).**

(limit 2,000 characters)

1-2. The Imperial County Department of Social Services who is designated as the CoC Lead Agency established ongoing communication with the Imperial County Public Health Department to access relevant and up to date information regarding the Covid-19 pandemic and safety measures that should be implemented. The CoC implemented all the recommended safety protocols, shared reliable information with partnering agencies, identified available resources in the community and provided educational materials. The CA participated in the local Emergency Operation Center (EOC) daily meetings with all cities, State, and local hospitals to provide support, data and information related to COVID 19 and the impacts to the homeless population. The CA provided testing to the homeless population, in encampments and provided support to hospitals upon the discharge of COVID-19 patients who were identified as homeless. The CA had a 24 hour hotline that operated during the COVID-19 surge. The hotline provided relief to hospitals who were at capacity, and that had patients who were homeless and diagnosed with COVID-19 that did not require hospitalization but required isolation services. The CA provided said isolation services, and quarantine services, wraparound services to include, food, clothing, case management, and transition after isolation into permanent housing.

To prevent the spread of Covid-19, the CoC began having virtual meetings for both the Executive Board and the General Membership during which participants were provided with Covid-19 information and resources such as the availability of trailers and hotel rooms.

1D-5.	Communicating Information to Homeless Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC communicated information to homeless service providers during the COVID-19 pandemic on:	
1.	safety measures;	
2.	changing local restrictions; and	
3.	vaccine implementation.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

1-2. Some of the efforts that we have made to mitigate the spread of COVID were made early on. The CA communicated with local shelters, service providers and the State regarding the impact of COVID in Imperial County. The CoC assisted all homeless service providers to include shelters with equipment, isolation and quarantine services, face masks, sanitation, and connected our homeless service providers to our local Emergency Operation Center (EOC) as needed for further assistance.

The CoC has provided and continues to provide all relevant information pertaining to the Covid-19 local actions, restrictions, vaccination events and other programs during general membership meetings, via e-mail and via its website. The CoC also developed a 19 page "Resource Guide to Homeless Providers" document which was designed to help the Imperial County homeless stakeholders know what to do and how to refer a homeless individual during the Covid-19 pandemic. The guide provides critical recommendations such as safety measures to reduce risk at shelters, separation of people with symptoms, screening, referrals and resources available thru stakeholders.

1D-6.	Identifying Eligible Persons Experiencing Homelessness for COVID-19 Vaccination.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC identified eligible individuals and families experiencing homelessness for COVID-19 vaccination based on local protocol.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

Imperial County is known as one of the hardest hit Covid-19 geographical areas in the country which is why the Imperial County Public Health Department along with many other health, social organizations including homeless stakeholder agencies have worked extensively to promote and vaccinate as many eligible individuals as possible. There has been a significant amount of vaccination clinics throughout Imperial County that have targeted all residents including homeless individuals. Vaccination clinics continue to be available throughout various locations in the county. Thanks to these efforts, Imperial County has recorded one of the highest vaccination rates in California and currently has over 70 percent of its eligible residents vaccinated.
With the understanding the people experiencing homelessness may have difficulty accessing medical services in traditional settings, such as a clinic or pharmacy. The Collaborative Applicant (CA) met with the local health

Department director to ascertain that vaccination efforts included the homeless population. The CA collaborated with the Public Health and homeless service providers to provide vaccines to people experiencing homelessness, this included homeless service sites like shelters, day programs, or food service locations. The COVID-19 vaccination program implementation plans included strategies to offer vaccination in areas frequented by people experiencing unsheltered homelessness and leveraging the relationships that homeless service providers had established with the homeless population to properly inform the homeless regarding the vaccine, benefits and availability.

1D-7.	Addressing Possible Increases in Domestic Violence.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC addressed possible increases in domestic violence calls for assistance due to requirements to stay at home, increased unemployment, etc. during the COVID-19 pandemic.

(limit 2,000 characters)

The CoC who works closely with WomanHaven our local and primary Domestic Service provider was informed of a significant increase of calls during the pandemic, especially during the fall and winter season of 2020. Fortunately, WomanHaven always kept their offices open and they were able to provide shelter when needed to DV victims. There were several safety protocols established such as having victims isolated in hotels for a few days before being moved to shelters and limiting contact amongst each other. Legal services continued to be provided to DV victims during the pandemic. In addition, the Collaborative Applicant (CA) established a homeless hotline that assisted in housing those individuals that tested positive for COVID-19, or that were fleeing during the pandemic and assisted with housing services in coordination with Womanhaven.

1D-8.	Adjusting Centralized or Coordinated Entry System.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.n.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC adjusted its coordinated entry system to account for rapid changes related to the onset and continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic.

(limit 2,000 characters)

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the process of updating and revising the Coordinated Entry System was put on hold in 2020 and early 2021. However for the last several months, the CoC has been actively working with Population Change and HUD as it revises its policies and procedures and develops a new screening tool. During the pandemic, the CoC homeless hotline continued to operate and the appropriate services and referrals were provided to those that called the hotline. These services and referrals incorporated any changes in services that were attributed to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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

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1E-1.	Announcement of 30-Day Local Competition Deadline–Advance Public Notice of How Your CoC Would Review, Rank, and Select Projects. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.a. and 2.g.	

1.	Enter the date your CoC published the 30-day submission deadline for project applications for your CoC's local competition.	10/19/2021
2.	Enter the date your CoC publicly posted its local scoring and rating criteria, including point values, in advance of the local review and ranking process.	10/19/2021

1E-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. We use the response to this question as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria listed below.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.	

	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:	

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Used data from a comparable database to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	Yes
5.	Used objective criteria to evaluate how projects submitted by victim service providers improved safety for the population they serve.	Yes
6.	Used a specific method for evaluating projects based on the CoC's analysis of rapid returns to permanent housing.	Yes

1E-2a.	Project Review and Ranking Process–Addressing Severity of Needs and Vulnerabilities.	

	NOFO Section VII.B.2.d.

	Describe in the field below how your CoC reviewed, scored, and selected projects based on:
1.	the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities your CoC considered when ranking and selecting projects; and
2.	considerations your CoC gave to projects that provide housing and services to the hardest to serve populations that could result in lower performance levels but are projects your CoC needs in its geographic area.

(limit 2,000 characters)

Prior to the start of the review and ranking process, the ranking subcommittee was provided with a copy of the FY 2021 CoC NOFO, a copy of the local notice for funding competition which described the types of projects available for competition, and the new and renewal applications rating and ranking tool. In addition, the CoC had a scoring and ranking process moderator who oversaw the scoring and ranking process. Patricia Leslie an outside CoC professional provided technical assistance to the committee.
1. The IVCCC Executive Board has established funding principles to guide and prioritize grant allocations to include CoC Program Funding. These funding principles are as follows: a) Invest in programs that support Imperial County's service priorities: permanent housing, rapid re-housing, emergency shelters, transitional housing and supportive services to end homelessness. b) invest in programs that support Imperial County's homeless population priorities and align with HUD-recommended subpopulations such as veterans, youth, families and chronically homeless individuals. c) Invest in programs that work towards eradicating homelessness in the region by addressing the underlying causes and lessening the negative impact on individuals, families, and community. d) Invest in programs that address significant service gaps among the chronically homeless and establish accountable, long-term, and sustainable results. e) Invest in programs that support the housing first policy and emphasize on a comprehensive coordinated service delivery approach to wraparound services to ensure successful housing and self-sufficiency outcomes.
2. The IVCCC ranking subcommittee uses the objective scoring tools developed for each funding opportunity based on the types of projects and applications submitted (New Applications and Renewals) to ensure equitable scoring that included local and HUD priority subpopulations and funding principles. Those ranked took into account the severity of needs and vulnerabilities.

1E-3.	Promoting Racial Equity in the Local Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	obtained input and included persons of different races, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, when determining the rating factors used to review project applications;
2.	included persons of different races, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, in the review, selection, and ranking process;
3.	rated and ranked projects based on the degree to which their program participants mirror the homeless population demographics (e.g., considers how a project promotes racial equity where individuals and families of different races are over-represented).

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The CoC takes input from all CoC Executive Board Members, General Members, and any other organization or individual that participates and

provides comments during public meetings and workshops regardless of race. The rating factors were developed based on HUD requirements, local funding principles which were developed by taking into consideration local needs and input from local organizations.

2. The ranking subcommittee was composed of individuals of different race and ethnicities that have experience working with and providing services to the local homeless population which is made up of different races.

3. The ranking subcommittee reviewed a total of four projects (2 renewals and 2 new applications), one of the new projects is an expansion of a renewal project and consists of revision, development and implementation of a Coordinated Entry System which will be utilized throughout the CoC to provide wraparound services to all homeless individuals seeking assistance. The other two projects are specific to housing services for victims of domestic violence. The domestic violence services provider delivers services to any individual or family, regardless of race who is/are victims of domestic violence.

1E-4.	Reallocation–Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects. We use the response to this question as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criterion below.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.f.	

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

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. There were no new projects created through reallocation this year. The IVCCC follows HUDs guidelines and will only reallocate funding of eligible renewal projects that have previously been renewed under the CoC Program. Agencies eligible for renewal were requested to submit an intent to apply form prior to the local application submission deadline and to indicate if they were intending to reallocate funding. Information on available funds was included in the local notice of funding emailed and posted on the website.
2. There were no identified projects requesting reallocation.
3. No projects were reallocated.
4. Not applicable.
5. As a part of the local notice of funding for the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition, the COC provided a description of the eligible project applications that would be accepted which included reallocation projects. In addition, the CoC provided a public CoC Competition Workshop where this process and application type was explained to those in attendance.

1E-4a.	Reallocation Between FY 2016 and FY 2021. We use the response to this question as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criterion below.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.f.	

Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2016 and FY 2021?	Yes

1E-5.	**Projects Rejected/Reduced–Public Posting. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen if You Select Yes.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.g.	

1.	**Did your CoC reject or reduce any project application(s)?**	No
2.	**If you selected yes, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps.**	

1E-5a.	**Projects Accepted–Public Posting. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.g.	

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.	10/29/2021

1E-6.	**Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.g.	

Enter the date your CoC's Consolidated Application was posted on the CoC's website or affiliate's website–which included: **1. the CoC Application;** **2. Priority Listings; and** **3. all projects accepted, ranked where required, or rejected.**	11/12/2021

2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

To help you complete the CoC Application, HUD published resources at https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition, including:
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2A-1.	**HMIS Vendor.**	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	Regional Task Force on the Homeless

2A-2.	**HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.**	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Single CoC

2A-3.	**HIC Data Submission in HDX.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.a.	

Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2021 HIC data into HDX.	05/14/2021

2A-4.	**HMIS Implementation–Comparable Database for DV.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.b.	

	Describe in the field below actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC:	
1.	**have a comparable database that collects the same data elements required in the HUD-published 2020 HMIS Data Standards; and**	
2.	**submit de-identified aggregated system performance measures data for each project in the comparable database to your CoC and HMIS lead.**	

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council (IVCCC) maintains close contact with the Victim Services Provider (VSP) in the area. As there is only one VSP in the IVCCC jurisdiction, there is only comparable database in use. Per the VSP provider, the comparable database meets the HMIS data standards.
2. The VSP provides data for the Systems Performance Measures report that is submitted annually.

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

Enter 2021 HIC and HMIS data in the chart below by project type:	

Project Type	Total Beds 2021 HIC	Total Beds in HIC Dedicated for DV	Total Beds in HMIS	HMIS Bed Coverage Rate
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	144	39	105	100.00%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	116	0	116	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	60	52	8	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing	245	0	0	0.00%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH)	0	0	0	

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

	For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:
1.	steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and
2.	how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.

(limit 2,000 characters)

2A-5b.	Bed Coverage Rate in Comparable Databases.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.c.	

Enter the percentage of beds covered in comparable databases in your CoC's geographic area.	100.00%

2A-5b.1.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Question 2A-5b.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.c.	

	If the bed coverage rate entered in question 2A-5b. is 84.99 percent or less, describe in the field below:
1.	steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent; and
2.	how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.

(limit 2,000 characters)

2A-6.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.d.	

Did your CoC submit LSA data to HUD in HDX 2.0 by January 15, 2021, 8 p.m. EST?	Yes

2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

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2B-1.	Sheltered and Unsheltered PIT Count–Commitment for Calendar Year 2022	
	NOFO Section VII.B.4.b.	

Does your CoC commit to conducting a sheltered and unsheltered PIT count in Calendar Year 2022?	Yes

2B-2.	Unsheltered Youth PIT Count–Commitment for Calendar Year 2022.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.4.b.	

Does your CoC commit to implementing an unsheltered youth PIT count in Calendar Year 2022 that includes consultation and participation from youth serving organizations and youth with lived experience?	Yes

2C. System Performance

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2C-1.	**Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless–Risk Factors.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.b.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	**how your CoC determined which risk factors your CoC uses to identify persons becoming homeless for the first time;**
2.	**how your CoC addresses individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and**
3.	**provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time or to end homelessness for individuals and families.**

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. Through the PIT count data and HMIS data collected, some of the most
common elements and risk factors among homelessness that have been
identified in our county have been due to loss of employment, domestic
violence, mental health, and substance use issues, disabilities, and chronic
illness. The existing strategic plan identifies homeless prevention strategies that
best fit our community in addition to other core elements to help reduce
homelessness.
2. State and federal funding opportunities have allowed the IVCCC to apply for
these funds and allocate them to include homeless prevention, rapid rehousing,
permanent supportive housing, capital improvement, and enhancements to
current plans and systems that address homelessness. Prevention and
diversion are also included in CES. Trained staff utilize tools to assess eligibility
and services needed. Diversion services include problem-solving, funds,
service linkages, and housing search. Prevention services include housing and
income stabilization, housing placement, landlord mediation, relocation, and
financial assistance.
3. The Imperial County Department of Social Services is the Administrative
Entity for Imperial County's CoC and is responsible for the CoC's overall
strategies to prevent homelessness. Veronica Rodriguez is the current Director
of the Social Services Department.

2C-2.	**Length of Time Homeless–Strategy to Reduce.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.c.	

Describe in the field below:

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

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The IVCCC's strategic plan helps identify homeless prevention strategies as well as ways that are a best fit for our community to help reduce homelessness and make best use of local housing resources to reduce the length of time individuals remain homeless. Federal and state funding opportunities have allowed the IVCCC to apply and allocate awarded funds to add or increase local homeless prevention, rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing, capital improvement and enhancements to current plans and systems that address homelessness. In the past year, the IVCCC helped fund a transitional housing project lead by the local community college. This 26-unit project serves college students that are identified as homeless, thus reducing their length of time as a homeless individual. The CoC has been increasing HMIS training & use and monitoring activity to help agencies with technical support and identify areas for improvement. In addition, the IVCCC evaluations committee is working on monitoring tools to help identify needs for improvement on CoC and ESG funded projects. Finally, through enhancements of the CES and additional staff training, it is expected to make improvements to the access, assessment, prioritization and referrals to identified service and/or housing needs.
2. The Imperial County CoC identifies those with the longest periods of homelessness from various sources including self-reporting, CES assessment, third-party data and HMIS history.
3. The Imperial County Department of Social Services is the Administrative Entity for Imperial County's CoC and is responsible for the CoC's overall strategies to prevent homelessness. Veronica Rodriguez is the current Director of the Social Services Department.

2C-3.	Exits to Permanent Housing Destinations/Retention of Permanent Housing.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.d.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC will increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in:
1.	emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations; and
2.	permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The IVCCC's current strategy for ensuring that individuals and families exit to permanent housing destinations is built on two key elements, 1) the creation and maintenance of an expanding inventory of permanent housing and 2) the provision of appropriate services in shelter programs that address housing readiness, including a housing plan that conforms to best Housing First practices. Funded rapid rehousing programs employ progressive engagement strategies and individualized housing plans that include tapering down of rental assistance and connecting participants to community-based services, employment training and other mainstream resources to rapidly transition households to self-sufficiency. The increase of housing retention for permanent housing residents remains a priority as well as enhancing our coordinated entry

system to ensure that prioritization of needs and services are accessible to individuals who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness.
2. Through awarded grants, funding for rental subsidies has been earmarked along with locally-funded prevention services that target persons that previously received housing assistance & are at risk of becoming homeless again.

2C-4.	Returns to Homelessness–CoC's Strategy to Reduce Rate.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.e.	

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

(limit 2,000 characters)

1-2. Factors contributing to returns to homelessness are documented in the HMIS and evaluated through the annual performance reports. Through increased monitoring and recommendations, we have decreased the time it takes to identify individuals needing additional attention and increase focus efforts on services that they may require. In addition, through increased homelessness prevention services we hope to increase identified services needs through enhanced coordination of services required by these individuals. Furthermore, with new additional funds that will increase inventory of permanent supportive housing specific for homeless individuals, we continue to provide supportive services to help meet the needs of chronically homeless individuals to lessen their return rate. The Imperial County Department of Social Services as the AE provides support and oversight to the IVCCC to ensure that objectives are being met. System Performance Reports provide a breakdown of returns by program time & length of time from exit to return. This data is important and continuously analyzed to identify trends thus allowing for program redesign to help target the issues. Funded rapid rehousing programs employ progressive engagement strategies and individualized housing plans that include identifying rental assistance options and connecting participants to community-based services, employment training and other mainstream resources to rapidly transition households to self-sufficiency.
3. The Imperial County Department of Social Services is the Administrative Entity for Imperial County's CoC and is responsible for the CoC's overall strategies to prevent homelessness. Veronica Rodriguez is the current Director of the Social Services Department.

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income-Strategy.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.f.	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	your CoC's strategy to increase employment income;	
2.	how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families increase their cash income; and	
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

1-2. The IVCCC's Education, Training and Employment Committee works on developing strategies to increase employment access and income. The committee also helps identify and gather the following: resource information from local agencies with services, employment and nonemployment cash resources, training, education and employment opportunities, and create a resource list for homeless individuals. The Committee forms linkages with government offices to ensure a streamlined process for obtaining entitlement incomes and non-cash resources for individuals to increase their incomes and achieve stability in housing. They also coordinate the provision of information and referral resources for all CoC members. Additionally, the Workforce and Economic Development Department is an active participant in our CoC by attending monthly meetings and as subgrantees to our grants. This department is comprised of community leaders representing private industry, nonprofits, and public agencies and oversees public investment in employment and training programs.

3. The Imperial County Department of Social Services is the Administrative Entity for Imperial County's CoC and is responsible for the CoC's overall strategies to prevent homelessness. Veronica Rodriguez is the current Director of the Social Services Department.

2C-5a.	Increasing Employment Cash Income–Workforce Development–Education–Training.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.f.	

		Describe in the field below how your CoC:
	1.	promoted partnerships and access to employment opportunities with private employers and private employment organizations, such as holding job fairs, outreach to employers, and partnering with staffing agencies; and
	2.	is working with public and private organizations to provide meaningful education and training, on-the-job training, internships, and employment opportunities for program participants.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1-2. The primary resource for employment services to participants of all IVCCC programs are the America's Jobs Centers of California in Brawley, Calexico, Calipatria, El Centro and Winterhaven. Each of these One Stop Centers, which are under the Workforce and Economic Development Center, provides a system through which employment-related services and training are provided via a comprehensive line up of employment and training services, including help with resume writing, interviewing skills, employment readiness workshops, finding job openings, training programs, and much more. The centers provide vocational training and placement assistance with employers throughout Imperial County. The IVCCC will continue to advocate to increase partnership and collaborative opportunities with partner agencies such as this program to refer homeless or at risk of homeless individuals be linked to opportunities. With the Workforce and Economic Development Center being an active participant in our CoC by attending monthly meetings and as subgrantees to our grants, training and job placement continues to increase amongst the vulnerable population. This department is comprised of community leaders representing private industry, nonprofits, and public agencies and oversees public investment in employment and training programs. The Center continues to oversee and allocate funding towards training programs that strengthen the local job seekers' skills so that they meet the workforce needs of Imperial

County.

2C-5b.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.f.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income;
2.	your CoC's strategy to increase access to non-employment cash sources; and
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1-2 The IVCCC through the Education, Training and Employment, Mainstream Resources and CES Committees will continue to advocate to increase partnership and collaborative opportunities with partner agencies that offer services for homeless individuals and help increase their non-employment cash income. The IVCCC continues to create and strengthen partnerships with local employment and training agencies to ensure a streamlined process for obtaining entitlement incomes and non-cash resources. In addition to employment preparation and placement services, noncash resources include Food Stamps and food bank programs, healthcare insurance enrollment assistance, referral to affordable transportation options and other essential services to allow people experiencing homelessness to increase their incomes and achieve stability in housing. The current CES system connects participants to benefits via the screening process. In fiscal year 2020/2021, the Department of Social Services, which serves as the Administrative Entity for the county, provided the following non-employment cash income: 3,459 households provided with emergency CalFresh benefits, 3,395 people received CalWORKs benefits, 38,769 children and adults were provided access to healthy food through CalFresh and 75,830 children and adults received health and wellness services through Medi-Cal.
3. The Imperial County Department of Social Services is the Administrative Entity for Imperial County's CoC and is responsible for the CoC's overall strategies to prevent homelessness. Veronica Rodriguez is the current Director of the Social Services Department.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare Bonus Points

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3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.6.a.	

Is your CoC applying for a new PSH or RRH project(s) that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?		No

3A-1a.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Commitment. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.6.a.	

	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the organization(s) that provided the subsidies or subsidized housing units for the proposed new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project(s).	

1.	Private organizations	No
2.	State or local government	No
3.	Public Housing Agencies, including use of a set aside or limited preference	No
4.	Faith-based organizations	No
5.	Federal programs other than the CoC or ESG Programs	No

3A-2.	New PSH/RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.6.b.	

Is your CoC applying for a new PSH or RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?		No

3A-2a.	Formal Written Agreements–Value of Commitment–Project Restrictions. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.6.b.	

| 1. | Did your CoC obtain a formal written agreement that includes:
(a) the project name;
(b) value of the commitment; and
(c) specific dates that healthcare resources will be provided (e.g., 1-year, term of grant, etc.)? | No |
| 2. | Is project eligibility for program participants in the new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project based on CoC Program fair housing requirements and not restricted by the health care service provider? | No |

3A-3.	Leveraging Housing Resources–Leveraging Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections VII.B.6.a. and VII.B.6.b.	

If you selected yes to question 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information on each project you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the bonus points criteria.

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

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

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3B-1.	**Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.r.	

Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting $200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No

3B-2.	**Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.**	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.s.	

	If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:
1.	**Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and**
2.	**HUD's implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.**

(limit 2,000 characters)

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

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

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

3C-2.	**Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes. You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.**	
	NOFO Section VII.C.	

	If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:
1.	**how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and**
2.	**how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.**

(limit 2,000 characters)

4A. DV Bonus Application

To help you complete the CoC Application, HUD published resources at
https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition, including:
 - Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Continuum of Care Program
Competition
 - FY 2021 CoC Application Detailed Instructions–essential in helping you maximize your CoC
Application score by giving specific guidance on how to respond to many questions and
providing specific information about attachments you must upload
 - 24 CFR part 578

4A-1.	New DV Bonus Project Applications.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.	

Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?	Yes

4A-1a.	DV Bonus Project Types.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the type(s) of new DV Bonus project(s) your CoC included in its FY 2021 Priority Listing.

	Project Type	
1.	SSO Coordinated Entry	No
2.	PH-RRH or Joint TH/RRH Component	Yes

**You must click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated
Entry to view questions 4A-3 and 4A-3a.**

4A-2.	Number of Domestic Violence Survivors in Your CoC's Geographic Area.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

1.	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services:	138
2.	Enter the number of survivors your CoC is currently serving:	115
3.	Unmet Need:	23

4A-2a.	Calculating Local Need for New DV Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services in question 4A-2 element 1 and element 2; and
2.	the data source (e.g. comparable database, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects); or
3.	if your CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors please explain in your response all barriers to meeting those needs.

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. The CoC utilized the data from the Point in Time Count, which incorporates homeless DV survivors who are either in emergency shelters, transitional housing, or unsheltered.
2. It also used HMIS as the data source to identify how many DV survivors our CoC geographic area is currently serving.
3. Not applicable.

| 4A-4. | New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects–Project Applicant Information. | |
| | **NOFO Section II.B.11.** | |

| Use the list feature icon to enter information on each unique project applicant applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus projects–only enter project applicant information once, regardless of how many DV Bonus projects that applicant is applying for. |

Applicant Name
WomanHaven

Project Applicants Applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH DV Bonus Projects

4A-4.	New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects–Project Applicant Information–Rate of Housing Placement and Rate of Housing Retention–Project Applicant Experience.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

	Enter information in the chart below on the project applicant applying for one or more New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects included on your CoC's FY 2021 Priority Listing:	

1.	Applicant Name	WomanHaven
2.	Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors–Percentage	100.00%
3.	Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors–Percentage	60.00%

4A-4a.	Calculating the Rate of Housing Placement and the Rate of Housing Retention–Project Applicant Experience.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention reported in question 4A-4; and	
2.	the data source (e.g. comparable database, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects).	

(limit 1,000 characters)

1. The data was calculated based on the case management services and data tracking which was uploaded to the DV database and comparable to HMIS. 2. The DV data source is an HMIS comparable database administered by WomanHaven.

4A-4b.	Providing Housing to DV Survivor–Project Applicant Experience.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

	Describe in the field below how the project applicant:	
1.	ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were assisted to quickly move into safe affordable housing;	
2.	prioritized survivors–you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC's emergency transfer plan, etc.;	
3.	connected survivors to supportive services; and	
4.	moved clients from assisted housing to housing they could sustain–address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.	

(limit 2,000 characters)

1. WomanHaven is a previous recipient of HUD funding as well as Cal-OES funding which allows the agency to provide case management and assistance in obtaining benefits, health and employment programs to help families into

permanent housing within 30-45 days depending on the type of housing needed. Depending on need of individuals and families they are connected to either short-term or medium-term rental assistance, transitional housing and/or rapid rehousing. Through access and support services applicant is able to help DV survivors experiencing homelessness move quickly into permanent housing.
2. Using the Housing First approach, WomanHaven places family in permanent housing first and offers supportive services and intervention that focuses on keeping them permanently house. For housing activities, a standardized tool will be used to determine participant eligibility for RRH assistance, using the HUD risk factors to identify whether a household will become homeless. Financial assistance, housing and relocation will be provided to participants that qualify for RRH activities.
3-4. Participants will be provided case management and assistance in obtaining the benefits of mainstream health, social, and employment programs for which they are eligible and that meet the needs of the client. WomanHaven uses a coordinated entry system to assist with eligibility and priority. WomanHaven partners with organizations in support of their referral processes and procedures. With prior data and current measurable and trackable benchmarks, provider has successfully placed 80 percent of their clients into permanent housing with at least 80 percent remaining, demonstrating housing stability.

4A-4c.	Ensuring DV Survivor Safety–Project Applicant Experience.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

	Describe in the field below examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:
1.	training staff on safety planning;
2.	adjusting intake space to better ensure a private conversation;
3.	conducting separate interviews/intake with each member of a couple;
4.	working with survivors to have them identify what is safe for them as it relates to scattered site units and/or rental assistance;
5.	maintaining bars on windows, fixing lights in the hallways, etc. for congregate living spaces operated by the applicant; and
6.	keeping the location confidential for dedicated units and/or congregate living spaces set-aside solely for use by survivors.

(limit 5,000 characters)

The project applicant/agency has over 40 years of experience working with domestic violence survivors and is fully aware of the sensitivity and urgency of each case. Agency staff are very action oriented and will assist clients to resolve destabilizing factors in order for them to succeed in obtaining and remaining in permanent housing.
1. WomanHaven provides 40 hours of Domestic Violence Advocate training for their staff that includes areas of crisis intervention, trauma informed approach, cultural competency, safety planning, communications, ethics, cycle of violence, confidentiality, and other areas to ensure DV survivor safety. Staff are expected to adhere to all rules of confidentiality regarding client records and information. No information is released without the written consent of the client.
2-3. WomanHaven's facility allows for private space for intake interviews, separate interview accommodations, confidential housing and service location, and helps address safety housing concerns as it relates to scattered site units and/or rental assistance. WomanHaven has an established policy and

procedure plan to insure implementation of client safety and confidentiality. Some of these include: All clients and their children have the right to a safe shelter. Each clients' right to safety includes knowing that their shelter stay or new location will be kept in strict confidence. All clients have the right to know that no information will be released without their permission.

4-5. Safety is the main concern for survivors. Key personnel assumes responsibility for implementing the health and safety plans and procedures. They strive to provide safety and to protect the confidentiality and privacy of its clients and their dependent family members throughout all programs. Programs utilize physical environments such as stockade fence and alarm systems to further guarantee the privacy, confidentiality, safety and protection of clients. Facilities meet the safety, zoning and building coder regulations required by local, state and federal authorities.

6. To ensure in keeping the location confidential, new site addresses are not listed in literature, contracts, reports, websites, or other potentially public sources. Strict protocols for visitors are enforced.

4A-4c.1.	**Evaluating Ability to Ensure DV Survivor Safety–Project Applicant Experience.**	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

Describe in the field below how the project evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served.

(limit 2,000 characters)

In accordance with the Violence Against Women Act, housing providers within the CoC allow tenants who are victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking to request emergency transfer of assistance between housing units when there is imminent risk of harm. If a victim reasonably believes that there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if he or she remains in the location where they are recently at, a transfer request can be made. All persons assisting with the emergency transfer will keep confidential any information that the survivor submits. This includes keeping confidential the new location of the victim. The housing provider and support staff will take every reasonable effort to locate alternate safe housing for tenants requesting emergency transfer. WomanHaven has an established policy and procedure plan to insure implementation of client safety and confidentiality. Some of these include: All clients and their children have the right to a safe shelter. Each clients' right to safety includes knowing that their shelter stay or new location will be kept in strict confidence. All clients have the right to know that no information will be released without their permission. Additionally, the agency provides 40 hours of Domestic Violence Advocate training for their staff that includes areas of crisis intervention, trauma informed approach, cultural competency, safety planning, communications, ethics, cycle of violence, confidentiality, and other areas to ensure DV survivor safety.

4A-4d.	**Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches–Project Applicant Experience.**	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

Describe in the field below examples of the project applicant's experience in using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors in each of the following areas:

1.	prioritizing program participant choice and rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with participants' preferences;
2.	establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;
3.	providing program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on trauma;
4.	emphasizing program participants' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans include assessments of program participants strengths and works towards goals and aspirations;
5.	centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination;
6.	providing opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
7.	offering support for parenting, e.g., parenting classes, childcare.

(limit 5,000 characters)

1. WomanHaven has established performance measures for housing &income that are objective, measurable, trackable and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks. These ensure that proper priority is established, which has proven to be successful as 80 percent of project participants have exited into permanent housing & at least 80 percent remain in permanent housing. WomanHaven works closely with DV victims utilizing trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet their needs. In addition to helping prioritize their needs through the CES assessment, a risk assessment is used to help identify & prioritize survivors in greatest danger & limited resources. Participants are provided case management & assistance in obtaining benefits of the mainstream health, social, & employment programs for which they are eligible & that meet the needs of the client. They help develop participant strength base case plans with client & is shared with collaborative partners with approval to avoid duplication of efforts & repeating their story & help meet their goals. 2. WomanHaven has an established policy & procedure plan to insure implementation of client rights. Rights include: Every client has the right to not be blamed or shamed for having been a victim. Clients have the right to seek staff assistance in resolving any disputes or conflicts with other residents or staff members. Clients have the right not to be discriminated against because of personal circumstances in regard to their health, job, education, financial/income level, appearance or emotional, mental or physical condition. Clients have the right to safety that does not discriminate against them because of the color of their skin, ethnic origin, cultural experience, native country, age or sexual orientation. Each client has the right to a clean, healthy living space & nutritious meals daily. Clients have the right to bring special needs, such as dietary, medical or psychological, to the attention of the staff, & they have the right to receive prompt consideration. Clients have the right to be free from all forms of abuse, including physical, mental emotional, psychological or sexual abuse, as well as name-calling, threats & abusive language from residents & staff. 3 - 6 WomanHaven provides a wide range of programs that will continue to be offered through this project. Programs include: (1) 24-hour support & information line - provides support & referrals to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault & their families/friends as well as screen victims for entry into the Emergency Safe House Program. Approximately 1,489 calls are answered within a year. (2) Domestic violence services - provides crisis intervention, therapeutic counseling, advocacy & supportive service through the support line & counseling programs. In one year, the following number of clients were serviced with the same offerings available through this program: 1,180 received

individual counseling, 446 survivors received group counseling & 5,981 received referrals to other programs within the County. (3) Emergency Safe House - 41 beds available, 24-hours, confidential shelter for adults & children. In a year, 8,432 bed nights can be provided. (4) Legal advocacy provides assistance to approximately 793 victims including preparing temporary protection orders, assisting clients in completing necessary paperwork & advocating for survivors. (5) Support groups - provide assistance to victims who have left violent relationships or continue to live with their abuser. 446 victims can expect to receive group counseling in a year. (6) Children & Youth Program - builds awareness through community outreach, presentations & proactive media engagement to inform the community of the impact of domestic violence & sexual assault. 3,882 adults are reached each year via presentations & informational fairs. (7) Community Based Services - will continue to build awareness through community outreach, presentations, & proactive media engagement. (8) Supportive Housing Services - will assist victims in effort to gain independence from their abusers. Specifically, the program will offer rental, utility, childcare, employment, legal & educational financial assistance as well as transitional housing. (9) Batterer's Intervention Program - will offer people who have experienced difficulty in controlling negative emotions. Learning methods of controlling emotions is an important skill to develop in order to be involved in safe & healthy relationships. (10) Domestic Violence Response Team - will provided for an advocate to respond to crime scenes, hospitals & law enforcement agencies to support crime victims. The agency provides 40 hours of Domestic Violence Advocate training for their staff that includes areas of crisis intervention, trauma informed approach, cultural competency, safety planning, communications, ethics, cycle of violence, confidentiality, & other areas to ensure DV survivor safety.

4A-4e.	Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors–Project Applicant Experience.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	supportive services the project applicant provided to domestic violence survivors experiencing homelessness while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs; and	
2.	provide examples of how the project applicant provided the supportive services to domestic violence survivors.	

(limit 5,000 characters)

1. The project applicant performs different activities in order to provide domestic violence survivors experiencing homelessness with permanent housing. This includes, utilizing a standardized tool to determine participant eligibility for RRH assistance. Utilizing the HUD risk factors to identify whether a household will become homeless. Financial assistance and housing reallocation assistance will include the following eligible activities: short term rental assistance, security and utility deposits, utility payments, moving costs, and motel vouchers. The Housing Advocate will provide the following: Case management, outreach and engagement, housing search and placement, landlord/tenant housing mediation, transportation, food, and assistance with credit repair. 2. Services include a walk-in center where victims of DV, homeless, or those at risk of homelessness can receive services for rapid rehousing, transitional housing, emergency shelter and legal services. The project applicant will also provide assistance in obtaining benefits from mainstream resources such as Medicare,

Medicaid, SSI, SNAP, job assistance, childcare. The agency also has a thrift store/outreach center for the clients and children. Clients are able to select goods that may be useful to them as they transition into living independent lives.

4A-4f.	Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches–New Project Implementation.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.	

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1.	prioritize program participant choice and rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with participants' preferences;
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4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

We prefer that you use PDF files, though other file types are supported. Please only use zip files if necessary.

Attachments must match the questions they are associated with.

Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed–including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process.

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).

Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
1C-14. CE Assessment Tool	Yes	CES Policies and ...	11/08/2021
1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No		
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No		
1E-1. Local Competition Announcement	Yes	Local Competition...	11/02/2021
1E-2. Project Review and Selection Process	Yes	Local Notice- Pro...	11/12/2021
1E-5. Public Posting–Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Projects Rejected...	11/03/2021
1E-5a. Public Posting–Projects Accepted	Yes	Local Competition...	11/03/2021
1E-6. Web Posting–CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes	Consolidation App...	11/12/2021
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No		
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No		
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		

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Document Description: Local Competition Announcement

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Ranking Tools and Scoring and Ranking
Procedures

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Document Description: Projects Rejected - There were no projects rejected

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Submission Summary

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

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Submission Summary	No Input Required

Imperial Valley Homeless Task Force

COORDINATED ASSESSMENT TOOL SET

A trained assessment specialist should ask the questions below. *Instructions for the person administering the tool are in italics.* Decisions will have to be made about the degree to which information on the form should be verified by third parties or other data sources.

I. PRE-SCREENING QUESTIONS

1. Are you homeless or do you believe you will become homeless within the next 72 hours?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

Are you currently residing in, or trying to leave, an intimate partner who threatens you or makes you fearful?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

2. Do you live in Imperial County right now?
    ☐ Yes   ☐ No
    In which community/town/area?_____ _____

    Zip Code of Last Permanent Address: _____

3. Do you want services that are specifically geared to domestic violence survivors OR do you need a confidential location to stay?

    ☐ Yes   ☐ No

II. IDENTIFYING QUESTIONS AND HMIS DATA ELEMENTS

Client Identifier (in HMIS):_____

Date of Birth: __/__/____   ☐ Don't Know   ☐ Refused
    Enter in format MM/DD/YYYY.

Social Security Number: ___-__-____   ☐ Don't Know ☐ Refused

Gender: ☐ Female   ☐ Male   ☐ Transgendered Male to Female
☐ Transgendered Female to Male ☐ Other   ☐ Don't Know   ☐ Refused

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Race:

☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native

☐ Asian

☐ Black or African American

☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

☐ White

☐ Don't Know   ☐ Refused

Ethnicity:

☐ Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino

☐ Hispanic/Latino

☐ Don't Know

☐ Refused

Housing Status *(May be able to use previous answers to answer this question).*

☐ Homelessness

☐ At imminent risk of losing their housing

☐ Homeless only under other Federal statutes

☐ Fleeing domestic violence

☐ At-risk of homelessness – prevention programs only

☐ Stably housed

☐ Don't Know

☐ Refused

Head of Household

☐ Yes   ☐ No

Were you ever on active duty in the Armed Forces in the United States?

☐ Yes   ☐ No   ☐ Don't Know   ☐ Refused

Do you have military ID?

☐ Military Card ID

☐ DD-214

If yes:

Year entered military service: ____/____/_____

Year separated from military service: ____/____/_____

Served in a theater of operations?: ☐ Yes   ☐ No ☐ Don't Know ☐ Refused

Name of theater of operations:
☐ World War II   ☐ Korean War   ☐ Vietnam War
☐ Persian Gulf Way (Operation Desert Storm)
☐ Afghanistan (Operation Enduring Freedom)
☐ Iraq (Operation Iraqi Freedom)
☐ Iraq (Operation New Dawn)
☐ Other peace-keeping operations or military interventions (such as Lebanon,
   Panama, Somalia, Bosnia, Kosovo)
☐ Don't Know   ☐ Refused

Branch of the Military
☐ Army
☐ Air Force
☐ Navy
☐ Marines
☐ Coast Guard
☐ Other
☐ Don't know
☐ Refused

Discharge Status
☐ Honorable
☐ General under honorable conditions
☐ Under other than honorable conditions (OTH)
☐ Bad conduct
☐ Dishonorable
☐ Uncharacterized
☐ Don't know
☐ Refused

Have you ever received healthcare from a VA Medical Center? If so, where?

_____

Have you applied or have a pending application for VA benefits or compensation?

_____

Youth only:

Last grade completed
☐ Less than Grade 5
☐ Grades 5-6
☐ Grades 7-8
☐ Grades 9-12
☐ GED
☐ Some college
☐ Don't know
☐ Refused

Youth Only: School Status
☐ Attending school regularly
☐ Attending school irregularly
☐ Graduated from high school
☐ Obtained GED
☐ Dropped out
☐ Suspended
☐ Expelled
☐ Don't Know
☐ Refused

Formerly a ward of juvenile justice system?:
☐ No
☐ Yes
☐ Don't know
☐ Refused

If yes:
Number of years
☐ Less than one year
☐ 1 to 3 years
☐ 3 to 5 years
☐ More than 5 years
(If number of years is Less than one year)
Number of months (a number between 1 and 11) _____

Youth only continued

General Health

☐ Excellent
☐ Very good
☐ Good
☐ Fair
☐ Poor
☐ Don't Know
☐ Refused

Are you pregnant?
☐ No
☐ Yes
☐ Don't know
☐ Refused
If yes, due date: __/__/____

Do you receive any of the following benefits?
☐ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
☐ Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children
☐ TANF Child Care Services
☐ TANF Transportation Services
☐ Other TANF-funded Services
☐ Section 8, public housing, or other ongoing rental assistance
☐ Other source
☐ Temporary rental assistance

Do you have health insurance?
☐ Yes   ☐ No   ☐ Don't Know   ☐ Refused

If yes, what kind?
☐ Medicaid
☐ Medicare
☐ State Children's Health Insurance Program
☐ Veterans Administration Medical Services
☐ Employer Provided Health Insurance
☐ Health Insurance Through Cobra
☐ Private Pay Health Insurance
☐ Ryan White Medical Assistance
☐ AIDS Drug Assistance Program

Are you employed?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know ☐ Refused

If yes, what is your employment status?
☐ Full-time
☐ Part-time
☐ Part-time, looking for full-time
☐ Seasonal/sporadic (including day labor)
☐ Not employed, looking for work
☐ Not employed, in school
☐ Not employed, unable to work
☐ Not employed, not looking for work
☐ Don't know
☐ Refused

If you have experienced domestic violence, when did the experience occur?
☐ Within the past three months
☐ Three to six months ago
☐ From six to one year ago
☐ More than a year ago
☐ Don't know
☐ Refused

III. PREVENTION/DIVERSION QUESTIONS

This part may be skipped if it has already been established the household is living somewhere unfit for human habitation, on the street, or exiting an institution.

1. **Where did you sleep last night?** _____

   _____

2. **(IF named a location above) Was it a safe location?** ☐ Yes   ☐ No
   ☐ Don't Know

3. **Why did you have to leave the place you stayed last night? Could you stay tonight at the same location?** _____

   _____

4. **What would you need to help you stay where you stayed last night again?**

   _____

5. **Would it help if I contacted the person you stayed with?** ☐ Yes   ☐ No
   ☐ Don't Know

   What is the best way to contact that person? _____

   _____

SHELTER REFERRALS:

Using information about the consumer, make referrals according to the following:

Single Adult Men: Our Lady of Guadalupe Shelter, Calexico 760-xxx-xxxx
Single Women:
 (1) Calexico: Neighborhood House, 760 xxx-xxxx
 (2) El Centro: House of Hope, 760-352-1182
Families (female head of household only):
 (1)Calexico: Neighborhood House, 760 xxx-xxxx
 (2)El Centro: House of Hope, 760-352-1182
People Seeking Domestic Violence Services or in Imminent Danger:
Womanhaven 760 xxx-xxxx
Youth Under the Age of 18:
IVROP/Project Ace?

NOTE SHELTER REFERRAL HERE: _____

Then continue with Housing Prioritization Tool.

IV. HOUSING PRIORITIZATION TOOL

For each answer, circle the color code or write the number in the score line.

Question(s)	Color Code	Numerical Score
1. Is this the first time you've been homeless in the past five years? ___Yes - G*o to question 2* ___No *- Go to question 3* *Explain definition of homelessness again – use definition from Part I, Question 1.*		
2. Have you been homeless for more than 90 days? ___Yes - G*o to question 3* ___No – *Circle "Green" & skip to question 4*	GREEN	
3. When you were homeless before, did you ever receive temporary assistance to help you move back into housing such as temporary rental assistance, deposits, help with moving costs, etc.? *This question is intended to identify if the individual or family has received rapid re-housing assistance in the past. This question may also be asked by asking if the person has been served by a rapid re-housing program and then naming the rapid re-housing programs in the county. If YES, ask if they received that kind of assistance once, or if it happened more than once. Check HMIS for a record of the person also and ask "Is it okay if I check our system to see if you've been served before?"* ___Yes, more than once – *Circle color code "Red"& skip to question 13.* ___Yes, once – *Circle color code "Orange" and go to question 4.* ___No – *Circle color code "Yellow" and go to question 4.*	YELLOW ORANGE RED	
4. How many dependents do you have with you in your care? *If you already know the answer, don't ask again.* ___ 0-3 – *Go to question 5.* ___ 4 or more – *Assign a numerical score of "1" and go to question 5.*		
5. Are you under 25 years of age with at least one child under the age of 5? *If you already know the answer, don't ask again.* ___ Yes – *Assign a numerical score of "1" and go to question 6.* ___ No – *Go to question 6.*		

Question(s)	Color Code	Numerical Score
6. Have you ever been in jail, arrested, or accused of a crime or criminal activity (even if it wasn't true)? *If necessary, explain that the presence of a criminal history will not reduce the person's likelihood of receiving assistance.* ___ Yes - *Go to question 7.* ___No - *Go to question 8.*		
7. Does your criminal history include: ___Offenses that make it exceedingly difficult to find housing: Arson, Placement on Sex Offender Registry, Production of Crystal Meth - A*ssign a numerical score of "3"and go to question 8.* ___Drug offenses or crimes against persons or property? - A*ssign a numerical score of "2"and go to question 8.* ___Just a few minor offenses such as moving violations, a DUI, or a misdemeanor? - A*ssign a numerical score of "1"and go to question 8.*		
8. Do you have any evictions? Have you been asked to leave your rental apartment or did the landlord use legal papers to ask you to leave? *Explain that the presence of eviction(s) will not reduce the person's likelihood of receiving assistance.* ___Yes - *Go to question 9.* ___No - *Skip to question 10.*		
9. How many evictions do you have? ___ One or two? - A*ssign a numerical score of "1"and go to question 10.* ___ Three or more? - A*ssign a numerical score of "2"and go to question 10.*		
10. Do you have friends or family members who you can stay with for a short period of time, or who can lend you money? ____ Yes – *Assign a numerical score of "-1"and go to question 11.* ____ No – G*o to question 11.*		
11. Do you have any income from any source right now? *Ask targeted questions – refer to earlier answers during Part II well.* ___Earned income ___Unemployment insurance ___Supplemental Security Income (SSI) ___Social Security Disability Income (SSDI) ___VA-Service Connected Disability Compensation ___VA non-service-connected disability pension		

Question(s)	Color Code	Numerical Score
___Private disability insurance ___Worker's compensation ___Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) ___General Assistance (GA/ Cash Aid) ___Retirement Income from Social Security ___Veteran's pension ___Pension from a former job ___Child support ___Alimony or other spousal support __Other source_____ ___ Yes – *Go to question 12.* ___No – *Assign a numerical score of "2" and skip to question 13* ___ Don't know or refused *Skip to question 13.*		
12. What is your monthly income right now? *Do not ask out loud - refer to matrix of local area median income (AMI) thresholds.* ___ Above 30% AMI – *Go to question 13.* ___ Between 16% and 30% AMI – *Assign a numerical score of "1" and go to question 13.* ___ Less than 15% AMI – *Assign a numerical score of "2" and go to question 13.*		
13. Does your credit history include a judgment for debt to a landlord? ___ Yes – *Assign a numerical score of "1" and go to question 14.* ___ No – *Go to question 14.*		
14. TOTAL – *Enter Circled Color Code (from Questions 2-3) and total ALL numerical scores (from Questions 3-13) and go to Part V.*		

FY 2014 HUD Income Limits Summary
[Insert your community's income limits]

Income Limit Category	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
30% AMI								
15% AMI								

V. HOUSING PRIORITIZATION TOOL SCORING

Using the numerical scores and color designation tabulated in question 14 above and find the priority level for each intervention with the charts below. If the box says "None" there is no priority level for this intervention.

Rapid Re-Housing Priority Level			
Color Code	**Numerical Score**		
	2 or less	**3 – 4**	**5 or more**
Green	G	F	D
Yellow	E	C	B
Orange	A	A	A
Red	None	None	None

Rapid Re-Housing Priority Level [ ]

Transitional Housing Priority Level			
Color Code	**Numerical Score**		
	2 or less	**3 – 4**	**5 or more**
Green	H	G	E
Yellow	F	D	C
Orange	B	B	B
Red	A	A	A

Transitional Housing Priority Level [ ]

Permanent Supportive Housing Priority Level			
Color Code	**Numerical Score**		
	2 or less	**3 – 4**	**5 or more**
Green	None	None	None
Yellow	None	None	A
Orange	None	None	A
Red	A	A	A

Note: When an individual's score results in a Permanent Supportive Housing Priority Level recommendation, a person's disability status will be determined and a vulnerability assessment will be completed.

Permanent Supportive Housing Priority Level [ ]

VI. POPULATION SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

[These questions and instructions will likely have to be tailored to reflect the available services in your community]

1. Are you interested in a program that provides substance abuse services or addiction treatment services?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No
If YES: Are you looking for a group setting where others around you will be sober and the program encourages complete sobriety? ☐ Yes   ☐ No
If YES, consumer is automatic priority for transitional housing – substance abuse. Discuss this option and what it offers versus any other consumer might be prioritized for according to the tool.

2. Are you seeking services related to HIV/AIDS?
        ☐ Yes   ☐ No
IF Yes, refer to HOPWA program through Denise Andrade? ; LBGTQ Center?- KEN- Please advise here, too

3. Are you seeking programs that are targeted specifically to people under the age of 24?
        ☐ Yes   ☐ No
If yes, refer to IVROP?

VII. CHOOSING A REFERRAL

Check daily priority list posting to see if consumer's score prioritizes them for any intervention. **If they are eligible to be on a list for an intervention, then read the following script:**

"We have a few different housing options available. According to what we've talked about today, it seems like you are a high priority client for (name interventions). The waiting time for this/these intervention(s) is ____. (Describe interventions in a little more detail, including general services offered, length of program, goal of program). You will get picked on the list on a first-come, first-serve basis, unless you are waiting for certain substance abuse services or permanent supportive housing, in which case the most vulnerable clients will be chosen first." (If eligible for more than one intervention: "You can be on the list for only one intervention at a time. I believe this intervention would be best for you based on the results of the assessment, but you have a choice. Which intervention would you like to be on the priority list for?")

Add consumer to end of priority list for their intervention of choice (except for substance abuse TH and PSH, when you should prioritize them according to score). If they answered yes to any questions in Part VI, check these against eligibility requirements in different interventions. If no availability in their intervention of choice currently, refer to shelter noted in Part III. Refer to policies and procedures manual for further referral instructions.

If consumer is not eligible to be prioritized for anything, then read the following script:
"We will refer you to _____ (emergency shelter). From there, the case managers will work with you to help you find the best way to get you out of homelessness." Refer consumer to shelter noted in Part III.

VIII. VULNERABILITY INDEX

1. In what language do you feel best able to express yourself?

OK, first I'm going to ask you a few questions about your housing history...

| **2. What is the total length of time you have lived on the streets or shelters?** | **# of years:** |
| | **# of months:** |

3. In the past three years, how many times have you been homeless and then housed again?

4. Where do you sleep most frequently? (check one)
❑ Shelters   ❑ Streets   ❑ Car/Van   ❑ Subway/Bus   ❑ Beach   ❑ Other (specify)
_____

OK, now I'd like to ask you a few questions about your health...

5. Where do you usually go for healthcare or when you're not feeling well?
❑ EC Medical Center   ❑ Pioneers Hospital ❑ VA Clinic   ❑Compesinos Unidos Clinic _____
❑ Other   ❑ Does not go for care

6. How many times have you been to the emergency room in the past three months? _____

7. How many times have you been hospitalized as an inpatient in the past year? _____

8. Do you have now, have you ever had, or has a healthcare provider ever told you that you have any of the following medical conditions?
- a. **Kidney disease/ End Stage Renal Disease or Dialysis**....... .❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- b. **History of frostbite, Hypothermia, or Immersion Foot**..........❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- c. **History of Heat Stroke/Heat Exhaustion**...........................   ❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- d. **Liver disease, Cirrhosis, or End-Stage Liver Disease**............ ❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- e. **Heart disease, Arrhythmia, or Irregular Heartbeat**................❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- f. **HIV+/AIDS**...❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- g. **Emphysema**...❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- h. **Diabetes**...   ❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- i. **Asthma**... .❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- j. **Cancer**..   ❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- k. **Hepatitis C**...❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- l. **Tuberculosis**... ❑ Yes   ❑ No   ❑ Refused
- m. **DO NOT ASK:** <u>Surveyor,</u> do you observe signs or symptoms of serious physical health conditions?....................................... ❑ Yes   ❑ No   Describe_____
   _____

n. **Have you ever abused drug/alcohol, or been told you do?**......❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

o. **Have you consumed alcohol everyday for the past month?**....❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

p. **Have you ever used injection drugs or shots?**........................❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

q. **Have you ever been treated for drug or alcohol abuse?**..........❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

r. **DO NOT ASK: Surveyor, do you observe signs of symptoms
of alcohol or drug abuse?**..❑ Yes ❑ No

s. **Are you currently or have you ever received treatment for mental health issues?** ❑ Yes
❑ No ❑ Refused

t. **Have you ever been taken to the hospital against your will for mental health reasons?**

....❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

u. **DO NOT ASK: Surveyor, do you detect signs or symptoms
of severe, persistent mental illness**?..❑ Yes ❑ No

v. **Have you been the victim of a violent attack since you've become homeless?** ❑ Yes ❑
No ❑ Refused

w. **Do you have a physical disability that limits your mobility? [i.e., wheelchair, amputation,
unable to climb stairs]?**

....❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

x. **Have you had a serious brain injury or trauma that required hospitalization or surgery?**

....❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

Alright, now I've just got a few more questions...

9. If you served in the military, was your discharge honorable? ❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ **Refused**

10. Have you ever been in jail? ❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

11. Have you ever been in prison? ❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

12. Have you ever been in foster care? ❑ Yes ❑ No ❑ Refused

13. How do you make money? (choose as many as apply)

❑ Work, on-the-books	❑ Food Stamps	❑ None from this list
❑ Work, off-the-books	❑ Sex Trade	❑ Other_____
❑ SSI	❑ Drug Trade	_____
❑ SSDI/SSA	❑ Recycling	
❑ VA	❑ Panhandling	
❑ Public Assistance	❑ No Income	

14. **What is your citizenship status?** ❑ Citizen ❑ Legal Resident ❑ Undocumented

OK, now I'm going to ask you some questions about your community

15. **Is there a person/outreach worker that you trust more than others?** ❑ Yes ❑ No
His or her name_____ ❑ Refused
16. **If yes, do you know what agency they work for?**

OK, now I'd like to take your picture. May I do so? Note answer ❑ Yes ❑ No

IX. VULNERABILITY INDEX SCORING

If answer to question 6 was 3 or more, add one point..._____

If answer to question 7 was 3 or more, add one point..._____

If answer was "yes" to 8a, add one point..._____

If answer was "yes" to 8b, add one point..._____

If answer was "yes" to 8d, add one point..._____

If answer yes "yes" to 8f, add one point..._____

If over age 60, add one point..._____

If answer was yes to any question from 8a-m or 8w or 8x, AND yes to any question

8n-r, AND yes to any question 8s-u, add one point..._____

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS: _____

- *Place client on permanent supportive housing priority list based on number of points received.*
- *Those with 8 should be at the top, those with 7 next, etc.*

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2021 CoC PROGRAM COMPETITION NOTICE OF FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

POSTED: 10/19/2021

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit and local government organizations providing assistance to homeless populations within the County of Imperial. The ICDSS is interested in receiving new housing projects that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Project, CoC Bonus Projects, Expansion Projects and Reallocation Projects as noted in the attached United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CoC 2021 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFO). Applications for Renewal Projects are also being accepted at this time.

Background/Purpose

HUD released a NOFO for FY 2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. HUD is making available approximately $2.7 billion in Fiscal Year 2021 for the CoC Program. The CoC Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, States, and local governments to quickly re-house homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, 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 2021 CoC Program Competition opened on August 18, 2021, and applications are due to HUD on Monday, November 16, 2021 at 8:00 PM EDT.

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IVCCC Deadlines

Organizations that wish to submit a renewal project application must complete and submit the notice of intent to submit an application no later than October 22, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. via e-mail at: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Applicants must complete an application and upload required attachments in e-snaps for review by Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. PST. Applications posted or updated at a later date and time will not be considered. It is important that persons completing the application do **NOT** hit the "SUBMIT" button. All applications must be reviewed and ranked by the IVCCC prior to submission.

ICDSS will be hosting a local FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Workshop for interested applicants on October 22, 2021 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am via Zoom at the following link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86597144526?pwd=aTM2WXdEN1FkT2ZQUHhtWTFDcS9vUT09

Please submit all questions related to this notice and local 2021 CoC Program Competition to: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

For additional information and details, please see FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding and visit the HUD Exchange at FY2021 CoC Program Competition.

FY 2021 CoC Program Local Competition Documents

- FY 2021 CoC Program Competition NOFO
- FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding
- Notice of Intent to Submit a 2021 CoC Program Competition Application or a Renewal Application
- FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Local New Application Rating and Ranking Tool

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- FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Local Rating and Ranking Application Results ***Coming Soon**
- FY 2021 CoC Consolidated Application ***Coming Soon**
- FY 2021 CoC Priority Listing Application
- FY 2021 CoC Competition Funding Awarded Letters ***Coming Soon**
- FY 2021 CoC Competition Funding Rejected Letters ***Coming Soon**

Other Resources

- Department of Housing and Urban Development 24 CFR Part 578
- Project Applicant Profile Instructional Guide
- FY 2021 New Project Application Navigational Guide
- FY 2021 New Project Application Detail Instructional Guide
- How to Complete the HUD Form 2880 in e-snaps
- FY 2021 Renewal Project Application Navigational Guide
- FY 2021 Renewal Project Application Detail Instructional Guide

Applicants are responsible for attending to all applicable dates on the following timeline

FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Timeline

3:24 PM
10/19/2021

Action	Due Date
Release of Notice for 2021 CoC Competitive Program Proposals Request	October 19, 2021
Intent to Submit Form Due by 4:00 p.m.	October 22, 2021
2021 CoC Competitive Program Applicant Workshop	October 22, 2021. Time: 10:00 am - 11:30 am. Location : Zoom
All Project Applications Due by 4:00 p.m.	October 26, 2021
Project Reviews, Scoring and Ranking of All Projects and Determine Surplus or Reallocation of Funds (Tier 1 & 2)	October 28-29, 2021
Post and Send Notice to Agencies of Recommended or Rejected Applications and Allocations	November 1, 2021
HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8:00 p.m. E.T.	November 16, 2021

Please see CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding for more information on the local CoC Program Competition appeals process.

3:25 PM
10/19/2021

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Community Planning and Development

Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Continuum of Care
Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal
and Replacement Grants
FR-6500-N-25
11/16/2021

**IMPERIAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN
COLLABORATION WITH
IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL (IVCCC)**

**NOTICE FOR FUNDING FOR
FY 2021 COC PROGRAM COMPETITION**
POSTED: October 19, 2021

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial
Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit and local government
organizations providing assistance to homeless populations within the County of Imperial. The
County of Imperial is interested in receiving new housing projects that meet the requirements of
the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Project, CoC Bonus, Expansion Projects and Reallocation
Projects as noted in the attached United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CoC 2021
Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). Applications for renewal projects must follow timeline
and requirements as identified through this notice.

Deadline:
A local process timeline of activities and deadlines may be found at the end of this notice.
Applicants are responsible for attending to all applicable dates on the timeline.

Organizations that wish to submit an application must complete a Notice of Intent to Submit an
Application form no later than October 22, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. via email at:
ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us. Requirement is applicable to all project types, including
renewal applications.

Applicants must complete an application and upload required attachments in e-snaps at the
following: e-snaps portal. It is important that persons completing the application do **NOT** hit the
"SUBMIT" button in e-snaps. All applications must be reviewed and ranked by the IVCCC prior
to submission. Export and save the application in PDF form and submit three (3) physical copies
of the application and attachments to **Imperial Valley Continuum of Care: 2995 S. 4th Street,
Suite 105, El Centro, CA 92243** for review by Tuesday October 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. In addition
to the physical copies, submit an electronic copy of the entire application and attachments in a
USB. Applications posted or updated at a later date and time will not be considered.

ICDSS will be hosting a local FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Workshop for interested
applicants on October 22, 2021 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am via the following Zoom link: Workshop

Addenda to this Notice:
Please note that the County reserves the right to issue addenda to this notice if the County considers
that additional clarifications are needed to this notice. Updates will be posted on the IVCCC
website: www.imperialvalleycontinuumofcare.org.

Background/Purpose:

IMPERIAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN COLLABORATION WITH IMPERIAL VALLEY CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL (IVCCC)

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUBMIT A
2021 COC PROGRAM COMPETITION NEW OR RENEWAL PROJECT APPLICATION

DUE: OCTOBER 22, 2021

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), as the Collaborative Applicant for the 2021 CoC Program Competition, is requiring that interested agencies declare their intent to submit a Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Project, CoC Bonus Project, Expansion Project, Reallocation Project or Renewal Project application for 2021 CoC Program Competition. Applicants will be required to submit a formal application through e-snaps. Intent formsare non-binding and can be withdrawn at a later date.

Organizations that wish to submit one or more project applications must submit this form **no later than October 22, 2021** at 4:00 p.m via email at: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

APPLICANT:

Legal Name: _____

EIN: _____

DUNS #: _____

2021 CoC Program Competition
New Application Rating and Ranking Tool

FY 2021 CoC Competitive Program projects will be reviewed by an IVCCC Rating and Ranking Committee (committee). It is anticipated that all projects will be reviewed and scored by the committee for recommendation to the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) based on the following:

CoC Threshold Requirements	Maximum Points
Coordinated Entry System Participation	3
Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation	3
Project is financially feasible	5
Applicant is an active CoC participant	5
Application is complete and data is consistent	5
Acceptable organizational/financial review	5
Project aligns with IVCCC established funding principles	2
Project will focus on at least one of HUD and Imperial County's CoC Priority subpopulations	2
CoC Threshold Requirements Total Points	**30**

Experience	Maximum Points
A. Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-recipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.	10
B. Describe experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of sub recipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.	10
Experience Total Points	**20**

Design of Housing & Supportive Services	Maximum Points
A. Extent to which the applicant 1) Demonstrates understanding of the needs of the clients to be served. 2) Demonstrates that type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served. 3) Demonstrates that type and scale of the all supportive services, regardless of funding source, meets the needs of clients to be served. 4) Demonstrates how clients will be assisted in obtaining mainstream benefits. 5) Establishes performances measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.	10
B. Describe the plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.	5
C. Describe how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently.	5
Design of Housing & Supportive Services Total Points	**20**

Design for HMIS Systems Only	Maximum Points
HMIS covers the full CoC geography	5
Demonstrated system performance improvement (error rate <=10%)	5
Timeliness of CoC HUD submitted reports (HIC, PITC, System Performance Measures, LSA)	5
HMIS Policies and Procedures/Operations Guide	5
Design for HMIS Systems Only Total Points	**20**

2021 CoC Program Competition Renewal Application

Rating and Ranking Tool

FY 2021 CoC Competitive Program projects will be reviewed by an IVCCC Rating and Ranking Committee (committee). It is anticipated that all projects will be reviewed and scored by the committee for recommendation to the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) based on the following:

CoC Threshold Requirements	Maximum Points
Coordinated Entry System Participation	3
Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation	3
Documented secured minimum match	5
Project is financially feasible	5
Applicant is an active CoC participant	5
Application is complete and data is consistent	5
Acceptable organizational/financial review	5
Project aligns with IVCCC established funding principles	2
Project will focus on at least one of HUD and Imperial County's CoC Priority subpopulations	2
CoC Threshold Requirements Total Points	**35**

Performance Measures	Maximum Points
Rapid Rehousing (RRH) and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)	
Length of Stay (Complete based on project)	20
RRH - On average, participants spend 15 days from project entry to residential move-in	
PSH - On average, participants spend 15 days from project entry to residential move-in	
Exits to Permanent Housing (Complete based on project)	15
RRH - At minimum 90% move to permanent housing	
PSH - At Minimum 90% remain in or move to permanent housing	
Returns to Homelessness (Complete based on project)	15
RRH & PSH Component -A maximum of 15% percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	
Project Effectiveness	15
RRH - Costs are within local average costs per positive housing exit for project type	
PSH - Costs are within local average costs per positive housing exit for project type	
Systems Support Program -Coordinated Entry System (CES)	
CES covers full CoC geography	5
CES covers all applicable CoC project types	10
CES utilizes standard screening tool(s)	10

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FY 2021 COC PROGRAM COMPETITION
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The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit and local government organizations providing assistance to homeless populations within the County of Imperial. The County of Imperial is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Project, CoC Bonus, Expansion Projects and Reallocation Projects as noted in the attached United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CoC 2021 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). Applications for renewal projects must follow timeline and requirements as identified through this notice.

Deadline:
A local process timeline of activities and deadlines may be found at the end of this notice. Applicants are responsible for attending to all applicable dates on the timeline.

Organizations that wish to submit an application must complete a Notice of Intent to Submit an Application form no later than October 22, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. via email at: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us. Requirement is applicable to all project types, including renewal applications.

Applicants must complete an application and upload required attachments in e-snaps at the following: e-snaps portal. It is important that persons completing the application do **NOT** hit the "SUBMIT" button in e-snaps. All applications must be reviewed and ranked by the IVCCC prior to submission. Export and save the application in PDF form and submit three (3) physical copies of the application and attachments to **Mr. Les Smith: 225 Wake Avenue, El Centro, CA 92243** for review by Tuesday October 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. In addition to the physical copies, submit an electronic copy of the entire application and attachments in a USB. Applications posted or updated at a later date and time will not be considered.

ICDSS will be hosting a local FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Workshop for interested applicants on October 22, 2021 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am via the following Zoom link: Workshop

Addenda to this Notice:
Please note that the County reserves the right to issue addenda to this notice if the County considers that additional clarifications are needed to this notice. Updates will be posted on the IVCCC website: www.imperialvalleycontinuumofcare.org.

Background/Purpose:

HUD released a NOFO for FY 2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. HUD is making available approximately $2,656,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2021 for the CoC Program. The CoC Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, States, and local governments to quickly re-house homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; 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 2021 CoC Program Competition opened on August 18, 2021, and applications are due to HUD on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 8:00 PM EDT.

Funding Principles:
This notice adopts the IVCCC Executive Board's established funding principles to guide and prioritize grant allocation. The funding principles are as follows:

a. Invest in programs that support Imperial County's service priorities: permanent housing, rapid re-housing, emergency shelters, transitional housing and supportive services to end homelessness.

b. Invest in programs that support Imperial County's homeless population priorities and align with HUD-recommended subpopulations such as veterans, youth, families and chronically homeless individuals.

c. Invest in programs that work towards eradicating homelessness in the region by addressing the underlying causes and lessening the negative impact on individuals, families, and community.

d. Invest in programs that address significant service gaps among the chronically homeless and establish accountable, long-term, and sustainable results.

e. Invest in programs that support the housing first policy and emphasize on a comprehensive coordinated service delivery approach to wraparound services to ensure successful housing and self-sufficiency outcomes.

Funding Available:
The 2021 NOFA potential funding for the Imperial County includes:

- $173,503 in Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)
- $115,536 DV Bonus Funds
- $38,512 CoC Bonus
- $23,107 in CoC Planning Funds

The applicants must match all grant funds, except for leasing funds, with no less than 25 percent of funds or in-kind contributions from other sources in accordance to 24 CFR 578.73.

Eligible Project Applications:
All project applicants are expected to read the instructions and be prepared to respond to all requirements. Each project must comply with all terms and conditions described in the HUD CoC 2021 NOFO and Project Application Detailed Instructions. Special attention should be given to the items identified in the Project Eligibility Threshold and the Project Quality Threshold sections of the NOFO.

The following types of project applications will be eligible for completion and submission in the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition.

1. ***CoC Planning Projects***: The project applications for CoC planning must be submitted by the Collaborative Applicant, which must match the organization listed as the Collaborative Applicant in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. This project type is not ranked in the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition. This project type will not affect a CoC's available amount for new and renewal project applications as it is not counted as part of the CoC's final ARD.

2. ***DV Bonus:*** A project that is dedicated to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who qualify under paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3. Except as provided in Section II.B.1.a of the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition NOFO. Projects that want to be considered for the DV Bonus, may be:
    a. Permanent Housing-Rapid re-housing projects dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking that are defined as homeless at 24 CFR 578.3;
    b. Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects as defined in Section III.B.2.n of this NOFO dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking that are defined as homeless at 24 CFR 578.3; or
    c. Supportive services only-coordinated entry project to implement policies, procedures, and practices that equip the CoC's coordinated entry to better meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking.

3. ***Expansion Project***: HUD will allow project applicants to apply for a new expansion project (see Section III.B.2.j of this NOFO) under the DV Bonus, reallocation, and CoC bonus processes to expand existing projects that will increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to increase the current HMIS activities and SSO-Coordinated Entry Projects. If the new expansion project will expand an existing eligible CoC Program renewal project HUD will not fund capital costs (i.e., new constructions, rehabilitation, or acquisition) and HUD will only allow a 1-year funding request.
    a. Project applicants that intend to submit a new project application for the purposes of expanding an eligible CoC Program renewal project must:
        i. enter the grant number of the project that is eligible for renewal that the project applicant requests to expand on the new project application;
        ii. indicate how the new project application will expand units, beds, services, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants, or in the case of HMIS or SSO-Coordinated Entry projects, how the current activities 3 will be expanded for the CoC's geographic area; and
        iii. ensure the funding request for the expansion grant is within the funding parameters allowed under the reallocation or bonus funding amounts available.
    b. Project applicants may expand an existing renewal project that is not currently dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking that meet the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3 to dedicate additional beds, units, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants to this

population. The new expansion project must meet the project eligibility and project quality thresholds in Section V.C.3.b and c of this NOFO.

4. ***New Reallocation Projects***: New projects created through reallocation must meet the requirements set forth in Section II.B.1 of this NOFO and the project eligibility and project quality thresholds established by HUD in Sections V.C.3.b and V.C.3.c of this NOFO. CoCs may only reallocate eligible renewal projects that have previously been renewed under the CoC Program. Projects that want to be considered for Reallocation, may be:
   a. Permanent housing-permanent supportive housing (PH-PSH) projects.
   b. Permanent housing-rapid rehousing (PH-RRH) projects.
   c. Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects.
   d. Dedicated HMIS project for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(2) that can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the recipient or subrecipient of an HMIS grant, and that 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.
   e. Supportive services only (SSO-CE) project to develop or operate a centralized coordinated assessment system.

5. ***CoC Bonus***: New projects created through the CoC Bonus must meet the project eligibility and quality threshold requirements established by HUD in Sections V.C.3.b and V.C.3.c of this NOFO. To be eligible to receive a bonus project, a CoC must demonstrate that it ranks projects based on how they improve system performance as outlined in Section VII.B.2.b of this NOFO. Projects that want to be considered for the CoC Bonus, may be:
   a. Permanent housing-permanent supportive housing (PH-PSH) projects.
   b. Permanent housing-rapid rehousing (PH-RRH) projects.
   c. Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects.
   d. Dedicated HMIS project for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(2) that can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the recipient or subrecipient of an HMIS grant, and that 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
   e. Supportive services only (SSO-CE) project to develop or operate a centralized coordinated assessment system.

Submission Requirements:
1. All organizations that wish to submit an application, including Renewal Projects, must complete and submit the Notice of Intent to Submit an Application form no later than October 22, 2021 via email at: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us.
2. New or renewal applicants must complete a project proposal in e-snaps following HUD guidelines. The e-snaps system can be accessed at: e-snaps portal
3. The 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.

4. All 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.
5. Provide most current information pertaining to financial audit and any findings related to audit. Specifically, whether there were any exceptions found to standard practices.
6. Provide Annual Performance Report (APR) for your agency for performance period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Application Review, Scoring and Ranking:
The IVCCC utilizes a Rating and Ranking Subcommittee 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, timeliness, financials and local and HUD principles and prioritization criteria.

Technical Assistance:
Agencies interested in submitting an application are strongly encouraged to attend a local FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Workshop hosted by ICDSS on October 22, 2021 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am via the following Zoom link: Workshop

Applicants are particularly advised to review the guides located on HUD's website to include the following:
• FY 2021 CoC Program Competition NOFO
• FY 2021 - Accessing the Project Application in e-snaps
• How to Complete the HUD Form 2880 in e-snaps
• Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions
• New Project Application Detailed Instructions

Appeals of the Rating and Ranking Committee:
1. An appeal Committee will be appointed by the CoC Governance, it will consist of two (2) to three (3) members who may not be members of the Rating and Ranking committee.
2. Applicants may appeal if the applicant can prove the score is not reflective of the application information provided, if a scoring factor was missed or omitted.
3. Ineligible Appeals
   a. Applicants that have been found not to meet 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 Appeal 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 three (3) business days of the notification of project ranking, to be posted on the IVCCC webpage.

2. A notice of appeal must be submitted to IVCCC Board Chair within 48 hours of the notification of project priorities on the CoC IV website. An email submission is acceptable.
3. The notice of appeal must include a written statement specifying in detail the grounds asserted for the appeal, must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the sponsor agency (i.e. Executive Director).
4. The notice of appeal is limited to double spaced page in 12-point font.
5. The appeal must include a copy of the application and all accompanying materials submitted to the rating and ranking committee; no additional information can be submitted.
6. All valid appears will be read, reviewed and evaluated by the appointed appeal committee.
    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 Rating 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 Rating and Ranking committee members; no new information can be submitted by the applicant or reviewed by the Appeal Committee.
    c. The decision of the appeal process committee must be supported by a simple majority vote.
7. The appealing agency will receive, in writing, the decision of the Appeal Committee within 2 business days of the Appeal Committee Meeting; the decision of the Appeal Committee will be final.

Please submit any questions related to this notice and 2021 CoC Program Competition via email at: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us.

Timeline/Important Dates:
Applicants are responsible for attending to all applicable dates on the following timeline.

FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Timeline	
Action	**Due Date**
Release of Notice for 2021 CoC Competitive Program Proposals Request	October 19, 2021
Intent to Submit Form Due by 4:00 p.m.	October 22, 2021
2021 CoC Competitive Program Applicant Technical Assistance Zoom Link: **Workshop** Time: 10:00 a.m.– 11:30 a.m.	October 22, 2021

All Project Applications Due by 4:00 p.m. Address: 225 Wake Avenue in El Centro, CA 92243	October 26, 2021
Project Reviews, Scoring and Ranking of All Projects and Determine Surplus or Reallocation of Funds (Tier 1 & 2)	October 28 - 29, 2021
Post and Send Notice to Agencies of Recommended or Rejected Applications and Allocations.	November 1, 2021
HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8:00 PM Eastern Time	November 16, 2021

2021 CoC Program Competition
New Application Rating and Ranking Tool

FY 2021 CoC Competitive Program projects will be reviewed by an IVCCC Rating and Ranking Committee. It is anticipated that all projects will be reviewed and scored by the committee for recommendation to the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) based on the following:

CoC Threshold Requirements	Maximum Points
Coordinated Entry System Participation and HMIS or Comparable Database	3
Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation	3
Project is financially feasible	5
Applicant is an active CoC participant	5
Application is complete and data is consistent	5
Acceptable organizational/financial review	5
Project aligns with IVCCC established funding principles	2
Project will focus on at least one of HUD and Imperial County's CoC Priority subpopulations	2
CoC Threshold Requirements Total Points	**30**

Experience	Maximum Points
Describe the experience of the applicant and subrecipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.	10
Describe experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.	10
Experience Total Points	**20**

Design of Housing & Supportive Services	Maximum Points
Extent to which the applicant 1) Demonstrates understanding of the needs of the clients to be served. 2) Demonstrates that type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served. 3) Demonstrates that type and scale of the all supportive services, regardless of funding source, meets the needs of clients to be served. 4) Demonstrates how clients will be assisted in obtaining mainstream benefits. 5) Establishes performances measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.	10
Describe the plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.	5
Describe how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently.	5
Design of Housing & Supportive Services Total Points	**20**

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Design for HMIS Systems Only	Maximum Points
HMIS covers the full CoC geography.	5
Demonstrated system performance improvement (error rate <=10%).	5
Timeliness of CoC HUD submitted reports (HIC, PITC, System Performance Measures, LSA).	5
HMIS Policies and Procedures/Operations Guide.	5
Design for HMIS Systems Only Total Points	**20**
Systems Support Program - Coordinated Entry System (CES)	Maximum Points
CES covers full CoC geography and includes all applicable CoC project types.	5
CES utilizes standard screening tool(s).	5
CES includes outreach, prevention/diversion, assessment, housing opportunity, client choice and placement.	5
Complies with DV regulations, guide or operations manual available to participants and includes an anti-discrimination policy.	5
Systems Support Program - Coordinated Entry System (CES)	**20**
Timeliness	Maximum Points
Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program, documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing the first program participant. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.	5
Timeliness Total Points	**5**
Financial	Maximum Points
Project is cost-effective when projected cost per person served is compared to CoC average.	5
Documented match amount meets HUD requirements.	5
Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.	15
Financial Total Points	**25**
Total Application Points	**100**

2021 CoC Program Competition Renewal Application

Rating and Ranking Tool

FY 2021 CoC Competitive Program projects will be reviewed by an IVCCC Rating and Ranking Committee (committee). It is anticipated that all projects will be reviewed and scored by the committee for recommendation to the United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) based on the following:

CoC Threshold Requirements	Maximum Points
Coordinated Entry System Participation	3
Housing First and/or Low Barrier Implementation	3
Documented secured minimum match	5
Project is financially feasible	5
Applicant is an active CoC participant	5
Application is complete and data is consistent	5
Acceptable organizational/financial review	5
Project aligns with IVCCC established funding principles	2
Project will focus on at least one of HUD and Imperial County's CoC Priority subpopulations	2
CoC Threshold Requirements Total Points	**35**

Performance Measures	Maximum Points
Rapid Rehousing (RRH) and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)	
Length of Stay (Complete based on project)	20
RRH - On average, participants spend 15 days from project entry to residential move-in	
PSH - On average, participants spend 15 days from project entry to residential move-in	
Exits to Permanent Housing (Complete based on project)	15
RRH - At minimum 90% move to permanent housing	
PSH - At Minimum 90% remain in or move to permanent housing	
Returns to Homelessness (Complete based on project)	15
RRH & PSH Component -A maximum of 15% percent of participants return to homelessness within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	
Project Effectiveness	15
RRH - Costs are within local average costs per positive housing exit for project type	
PSH - Costs are within local average costs per positive housing exit for project type	
Systems Support Program -Coordinated Entry System (CES)	
CES covers full CoC geography	5
CES covers all applicable CoC project types	10
CES utilizes standard screening tool(s)	10

CES includes outreach, prevention/diversion, assessment, housing opportunity, client choice, and placement	10
A guide or operations manual is available to participants	10
Complies with DV regulations	10
CES includes an anti-discrimination policy	10
Performance Measures Total Points	**65**
Total Application Points	**100**

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Appendix H. Reviewing and Prioritizing Projects for Funding

General Procedure

HUD CoC Funds are granted based on a national competition following the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). Immediately upon HUD's Continuum of Care NOFA release, the CoC coordinates the following process:

- The IVCCC Board considers community priorities, identifies or designs scoring tools based on HUD mandates and NOFA guidelines.
- IVCCC identifies and 'seats' a rating and ranking committee
- Information regarding the NOFA and the community's process and requirements are disseminated to all CoC and other interested parties (all homeless service and housing providers in the continuum of care area) via the following open solicitation methods
  - Posting on COCIV. org website
  - Announcements at CoC meetings
  - Announcements at other community meetings
  - Published in newspaper
- Agencies interested in applying for funds will be required to complete a Intent to Apply form to be submitted by the posted due date
- Applications and additional information is collected and reviewed according to procedures described below
- IVCCC Board or its designee (Rating & Ranking Committee or other) determine that application thresholds are met
- The Rating & Ranking Committee is created according to procedures described below
- Final project applications are included in the COC electronic application and submitted to HUD by the Collaborative Applicant.

Funding Priorities and Local Need

Services and housing for homeless are needed in all aspects within our community, however, there are specific populations that are of greatest need and will be a funding priority for the CoC. Creating funding priorities is driven by the community's needs assessment and gaps analysis. All organizations in the CoC that participate in the gaps analysis process have a voice in determining the community's priorities for funding. Funding priorities are established through a fair and open process using objective criteria. (Please see the Gaps Analysis/ Needs Assessment Policy for more details.)

Through this gaps analysis process, the following areas have been identified as funding priorities:
- Permanent Supportive Housing serving all target populations
- Renewals of successful operating projects are a priority to remain funded if the need for the project still exists in the community
  - The CoC will review each project at the time it seeks renewal funding to determine if the project is performing satisfactorily and is meeting the needs of persons it proposed to serve or whether local needs have changed and other subpopulations or types of assistance should be given preference

- To maximize the funds available to new projects, renewal projects may apply for only one year

of funding
- Remaining funds (after the funding of successful one-year renewals) from the HUD designated Pro Rata amount for our CoC are available through the competitive application process

Bidders' Conference

A Bidders' Conference will be conducted for anyone interested in learning more about the NOFA as well as for those agencies submitting applications. The Bidders' Conference will include the following issues:
- Eligible activities
- Eligible persons to be served
- Amounts available
- Match requirements
- Timelines and deadlines
- Local community process

Procedures for Application Submissions

- Proposals must be submitted via e-snaps by the identified due date
- A PDF version of the application and all additional requested information must be emailed to the CoC as described below in Evaluation Committee process
- Specifics regarding due dates, submission requirements, and proposal format will be distributed and reviewed at a COC Bidder's Conference

Late and Incomplete Applications Policy

- Late Intent to Apply forms will not be accepted
- Late Application: late applications received within 48 hours of the due date/time will receive a 15 point score reduction; late applications received after 48 hours will not be accepted
- Incomplete Applications: incomplete applications cannot be cured for Rating & Ranking Committee scoring, but must be corrected prior to HUD submission; the original application (not the copies) will be examined to determine if all pieces of the application have been submitted

Using All Available Funds

The CoC will do everything possible to ensure that all funds possibly available to the community are applied for. Thus, when all on-time applications have been submitted and it appears that either 1) the community is not requesting as much money as is available from HUD or 2) no Samaritan Housing Initiative projects have been submitted, then:
- The CoC staff will email all CoC and other interested parties (all homeless service and housing providers in the continuum of care area) with specifics regarding:
    - How much money is available
    - For what type of programs
- Any additional applications for these funds will be due one week after this email is distributed

Rating & Ranking Committee Policies

I. All Applications must be received in hard copy by the posted due date.

II. Threshold review: Applications will be reviewed for completeness. Those that are incomplete (i.e. missing forms/ documents required by funder and/or COC) will not be considered.

III. The IVCCC's Evaluation Committee will determine the priority and ranking of all submitted projects application for HUD COC applicant priority listing in Tier 1 and Tier 2.

   A. Included applications will be one of the following type of projects, as required by HUD:
   - Rapid Rehousing or Permanent Housing
   - Supportive Services Only (i.e. Coordinated Entry system)
   - HMIS
   - Shelters (ESG only)
   - Transitional housing

   B. Additionally acceptable are transitional **housing** projects for three priority groups:
   - Veterans
   - Men
   - Homeless youth
   - Families and Victims of domestic violence

IV. Scoring tools are created by the COC 's Administrative Entity who has the task of advising and coaching the Evaluation Committee in its work of reviewing & ranking based on HUD mandates as discussed in the HUD Continuum of Care Program Competition 2017 , FR-6100-N-25

V. The Evaluation Committee members will review the following objective rating measures to assess the **performance** of projects seeking funding:
   - HUD and/or COC monitoring findings
   - Independent audits
   - HUD APRs for performance results
   - Unexecuted grants
   - Expenditure of grant funds (fast or slow)
   - Cost effectiveness of the project
   - Provider organization experience ; provider organization capacity
   - CoC membership involvement
   - HMIS participation involvement
   - Match funds committed to project
   - Other priorities, to be determined, based on NOFA priorities

VI. Additional factors to consider in determining IVHTF application priorities are HUD's 2016 Policy Priorities listed below. These priorities were unanimously accepted by the IVHTF on July 28, 2016. HUD funded projects must address one or more of these policies and will earn scoring points for doing so, affecting the tier 1 and tier 2 ranking
   1. Create Systematic Response to Homelessness
      a) Measure system performance
      b) Create an effective Coordinated Entry process
      c) Promote participant choice
      d) Plan as a system

       e)   Make delivery of homeless assistance more open, inclusive, transparent
2. Strategically Allocate Resources
    a)   Comprehensively review project quality, performance and cost effectiveness
    b)   Maximize use of mainstream & other community- based resources
    c)   Review transitional housing projects
3. End Chronic Homelessness
    a)   Target persons with highest need /longest histories for homelessness
    b)   Increase units
    c)   Improve outreach
4. End Family Homelessness
5. End Youth homelessness
6. End Veteran homelessness
7. Use a Housing First Approach
    a)   Use data to quickly & stably house homeless persons
    b)   Engage landlords and property owners
    c)   Remove barriers to entry
    d)   Adopt client –centered service models

The Rating & Ranking Committee

I. The CoC recruits annually The Rating & Ranking Committee members who are knowledgeable about homelessness and housing in the area and who are broadly representative of the relevant sectors, subpopulations, and geographic areas.

II. The Rating & Ranking Committee members will be composed of representatives from a cross-section of groups and housing; housing developers; city representatives; Imperial County employees; business, non-profit sector, law enforcement.
   A.   Members will be appointed every year, their eligibility verified by the IVCCC Executive Board
   B.   The Rating & Ranking Committee members must sign a statement declaring that they have no conflict of interest, and a confidentiality agreement.
   C.   An Rating & Ranking Committee member may not be an employee, volunteer, family member, advisor or serve on a governing body of an applicant agency, currently or within the past 3 years.
   D.   Members must be able to dedicate time for application review and committee meetings as directed by the Executive Board or their designee
   E.   The Rating & Ranking Committee members (minimum of 3, maximum of 7) are trained in the following:
      1.   information regarding homeless activities, needs, services, definitions and other issues that are pertinent to the CoC
      2.   A background of COC Competition
      3.   The role of The Rating & Ranking Committee
      4.   Review of the scoring tools, applications, and resources

Process

1. The Rating & Ranking Committee members receive eligible applications and scoring materials
2. The Rating & Ranking Committee reviews all applications over a one-week period.
3. The Rating & Ranking Committee meets to review and discuss each application together and to

individually score them.

4. An IVCCC Executive Special Board meeting will be scheduled where the CoC Administrative entity presents the information at the meeting to record and approve final decisions and any comments/ recommendations the Committee has for applicants.

   a. The Committee determines the rank and funding levels of all projects considering all available information

   b. Overall raw scores are calculated by the Committee and verified by the Consultant

   c. The Committee may consider adjustment- recommendations to applicants in order to maximize the COC's funding request and to sufficiently meet the HUD priorities

   d. The Committee considers proposal changes or project budget adjustments that may be required to meet community needs and funding limits

   e. During deliberation, the CoC Consultant will provide technical assistance by responding to questions of the Committee, correcting technical inaccuracies if they arise.

5. Scoring results are posted on CoCIV.org website to applicants with a reminder about the appellate process.

   a. Applications which do not meet the threshold requirements will not be included in the Priority List

   b. If more applications are submitted than the CoC has money to fund, the lower scoring applications will be included in Tier 2

Policy for Appeals of the Rating & Ranking Committee

1. An Appeal Committee will be appointed by COC Governance. It will consist of two (2) to three (3) members who may not be members of the Rating & Ranking Committee. This will be an ad hoc committee

2. Applicants may appeal if the applicant can prove the score is not reflective of the application information provided, if a scoring factor was missed or omitted.

3. Ineligible Appeals

   • Applicants that have been found not to meet the threshold requirements are not eligible for an appeal

   • Appeals cannot be based upon the judgment of The Rating & Ranking Committee

   • Applicants may not attempt to assert influence or pressure on Appeal 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.**

   • An applicant may not challenge, cajole, or question individual committee members about the Committee process or decisions made in an effort to justify the value of the project that was not selected for funding

The Appeal Process

1. Any and all appeals must be received in writing within three (3) business days of the notification

of project ranking, to be posted on <u>COCIV.org</u> webpage

2. A notice of appeal must be submitted to IVCCC Board Chair by within 48 hours of the notification of project priorities on the COC IV website. An email submission is acceptable.
3. The notice of appeal must include a written statement specifying in detail the grounds asserted for the appeal, must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the sponsor agency (i.e., Executive Director)
4. The notice of appeal is limited to double-spaced page in 12-point font
5. The appeal must include a copy of the application and all accompanying materials submitted to The rating & Ranking Committee; no additional information can be submitted
6. All valid appeals will be read, reviewed and evaluated by the appointed Appeal Committee.
   a. All applicants will be invited to attend any appeal and may make a 10-minute statement regarding the appeal
   b. The Appeal Committee will review the rankings made by The Rating & 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 Rating & Ranking Committee members Committee; no new information can be submitted by the applicant or reviewed by the Appeal Committee
   a. The decision of the appeal process committee must be supported by a simple majority vote
7. The appealing agency will receive, in writing, the decision of the Appeal Committee within 2 business days of the Appeal Committee Meeting; the decision of the Appeal Committee will be final.

Final Prioritized List of Applications

The final prioritized list of proposals must be approved by the IVCCC Executive Board. Any board members with a conflict of interest (e.g. employed by an applicant agency) must abstain from the vote approving the priority list. This list will be forwarded to HUD; individual applications and supporting documentation, signature pages, and required attachments must be incorporated into the final 'Exhibit 1' of the Continuum of Care application. Funding is typically based upon the prioritized list of applicants who were submitted, however, actual awards/award amounts are determined by HUD.

If there is not a quorum in the IVCCC Executive Board due to abstentions, the final approval will be turned over to the general membership of the CoC. This vote can either take place at a regularly scheduled membership meeting if time permits, or can take place electronically through email to the membership.

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Emmanuel Sanchez

From:	Veronica E Rodriguez
Sent:	Friday, October 29, 2021 4:36 PM
To:	Paula Llanas
Subject:	FY 2021 - CoC Program Competition Project Application Results
Attachments:	0373_001.pdf

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Good afternoon Paula,

Please find the attached FY 2021 CoC Program competition Project rating and ranking results.

Let me know if you have any questions.

 Veronica E. Rodriguez
Director
Department of Social Services
(760) 337-6884

From: No Reply
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Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Mail

October 29, 2021

Paula Llanas
2995 South 4ᵗʰ Street, Suite 105
El Centro, CA 92243

Subject: FY 2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Application

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 2021 CoC Program Competition Project Applications were selected to be included in the 2021 CoC Priority Listing submission.

The following 2021 CoC Project Applications will be included are:

Project Name	Rank Position	Allocation
1) IV CAP II 2021 (Renewal)	1	$44,000
2) IV CAP II Expansion (CoC Bonus)	3	$38,512

Please submit your applications in *e-snaps* to be included in the 2021 CoC priority listing and for a final review no later than November 5, 2021. The Collaborative Applicant will contact you no later than November 9, 2021 if there are any additional changes or corrections that may be necessary. The full list of the FY 2021 CoC Competition Ranking and Allocations can be found on the IVCCC website at www.imperialvalleycontinuumofcare.org.

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 (760) 337-7423.

Sincerely,

Veronica Rodriguez
Director

Good afternoon Ms. Vargas,

Enclosed you will find the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Project Scoring and Ranking results. Please follow the application submittal procedures as presented in the letter.

We thank you for your submittal during this RFP process.

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Administrative Analyst II
County of Imperial
Department of Social Services

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October 29, 2021

Gina Vargas, Executive Director
WomanHaven
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El Centro, CA 92243

Subject: FY 2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition Project Application

Dear Ms. Vargas,

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The following 2021 CoC Project Applications will be included are:

Project Name	Rank Position	Allocation
1) WomanHaven RRH 2022 - 2023 (Renewal)	2	$129,503
2) WomanHaven DV Supportive Services (DV Bonus)	4	$115,236

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Sincerely,

Veronica Rodriguez
Director

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2021 CoC PROGRAM COMPETITION NOTICE OF FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

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POSTED: 10/26/2021
POSTED: 10/19/2021

The Imperial County Department of Social Services (ICDSS), acting on behalf of the Imperial Valley Continuum of Care (IVCCC), is requesting proposals from nonprofit and local government organizations providing assistance to homeless populations within the County of Imperial. The ICDSS is interested in receiving project applications that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Project, CoC Bonus Projects, Expansion Projects and Reallocation Projects as noted in the attached United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CoC 2021 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFO). Applications for Renewal Projects are also being accepted at this time.

Background/Purpose

HUD released a NOFO for FY 2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. HUD is making available approximately $2.7 billion in Fiscal Year 2021 for the CoC Program. The CoC Program is designed to promote a

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Imperial Valley Continuum of Care Council
Fiscal Year 2021 CoC Competition Ranking & Allocations

Grantee	Project Name	Project Type	Project Listing	Rank	% Score	Allocation
Tier I						
County of Imperial	IV CAP II 2021	SSO-CES	Renewal	1	99%	$ 44,000
WomanHaven	WomanHaven RRH 2022-2023	PH-RRH	Renewal	2	86%	$ 129,503
Total						$ 173,503
Tier 2- CoC Bonus Funds						
County of Imperial	IV CAP II Expansion	SSO-CES	CoC Bonus	3	100%	$ 38,512
Total						$ 38,512
Tier 2- DV Bonus Project						
WomanHaven	WomanHaven DV Supportive Services	Joint TH--PH-RRH	DV Bonus	4	96%	$ 115,236
Total						$ 115,236

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IVCCC Deadlines

Organizations that wish to submit a renewal project application must complete and submit the notice of intent to submit an application no later than October 22, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. via e-mail at: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

Applicants must complete an application and upload required attachments in e-snaps for review by Thursday, October 28, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. PST. Applications posted or updated at a later date and time will not be considered. It is important that persons completing the application do **NOT** hit the "SUBMIT" button. All applications must be reviewed and ranked by the IVCCC prior to submission.

ICDSS will be hosting a local FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Workshop for interested applicants on October 22, 2021 from 10:00 am – 11:30 am via Zoom at the following link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86597144526?pwd=aTM2WXdEN1FkT2ZQUHhtWTFDcS9vUT09

Please submit all questions related to this notice and local 2021 CoC Program Competition to: ivcccinquiries@co.imperial.ca.us

For additional information and details, please see FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding and visit the HUD Exchange at FY 2021 CoC Program Competition.

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FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Timeline

Action	Due Date
Release of Notice for 2021 CoC Competitive Program Proposals Request	October 19, 2021

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FY 2021 CoC Program Competition Timeline

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Intent to Submit Form Due by 4:00 p.m.	October 22, 2021
2021 CoC Competitive Program Applicant Workshop	October 22, 2021. Time: 10:00 am - 11:30 am. Location : Zoom
All Project Applications Due by 12:00 p.m.	October 28, 2021
Project Reviews, Scoring and Ranking of All Projects and Determine Surplus or Reallocation of Funds (Tier 1 & 2)	October 29, 2021
Post and Send Notice to Agencies of Recommended or Rejected Applications and Allocations	November 1, 2021
HUD Deadline Via e-snaps is 8:00 p.m. E.T.	November 16, 2021

Please see CoC Program Competition Local Notice of Funding for more information on the local CoC Program Competition appeals process.

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 2021 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2021 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 2021 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
 - 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.
 Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions
 Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

 Attachments
 Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed–including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.
 - Attachments must match the questions they are associated with–if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.
 - We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

Before Starting the Project Listings for the CoC Priority Listing

The CoC Consolidated Application requires TWO submissions. Both this Project Priority Listing AND the CoC Application MUST be completed and submitted prior to the CoC Program Competition submission deadline stated in the NOFO.

The CoC Priority Listing includes:
- Reallocation forms – must be completed if the CoC is reallocating eligible renewal projects to create new projects or if a project applicant will transition from an existing component to an eligible new component.
- Project Listings:

- New;
- Renewal;
- UFA Costs;
- CoC Planning;
- YHPD Renewal; and
- YHDP Replacement.
- Attachment Requirement

- HUD-2991, Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan – Collaborative Applicants must attach an accurately completed, signed, and dated HUD-2991.

Things to Remember:
- New and Renewal Project Listings – all project applications must be reviewed, approved and ranked, or rejected based on the local CoC competition process.
- Project applications on the following Project Listings must be approved, they are not ranked per the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition NOFO:

- UFA Costs Project Listing;
- CoC planning Project Listing;
- YHPD Renewal Project Listing; and
- YHDP Replacement Project Listing.
- Collaborative Applicants are responsible for ensuring all project applications accurately appear on the Project Listings and there are no project applications missing from one or more Project Listings.
- For each project application rejected by the CoC the Collaborative Applicant must select the reason for the rejection from the dropdown provided.
- If the Collaborative Applicant needs to amend a project application for any reason, the Collaborative Applicant MUST ensure the amended project is returned to the applicable Project Listing AND ranked BEFORE submitting the CoC Priority Listing to HUD in e-snaps.

Additional training resources are available online on HUD's website.
https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition