

FFY2023 COC FUNDING COMPETITION



MARYLAND
BALANCE OF STATE
CONTINUUM OF CARE

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FY22 Competition Recap

- MD-514 scored **156** out of 200 possible points or **78%**
 - Highest nationwide score 188.75
 - Lowest nationwide score 53.5
 - Average nationwide score 162.25
- MD-514 also received **Bonus Points**, total not provided by HUD
- MD-514 received **\$5,475,506**
- MD-509 received **\$599,481**



FY23 Competition Overview

- CoC NOFO Released July 5, 2023
- Competition Closes September 28, 2023



HUD POLICY PRIORITIES

2023 HUD Policy Priorities

1. Ending homelessness for all persons.
2. Use a Housing First approach.
3. Reducing Unsheltered Homelessness.
4. Improving System Performance.
5. Partnering with Housing, Health, and Service Agencies.
6. Racial Equity.
7. Improving Assistance to LGBTQ+ Individuals.
8. Persons with Lived Experience.
9. Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.



CHANGES FROM PRIOR COMPETITIONS

Changes from Prior Competitions

CoC Planning Grant Increase.

The maximum grant amount for CoC planning activities will be the greater of \$50,000 or 5 percent of the applicable FPRN, provided that the total grant amount for CoC planning activities does not exceed \$1,500,000.



Changes from Prior Competitions

New Eligible Continuum of Care Activities.

These following new budget line items (BLIs) will be built into the CoC Program Competition Application process.

- Applicants wishing to utilize these new BLIs can request a budget modification during the competition to move funds to these line items from an existing line item.
- Applicants may also request to expand existing renewal grants to add new funding to these BLIs via a new project application.



Changes from Prior Competitions

VAWA Costs Budget Line Item.

Section 605 of VAWA 2022 amends section 423(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to add the following eligible Continuum of Care Program activity:

Facilitating and coordinating activities to ensure compliance with [the emergency transfer plan requirement in 34 U.S.C. 12491(e)] and monitoring compliance with the confidentiality protections of [the confidentiality requirement in 34 U.S.C. 12491(c)(4)].

Examples:

- *Costs related to emergency transfer facilitation: moving, travel, security deposits, utilities, case management, navigation*
- *Costs related to monitoring VAWA confidentiality requirements: monitoring and evaluation, developing strategies, training, reporting, staff time*



Changes from Prior Competitions

Rural Costs Budget Line Item.

The James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 amends section 423(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to include:

Activities that address barriers to transitioning families in rural areas to permanent housing and additional activities to increase capacity to address the unique challenges CoCs face when serving people experiencing homelessness in rural areas.

Examples:

- *Payment of short-term emergency lodging*
- *Repairs to units that are not fit for habitation*
- *Staff training, skill development, staff retention activities*



RANKING, TIERING & AVAILABLE FUNDS

Ranking & Tiering Funding Structure

- CoCS are required to rank all new and renewal project applications in priority order based on CoC policy which may include local priorities, needs and gaps
- Ranked projects will fall into two tiers
- Projects in Tier 1 likely to receive funding assuming threshold approval
- Projects in Tier 2 are subject to additional scoring and compete nationally based on CoC Performance and rank order



Tier 1

Tier 1 Funding Amount: 93% of the Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)

- Projects in Tier 1 will be conditionally selected from the highest scoring CoC to the lowest scoring CoC (or until funding runs out), provided the projects pass both eligibility and threshold review



Tier 2

Tier 2 Funding Amount: 7% ARD + Bonus Funds

- Projects that fall into Tier 2 undergo project eligibility and threshold review AND are subject to additional scoring and competition by HUD
- Scored Tier 2 projects then compete with all Tier 2 projects across the nation and funding is determined by HUD based on the score and available funds
- If a project application straddles Tier 1 & Tier 2, the portion in Tier 1 will be funded based on Tier 1 criteria, the Tier 2 portion will be scored and funded per the above



Tier 2 Scoring

CoC Score: Up to 50 Points

- Direct proportion to the CoC Collaborative Application Score
 - *If a CoC receives 100 out of 200 available points on the CoC Application, the individual project application would receive 25 out of 50 points for this criterion*

CoC Project Ranking: Up to 40 Points

- HUD Formula based on Tier 2 rank order, the higher the rank, the higher the points

Commitment to Housing First: Up to 10 Points

- HMIS & SSO-CE Projects automatically receive 10 Points



Ranking & Tiering

1

Renewal PSH

2

Renewal PSH

3

Renewal PSH

4

Renewal PSH

5

New PSH

Tier 1: 93% of Annual
Renewal Demand (ARD)

Tier 2: 7% of ARD + Bonus
Funds



Rank	LHC	Applicant Name	Project Name	Housing Type	Project Type	Requested Amount	Allocations Award
Tier 1							
1	SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Aldridge PWD#16 Consolidated Grant - 2021 Renewal	PSH	Renewal	\$ 98,252.00	\$ 98,252.00
2	SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Marek PWD#9 Consolidated Grant 2021 Renewal	PSH	Renewal	\$ 197,685.00	\$ 197,685.00
3	AC	Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc.	HRDC Leasing Supportive Housing Project	PSH	Renewal	\$ 14,368.00	\$ 14,368.00
4	SM	Catholic Charities of The Archdiocese of Washington, Inc	Fortitude	PSH	Renewal	\$ 165,177.00	\$ 165,177.00
5	WC	Potomac Case Management Services, INC	WC PSH Families	PSH	Renewal	\$ 35,640.00	\$ 35,640.00
6	SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Nicholson - Permanent Housing Project #8 - 2021 Renewal	PSH	Renewal	\$ 269,912.00	\$ 269,912.00
7	SM	Maryland Department of Health	BHA PSH Southern MD FY 2021	PSH	Renewal	\$ 1,385,965.00	\$ 1,385,965.00
8	SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Haina PWD#13 Consolidated Grant - 2021 Renewal	PSH	Renewal	\$ 189,850.00	\$ 189,850.00
9	SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Horne - Permanent Housing Project #11 - 2021 Renewal	PSH	Renewal	\$ 164,725.00	\$ 164,725.00
10	WC	Maryland Department of Health	BHA PSH Washington County FY 2021	PSH	Renewal	\$ 267,666.00	\$ 267,666.00
11	WC	Potomac Case Management Services, INC	WC PSH Program Individuals	PSH	Renewal	\$ 180,851.00	\$ 180,851.00
12	GC	Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc.	SHP DIS 2021	PSH	Renewal	\$ 173,598.00	\$ 173,598.00
13	AC	Maryland Department of Health	BHA PSH Allegany County FY 2021	PSH	Renewal	\$ 64,105.00	\$ 64,105.00
14	AC	YMCA of Cumberland	Y Permanent Housing	PSH	Renewal	\$ 411,393.00	\$ 411,393.00
15	CC	Maryland Department of Health	BHA PSH Cecil County 5 Unit FY 2021	PSH	Renewal	\$ 78,425.00	\$ 78,425.00
16	CC	Maryland Department of Health	BHA PSH Cecil County 7 Unit FY 2021	PSH	Renewal	\$ 107,683.00	\$ 107,683.00
17	CC	Cecil County, Maryland	Rapid Re-housing 2021	RRH	Renewal	\$ 52,713.00	\$ 52,713.00
18	SM	Three Oaks Homeless Shelter, Inc	Waring Rapid Re-Housing Consolidated Project - 2021 Renewal	RRH	Renewal	\$ 118,505.00	\$ 118,505.00
19	SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Owens Rapid Rehousing Consolidated Grant - 2021 Renewal	RRH	Renewal	\$ 199,902.00	\$ 199,902.00
20	GC	Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc.	RRH for Individuals and Families 2021	RRH	Renewal	\$ 52,473.00	\$ 52,473.00
21	SM	LifeStyles of Maryland Foundation, Inc.	LifeStyles' DV Joint RRH	Joint TH-RRH	Renewal	\$ 49,880.00	\$ 49,880.00
22	AC	YMCA of Cumberland	Y Transitional Housing	TH	Renewal	\$ 70,350.00	\$ 70,350.00
23	AC	Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc.	Transitional Housing Services	TH	Renewal	\$ 67,365.00	\$ 67,365.00
Tier 2							
24	BoS	MD Housing & Community Development	HMIS - CoC Bonus	HMIS	New	\$ 220,905.00	\$ 220,905.00
25	SM	LifeStyles of Maryland Foundation, Inc.	Haven of Hope - DV BONUS	Joint TH-RRH	New	\$ 65,300.00	\$ 65,300.00

25 projects were submitted to MD-514. All 25 projects were accepted, ranked and tiered. All accepted projects in this list will be included in the MD-514 Consolidated Application submission.

Estimated Available Funding

2023 CoC NOFO
Total Project Funding: \$6,773,374

Annual Renewal
Demand

\$6,074,987

CoC Bonus Funding

\$425,249

DV Bonus Funding

\$273,138*

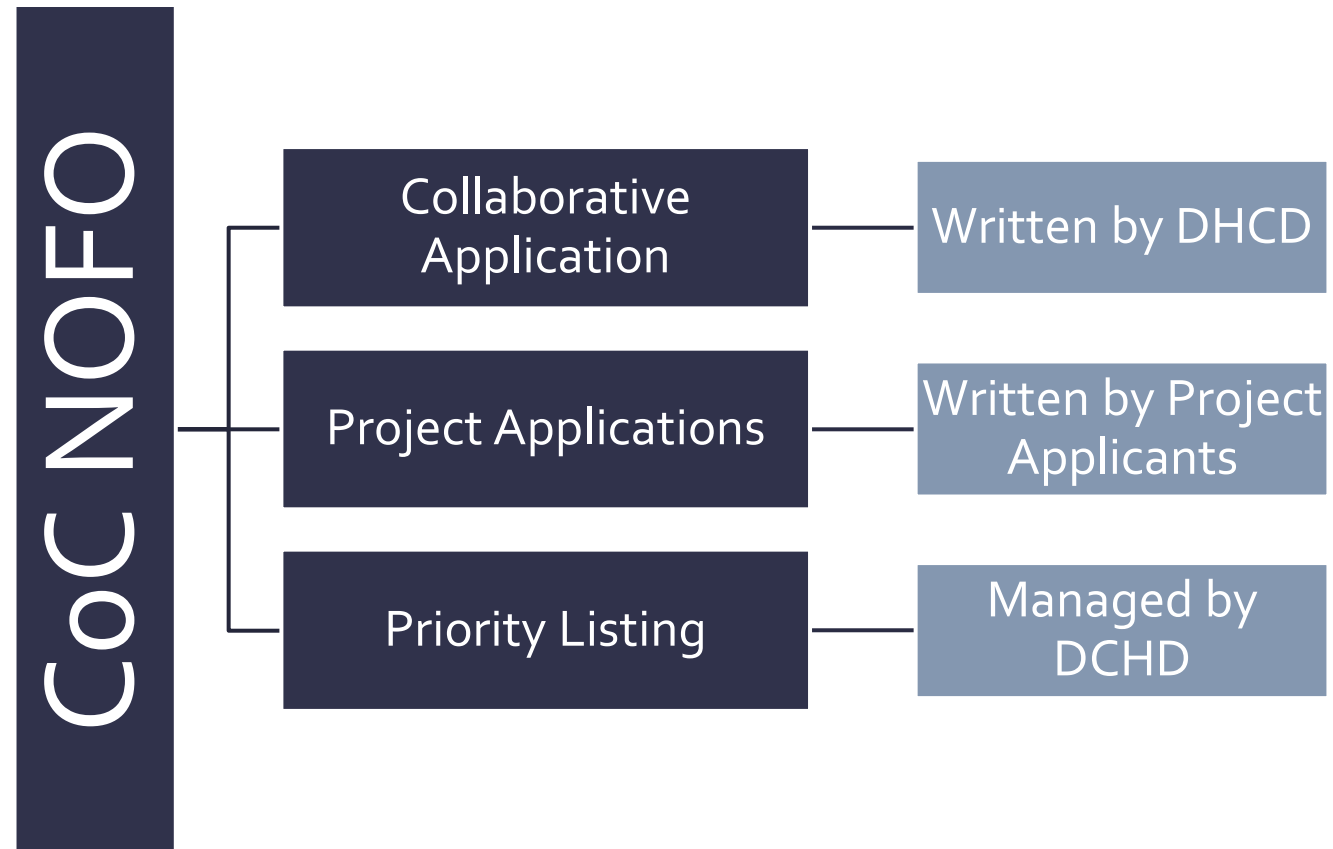
Tier 1
(93% of ARD)
\$5,649,738

Tier 2
(ARD Remainder
+ Bonus)
\$1,123,636*

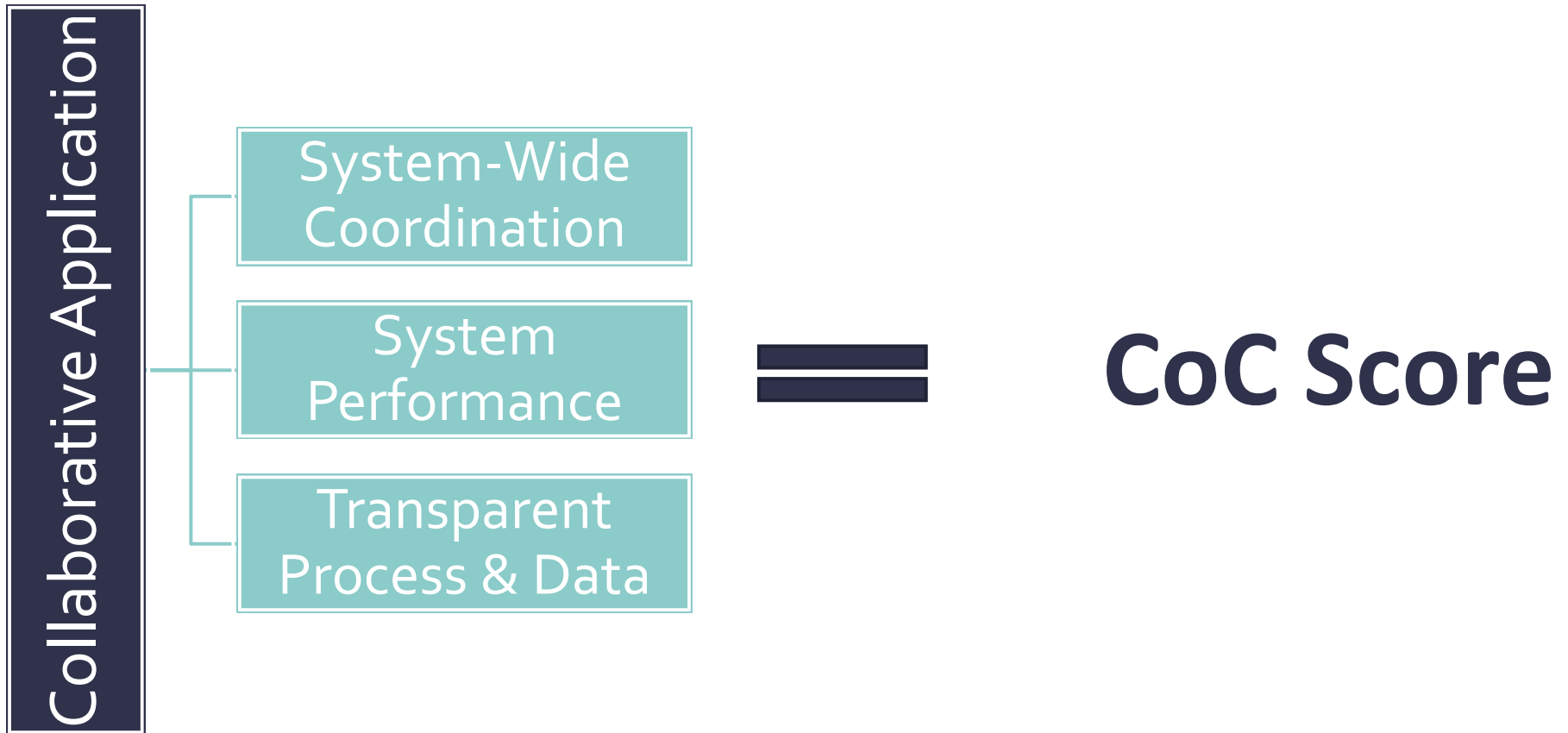


COC APPLICATION COMPONENTS

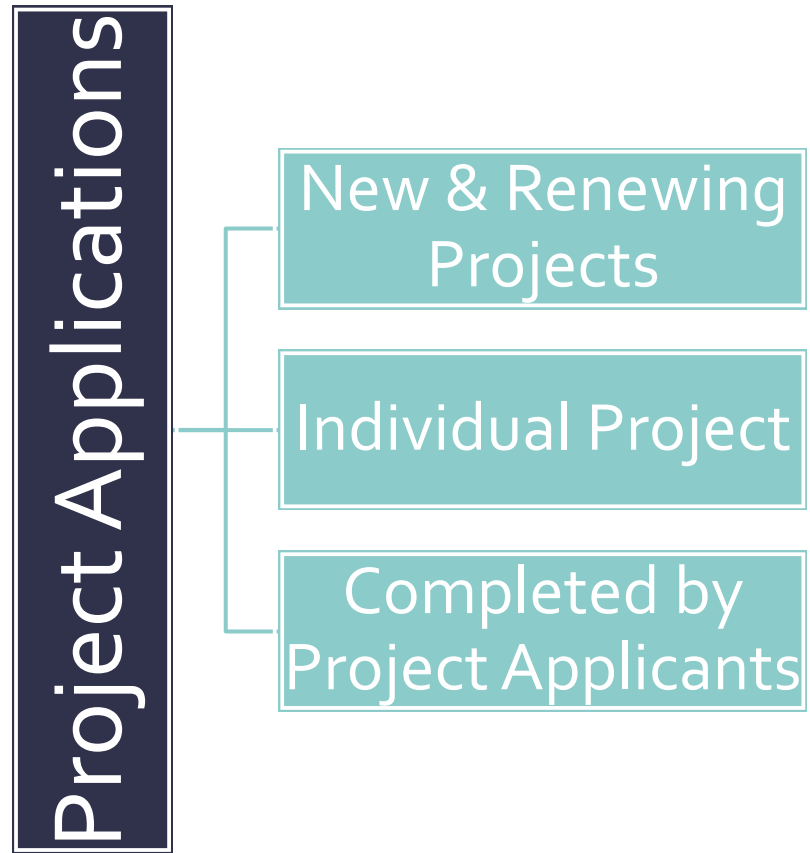
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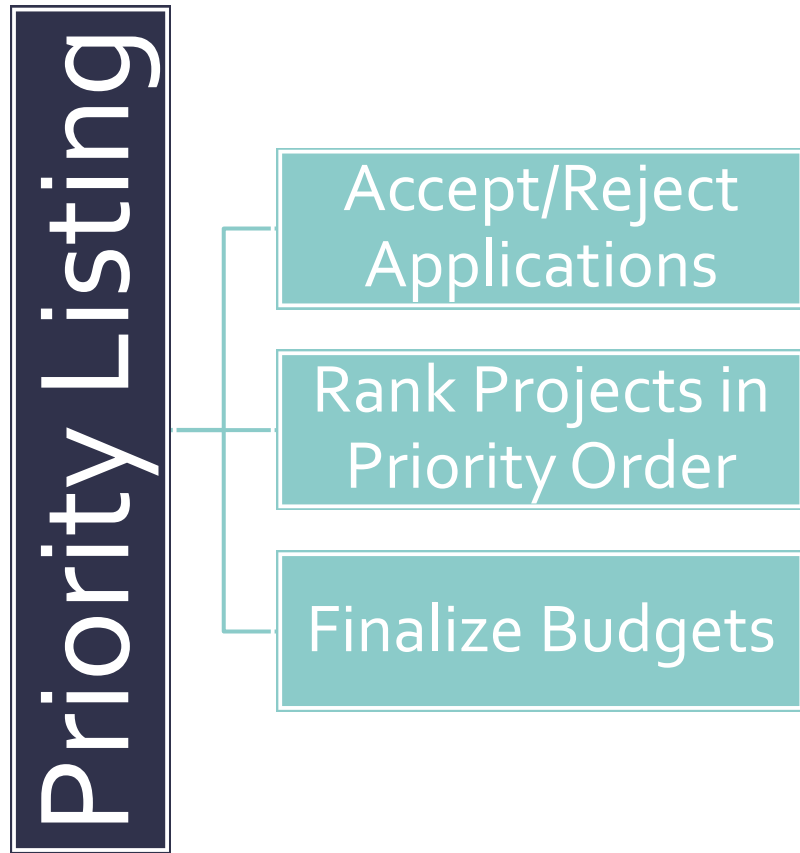
Collaborative Application: DHCD Writes



Project Applications: Projects Write



Priority Listing: DHCD Manages



COLLABORATIVE APPLICATION SCORING

Collaborative Application Scoring

1. CoC Coordination & Engagement	85 Points
2. Project Capacity, Review & Ranking	27 Points
3. HMIS	9 Points
4. Point-In-Time Count	5 Points
5. System Performance	60 Points
6. Coordination with Housing & Healthcare	<u>14 Points</u>
	200 Available Points

CoC Merger

25 Bonus Points



ELIGIBLE PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Renewal Projects

Renewing Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Rehousing, Joint TH-RRH, Transitional Housing, HMIS, SSO-CE Projects

A project that will be under grant agreement by December 31, 2023 and will have an expiration date in CY 2024 (between January 1, 2024, and December 31, 2024).



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LHC	Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type
AC	Allegheny County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc.	HRDC Leasing Supportive Housing Project	PSH
AC	Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration	BHA PSH Allegheny County	PSH
AC	Allegheny County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc.	Transitional Housing Services	TH
AC	YMCA of Cumberland	Y Permanent Housing	PSH
AC	YMCA of Cumberland	Y Gilchrist Housing	PSH
BoS	Maryland Department of Housing & Community Development	MD-514 HMIS	HMIS
CC	Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration	BHA PSH Cecil County 7 Unit	PSH
CC	Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration	BHA PSH Cecil County 5 Unit	PSH
CC	Cecil County, Maryland	Rapid Re-housing	RRH
FC	City of Frederick	Housing 1st SRO - Individual Project	PSH
FC	Friends for Neighborhood Progress, Inc.	FFNP Housing First Renewal	PSH
FC	Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration	BHA PSH Frederick County	PSH
FC	City of Frederick	New Project Application FY2022	PSH
FC	Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership of Frederick County	New Project Application FY2022	Joint TH -RRH
GC	Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc.	SHP DIS	PSH
GC	Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc.	RRH	RRH
HC	Associated Catholic Charities, Inc.	AH PH Consolidated	PSH
HC	PROLOGUE, INC	Prologue PSH	PSH
HC	Harford Family House, Inc.	HFH PSH I	PSH
HC	Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration	BHA PSH Harford County	PSH
HC	Harford Community Action Agency Inc.	HCAA Centralized Intake Supportive Services	SSO-CE
HC	Associated Catholic Charities, Inc.	AH PSH IV Chronic Homeless	PSH
HC	The Sexual Assault/Spousal Abuse Resource Center	SARC 2021 New Project 2022 Renewal	RRH
SM	Catholic Charities of The Archdiocese of Washington	Fortitude Renewal Project Application	PSH
SM	Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration	BHA PSH Southern MD	PSH
SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Nicholson - Permanent Housing Project #8	PSH
SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Marek PWD#9 Consolidated Grant	PSH
SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Horne - Permanent Housing Project #11	PSH
SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Haina PWD#13 Consolidated Grant	PSH
SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Owens Rapid Rehousing Consolidated Grant	RRH
SM	Three Oaks Homeless Shelter, Inc	Waring Rapid Re-Housing Consolidated Project	RRH
SM	Housing Authority of St. Mary's County, MD	Aldridge PWD#16 Consolidated Grant	PSH
SM	LifeStyles of Maryland Foundation, Inc.	LifeStyles' DV Joint TH-RRH	Joint TH -RRH
WC	Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration	BHA PSH Washington County	PSH
WC	Potomac Case Management Services, INC	WC PSH Individuals	PSH
WC	Potomac Case Management Services, INC	WC PSH Families	PSH

Consolidation

- Applicants may **consolidate two or more (but no more than ten)** eligible renewal projects into one in the renewal project
- Projects must be held by the same recipient and be of the same project component type
- Projects must be in good standing and not have the following:
 - outstanding audit or monitoring findings;
 - outstanding obligation to HUD that is in arrears,
 - unresolved construction delays,
 - history of poor financial management or drawdown issues,
 - history of low occupancy levels, or lack of experience in administering the project type, or
 - other capacity issues



Transition Grant

- Opportunity to transition an eligible renewal grant to a new program component type via a voluntary reallocation process
 - *Example:* Transition a Transitional Housing Project to a Permanent Supportive Housing Project
- Transition grants will have one year to fully transition to new component type during the normal operating year



New Project Application Opportunities

CoCs may submit new project application created through **reallocation, CoC Bonus, DV Bonus or a combination of the three sources.**

HUD will review project subrecipient eligibility as part of the project quality threshold review process. Project applicants are required to submit documentation of the subrecipient's eligibility with the project application.



New Projects: CoC Bonus

CoC Bonus: Up to 7% of the Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN), approximately
\$425,249

- Must be one of the following project types:
 - **Permanent Supportive Housing** projects that serve persons who meet the definition of DedicatedPLUS or persons experiencing chronic homelessness at the time of initial enrollment
 - **Rapid Rehousing, Joint TH-RRH, and Coordinated Entry SSO** projects may serve persons who qualify as homeless
 - **Dedicated HMIS** project that can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead



New Project: Renewal Project Expansion

- HUD will allow project applicants to apply for a new expansion project (funded through reallocation, CoC Bonus, and DV Bonus processes) to expand existing projects to increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-CE projects.
- The expansion portion will be considered a new project and will be required to submit a new project application to BoS and in eSNAPS
- Both the renewal and new project applications will be scored and ranked in the priority list
- If awarded by HUD, would be executed as one project



New Projects: DV Bonus

Domestic Violence Bonus: Up to 10 % of the Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN) estimated amount **\$273,138**

- New projects that want to be considered for the DV Bonus, must be:
 - Must serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking that are defined as homeless
 - **Rapid Rehousing or Joint TH-RRH** component projects that demonstrate trauma-informed, victim-centered approach and follow a housing first approach
 - **SSO for Coordinated Entry** to implement policies, procedures, and practices that equip the CoC's coordinated entry to better meet needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking
- Can be stand alone new project or expansion of renewal project



New Projects: DV Bonus

- Must be 1 year grant term but may request a longer initial grant term not to exceed 18 months
- Any number of submissions per project type (RRH, Joint TH-RRH) provided each application is for at least \$50,000
- Only one SSO for Coordinated Entry application may be submitted per CoC
- HUD will conditionally select DV Bonus projects based on the criteria established in the NOFA
 - Any project conditionally selected by HUD as part of the DV Bonus will be removed from the CoC's Project ranking list and all projects underneath of it will slide up in rank
 - Any project that indicated it would like to be considered as part of the DV Bonus but was not selected as part of the DV Bonus, will retain the ranking provided by the CoC and be considered as a normal ranked project



New Projects: DV Bonus

HUD will award a point value using the following 100-point scale:

- Rapid Rehousing and Joint TH and RRH Projects
 - *CoC Score*: Up to 50 points in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC Application.
 - *CoC Collaboration with VSP*: Up to 10 points in direct proportion to the score received on the rating factors related to VSP Collaboration.
 - *Need for the Project*: Up to 10 points based on the extent the CoC quantified the need for the project in its portfolio, the extent of the need and how the project will fill the gap.
 - *Quality of the Project Applicant Experience*: Up to 15 points based on the previous performance of the applicant in serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking and ability to house and meet safety outcomes of survivors.
 - *Demonstration of Inclusion of Victim-Centered Practices*: Up to 8 points based on quality of project plan to address needs of survivors by adopting victim-centered practices
 - *Demonstration of Plan to Include Survivors with Lived Experience*: Up to 7 points based on project ability to demonstrate plan to involve survivors in policy and program development



New Projects: DV Bonus

HUD will award a point value using the following 100-point scale:

- SSO Projects for Coordinated Entry
 - *CoC Score*: Up to 50 points in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC Application.
 - *CoC Collaboration with VSP*: Up to 10 points in direct proportion to the score received on the rating factors related to VSP Collaboration.
 - *Need for the Project*: Up to 25 points based on the extent the CoC quantified the need for the project in its portfolio, the extent of the need and how the project will fill the gap.
 - *Demonstration of Plan to Include Survivors with Lived Experience*: Up to 15 points based on project ability to demonstrate plan to involve survivors in policy and program development



Project Clarification

DedicatedPLUS: A PSH project where 100% of the beds are dedicated to serve individuals, households with children and unaccompanied homeless youth, that at intake are:

- (1) experiencing chronic homelessness
- (2) residing in a transitional housing project that will be eliminated and meets the definition of chronically homeless in effect at the time in which the individual or family entered the transitional housing project
- (3) residing in a place not meant for human habitation, emergency shelter, or safe haven; and have been admitted and enrolled in a permanent housing project within the last year and were unable to maintain a housing placement and met the definition of chronic homelessness prior to entering the project
- (4) residing in transitional housing funded by a Joint TH and PH-RRH component project and who were experiencing chronic homelessness prior to entering the project
- (5) residing and has resided in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or emergency shelter for at least 12 months in the last three years, but has not done so on four separate occasions, and the individual or head of household meet the definition of 'homeless individual with a disability'
- (6) receiving assistance through a Department of Veterans Affairs(VA)-funded homeless assistance program and met one of the above criteria at initial intake to the VA's homeless assistance system



Project Clarification

DedicatedPLUS Continued:

- A renewal project where 100 percent of the beds were dedicated to chronically homeless individuals and families, under the grant that is being renewed **may either become a DedicatedPLUS project or may continue to dedicate 100 percent of its beds** to chronically homeless individuals and families.
- If a renewal project that has 100 percent of its beds dedicated to chronically homeless individuals and families elects to become a DedicatedPLUS project, the project will **be required to adhere to all fair housing requirements** at 24 CFR 578.93.
- Projects that were awarded as **DedicatedPLUS in a previous CoC Program Competition** are **required to include households with children** to qualify as a DedicatedPLUS project in the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition.



BALANCE OF STATE APPLICATION PROCESS



2023 Continuum of Care Funding Competition

The Maryland Balance of State Continuum of Care has selected the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to serve as the community's Collaborative Applicant for HUD's 2023 Continuum of Care Program Competition. As the Collaborative Applicant, DHCD issues funding notices, grant application materials, facilitates the project selection process, and develops the CoC's overall application to HUD.

This webpage will serve as the official repository of information about the local application process and competition. Information is available on the HUD website about the [Continuum of Care Program](#). Applicants and potential applicants for new or renewal funding are strongly encouraged to [register for email updates](#) on funding opportunities.

Competition Documents

Current as of: July 12, 2023



Competition Timeline & Events

Current as of: July 12, 2023



July 5, 2023	HUD Issues FY2023 CoC Program NOFO (Notice of Funding Opportunity)
July 12, 2023	DHCD Issues FY2023 BoS CoC Program Competition Timeline
July 20, 2023	Balance of State CoC Competition Policies Published
July 20, 2023	Balance of State CoC NOFO Briefing: Registration Link Pending
July X, 2023	DHCD Issues FFY2023 BoS CoC RFP & Project Application
July 26, 2023 11:00 am	Renewal Project Evaluation, Scoring & Application Training: Link Pending
July X, 2023	New Project Application Training: Link Pending
August 1, 2023 2:30 pm	Renewal Project Data Clean Up Session #1: Meeting Link Pending

BoS Local Competition Components

Renewal Projects

- Performance Score Card
- eSNAPS
- RFP Response
- Any Required Documentation

First Time Renewal Projects

- eSNAPS
- RFP Response
- Any Required Documentation

New Projects

- RFP Narrative Responses
- eSNAPS
- Any Required Documentation

Project Review Committee

- Renewal projects initially ranked based on score
- Adjustments made per CoC Ranking Policy
- New Project RFP responses scored by committee and ranked based on the CoC Ranking Policy
- Submit Final Project Ranking Recommendations to CoC Leadership for review



e-snaps Info

- Returning project applicants can choose to import project application responses from prior years
 - Applicants must carefully review imported responses to ensure accuracy and true representation of project activities
- **DHCD Staff is UNABLE to assist with e-snaps technical issues** (passwords, user accounts, etc). Users must submit requests to HUD via email: e-snaps@HUD.gov
- **e-snaps user guides:** <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/>



Technical Assistance

Optional TA to review local RFP Process & e-snaps

- Date: Throughout Competition
- Virtual Sessions
- Appointment Slots link to Be Provided on BoS Funding Webpage



NOFO Resources

- [FY23 HUD NOFO: *Due September 28, 2023*](#)
- [BoS CoC Funding Opportunities Page](#)
- [E-snaps Resources](#)



Additional Guidance

- Regularly check <https://www.mdboscoc.org/funding> for updates and information
- [Sign up for the newsletter](#) & make sure to regularly check your spam folder so you don't miss competition related communications
- Questions
 - Boscoc.dhcd@maryland.gov
 - Subject: NOFO-23

