

# FFY2023 COC FUNDING COMPETITION RENEWAL PROJECTS

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- Renewal Project Scorecard
- BoS RFP Application
- eSNAPS Application
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## 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 Project Application**

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



## **First Time Renewal Project Application**

- eSNAPS
- RFP Response
- 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



# Renewal Projects: Scorecard

- HUD requires that CoCs facilitate a local competition that rates and ranks each project based on objective criteria, including performance and grant management
- DHCD & TeamHMIS staff populate the data & provide technical assistance
- Projects given opportunity to review and provide feedback on the scorecard
- Scorecards determine preliminary rank order & the Performance Review Committee reviews, makes adjustments as appropriate, and provides recommendations to the CoC board for final approval



# Renewal Projects: Scorecard

## Scorecards are populated with:

- APR data from HMIS (or comparable database) with the performance dates of 7/1/22 - 6/30/23
- Additional custom reporting from HMIS
- Project financial data from SAGE
- Project application information from eSNAPS



# Renewal Projects: Scorecard

## Scorecard Timeline

- Data Clean Up: July 31 – August 11
- Final APR Pulled for Evaluation: August 12th
- Scorecards Sent to Project Contact: August 18<sup>th</sup>
- Deadline to Provide Comment or Feedback on Scorecard: August 28th





# Renewal Projects: Scorecard

## Data Clean Up: Technical Assistance Opportunities

- TeamHMIS will be hosting 2 data clean up sessions to ensure all renewing projects are evaluated by the most accurate and up to date information
  - Session #1: August 1, 2023 @2:30
  - Session #2: August 8, 2023 @ 2:30
- Both sessions are intended to be interactive and will provide a general overview and hands on technical assistance as needed
- All HMIS data must be updated, corrected & complete **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, AUGUST 11th**



# Renewal Projects: Scorecard

- Scorecard Review



# HMIS Data Tips



# Renewal Projects: BoS RFP Response

- DHCD intends to publish the CoC Request for Proposals on or around August 1, 2023 (pending additional information from HUD)
- RFP responses will be due no later than August 28, 2023
- Renewal projects are only required to respond to a brief section of the RFP
- RFP responses will be factored into the Renewal Project Scorecard total score



# Renewal Projects: BoS RFP Response

Walk through renewal portion of RFP



# Renewal Projects: eSNAPS Application

- All CoC Project Applicants are required to complete the renewal application in the eSNAPS portal
- Project applications will be due August 28, 2023
- DHCD can return the application to applicants if additional corrections or adjustments are required

**eSNAPS applications are now open!**



# Renewal Projects: eSNAPS Application

- **Consolidation Grants** - merge at least 2 but no more than 10 projects of the same component type into 1 project
- **Transition Grants** - convert an existing renewal project into a new component type
- **Expansion Grants** - expand current renewal project by applying for a “new” project (*will need to attend New CoC Project Training on August 9th*)



# e-snaps Info

- **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/>





# 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. GARRETT COUNTY ONLY

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*



# Technical Assistance

*Optional* TA Sessions to review local RFP Process & e-snaps

- Date: August 21-25
- Virtual Sessions
- [Appointment Request Link](#) 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/2023-coc-competition> 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](mailto:Boscoc.dhcd@maryland.gov)
  - Subject: NOFO-23

