

FY2026 HUD CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity

Local Funding Competition

LA-503 New Orleans, Jefferson Parish, Kenner Continuum of Care

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MEETING

JUNE 18, 2026



Agenda

Overview of the FY26 NOFO

CoC Competition Calendar

Intent to Renew

- RRH and Joint Component Options
- Budget

Next Steps – Application

Funding Priorities and System Gaps

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HUD NOFO Overview

Significant changes to reflect current HUD policy priorities.

Tier 1 is 60% of current renewal demand.

HUD prioritization for new transitional housing (TH) and supportive service only (SSO) projects in Tier 2.

Also prioritizes projects for families with children, self-sufficiency, recovery oriented approaches.

NOFO Timeline Published June 1, 2026
Local Project Application Deadlines Renewal Applications: July 14, 2026 New Project Proposals: July 21, 2026
Project Priority Listing August 11, 2026
Post application on UNITY website August 22, 2026
Submit consolidated application to HUD August 26, 2026

Federal Priorities

Improving Outcomes

- Prioritize projects that optimize **self-sufficiency**.
- **Employment income** over government assistance.
- Promote **treatment** and recovery.
- Expand pool of providers, including **faith-based providers**.
- Improve effectiveness and **increase supports** for self-sufficiency by reallocation, expansion and transition grants.

Creating Competition to Improve Innovation & Accountability

- **Competition** between CoCs and geographic areas by decreasing Tier 1 and increasing Tier 2.
- Improve CoC evaluation of **effectiveness** of projects.
- Invest in **new projects** that deliver the best results at reducing homelessness and optimizing self-sufficiency.

Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care

- Return to **balance** of beds in the CoC closer to $\frac{1}{3}$ ES, $\frac{1}{3}$ TH, $\frac{1}{3}$ PSH
- Prioritize PSH for seniors, physically disabled and developmentally disabled.
- Encourage **recovery** for people with substance use impairment to regain self-sufficiency.

Federal Priorities (continued)

Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery

- Invest in **treatment** services and **recovery** housing.
- **On-site** behavioral health treatment and robust wraparound supportive services.
- **Participation** requirements not required, but recommended.
- Improve **health** and long-term economic independence
- Invest in treatment recovery beds, behavioral health partnerships, drug courts, etc.

Advancing Public Safety for All

- Cooperate with law enforcement to advance **public safety** for entire community.
- Prevent and minimize trauma associated with living on the streets or in **encampments**, especially for women and youth who are victims of sexual assault and trafficking.
- Keep in check public camping and public illicit drug use.

Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency

- Partner with **Workforce** Development Employers, child care.
- Increase **employment** income.
- Increase exits to unsubsidized housing.
- Encourage **participation agreements** that meet individual needs and advance progress towards self-sufficiency and independent living goals.
- Participation requirements can provide structure and accountability.

Federal Priorities (continued)

Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations

- **Minimize trauma** associated with homelessness.
- Provide trauma informed care.
- Ensure **participant safety** in programs, especially **youth** and **survivors** of violence.

Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology

- Provide equal **opportunity** to every applicant, recipient and program participant.
- **Faith-based organizations** participate consistent with their sincerely held religious beliefs.
- Increase number and diversity of program providers.
- Prohibition of racial preferences, even under the guise of DEI.

FY26 CoC Funding Availability

		FY26 NOFO
Tier 1		\$24,761,476
		60% of funds
Tier 2	Renewals	\$16,507,651
	CoC Bonus	\$5,000,000
	DV Bonus	\$4,800,000*
Total Funding Available		\$51,069,127*

**Note: These figures are estimates, as HUD has yet to release the FY 2026 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) Report. CoC Planning Grant is not ranked.*

Annual Renewal Demand

Total Available for Renewal:
\$41,269,127

Tier One: **\$24,761,476**

Restricted to Serve Survivors:
\$7,793,823

New Funding Applications:
DV Bonus-20% PPRN
\$4.8 million (estimate)
CoC Bonus-15% FPRN maximum
\$5 million

+ Reallocation
Transition*

**Awards MAY include cost of living adjustments.*

PSH = \$23,125,939
Non-PSH for Tier 1 = \$1,635,537

Component Type	Total Funding \$ (% of total)	DV Restricted Portion	Potential New Portfolio
Permanent Supportive Housing	\$23,125,939 56.0%		\$23,125,939
HMIS	\$504,106 1.2%		\$504,106
Supportive Service Only - SSO (Coordinated Entry & Outreach)	\$1,745,900 4.0%	\$289,916	\$1,738,394
Safe Haven	\$672,216 1.6%		\$672,216
Joint Transitional Housing & Rapid Re-Housing	\$7,830,404 19.0%	\$4,807,073	
Rapid Re-Housing	\$7,390,562 17.9%	\$2,696,834	
Transitional Housing			\$12,220,966 36.9%
CoC Bonus DV Bonus			\$5,000,000 \$4,800,000
Total	\$41,269,127	\$7,793,823	\$51,069,127

Local Competition Decisions

- ❖ Project scoring criteria to reflect HUD priorities
- ❖ Prioritization ranking, which could prioritize Tier 1 for PSH funding and \$1.6 million of other projects.
- ❖ RRH and TH-RRH transition or reallocate to TH
- ❖ New Funding for TH and SSO projects to support programs to address system gaps.

Renewal Application Steps

Due 6/23 Step 1: Intent to Renew

Due 7/14 Step 2: Application to the CoC

Step 3: Threshold Review Preliminary Scores

7/31 Step 5: Preliminary Project Rankings

8/11 Step 6: Final Project Rankings

12/1 HUD Announces Awards

Intent to Renew

All project sponsors of current CoC funded projects should complete and return this form to indicate an intent to submit an application for renewal of FY25 CoC project funding during the FY26 CoC Funding Competition. This information will be used by the CoC to make planning decisions for the FY26 funding decisions.

Submit to proposals@unityqno.org no later than June 23, 2026.

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Organization-Name: _____¶
 Project-Name: _____¶
 Project-Component-Type: ____-PSH ____-RRH ____-Joint-component-TH-RRH ____-SSO-¶
 FY25-Project-Number: _____¶
 FY25-Funding-Amount: _____¶

Projects that have slow expenditure rates or a balance of unused funds in the most recent APR are encouraged to request less funding so the unused balance can be better used in our community.¶

Requests for increased funding can only be made as an expansion of services or increased number of participants and should be made through the CoC process for new funding proposals.¶

Project-Type¶	Funding-Amount-and-Budget¶
☐ Same-Project-Type¶ ☐ Request-Transition-to-TH¶ ☐ Leasing-Assistance¶ ☐ Rental-Assistance¶ ☐ Single-Site/Congregate¶ ☐ Request-Reallocation-to-TH¶ ☐ Other: _____¶	☐ Current-Funding-Amount—no-budget-changes¶ HUD may make funding adjustments based on changes to the fair market rent and cost of living.¶ ☐ Current-Funding-Amount—budget-changes-requested¶ Changes will be requested in the local application process and may include:¶ • → Less than 10% change between existing BLI.¶ • → Increase administrative costs.¶ • → Include indirect costs.¶ ☐ Decreased-Funding-Amount-of-\$- _____¶ ☐ Request-Consolidation-with-project-#: _____¶

Signed-by: _____ Date: _____¶

Project Renewal Options - Project Type

RRH and Joint Component (TH-RRH) may request Transition to TH.

Allows program to continue along the same renewal timeline.

One year transition period at renewal.

No additional funding.

Reallocated projects would be a new application.

New project could have start date earlier or later than current project.

All current participants would need to exit prior to the new start date.

Could request different budget.

Transitional Housing Models

Transitional Housing can be provided through a congregate model where everyone is in the same building OR through a non congregate model that allows participants to “transition in place” at exit from the program. Non-congregate can be provided through Leasing Assistance or Rental Assistance model.

Leasing assistance

Agency holds lease with landlord.

Match is not required on leasing funds.

May have operating budget.

Limited to no more than FMR - no exceptions.

Rental Assistance

Lease is between client and landlord.

Match is required on rental assistance funds.

No operating costs.

Project Renewal Options - Budget

Reduced Amount:

- Please review your prior budget year and current spending to request a reduced amount.
- HUD is flagging projects with ANY balance and sending the CoC quarterly LOCCS reports to identify projects that have slow expenditure rates.

Minor Budget Change Request:

- Include indirect costs that are not included in the admin budget.
- Adjust the budget up to 10% change between budget categories (i.e. Supportive, Rental Assistance, Administrative).
- Project sponsors may request to include indirect costs within the supportive services, operating, and administrative budgets.
- This request can be made for the FY25 projects AND during the application process for FY26.
- See materials on indirect costs at coc.unitygno.org

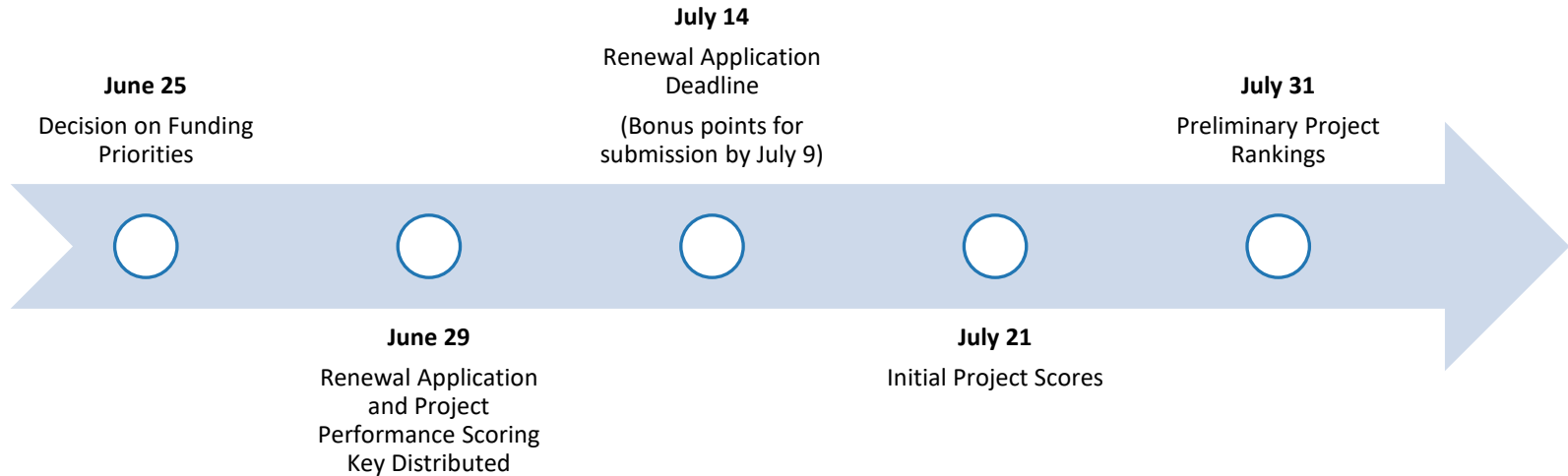
Criteria will reflect an evaluation of project meeting threshold criteria, performance that contributes to system performance, and additional criteria for the NOFO.

Submissions will be made through an application portal through Neighborly which will allow you to submit responses to questions and attach documents.

You can prepare by:

- Submit invoices and LOCCS draws
- Review your HMIS data for data quality, particularly around key performance measures to ensure the project performance scores are accurately reflecting your good work.
- Prepare your match commitment letter
- Review the materials from FY25

Next Steps: Local Application



Funding Priorities and System Gaps

1. How should the CoC Prioritize renewal and new projects for funding?

- Project Type (PSH, HMIS, Safe Haven, Coordinated Entry, Outreach)
- ~~Adjust ranking to ensure at least one project for each population (CH, Unsheltered, Families, DV, Youth)~~
- Deprioritize projects serving people with fewer barriers?
- Prioritize projects meeting new NOFO priorities?

1. Changes to the Project Performance Score for project rankings

Is there a better way to account for programs that are serving people with more barriers to housing?

1. How should the CoC determine which projects should be reallocated?

- Lowest score of each project type and populations?
- Low Utilization
- Balance of unspent funds?

2. Where is more funding needed to improve our system performance measures?

- Employment
- Increase self-sufficiency
- On-site treatment for congregate and scattered site programs
- What kinds of wrap-around services are missing?

5. What are the system gaps?

Questions?

Local Competition Website

UNITY's local CoC Competition website has information and resources for local applications with a competition calendar FAQs, and templates. The site will continue to be updated with information.

coc.unitygno.org

CoC Competition Email:

proposals@unitygno.org will be monitored by our contracts team.

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