

FY 2024 Riverside County CoC Program Competition

Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Workshop Q & A

QUESTION	ANSWER
1. Will the slides from the workshop be available for viewing?	Yes. You can view the workshop recording along with the slides from the presentation on the FY 2024 HUD Continuum of Care Program Competition webpage.
2. We did not submit a letter of intent; however, we are interested in creating a new project. Does that still qualify?	The letter of intent (LOI) was only a requirement for renewal projects. New projects did not need to submit a LOI.
3. For new projects, what is the latest date a contract could start to be eligible under the FY24 NOFO?	HUD states that you can start a new project by September 15, 2026, however, if you choose a start date in 2026 (outside FY 2025), the project would not be renewable until 2027. It is recommended that a project start in FY 2025, preferably mid-year.
4. Where can we see a list and descriptions of new projects funded last year, or the last few years?	Please visit the CoC website under CoC Open Bids, Division and Funded Programs here to view previous funded Priority listings and other funding projects.
5. For projects collaborating or partnering, does the new organization have to have had CoC funding history previously or just the applicant applying on behalf of both the applicant and the new organization?	The CoC is looking for new organizations that are homeless assistance agencies who already engage with Riverside County's Homeless Continuum of Care who has not receive CoC funding previously, in an effort to build agency and systemwide capacity.
6. When you mentioned all these projects, is it money to help clients with rent?	The HUD CoC Program is a rental assistance program providing Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Rehousing, Supportive Services and Operation costs.
7. For master leasing, how long will HUD pay for a vacant unit in between clients?	If an assisted unit is vacated before the expiration of the lease, the assistance for the unit may continue for a maximum of 30 days from the end of the month in which the unit was vacated, unless occupied by another eligible person. No additional assistance will be paid until the unit is occupied by another eligible person. Brief periods of stays in institutions, not to exceed 90 days for each occurrence, are not considered vacancies.
8. Does HUD still look at the staff/operations ratio to clients?	Yes. This is still a parameter that HUD reviews during the APR submission period. The recommendation for staff/client ratios is as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High level of case management (likely to need PSH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Caseload Size – 1:10 – 1:15 - Moderate level of case management (may need longer support than limited time RRH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Caseload Size – 1:16 – 1:30 - Low level of case management (likely to need RRH or warm handoffs to other community providers) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Caseload Size – 1:31 – 1:50

9. Is this RFP open to 'For-Profit' organizations?	<p>HUD regulations 24 CFR 578.15 state '<i>For-profit entities are not eligible to apply for grants or to be subrecipients of grant funds.</i>'</p> <p><i>Nonprofit organizations, States, local governments, and instrumentalities of State or local governments are eligible to apply for grants.</i></p>
10. Where can I find HUD definition of eligible activities?	Activities under HUD CoC can be found at 24 CFR 578 under Subpart D – Program Components and Eligible Costs.
11. Are client utilities an eligible expense and if so, where are they included in the budget?	<p>Yes. They can be included as an expense under rental assistance. Please refer to HUD Notice: CPD-17-11 'Determining a Program Participant's Rent Contribution, Occupancy Charge or Utility Reimbursement in the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program when the Program Participant is Responsible for the Utilities'</p> <p>You may also refer to 24 CFR 578.77</p>
12. We wanted to apply for this grant but are unsure how to do it because we never got the RFP. Do we have to register with eSnaps first?	<p>You will want to stay up to date on our competition webpage here. You will see the RFP that was released in addition to the email announcement sent out through the CoC if you are a current CoC member.</p> <p>When reviewing the RFP, you will see that New Project Applicants will need to notify the CoC of their intent to apply and request eSnaps if you do not already have an account. If you do not have an account, we recommend creating a profile in eSnaps here and then email the CoC your eSnaps username and email address used to create the profile so that you can obtain access to the County of Riverside profile.</p>
13. I am locked out of eSnaps	Unfortunately, the CoC does not have access to unlock your account, it can only be handled through the grantium system. Please email e-snaps@hud.gov .