

# 2022 HUD CoC Supplemental to Address Unsheltered Homelessness Q & A

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| <p>Is it correct that any project funded under this NOFO must be open and able to accept participants from any geographical part of the county and that you are not able to designate areas from which you will accept participants? If so, is there a way to limit the area that you serve?</p> | <p>Projects included in this funding opportunity may serve any geographic area within the CoC.</p> <p>All housing projects must commit to using the Coordinated Entry System (CES) which could refer individuals from any area in the CoC.</p>                                |
| <p>If we are proposing a permanent supportive housing project, do we have to have the houses/units identified and secured or can they be identified and secured once funding is granted?</p>   | <p>The project application asks for the type and location of housing. If the project plans on using “scattered sites” in the general housing market, you would identify those later. If the project is planning to use project-based sites those would be identified now.</p> |
| <p>Would applying for Non-CES Supportive Services for Street Outreach be eligible if we only have the one-time funding for street outreach? Currently the only funding received from the CoC is ESG-CV2 which will wrap before 2023. We would like to continue.</p>                              | <p>The application is looking for new housing and services.</p>   |
| <p>Where can the County’s plan for this funding be found? There is a question on the e-Snaps application that asks about this.</p>   | <p>Riverside County’s Homeless Action Plan can be found by clicking <a href="#">here</a></p>  |
| <p>Is hotel/motel assistance an eligible expense under Joint TH and PH-RRH projects?</p>   | <p>The hotel/motel assistance in the NOFO is for the Rural Set aside only. Joint projects need to have identified TH units/ beds and can use Tenant-Based Rental Assistance for the Rapid Rehousing component.</p>  |
| <p>Is there a limit on staffing costs? If so, what is the percentage?</p>  | <p>No, however, costs must meet the reasonableness standard and must be comparable to salaries, caseloads, etc. to others in the organization.</p>  |
| <p>Is there a minimum or maximum amount of funding we could apply</p>  | <p>A specific minimum has not been set, however, projects requesting \$60,000 may have difficulty demonstrating how the \$20,000 per year for each of 3 years will have measurable impact. The total Application cannot</p>   |

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| for annually or over the three-year grant period?  | exceed the allocation to the CoC as established by HUD and may not exceed the total available cited in the RFP.   |
| Is there any flexibility in the application due date?  | No, there isn't flexibility in the application due date. HUD's federal due date is October 20th however, to receive maximum points the CoC must receive all applications <u>at least 30 days in advance</u> of the federal due date which is why there is a September date.   |
| What level of involvement will the CoC have in putting together the application to HUD, including what sections they will be responsible for?  | <p>As the lead agency for the CoC, HWS will complete in its entirety the consolidated application which is made up of 4 scoring sections with several sub-questions.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking (4 points)</li> <li>2. System Performance (18 points)</li> <li>3. CoC Coordinated and Engagement (8 points)</li> <li>4. CoC Community Plan for Serving Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs (70 points)</li> </ol> <p>All applicants must demonstrate, in their project application, how they are consistent with the CoC's Community Plan for Serving Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs.</p> |
| For portions of the application such as "Landlord Recruitment: CoCs must demonstrate their current strategy for recruiting landlords, and their units, in which to utilize tenant-based assistance." Will the CoC provide narratives or assistance in demonstrating their strategies in that area? | Please refer to resources and information released by HUD <a href="https://www.hudexchange.info/">https://www.hudexchange.info/</a> ; and Riversides previously adopted strategic plans.  |
| What is the expected timing of awards and grant documents from HUD?  | Applications are due to HUD on October 20, 2022. Review and preliminary awards would be anticipated between late January 2023 and late March 2023. After the preliminary awards, Grantees (County of Riverside) works with their subrecipient agencies and the local HUD Field Office (Los Angeles) and to respond to technical corrections and contracting.  |
| Can the award be capitalized as an operating reserve and spent towards the uses over time, after the three-year period has passed or does the entire award need to be exhausted within the initial 3-year period?  | The grant operating year(s) determine the eligible term for all expenditures.   |

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| <p>Would chronically homeless and homeless individuals as defined by California’s HomeKey program satisfy this NOFO’s requirement to serve “clients with severe service needs?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If not, would the Riverside CoC agree to provide a letter for the NOFO application that says the CoC’s Coordinated Entry system would prioritize high-acuity referrals (that is, those with severe service needs) for placement in the PSH development for which we are applying to this NOFO for service funding?</li> </ul> | <p>Chronically homeless individuals and families typically encompass persons in categories described as ‘severe service needs’, however it is important to note that persons with ‘sever service needs’ do not have to meet the chronically homeless definition. The Severe Service Need’s definition is broader. Projects funded by the NOFO must commit to participating in the Coordinated Entry system and to employing the Housing First approach.</p>  |
| <p>Will we need one application for all projects, or will each project require its own application?</p>  | <p>Each project will require its own application.</p>  |
| <p>I noticed there are 2 set asides project applications for Unsheltered Homelessness FY 2022 in the Funding Opportunity tab. Will we need to submit our new projects under “ Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside Project Application FY 2022” or “CoC Planning Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside Project Application FY 2022”?</p>  | <p>All projects responding to the FY2022 HUD CoC Supplemental to Address Unsheltered Homelessness must submit their projects under the <i>Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside Project Application FY2022</i>.</p> <p>By HUD regulations, only the designated Collaborative Applicant can submit for the CoC Planning grant, capped at 3%.</p>   |
| <p>Can you confirm that services for units set aside for at-risk of homeless (at 30% AMI) are not eligible for this funding source? Just for the units set aside for homeless/chronically homeless?</p>  | <p>Correct - for the Unsheltered NOFO participants have to be under paragraph 1 or 4 of HUDs definition - so the only "at risk" group would be those fleeing violence, stalking, human trafficking... otherwise need to be literally homeless (which can include living in emergency shelter, or public institution - like jail or hospital where they have been for up to 90 days of less - and entered those locations from the street or places not meant for human habitation (vehicle count).</p> |

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| <p>If we only put forward a funding request for services in our building, we should calculate the match requirement to be 25% of the total services budget, correct? Not the total development cost of the project? If so, then we can show how our project's pro forma will match a sizeable portion of the services provided on site.</p> | <p>Yes, the 25% match is only for the total request for funds from HUD (except for leasing) - not all the other costs coming from other resources.</p> |
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