

Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

1. the CoC Application,
2. the CoC Priority Listing, and
3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

1. The FY 2024 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2024 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It
- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with—if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.

- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: IA-502 - Des Moines/Polk County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: City of Des Moines

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Institute for Community Alliances

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.1.a.(1), V.B.1.e., V.B.1f., and V.B.1.p.	
	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024:	
	1. select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC’s coordinated entry system; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC’s geographic area:	

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC’s Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	No
3.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	No
4.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
5.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	Yes	No
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes	No
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	Yes	Yes	No
10.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
11.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
12.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	No
13.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	No	No
14.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
15.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
16.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes	No	No

17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	No	No
18.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Nonexistent	No	No
19.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	No
20.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes
21.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	Yes
22.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	No
23.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	No
24.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	No	No
25.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	No
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	Yes	No	No
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	No	No	No
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	No	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	No
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.	Faith Based Organization	Yes	Yes	No
35.	Corporations/Business	Yes	Yes	No

1B-1a.	Experience Promoting Racial Equity.	
	NOFO Section III.B.3.c.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's experience in effectively addressing the needs of underserved communities, particularly Black and Brown communities, who are substantially overrepresented in the homeless population.

(limit 2,500 characters)

A substantial over representation of underserved communities in the homeless system exists in Polk County. 61% of families serviced in the homeless system identified other than white only, while they represent 24% of the Population in Polk County. 34% of the Youth Action Council identify as other than white. 36% of the Homeward board members identify as people of color.

The Equity Committee conducted a chi-square analysis of the validity of the VISPDAT v.2 looking at the relationship between the general community population (ACS) compared to the population in coordinated entry, and subsequent program types identified racial inequity at the question level, and using regression, related that racial inequity to disability determination, family type and SPDAT scores. The move to SPDAT v.3 in conjunction with custom questions removed the significance of inequity in SPDAT scores. The CoC is now working on transitioning to predictive risk modeling to replace the VISPDAT. Data sharing and funding discussions have recently begun with community partners. The Equity Committee has adapted a racial equity self-assessment tool for used by service providers in the continuum.

Homeward, the CoC lead, has worked in collaboration with a state legislator who is the CEO of an organization led by and serving black and brown communities to stop Cicero sponsored legislation in the 2024 legislative session and to advocate with other state legislators about the homeless system. Leadership from this organization participates in the unsheltered policy workgroup. Homeward continues to advocate for eviction expungement legislation, which disproportionately affects people of color, women with children, and individuals with disabilities.

Homeward staff has engaged two culturally specific domestic violence organizations in conversations about being involved in the CoC and the CoC application process. One organization attends CoC meetings. The requirement of 25% matching funds prevents these organizations from pursuing CoC funding, particularly as their other federal funding doesn't require match.

We have also engaged in conversations with a non-profit organization led by and serving black and brown communities that works with at risk youth. They have attended grant training and discussed expectations of operating CoC and ESG programs. They have specifically expressed interest in family emergency shelter.

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(2)		
Describe in the field below how your CoC:		
1.	communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;	
2.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and	
3.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in your CoC's geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) New members are solicited monthly at Homeward (CoC Lead) meetings. Membership access is facilitated by posting membership form & CoC committee opportunities on the Homeward website. Newsletters include CoC membership information. Homeward staff have met with & invited organizations to participate in the CoC. Staff post board openings & community meeting announcements on the Homeward website & circulate announcements among board members, service providers (HUD- & non-HUD- funded), current CoC members, social media, & local government officials with a request to post & circulate them within their networks. Open board slots are announced to board members & non-board members at CoC & committee meetings, posted on CoC & local volunteer websites, & shared via social media. Homeward staff & the Youth Action Council (YAC) have presented to local organizations, universities, neighborhood associations, employers, & local civil rights symposia where information about the CoC & invitations to participate have been shared.

2) Board packets, invitations to participate, standards, & policies & procedures are posted on the Homeward website which has been reviewed & updated to ensure accessibility. Language, included on Homeward staff emails & the Homeward website, explains how people with hearing or speech impairments, as well as non-English speaking people, can obtain copies of materials released by Homeward & the Board.

3) Approximately 24% of the CoC’s population identifies as people of color. However, they represent 53% of people served in the homeless system. Invitations have been given in person & via email to organizations serving people of color, people identifying as LGBTQ+, & people with disabilities to participate in Homeward committees & work groups. Example: a local provider for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, & human trafficking for Asian and Pacific Islander communities in Iowa now attends committee meetings. Meetings held with culturally specific organizations have encouraged application submissions for CoC funding. Specific effort has been made to add diversity to the Homeward board. Homeward staff reached out to the Iowa Homeless Youth Center & YAC to recruit a youth to serve on the Homeward Board. After specific recruitment outreach to local cultural organizations & partners, 36% of our board identifies as people of color. People who identify as immigrant, having lived experience, & LGBTQ+ also serve on the board.

1B-3.	CoC’s Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(3)	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information;
3.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and
4.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)Public input is sought at monthly Homeward (CoC Lead) board & committee mtgs, including many members who represent non-CoC agencies. Youth Action Council (YAC) provides regular input into youth homelessness (YH) strategies and the CoC competition. A YHDP workgroup (45+ community & YAC members) regularly initiates action items on YH prevention goals from the Coordinated Community Plan. A gap analysis, funded by Homeward and contracted with Housing Innovations, solicited community input & data for analysis & consideration. Findings were shared in Feb 2024 with communities, municipalities & service providers. In Fall 2024, Housing Innovations returned to create a 5-yr strategic plan with community & lived expertise guidance. Surveys about pallet homes & camping ordinance solicited input from folks living unsheltered. These inputs are reported to and considered by CoC committees, the City of Des Moines, and Polk County. 2) Info is shared with key stakeholders including culturally specific orgs via open board, committee & YAC meetings, social media, & newsletter. Homeward communicates activities & programs to end homelessness, including CoC sponsored staff trainings, & invitations to participate at open Board & Committee mtgs. 3) Board packets, standards, & policies & procedures are posted on Homeward’s website, which has been reviewed & updated for accessibility. The website a has a Contact Us option that allows people to provide input and ask questions. Board mtgs are open to the public and the public can comment at each mtg. Public mtgs were also held for the gaps analysis study and the 5 yr strategic plan. In person solicitation on city ordinances & pallet shelters took place at Central Library 4) Four Homeward work teams (CI, ending veteran’s homelessness, unsheltered homelessness, & equity) each meet monthly to implement & monitor strategies to prevent & end homelessness. These groups & other standing committees integrate gathered information into their planning & program development. Homeward staff, YAC, & community partners present annual at local conferences, to post-secondary education classes, elected officials, employers, & a local fellowship on homelessness. A facilitator worked with service providers, elected officials & community members to prioritize the gap analysis & Centralized Intake review. Outreach efforts yield helpful feedback and garner multiple volunteers for committees and work groups.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(4)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:	
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;	
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications—the process;	
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and	
4.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Emails and the CoC Competition information included wording that stated “the CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding.” The announcement that Homeward is hosting an open meeting to learn about submitting a full application, for both currently funded agencies and agencies that have not previously received CoC funding, was posted on Homeward’s website landing page, Facebook, and Linked In. The open meeting is announced in public Homeward Board and committee meetings. The announcement was also sent to Homeward/CoC members, service providers (HUD- & non-HUD- funded) & local government officials with a request to post and circulate within their networks. 2) The open meeting, a publicly accessible forum, included a review of the process for applicants to submit their project applications. Notifications about the open meeting taking place were shared on social media, via email to Continuum of Care members, the Homeward website, and shared in public Homeward board and committee meetings. The open meeting agenda, which contains a link to the project application and instructions on how the project application must be submitted, was also posted on Homeward’s website. Links and notice of the application period were posted on Homeward’s website landing page. Applications are submitted using an online application.3) The open meeting also included a review of the application scoring process & an explanation of how the project applications would be submitted to HUD in rank order by score, highest to lowest. Documents explaining the process for ranking and prioritizing projects were available on the website in draft form for review and final version after Homeward board approval. The multiple grant committee members review application sections using a scoring matrix, & their scores are averaged to determine final scores. Projects must score at least 70% to be considered. Participation in Centralized Intake, HMIS, & Housing First are threshold requirements to apply. The process was also shared during the public Homeward board meetings. 4) The 2024 HUD CoC Competition documents are posted on the Homeward website in accessible PDF format. Information on how to access materials by TTY, or if non-English speaking, is listed on the Homeward’s website, meeting announcements, Homeward staff email signatures & requests for public input. The Homeward website has been reviewed & updated to assure accessibility.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	
	In the chart below:	
	1. select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC’s coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC’s geographic area.	

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Yes
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	Yes
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Yes
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Nonexistent
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	
18.		

1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	

In the chart below select yes or no to indicate whether your CoC:

1.	Consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG Program funds?	Yes
2.	Provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area?	Yes
3.	Ensured local homelessness information is communicated and addressed in the Consolidated Plan updates?	Yes
4.	Coordinated with ESG recipients in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients?	Yes

1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.c.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity:

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated?	Yes
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure family members are not separated?	No
3.	Worked with CoC and ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients?	Yes
4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance?	Yes
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers?	Yes

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	Yes
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Homeward (Polk County’s CoC) has an annual Memorandum of Understanding with Des Moines Public Schools (DMPS), the largest public school district in Polk County. This agreement formalizes the partnership between the district and the Continuum of Care to ensure data sharing, regular collaboration, and opportunities for ongoing conversations.

DMPS provided extensive data on numbers of students experiencing or at-risk of homelessness during the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program planning process. Since the implementation of YHDP programs, Homeward has continued to partner with DMPS on data sharing. During the 2023-2024 school year, DMPS provided data on the number of students experiencing homelessness and their living situation (shelter, couch surfing, doubled up, etc.) By analyzing this information, Homeward was able to better assess the needs of at-risk youth and families in the community. These data were also shared with a local youth provider for strategic planning and grant submission purposes.

In addressing a local need, DMPS partnered with Centralized Intake to administer a homelessness prevention program for families in the school district. They made referrals to CI and focused on large families at risk of homelessness. The community has significant gap of available 3 and 4 bedroom apartments. Keeping families housed is less traumatic and more beneficial to families than taking months to find a new home. Through the program, 68 families including 173 children were served. Each family developed and maintained a budget, 56% had an increase in income, and 91% remained in their current home and kept their children in the same school building.

The partnership with Des Moines Public Schools has evolved to include regular opportunities for collaboration and conversation. In 2022, the DMPS District homeless liaison joined the Homeward Board of Directors to enhance connections between the district, CoC, and providers. This leadership role further formalizes the partnership between our two entities and ensures that information, best practices, and resources can be readily shared. In 2021, Homeward formed a Youth Homelessness Prevention Workgroup aimed at strengthening upstream interventions to prevent youth from experiencing homelessness. The YHDP work group has been a collaborative partner in school-related programs. This group continues to meet quarterly and includes a wide array of youth-specific stakeholders.

1C-4b.	Informing Individuals and Families Who Have Recently Begun Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC uses to inform individuals and families who have recently begun experiencing homelessness of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

On 9/12/16, Homeward implemented a policy to ensure all children & unaccompanied youth up to age 21 are enrolled in school, or in early childhood programs, and are connected to appropriate community education related services. By Iowa law a person is eligible to get a high school diploma up to age 21, and Des Moines Public Schools have reengagement programs that target people to 21. The policy specifies (a) At least one staff person in CoC or ESG funded program be familiar with parent & student rights under EHCY Act; (b) Within 24 hours of entering a program, parents be assisted to enroll their children in school; (c) Any resistance met at the neighborhood school level be immediately reported to district LEA; (d) Ensure that when a family or unaccompanied youth exits a HUD homeless program, they know their rights under the EHCY Act extend until the end of the school year. DSM/Polk CoC local project applications for ESG and CoC funding include a section entitled, Collaboration with Local School Districts. It requires applicants to certify they have policies & practices consistent with, and that do not restrict exercise of, rights provided under subtitle B of title VII of the Act (42 U.S.C.11432, et seq.) and other laws relating to provision of educational & related services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness. The applicant is required to attach the policy to their application and identify, by name and title, the person responsible for ensuring that children are enrolled in school & connected with the appropriate community services, including early childhood education programs such as Head Start, Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Act, & subtitle B of title VII of the Act (42 U.S.C. 11432, et seq.) services. All project applications included in our Priority Listing have met these requirements.

1C-4c.	Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

		MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years	No	No
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	No	No
3.	Early Childhood Providers	No	No
4.	Early Head Start	No	No
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program—(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	No	No
6.	Head Start	No	No
7.	Healthy Start	No	No
8.	Public Pre-K	Yes	Yes
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.		No	No

1C-5.	Addressing Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking—Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

In the chart below select yes or no for the organizations your CoC collaborates with:

	Organizations	
1.	State Domestic Violence Coalitions	Yes
2.	State Sexual Assault Coalitions	No
3.	Anti-trafficking Service Providers	Yes
	Other Organizations that Help this Population (limit 500 characters)	
4.	Local organizations that include Children & Families of Iowa Domestic Violence Services, Polk County Crisis and Advocacy Services, Monsoon and Iowa Legal Aid	Yes

1C-5a.	Collaborating with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers to Address Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations that you selected yes to in Question 1C-5 to:

1.	update CoC-wide policies; and
2.	ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The director of outreach services for Children and Families of Iowa Domestic Violence Services (DVS) which provides shelter, RRH, TH-RRH and services with ESG, CoC and Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funds, and an attorney from Iowa Legal who provides legal assistance to survivors through federal grants from the Office of Victims Services and Office on Violence Against Women are members of Homeward’s Board of Directors. They provide valuable input when updating CoC and ESG program policies addressing the needs of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking survivors as well as trauma-informed and victim-centered care. Representatives from Monsoon, who provides culturally specific services to DV survivors in the Asians and Pacific Islanders community; Polk County Crisis and Advocacy Services (PCCAS) which provides services and support to victims of sexual assault; and DVS, all VAWA-funded organizations, participate in Homeward’s monthly Coordinated Services Committee. This committee’s focus includes reviewing and recommending to Homeward’s board changes to the Centralized Intake policies and procedures. The director of outreach services for DVS, and the director of Iowa Homeless Youth Centers, which provides services to youth survivors of human trafficking, attend Homeward’s monthly Directors Council meetings where policy changes, such as the HUD prescribed written standards for ESG and CoC programs, are discussed and recommended for action by Homeward’s board. The director of housing and economic justice for the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence, a VAWA-funded organization, attends Homeward’s Housing Committee meetings which recommends policy changes to Homeward’s board. 2) Homeward utilizes the staff expertise from DVS, PCCAS and Monsoon as subject matter experts and/or trainers for trainings on best practices to address the needs of survivors which includes providing housing and services in a trauma-informed manner.

1C-5b.	Implemented Safety Planning, Confidentiality Protocols in Your CoC’s Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC’s coordinated entry addresses the needs of DV survivors by including:	
1.	safety planning protocols; and	
2.	confidentiality protocols.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Children & Families of Iowa’s Domestic Violence Services (DVS) is the central point of intake for domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, &/or stalking survivors (Survivor). To ensure continued Survivor safety, those seeking assistance at Centralized Intake (CI) are given a choice for a referral to DVS. If CI staff or outreach workers engage a person self-identifying as needing domestic violence services, the staff will offer to help contact DVS. If necessary, CI will provide transportation to the domestic violence shelter. If DVS’s shelter is full, DVS and CI staff work together to identify and transport the household to another area domestic violence shelter or safe place. The CI operates under the Housing First model, thus respecting client choice. If a Survivor declines a referral to DVS, the CI case manager engages the Survivor in a diversion conversation exploring options such as: a referral to a DV program outside of Des Moines; a referral to a non-DV shelter in Des Moines; transportation assistance to another community that provides the needed safety from the abuser or where the Survivor has a natural support system; or a referral to Polk County Crisis & Advocacy for services and support. 2) Intakes are completed by authorized DVS/CI staff in private rooms to maintain client confidentiality. Clients who want only domestic violence specific services or housing are never entered into HMIS. The client’s information is only entered into an HMIS-comparable database known as DVIMS which is only accessible by DVS and the HMIS Lead. The HMIS Lead only has access to aggregate information needed to assist DVS in DVIMS system problem solving and running reports. When moving to non-dv shelter & housing, clients maintain choice as to personal information being entered into HMIS. Hard copy case files and other personally identifiable documents are secured in locked file cabinets only accessible to the authorized DVS or CI staff. Computers are password protected to limit access by non-authorized personnel, never allowed to be left unattended with DVIMS/HMIS open and are stored in locked offices and/or file cabinets.

1C-5c.	Coordinated Annual Training on Best Practices to Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

In the chart below, indicate how your CoC facilitates training for project staff and coordinated entry staff that addresses best practices on safety planning and confidentiality protocols:

		Project Staff	Coordinated Entry Staff
1.	Training Occurs at least annually?	Yes	Yes
2.	Incorporates Trauma Informed best practices?	Yes	Yes
3.	Incorporates Survivor-Centered best practices?	Yes	Yes
4.	Identifies and assesses survivors’ individual safety needs?	Yes	Yes
5.	Enhances and supports collaboration with DV organizations?	Yes	Yes
6.	Ensures survivors’ rights, voices, and perspectives are incorporated?	Yes	Yes
	Other? (limit 500 characters)		
7.		No	No

1C-5d.	Implemented VAWA-Required Written Emergency Transfer Plan Policies and Procedures for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	whether your CoC's written policies and procedures include an emergency transfer plan;
2.	how your CoC informs all households seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance about their rights to an emergency transfer;
3.	what your CoC requires households to do to request emergency transfers; and
4.	what your CoC does in response to households requesting emergency transfers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) On September 10, 2018, Homeward (CoC Lead Agency) adopted a policy to implement VAWA provisions (24 CFR Part 5, Subpart L & 81 FR 80798) for CoC & ESG-funded housing programs in the DSM/Polk County CoC (this policy has been updated to reflect changes made in VAWA 2022 legislation). The policy includes an Emergency Transfer Plan (HUD form 5381) that CoC & ESG funded housing programs have implemented. 2) All referrals for CoC-funded PSH/RRH and ESG-funded RRH, regardless of known survivor status, receive the Notice of Occupancy Rights (Form HUD-5380), which explains the VAWA protections. The "Moving to Another Unit" section of the Notice of Occupancy Rights describes the process for documenting the program participant has been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking as well as completing and submitting a written request to the housing provider for an emergency transfer. The Notice of Occupancy Rights also includes the contact information for the program participant's case manager to request assistance with transferring to another unit as well as national hotline and local agency numbers for domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking services. 3) To request an emergency transfer, the victim completes Form HUD 5382 documenting the assault and Form HUD 5383, Emergency Transfer Request. Both documents are then submitted to the housing provider. The victim may request assistance from the program case manager in completing these forms. 4) The PSH provider has master leases with various housing providers and will work the victim to locate and move to another unit. In the case of RRH, the case manager follows up with the housing provider to ensure the transfer to another unit in the same complex or in a different complex is completed as quickly as possible. In both PSH and RRH, the case manager also assists the survivor in developing a safety plan until the emergency transfer takes place.

1C-5e.	Facilitating Safe Access to Housing and Services for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures households experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all of the housing and services available within your CoC's geographic area.	
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(limit 2,500 characters)

Children and Families of Iowa’s Domestic Violence Services (DVS) refers survivors to Centralized Intake (CI) for a referral to CoC-funded RRH & PSH programs as well as the Mainstream Voucher program. In all cases, the survivors have the option to whether seek housing and services from DVS or the same housing and services as all other populations experiencing homelessness. Referral policies require when moving to non-dv shelter or housing, clients maintain choice re personal information being entered into HMIS and how much personal information (i.e., what questions to answer) is entered into HMIS. Shelter & housing agencies to which the client is referred utilize HMIS, thus allowing them to access client information, which reduces retraumatization from repetitive questioning. VI-SPDATv3, which is the assessment tool utilized by CI, was updated to reduce and remove cultural bias. The DSM/Polk CoC conducted an analysis of the tool and was able to confirm using statistical proof that the tool itself was not introducing statistically relevant bias according to race and ethnicity. Meetings to enroll clients into shelter or housing are conducted in a private space, and when necessary, translation services are provided to the client. Case files are stored in locked file cabinets and access to HMIS is limited by password protected computers and strict policies about logging off when not at one’s computer. Survivors make choices re: type of housing, location, amenities & services that best meet their needs ensuring client-driven, safe housing placement. Survivors may request assistance from the CI Housing Navigator if they are concerned about their safety when looking for housing. If a survivor wishes, DVS and/or the RRH or PSH housing provider will assist in developing a safety plan with the survivor. DVS will continue to provide & make referrals to dv-related services at the request of the client.

1C-5f.	Identifying and Removing Barriers for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures survivors receive safe housing and services by:	
	1. identifying barriers specific to survivors; and	
	2. working to remove those barriers.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) CoC Lead proactively identifies barriers specific to survivors through regular conversations with dv shelter/RRH provider & two culturally specific DV service providers. Barriers include a) Wage gaps–Survivors earn signif. less due to lack of experience &/or training due to abusers not allowing them to work/go to school; b) Housing affordability–have no or poor credit due to abuser isolating & not allowing them to build credit history or putting bills in survivor’s name & not paying them; c) Rental history–evictions due to repeated police calls & survivors’ lack of knowledge about VAWA protections; d) Survivors in culturally-specific communities–survivors tend to be more isolated due to culturally specific issues & have less access to resources; e) Zoning ordinances make it more difficult to develop the necessary amount of supportive housing to serve survivors. 2) Work to remove barriers: a) Wage gap–Partner with Project Iowa, IA Workforce Development & Evelyn K Davis Center on training & employment options; partner with Goodwill Ind. to build on-job training experience, & assist survivors to access income supports such as childcare, Medicaid & food stamps; b) Housing affordability–Partner with local lending institutions on financial literacy training to build/repair credit, assist with rent & security deposit; c) Rental history–educate survivors on VAWA protections, advocate to landlords about the nature/cause of evictions & pay double deposits, & CoC Lead taking lead on passage of expungement legislation by Iowa legislature; d) Access to services by survivors in culturally-specific communities–Outreach & partnership with culturally specific programs–Luna (Latino community) & Monsoon (Asian community). CoC Lead has discussed applying for CoC funds with both agencies, but orgs are small & lack resources for 25% match. Children & Families of Iowa’s Domestic Violence Services staff, who now partner with these agencies on shelter & translation services is expanding partnership by prioritizing their clients for inclusion in CFI-DVS’s joint TH/RRH grant approved in FY 2023 CoC competition e) Zoning-The CoC Lead’s ED has met with county (supervisors, administrators) & city leaders (mayors, council, city managers) to discuss affordable housing need for people who have extremely low income. Discussions included potential zoning changes need for parking requirements, support of the development community land trust, & program eligibility.

1C-6.	Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+–Anti-Discrimination Policy and Equal Access Trainings.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

	1. Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination?	Yes
	2. Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
	3. Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	Yes

1C-6a.	Anti-Discrimination Policy–Updating Policies–Assisting Providers–Evaluating Compliance–Addressing Noncompliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ and other organizations to update its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary to ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families;
2.	how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy;
3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
4.	your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Homeward (CoC Lead Agency) updates the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy as needed. To date we have not received any stakeholder feedback regarding the policy or the need to update it. We received assistance in drafting the policy from One Iowa, whose mission is to advance, empower, and improve the lives of LGBTQ lowans statewide and would seek their assistance again if needed. Homeward has also engaged ACES360 and Orchard Place, Iowa's trauma-informed care experts to utilize the developed trauma informed care assessment tool for agency improvement, training, and enhanced policy efforts. The Youth Action Council works with the QExchange (a LGBTQ youth- and family-friendly center) to build supports for LGBTQ youth. A LGBTQ Safe Spaces document was published by YAC, posted on the Homeward website, and disseminated throughout the CoC. 2) Each housing and services provider receives a copy of Homeward's antidiscrimination policy as a template. All providers were provided access to Iman Consulting trainings on anti-discrimination, bias, micro-aggressions, and how to address such instances. Homeward provides other resources to assist providers in developing their policies including verbiage from the Equal Access and Gender Identity Final Rules Iowa Civil Rights Act which incorporates gender identity and sexual orientation into its protected classes. 3) Annually the anti-discrimination policies of services providers are reviewed during the CoC and ESG application processes. 4) Non-compliance would result in loss of points in the local CoC application process. The CoC Performance Monitor plan outlines how an improvement plan is implemented and defines corrective action taken. If corrective action was not taken, it could result in the organization no longer being eligible to receive CoC funding.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area—New Admissions—General/Limited Preference—Moving On Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the current CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with—if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing or Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2023 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
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Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency	15%	Yes-HCV	Yes

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The Des Moines Municipal Housing Agency (DMMHA) is the only PHA in the DSM/Polk CoC geographic area and has been a participant in the CoC process since the CoC inception by HUD. The Lead Agency has been working with DMMHA to adopt a homeless admission preference for over 10 years. To date, this has resulted in several limited preferences: 2008 – DMMHA received funding for 35 VASH vouchers. Currently, they administer 165; 2011 – DMMHA implemented a Project-Based Voucher (PBV) Program awarding a total of 50 vouchers to two providers serving individuals experiencing homelessness. Central Iowa Shelter & Services received 38 while the YMCA Supportive Housing Campus received 12. DMMHA has added 6 more PBV to CISS for a total of 44. DMMHA has awarded 12 PBVs to a mixed use LIHTC project with a preference for you aging out of foster care. 2013 – DMMHA established a preference for S+C (now PSH) participants who have been in the PSH for a minimum of 3 consecutive years. 2019 – DMMHA partnered with the DSM/Polk CoC in receiving 60 Mainstream Vouchers. In 2020, an additional 18 Mainstream Vouchers were allocated to DMMHA through the CARES Act. 2021 - DMMHA partnered with the DSM/Polk CoC to receive 120 Emergency Housing Vouchers. The CoC Lead Agency continues to advocate for expanded use of project-based vouchers including for a 140-unit PSH program the Des Moines/Polk CoC is submitting for CoCBUILDS funding and a 47-unit PSH program that will open by the end of 2024. 2) N/A

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:

1.	Multifamily assisted housing owners	No
2.	PHA	Yes
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	Yes
4.	Local low-income housing programs	Yes
	Other (limit 150 characters)	

5.		No
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1C-7c.	Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry. NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
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In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process:

1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	Yes
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	No
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	No
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	No
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	Yes
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No
7.	Public Housing	No
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	
		No

1C-7d.	Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessness. NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
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1.	Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)?	Yes
		Program Funding Source
2.	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	EHV, FUP, Mainstream

1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV). NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
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	Did your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	Yes
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1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Preventing People Transitioning from Public Systems from Experiencing Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.h.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the public systems listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.

1.	Prisons/Jails?	Yes
2.	Health Care Facilities?	Yes
3.	Residential Care Facilities?	No
4.	Foster Care?	Yes

1D-2.	Housing First—Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2024 CoC Program Competition.	14
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2024 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	14
3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

You must upload the Housing First Evaluation attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
 Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC evaluates every project—where the applicant checks Housing First on their project application—to determine if they are using a Housing First approach;
2.	the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation;
3.	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach; and
4.	what your CoC has done to improve fidelity to Housing First.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The DSM/PC CoC’s project application includes a list of 20 questions about practices that are inconsistent with Housing First. Answering “No” to all 20 questions is a threshold requirement for the application to move forward in the review process. Applicants are required to submit with their application a copy of their admittance, termination and termination appeal policies. Members of Homeward’s Grant Committee, that reviews, scores and ranks the applications, review the policies to verify they match the answers given in the Housing First checklist. 2) The factors encompassed in the 20 questions can be grouped as follows: Criminal background, active substance abuse/testing, untreated mental health issues, have or obtain income, service plan and goals, equal access to program and services, and exclusion of household members. 3) As part of the DSM/PC CoC’s Performance Management Plan, members of Homeward’s Grant Committee and staff complete annual on-site visits to each CoC- and ESG-funded project. Compliance with Housing First is one of the performance indicators reviewed during the on-site visit. The DSM/PC CoC has also begun using HUD’s Housing First Assessment Tool to evaluate projects outside the local CoC competition to ensure projects are using the Housing First approach. A project found not to be using a Housing First approach would be required to enter a Quality Improvement Plan to correct the deficiency. 4) The most significant step the DSM/Polk CoC has taken to improve fidelity to Housing First is use this year of the Housing First Assessment Tool. Homeward (the CoC Lead Agency) is also planning a Housing First Fidelity training course in the first quarter of 2025 to assist programs in correcting deficiencies found the Housing First assessment process.

1D-3.	Street Outreach—Data—Reaching People Least Likely to Request Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.j.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC tailored its street outreach to people experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

Street Outreach is conducted by multiple agencies: Primary Health Care, Iowa Homeless Youth Centers, Central Iowa Shelter & Services (CISS), & VA- HCHV Outreach. They make warm handoffs to housing providers, transport individuals to housing appointments & remain engaged with clients for a short time after they are housed. Three faith-based entities, Bethel Mission, JOPPA & Urban Bicycle Ministry (UBM) also engage in street outreach. All 3 provide resources to meet basic needs while Bethel makes referrals to their recovery housing program & JOPPA assists with rent & deposit assistance. JOPPA & UBM make warm handoffs with individuals who are on the PSH waiting list. The Connection Café, created through a collaboration of 4 downtown churches, provides free lunch 5 days a week & is frequently visited by Outreach teams to engage individuals experiencing homelessness. Through cross talk with law enforcement, outreach staff learn locations & engage unsheltered individuals. A DMPD sergeant, a member of the mobile crisis unit, accompanies outreach teams. DMPD recently designated a Homeless Outreach Liaison Officer whose duties will include collaborating with outreach teams & relationship building with unsheltered individuals. Outreach staff engage people at the Polk Co. Jail who've identified as being homeless. The DM Fire Dept's Mobile Integrated Healthcare team accompanies outreach teams. The Downtown Library's social worker who regularly engages unsheltered individuals, connects them with resources & assists them with applying for benefits & making housing referrals, hosts The Outreach Project every Friday afternoon-another venue for outreach teams to engage unsheltered individuals. Representatives from healthcare agencies, Polk County Health Dept., DOT, Animal Rescue League & Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) attend. DART provides free bus transportation for unsheltered individuals to cooling/warming centers & shelter during weather emergencies. CISS's outreach staff are accompanied by medical staff from Exemplar Care, who runs a medical clinic at CISS. Outreach teams meet monthly to review a by-name list of unsheltered individuals, report back on location & progress toward goals. Attendees include a representative from Exemplar Care, PSH & RRH providers & the MIHC team. Homeward (CoC Lead) receives emails from city re: camps that have been posted for cleanup and forward to outreach teams who act as liaisons between Public Works & campers.

1D-4.	Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.k.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate your CoC's strategies to prevent the criminalization of homelessness in your CoC's geographic area:

	Your CoC's Strategies	Engaged/Educated Legislators and Policymakers	Implemented Laws/Policies/Practices that Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness
1.	Increase utilization of co-responder responses or social services-led responses over law enforcement responses to people experiencing homelessness?	Yes	Yes
2.	Minimize use of law enforcement to enforce bans on public sleeping, public camping, or carrying out basic life functions in public places?	Yes	Yes

3.	Avoid imposing criminal sanctions, including fines, fees, and incarceration for public sleeping, public camping, and carrying out basic life functions in public places?	Yes	No
4.	Other:(limit 500 characters)		
	Stopped Cicero Institute drafted state legislation.	Yes	Yes

1D-5.	Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) or Longitudinal Data from HMIS.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

	HIC Longitudinal HMIS Data	2023	2024
Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC or the number of households served per longitudinal HMIS data, e.g., APR.	HIC	317	431

1D-6.	Mainstream Benefits–CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

	Mainstream Benefits	CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	SSDI–Social Security Disability Insurance	Yes
4.	TANF–Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
5.	Substance Use Disorder Programs	Yes
6.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
7.	Other (limit 150 characters)	
		No

1D-6a.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

- works with projects to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including those that provide substance use disorder treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services, including Medicaid; and
- promotes SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Homeward (CoC Lead) participated in the Iowa Specialized Health Care Capacity Roundtable with key healthcare leaders, including MCOs, to discuss & plan around hard-to-serve individuals. Information was included in the RFP that will re-work the state’s health care delivery model in 2025. Homeward serves on Polk County Prevention Coalition (substance abuse & mental health providers) that shares resources, provides trainings, & connects clients to services. Homeward provided 2 Naloxone administration trainings & distribution events for clients & staff. Homeward is actively engaging staff of a new Sobering Center to integrate it into the CoC. Local providers of substance use disorder & mental health treatment services present bi-annual training to service providers. Homeward’s System Streamline Subcommittee (HSSS) is reviewing performance & integration of service systems that intersect with homelessness systems. HSSS is mapping each system by organization & intersection with homelessness system and discussing better integration with other systems’ providers; to date areas of focus have included, inpatient/ outpatient mental health & housing/services for persons 62+. Meeting summaries & resources discussed are shared with CoC service providers. 2) Homeward committees (Coordinated Services & Service Council) keep program staff abreast of SNAP, SSI/SSDI, VA, TANF & substance abuse & mental health programs to pass on to program participants. Changes to benefits are posted on the Homeward website & communicated via bi-monthly newsletter. Homeward’s website includes links to required SOAR training, recommended trainings & benefits information. Homeward promotes SOAR certification for staff of funded projects by including points for having SOAR-trained staff in scoring of the local CoC & ESG project applications. Every project listed in our Priority Listing has at least 1 SOAR trained staff person. Public & mainstream groups present at committee meetings & are reflected in minutes posted on Homeward’s website & emailed to committee members monthly. Information provided outside committee meetings is emailed by Homeward’s ED. The ED sends updates about mainstream benefits to CoC members & announcements about the annual Iowa Housing Conference, hosted by the Iowa Finance Authority, & the Iowa-Nebraska Peer to Peer, hosted by the Omaha & Des Moines HUD Field Offices. Both meetings include workshops on accessing mainstream resources.

ID-7.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies—Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent the Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to develop CoC-wide policies and procedures that:	
1.	respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and	
2.	prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)CoC relationships with the Polk County Health Dept. (PCHD) & Emergency Management (EM) are established. Homeward (CoC Lead) & service providers have participated in various emergency management planning meetings with PCHD & EM. Emergency Support Function Plans Mass Care & Sheltering & the Polk County Hazard Mitigation plans have been reviewed. Finalized plans are shared with the CoC & general public. Homeward has updated policies including the Centralized Intake (CI) policy that allows the CI work group & Homeward executive committee to implement timely & quick CI decisions before finalizing them with the Board. This policy allows flexibility & timeliness when policies & procedures need to change to address medically vulnerable folks during infectious disease outbreaks. In partnership with Polk County, a process was created for shelters to access non-congregate hotel rooms for people with COVID-19. This process was very effective & can be replicated when working to respond to or prevent another infectious disease outbreak. PCHD is invited to present information to the Homeward Directors Advisory Council, which is comprised of leaders & executive directors from local homeless service providers, to educate the group when public health issues arise & enable them to make policy recommendations to the Homeward Board. This group can be pulled together as needed to discuss actions needed to prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness. 2) Homeward staff attends the Polk County Wellness Coalition which has had significant focus on prevention of sexually transmitted diseases (STIs). PCHD shares information regarding infectious disease practices. Information from PCHD is shared with CoC members & can be used to update policies if needed. Primary Health Care (PHC), an FQHC and CoC provider, works with local services providers & partners to set up immunization clinics around the community & conducts STI testing. PCHD shares information regarding public health campaigns with Homeward, which relays that information to service providers. Primary Health Care, PCHD, & provider determined several harm reduction items (ex. fentanyl strips) are considered drug paraphernalia by state law. State programs & policies are tracked to share with CoC members. When legislation changed allowing naloxone to be more readily available, the CoC shared info and provided training on accessing supplies through Iowa HHS & administering medication.

ID-7a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	effectively shared information related to public health measures and homelessness; and	
2.	facilitated communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Homeward (CoC Lead) shares public health material with homeless service providers. Information related to supports for congregate shelters, STIs, recovery planning, vaccines, harm reduction, & Mpox education is sent to homeless service providers (HUD & non-HUD funded) & CoC members. The Homeward website has a training page linked to CoC trainings and public health topics. A resources page includes flu information, translation services, mental health information, and eviction and homeless prevention resources. Homeless service provider and Board training includes Substance use disorders, C-CAR training, and harm reduction & naloxone training. Two Naloxone trainings with Narcan distribution were provided to unsheltered individuals and those with lived experience. The location of harm reduction boxes and a business card on how to access them has been shared by Homeward with the homeless services providers and the community. Messaging that safe housing is a social determinant of health and that housing is healthcare is shared within the community. 2) Polk County Health Department (PCHD) speaks to various CoC committees which include service providers (including street outreach) as members. PCHD has been instrumental in assisting with the development of a best practices questionnaire for mobile crisis units who encounter individuals who may be homeless. Homeward staff attend the monthly Polk County Wellness Coalition, a primary tool for dissemination of public health information. Messages are then communicated through Homeward’s Facebook & LinkedIn accounts, blog, and website which are followed by homeless service providers & the public. Examples of notices include vaccine clinics, harm reduction information, availability of gun locks, culturally specific public health events, & the Mpox call center. Homeward includes YourLife Iowa, a state-wide public health resource, in its newsletters and website and conducted training on it with the YAC. Homeward connected service providers, including street outreach, to the Iowa Health and Human Services to order free naloxone. The CoC schedules ad hoc meetings, attended by street outreach providers, to address spikes in public health issues. Results of ad hoc meetings related to mental health issues has started discussions on limited inpatient resources and discharge planning that considers housing status. Meetings with in- and out-patient providers and senior services continue to occur.

1D-8.	Coordinated Entry Standard Processes.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC’s coordinated entry system:	
1.	can serve everybody regardless of where they are located within your CoC’s geographic area;
2.	uses a standardized assessment process to achieve fair, equitable, and equal access to housing and services within your CoC;
3.	collects personal information in a trauma-informed way; and
4.	is updated at least annually using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Street Outreach is conducted by multiple agencies: Primary Health Care, Iowa Homeless Youth Centers, Central Iowa Shelter & Services (CISS), & VA- HCHV Outreach. They make warm handoffs to housing providers, transport individuals to housing appointments & remain engaged with clients for a short time after they are housed. Three faith-based entities, Bethel Mission, JOPPA & Urban Bicycle Ministry (UBM) also engage in street outreach. All 3 provide resources to meet basic needs while Bethel makes referrals to their recovery housing program & JOPPA assists with rent & deposit assistance. JOPPA & UBM make warm handoffs with individuals who are on the PSH waiting list. The Connection Café, created through a collaboration of 4 downtown churches, provides free lunch 5 days a week & is frequently visited by Outreach teams to engage individuals experiencing homelessness. Through cross talk with law enforcement, outreach staff learn locations & engage unsheltered individuals. A DMPD sergeant, a member of the mobile crisis unit, accompanies outreach teams. DMPD recently designated a Homeless Outreach Liaison Officer whose duties will include collaborating with outreach teams & relationship building with unsheltered individuals. Outreach staff engage people at the Polk Co. Jail who've identified as being homeless. The DM Fire Dept's Mobile Integrated Healthcare team accompanies outreach teams. The Downtown Library's social worker who regularly engages unsheltered individuals, connects them with resources & assists them with applying for benefits & making housing referrals, hosts The Outreach Project every Friday afternoon-another venue for outreach teams to engage unsheltered individuals. Representatives from healthcare agencies, Polk County Health Dept., DOT, Animal Rescue League & Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) attend. DART provides free bus transportation for unsheltered individuals to cooling/warming centers & shelter during weather emergencies. CISS's outreach staff are accompanied by medical staff from Exemplar Care, who runs a medical clinic at CISS. Outreach teams meet monthly to review a by-name list of unsheltered individuals, report back on location & progress toward goals. Attendees include a representative from Exemplar Care, PSH & RRH providers & the MIHC team. Homeward (CoC Lead) receives emails from city re: camps that have been posted for cleanup and forward to outreach teams who act as liaisons between Public Works & campers.

1D-8a.	Coordinated Entry–Program Participant-Centered Approach.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;	
2.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance;	
3.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their needs and preferences; and	
4.	takes steps to reduce burdens on people seeking assistance.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) CI coordinates with six outreach programs, law enforcement, a ranger from Polk County Conservation, Mobile Crisis team, businesses, Downtown Library social worker to locate unsheltered people who need support but are unlikely to seek assistance. CoC Lead receives requests from Neighborhood Inspections Division to engage unsheltered individuals, who inspectors have encountered while posting encroachment notices, that are passed on to CI's & other outreach. CI outreach uses word of mouth from other unsheltered people to identify those less likely to engage. CI staff regularly meet with a wide range of community stakeholders to ensure understanding of CI services & how homeless households can access services. CI provides a business card to be passed on to people experiencing homelessness. 2) Each VI-SPDAT tool (singles, families & youth) contains questions pertaining to vulnerability & severity of need, generates a score that informs CI staff of the most vulnerable and with the most severe service needs. Households are prioritized for housing & shelter based on this SPDAT as well as other contextual factors CI staff consider through dynamic prioritization. This ensures the neediest & most vulnerable aren't being overlooked. If a housing intervention corresponding to the score has no openings, the next lower housing intervention will be offered. 3) CI staff keep apprised of open beds & units by daily contact with shelter & housing providers - speeding up referral process. A person has 6 hours to respond, after being appraised of a shelter opening; 72 hours in the case of a housing intervention, or the next person will be contacted. When filling a chronically homeless PSH unit, the unit will only remain open 10 days before it is offered to the next highest priority person. During the 10-day period, CI's, & other street outreach programs aggressively search for the person to ensure they can claim the open unit - going to camps, other known places of habitation & meal sites, checking in with known associates & other service providers who have engaged the individual. 4) CI staff go at the client's pace, & in the direction of information the client wishes to share while simultaneously trying to get the structured intake questions answered. CI staff ask open ended questions & do not continue to ask questions once necessary information is obtained. Answers are recorded in HMIS, so the client isn't asked repetitive questions by other CI, shelter or housing staff

1D-8b.	Coordinated Entry–Informing Program Participants about Their Rights and Remedies–Reporting Violations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC through its coordinated entry:	
1.	affirmatively markets housing and services provided within the CoC's geographic area and ensures it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness;	
2.	informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and	
3.	reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants to the jurisdiction(s) responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Centralized Intake (CI) advertises available housing and services by distributing a business card-size card with contact information and services offered. These are handed out at community presentation, during street outreach and at CoC Lead’s board and committee meetings without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identify, sexual orientation, age, familial status, or disability. CI also advertises flyers which again are handed out at community presentations, the CoC Leads board and committee meetings as well posted by CI outreach worker at likely locations people experiencing homelessness would frequent (e.g., meal sites, shelters, DHS office, other supportive services offices, churches, synagogues, HIV/AIDs project). 2) CI & all CoC & ESG-funded programs are required to post information about rights & remedies under fair housing laws (federal, state & local) in easily accessible areas & in languages common to those they serve. The presence of this information is checked during the agency’s annual performance meeting with the CoC Lead’s Grant Committee members. Non-English-speaking persons are assisted by bilingual staff or by use of Language Line services. CI maintains a contact list of other resources, eg. Sign Language, so that barriers to communication are eliminated. 3) In CI, intake staff speak with the CI Program Manager about any reported conditions that impede fair housing choice. The CI Program Manager would contact the City of Des Moines Neighborhood Services Department, the entity that certifies consistency with the Consolidated Plan. In other CoC and ESG-funded programs, the client’s case manager reports conditions that impede fair housing choice to their supervisor who contacts the city of Des Moines. The client may also be given resources for Iowa Legal Aid or the Iowa Civil Rights Commission depending on the violation. In addition, staff of the CoC Lead Agency sits on a committee that reviews the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing that is a part of the City of Des Moines’ Consolidated Plan offering feedback based on anecdotal stories received.

1D-9.	Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness—Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	Yes
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	09/20/2022

1D-9a.	Using Data to Determine if Racial Disparities Exist in Your CoC’s Provision or Outcomes of CoC Program-Funded Homeless Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	the data your CoC used to analyze whether any racial disparities are present in your CoC’s provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance; and
2.	how your CoC analyzed the data to determine whether any racial disparities are present in your CoC’s provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The HMIS lead agency, in collaboration with the CoC lead agency and the Equity Committee (EC) has generated reports in the HMIS reporting tool that provide aggregate and client level data on race, gender, ethnicity, and sexuality where the data points are available. We have combined this information with client level and aggregate data from the Vulnerability Index Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VISPDAT) version 3 and Census data about the general population at the county and zip code levels. In addition to the reports provided by the vendor, there are several custom reports in the advanced reporting tool available to providers looking critically at race equity. 2)The Homeward EC has been meeting for the past five years, focused on analysis of that data. The committee is comprised of Homeward staff, HMIS lead, service providers, and community members. A member from the Iowa Balance of State was also included to keep connection between continuums. The EC has reviewed the data in relationship to utilization of services by racial and ethnic populations, drug usage (<http://tiny.cc/4zqqzz>), chronic homelessness (<http://tiny.cc/uyqqzz>), successful exits and stays by race/ethnicity. The EC conducted a chi-square analysis of the validity of the VISPDAT v.2 looking at the relationship between the general community population (ACS) compared to the population in coordinated entry, and subsequent program types identified racial inequity at the question level, and using regression, related that racial inequity to disability determination, family type and SPDAT scores. The move to SPDAT v.3 in conjunction with custom questions removed the significance of inequity in SPDAT scores. The EC continues to closely monitor demographic inequity by subpopulation comparing the general community to coordinated entry and each program type in progression through the continuum. Additionally, performance measures by project are reviewed by racial aggregations to identify disparities. The HMIS lead published a monthly data dashboard (<https://icalliances.org/iowa-polk-dashboard>) that includes racial composition by program type. Recently, working with available equity resources, the EC adapted a tool to create a self-assessment tool for use by the local service providers. The tool was piloted in spring 2024 and is being shared with the full continuum in 2024.

1D-9b.	Implemented Strategies to Prevent or Eliminate Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to prevent or eliminate racial disparities.

1.	Are your CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies representative of the population served in the CoC?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC identify steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC?	Yes
3.	Is your CoC expanding outreach in your CoC's geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups?	Yes
4.	Does your CoC have communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups?	Yes
5.	Is your CoC training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness?	Yes

6.	Is your CoC establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector?	Yes
7.	Does your CoC have staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness?	Yes
8.	Is your CoC educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity?	Yes
9.	Did your CoC review its coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness?	Yes
10.	Is your CoC collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system?	Yes
11.	Is your CoC conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness?	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	
12.		No

1D-9c.	Plan for Ongoing Evaluation of System-level Processes, Policies, and Procedures for Racial Equity.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's plan for ongoing evaluation of system-level processes, policies, and procedures for racial equity.

(limit 2,500 characters)

People of color have significant over representation in the community’s homeless system. 24% of the Polk County population identify as people of color, while they represent 53% of the people served in the homeless system. Homeward (CoC Lead) has an equity committee (EC) which reports information to the Homeward Board. One of the foundational beliefs, as determined in a 2019 community homeless strategic plan, is creating racial equity. Through extensive analysis of the VISPDAT tool, the EC identified specific questions that caused racial inequity in the assessment process. Implementation of VISPDAT 3.0 helped reduce the significance of inequity in VISPDAT scores. Best practices and a review of the centralized intake process recommended transitioning to a predictive modeling tool for use in the Centralized Intake assessment process. Planning for that transition has begun. Analysis of any new tool will verify equity and reliability.

The Equity Committee adapted a racial equity self-assessment tool for use by homeless service providers to implement a CoC level process improving outcomes for minority populations. The tool was piloted by a family emergency shelter provider and will be shared with services providers for self-assessments. The tool collects responses from service providers to learn where their organizations are in racial equity work. The EC will use results to plan and affect constant incremental improvements and targeted education focused on the process of identifying and addressing inequities, and also to amend CoC policy and procedures.

The HMIS lead is also working on creating an additional data report, which will replace or append existing reports, that looks at racial equity for a community report in a way that illuminates procession through project types and includes outcomes, which would be updated monthly for use in public meetings. The report would focus on creating easy to understand data points for the community. Decreasing amount of affordable housing and recent ordinance changes have brought a higher level of public scrutiny to homelessness issues in the community and the state. In the current reporting structure, the HMIS lead includes disaggregation by race and ethnicity as a standard practice when creating reports. Performance by project level for successful stays and exits are related to demographics to identify any racial inequity.

1D-9d.	Plan for Using Data to Track Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	the measures your CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and	
2.	the tools your CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)Eliminating disparities in delivery of services along lines of race, gender, & ethnicity, as well as lived experience, & disability status has been a pivotal focus of CoC leadership for years. The HMIS lead generated custom reports in the reporting tool with aggregate & client level data on race, gender, ethnicity, age, disability status, and RHY variables. These reports can be run for agencies, reporting groups or CoC wide. Measures are calculated in the HMIS reporting tool & in tableau for community reports. The race equity committee (EC) uses these reports to show variations in demographic distributions throughout the continuum progression between project types & identifies when there are disparities. Public tableau dashboards are published monthly that show changes in racial and demographic qualities by project type. Viewers can filter dashboards by date ranges.

2)Data from custom HMIS reports is combined with VISPDAT v3 & Census data at the county & zip code level to generate measures to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in provision or outcomes of homeless assistance. VISPDAT v3 eliminated racial inequity statistically demonstrated to be originating from v2 of the tool. In 2022 the EC analyzed impacts & interactions of race with disability status. It was statistically shown that disability determination by physicians is the principle non-economic factor introducing disparities. The CoC is building connections to the medical community through Board membership & educational outreach.

To better serve CoC agencies' efforts to address race equity internally and in the delivery of services, the EC determined that a self-assessment tool was needed for homeless service providers. The EC surveyed other communities making similar efforts, selected then workshopped a tool, designed an implementation, & have begun to administer the tool. An analysis of the results will be presented at community mtgs.

The EC has added racial breakouts to every public facing report in the community & consistently centers questions of equity. The data dashboard on the Homeward website measures race by project type. Other demographics measured include disabilities, chronicity, veterans, family status and age. A youth/young adult dashboard was created with the YHDP grant. The data can be analyzed communitywide, YHDP specific, or by project. The data includes variables such as race, ethnicity, LGBTQ+, disability, & gender.

1D-10.	Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking—CoC's Outreach Efforts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decisionmaking processes.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Homeward places an emphasis on outreach and communication with the public including people experiencing homelessness. A communication committee reviews and simplifies language so more individuals can understand how to get involved. Staff update the Homeward website with mobile compatibility, enabling people to access resources or leadership opportunities through any device.

Staff members post about events, meetings, open roles, community resources, and committee service opportunities via Facebook and LinkedIn to ensure individuals with lived experience can take part in meaningful ways. The Youth Action Council (YAC) has their own YAC-designed webpage hosted on the Homeward website to inform other youth with lived experience of their activities and when meetings occur. Additional flyers with meetings times/dates designed by YAC and are laminated and placed on the dinner tables of the local youth homeless drop-in center. Each YHDP-funded entity presents to the YAC and encourages youth and young adults in their programs to join YAC. Des Moines Public Library provides space for the "Outreach Project" up to 2 times/week. The Outreach Project allows CoC members the opportunity to specifically connect with unsheltered individuals. This weekly event also allows Homeward an organic opportunity to directly solicit feedback on proposed projects impacting unsheltered individuals.

The YHDP funded programs within the CoC all have Peer Support positions. Individuals who have experience in the related program and are meeting their goals are asked to apply for a Peer Support position. This position serves as a conduit for newly arrived individuals who need oriented to the program expectations. The Peer Support becomes a mentor and ally to new program participants.

When new positions become available, Homeward encourages providers to recruit people with lived experience. Homeward recently assisted in the hiring of two new staff under the Youth Homeless System Improvement grant and individuals with lived experience were given additional points in the interview screening.

Finally, Homeward's Nominating Committee is specifically tasked with recruitment of new board members. Working through its partners, Homeward identifies potential members, meets with each new potential member, and includes a question on the board application that explicitly asks about their lived experience. In 2024, 17 percent (4) board members have lived experience, a 13% increase since 2022.

1D-10a.	Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

You must upload the Lived Experience Support Letter attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the four categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1.	Routinely included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	90	68

2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	33	3
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	13	3
4.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	8	1

1D-10b.	Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Polk County Youth Action Council (YAC), young leaders with lived expertise in homelessness, advocate for community youth & services for youth experiencing homelessness. CoC Lead Agency provides staff & financial support for professional development of YAC members. YAC leaders assume leadership roles in areas such as marketing, event coordinator, & treasurer, & identify skills they want to develop within their role. YAC members work with staff to learn skills such as organizational budgeting, group facilitation, event planning & public speaking. In 2024, YAC created a web page hosted on the CoC website. This year, members have made presentations on myths & facts of homelessness to 3 college classes, & the Iowa Community Action Agency Conference. YAC designed & wrote a grant to fund, & implemented a large service-learning project with over 100 middle school students. YAC hosted a financial literacy workshop with Dupaco Credit Union, sponsored the DMACC training academy to present about opportunities, & co-sponsored a cooking class with QExchange, a group for LGBTQ families. In October, YAC is hosting city of Des Moines staff to talk about two recent ordinances that impact unsheltered individuals. YAC plans to offer training on group facilitation in 2025. YAC was included in the recently awarded YHSI grant to IABOS CoC & DSM/Polk CoC. YHSI funds will compensate YAC members who will serve as mentors in developing YABS in the IABOS CoC. CoC member organizations provide employment & professional development opportunities to persons with lived experience. Through our YHDP grant, Peer Support positions were created in YHDP programs with youth learning professional skills, developing their resumes, & finding their career passions. Organizations see authentic engagement between staff & clients & an influx to their agencies of talented staff members with crucial expertise. Anawim Housing created ReNew Crew, a low-barrier employment skills & training program for persons with lived experience. Employees gain positive employment references & learn skills related to painting, cleaning, maintenance, groundskeeping, & soft skills like showing up on time or calling in when running late. Central Iowa Shelter & Services & YSS provide employment opportunities for persons with lived experience in urban garden & culinary programs. Employees obtain marketable skills & are mentored in soft skills needed to maintain a job should they wish to seek other employment opportunities.

1D-10c.	Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;
2.	how often your CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;
3.	how your CoC gathers feedback from people who received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program;
4.	how often your CoC gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program; and
5.	steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)Homeward (CoC Lead Agency) gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness in several ways – input from members of Homeward’s Board of Directors who’ve experienced homelessness, the Youth Action Council, issue specific surveys, firsthand accounts from persons with lived experience who’ve contacted Homeward by phone/email, anecdotal stories & research studies. 2) Homeward uses the Youth Action Council (YAC) on a bi-monthly basis to provide feedback to the CoC. YAC includes individuals experiencing homelessness & who are receiving assistance through CoC or ESG program. Input from other subpopulations is collected on an issue-by-issue basis. Homeward collaborates with the downtown library’s Outreach Project & outreach teams to collect input through surveys from people experiencing unsheltered homelessness. Survey input sought from families experiencing homelessness on resources needed to rapidly resolve their homelessness. Homeward has commissioned 3 studies– on unsheltered homelessness, family homelessness, & intergenerational homeless. 3) All CoC/ESG-funded agencies have at least one person with lived experience on their Boards, conduct anonymous client satisfaction surveys & provide an opportunity for feedback from all clients at exit regardless of reason for leaving. Summaries of feedback received are presented to Homeward. 4) Feedback is provided at least annually upon request from CoC & ESG-funded programs through the satisfaction survey summaries mentioned in question #3. 5) Homeward’s executive director (ED) is responsible for responding to concerns raised by people with lived experience via phone/email. The ED documents a detailed description of the complaint & discusses the complaint, without identifying the complainant, with the agency against whom the complaint has been lodged. For founded complaints, the ED discusses with the agency’s ED or program director programmatic changes to remedy the concern. Survey & study results are used to modify system policies or gaps as well as specific agency policies. Studies & client feedback have prompted the formation of work groups to explore the creation of a noncongregate shelter for women & transgender people, & a family shelter & rapid resolution initiative. Survey input from people experiencing unsheltered homelessness informed Homeward’s response to the City’s proposal to create a Pallet Shelter Village, no camping ban ordinance & resources that would remove barriers to entering shelter.

1D-11.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.s.		
Describe in the field below at least two steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months to engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:		
1.	reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and	
2.	reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The lack of affordable and assessable housing in the community has been a CoC communication talking point. Homeward (CoC lead), in partnership with Iowa State University, invited Gregg Colburn (Homelessness is a Housing Problem co-author) to meet with local officials (county, city, state), funders, & business leaders in Des Moines (DSM). Colburn shared where housing is difficult to construct, changes to regulations & land use policy are needed. The Homeward staff had meetings with county (supervisors, administrators) and city (mayors, councilmembers, city mangers) leaders to discuss the need for affordable housing for people who have extremely low income. Discussions have included such items as potential zoning changes for parking requirements, support of the development of the local community land trust, & program eligibility. Information and examples regarding more flexible zoning ordinances on parking requirements in affordable housing developments has been shared with two suburbs.

The Homeward ED served on the steering committee for the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AAFH) for the DSM, West Des Moines, and Polk County Analysis of Impediments. Homeward helped share the community survey for the plan via social media, information to CoC members, and in public meetings. Significant discussion took place on the steering committee & recommendations were given regarding zoning for the draft document before public comment. Homeward is listed as a formal collaboration partner in the plan. Comments have been shared during public input for the 5-Year Consolidated Plan for Polk County.

Homeward has provided letters of support or letters of need for various housing projects. Homeward provided a letter of need to the Pleasant Hill Board of Adjustment for a permanent supportive housing project with 101 units. Homeward's executive director attended the board of adjustment meeting. Another letter of support was provided for a transitional housing project in DSM.

2)Discussions with city and county leaders included the need to reduce regulatory barriers for housing development. Homeward staff participate in a group of housing advocates to track housing and homelessness legislation being proposed in Iowa. Advocacy opportunities are shared to reach out to legislators to reduce regulatory barriers. The AFFH steering group focused several recommendations on reducing local regulatory barriers.

1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1E-1.	Web Posting of Advance Public Notice of Your CoC’s Local Competition Deadline, Scoring and Rating Criteria.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a. and 2.g.	

1.	Enter the date your CoC published its submission deadline and scoring and rating criteria for New Project applicants to submit their project applications for your CoC’s local competition.	08/15/2024
2.	Enter the date your CoC published its submission deadline and scoring and rating criteria for Renewal Project applicants to submit their project applications for your CoC’s local competition.	08/15/2024

1E-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC’s eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., 2.d., and 2.e.	

You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.	Yes
5.	Used data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	Yes

6.	Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.	Yes
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1E-2a.	<p>Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.</p> <p>NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.</p>	
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You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
 Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:

1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	99
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	15
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-RRH

1E-2b.	<p>Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process.</p> <p>NOFO Section V.B.2.d.</p>	
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Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing;
2.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing;
3.	how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and
4.	the severe barriers your CoC considered.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Data was collected from a monitoring report applicants were required to run from HMIS (if domestic violence provider, DVIMS) for project's latest grant year completed. Each PSH, RRH and TH-RRH project's monitoring report included data on exits to permanent housing and destinations/retention of permanent housing. In respective applications, these three project types reported the percentage of households successfully exiting to, or retained in, permanent housing & provided an analysis of what was working & what's needed to hit the measure's target. Members of Homeward's Grant Committee, who scored the project applications, reviewed the monitoring report & assessment of success questions for completeness & accuracy. 2) The monitoring report run by each PSH, RRH and TH-RRH project applicant also included performance data on days to move in. In their applications, the three project types reported average days from enrollment to permanently housed & provided an analysis of what was working & what's needed to hit the measure's target. The Grant Committee reviewed the monitoring report & assessment of success questions for completeness & accuracy. 3) Any loss in points in the areas of successful exits/retention and number of days to move-in due to the severity of need and vulnerability of the participants served was off-set by those projects scoring higher in other areas related to severe barriers. 4) The severe barriers considered in the scoring and ranking of projects include the population served having two or more conditions, percent of chronic individuals served, percent of participants who had more than one disability and percent of participants with zero income at entry.

1E-3.	Advancing Racial Equity through Participation of Over-Represented Populations in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.e.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC used input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, to determine the rating factors used to review project applications;
2.	how your CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population in the review, selection, and ranking process; and
3.	how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree that proposed projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and steps the projects took or will take to eliminate the identified barriers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The rating factors are developed by the Homeward (the CoC Lead) Grant Committee and presented to the Homeward Board for final approval. In Polk County, 7.9% of the population identifies as Black or African American, while 31% of people experiencing homelessness in Polk County identify as Black or African American (the only over-represented race). No ethnicities are over-represented in the homeless population. Seventeen percent of the Grant Committee membership identifies as Black/African American while 27% of the board membership identify as Black/African American, 4.5% identify as Asian and 4.5% identify as Latina. 2) The Homeward grant committee and City of Des Moines staff are responsible for reviewing, scoring, and ranking the local project applications. Twenty-five percent of that group identify as Black/African American. Homeward’s board reviews and approves the Grant Committee’s recommendation. Twenty-seven percent of the Homeward board identifies as Black/African American, 4.5% identify as Asian and 4.5% identify as Latina. 3) Homeward has incorporated racial equity questions into the local competition process. Scored questions focused on steps organizations have taken to improve racial equity in the provision and outcomes of assistance and eliminate barriers. Of the eight points awarded regarding promoting racial equity, 4 points are specific to removing racial inequities in the delivery of assistance, analyzing outcomes through a racial equity lens, and eliminating racial barriers to successful exits to housing.

1E-4.	Reallocation—Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	your CoC’s reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed;
2.	whether your CoC identified any low performing or less needed projects through the process described in element 1 of this question during your CoC’s local competition this year;
3.	whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and
4.	why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Reallocation of funds may occur in two ways: Voluntary – a grantee agency voluntarily reduces a portion of, or eliminates, CoC funding of their project. The agency may apply for a new project designated as a high priority by the CoC; Involuntary – a renewal project’s application is rejected due to poor project or system performance, failure to meet threshold requirements, and/or having a score less than 70% of the total points available. The balance of funds from either form of reallocation must be used for new projects per guidelines listed in HUD’s CoC Program NOFO and as prioritized by the Priorities & Ranking criteria approved by the Homeward (CoC Lead) Board. Only projects up for renewal that have been previously renewed under the CoC Program will be considered for reallocation. 2. No low performing or less needed projects were identified for reallocation during our local competition. 3. No low performing or less needed projects were reallocated during our local competition. 4. The total scores for two projects were in the low 70th percentile of total points available while score of a third was in the high 70th percentile of total points available. All three of the projects scored low in the area of performance. This is the first year these three projects were low performers. Per the DSM/Polk CoC’s Performance Monitoring Plan, “Projects that fail to meet an objective for at least one year will be required to develop a Quality Improvement Plan (QIP)”. During the local competition, when a project does not achieve a performance measure, the applicant is required to describe in the project application how they plan to improve on the performance measure not achieved. Homeward staff will incorporate this explanation into the QIP for each of the three low performing projects, review progress quarterly, and if necessary, provide the applicant agency technical assistance. There are no “less needed” projects in the DSM/Polk CoC. Currently there are waiting lists for all the PSH & RRH programs. The YHDP housing navigator and mental health/drop in services applications fill important service gaps. Funding for Centralized Intake and HMIS are necessary to maintain operations within the Des Moines/Polk CoC.

1E-4a.	Reallocation Between FY 2019 and FY 2024.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2019 and FY 2024?	No
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1E-5.	Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Did your CoC reject any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
2.	Did your CoC reduce funding for any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
3.	Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No

	<p>4. If you selected Yes for element 1 or element 2 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2024, 06/27/2024, and 06/28/2024, then you must enter 06/28/2024.</p>	
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<p>1E-5a.</p>	<p>Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps. NOFO Section V.B.2.g. You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.</p>	
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	<p>Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2024, 06/27/2024, and 06/28/2024, then you must enter 06/28/2024.</p>	<p>10/08/2024</p>
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<p>1E-5b.</p>	<p>Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects. NOFO Section V.B.2.g. You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.</p>	
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	<p>Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names; 2. Project Scores; 3. Project Status–Accepted, Rejected, Reduced Reallocated, Fully Reallocated; 4. Project Rank; 5. Amount Requested from HUD; and 6. Reallocated Funds +/-.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>1E-5c.</p>	<p>Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application 2 Days Before CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline. NOFO Section V.B.2.g. and 24 CFR 578.95. You must upload the Web Posting–CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.</p>	
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	<p>Enter the date your CoC posted the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC’s website or partner’s website—which included: 1. the CoC Application; and 2. Priority Listings for Reallocation forms and all New, Renewal, and Replacement Project Listings.</p>	<p>10/23/2024</p>
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<p>1E-5d.</p>	<p>Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders by Email that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website. NOFO Section V.B.2.g. You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.</p>	
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	Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application was posted on your CoC's website or partner's website.	10/23/2024
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	Intsitude for Community Alliances
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2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC’s HMIS coverage area.	Single CoC
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2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.a.	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2024 HIC data into HDX.	05/08/2024
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2A-4.	Comparable Databases for DV Providers—CoC and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Collection and Data Submission by Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.b.	

	In the field below:	
	1. describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in HMIS comparable databases; and	
	2. state whether DV housing and service providers in your CoC are using a HUD-compliant comparable database—compliant with the FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Homeward (CoC Lead Agency) has worked closely with the HMIS Lead in its efforts to support DV housing and service providers by providing a separate implementation of HMIS that has been modified to fit the privacy needs of DV providers. Since 2017, the HMIS Lead has been the administrator of a DV-specific implementation of HMIS, named DVIMS, which uses an "unnamed client" function to preserve the anonymity of clients who are seeking services from DV providers. The unnamed client function generates a unique ID for an individual that cannot be reconstituted by the HMIS Lead or software vendor to produce client names. Within the DVIMS database, all assessments assigned to providers contain all Universal Data Elements required for each project type, which allows the HMIS Lead to provide comparable performance analysis of any project in DVIMS using the same process that is used to measure projects in HMIS. Because the DV comparable database is a separate implementation of HMIS, the HMIS Lead can provide all the same administration and support within the database. DVIMS can provide any of the same reports as the HMIS database, such as the ESG CAPER, & CoC APR. Additionally, providers in DVIMS have the same access to competition and monitoring reports as any agency that is participating in HMIS. 2) Children and Families of Iowa Domestic Violence Services, the lone dv agency who provides shelter and housing supports in the Des Moines/Polk CoC, participants in DVIMS. All client assessments and data elements in DVIMS are in alignment with the FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards.

2A-5.	Bed Coverage Rate—Using HIC, HMIS Data—CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c. and V.B.7.	

Using the 2024 HDX Competition Report we issued your CoC, enter data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current Non-VSP Beds [Column F of HDX Report]	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds [Column K of HDX Report]	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database [Column M of HDX Report]	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate [Column O of HDX Report]
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	362	45	342	84.03%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	14	0	14	100.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	192	0	192	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	344	87	344	79.81%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	521	0	521	100.00%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	468	0	468	100.00%

2A-5a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c.	

For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:

1.	steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and
2.	how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Data in the IA-502 CoC HMIS system shows that we have a 100% bed coverage rate for all Project Types listed in Bed Coverage Rate chart found in question 2A-5. However, the HIC report in the IA-502 2024 Competition Report shows the RRH coverage rate at 79.81%. Our HMIS Lead states the RRH coverage rate listed in the Competition Report is incorrect and is due to inaccurate data present in the HIC that resulted from issues with HDX 2.0. We sent an AAQ to cocnofo@hud.gov regarding this issue. The response indicated that the only way the data could be readjusted was if the issues were flagged during the data submission or data cleanup periods. The coverage rate for RRH was not flagged so could not be readjusted. The issue is two VSP-RRH projects weren't coded as "Comparable Database Participating" so the bed coverage information from the two projects weren't included in the Competition Report. Our HMIS Lead will be more cognizant of the "Comparable Database Participating" being filled with "Yes". 2) Our HMIS Lead will bring to HUD/Abt's attention a flaw in HDX 2.0 which results in data not always being correctly saved (In addition to the Comparable Database Participating issue, this also happened with the ES bed utilization rate which was flagged by our HMIS Lead who indicated 20 seasonal beds were incorrectly recorded as year-round beds. The AAQ response received indicates that the raw data at HUD confirms the bed coverage shown in our HMIS system is correct despite it being incorrect in the Competition Report.). Our HMIS Lead will also petition HUD/Abt to build into HDX 2.0, a data review flag (e.g., "You indicated this project has a target population of DV and/or is a VSP but you didn't select Comparable Database Participating - please review and explain") to catch this issue in the future.

2A-6.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.d.	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2024 HDX Competition Report to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by January 24, 2024, 11:59 p.m. EST?	Yes
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2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2024 PIT count.	01/24/2024
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2B-2.	PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2024 PIT count data in HDX.	05/09/2024
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2B-3.	PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth in Your CoC’s Most Recent Unsheltered PIT Count.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations in your CoC’s most recent PIT count planning process;	
2.	worked with unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during your CoC’s most recent PIT count planning process; and	
3.	included youth experiencing homelessness as counters during your CoC’s most recent unsheltered PIT count.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Each year, the Coordinated Entry lead facilitates the planning and execution of the Point in Time count. Agencies involved in the process include Iowa Homeless Youth Center (IHYC) which provides youth-focused Street Outreach, Rapid Rehousing, Joint TH-RRH, Emergency Shelter, and Drop-in Center Services and the Youth Action Council (YAC), a lived experience advisory body to the DSM/Polk CoC comprised of youth who are currently experiencing homelessness or who've formerly experienced homelessness and remain interested in providing input regarding youth homelessness services. During the date of the count, IHYC provides staff members during each of the four-four-hour shifts to maximize the expertise of IHYC's Street Outreach staff. 2) The YAC is also involved in the Point in Time count by providing locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified. In addition, the IHYC staff organizes an evening shift that searches for youth who may be at locations that other populations may not be sleeping at, such as parking garages, metro buses, and the downtown skywalk system. 3) One youth volunteered to be counters during the DSM/Polk CoC's most recent unsheltered PIT count. This individual did not participate, however, due to safety concerns related to the individual's own stability. Planning for the 2025 PIT count and youth involvement in that process has begun. The YAC plans to invite the CI staff person who facilitates the planning as well as people who've volunteered for previous PITs to discuss the role of a volunteer the night of the PIT, safety concerns and how concerns can be addressed, and transportation options for youth who can't make a commitment to a full four-hour shift.

2B-4.	PIT Count—Methodology Change—CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.a and V.B.7.c.	

In the field below:	
1.	describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2023 and 2024, if applicable;
2.	describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2023 and 2024, if applicable;
3.	describe whether your CoC's PIT count was affected by people displaced either from a natural disaster or seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance who recently arrived in your CoCs' geographic; and
4.	describe how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results; or
5.	state "Not Applicable" if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2024.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Not Applicable

2C. System Performance

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2C-1.	Reducing the Number of First Time Homeless—Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;	
2.	describe your CoC’s strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time are gleaned from data provided by the HMIS Lead on the primary and secondary causes of homelessness combined with CI staff experiences from completing intakes. Risk factors identified – lack of stable and/or adequate income, family break up, the occurrence of domestic violence, multiple evictions, and health issues (including physical & mental health, and substance abuse). 2) The Des Moines/Polk CoC’s strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless include a) Coordinate with non-CoC funded prevention services – Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul, IMPACT Community Action, CROSS Ministries & Polk County General Assistance to meet the needs of people imminently at risk of homelessness. Referrals are made to Iowa Legal Aid & HOME, Inc for legal counsel & tenant/landlord mediation respectively. b) Diversion and Prevention - The CoC Lead Agency receives grant funds, which are administered by CE Lead, and flexible in nature, to cover a variety of expenses to prevent people from entering emergency shelter or an unsheltered situation. The CoC Lead worked with HOME, Inc, City of Des Moines, Des Moines Public Schools (DMPS) and the CE Lead to create a program using ESG funds to prevent first-time homelessness among families with school-aged children and youth. Referrals are made from DMPS to the CE Lead Agency who complete the intake and assessment before referring eligible families to HOME, Inc. for assistance. Children and Families of Iowa’s Domestic Violence Services also receives ESG funds to prevent survivors or victims of domestic violence from becoming homeless. 3) Homeward is responsible for overseeing these strategies.

2C-1a.	Impact of Displaced Persons on Number of First Time Homeless.	
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NOFO Section V.B.5.b

Was your CoC's Number of First Time Homeless [metric 5.2] affected by the number of persons seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance displaced due to:
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1.	natural disasters?	No
2.	having recently arrived in your CoC's geographic area?	No

2C-2.	Reducing Length of Time Homeless–CoC's Strategy.	
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NOFO Section V.B.5.c.

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;	
2.	describe how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)Strategies: a) Remove barriers to rapid exit by creating rapid resolution fund: CI pays rental &/or utility deposits, utility arrears, or application fees allowing households to exit shelter in as little as 14 days – funded through Wells Fargo (indvls & families), United Health Care (indvls age 62+) & request pending at City of DSM. Multi-year grant pending for rapid resolution targeting families in shelter. Family shelters prioritize assisting guests secure IDs & proof of income to complete housing applications. New community-based case workers (2) connect individuals with employment & income support necessary to exit shelter; b) Increased communication about available units: Client advocates at Central Iowa Shelter & Services (CISS) focus on quickly exiting 1st time homeless to PH; RRH – continuously tracks & coordinates available program openings with staff; PSH – Weekly meeting to review available units, time to turn around, referrals & waiting list. Alerts CISS & outreach teams to locate hard to find eligible clients. c) Increased available housing stock to expedite exit from shelter: Multi-year state funded RRH program has increased # of available units; 47-unit hotel renovation for PSH with onsite services & 24/7 staffing opening end of 2024; 140 unit PSH project applying for CoCBuilds funds; Polk County using ARP funds to create PH program for families exiting shelter; new development setting aside 5 units for homeless veterans; d) Implementation of CoC-funded PH programs - 20 units of PSH for youth which started 1/1/24 & 34 units TH/RRH for dv survivors which will start later this year. 2) Identification of people with longest length of time homeless, (LOT) homeless, occurs at intake & tracked in HMIS. Persons with highest VISPDAT score & longest LOT homeless are prioritized 1st for openings in RRH & PSH. Those with multiple housing barriers are referred to HN for assistance locating housing. Those with most housing barriers are prioritized higher for HN assistance; b) Focused review using by-name lists through the Mayor’s Challenge to end veteran’s homelessness, Street Outreach By-Name meeting & Youth Work Team. Individual team members focus on housing one person at a time; c) Biweekly meeting of CMs from family shelters, RRH programs & CI staff-case counseling identify housing resources that families with longer stays can access to move out of shelter-includes accessing the HN. 3) Homeward is responsible for overseeing these strategies.

2C-3.	Successful Permanent Housing Placement or Retention –CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.d.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC’s strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;	
	2. describe your CoC’s strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and	
	3. provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Strategies for successful PH placement: a) Locator information - (emergency contacts, hang outs, &/or running mates) is tracked & updated regularly; CI coordination in street outreach & veterans by-name list meetings as well as biweekly family shelter case conferencing meetings enhances client engagement & prevents clients from falling off radar; b) Housing focused case management across program types – housing problem solving interviews, housing plan development – includes referrals to community resources, physical/behavioral health care, hard-to house referred to CI housing navigators; housing search assistance - provide transport assistance to view units, complete applications & resources for application fees; at shelter entry get documents needed to complete housing applications to speed up application process when housing found; c) Engage community partners to leverage connections to increase Landlord (LL) pool; increased available units of subsidized units through Mainstream (MSV) program; developing a strategic plan to fill gaps in RRH & PSH identified in gaps analysis released in early 2024. d) Increase income through job search assistance & application for all eligible public benefits; new community-based case workers who work with individuals, who are not working with another program or case manager, connecting them with employment and income supports to ensure continued stability in housing. 2) Strategies to retain PH: Practice Harm Reduction & Housing First strategies to maintain housing; negotiate with LL on tenant’s behalf; program staff assist tenants to clean & organize units & to facilitate monthly rent payments, referrals for outside agency supports, unit transfers when a tenant has burned a bridge with a landlord; increasing income through employment & accessing public benefits through progressive engagement, Strategies to exit to other PH destinations: Move On strategy using HCV & MSV; assisting tenants in development of realistic family reunification plans to ensure family members are expecting and prepared for the tenant’s arrival; Facilitate more appropriate housing interventions through nursing home placements or supported living situations. 3) Homeward is responsible for overseeing these strategies.

2C-4.	Reducing Returns to Homelessness—CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.e.	

In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;
2.	describe your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate that individuals and families return to homelessness; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Intake and assessment tools are HMIS-based making it easy for CI staff to identify individuals and families who are re-entering homelessness. The household's intake record is updated, and depending on the length of time that has passed since their last episode of homelessness, or in the case of major life change, CI staff may readminister the VI-SPDAT. These steps give CI staff a better understanding of the household's re-entry and help them see common trends among households returning to homelessness. Additionally, the CoC looks at client answers for primary reasons for homelessness to better understand why they have reentered the system. 2) Families who return to homelessness within 12 months of previous shelter-stay have case staffing with relevant providers, CI family case manager & program director to identify reason for return & create a plan for rapid return to housing. Biweekly case reviews by family shelter case managers/CI staff & family RRH case managers ensure appropriate housing & services match. Aftercare programs utilized by 2 family shelters, 1 single adult shelter, 3 family RRH programs & 1 PSH assist families to manage crises & prevent homelessness return. With Critical Time Intervention case management, used by single-adult shelter, the same case manager provides individualized case management services during the client's stay in emergency shelter & up to 9 months after moving into housing. CoC Lead emphasizes use of mediated appeal hearings with tenants with termination notices, with the goal to preserve the tenant's place in program. The CE Lead Agency has implemented a community wide rapid resolution program that provides flexible funds, in part, to prevent people from reentering homelessness. 3) Homeward is responsible for overseeing these strategies.

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access employment cash sources;	
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income; and	
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The Des Moines/Polk County CoC’s strategies to access employment cash sources include a) Monitor project progress toward increasing employment cash income metric. In instances where a project is not achieving the metric, problem solve with them on solutions to overcome identified barriers to achieving the metric, including peer to peer mentoring from other projects; b) Require that all CoC-funded projects conduct a job readiness assessment, at project entry, as part of their program which reviews each participant’s work history, ability to work and strategies to support the participant in obtaining/increasing cash income; c) Support social enterprise programs at the project level. Currently, four agencies have social enterprise programs that provide participants with employment income and opportunities for job skills development; d) Share employment resources with projects such as notices of employment openings at Goodwill and notices about job fairs from Evelyn K Davis Center for Working Families and Iowa Workforce Development; e) New community-based case workers (2) who work with individuals, not working with another program or case manager, connecting them with employment and income supports necessary to exit shelter and remain stably housed. 2) Among CoC employment partners are Iowa Workforce Development, Goodwill, Project Iowa, & the Evelyn K Davis Center for Working Families (EDCWF). Clients are also referred to training opportunities with Central Iowa Works (United Way), Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC), Youth and Shelter Services - WIOA partner. CoC Lead has made connections with employment/training organizations by including participation of United Way, DMACC & EDCWF on their board. 3) Homeward is responsible for overseeing strategies to increase job & income growth.

2C-5a.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income–CoC’s Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC’s strategy to access non-employment cash income; and	
	2. provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to increase non-employment cash income.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Current strategies to increase non-employment cash income include a) Centralized Intake (CI) have as one of its functions to assist clients with accessing sources of non-employment cash income. Similarly, a community-based case worker program, with two case workers, who work with individuals, not working with another program or case manager, also assists clients with accessing non-employment cash income. Staff from these two entities can (i) help clients complete applications for SNAP, TANF & child care assistance, (ii) ask clients to sign an information release allowing case managers to complete the Department of Human Services (DHS) interview if the client doesn't have contact information, & (iii) help complete Medicaid applications. The above assistance is also provided by CoC and ESG-funded programs as well as the social worker at the downtown library. b) Homeward (the CoC Lead) has an expectation that any agency applying for CoC and ESG funds has at least one staff person who is SOAR trained, or a demonstrated partnership with a community SOAR worker from another agency. This requirement is one of the criteria scored in the CoC and ESG local project applications. This ensures that program participants will have assistance with completing SSI/SSID applications & appeals. Currently, every CoC & ESG provider has at least one SOAR trained individual on staff. c) The Des Moines/Polk CoC has an excellent relationship with the local Healthcare for Homeless Veterans program and connects veterans to VA cash sources quickly d) Continued education of program staff about changes to non-employment programs and/or application processes. This occurs through Homeward's monthly Service Council meeting, which is attended by front-line staff of CoC and ESG-funded programs, as well as periodic email updates. 2) Homeward is responsible for overseeing the strategies to increase non-employment cash income.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	No
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3A-2.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	No
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3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.	

If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.

Project Name	Project Type	Rank Number	Leverage Type
This list contains no items			

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

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3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No
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3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:

1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and
2.	HUD’s implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.

(limit 2,500 characters)

3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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3C-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serve Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

	Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No
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3C-2.	Cost Effectiveness of Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:

1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.

(limit 2,500 characters)

4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants for New DV Bonus Funding

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- Frequently Asked Questions

4A-1.	New DV Bonus Project Applicants.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.	

	Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?	No
Applicant Name		
This list contains no items		

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

We have provided the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:

1. You must include a Document Description for each attachment you upload; if you do not, the Submission Summary screen will display a red X indicating the submission is incomplete.
2. You must upload an attachment for each document listed where 'Required?' is 'Yes'.
3. We prefer that you use PDF files, though other file types are supported—please only use zip files if necessary. Converting electronic files to PDF, rather than printing documents and scanning them, often produces higher quality images. Many systems allow you to create PDF files as a Print option. If you are unfamiliar with this process, you should consult your IT Support or search for information on Google or YouTube.
4. Attachments must match the questions they are associated with.
5. Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process.
6. If you cannot read the attachment, it is likely we cannot read it either.
 - . We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).
 - . We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment.
7. After you upload each attachment, use the Download feature to access and check the attachment to ensure it matches the required Document Type and to ensure it contains all pages you intend to include.
8. Only use the "Other" attachment option to meet an attachment requirement that is not otherwise listed in these detailed instructions.

Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No	PHA Homeless Pref...	10/23/2024
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No	PHA Moving On Pre...	10/23/2024
1D-10a. Lived Experience Support Letter	Yes	Lived Experience ...	10/23/2024
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation	Yes	Housing First Eva...	10/23/2024
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	10/23/2024
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project	Yes	Scored Forms for ...	10/23/2024
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Notification of P...	10/23/2024
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes	Notification of P...	10/23/2024
1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Local Competition...	10/23/2024
1E-5c. Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		
1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		

2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes	HUD's Homeless Da...	10/23/2024
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No		
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No		
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
Other	No		

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Submission Summary

Ensure that the Project Priority List is complete prior to submitting.

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4B. Attachments Screen	Please Complete
Submission Summary	No Input Required

October 4, 2024

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RE: COC Grant Application

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Sincerely,



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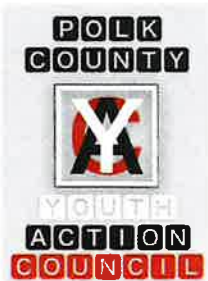
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To Whom It May Concern,

At our October 8, 2024 meeting, the Youth Action Council (YAC) reviewed the local competition selection results of applications submitted for inclusion in the Des Moines/Polk County CoC's 2024 Continuum of Care application to HUD.

On behalf of the YAC, we have valued from and support the priorities for serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness as shown in the local competition selection results.

The YAC, who is an advisory committee to Homeward (the CoC Lead Agency), is comprised of youth who have previously experienced or are currently experiencing homelessness.

Sincerely,

Michael Mcghee

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Cedric Negant

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Provider Information

Please complete the information below on the organization being assessed.

Provider Information	
Provider's Legal Name	Anawim Housing
Acronym (If Applicable)	N/A
Year Incorporated	16-Jul-87
EIN	42-6004514
Street Address	1750 48th Street, Suite 100B
Zip Code	50310

Project Information	
Project Name	HOP Consolidated
Project Budget	\$1,194,114
Grant Number	IA0093L7D022308
Name of Project Director	Jeremy Orcutt
Project Director Email Address	jorcutt@anawimhousing.org
Project Director Phone Number	(515) 864-6321
Which best describes the project *	Permanent Supportive Housing
<i>If project is a Safe Haven, please choose project type that it most operates like, e.g. shelter, transitional housing, or permanent housing</i>	
Are your services targeted to any of the following populations specifically? Please select one if so, as this impacts your assessment questions.	None of the above

*Please note that when you select a project type, particular standards may not be relevant.

Management Information	
Name of CEO	Cynthia Latcham
CEO Email Address	Clatcham@anawimhousing.org
CEO Phone Number	(515) 480-4632
Name of Staff Member Guiding Assessment	Jeremy Orcutt
Staff Email Address	jorcutt@anawimhousing.org
Staff Phone Number	(515) 864-6321

Assessment Information	
Name of Assessor	Jim Cain
Organizational Affiliation of Assessor	Homeward
Assessor Email Address	jcain@homewardiowa.org
Assessor Phone Number	(515) 302-6017
Date of Assessment	Aug 29 2024



Housing First Standards Assessment Tool

Overview: This tool aims to assess and document how closely a housing and service provider adheres to the recommended best practice standards of the Housing First model, in the context of the broader work to implement a Housing First orientation at the system-level. This tool specifically evaluates project-level fidelity to Housing First, which directly impacts a system’s fidelity to Housing First. In addition to the universal best practice standards identified in this tool, Continuums should also take into account their local community context and local written standards pertaining to Housing First when assessing projects. A Continuum of Care can use this tool to prompt discussion and

Provider Info tab: The Provider Information tab should be completed *prior* to beginning the assessment. Specifically, the **Project Name, Project Type, Target Sub-Population served, and Date of Assessment** fields need to be completed in order to populate the assessment standards and report summary with questions that are specific to the project type and population. Please complete this section prior to printing any standards for assessment.

Standards: The standards have been arranged into the following categories: *Access, Evaluation, Services, Housing, Leases, and Project-Specific*. The “Tab” chart at the bottom of this page describes each of the categories in more detail. Some of the categories are not applicable for all project types, and those standards do not need to be completed,

Project Type	Applicable Standards
Coordinated Entry	Access & Evaluation; Project-specific
Street Outreach	Access & Evaluation; Project-specific
Emergency Shelter	Access & Evaluation; Service & Housing; Project-specific
Transitional Housing	Access & Evaluation; Service & Housing; Leases; Project-specific
Rapid Rehousing	Access & Evaluation; Service & Housing; Leases; Project-specific
Permanent Supportive Housing	Access & Evaluation; Service & Housing; Leases; Project-specific

Safeguarding: Please keep in mind safeguarding concerns when assessing projects. In particular, we advise Continuums of Care to work with projects with victims of domestic violence to make sure that adequate safety and confidentiality policies and practices are in place before beginning assessments.

Scoring: For each standard, there are three scoring criteria: “Say It”, “Document It”, and “Do It” (as explained further below). To show that a project is in full compliance with each standard, the assessor should mark “Always” for each scoring criteria. Use the drop down in the three columns to the right to select “Always” or “Somewhat” or “Not at

- “Say It” means that project and agency staff can describe verbally what they do concerning each standard. The assessor should be able to identify that the organizational culture supports the standard by how staff talks about what is done.
- “Document It” means that there is written documentation that supports the project’s compliance with each standard. Written documentation could include Policies and Procedures, Personnel Handbooks, Professional Development Plans, Project Rules, etc.
- “Do It” means that the assessor was able to find evidence that supports the project’s compliance with each standard. Evidence could include information contained in client or other administrative files, client acknowledgement that something is being done, staff can point to documentation that supports implementation of the standard, etc.

Assessor Notes: A cell below each individual standard allows the assessor to add optional notes about the information collected for that particular standard. The notes can include where information was found, what questions were asked, who answered the questions, what additional information is needed to be able to mark that standard as “Always”, “Sometimes,” or “Not at all”.

Tab	Description	Purpose
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Instructions	Tool overview and aim	Offers instruction to users on the assessment tool
Provider Info	Input provider, project and general assessment information	Determines project-specific standards for consideration
Standards - Access & Evaluation	Input compliance with standards concerning participant access to the project and input, project evaluation and performance management	Assesses whether access and evaluation are compliant with Housing First principles
Standards - Leases	Input compliance with standards concerning the lease and occupancy agreements, where applicable	Assesses whether leases and occupancy agreements are compliant with Housing First principles
Standards - Services & Housing	Input compliance with standards concerning the service and housing models and structure, where applicable	Assesses whether services and housing are compliant with Housing First principles
Standards – Project-Specific	Prompts assessment standards based on project type and targeted sub-populations served by the project, where applicable	Assesses whether specific project standards are compliant with Housing First principles
Report Summary	Displays assessment scores and conclusions, and highlights non-compliant standards	Printable summary of the assessment



Housing First Standards

For each standard, please use the drop down boxes in the three columns to the right to select "Not at all" or "Sometimes" or "Always". Marking "Always" signifies full compliance for the standard.

No.	Standard	Access Definition / Evidence	Say It	Document it	Do it
Access 1	Projects are low-barrier	<p>Admission to projects is not contingent on pre-requisites such as abstinence of substances, minimum income requirements, health or mental health history, medication adherence, age, criminal justice history, financial history, completion of treatment, participation in services, "housing readiness," history or occurrence of victimization, survivor of sexual assault or an affiliated person of such a survivor or other unnecessary conditions unless required by law or funding source.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always
Access 2	Projects do not deny assistance for unnecessary reasons	<p>Procedures and oversight demonstrate that staff do everything possible to avoid denying assistance or rejecting an individual or family for the reasons listed in Access Standard #1.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always
Access 3	Access regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status	<p>Equal access is provided in accordance with the 2012 and 2016 Equal Access Rules, meaning that any project funded by HUD must ensure equal access for persons regardless of one's sexual orientation or marital status, and in accordance with one's gender identity. Adult only households, regardless of marital status, should have equal access to projects (if these project types are not available within a CoC, the CoC should conduct an assessment to determine if these project types are needed and work with providers to accommodate the need). Please see Equal Access Rules here: https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/1991/equal-access-to-housing-final-rule/</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Somewhat	Always
Access 4	Admission process is expedited with speed and efficiency	<p>Projects have expedited admission processes, to the greatest extent possible, including helping participants obtain documentation required by funding sources, as well as processes to admit participants regardless of the status of their eligibility documentation whenever applicable.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Somewhat	Somewhat

Access 5	Intake processes are person-centered and flexible	Intake and assessment procedures are focused on the individual's or family's strengths, needs, and preferences. Projects do not require specific appointment times, but have flexible intake schedules that ensure access to all households. Assessments are focused on identifying household strengths, resources, as well as identifying barriers to housing that can inform the basis of a housing plan as soon as a person is enrolled in the project. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Somewhat	Somewhat	Somewhat
Access 6	The provider/project accepts and makes referrals directly through Coordinated Entry	Projects actively participate in the CoC-designated Coordinated Entry processes as part of streamlined community-wide system access and triage. If these processes are not yet implemented, projects follow communities' existing referral processes. Referrals from Coordinated Entry are rarely rejected, and only if there is a history of violence, the participant does not want to be in the project, there are legally valid grounds (such as restrictions regarding sex offenders) or some other exceptional circumstance that is well documented. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Access 7	Exits to homelessness are avoided	Projects that can no longer serve particular households utilize the coordinated entry process, or the communities' existing referral processes if coordinated entry processes are not yet implemented, to ensure that those individuals and families have access to other housing and services as desired, and do not become disconnected from services and housing. Households encounter these exits under certain circumstances, such as if they demonstrate violent or harassing behaviors, which are described within agencies' regulation-adherent policies. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Name		Participant Input Definition / Evidence	Say It	Document it	Do it
Participant Input 1	Participant education is ongoing	Project participants receive ongoing education on Housing First principles as well as other service models employed in the project. In the beginning of and throughout tenancy, participants are informed about their full rights and responsibilities as lease holders, including the potential causes for eviction. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Somewhat	Somewhat	Somewhat
Participant Input 2	Projects create regular, formal opportunities for participants to offer input	Input is welcomed regarding the project's policies, processes, procedures, and practices. Opportunities include involvement in: quality assurance and evaluation processes, a participant leadership/advisory board, processes to formally communicate with landlords, the design of and participation in surveys and focus groups, planning social gatherings, integrating peer specialists and peer-facilitated support groups to compliment professional services. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always



Housing First Standards

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	Standard	Lease and Occupancy Definition / Evidence	Say It	Document It	Do It
Leases 1	Housing is considered permanent (not applicable for Transitional Housing)	Housing is not time-limited (though rent assistance may be) and leases are automatically renewable upon expiration, except with prior notice by either party. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Leases 2	Participant choice is fundamental	A participant has, at minimum, choices in deciding the location and type of housing based on preferences from a range of housing types and among multiple units, as available and as practical. In project-based settings, participants should be offered choice of units within a particular building, or within the portfolio of single site properties. In projects that use shared housing, i.e. housing with unrelated roommates, participants should be offered choice of roommates, as available and as practical. Additionally, as applicable, participants are able to choose their roommates when sharing a room or unit. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Leases 3	Leases are the same for participants as for other tenants	Leases do not have any provisions that would not be found in leases held by any other tenant in the property or building and is renewable per the participants’ and owner’s choice. People experiencing homelessness who receive help moving into permanent housing should have leases that confer the full rights, responsibilities, and legal protections under Federal, state, and local housing laws. For transitional housing, there may be limitations on length of stay, but a lease/occupancy agreement should look like a lease that a person would have in the normal rental market. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Leases 4	Participants receive education about their lease or occupancy agreement terms	Participants are also given access to legal assistance and encouraged to exercise their full legal rights and responsibilities. Landlords and providers abide by their legally-defined roles and responsibilities. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always

Leases 5	Measures are used to prevent eviction	<p>Property or building management, with services support, incorporates a culture of eviction avoidance, reinforced through practices and policies that prevent lease violations and evictions among participants, and evict participants only when they are a threat to self or others. Clear eviction appeal processes and due process is provided for all participants. Lease bifurcation is allowed so that a tenant or lawful occupant who is a victim of a criminal act of physical violence committed against them by another tenant or lawful occupant is not evicted, removed or penalized if the other is evicted.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always
Leases 6	Providing stable housing is a priority	<p>Providers engage in a continued effort to hold housing for participants, even if they leave their housing for short periods due to treatment, illness, or any other temporary stay outside of the unit.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always
Leases 7	Rent payment policies respond to tenants' needs (as applicable)	<p>While tenants are accountable to the rental agreement, adjustments may be needed on a case by case basis. As necessary, participants are given special payment arrangements for rent arrears and/or assistance with financial management, including representative payee arrangements.</p> <p><i>Optional notes here</i></p>	Always	Always	Always



Housing First Standards

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	Standard	Services Definition / Evidence	Say it	Document it	Do it
Services 1	Projects promote participant choice in services	Participants are able to choose from an array of services. Services offered are housing focused and include the following areas of support: employment and income, childhood and education, community connection, and stabilization to maintain housing. These should be provided by linking to community-based services. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Services 2	Person Centered Planning is a guiding principle of the service planning process	Person-centered Planning is a guiding principle of the service planning process <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Services 3	Service support is as permanent as the housing	Service connections are permanently available and accessible for participants in Permanent Supportive Housing. Rapid Re-Housing projects should, at a minimum, be prepared to offer services for up to 6 months after the rental assistance ends. In emergency shelter and transitional housing, services are available as long as the participant resides in the unit or bed – and up to 6 months following exit from transitional housing. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Services 4	Services are continued despite change in housing status or placement	Wherever possible, participants continue to be offered services even if they lose their housing unit or bed (for congregate projects), or if they are placed in a short-term inpatient treatment. Ideally, the service relationship should continue, despite a service hiatus during some institutional stays. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always

Services 5	Participant engagement is a core component of service delivery	Staff provide effective services by developing relationships with participants that provide immediate needs and safety, develop trust and common ground, making warm hand-offs to other mainstream service providers, and clearly explain staff roles. Engagement is regular and relationships are developed over time. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Services 6	Services are culturally appropriate with translation services available, as needed	Project staff are sensitive to and support the cultural aspects of diverse households. Wherever possible, staff demographics reflect the participant population they serve in order to provide appropriate, culturally-specific services. Translation services are provided when needed to ensure full comprehension of the project. Projects that serve families with children should have family-friendly rules that allow for different schedules based on work and school hours and have services that allow parents to participate in activities without having to constantly supervise their children themselves (i.e. can use the bathroom or take a shower without their children being in the bathroom with them). <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Services 7	Staff are trained in clinical and non-clinical strategies (including harm reduction, motivational interviewing, trauma-informed approaches, strength-based)	Services support a participant's ability to obtain and retain housing regardless of changes in behavior. Services are informed by a harm-reduction philosophy, such as recognizing that substance use and addiction are a part of some participants' lives. Participants are engaged in non-judgmental communication regarding their behavior and are offered education regarding how to avoid risky behaviors and engage in safer practices. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Standard		Housing Definition / Evidence	Say It	Document It	Do It
Housing 1	Housing is not dependent on participation in services	Participation in permanent and temporary housing settings, as well as crisis settings such as emergency shelter, is not contingent on participating in supportive services or demonstration of progress made on a service plan. Services must be offered by staff, but are voluntary for participants. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
Housing 2	Substance use is not a reason for termination	Participants are only terminated from the project for violations in the lease or occupancy agreements, as applicable. Occupancy agreements or an addendum to the lease do not include conditions around substance use or participation in services. If the project is a recovery housing model focused on people who are in early recovery from drugs or alcohol (as outlined in HUD's Recovery Housing Brief), different standards related to use and subsequent offer of treatment may apply. See HUD's Recovery Housing brief here: https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/4852/recovery-housing-policy-brief/	Always	Always	Always

Optional notes here

Housing 3	The rules and regulations of the project are centered on participants' rights	Project staff have realistic expectations and policies. Rules and regulations are designed to support safe and stable communities and should never interfere with a life in the community. Participants have access to the project at all hours (except for nightly in and out shelter) and accommodation is made for pets.	Always	Always	Always
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Optional notes here

Housing 4	Participants have the option to transfer to another project	Transfers should be accommodated for tenants who reasonably believe that they are threatened with imminent harm from further violence if the tenant remains in the same unit. Whenever possible, transfers occur before a participant experiences homelessness.	Always	Always	Always
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Housing First Standards

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	Standard	Project -Specific Standards	Say It	Document it	Do it
Project 1	Quick access to RRH assistance	A permanent supportive housing project ensures quick linkage to a unit and wrap around services, based on participant needs, preferences, and resource availability. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Please select answer	Please select answer	Please select answer
Project 2	PSH is focused on ending homelessness for those with the most severe barriers to maintaining housing	Participants and staff understand that a primary goal of permanent supportive housing is to end homelessness for people with the most severe service needs and help participants stay housed, regardless of other perceived barriers. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Please select answer	Please select answer	Please select answer
Project 3	Property Management duties are separate and distinct from services/case management	In order to provide clear roles of staff for participants in terms of lease and rules enforcement as well as tenant advocacy, property management and service provider staff should be separate roles. However, they should work together on a regular basis through regular communications and meetings regarding Participants to address tenancy issues in order to preserve tenancy. <i>Optional notes here</i>	Always	Always	Always
		No additional standards <i>Optional notes here</i>			

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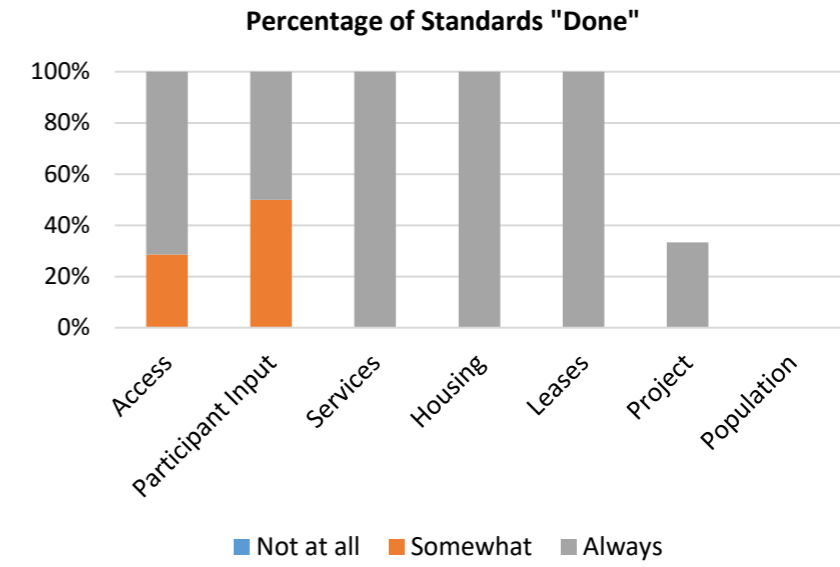
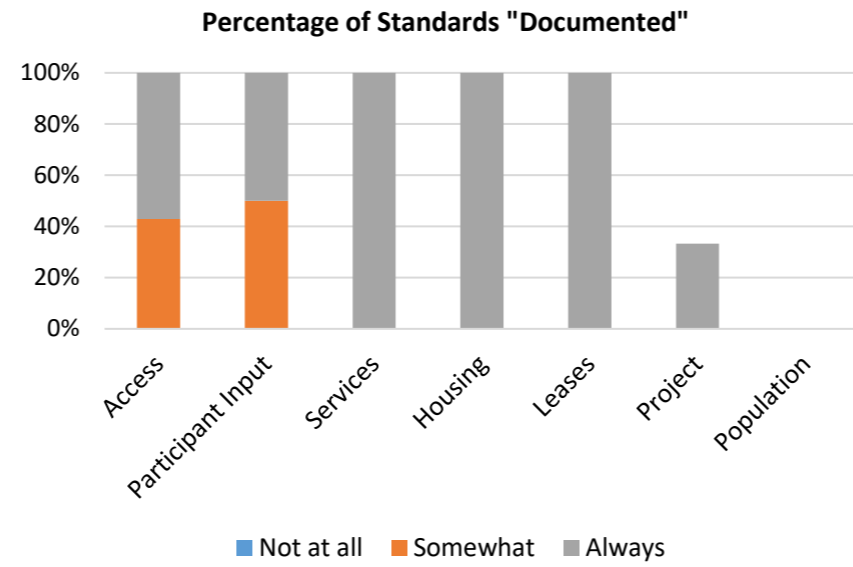
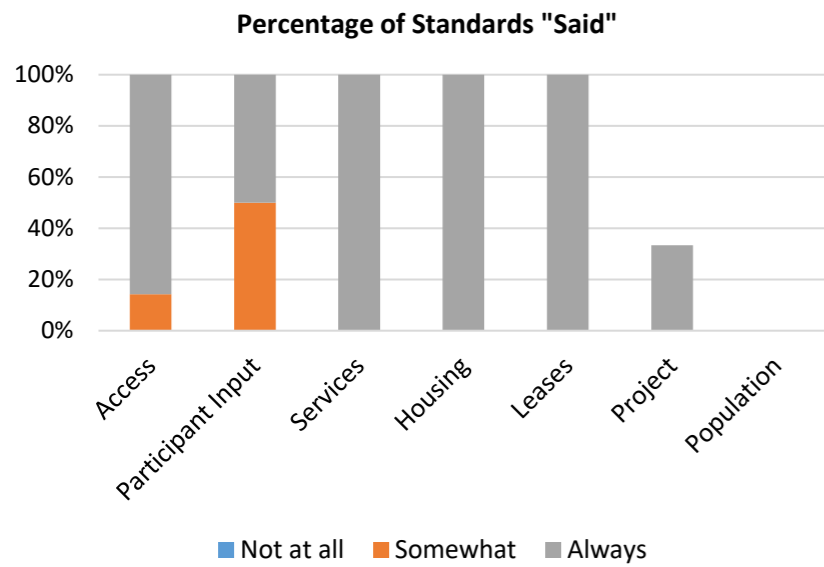
Housing First Standards: Assessment Summary

Anawim Housing
29-Aug-24

Some standards have not been evaluated. Please return and complete all standards before finalizing report.

Your score: 159
Max potential score: 180

Score is calculated by awarding 1 point for standards answered 'sometimes' and 2 points for standards answered 'always'. Categories that are not applicable for your project are not included in the maximum potential score.



2024 CoC PSH/RRH/TH-RRH Application Scoring Sheet

Organization:

Project Name:

Amount Requested:

Amount Eligible:

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
I. Centralized Intake System				
1. Project must receive referrals ONLY from the Polk County Centralized Intake	Threshold	If answer "Yes", project is eligible for funding and receives full points ; if answer "No", project is not eligible for	CI Participating Agency Report	
2. Through the end of the most recently completed project year, how many CI referrals made to this project were denied admission? Please briefly explain	1	Denied admission is 25% or less of the total referrals received = 1 points Denied admissions more than 25% of the total referrals received = 0 points	CI Referrals Report	
II. Housing First				
Project must operate under a Housing First Model	Threshold	If questions 1-11 are answered "Yes" and policies concur, project is eligible for funding and receives full points ; If questions 1 -11 are answered "Yes" and policies <u>DO NOT</u> concur, or if all questions <u>aren't</u> answered "Yes", the project is not eligible for funding .	Admittance and Termination Policies Attached	
III. Project Description				
1. Project Design				
(a) Describes targeted population; the plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible; Describe how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently; Length of assistance or program length. Demonstrates an understanding of the needs of the clients to be served	2	Answered completely, plan realistic for population being served = 1 point ; answer incomplete and/or plan doesn't meet all the needs/issues of population being served= 0.5 points ; answer doesn't address the question or plan doesn't meet the needs/issues of the population being served= 0 points ; Serving clients who fall within the VI-SPDAT range for PSH = 1 point	Project Application	
(b) Specific Population Focus	2	2+ conditions= 2 points ; 1 condition= 1 points ; No conditions= 0 points	Project Application	

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(d) Housing Type	1.5	Identifies a <u>realistic strategy</u> for building a landlord network and mitigating landlord reluctance to rent to target population= 1.5 points ; Strategy for building a landlord network and mitigating landlord reluctance to rent to target population is incomplete= 0.75 points ; Does not provide a realistic strategy for building a landlord network and mitigating landlord reluctance to rent to target population= 0 points	Project Application	
(e) Denying admission to or separating family members when they enter, including serving all family members together and in accordance with each family member's self-reported gender?	1.5	Answered No = 0.25 points ; Described location in admissions policy = 0.25 points ; Admission policies concur = 1 point ; Answered Yes = 0 points	Project Application & Attachment: Admissions Policy	
(f) Project uses a harm reduction model.	1.5	Answered Yes = 0.5 points ; illustrated using harm reductions = 1 point (Simply stating, for example, that in the case of substance use, an agency encourages participants to not use, is not a specific example.); Answered No OR they did not provide a specific example= 0 points	Project Application	
(g) Project has policies and procedures that work to prevent eviction.	1.5	Answered Yes & policies/procedures confirm program works to preven evictions = 1.5 points ; Answered "Yes" but policies and procedures don't concur, or Answered "No" = 0 points	Project Application Eviction Prevention Policy Attached	
(h) Project improves safety of DV survivors being served. (DV RENEWALS)	1.5	Answered completely, strategy to improve safety realistic for the DV survivors being served= 1.5 points ; answer incomplete and/or doesn't meet all the safety needs of survivors being served= 0.75 points ; answer doesn't address the question or plan doesn't meet the safety needs of the DV survivors being served= 0 points	Project Application	
2. Support Services				

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
(a) Services and Frequency	3	Services identified match the needs of the population described in III(1)(a) = 1.5 points ; not all services selected meet the needs of the population described = 1 point ; Services selected do not meet the needs of the population described = 0 points . All services identified indicate a provider and frequency= 1.5 points ; Provider and frequency not indicated for all identified services= 1 point ; Support services and Frequency chart not completed= 0 points	Project Application	
(b) Project has SOAR trained staff or collaborates with agency who has SOAR trained staff	1	Answered "Yes" = 1 point ; fully completed SOAR staff chart = 1 point ; Answered "No" = 0 points .	Project Application	
(c) Leveraging Medicaid resources	2	Identifies strategy for enrolling participants in Medicaid & describes opportunities to leverage Medicaid- financed services= 2 points ; answer lacks detail on Medicaid enrollment strategy or leveraging Medicaid- financed strategies= 1 point ; neither strategy is described by answer= 0 points	Project Application	
(d.) Collaborate w/ School Districts	2	Applicant has an EHCY policy and designated staff person= 2 points ; Applicant <u>only</u> has EHCY policy= 1 point ; Applicant <u>only</u> has designated staff person = 0.5 points . Project does not serve families or single adults 21 years old or younger = 2 points .	Project Application and Attached EHCY agency policy	

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NEW PROJECT - Leveraging Housing Resources	2	<p>2 points - Project is using one of the following sources of funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Private organizations <input type="checkbox"/> State or local HOME funding <input type="checkbox"/> State or local American Rescue Plan funding <input type="checkbox"/> Other state or local funding <input type="checkbox"/> Public Housing Agencies <input type="checkbox"/> Federal programs other than the CoC or ESG programs <u>AND</u> demonstrates housing units will <input type="checkbox"/> For PSH, provide at least 25% of the units included in the project for the targeted population described in this application <input type="checkbox"/> For RRH, serve at least 25% of the program participants anticipated to be served by the project. <p>OR</p>	Project Application	
NEW PROJECT - Leveraging Healthcare Resources	2	<p>2 points - Project is utilizing healthcare resources which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Direct contributions from a public or private health insurance provider or project (e.g., Medicaid) <input type="checkbox"/> Provision of healthcare services by a private or public organization (e.g., Ryan White funded organization) tailored to the program participants of the project <input type="checkbox"/> Other healthcare resource <p><u>AND</u> demonstrates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The value of the assistance being provided is at least an amount equivalent to 25% of the funding being requested for the project which will be covered by the healthcare organization, OR <input type="checkbox"/> In the case of substance abuse treatment or recovery provider, it will provide access to treatment or recovery services for all program participants who qualify and chose those services. 	Project Application	

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Renewal Application				
Renewal Applicants	10	Automatically receives full points for this section	Indication at top of page 1 of the application that the project is a renewal.	
New Application				
(a) Demonstrates how the type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served	2	Up to 2 points for a detailed description that includes the type, scale and location of the housing and how it fits the needs of the clients; 0 points if answer does not address the question	Project Application	
(b) Demonstrates how the type of supportive services offered to program participants will ensure successful retention or help to obtain permanent housing	2	Up to 2 points for a detailed description that includes how specific supportive services will ensure successful retention or help obtain permanent housing; 0 points if answer does not address the question	Project Application	
(c) Accessibility to community amenities - description of accessibility matches degree of accessibility checked	2	Very accessible = 2 points ; Somewhat accessible = 1 points ; Not accessible = 0 points	Project Application	
(d) Description includes specific mainstream resources clients will be assisted in accessing; a plan for accessing each mainstream resource; mainstream resources identified meet the needs of the population being served	2	Up to 2 points for a detailed description that includes the specific mainstream resource, how clients will be assisted in accessing each specific mainstream resource and how it will meet the client's needs; 0 points if answer does not address the question	Project Application	
(e) Describes specific assistance to obtain & remain in permanent housing, and in a manner that fits the client's needs.	2	Up to 2 points for detailed description of assistance that will be provided and how it will be in a manner that fits the client's needs; 0 points if answer does not address the question	Project Application	
V. Project Administration				
1. (a) Findings & corrective action on any previous HUD CoC or ESG grants	2	No or N/A = 2 points ; Yes & corrective action taken = 1.5 points ; Yes & corrective action will be taken = 1 points ; Corrective action not taken = 0 points	Project Application	
1. (b) LOCCS draws completed every month	2	Yes = 2 points No or N/A = 0 points	Project Application	

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
1. (c) Unspent funds on most recent expired grant	2	Yes= 0 points ; Yes and describes the amount and reason for unspent funds = 0.5 points . No or N/A= 2 points . PSH or RRH programs with unspent rental assistance funds due to the difference between FMR and Rent Reasonableness calculation should be awarded full points	Project Application	
1. (d) Unspent funds in previous years at grant expiration	2	No or N/A= 2 points ; 1 year checked = 1.5 points ; 2 year checked = 1 point ; 3 years checked = 0.5 point ; 4 years checked = 0 points ;PSH or RRH programs with unspent rental assistance funds <u>due to the difference between FMR and Rent Reasonableness calculation</u> should be awarded full points	Project Application	
1. (e) Applicant participates in HMIS or DVIMS	Eligibility Threshold	If answer Yes - or No, <u>but agrees to participate</u> in HMIS or DVIMS - project is eligible for funding . If answer No, OR not agreeable to participating in HMIS or DVIMS, project is not eligible for funding	Project Application	
VI. Performance Measures				
1(a) Total households served and total positive housing destinations	1	Applicant indicates the number of households served = 1 point ; Applicant has not answered either question = 0 points	Project Application	
Data Timeliness:				
RRH, PSH, TH-RRH, SSO-CI, YHDP-SSO The period of time that elapses between when a client enters a program and when client information is entered into HMIS.	1	Under 7 days average data timeliness = 1 points Over 7 days average data timeliness: <u>Included explanation</u> of how agency plans to improve measure = 0.5 points ; <u>Did not included explanation</u> of how agency plans to improve measure = 0 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Data Completeness				
RRH, PSH, TH-RRH, SSO-CI, YHDP-SSO The percentage of all HMIS data fields which have not been answered in whole or in their entirety.	1	Less than 2% missing (null) values in ServicePoint (HMIS or DVIMS) = 1 points ; Between 2% and 5% missing (null) values in ServicePoint (HMIS or DVIMS) = 0.75 points ; Higher than 5% missing (null) values in ServicePoint (HMIS or DVIMS)= 0 points ; Included explanation of how agency plans to improve measure = 0.5 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Exit Destination Errors				

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RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of those exiting a program (Leavers) where [Destination] is "Client doesn't know," "Client refused," "No exit interview completed," or is missing.	2	Less than 10% = 2 points Higher than 10% = 0 points Included explanation of how agency plans to improve measure = .5 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
PSH Percentage of those exiting a program (Leavers) where [Destination] is "Client doesn't know," "Client refused," "No exit interview completed," or is missing.	2	Less than 5% = 2 points Higher than 5% = 0 points Included explanation of how agency plans to improve measure = .5 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
For each performance measure, above (i.e., Timeliness, Completeness & Destination Errors), whose benchmark hasn't been met, please explain how your agency plans to improve in each measure.	2	All bench marks were met or answer includes a reasonable plan for each benchmark not met = 2 points Answer doesn't include a reasonable plan for all benchmarks not met = 1 point Answer does not include a reasonable plan for any of the benchmark not met = 0 points	Project Application	
Income Increases				
RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of all adult participants who increased <u>total income</u> from entry to exit	10	≥25% = 10 Point 24%-20% = 8 Points 19%-15% = 6 points 14%-10% = 4 Points 9%-5% = 2 Point <5% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
PSH Percentage of adults remaining (stayers) who increase <u>total income</u> (Benchmark: Q1: 15%; Q2: 20%; Q3:25%; Q4 30%)	10	Benchmark me for all four quaters = 10 Point Bench mark met for 3 of 4 quarters = 8 Points Benchmark met for 2 of 4 quarters = 5 Points Benchmark met for only one quarter = 2 Points Benchmark not met for any quarter = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Days to Move In (Average length of time from enrollment to permanently housed)				
RRH, PSH, TH-RRH	2	≤90 days = 2 points ; >90 days = 0 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Percent of successful exits/retention				
RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of successful exits to permanent housing	10	≥72% = 10 Points 62-71% = 5 Points <62% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
PSH Percentage of successful retentions	10	≥93% = 10 Points 83 - 92% = 5 Points <83% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Describe what the data above is telling you about what is needed and what is working.	1	Description covers all three data points, above & matches the data = 1 point . Description doesn't cover all three data points OR doesn't completely match the data = 0.5 points . Description doesn't include the three data points nor match the data = 0 points	Project Application	
For each performance measure whose benchmark hasn't been met, please explain how your agency plans to improve in each measure.	1	All bench marks were met or answer includes a reasonable plan for each benchmark not met = 1 points Answer doesn't include a reasonable plan for all benchmarks not met = 0.5 points Answer does not include a reasonable plan for any of the benchmark not met = 0 points	Project Application	
Percentage of adults or HoH participants that met literally homeless definition prior to entry?				
RRH, PSH, TH-RRH Number of adult participants or head of households (HoH) served that : 1)Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not meant for human habitation; or 2) Is living in a publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state and local government programs); or 3) Is exiting an institution where they has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.	1	≥93% = 1 Point 85 - 92% = 0.5 Points <85% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Percentage of chronic individuals served				
RRH, TH-RRH (YHDP projects excluded) Percentage of adult participants who met HUD definition of chronically homeless (note: 5 points for youth-focused or DV- focused projects)	1	≥10% = 1 Point 5 - 9% = 0.5 Points <5% = 0 Points YHDP Project = 1 Point	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
PSH (YHDP projects excluded) Percentage of adult participants who met HUD definition of chronically homeless (note: 5 points for youth-focused projects):	1	100% = 1 Point 92-99% = 0.75 Points 85-91% = 0.5 Points <85% = 0 Points YHDP Project = 1 Point	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Participants with Disabilities				
PSH Percentage of participants with more than one disability.	1	$\geq 75\%$ = 1 Point 65-74% = 0.5 Points <65% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of participants with more than one disability.	1	$\geq 50\%$ = 1 Point 40-49% = 0.5 Points <40% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Income at Entry				
PSH Percentage of participants with zero income at entry.	1	$\geq 70\%$ = 1 Point 60-69% = 0.5 Points <60% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of participants with zero income at entry.	1	$\geq 50\%$ = 1 Point 40-49% = 0.5 Points < 40% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Describe what the data above is telling you about the impact on the program from percentage of participants with high needs.	2	Answer includes a specific description of the impact on the program = 2 points ; Answer doesn't provide a specific description = 1 point ; Description is vague or doesn't match the data = 0 points	Project Application	1

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
2. New applicants for RRH	37	New applicant for PSH = 37 points	Project Application	
VII. Project Evaluation/Client Input				
1. Describe evaluation plan and incorporation of outcomes into quality improvement process	2	Includes description of both = 2 points ; Includes description of only one of the two = 1 point ; Description doesn't adequately describe either = 0 points	Project Application	
2. Program conducts anonymous client satisfaction surveys or alternative methods of anonymous feedback	1	Yes = 1 points No= 0 points	Project Application	
3. Provides opportunity for feedback from all clients at exit regardless of reason for leaving.	1	Yes = 1 points No= 0 points	Project Application	
4. Presents customer feedback to Board of Directors	1	Yes = 1 points No= 0 points	Project Application	
5. How are people with lived experience included in planning, policy review and decision making processes?	2	1 point each for inclusion in <u>planning, policy review and decision making</u> process; If answered "No = 0 points	Project Application	
VIII. Promoting Racial Equity				
1. Has your organization in the past three years undertaken an assessment to identify racial disparity in processes and the provision of housing services? If "No", do you plan to do so in the next year?	2	2 points for "Yes" an assessment has been completed; 1 point if assessment hasn't been completed but plan to do one in the next year; 0 points if no assessment has been completed and don't plan to complete one in the next year.	Project Application	
2. How many members of the program's (or organization's) managerial and leadership positions are filled with under-represented individuals (BIPOC, LGBTQ, persons with lived experience)?	2	2 or more = 2 points ; 1 = 1 points ; 0 = 0 points	Project Application	
3. How many people on the organization's board of directors have lived experience of homelessness?	2	2 or more = 2 points ; 1 = 1 point ; 0 = 0 points	Project Application	

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
4. What steps has your organization taken to a. Remove racial inequities in the delivery of assistance? b. Analyze outcomes through a racial equity lens? c. Eliminate racial barriers to successful exits to housing?	2	Up to 2 points for a detailed description that includes the steps taken to remove racial equities, analyze outcomes and eliminate barriers.	Project Application	
IX. Budget/Cost Effectiveness				
1. Rental Assistance Budget	1	Project eligible for rental assistance & consistent with number of units describe in Project Design (section III 1. (a)): = 1 point ; Project eligible for rental assistance & Not consistent with number of units describe in Project Design (section III 1. (a)) = 0.5 points ; Project <u>not</u> eligible for rental assistance = 0 points .	Project Application	
2. Operating Budget	1	Project eligible for operational costs & identified costs consistent with Project Design (section III 1. (a)): = 1 point ; Project eligible for operational costs & Identified costs <u>not</u> consistent with Project Design (section III 1. (a)) = 0.5 points ; Project <u>not</u> eligible for operational costs = 0 points	Project Application	
3. Supportive Services	1	Services selected match services selected in <i>Supportive Services and Frequency</i> chart= 1 point ; Services selected do not match services selected in <i>Supportive Services and Frequency</i> chart= 0 points	Project Application	
4. Budget Summary	1	Line item totals equal corresponding budget total & admin doesn't exceed the percent in the project's most recent HUD approved contract = 1 point ; errors in line item budgets, admin calculation or doesn't match the admin amount in the project's most recent HUD approved contract= 0 points	Project Application	
5. Accuracy	3	Up to 3 points based on budget amounts equaling corresponding amounts in the project's approved HUD budget.	Project Application & Approved HUD Budget	
6. Cash and/or In-Kind Match	1	Match at least 25% of Total CoC Request= 1point ; Match less than 25% of Total CoC Request= 0 points	.25 x Total CoC Request Budget Summary	

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
Cost Efficiency (Renewal) - Cost per household	1	Costs don't deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 1 points ; Costs deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 0 points		
Cost Efficiency (Renewal) - Cost of successful outcome	1	Costs don't deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 1 points ; Costs deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 0 points		
Cost Efficiency (New) - Cost per household	2	Costs don't deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 2 points ; Costs deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 0 points		
Renewal: PSH/RRH/TH-RRH	98.0		TOTAL	
Renewal: TH-RRH	99.0		TOTAL	
Renewal: RRH-DV	99.5		TOTAL	
New: PSH	100.0		TOTAL	

REVIEWER COMMENTS AND THOUGHTS:

2024 CoC PSH/RRH/TH-RRH Application Scoring Sheet

Organization: **Primary Health Care**

Project Name: **RRH Consolidated**

Amount Requested: **\$411,024**

Amount Eligible: **\$411,024**

Criteria	Points	Points Breakdown	Source Documentation	Score
I. Centralized Intake System				
1. Project must receive referrals ONLY from the Polk County Centralized Intake	Threshold	If answer "Yes", project is eligible for funding and receives full points ; if answer "No", project is not eligible for	CI Participating Agency Report	√
2. Through the end of the most recently completed project year, how many CI referrals made to this project were denied admission? Please briefly explain	1	Denied admission is 25% or less of the total referrals received = 1 points Denied admissions more than 25% of the total referrals received = 0 points	CI Referrals Report	1
II. Housing First				
Project must operate under a Housing First Model	Threshold	If questions 1-11 are answered "Yes" and policies concur, project is eligible for funding and receives full points ; If questions 1 -11 are answered "Yes" and policies <u>DO NOT</u> concur, or if all questions <u>aren't</u> answered "Yes", the project is not eligible for funding.	Admittance and Termination Policies Attached	√
III. Project Description				
1. Project Design				
(a) Describes targeted population; the plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible; Describe how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently; Length of assistance or program length. Demonstrates an understanding of the needs of the clients to be served	2	Answered completely, plan realistic for population being served = 1 point ; answer incomplete and/or plan doesn't meet all the needs/issues of population being served= 0.5 points ; answer doesn't address the question or plan doesn't meet the needs/issues of the population being served= 0 points ; Serving clients who fall within the VI-SPDAT range for PSH = 1 point	Project Application	2
(b) Specific Population Focus	2	2+ conditions= 2 points ; 1 condition= 1 points ; No conditions= 0 points	Project Application	2

(d) Housing Type	1.5	Identifies a <u>realistic strategy</u> for building a landlord network and mitigating landlord reluctance to rent to target population= 1.5 points ; Strategy for building a landlord network and mitigating landlord reluctance to rent to target population is incomplete= 0.75 points ; Does not provide a realistic strategy for building a landlord network and mitigating landlord reluctance to rent to target population= 0 points	Project Application	1.5
(e) Denying admission to or separating family members when they enter, including serving all family members together and in accordance with each family member's self-reported gender?	1.5	Answered No = 0.25 points ; Described location in admissions policy = 0.25 points ; Admission policies concur = 1 point ; Answered Yes = 0 points	Project Application & Attachment: Admissions Policy	1.5
(f) Project uses a harm reduction model.	1.5	Answered Yes = 0.5 points ; illustrated using harm reductions = 1 point (Simply stating, for example, that in the case of substance use, an agency encourages participants to not use, is not a specific example.); Answered No OR they did not provide a specific example= 0 points	Project Application	1.5
(g) Project has policies and procedures that work to prevent eviction.	1.5	Answered Yes & policies/procedures confirm program works to preven evictions = 1.5 points ; Answered "Yes" but policies and procedures don't concur, or Answered "No" = 0 points	Project Application Eviction Prevention Policy Attached	1.5
(h) Project improves safety of DV survivors being served. (DV RENEWALS)	1.5	Answered completely, strategy to improve safety realistic for the DV survivors being served= 1.5 points ; answer incomplete and/or doesn't meet all the safety needs of survivors being served= 0.75 points ; answer doesn't address the question or plan doesn't meet the safety needs of the DV survivors being served= 0 points	Project Application	
2. Support Services				

(a) Services and Frequency	3	Services identified match the needs of the population described in III(1)(a) = 1.5 points ; not all services selected meet the needs of the population described = 1 point ; Services selected do not meet the needs of the population described = 0 points . All services identified indicate a provider and frequency= 1.5 points ; Provider and frequency not indicated for all identified services= 1 point ; Support services and Frequency chart not completed= 0 points	Project Application	2.5
(b) Project has SOAR trained staff or collaborates with agency who has SOAR trained staff	1	Answered "Yes" = 1 point ; fully completed SOAR staff chart = 1 point ; Answered "No" = 0 points .	Project Application	1
(c) Leveraging Medicaid resources	2	Identifies strategy for enrolling participants in Medicaid & describes opportunities to leverage Medicaid- financed services= 2 points ; answer lacks detail on Medicaid enrollment strategy or leveraging Medicaid- financed strategies= 1 point ; neither strategy is described by answer= 0 points	Project Application	2
(d.) Collaborate w/ School Districts	2	Applicant has an EHCY policy and designated staff person= 2 points ; Applicant <u>only</u> has EHCY policy= 1 point ; Applicant <u>only</u> has designated staff person = 0.5 points . Project does not serve families or single adults 21 years old or younger = 2 points .	Project Application and Attached EHCY agency policy	2

<p>NEW PROJECT - Leveraging Housing Resources</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>2 points - Project is using one of the following sources of funding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Private organizations <input type="checkbox"/> State or local HOME funding <input type="checkbox"/> State or local American Rescue Plan funding <input type="checkbox"/> Other state or local funding <input type="checkbox"/> Public Housing Agencies <input type="checkbox"/> Federal programs other than the CoC or ESG programs <u>AND</u> demonstrates housing units will <input type="checkbox"/> For PSH, provide at least 25% of the units included in the project for the targeted population described in this application <input type="checkbox"/> For RRH, serve at least 25% of the program participants anticipated to be served by the project. <p>OR</p>	<p>Project Application</p>	
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NEW PROJECT - Leveraging Healthcare Resources	2	<p>2 points - Project is utilizing healthcare resources which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Direct contributions from a public or private health insurance provider or project (e.g., Medicaid) <input type="checkbox"/> Provision of healthcare services by a private or public organization (e.g., Ryan White funded organization) tailored to the program participants of the project <input type="checkbox"/> Other healthcare resource <p><u>AND</u> demonstrates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The value of the assistance being provided is at least an amount equivalent to 25% of the funding being requested for the project which will be covered by the healthcare organization, OR <input type="checkbox"/> In the case of substance abuse treatment or recovery provider, it will provide access to treatment or recovery services for all program participants who qualify and chose those services. 	Project Application	
IV. Project Quality				
Renewal Application				
Renewal Applicants	10	Automatically receives full points for this section	Indication at top of page 1 of the application that the project is a renewal.	10
New Application				
(a) Demonstrates how the type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served	2	Up to 2 points for a detailed description that includes the type, scale and location of the housing and how it fits the needs of the clients; 0 points if answer does not address the question	Project Application	

(b) Demonstrates how the type of supportive services offered to program participants will ensure successful retention or help to obtain permanent housing	2	Up to 2 points for a detailed description that includes how specific supportive services will ensure successful retention or help obtain permanent housing; 0 points if answer does not address the question	Project Application	
(c) Accessibility to community amenities - description of accessibility matches degree of accessibility checked	2	Very accessible = 2 points ; Somewhat accessible = 1 points ; Not accessible = 0 points	Project Application	
(d) Description includes specific mainstream resources clients will be assisted in accessing; a plan for accessing each mainstream resource; mainstream resources identified meet the needs of the population being served	2	Up to 2 points for a detailed description that includes the specific mainstream resource, how clients will be assisted in accessing each specific mainstream resource and how it will meet the client's needs; 0 points if answer does not address the question	Project Application	
(e) Describes specific assistance to obtain & remain in permanent housing, and in a manner that fits the client's needs.	2	Up to 2 points for detailed description of assistance that will be provided and how it will be in a a manner that fits the client's needs; 0 points if answer does not address the question	Project Application	
V. Project Administration				
1. (a) Findings & corrective action on any previous HUD CoC or ESG grants	2	No or N/A = 2 points ; Yes & corrective action taken = 1.5 points ; Yes & corrective action will be taken = 1 points ; Corrective action not taken= 0 points	Project Application	2
1. (b) LOCCS draws completed every month	2	Yes= 2 points No or N/A= 0 points	Project Application	2
1. (c) Unspent funds on most recent expired grant	2	Yes= 0 points ; Yes and describes the amount and reason for unspent funds = 0.5 points . No or N/A= 2 points . PSH or RRH programs with unspent rental assistance funds due to the difference between FMR and Rent Reasonableness calculation should be awarded full points	Project Application	0
1. (d) Unspent funds in previous years at grant expiration	2	No or N/A= 2 points ; 1 year checked = 1.5 points ; 2 year checked = 1 point ; 3 years checked = 0.5 point ; 4 years checked = 0 points ;PSH or RRH programs with unspent rental assistance funds <u>due to the difference between FMR and Rent Reasonableness calculation</u> should be awarded full points	Project Application	1.5

1. (e) Applicant participates in HMIS or DVIMS	Eligibility Threshold	If answer Yes - or No, <u>but agrees to participate</u> in HMIS or DVIMS - project is eligible for funding . If answer No, OR not agreeable to participating in HMIS or DVIMS, project is not eligible for funding	Project Application	√
VI. Performance Measures				
1(a) Total households served and total positive housing destinations	1	Applicant indicates the number of households served = 1 point ; Applicant has not answered either question = 0 points	Project Application	1
Data Timeliness:				
RRH, PSH, TH-RRH, SSO-CI, YHDP-SSO The period of time that elapses between when a client enters a program and when client information is entered into HMIS.	1	Under 7 days average data timeliness = 1 points Over 7 days average data timeliness: <u>Included explanation</u> of how agency plans to improve measure = 0.5 points ; <u>Did not included explanation</u> of how agency plans to improve measure = 0 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	1
Data Completeness				
RRH, PSH, TH-RRH, SSO-CI, YHDP-SSO The percentage of all HMIS data fields which have not been answered in whole or in their entirety.	1	Less than 2% missing (null) values in ServicePoint (HMIS or DVIMS) = 1 points ; Between 2% and 5% missing (null) values in ServicePoint (HMIS or DVIMS) = 0.75 points ; Higher than 5% missing (null) values in ServicePoint (HMIS or DVIMS)= 0 points ; Included explanation of how agency plans to improve measure = 0.5 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	1
Exit Destination Errors				
RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of those exiting a program (Leavers) where [Destination] is "Client doesn't know," "Client refused," "No exit interview completed," or is missing.	2	Less than 10% = 2 points Higher than 10% = 0 points Included explanation of how agency plans to improve measure = .5 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	2

PSH Percentage of those exiting a program (Leavers) where [Destination] is "Client doesn't know," "Client refused," "No exit interview completed," or is missing.	2	Less than 5% = 2 points Higher than 5% = 0 points Included explanation of how agency plans to improve measure = .5 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
For each performance measure, above (i.e., Timeliness, Completeness & Destination Errors), whose benchmark hasn't been met, please explain how your agency plans to improve in each measure.	2	All bench marks were met or answer includes a reasonable plan for each benchmark not met = 2 points Answer doesn't include a reasonable plan for all benchmarks not met = 1 point Answer does not include a reasonable plan for any of the benchmark not met = 0 points	Project Application	2
Income Increases				
RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of all adult participants who increased <u>total income</u> from entry to exit	10	≥25% = 10 Point 24%-20% = 8 Points 19%-15% = 6 points 14%-10% = 4 Points 9%-5% = 2 Point <5% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	10
PSH Percentage of adults remaining (stayers) who increase <u>total income</u> (Benchmark: Q1: 15%; Q2: 20%; Q3:25%; Q4 30%)	10	Benchmark met for all four quarters = 10 Point Bench mark met for 3 of 4 quarters = 8 Points Benchmark met for 2 of 4 quarters = 5 Points Benchmark met for only one quarter = 2 Points Benchmark not met for any quarter = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Days to Move In (Average length of time from enrollment to permanently housed)				
RRH, PSH, TH-RRH	2	≤90 days = 2 points ; >90 days = 0 points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	2
Percent of successful exits/retention				
RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of successful exits to permanent housing	10	≥72% = 10 Points 62-71% = 5 Points <62% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	10
PSH Percentage of successful retentions	10	≥93% = 10 Points 83 - 92% = 5 Points <83% = 0 Points	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	

Describe what the data above is telling you about what is needed and what is working.	1	Description covers all three data points, above & matches the data = 1 point . Description doesn't cover all three data points OR doesn't completely match the data = 0.5 points . Description doesn't include the three data points nor match the data = 0 points	Project Application	1
For each performance measure whose benchmark hasn't been met, please explain how your agency plans to improve in each measure.	1	All bench marks were met or answer includes a reasonable plan for each benchmark not met = 1 points Answer doesn't include a reasonable plan for all benchmarks not met = 0.5 points Answer does not include a resonable plan for any of the benchmark not met = 0 points	Project Application	1
Percentage of adults or HoH participants that met literally homeless definition prior to entry?				
RRH, PSH, TH-RRH Number of adult participants or head of households (HoH) served that : 1)Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not meant for human habitation; or 2) Is living in a publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state and local government programs); or 3) Is exiting an institution where they has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution	1	<p style="text-align: center;"> $\geq 93\% = 1 \text{ Point}$ $85 - 92\% = 0.5 \text{ Points}$ $< 85\% = 0 \text{ Points}$ </p>	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	1
Percentage of chronic individuals served				
RRH, TH-RRH (YHDP projects excluded) Percentage of adult participants who met HUD definition of chronically homeless (note: 5 points for youth-focused or DV- focused projects)	1	<p style="text-align: center;"> $\geq 10\% = 1 \text{ Point}$ $5 - 9\% = 0.5 \text{ Points}$ $< 5\% = 0 \text{ Points}$ </p> <p style="text-align: center;">YHDP Project = 1 Point</p>	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	1

<p>PSH (YHDP projects excluded) Percentage of adult participants who met HUD definition of chronically homeless (note: 5 points for youth-focused projects):</p>	1	<p>100% = 1 Point 92-99% = 0.75 Points 85-91% = 0.5 Points <85% = 0 Points</p> <p>YHDP Project = 1 Point</p>	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
Participants with Disabilities				
<p>PSH Percentage of participants with more than one disability.</p>	1	<p>≥75% = 1 Point 65-74% = 0.5 Points <65% = 0 Points</p>	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
<p>RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of participants with more than one disability.</p>	1	<p>≥50% = 1 Point 40-49% = 0.5 Points <40% = 0 Points</p>	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	1
Income at Entry				
<p>PSH Percentage of participants with zero income at entry.</p>	1	<p>≥70% = 1 Point 60-69% = 0.5 Points <60% = 0 Points</p>	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	
<p>RRH, TH-RRH Percentage of participants with zero income at entry.</p>	1	<p>≥50% = 1 Point 40-49% = 0.5 Points < 40% = 0 Points</p>	DSM-Polk CoC Monitoring Report	1

Describe what the data above is telling you about the impact on the program from percentage of participants with high needs.	2	Answer includes a specific description of the impact on the program = 2 points ; Answer doesn't provide a specific description = 1 point ; Description is vague or doesn't match the data = 0 points	Project Application	2
2. New applicants for RRH	37	New applicant for PSH = 37 points	Project Application	
VII. Project Evaluation/Client Input				
1. Describe evaluation plan and incorporation of outcomes into quality improvement process	2	Includes description of both = 2 points ; Includes description of only one of the two = 1 point ; Description doesn't adequately describe either = 0 points	Project Application	1
2. Program conducts anonymous client satisfaction surveys or alternative methods of anonymous feedback	1	Yes = 1 points No= 0 points	Project Application	1
3. Provides opportunity for feedback from all clients at exit regardless of reason for leaving.	1	Yes = 1 points No= 0 points	Project Application	1
4. Presents customer feedback to Board of Directors	1	Yes = 1 points No= 0 points	Project Application	1
5. How are people with lived experience included in planning, policy review and decision making processes?	2	1 point each for inclusion in <u>planning, policy review and decision making</u> process; If answered "No = 0 points	Project Application	2
VIII. Promoting Racial Equity				
1. Has your organization in the past three years undertaken an assessment to identify racial disparity in processes and the provision of housing services? If "No", do you plan to do so in the next year?	2	2 points for "Yes" an assessment has been completed; 1 point if assessment hasn't been completed but plan to do one in the next year; 0 points if no assessment has been completed and don't plan to complete one in the next year.	Project Application	1
2. How many members of the program's (or organization?) managerial and leadership positions are filled with under-represented individuals (BIPOC, LGBTQ, persons with lived	2	2 or more = 2 points ; 1 = 1 points ; 0 = 0 points	Project Application	2

3. How many people on the organization's board of directors have lived experience of	2	2 or more = 2 points ; 1 = 1 point ; 0 = 0 points	Project Application	1
4. What steps has your organization taken to a. Remove racial inequities in the delivery of assistance? b. Analyze outcomes through a racial equity lens? c. Eliminate racial barriers to successful exits to housing?	2	Up to 2 points for a detailed description that includes the steps taken to remove racial equities, analyze outcomes and eliminate barriers.	Project Application	2
IX. Budget/Cost Effectiveness				
1. Rental Assistance Budget	1	Project eligible for rental assistance & consistent with number of units describe in Project Design (section III 1. (a)): = 1 point ; Project eligible for rental assistance & Not consistent with number of units describe in Project Design (section III 1. (a)) = 0.5 points ; Project <u>not</u> eligible for rental assistance = 0 points .	Project Application	1
2. Operating Budget	1	Project eligible for operational costs & identified costs consistent with Project Design (section III 1. (a)): = 1 point ; Project eligible for operational costs & Identified costs <u>not</u> consistent with Project Design (section III 1. (a)) = 0.5 points ; Project <u>not</u> eligible for operational costs = 0 points	Project Application	0
3. Supportive Services	1	Services selected match services selected in <i>Supportive Services and Frequency</i> chart= 1 point ; Services selected do not match services selected in <i>Supportive Services and Frequency</i> chart= 0 points	Project Application	1
4. Budget Summary	1	Line item totals equal corresponding budget total & admin doesn't exceed the percent in the project's most recent HUD approved contract = 1 point ; errors in line item budgets, admin calculation or doesn't match the admin amount in the project's most recent HUD approved contract= 0 points	Project Application	1
5. Accuracy	3	Up to 3 points based on budget amounts equaling corresponding amounts in the project's approved HUD budget.	Project Application & Approved HUD Budget	3

6. Cash and/or In-Kind Match	1	Match at least 25% of Total CoC Request= 1point ; Match less than 25% of Total CoC Request= 0 points	.25 x Total CoC Request Budget Summary	1
Cost Efficiency (Renewal) - Cost per household	1	Costs don't deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 1 points ; Costs deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 0 points		0
Cost Efficiency (Renewal) - Cost of successful outcome	1	Costs don't deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 1 points ; Costs deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 0 points		1
Cost Efficiency (New) - Cost per household	2	Costs don't deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 2 points ; Costs deviate substantially from the local norm for the same type of housing and/or services= 0 points		
Renewal: PSH/RRH/TH-RRH	98.0		TOTAL	91
Renewal: TH-RRH	99.0		TOTAL	
Renewal: RRH-DV	99.5		TOTAL	
New: PSH	100.0		TOTAL	

REVIEWER COMMENTS AND THOUGHTS

Didn't have anyone doing life skills; Very good harm reduction examples; Very clear eviction prevention policy. Very good.

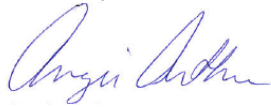
October 8, 2024

To: CoC Program Competition Review

Re: 15 Day Notification Outside of e-snaps – Projects Rejected or Reduced

As noted in our priority listing, no projects for IA-502 Des Moines/Polk County Continuum of Care's 2024 CoC Program Competition were rejected or reduced.

Sincerely,



Angie Arthur

Homeward
Executive Director

1E.5a Projects Accepted – Notification Outside of e-snaps

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With the October 23rd approval by the Homeward Board and yesterday's approval by the Des Moines City Council, the allocations and scoring of the 2024 HUD CoC NOFO Competition have been finalized. Below includes projects, project rankings, projects scores and funding amounts.

2024 NOFO CoC Project Competition

CoC RENEWAL AND NEW PROJECTS: RANK ORDER

Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
Tier 1				
1 - Anawim Youth PSH	\$248,163	96.1%	94.2	98
2 - ICA HMIS	\$108,419	95.8%	172.5	180
3 - PHC RRH Consolidated	\$411,024	94.3%	92.4	98
4 - PHC CI	\$147,882	92.2%	153.5	166.5
5 - CFI - RRH2	\$492,699	88.1%	87.7	99.5
6 - Anawim HOP Consolidated	\$1,194,114	87.6%	85.8	98
7 - IHYC TH/RRH	\$309,945	86.1%	85.2	99
8 - IHYC Youth RRH	\$177,738	71.5%	70.1	98
9 - CFI - RRH	\$124,632	70.3%	69.9	99.5
10 - Anawim Family PSH (NEW)	\$1,061,365	94.0%	94.0	100
Tier2				
10 - Anawim Family PSH (NEW)	\$4,479	94.0%	94.0	100
11 - Anawim Indiv PSH (NEW)	\$671,279	93.8%	93.8	100

YHDP PROJECT RENEWALS

Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
Anawim YHDP PSH	\$211,577	96.5%	94.6	98
ICA YHDP HMIS	\$37,470	91.5%	91.5	100
IHYC YHDP RRH	\$287,888	85.3%	83.6	98
IHYC YHDP SSO - Mental Health	\$152,089	80.2%	126.7	158
CFI YHDP TH/RRH	\$202,373	77.1%	76.8	99.5
PHC YHDP SSO - Housing Navigator	\$81,222	76.3%	120.5	158

Tier 1 = \$4,275,981

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Tier 1 = \$4,275,981
Tier 2 = \$875,758*
YHDP = \$972,719
Planning Grant = \$286,190
TOTAL SUBMISSION = \$6,410,648

*\$286,208 of the CoC Bonus and the \$757,073 DV Bonus were not applied for in this competition.

2024 NOFO CoC Project Competition

Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN) - HUD generated formula	\$5,047,152
Estimated Annual Renewal Demands (ARD) - Amount required to fund all renewal projects at 100%	\$5,723,809
Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN) - The higher of the PPRN and ARD	\$5,723,809
Annual Renewal Amounts (ARAs) of YHDP Renewals	\$972,719

Funding Available to IA-502

Tier 1	
90% of ARD less ARA for YHDP Grants	\$4,275,981
Tier 2	
10% of Remaining ARD less YHDP Grants	\$475,109
CoC Bonus Funds - Up to 12% of IA-502 CoC FPRN	\$686,857
DV Bonus - Up to 15% of IA-502 PPRN	\$757,073
\$6,195,020	
Non-Competitive Grants	
Annual Renewal Amounts of YHDP Renewals	\$972,719
CoC Planning Grant - Up to 5% of IA-502 CoC FPRN	\$286,190

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Funding Available to IA-502

Tier	Description	Amount
Tier 1	90% of ARD less ARA for YHDP Grants	\$4,275,981
Tier 2	10% of Remaining ARD less YHDP Grants	\$475,109
	CoC Bonus Funds - Up to 12% of IA-502 CoC FPRN	\$586,857
	DV Bonus - Up to 15% of IA-502 FPRN	\$757,073
	Total	\$6,195,020
Non-Competitive Grants	Annual Renewal Amounts of YHDP Renewals	\$972,719
	CoC Planning Grant - Up to 5% of IA-502 CoC FPRN	\$286,190
	TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE	\$7,453,929

Thank you.

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Individual Emails

2024 HUD CoC Competition - Notification of Ranked Project Applications - Message (HTML)

Angie Arthur
 To: clatcham@anawimhousing.org; Jeremy Orcutt

Hello,

This email is a notice of acceptance of the following CoC and YHDP project applications for the 2024 HUD CoC NOFO Competition. There is a total of 11 CoC competition projects submitted.

CoC RENEWAL AND NEW PROJECTS: RANK ORDER

Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
1 - Anawim Youth PSH	\$248,163	96.1%	94.2	98
8 - Anawim HOP Consolidated	\$1,194,114	87.6%	85.8	98
10 - Anawim Family PSH (NEW)	\$1,065,844	94.0%	94.0	100
11 - Anawim Indiv PSH (NEW)	\$871,279	93.8%	93.8	100

YHDP PROJECT RENEWALS

Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
Anawim YHDP PSH	\$211,577	96.5%	94.6	98

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2024 HUD CoC Competition - Notification of Ranked Project Applications

Angie Arthur
To: Pat Schachner

Tue 10/8/2024 2:42 PM

Hello,

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CoC RENEWAL AND NEW PROJECTS: RANK ORDER				
Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
2 - ICA HMHS	\$108,419	95.8%	172.5	180

YHDP PROJECT RENEWALS				
Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
ICA YHDP HMHS	\$37,470	91.5%	91.5	100

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2024 HUD CoC Competition - Notification of Ranked Project Applications

Angie Arthur
To: Shelby Ridley

Tue 10/8/2024 2:43 PM

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CoC RENEWAL AND NEW PROJECTS				
Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
3 - PHC RRIH Consolidated	\$411,024	94.3%	92.4	96
4 - PHC CI	\$147,882	92.2%	153.5	166.5

YHDP PROJECT RENEWALS				
Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
PHC YHDP SSO - Housing Navigator	\$81,222	76.3%	120.5	158

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Angie Arthur
To: Lon Jensen, Shawna Morgan

Tue 10/8/2024 2:43 PM

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CoC RENEWAL AND NEW PROJECTS				
Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
5 - CF - RRH2	\$492,699	88.1%	87.7	99.5
9 - CF - RRH	\$124,632	70.3%	69.9	99.5

YHDP PROJECT RENEWALS				
Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
CFI YHDP TH/RRH	\$202,373	77.1%	76.8	99.5

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2024 HUD CoC Competition - Notification of Ranked Project Applications

Angie Arthur
To: Reggie St Romain, Hope Metheny

Tue 10/8/2024 2:43 PM

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CoC RENEWAL AND NEW PROJECTS				
Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
7 - IHYC TH/RRH	\$309,945	86.1%	85.2	99
8 - IHYC Youth RRH	\$177,738	71.5%	70.1	98

YHDP PROJECT RENEWALS				
Applicant	Allocated Amount	Percentage	Score	Total Possible Pts.
IHYC YHDP RRH	\$287,988	85.3%	83.6	98
IHYC YHDP SSO - Mental Health	\$152,089	60.2%	126.7	158

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Local Competition Selection Results

Project Name	Score	Total Possible Pts.	Percentage	Rank	Status	Amount Requested from HUD	Reallocated Funds
Anawim Youth PSH	94.2	98	96.1%	1	Accepted	\$248,163	
ICA HMIS	172.5	180	95.8%	2	Accepted	\$108,419	
PHC Consolidated	92.4	98	94.3%	3	Accepted	\$411,024	
PHC CI	153.5	166.5	92.2%	4	Accepted	\$147,882	
CFI RRH II	87.7	99.5	88.1%	5	Accepted	\$492,699	
Anawim HOP Consolidated	85.8	98	87.6%	6	Accepted	\$1,194,114	
IHYC TH/RRH	85.2	99	86.1%	7	Accepted	\$309,945	
IHYC Youth RRH	70.1	98	71.5%	8	Accepted	\$177,738	
CFI - RRH	69.9	99.5	70.3%	9	Accepted	\$124,632	
Anawim Consolidated PSH					Fully Reallocated		(\$1,536,474)
Anawim Family PSH (NEW)	94.0	100	94.0%	10	Accepted	\$1,065,844	\$1,065,844
Anawim Individual PSH (NEW)	93.8	100	93.8%	11	Accepted	\$871,279	\$470,630
YHDP Anawim PSH	94.6	98	96.5%	Not Ranked	Accepted	\$211,577	
YHDP HMIS	91.5	100	91.5%	Not Ranked	Accepted	\$37,470	
YHDP IHYC RRH	83.6	98	85.3%	Not Ranked	Accepted	\$287,988	
YHDP IHYC Mental Health & Drop In Serv	126.7	158	80.2%	Not Ranked	Accepted	\$152,089	
YHDP CFI TH/RRH	76.8	99.5	77.1%	Not Ranked	Accepted	\$202,373	
YHDP PHC Housing Navigator	120.5	158	76.3%	Not Ranked	Accepted	\$81,222	

2024 HDX Competition Report

This workbook contains summary information about your CoC's data as it was entered into HDX 1.0 and HDX 2.0 for your use as part of the 2024 Competition.

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This workbook attempts to maximize accessibility, navigability, printability, and ease of use. Merged cells have been avoided. All tables and text boxes have been given names. Extraneous rows and columns outside printed ranges have been hidden. Formulas may include references to hidden rows and columns or data tables. For ease of use, these referenced sources have been hidden but can be unhidden by any user at any time. Raw data sources contained in this workbook are named according to the module and fiscal year from which they originate - e.g. "HIC_2024" is the Housing Inventory Count raw data from Fiscal Year 2024.

For Questions:

If you have questions, please reach out to HUD via the "Ask a Question" page, <https://www.hudexchange.info/program-support/my-question/> and choose "HDX" as the topic.

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2024 Competition Report - Summary

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HDX Data Submission Participation Information

Government FY and HDX Module Abbreviation	Met Module Deadline*	Data From	Data Collection Period in HDX 2.0
2023 LSA	Yes	Government FY 2023 (10/1/22 - 9/30/23).	November 2023 to January of 2024
2023 SPM	Yes	Government FY 2023 (10/1/22 - 9/30/23).**	February 2024 to March 2024
2024 HIC	Yes	Government FY 2024. Exact HIC and PIT dates will vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it will be last Wednesday in January of 2024.	March 2024 to May 2024
2024 PIT	Yes	Government FY 2024. Exact HIC and PIT dates will vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it will be last Wednesday in January of 2024.	March 2024 to May 2024

1) FY = Fiscal Year

2) *This considers all extensions where they were provided.

2) **"Met Deadline" in this context refers to FY23 SPM submissions. Resubmissions from FY 2022 (10/1/21 - 9/30/22) were also accepted during the data collection period, but these previous year's submissions are voluntarily and are not required.

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2024 Competition Report - LSA Summary & Usability Status

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LSA Usability Status 2023

Category	EST AO	EST AC	EST CO	RRH AO	RRH AC	RRH CO	PSH AO	PSH AC	PSH CO
Fully Usable				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Partially Usable									
Not Usable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						

EST

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	2,367	2,402	2,560
AO	1,757	1,783	1,968
AC	612	620	597
CO	2	0	1

RRH

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	874	933	958
AO	396	415	412
AC	474	516	544
CO	3	0	0

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PSH

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	598	627	613
AO	428	459	439
AC	154	150	173
CO	3	0	0

- 1) Glossary: EST = Emergency Shelter, Save Haven, & Transitional Housing; RRH = Rapid Re-housing; PSH = Permanent Supportive Housing; AO = Persons in Households without Children; AC = Persons in Households with at least one Adult and one Child; CO=Persons in Households with only Children
- 2) Because people have multiple stays in shelter over the course of a year and stay in different household configurations, a single person can be counted in more than one household type. Therefore, the sum of the number of people by household type may be greater than the unique count of people.
- 3) Total Sheltered count only includes those served in HMIS participating projects reported by your CoC.
- 4) For CoCs that experienced mergers during any of these reporting periods, historical data will include only the original CoCs.

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2024 Competition Report - SPM Data

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FY 2023 Reporting Year: 10/1/2022 - 9/30/2023

Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

This measures the number of clients active in the report date range across ES, SH (Metric 1.1) and then ES, SH and TH (Metric 1.2) along with their average and median length of time homeless. This includes time homeless during the report date range as well as prior to the report start date, going back no further than the look back stop date or client's date of birth, whichever is later.

Metric 1.1: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES and SH projects.

Metric 1.2: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES, SH, and TH projects.

a. This measure is of the client's entry, exit, and bed night dates strictly as entered in the HMIS system.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, and SH	2,451	42.1	25.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and TH	2,649	57.7	30.0

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b. This measure is based on data element 3.917

This measure includes data from each client’s Living Situation (Data Standards element 3.917) response as well as time spent in permanent housing projects between Project Start and Housing Move-In. This information is added to the client’s entry date, effectively extending the client’s entry date backward in time. This “adjusted entry date” is then used in the calculations just as if it were the client’s actual entry date.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and PH (prior to “housing move in”)	2,925	278.1	84.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH, and PH (prior to “housing move in”)	3,103	277.2	88.0

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Measure 2: Returns to Homelessness for Persons who Exit to Permanent Housing (PH) Destinations

This measures clients who exited SO, ES, TH, SH or PH to a permanent housing destination in the date range two years prior to the report date range. Of those clients, the measure reports on how many of them returned to homelessness as indicated in the HMIS for up to two years after their initial exit.

Metric	Total # of Persons Exited to a PH Destination (2 Yrs Prior)	Returns to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months (0 - 180 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 6 to 12 Months (181 - 365 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months (366 - 730 days)		Number of Returns in 2 Years	
	Count	Count	% of Returns	Count	% of Returns ⁴	Count	% of Returns ⁶	Count	% of Returns ⁸
Exit was from SO	28	4	14.3%	1	3.6%	3	10.7%	8	28.6%
Exit was from ES	634	67	10.6%	21	3.3%	39	6.2%	127	20.0%
Exit was from TH	51	3	5.9%	3	5.9%	3	5.9%	9	17.7%
Exit was from SH	6	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exit was from PH	307	30	9.8%	22	7.2%	22	7.2%	74	24.1%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	1,026	104	10.1%	47	4.6%	67	6.5%	218	21.3%

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Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Metric 3.1 – Change in PIT Counts

Please refer to PIT section for relevant data.

Metric 3.2 – Change in Annual Counts

This measures the change in annual counts of sheltered homeless persons in HMIS.

Metric	Value
Universe: Unduplicated Total sheltered homeless persons	2,759
Emergency Shelter Total	2,509
Safe Haven Total	35
Transitional Housing Total	324

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Measure 4: Employment and Income Growth for Homeless Persons in CoC Program-funded Projects

This measure is divided into six tables capturing employment and non-employment income changes for system leavers and stayers. The project types reported in these metrics are the same for each metric, but the type of income and universe of clients differs. In addition, the projects reported within these tables are limited to CoC-funded projects.

Metric 4.1 – Change in earned income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	204
Number of adults with increased earned income	11
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	5.4%

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Metric 4.2 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	204
Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	53
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	26.0%

Metric 4.3 – Change in total income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	204
Number of adults with increased total income	60
Percentage of adults who increased total income	29.4%

Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	127
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	33
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	26.0%

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Metric 4.5 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	127
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	21
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	16.5%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	127
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	46
Percentage of adults who increased total income	36.2%

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Measure 5: Number of Persons who Become Homeless for the First Time

This measures the number of people entering the homeless system through ES, SH, or TH (Metric 5.1) or ES, SH, TH, or PH (Metric 5.2) and determines whether they have any prior enrollments in the HMIS over the past two years. Those with no prior enrollments are considered to be experiencing homelessness for the first time.

Metric 5.1 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, and TH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH or TH during the reporting period.	2,484
Of persons above, count those who were in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	524
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time)	1,960

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Metric 5.2 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, TH, and PH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH, TH or PH during the reporting period.	2,981
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	693
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time.)	2,288

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Measure 6: Homeless Prevention and Housing Placement of Persons defined by category 3 of HUD’s Homeless Definition in CoC Program-funded Projects

Measure 6 is not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.

Measure 7: Successful Placement from Street Outreach and Successful Placement in or Retention of Permanent Housing

This measures positive movement out of the homeless system and is divided into three tables: movement off the streets from Street Outreach (Metric 7a.1); movement into permanent housing situations from ES, SH, TH, and RRH (Metric 7b.1); and retention or exits to permanent housing situations from PH (other than PH-RRH).

Metric 7a.1 – Change in SO exits to temp. destinations, some institutional destinations, and permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons who exit Street Outreach	82
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	2
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	13
% Successful exits	18.3%

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Metric 7b.1 – Change in ES, SH, TH, and PH-RRH exits to permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH and PH-RRH who exited, plus persons in other PH projects who exited without moving into housing	2,167
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	1,035
% Successful exits	47.8%

Metric 7b.2 – Change in PH exits to permanent housing destinations or retention of permanent housing

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in all PH projects except PH-RRH who exited after moving into housing, or who moved into housing and remained in the PH project	977
Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	903
% Successful exits/retention	92.4%

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System Performance Measures Data Quality

Data coverage and quality will allow HUD to better interpret your SPM submissions.

Metric	All ES, SH	All TH	All PSH, OPH	All RRH	All Street Outreach
Unduplicated Persons Served (HMIS)	2,510	324	1,174	986	21
Total Leavers (HMIS)	2,109	203	216	505	3
Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	72	10	7	37	0
Destination Error Rate (Calculated)	3.4%	4.9%	3.2%	7.3%	0.0%

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2024 Competition Report - SPM Notes

IA-502 - Des Moines/Polk County CoC

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Notes For Each SPM Measure

Note: Cells may need to be resized to accomodate notes with lots of text.

Measure	Notes
Measure 1	No notes.
Measure 2	No notes.
Measure 3	No notes.
Measure 4	No notes.
Measure 5	No notes.
Measure 6	No Notes. Measure 6 was not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.
Measure 7	No notes.
Data Quality	No notes.

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2024 Competition Report - HIC Summary

IA-502 - Des Moines/Polk County CoC

For HIC conducted in January/February of 2024

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current Beds in HMIS or Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV [†] Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster*	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Adjusted HMIS Bed Coverage Rate for Year-Round, Current Beds
ES	407	342	362	0	362	94.5%
SH	14	14	14	0	14	100.0%
TH	192	192	192	0	192	100.0%
RRH	431	344	344	0	344	100.0%
PSH	521	521	521	0	521	100.0%
OPH	468	468	468	0	468	100.0%
Total	2,033	1,881	1,901	0	1,901	98.9%

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HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV [†] Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster ^{**}	Adjusted Total Year-Round Current, VSP Beds	HMIS Comparable Bed Coverage Rate for VSP Beds
ES	407	0	45	0	45	0.00%
SH	14	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	192	0	0	0	0	NA
RRH	431	0	87	0	87	0.00%
PSH	521	0	0	0	0	NA
OPH	468	0	0	0	0	NA
Total	2,033	0	132	0	132	0.00%

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For HIC conducted in January/1

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP and VSP Beds	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
ES	407	342	407	84.03%
SH	14	14	14	100.00%
TH	192	192	192	100.00%
RRH	431	344	431	79.81%
PSH	521	521	521	100.00%
OPH	468	468	468	100.00%
Total	2,033	1,881	2,033	92.52%

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2024 Competition Report - HIC Summary

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For HIC conducted in January/February of 2024

Rapid Re-housing Beds Dedicated to All Persons

Metric	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
RRH beds available to serve all pops. on the HIC	245	350	331	317	431

1) † EHV = Emergency Housing Voucher

2) *This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds not associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.

3) **This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating or HMIS-comparable database participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, VSP, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.

4) Data included in these tables reflect what was entered into HDX 2.0.

5) In the HIC, "Year-Round Beds" is the sum of "Beds HH w/o Children", "Beds HH w/ Children", and "Beds HH w/ only Children". This does not include Overflow ("O/V Beds") or Seasonal Beds ("Total Seasonal Beds").

6) In the HIC, "Current" beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").

7) For historical data: Aggregated data from CoCs that merged are not displayed if HIC data were created separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

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Submission Information

Date of PIT Count	Received HUD Waiver
1/24/2024	Not Applicable

Total Population PIT Count Data

Category	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
PIT Count Type	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and full unsheltered count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count
Emergency Shelter Total	394	376	353	388	377	400
Safe Haven Total	14	14	13	12	12	14
Transitional Housing Total	181	126	92	112	126	154
Total Sheltered Count	589	516	458	512	515	568
Total Unsheltered Count	92	130	118	94	129	147
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count*	681	646	576	606	644	715

1) *Data included in this table reflect what was entered into HDX 1.0 and 2.0. This may differ from what was included in federal reports if the PIT count type was either sheltered only or partial unsheltered count.

2) Aggregated data from CoCs that merged is not displayed if PIT data were entered separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

3) In 2021, for CoCs that conducted a "Sheltered and partial unsheltered count", only aggregate and not demographic data were

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