



2018 Homeless Leadership Coalition OR-503 Continuum of Care (CoC) Scoring Criteria for Ranking Projects

Threshold Requirements

New Projects

Agencies may apply for new projects as allowed by HUD in the FY 2018 CoC Program Registration Notice and Bonus Projects as defined in the FY 2018 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). With the exception of possible bonus funding, new projects will only be created by the reallocation of existing funds to new grants.

Renewing Projects

All renewal projects will be scored based on successful housing and income/employment outcomes. To receive points in this section, the project must be able to produce, from HMIS, a HUD Annual Performance Report (APR) for the most recently completed operating year. HLC, with input from the NOFA committee, reserves the right to make changes to the scoring criteria for ranking projects once the 2018 NOFA is released.

All Projects

1. Projects that are in their initial one-year grant term will not participate in the ranking process and will be included in the CoC application for a second year of funding. To the extent possible, these projects will be ranked in Tier 1.
2. All renewal projects not in their first year will be ranked based on project outcomes and adherence to HUD and CoC policies, which are outlined below (see Scoring Elements). HMIS and CES projects are exempted. All project outcomes will be based on a two-year average using the Annual Performance Report (APR). Reports will be generated from the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).
3. Points Distribution for housing and employment/benefit outcomes
 - a. Projects with the highest performance are awarded maximum point value.
 - b. Projects performing at or above the community average but below the high performer(s) are awarded the 2ND highest point value.
 - c. Projects performing three times below the community high performer are awarded zero points. Point distribution is decided by the difference between the Community Average and the Community High Performance mark; for example, if there is a 3-point difference between the Community Average and the Community High Performance, then projects that score 9 points below the Community High Performance mark would receive 0 points (3 X 3 = 9 points).
 - d. Projects performing between the 2ND highest-point value and zero-point value will be awarded the third highest-point value.
4. This ranking tool aligns with HUD System Performance Measures. Information on those measures can be found here: <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/system-performance-measures/>
5. All agencies will be required to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Homeless Leadership Coalition (HLC) that clarifies program requirements/expectations around Coordinated Entry (CES) participation, Housing First approaches, and other key regional processes.
6. In the 2019, CoC NOFA competition, the HLC NOFA committee would like to score timeliness for HMIS data entry. The committee also wants to score Housing First adherence for all housing programs (not just those that are CoC-funded). These two factors will not be scored in 2018.