



# FY 2017 HUD CoC NOFA New and Special Topics

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**Disclaimer**

1/ Disclaimer

# Disclaimer and links

We are not HUD and do not speak for HUD.

Refer to HUD resources for authoritative information.

Links to HUD competition resources, FAQ, and AAQ:

- <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2017-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/>
- <https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/faqs/>
- <https://www.hudexchange.info/program-support/my-question/>

# ALWAYS

Read	Read NOFA multiple times, make notes, outline, highlight – whatever it takes
Read	Read “detailed instructions” multiple times . . .
Focus	Focus on the scorable components that you have influence over at this point
Spend	Spend more time on the highest scoring sections
Use	Your network of colleagues, Florida Housing Coalition, NAEH, HUD resources, AAQ, FAQ, etc.



## 2/ Brief overview

# Deadlines

- HUD deadline 9/28/17
- Local competition deadlines
  - Projects apps due locally to CoC no later than 30 days before 9/28/17 (on or before 8/29/17)
  - CoC must notify applicants of local decision no later than 15 days before 9/28/17 – note problem with NOFA “within” language (on or before 9/14/17)
  - Additional note: Have written procedures and policies, document everything, be transparent, post, etc.

# Ranks, tiers, etc.

- Bonus = up to 6% of FPRN
  - FPRN = higher of ARD or PPRN
- Planning projects = up to 3% of FPRN
  - not ranked or considered in tiering
- Tier 1 = greater of (combined ARA for PH+HMIS renewals up to \$1million) or (94%\*ARD)
- Tier 2 = (ARD + Bonus) – Tier 1
- Tier 1 funding based on CoC Consolidated App Score
- Tier 2 HUD project scoring =
  - up to 50 pts CoC App Score
  - up to 40 pts Relative Ranking
  - up to 10 pts Housing First Commitment
    - except HMIS/SSO-CES get full 10 points



# Creating new projects

Project type	New through reallocation	New through bonus*
PSH – DedicatedPLUS	YES	YES
PSH – Dedicated 100% CH	YES	YES
RRH	YES	YES
Joint TH-PH-RRH	YES	YES
HMIS	YES	NO
SSO for CES	YES	NO

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# 3/ New and special

DedicatedPLUS

Joint TH/PH-RRH

RRH populations expanded

Optional HUD project scoring tool

Merger bonus points

Thresholds

# DedicatedPLUS (paraphrased)

**PSH** where **100%** beds dedicated to individuals with **disabilities** and/or families in which one adult or child has a disability and meets one of these criteria:

1. CH, or
2. In a TH that is being eliminated and was CH when entered TH, or
3. In ES/SH/NotMeant now but had been CH in PH within last year but couldn't maintain housing, or
4. In TH funded through Joint TH-PH-RRH project and was CH when entered, or
5. In ES/SH/NotMeant for at least 12 months in 3 years, but fewer than four occasions, or
6. In a VA-funded program and met one of the above criteria upon intake into VA program.

Also note: Can switch renewal PSH-CH to DedicatedPLUS.

# Joint TH-PH-RRH (paraphrased)

- Not your mother's Transitional Housing project
- More like temporary bridge housing
- Housing first oriented – temporary/transitional stays with rapid placement into housing and access to housing stability services
- Project applicant must be able to provide both TH and PH-RRH components (but don't have to ask for CoC funding for both)
- Can't require minimum length of stay in TH
- Can serve subpopulations, including DV, youth, families, individuals, etc.
- A current TH cannot recategorize itself to be TH-PH-RRH; must reallocate or use bonus to create new project

# RRH populations (paraphrased)

Eligible program participants can now include individuals or families, including youth, that meet any one of these criteria:

- Staying in a place not meant for human habitation
- In ES
- In TH eliminated in FY2017 competition
- In TH funded by Joint TH-PH-RRH
- Served by VA-funded homeless program and met one of the above criteria at intake to VA homeless system.

# HUD project scoring tool

- Optional
- No guarantees
- Can be used to score and rank all projects
- Can be modified to include local criteria etc.

- <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/5292/project-rating-and-ranking-tool/>

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- additional points in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Continuum of Care Program (CoC) Competition;
- CoC applications will be consistent with all NOFA requirements; and

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FUNDING CEILINGS + PRIORITIES FUNDING ANALYSIS + RANKING

**ABOUT THE CoC PROGRAM RATING & RANKING TOOL**

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ling this Rating and Ranking Tool to help CoCs design and implement a comprehensive annual CoC competition application review process. It has sever n features so you can choose the rating factors that are most relevant to your CoC and the priorities your CoC has adopted to inform system (re)design.

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- HUD will award CoCs with full points or funding.

vides a strong framework for implementing a data-driven rating process and a ranking process informed by system priorities and capacity analysis (if av e objective criteria requirement in the FY 2017 CoC Program NOFA. HUD strongly encourages CoCs to read the CoC Program NOFA carefully to determinir ortunities, priorities, or expectations that your CoC might need to assess outside this tool. The Priority Listing is the official project ranking record for t IA. HUD is not requiring CoCs to use this tool, nor is it preferred over other rating tools or processes, use of the tool does not guarantee additional poinr application. HUD has made this tool available to CoCs for use in their year-round NOFA planning process. Feedback on the tool is welcome.

el 2003 or higher is required when using this tool. When opening the tool workbook, you might need to click "Enable Content" and "Enable Macros" b the top of your screen. This is necessary for the macros and formulas to run correctly within the spreadsheet. If you get an error message, please chear is present and click these buttons before attempting to use the tool further. If you encounter a bug while using the tool, click "End", return to this t e **After Error**" to ensure the underlying code is not disrupted before resuming. CoCs can submit technical questions about the Rating and Ranking Tool, gs in the Tool, through the esnaps competition AAQ desk.

mplicity of the tool, problems might occur when multiple Excel files are open at the same time. To help alleviate this problem, you should close all o computer before running the following parts of the tool:

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# Sample page from HUD tool

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Instructions on Awarding Points

**RENEWAL/EXPANSION PROJECT RATING TOOL**

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Project Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Project Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal/Expansion Projects  
 Rating Complete:  [Instructions on Awarding Points](#)

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RATING FACTOR	PERFORMANCE GOAL	POINTS AWARDED	POINT VALUE
<b>PERFORMANCE MEASURES</b>			
<b>Length of Stay</b>			
Rapid Re-housing	Participants are placed in housing less than 15 days after referral to RRH	<input type="text"/>	out of 20
Transitional housing	Participants are placed in housing less than 180 days after referral to TH	<input type="text"/>	out of 20
<b>Exits to Permanent Housing</b>			
Rapid Re-housing	≥ 90% move to PH	<input type="text"/>	out of 25
Permanent Supportive Housing	≥ 90% remain in or move to PH	<input type="text"/>	out of 25
Transitional housing	≥ 90% move to PH	<input type="text"/>	out of 25
<b>Returns to Homelessness</b>			
Within 12 months of exit to permanent housing	≤ 15% of participants return to homelessness	<input type="text"/>	out of 15
<b>New or Increased Income and Earned Income</b>			
Earned income for project stayers	8%+ increase	<input type="text"/>	out of 2.5
Non-employment income for project stayers	10%+ increase	<input type="text"/>	out of 2.5
Earned income for project leavers	8%+ increase	<input type="text"/>	out of 2.5
Non-employment income for project leavers	10%+ increase	<input type="text"/>	out of 2.5
<b>Performance Measures Subtotal</b>		0	out of 120

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# And another helpful tool (referred through Facebook!)

NOFA Friends- HUD did a really lovely thing and created a report out of the HDX that summarizes the data the NOFA asks for from the 2016 and 2017 PIT, HIC, and System Performance Measure reports.

What?! I know. I wanted to make sure no one missed it! I took a screenshot of where to find the report in the HDX.

Happy NOFA season!





# Merger bonus points

Up to 25 bonus points, on top of 200 score on CoC application, if there was a merger:

- 5 bonus points to CoC if there was a merger between FY16 and FY17 competitions
- 10 bonus points to merged CoC if included at least one CoC that had a CoC application score in FY16 of 140 or below\*
- Up to 10 bonus points if CoC demonstrates that PIT was affected in a way that reduced CoC application score due to methodology changes related to merger

# Thresholds

- Pay attention to threshold requirements in NOFA
- Include threshold requirements in your local competition



# 3/ Handouts

HUD's Florida ARD, PPRN, etc.

HUD's summary of "what's new, changes, and highlights"

My spreadsheet summarizing scoring of CoC consolidated application

# CoC application scoring spreadsheet example page

Section VII (pp 42-54 of NOFA)				
A	Criteria	200		
1	CoC coordination & engagement	43		
	a Inclusive structure & participation		4	
	b Coord with Con Plan, ESG, and others		3	
	c Needs of DV victims		3	
	d Needs of LGBT individuals		2	
	e Public Housing Authorities		5	
	f Discharge planning		2	
	g Housing first and reducing barriers to housing (75% of project apps)		8	
	h Street outreach		3	
	i Affirmative outreach (fair housing, language)		1	
	j Criminalization		2	
	k Rapid rehousing (increase in RR on HIC)		8	
	l Mainstream benefits		2	
2	Project ranking, review, & capacity	29		
	a Objective criteria & past performance		18	
	b Consideration of severity of needs and performance		4	
	c Reallocating projects (recruit thru realloc or 20% reallocated 2013-17)		4	
	d Ranking and selection process		3	
3	HMIS	13		
	a HMIS governance		2	
	b HMIS policy & procedures		2	
	c HIC		1	
	d Bed coverage		6	
	e AHAR submission		2	
4	PIT	6		
	a PIT count & submission		3	
	b Effective youth count		3	

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# National

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USICH (webinar *this afternoon*)

- <https://www.usich.gov/news/join-our-webinar-on-strategies-for-success-for-the-hud-fy-2017-continuum-of-care-program-competition>

NAEH (webinar *tomorrow*):

- <https://endhomelessness.org/event/webinar-fy-2017-continuum-care-nofa-whats-inside/>
- <https://endhomelessness.org/resource/2017-continuum-of-care-nofa-resources/>

# Florida Housing Coalition

Weekly peer-to-peer phone calls for Collaborative Applicants:

- Hosted by Florida Housing Coalition
- You raise the questions and issues (no set agenda)
- Mondays 1:30-2:30pm Eastern

Email anytime:

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