

Yolo County Continuum of Care

Notice of Funding for Homeless Services

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Continuum of Care (CoC) program on September 18th, 2015. The CoC Program is designed to provide funding for nonprofit providers and local governments to quickly rehouse individuals and families experiencing homelessness while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness. The full NOFA can be found on the HUD Exchange website ([LINK HERE](#)).

Eligible agencies within the Yolo Continuum of Care (also known as the Homeless and Poverty Action Coalition (HPAC)) are eligible to receive a combined total of \$525,070 in renewal funding, along with bonus funding in the amount of \$78,760.

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Renewal Projects

All projects currently funded by the CoC Program (that will expire in Calendar Year 2016) are eligible to apply for renewal funding.

New Projects

CoCs may request funding for new projects through (1) the process of reallocation or (2) the permanent housing bonus.

- Through the **reallocation process**, which reallocates funds from a currently funded project to a new project, CoCs may create four types of new projects:
 - New permanent supportive housing projects where all beds will be dedicated for use by chronically homeless individuals and families.
 - New rapid re-housing projects for homeless individuals and families who enter directly from the streets or emergency shelters and homeless youth up to age 24.
 - New Supportive Services Only (SSO) project specifically for a centralized or coordinated assessment system.
 - New dedicated Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) project for the cost that be incurred by the HMIS lead.
- Through the **permanent housing bonus**, the Yolo Coc may request up to \$78,760 for the following types of new projects:
 - New permanent supportive housing projects that will serve 100 percent chronically homeless families and individuals.
 - New rapid re-housing projects that will served individuals and families coming directly from the streets or emergency shelters.

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YOLO CoC PROJECT RANKINGS

CoCs will be required to use an objective ranking system to determine the project applications to be submitted to HUD in this funding round. Projects submitted cannot equal more than the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) of \$525,070 and eligible permanent housing bonus of \$78,760. Once the final projects have been selected, the CoC must rank the project applications in two tiers.

- Tier 1 will be equal to 85 percent of Yolo's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) of \$525,070.
- Tier 2 will be equal to the remaining balance of ARD, plus the eligible permanent housing bonus.

HUD SELECTION

- HUD will conditionally select all projects that are fully within Tier 1 that pass eligibility and threshold review, based on CoC collaborative score beginning with the highest scoring CoC to the lowest scoring CoC.
- HUD will select projects in Tier 2 in order of point value until there are no more funds available.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

- Eligible applicants must submit a project application in the Esnaps system ([LINK HERE](#)) no later than **5:00pm on Wednesday, October 21, 2015**.
- Applicants requesting funding for new projects should express their intent to apply to the Yolo County Homeless Program Coordinator at Tracey.Dickinson@yolocounty.org or (530)666-8559.
- Project applicants will be notified regarding the status of their application (including approval or denial, and ranking if approved) no later than **Thursday, November 5, 2015**.

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