

San Bernardino County Continuum of Care (CoC)

**CoC 2019 – DV Bonus, CoC Bonus, and Reallocation Projects
Request for Applications**

Addendum No. 1

The Request for Applications (RFA) has been revised. Please read the RFA in its entirety.

The San Bernardino County CoC 2019 - DV Bonus Project Scoring Guideline, CoC Bonus Project Scoring Guideline and Reallocation Scoring Guideline have also been revised. The revised documents can be accessed on the San Bernardino County Partnership website at the following link: <http://wp.sbcounty.gov/dbh/sbchp/coc-competition-2018/>.

FY 2019 CoC Competition –DV Bonus, CoC Bonus and Reallocation Projects

The County of San Bernardino Office of Homeless Services (OHS), acting on behalf of the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership and the Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH), is requesting proposals from nonprofit and local government organizations providing assistance to homeless populations within the County of San Bernardino. The County of San Bernardino is a Housing First Continuum of Care (CoC) and is interested in receiving new housing projects that meet the requirements of the Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus Project, CoC Bonus Projects and Reallocation Projects as noted in the attached United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) CoC 2019 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA).

A DV Bonus is a project that is dedicated to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking who qualify under paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3. Except as provided in Section II.B.1.a of the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition NOFA. An agency may apply for funding up to **\$1,242,289**.

A CoC Bonus Project must meet the project eligibility and quality threshold requirements established by HUD in Sections V.C.3.b and V.C.3.c of the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition NOFA. An agency may apply for funding up to **\$663,816** for new CoC Bonus Projects.

Reallocation Funded Projects are projects created through reallocation and must meet the requirements set forth in Section II.B.1 of the 2019 NOFA and the project eligibility and project quality thresholds established by HUD in Sections V.C.3.b and V.C.3.c of the 2019 NOFA. CoCs may only reallocate eligible renewal projects that have previously been renewed under the CoC Program.

Project eligibility threshold requirements established by HUD in Section III.C3.h of the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition NOFA can be accessed at the following link:

<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/FY-2019-CoC-Program-Competition-NOFA.pdf>

DV Bonus Project Requirements

New Projects for DV Bonus. An agency may apply for funding up to \$1,242,289 for new DV Bonus Projects. New Projects that want to be considered for the DV Bonus Project, per the HUD CoC 2019 NoFA, Section V.B.3.a(4) may be:

- (a) Permanent Housing-Rapid re-housing projects dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking that are defined as homeless at 24 CFR 578.3;
- (b) Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects as defined in **Section III.C.2.n** of the HUD CoC FY 2019 NoFA dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking that are defined as homeless at 24 CFR 578.3; or
- (c) Supportive services only-coordinated entry project to implement policies, procedures, and practices that equip the CoC's coordinated entry to better meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking.

CoC Bonus Project Local Requirements

New Projects for CoC Bonus. An agency may apply for funding up to \$663,816 for new CoC Bonus Projects. New projects that want to be considered for the CoC Bonus Project, per the HUD CoC 2019 NOFA, Section V.B.3.a(3)(a) only.

The local ICH is requiring that New Projects Created through the CoC Bonus funds are:

- (a) Permanent housing-permanent supportive housing (PH-PSH) projects only.

CoC Reallocation Project Local Requirements

New Projects for Reallocation Funds. The CoC anticipates reallocation funding to be made in excess of \$100,000; however, the reallocation funding will be dependent on the amount determined by the Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH), which may exceed or fall short of the amount noted, if any.

An agency may currently apply for potential future funding for new projects created through the reallocation process. Proposed funding amounts may require adjustment when reallocation amounts have been determined by the ICH.

New projects that want to be considered for the Reallocation funds must follow the criteria as set forth per the HUD CoC 2019 NOFA, Section V.B.3.a(3)(a). It is anticipated that the local ICH will consider new projects created through the Reallocation funds to support permanent housing-permanent supportive housing (PH-PSH) projects only.

CoC Expansion Project Requirements

Expansion Projects - Expansion Project. HUD will allow project applicants to apply for a new expansion project (see Section III.C.2.j of the 2019 NOFA) under the DV Bonus, reallocation, and CoC bonus processes to expand existing projects that will increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to add additional activities to HMIS and SSO-Coordinated Entry projects. If the new expansion project will expand an existing eligible CoC Program renewal project HUD will not fund capital costs (i.e., new constructions, rehabilitation, or acquisition) and HUD will only allow a 1-year funding request. (a) Project applicants that intend to submit a new project application for the purposes of expanding an eligible CoC Program renewal project must:

(i) enter the grant number of the project that is eligible for renewal that the project applicant requests to expand on the new project application; (ii) indicate how the new project application will expand units, beds, services, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants, or in the case of HMIS or SSO-Coordinated Entry projects, how the current activities will be expanded for the CoC's geographic area; and (iii) ensure the funding request for the expansion grant is within the funding parameters allowed under the reallocation or bonus funding amounts available. (b) Project applicants may expand an existing renewal project that is not currently dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking that meet the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3 to dedicate additional beds, units, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants to this population. The new expansion project application will be reviewed using the procedures and selection criteria established in Section V.C.3.b and V.C.3.c of this NOFA. If the new expansion project exceeds the amount of funding available under the reallocation or CoC bonus processes, HUD will reduce the funding request to the available amount, which could affect the activities of the new expansion project. If both the new expansion project and the CoC Program renewal project it expands are conditionally selected for funding, one grant agreement incorporating both approved project applications will be executed. If the renewal project application is not conditionally selected for funding, the expansion project application will not be selected. To apply for an expansion grant, project applicants must submit separate renewal and new project applications and a renewal application that includes the information from the renewal new project application that combines the activities, and budgets into one renewal project application. While the renewal and new projects will be ranked by the CoC, the combined expansion project will not be ranked and, if selected for conditional award, will take the

ranked position of the stand-alone renewal project, and the separate new project will be removed from the ranking resulting in project applications below to slide up one ranked position. However, if the combined renewal expansion project is also part of a consolidation project application, HUD will follow the ranking process for consolidated projects outlined in Section II.B.5 and if the combined expansion and consolidation is selected for conditional award, the ranked position of the stand-alone renewal project and the new project will be removed from the ranking, resulting in project applications below to slide up. If HUD determines the combined expansion project is ineligible, HUD will review the renewal and new project applications separately as these projects will retain their ranked position on the CoC Project listings.

OHS seeks projects that can make maximum efficient, economical, and effective use of the prospective allocation of the CoC funds through the McKinney-Vento Act. The Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act (Public Law 111-22), substantially amended and reauthorized the McKinney-Vento Act.

Agencies are strongly encouraged to read the HUD CoC 2019 NoFA at the following link:

<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/FY-2019-CoC-Program-Competition-NOFA.pdf>

A competitive proposal should include at least 25% match funds from sources outside of this grant’s funding request. The recipient or subrecipient must match all grant funds, except for leasing funds, with no less than 25 percent of funds or in-kind contributions from other sources. Applications submitted on or before the submission due date noted in Section I, D. in this document will be reviewed by the San Bernardino County ICH. The ICH will make final recommendations to HUD. Agencies recommended and approved by the ICH for submission to HUD are required to submit a final proposal through HUD’s e-snaps system.

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PLEASE NOTE - A separate application for the DV Bonus, CoC Bonus, and Reallocation Project is required; however, an agency may combine the CoC Bonus and Reallocation funds on the same application to form one new Project.

A separate Project Application for each project must be submitted to the Homelessrfp@hss.sbcounty.gov on or before 11:59 PM (PDT) on or before Thursday, August 15, 2019 for consideration by the ICH.

*Submission Timeframe:

San Bernardino County CoC 2019 DV Bonus, CoC Bonus and Reallocation Project Program Request for Applications and Application Released	Date: Tuesday, July 30, 2019
San Bernardino County CoC 2019 DV Bonus Project, CoC Bonus, Reallocation Project Workshop	Date: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Deadline for submission of questions PLEASE NOTE – ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA THE HOMELESSRFP@HSS.SBCOUNTY.GOV. OHS STAFF MAY NOT ANSWER INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONS.	Date: Thursday, August 8, 2019 Time: 12:00 noon (PDT) Submit Questions to: homelessrfp@hss.sbcounty.gov
PLEASE NOTE - Questions and Answers will be posted as an Addendum on the San Bernardino County Homeless Partnership website at http://wp.sbcounty.gov/dbh/sbchp/	Date: Friday, August 9, 2019
Deadline for Electronic Submission for local Application Materials	Date: Thursday, August 15, 2019 Time: 11:59 p.m. (PDT) Submission: homelessrfp@hss.sbcounty.gov

*All dates and times are subject to change as deemed necessary by OHS.

I. Modifications:

The County reserves the right to issue addenda if the County considers that additional clarifications are needed.

Projects Recommended for Funding: Agencies recommended for funding by the local ICH will be required to attend a mandatory final review. The authorized representative must have a strong knowledge of the application and the authority to make revisions to the approved project in order to strengthen the CoC's overall score. During this process OHS and the agency representative(s) will work together to finalize, and enter into e-snaps, project information for inclusion in the Partnerships final application to HUD.

OHS will notify the authorized representative identified by the agency of all subsequent submission requirements and meeting dates and locations.