

Broward Continuum of Care 2021 NOFA

New (Bonus)/Expansions Projects Scoring Overview

As determined by HUD and the CoC Governance Board, community priority will be given to eligible projects in the following order: Permanent Housing, Supportive Services Only, Rapid Rehousing and then Transitional Housing to Rapid Rehousing.

All new projects and any renewal projects with less than 6 months of HMIS data will be scored utilizing the following materials: e-Snaps Project application; Letter of Intent; and 2020 - 2021 HCoC membership report.

Section A: Project Application Threshold Based on Content in Application

Eligibility Criteria	Yes	No	Scoring Values	Threshold Met?
1. Projects must comply or agree to comply with the eligibility requirements of the HCoC Interim Rule, subsequent notices and must meet the threshold requirements outlined in the 2021 Notice of Funding Availability.			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	
2. Project applicant and subrecipient are eligible entities.			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	
3. Projects are required to participate or agree to participate in Coordinated Entry, when it is available for the project type.			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	
4. Projects are required to participate or agree to participate in HMIS, unless the project is a victim-service agency, serving survivors of domestic violence, or a legal services agency.			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	
5. Project agrees to use Housing First principles and be low barrier.			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	
6. All New projects are restricted to literally homeless households who are deemed chronically homeless or are at risk of becoming chronically homeless and/or are actively fleeing domestic violence? (According to HUD's definition chronic homeless).			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	
7. Project has documented the required matching funds.			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	
8. Financial Audit shows agency as a low-risk auditee and no substantial findings.			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	

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9. Representation at Mandatory Notice of Funding Opportunity 2021 Workshop.			If response is "no", project ineligible for review	

Section B: Project Financial (30 Points)

Measurement	Source	Scoring Values	Total Points Possible:	Score
Budget Criteria	Project Application Summary Budget	<p>Score based on review of Project Summary Budget in e-snaps.</p> <p>Considered Elements:</p> <p>a. Total % of program funding in housing costs rental assistance or % of staff expense to number of clients projected to serve.</p> <p>b. Reasonable, as evidenced by including only allowable activities.</p>	<p>90% + = 10 pts</p> <p>85% - 89% = 5 pts</p> <p>< 80% = 0 pts</p>	10
Leveraging of Other Resources	Project Application Summary Budget	<p>Score based on review of Project Summary Budget in e-snaps.</p> <p>Considered Elements:</p> <p>a. Total % leveraging of total grant request.</p> <p>b. Written evidence of 25% match.</p>	<p>90% + = 10pts</p> <p>70% - 89% = 7pts</p> <p>50% - 69% = 5 pts</p> <p>30% - 49% = 2 pts</p> <p>< 29% = 0 pts</p>	10

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Measurement	Source	Scoring Values	Total Points Possible:	Score
Experience in Administration of Grant Funds	Project Application	<p>Score based on review of Project Narrative in e-snaps.</p> <p>Considered Elements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Has the agency successfully handled other federal grants or other major grants of this size and complexity? Does the agency have a staffing plan and project budget that cover both grant management and performance of grant activities? 	<p>Substantial Experience with successful project implementation = 10 pts</p> <p>Some Experience with history of slow project implementation = 6 pts</p> <p>Little Experience with history of poor project implementation = 2 pts</p> <p>No Experience = 0 pts</p>	10

Section C: Program Design and Experience (25 points)

Measurement	Source	Scoring Values	Total Points Possible:	Score
Population Experience	Project Application	<p>Applicant demonstrates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> experience in working with the proposed population and in providing services similar to services proposed in the application. 	<p>5 plus years = 5 points</p> <p>3 plus years = 3 points</p>	10
Design of Housing	Project Application	<p>Housing where participants will reside is fully described and appropriate to the program design proposed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the project staffed appropriately and trained to operate the housing? Is the housing accessible to community amenities such as grocery stores, pharmacy, schools, jobs and healthcare? Will the program be physically accessible to persons with disabilities? 	<p>3 of the 3 bullets = 10 points</p> <p>2 of the 3 bullets = 5 points</p> <p>1 of the 3 bullets = 3 points</p> <p>0 of the 3 bullets = 0 points</p>	10

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Measurement	Source	Scoring Values	Total Points Possible:	Score
Project Implementation Timeline	Project Application	<p>Proposed timeline for project implementation and occupancy is reasonable. Activities are described for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First client will be housed within 90 days of award and all clients will be housed within 180 days of award. 	5 Points	5

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Section D: Agency Commitment to CoC Priorities (45 points)

Measurement	Source	Scoring Values:	Total Points Possible	Score
Alignment with Housing First Principles	Project Application	<p>To what extent do the project's written policies and procedures ensure that participants are not screened out based on the following criteria?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having too little or no income; • Failure to participate in supportive services (with exception for HUD-mandated monthly case management meeting for RRH program participants); • Active, or history of, substance use or a substance use disorder; • Having a criminal record (with exceptions for state-mandated restrictions); • History or survivor of domestic violence. <p>Yes, to all and the project will be awarded maximum points; No to any and the project will score zero.</p>	<p>If Yes to all = 5 pts No to any = 0 pts</p>	5
Coordinated Entry Process	Project Application	<p>Proposal describes how the project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • will comply with the HCoC's Coordinated Entry procedures • and applicant demonstrates an understanding of the CoC Coordinated Entry process • and has described a clear project entry process that prioritizes rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing. 	<p>3 of the 3 bullets = 15 points 2 of the 3 bullets = 10 points 1 of the 3 bullets = 5 points 0 of the 3 bullets = 0 points</p>	15

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Measurement	Source	Scoring Values:	Total Points Possible	Score
Quality Assurance/Improvement Plan	Agency Written Policies and Procedures	A Quality Assurance Improvement Plan is a system of policies and procedures designed to continually improve the agency's overall operational processes with high integrity. The (QAIP) should document and define a systematic and well-organized approach to the periodic self-assessment within the agency. The plan shall include best practices and objectives of its outcomes. The review shall include input of its process from local stakeholders, landlords and constituents of Broward County.	Acceptable Plan in Place = 10 pts No Plan or Insufficient Plan = 0 pts	10
Project's Data Quality Improvement Plan	Agency Written Policies and Procedures	The agency develops a well-defined comprehensive Data Integrity Plan that establishes the effective and continuous process to ensure high-quality data entry and maintenance in HMIS. The Data Integrity Plan will present an internal quality assurance process that ensures the data is Accurate, Complete, Consistent, Reliable and entered in a Timely manner. The Plan must include timeframes, action steps and identify responsible parties to implement and maintain the agency's data integrity process. Data Quality Improvement process will have input of its process from local stakeholders, landlords and constituents of Broward County.	Acceptable Plan in Place = 5 pts No Plan or Insufficient Plan = 0 pts	5

Measurement	Source	Scoring Values:	Total Points Possible	Score
Annual Training Plan	Agency Training Plan	Agency provides an Annual Training Plan that includes key legal issues such as fair housing laws and tenants' rights and responsibilities to ensure that staff have the most current information available. Other training topics can include mental health related issues; how to conduct client assessments; implementing	YES = 10 Points NO = 0 Points	10

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		successful housing search strategies or employment related resources.		
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