



STRATEGIES TO END HOMELESSNESS

2023

Continuum of Care

Scoring Criteria Explainer Event



How does a Project get into our CoC's application to HUD?

Must meet Threshold Requirements (All projects)

Pre-measured Elements (Renewal projects with at least 1 full year of data)

- Expended grant previously (local requirement - if project recaptured, can only apply for 110% of funding spent)
- CoC Scoring Criteria
- Outcomes matter!

Community Prioritization

- Community's perception of the value of the program – members rank bottom 15% and new projects.



National Scoring of CoC Application by HUD (OH-500)

CoC Application

- Encompasses everything the CoC does and produces year-round
- Written by STEH & reviewed by the Homeless Clearinghouse
- Scored nationally by HUD in Washington

Project Application

- Information provided by agencies requesting new or renewal grants, in partnership with STEH
- Submitted by STEH
- Must pass a capacity review – conducted by the HUD Field Office
- Scored nationally by HUD in Washington



CoC System Performance

1. **Length of time** persons experience homelessness
2. The extent to which persons who exit homelessness to PH destinations **return to homelessness** (recidivism).
3. Number of persons experiencing homelessness
4. **Employment and income** growth for persons experiencing homelessness in CoC program-funded projects
5. Number of persons who become **homeless for the 1st time**
6. Successful placement from street outreach and successful **placement in or retention of permanent housing**



FY23 NOFO Updates

The FY23 NOFO has not yet been released, therefore prioritization and application timeline and process are subject to change based on HUD priorities and content of application.

FY23 CoC project year is July 1, 2024 – **June 30, 2025**



FY23 Scoring Metrics Changes

Reported but not scored:

- Recidivism
- SSO projects
- RE WG participation
- Outcomes disaggregated by race

Reduction of Points

- Matched to Housed Time reduced from 5 to 3 points

Updated Process

- Changed evaluation and Scoring of Hunger Free Communities Racial Equity Self-Assessment Survey

New Measures:

- Racial Equity Agency Staff and Leadership Demographics



HUNGER FREE COMMUNITIES RACIAL EQUITY SELF- ASSESSMENT SURVEY

- Must share HFC Self-Assessment Survey Link and Self-Assessment document with everyone in the organization to provide feedback if they choose. Send proof of distribution to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org
- At least 20 people from each organization/50% of the full organization (within Hamilton Co), whichever is less, should complete the assessment. If agencies choose the latter, must provide total number of employees in Hamilton Co. Based on participation NOT self-assessment score.
- Assessment must be fully completed to receive credit.
- Responses are confidential. Scores are shared but not individual surveys.
- **[All due by July 18, 2023, at 4PM.](#)**



HUNGER FREE COMMUNITIES RACIAL EQUITY SELF- ASSESSMENT SURVEY

<u>Number of Respondents</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
<u>20 or more/50% of organization or more respondents</u>	<u>2 points</u>
<u>0-19/0-49.99% of organization respondents</u>	<u>0 points</u>

[Cincinnati/Hamilton County Racial Equity
Organizational Assessment \(google.com\)](#)



RACIAL EQUITY AGENCY DEMOGRAPHICS

- The metric is scored by the percentage of staff who self-identify as a race other than white/Caucasian and/or self-identify as Hispanic.
- If an agency cannot provide this information, they do not receive points. Staff who choose not to self-identify should be removed from both numerator and denominator when calculating percentages.
- The organizations will provide staff demographic percentages for the following categories:
 1. Non-Supervisor Staff
 2. Leadership Staff (Supervisors and above)
 3. Board Composition
 4. New Hires in the last two years (all positions)



RACIAL EQUITY AGENCY DEMOGRAPHICS

- Each category of staff/board listed will be scored as defined below with a total of 4 points for this metric.

<u>Percentage of Non-White and/or Hispanic Staff</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
<u>>50%</u>	<u>1 point</u>
<u>25-50%</u>	<u>0.5 points</u>
<u><25%</u>	<u>0 points</u>



Sample Scorecard and Matrix

2023 DRAFT

Continuum of Care Timeline

Timeline and/or requirements are subject to change based on 2023 HUD NOFO yet to be released

Continuum of Care Funding (PSH, RRH, TH/RRH, and Services Only Projects)
CoC Competition Updates on Strategies to End Homelessness website:
www.strategiestoendhomelessness.org/partner-agencies/apply-for-funds/

All Dates are 2023	Activity
March 2	CoC Registration and UFA Application due to HUD
April 14	Final FY22 Q3 Billings due to STEH Spending through Q3 is scored.
April 19	Release of local intent forms - available on STEH website: https://www.strategiestoendhomelessness.org/partner-agencies/apply-for-funds/ Intent to Apply - New Projects; Intent to Renew – CoC Renewal Projects. This is an open competition. Organizations eligible under the CoC Interim Rule are welcomed and encouraged to apply for NEW projects.
May 5 10-11:30AM	CoC Orientation – Microsoft Teams Web-conference Please register on STEH website https://www.strategiestoendhomelessness.org/events/2022-coc-orientation/
May 10 by 4:00 pm	Intent to Renew forms due to STEH Submit to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org
May 15	STEH will send Housing First Questionnaires, Racial Equity Agency Demographic instructions, and Hunger Free Communities Racial Equity Self-Assessment Survey google link to renewal agencies.
May 23 10-11:30 AM	2023 Scoring Criteria Explainer Event Community Meeting: Scorecard released and CoC prioritization process to be reviewed 2023 CoC scoring metrics will be released along with a detailed explanation of the 2023 scoring criteria and process details. Registration strongly encouraged at https://www.strategiestoendhomelessness.org/register/
June 6 by 4:00 pm	Intent to Apply for NEW Funds due to STEH Submit to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org
June 7	STEH will contact agencies with newly applying programs to schedule meeting to discuss project details.
June 9	Housing First Questionnaires and Racial Equity Agency Demographics due back to STEH from agencies. Submit to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org
June 20	Registration opens – CoC Community Prioritization Event Contact STEH with questions: NOFAS@end-homelessness.org Registration strongly encouraged at www.strategiestoendhomelessness.org/register/
June 27	Deadline for Newly applying programs to meet with STEH
June 30 – July 11 Beginning 8:00 am	Agencies perform end of grant year data-cleaning. Agencies contributing data by API must perform data cleaning directly in VESTA. Agencies contributing data from ETO must make edits in ETO and send a complete export to STEH. Contact hmissupport@end-homelessness.org with questions.
By July 7	STEH will provide agencies their relevant Coordinated Entry detailed data. Submit questions to STEH at NOFAS@end-homelessness.org .
July 11	Agencies must have all data cleaning complete in Clarity HMIS. After this date, no further data cleaning will be accepted. Agencies contributing data by API must perform data cleaning directly in VESTA. Agencies contributing data from ETO must make edits in ETO and send a complete export to STEH

July 12 - July 13 Beginning 9:00 am and throughout each day	Each agency will pull its own copy of the APRs for each project directly from Clarity HMIS FY 20 full APR (July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022) on Tues July 12. FY21 full (July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022) and FY21 ¾ (July 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023) APRs on Wed July 13. KEYS agencies to pull FY20 full and FY21 full RHY reports re KEYS school attendance - see dates above in this entry.
July 14	Deadline for agencies to have submitted any questions regarding their Coordinated Entry data to STEH. Submit questions to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org
By July 18 at 4:00 pm	Agencies to return confirmed CE Data and deadline for Hunger Free Communities Racial Equity Self-Assessment Surveys to STEH Submit CE Data to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org RE Surveys are submitted through the google link provided by STEH as agency staff complete them. Only STEH staff have access to the survey responses.
By July 20 at 4:00 pm	Agencies to submit data discrepancies between agency-pulled APRs and APRs /recidivism reports provided by STEH. Submit to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org specifying the discrepancy.
By July 26 at 4:00 pm	Deadline for STEH to provide completed scorecards to each agency. Submit to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org
July 26 – Aug 3	Scorecards review by agencies.
August 4 at 4:00 pm	Deadline for agencies to submit scorecards back to STEH with all data complete and verified by both agency HMIS Lead and agency E/D Submit to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org
August 15	STEH to notify projects required to present at the CoC Community Prioritization Event (CPE)
August 16	STEH to release preliminary priority list of scored projects to Community
August 18 at 4:00 pm	FY23 Community Prioritization Event PowerPoint Presentations due to STEH Submit to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org .
August 22 at 4:00 pm	Agencies to have returned list of CPE rankers to STEH Submit to NOFAS@end-homelessness.org .
August 25 at 1:00 – 4:00 pm	FY23 CoC Community Prioritization Event (CPE) location TBD Agencies applying for funding <u>must</u> attend/participate in this event.
August 29 at 5:00 pm	STEH to notify community of ranking results from CPE
TBD – NOFO	Deadline for formal notification to projects accepted to, reduced in, or rejected from Collaborative Application to HUD
TBD – NOFO	Agency Esnaps Project Application Change Forms due back to STEH Compliance Dept
TBD – NOFO	Full CoC application available on the STEH website published to community with all documents available on the STEH website. Questions and/or comments about the Application and Priority List can be submitted by email to STEH at NOFAS@end-homelessness.org
TBD – NOFO	Deadline for full CoC collaborative application, priority list and all project applications to be submitted in HUD esnaps portal.



Important Upcoming Scoring Dates

June 6: deadline for newly applying programs

June 9: HF Questionnaires and RE Agency Demographics Due

June 30 – July 11: Agencies perform end of year grant cleaning

July 7: Agencies will receive CE Data from STEH

July 12 – July 13: Agencies will pull own APR's, STEH will send Recidivism Reports to agencies

July 18: Agencies confirm CE data and deadline for HFC RE Self-Assessment Survey

July 20: Deadline for Agencies to address APR and Recidivism Data discrepancies

July 26: STEH will send Scorecards to agencies

August 4: Deadline for agencies to submit confirmed Scorecards



Community Prioritization Event

August 25 1-4PM via Teams

- August 15:** STEH will notify agencies required to present at CPE
- August 16:** STEH release preliminary priority list
- August 18:** Presenters PowerPoints due to STEH
- August 22:** Rankers List Due
- August 25:** [COMMUNITY PRIORITIZATION EVENT](#)
- August 29:** STEH notifies community of ranking results from CPE

****Only two scorers per agency, however no limit on attendees****



Community Prioritization Event Project Presentation Requirements

Bottom 15% of renewals

- Encouraged to provide plan for improvement for each low scoring metric.

Newly Applying

- Describe Healthcare Partnerships (HUD requirement)
- Capacity to operate program
- Target population
- Anticipated number served
- How project addresses gap in system/improves the system
- Budget

All SSO Projects/KEYS

- General overview of program
- How program benefits the community
- Data
- CE will present on system gaps



Post Event

- Will be polling attendees to identify in person/virtual/hybrid format for FY24
- Project Application submitted to STEH – Fall 2023 (Date TBD)
- CoC Application by STEH to HUD – Fall 2023 (Date TBD)
- Award notice from HUD - Likely early 2024
- Issues & Conditions - Likely Spring 2024
- Match Funding MOUs submitted to STEH - Prior to July 1, 2024
- **Sub-recipient Agreement with STEH Term: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025**



Potential FY24 Scorecard Changes

- FY23 Reported but not scored:
 - RE WG Participation, Agency Diversity, SSO, and Recidivism will be re-evaluated.
- CE Data Quality (APR)
 - Prioritization Status
 - Successful Referrals
- Programs Trained in Evidence Based Practice Delivery
- How Agencies Include PWLX

****NOT YET APPROVED****



Questions

Scoring Subcommittee Meeting:

1st Wednesday of every month from 3-4PM via Teams

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