

Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

1. the CoC Application,
2. the CoC Priority Listing, and
3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

1. The FY 2024 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2024 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It
- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with—if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.

- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: IL-517 - Aurora, Elgin/Kane County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.1.a.(1), V.B.1.e., V.B.1f., and V.B.1.p.	
	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024:	
	1. select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC’s coordinated entry system; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC’s geographic area:	

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC’s Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	No	No
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	Yes
3.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
4.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
5.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	No	No
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	Yes	Yes	No
10.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
11.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
12.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	No
13.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	Yes	No
14.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
16.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	No	No	No

17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Nonexistent	No	No
18.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	Yes	Yes
19.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
20.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	No	No
21.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	No
22.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
24.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
25.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	No	No
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	No	No	No
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	No	No	No
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	No	No	No
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.				
35.				

By selecting "other" you must identify what "other" is.

1B-1a.	Experience Promoting Racial Equity.	
	NOFO Section III.B.3.c.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's experience in effectively addressing the needs of underserved communities, particularly Black and Brown communities, who are substantially overrepresented in the homeless population.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Kane CoC selected No for element 16 of question 1B-1 but does have experience in soliciting, obtaining, and applying input from groups serving black, brown and other people of color. The CoC conducts an annual coordinated entry evaluation that considers racial disparities in outcomes. Additionally, the CoC periodically completes Racial Disparity analyses that are comprehensive reports on outcomes of Black and Brown communities in our Continuum. In our CoC we have historically identified Hispanic communities as necessitating additional supports due to longer times in shelter and longer waits to get into housing than their black and brown counterparts. To advance racial equity we provided data on the issue to all service providers and assigned our CE task force to develop recommendations and monitor housing outcomes. It was determined that some agencies had too little, or no, Spanish speaking staff to serve Spanish speaking households. The CoC has hired Spanish speaking staff to supplement the need when agencies do not have Spanish speaking staff on hand.

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(2)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;	
2.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and	
3.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in your CoC's geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) As per its Governance Charter, the Kane COC has an open invitation for new members to join that is publicly available on the Kane County website. Application for membership is open throughout the year on the website. The membership application was updated to make it more user friendly and informative. Board members review the Membership Directory regularly with suggestions of potential members to follow up on. Particular attention was given to the Housing Authority of Elgin and Aurora Housing Authority. Prospective new members are encouraged and engaged by current CoC members throughout the year. All committee meetings are open for attendance. 2) The CoC ensures effective communication with individual with disabilities through the availability of accessible electronic pdf formats along with closed captioning, google translate, mobile scalability. The CoC also uses the SiteImprove service that has search engine optimization and ADA compliance. It ensures colors are the right contrast, links are easy to see, and there are alt tags on images for screen readers. All pdf forms are easily readable by any browser. To make forms even more accessible, forms are changing into HTML so they can be easily completed on screen and then recompiled as a form when submitted. 3) The CoC has invited culturally specific members of communities including black, Latino, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ. Association for Individual Development represent persons with disabilities and 360 Youth represents LGBTQ.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(3)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;	
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information;	
3.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and	
4.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The Kane CoC Board consists of a diverse group of organizations with an interest in homelessness including 2 county and city staff, emergency shelters, homeless prevention services, mental health and substance abuse services, persons with disabilities, homeless youth, LGBTQ, homeless veterans, legal services, regional office of education and persons with lived experience. This provides a wide array of input.
- 2) The Kane CoC holds public meetings for the general membership in addition to 4 committee meetings held at least quarterly. All meetings are virtual and accessible to the public. Notification of all meetings is communicated to the public via the Kane CoC website and email communications to the CoC membership. The CoC Board includes a member with lived experience of homelessness. The CoC Board membership also includes city/county staff familiar with HUD, emergency shelter agencies, homeless prevention agencies, mental health and substance abuse services that serve homeless, McKinney-Vento education services, homeless youth services, services for veterans, legal or financial services to homeless person.
- 3) The CoC ensures effective communication with individual with disabilities through the availability of accessible electronic pdf formats along with closed captioning, google translate, mobile scalability. The CoC also uses the SiteImprove service that has search engine optimization and ADA compliance. It ensures colors are the right contrast, links are easy to see, and there are alt tags on images for screen readers. All pdf forms are easily readable by any browser. To make forms even more accessible, forms are changing into HTML so they can be easily completed on screen and then recompiled as a form when submitted.
- 4)The uniqueness of geographic areas within the county as well as the expertise of different members with certain populations is considered. This generates a broad array of perspectives that informs the CoC board policies. The Kane CoC takes the input from all interested persons in developing and implementing policies such as Coordinated Entry, HMIS privacy, and unsheltered count procedures. The Coordinated Entry implementation used the opinions from representatives of all the geographic areas in the county so that the system could be no wrong door.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(4)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:	
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;	
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications—the process;	
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and	
4.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The Kane CoC issued a Notice of Fund Availability and Call for Projects invitations through a countywide email listserv and posted these documents publicly on May 1, 2024. The email notification included unfunded stakeholders. The Notice informed both funded and non-funded organizations of the opportunity to apply for funds for renewal and new projects. The Notice contained guidance on all eligible project applications and requirements with a deadline date of May 29, 2024 for submission of applications.
- 2) Renewal, new project and DV bonus Project Applications and Evaluation Criteria were publicly posted and distributed by email on May 1, 2024. All projects had to submit a completed CoC Project Application by May 29, 2024. There were separate applications for new and renewal projects. Projects requesting DV bonus funds had additional questions on the New Project application form.
- 3) The CoC Board determined what project applications would be included at their ranking meeting on September 4, 2024. All projects were scored using the Project Evaluation Tools with a maximum of 100 points. Renewals were evaluated using objective criteria based on how well they address the needs of the CoC, how well they service our identified priorities, and their project performance. Performance data was taken from the projects HMIS/ APR such as unit utilization rates, income growth in clients, data quality and timeliness, as well as cost effectiveness based on CoC averages. System performance measures such as income growth and housing stability were evaluated. New projects were evaluated based on program design, cost effectiveness, ability to address CoC needs, staff and agency experience, and readiness to begin work.
- 4) There was availability of accessible electronic formats such as PDF on the website and in email communications. SiteImprove was used to check and fix any accessibility issues.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	
	In the chart below:	
1.	select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or	
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.	

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Yes
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	No
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Nonexistent
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	No
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Nonexistent
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	
18.		

1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	

In the chart below select yes or no to indicate whether your CoC:

1.	Consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG Program funds?	Yes
2.	Provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area?	Yes
3.	Ensured local homelessness information is communicated and addressed in the Consolidated Plan updates?	Yes
4.	Coordinated with ESG recipients in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients?	Yes

1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.c.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity:

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated?	Yes
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure family members are not separated?	Yes
3.	Worked with CoC and ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients?	Yes
4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance?	Yes
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers?	Yes

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	No
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The state and local McKinney Vento Education agency is the Kane County Regional Office of Education. There is a formal partnership in which the Kane Regional Office of Education (ROE) Homeless Liaison has a reserved seat on the CoC Board and has been active for the past 10 years. Annually she distributes the updated list of district homeless liaisons to CoC members and explains CoC resources to the nine district liaisons. Working with each district's homeless liaison has been in place for over ten years due to McKinney Vento sub grants in school districts. The ROE Homeless liaison meets every other Wednesday at shelters to educate families on their rights, identify homeless students and remove barriers. The Kane COC has a signed Agreement with Regional Office of Education to codify their commitment to following McKinney Vento Education Act requirements. Each CoC and ESG provider has an approved agency policy adopted. All homeless providers have a board approved policy and a designated staff person to coordinate education services with the local school district homeless liaison. There are no formal written agreements with school districts but there is ongoing coordination and collaboration of services to homeless children.

1C-4b.	Informing Individuals and Families Who Have Recently Begun Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC uses to inform individuals and families who have recently begun experiencing homelessness of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Working with each district’s homeless liaison has been in place for over ten years due to McKinney Vento sub grants in place to assist school districts. Full information about education rights is provided at intake, and ensures preschool and school-aged children are referred to local district liaison immediately. At intake, case managers verify where children are attending school, their educational needs (including special needs or early childhood programs), and give information on education rights. Children are referred to the local school district liaison immediately. The case managers give full information, including the right to continue to attend the prior school they had been attending, with transportation provided by the school district or to enroll in the local school. The case managers ensure that both preschool and school-aged children are referred to the local liaison immediately so that as little time as possible lapses in their school attendance. The children’s educational needs are part of each case record. Adherence to the McKinney Vento education requirements is evaluated by the CoC Board annually. Each CoC and ESG provider must have an approved agency policy adopted. Practices must be in accordance with all provisions of the law including families/children/youth being informed of their rights under McKinney/Vento and receive written materials that includes the definition of homeless, right to attend school or preschool immediately without required paperwork, right to attend school of origin with transportation and the right to free lunch and fee waivers. A designated staff person is named who must ensure the school enrollment of every homeless child encountered as quickly as possible. The policy also requires that emergency shelters, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) providers within the CoC do not deny admission to or separate any family members from other members of their family based on age, sex, or gender when entering shelter or housing. No one is denied admission with children under 18.

1C-4c.	Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

		MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years	No	Yes
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	No	No
3.	Early Childhood Providers	Yes	Yes
4.	Early Head Start	No	Yes
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	No	No
6.	Head Start	Yes	Yes
7.	Healthy Start	No	No
8.	Public Pre-K	No	Yes
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.		No	No

1C-5.	Addressing Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking—Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

In the chart below select yes or no for the organizations your CoC collaborates with:

	Organizations	
1.	State Domestic Violence Coalitions	No
2.	State Sexual Assault Coalitions	No
3.	Anti-trafficking Service Providers	Yes
	Other Organizations that Help this Population (limit 500 characters)	
4.	Domestic violence service provider	Yes

1C-5a.	Collaborating with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers to Address Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations that you selected yes to in Question 1C-5 to:

1.	update CoC-wide policies; and
2.	ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The Kane CoC collaborates with its local victim services providers, Mutual Ground and Community Crisis Center, to update CoC wide policies that affect survivors of domestic abuse, dating violence, sexual assault, trafficking and stalking. The CoC routinely solicits DV provider input when researching or proposing new policies; specifically in regard to Release of Information, protecting client information, safe transfers, and confidential referrals for housing programs. This is done through meetings and stakeholder feedback sessions to ensure advocacy for this population. Following the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Final Rule, CoC-wide policies were updated to identify the protections and rights outlined in the rule including the protections from refusal of assistance, termination of assistance, or eviction based on being a survivor. VAWA protections are not only available to women but are available equally to all individuals regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation. A survivor has the right to an emergency transfer when there is a safe and available unit and the option to bifurcate a lease to help keep the survivor safely housed. An Emergency Transfer Plan was developed in collaboration with the CoC victim services partners, approved and adopted by CoC Board.

2) The CoC provides the membership with information on trauma informed training and encourages all providers to work with DV providers when interacting with this population to ensure best practices are met. The victim service providers provide information on the guiding principles of trauma-informed care: safety, choice, collaboration, trustworthiness, empowerment and cultural, historical and gender issues. These elements have also been discussed during provider conversations between housing agencies and the victim services provider as the CoC expands its domestic violence rapid rehousing capacity.

1C-5b.	Implemented Safety Planning, Confidentiality Protocols in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry addresses the needs of DV survivors by including:	
1.	safety planning protocols; and	
2.	confidentiality protocols.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Coordinated Entry has protocols designed to prioritize safety and incorporate trauma informed and victim centered approaches. Domestic violence survivors, even if they are seeking shelter or services from non-victim service providers, will have safe and confidential access to the Coordinated Entry process and victim services and immediate access to emergency services such as domestic violence hotlines and shelter. The VI-SPADT assessment tool has questions to identify domestic violence victims. There are 2 Violence Survivor shelters. Each agency's services are both trauma informed and victim centered using an empowerment model of case management, where the client's service plan is led by the client with non judgmental assistance. The case manager will provide information and options, so the client can make an informed choice. Safety is priority. Coordinated Entry has planning protocols in place to address the unique housing and service needs of survivors of domestic violence through its partnership with Mutual Ground and Community Crisis Center for housing and advocacy. Service planning protocols must include physical health, mental health, safety, economic needs for maintaining housing, and confidentiality protections. Planning includes a confidential housing assessment. The housing assessment and planning process must incorporate a trauma-informed approach.

2) The CoC Coordinated Entry maximizes client choice for housing and services with respect to their enhanced need for safety, confidentiality and security. There must be written release of information authorizations and informed consent by the client. The safety and privacy of domestic violence clients is preserved with written confidentiality procedures in the ESG and Coordinated Entry policies and an alternate database. No identifying data given. Community Crisis Center is an access point in the Coordinated Entry system for persons fleeing domestic violence. Both Community Crisis Center and Mutual Grounds receive Dept of Justice VOCA funding for case management and other services that can maximize client choice of housing and services. Community Crisis Center receives ESG funds to assist with DV shelter operating expenses and rapid rehousing funds for all homeless individuals and families.

1C-5c.	Coordinated Annual Training on Best Practices to Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

In the chart below, indicate how your CoC facilitates training for project staff and coordinated entry staff that addresses best practices on safety planning and confidentiality protocols:

		Project Staff	Coordinated Entry Staff
1.	Training Occurs at least annually?	Yes	Yes
2.	Incorporates Trauma Informed best practices?	Yes	Yes
3.	Incorporates Survivor-Centered best practices?	Yes	Yes
4.	Identifies and assesses survivors' individual safety needs?	Yes	Yes
5.	Enhances and supports collaboration with DV organizations?	Yes	Yes
6.	Ensures survivors' rights, voices, and perspectives are incorporated?	Yes	Yes
	Other? (limit 500 characters)		
7.			

1C-5d.	Implemented VAWA-Required Written Emergency Transfer Plan Policies and Procedures for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	whether your CoC's written policies and procedures include an emergency transfer plan;
2.	how your CoC informs all households seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance about their rights to an emergency transfer;
3.	what your CoC requires households to do to request emergency transfers; and
4.	what your CoC does in response to households requesting emergency transfers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The Kane CoC has a VAWA related emergency transfer policy. It is part of the Kane CoC's Coordinated Entry policies and procedures. CoC Members and homeless service providers receive an annual training on all policy and procedure materials, including the Emergency Transfer Plan.
- 2) All clients enrolled in Kane CoC Coordinated Entry are provided with information on their rights in the program and the rules of the program upon enrollment, this includes their right to an emergency transfer. The CoC informs all households seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance about their rights to an emergency transfer, regardless of known survivor status when they apply for housing, when an individual or family is denied permanent housing or transitional housing, when a CoC program participant receives notification of eviction or when a CoC program participant is notified of termination of rental assistance.
- 3) The Emergency Transfer Plan allows tenants who are victims of domestic violence who believe there is imminent risk of harm to request an emergency transfer from the tenant's current unit to another unit. The tenant's written request for an emergency transfer should include either a statement expressing that the tenant reasonably believes that there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the tenant were to remain in the same dwelling unit assisted under the housing provider's program; or a statement that the tenant was a sexual assault victim and that the sexual assault occurred on the premises the 90-calendar-day period preceding the tenant's request for an emergency transfer. The housing provider will provide reasonable accommodations to this policy for individuals with disabilities.
- 4) Both Mutual Ground and Community Crisis Center provide financial assistance for relocation either within the state or cross country. The ability of a housing provider to honor such requests may depend upon whether there is another unit that is available and is safe to offer the tenant for occupancy. The housing provider will act as quickly as possible to move a tenant to another unit, subject to availability and safety of a unit. If a tenant reasonably believes a proposed transfer would not be safe, the tenant may request a transfer to a different unit. If the housing provider has no safe and available units, the housing provider will assist the tenant in identifying other housing providers who may have safe and available units.

1C-5e.	Facilitating Safe Access to Housing and Services for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures households experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all of the housing and services available within your CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Kane CoC ensures that all persons who present as survivors of domestic violence at any CoC Access Point have access to all of the housing and services available within the CoC's geographic area. They are assessed and prioritized on the Coordinated Entry by-name list. These clients are referred specifically to the DV providers such as Community Crisis Center and Mutual Ground for advocacy and supportive services but also maintain their position on the Coordinated Entry list for any housing services they are eligible for. This may include shelter, rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing, and DV specialized housing. The client can make the determination of which housing services they would like to pursue. Regardless of where an individual or family presents for assistance, they are able to access housing and services tailored to their unique circumstances and needs. Coordinated Entry can refer households from victim service providers to housing providers in order to provide equal access to all housing and services available within the CoC geography. 2) The Coordinated Entry (CE) seeks regular feedback from providers to identify systemic barriers for DV Survivors and to ensure that the path to housing is free of as many barriers as possible. CE routinely conducts needs/assessments and surveys from users and from providers to identify needs and feedback from all populations, including DV. The CoC Staff were also the primary staff for the development of HOME ARP Allocation Plan. As part of this plan, we conducted focus groups, surveys, and interviews to solicit feedback on the needs of DV survivors and the barriers they face when accessing the existing resources. The CoC also asks providers to gather feedback from clients as well to ensure their perspective is included in the conversation. An annual CE survey is given to participants as well as providers to gather feedback. Systemic barriers that are being addressed include releases of information, credit status, becoming more knowledgeable regarding safety within the internet and social media for the DV survivors and developing an internet safety protocol. The location of housing is addressed in regards to client's work, child care, school and proximity to abuser location.

1C-5f.	Identifying and Removing Barriers for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures survivors receive safe housing and services by:

1.	identifying barriers specific to survivors; and	
2.	working to remove those barriers.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The CoC recognizes there are multiple barriers specific to survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking. These include safe housing availability and affordability, access to mental health services to address issues of Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression and anxiety, and financial concerns made worse as survivors may not have had access to finances, may have been prohibited from working, or may have had their credit scores destroyed by an abusive partner.

2)The CoC works to remove these barriers through coordination, collaboration, and communication. Survivors need living-wage jobs, access to healthcare and benefits, and access to childcare, as well as economic literacy, financial education, and job training. The CoC coordinates access to mainstream benefits as well as safe and affordable housing opportunities. The CoC has added and increased the number of Rapid Rehousing units specifically for survivors of DV and has worked with survivors to apply for additional permanent housing through Permanent Supportive Housing options (if eligible). The CoC has also communicated education and information to property owners, rental management companies, and the landlord community regarding VAWA and Emergency Transfer Plans. The CoC's assists survivors with connections and access to mental health services through counseling and therapy support with Mutual Ground and Community Crisis Center. These agencies provide financial education and economic literacy, along with childcare resources. Employment opportunities are accessed through the Kane County Workforce Development office to assist survivors seeking employment through job training and connections to employers.

1C-6.	Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+--Anti-Discrimination Policy and Equal Access Trainings.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

	1. Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination?	Yes
	2. Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
	3. Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	Yes

1C-6a.	Anti-Discrimination Policy--Updating Policies--Assisting Providers--Evaluating Compliance--Addressing Noncompliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ and other organizations to update its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary to ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families;
2.	how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy;
3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
4.	your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The Kane CoC collaborates with 360 Youth Services to ensure that all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma informed and meet the needs of LGBTQ persons. 360YS received the highest recognition by the national Human Rights Campaign for Innovative LGBTQ practices in 2023 and is a member of the CoC Board. 360YS has also been awarded the All Are Welcome seal from the Human Rights Campaign for its inclusionary practices.
- 2) The Kane CoC adopted an anti-discrimination policy and the Equal Access Rule in its Governance Charter amendment effective 9-20-17 and updated in 2020. The Kane CoC provides annual Equal Access trainings to all the member agencies to assist them in developing project level anti-discrimination policies. The last training was 8/29/23 and the next training is scheduled for 10/24. These trainings ensure that all funded agencies are aware of and following HUD’s Equal Access Rule and Gender Identity Final Rule. Additionally these training provide a forum for our agencies to ask questions and evaluate whether any policies are out of compliance. Each provider either has or is currently refining policies and procedures including the Fair Housing Act and those under the HUD Equal Access and Gender Identity Rules. They do not ask any question related to sexual identity and or orientation as part of the intake/ assessment process. The providers work with the specific individual regarding what gender they identify with and what services (sleeping rooms, bathrooms, etc...) they then have access to.
- 3) The process for evaluating compliance with the CoC’s anti-discrimination is part of the project application process as a threshold requirement. Each applicant is asked to Describe your agency’s policy which addresses affirmatively furthering fair housing, anti-discrimination, and equal access in accordance with an individual’s gender identity. The answers are compared to the CoC required anti-discrimination policy requirements.
- 4) If noncompliance is evident, the organization will be given an opportunity to bring it into compliance for future funding decisions.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC’s Geographic Area–New Admissions–General/Limited Preference–Moving On Strategy.
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NOFO Section V.B.1.g.

You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the current CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with—if there is only one PHA in your CoC’s geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing or Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2023 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
The Housing Authority of Elgin	0%	No	No
Aurora Housing Authority	0%	No	No

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or	
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has collaborated with its inter-jurisdictional partners (Kane County, Aurora, and Elgin) to negotiate the preference change with the local housing authorities. In 2023, the Elgin Housing Authority enacted a general homeless preference by board action. The Director also has included their housing choice voucher units in the CoC Coordinated Entry system. The CoC is still working on meeting separately with the Aurora Housing Authority to establish a homeless preference. In order to discuss the unique housing needs in their community, the Kane CoC has extended multiple invitations to the membership meetings, one on one meeting, and made phone contacts. Though Aurora has not responded with establishing a homeless preference, both Housing Authorities worked cooperatively with the CoC regarding the Emergency Housing Vouchers. Eligible clients were identified from the Coordinated Entry list. The application and lease up process was facilitated. In Elgin 40 of 52 vouchers are leased up. In Aurora 81% of the vouchers are leased up. Each community struggles with homelessness and has expressed interest in expanding the role the PHA plays in ending homelessness in their communities. The CoC will continue to leverage partnerships with municipal staff to work with the Aurora PHA on changing their preference to be reflect the highest needs in their communities.

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:

1.	Multifamily assisted housing owners	No
2.	PHA	No
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	No
4.	Local low-income housing programs	Yes
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
5.		No

1C-7c.	Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process:

1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	Yes
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	No
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	No
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	No
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	No
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No
7.	Public Housing	No
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	
		No

1C-7d.	Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

1.	Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)?	No
		Program Funding Source
2.	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	

1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV).	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

	Did your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	No
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1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Preventing People Transitioning from Public Systems from Experiencing Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.h.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the public systems listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.

1.	Prisons/Jails?	Yes
2.	Health Care Facilities?	Yes
3.	Residential Care Facilities?	Yes
4.	Foster Care?	Yes

1D-2.	Housing First—Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2024 CoC Program Competition.	12
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2024 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	12
3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

You must upload the Housing First Evaluation attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC evaluates every project—where the applicant checks Housing First on their project application—to determine if they are using a Housing First approach;
2.	the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation;
3.	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach; and
4.	what your CoC has done to improve fidelity to Housing First.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The CoC evaluates projects annually through its application process for CoC funding. The Project Evaluation criteria for both new and renewal project applications contain a criteria for Housing First. Last year it was changed from a threshold criteria to a checklist worth 2 points with items to demonstrate a commitment to a Housing First approach.
 - 2) This included whether a project screened out participants for little or no income, criminal record, active or history of substance abuse, domestic violence, or any other qualification not covered in a typical lease agreement. Participants must enter without preconditions or service participation requirements. They may not be terminated for failure to participate in support services or make progress on a service plan, loss of income, domestic violence or any other activity not in a typical lease agreement. In 2023 the CoC added a scored narrative question in the project application that asks the applicants to “Describe how your program uses a Housing First model. How will you strengthen these practices or lower barriers to housing in the coming year? Their actual practices will be compared to the checklist.
 - 3) Projects are regularly evaluated outside of the local CoC competition through the Coordinated Entry referral process to ensure the projects are using a committed Housing First approach. Referrals which are repeatedly returned back to the prioritization list by any one agency are reviewed to confirm that all Housing First principals were followed at the time the referral was returned.
 - 4) The CoC evaluated all project applications on their fidelity to Housing First Principles. Any project that is not Housing First is not recommended for funding by the CoC. The CoC conducts annual training to all Coordinated Entry providers to educate and remind them of Housing First principles. The CoC has also shared Housing First best practices with participating agencies within the CoC to ensure fidelity to Housing First. During Coordinated Entry and Rapid Rehousing committee meetings, any barriers to placement in accordance with Housing First principles are reviewed and suggestions made for compliance.
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1D-3.	Street Outreach—Data—Reaching People Least Likely to Request Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.j.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC tailored its street outreach to people experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Kane CoC has an agreement with all law enforcement agencies to identify persons on the street and contact shelter staff daily. Police target areas known to be frequented by persons experiencing homelessness including the Illinois Prairie Path, local parks and forest preserves, train stations, and other places not meant for human habitation. PADS in Aurora visits the unsheltered homeless with goodie bags to engage them. Lazarus House visits anyone identified as unsheltered at the location identified. The city of Elgin has funded a street outreach worker and a community support team worker to identify unsheltered homeless and engage them in services. Soup kitchens and food pantries located in each of the 3 service areas in the county directly engage those who are unsheltered. The Street Outreach programs cover 75% of the Kane County service area; from the southernmost point in Aurora, up through the Elgin and Carpentersville Area. Rural Kane County is very vast with small populations scattered throughout, thereby making it difficult to cover. While the Street Outreach initiatives are not in rural Kane County, the provider AID still has a rural presence and individuals experiencing homelessness can still be connected to the program. Marketing materials are placed at each organization within the CoC's geographic boundaries that regularly encounter people who are homeless, or that periodically encounter people in hard to reach homeless subpopulations or are service-resistant. The CoC also ensures that Access Points are located in areas convenient to people who are least likely to access homeless assistance. Coordinated Entry materials are furnished to police departments, parks departments, schools systems and religious institutions for distribution to homeless individuals and families. Marketing materials include: posters that list access points, their locations and phone numbers, fliers containing information on access points and how the Coordinated Entry process works, laminated business cards with access points information for distribution to those hardest to reach. This includes information on how to access services, how to qualify, and multiple language translation services including sign language. There is a 24 hour crisis line. PADS in Aurora has a VRS (Video Relay System) to help the deaf make video-based phone calls.

1D-4.	Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.k.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate your CoC's strategies to prevent the criminalization of homelessness in your CoC's geographic area:

	Your CoC's Strategies	Engaged/Educated Legislators and Policymakers	Implemented Laws/Policies/Practices that Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness
1.	Increase utilization of co-responder responses or social services-led responses over law enforcement responses to people experiencing homelessness?	Yes	No
2.	Minimize use of law enforcement to enforce bans on public sleeping, public camping, or carrying out basic life functions in public places?	Yes	No
3.	Avoid imposing criminal sanctions, including fines, fees, and incarceration for public sleeping, public camping, and carrying out basic life functions in public places?	Yes	No

4. Other:(limit 500 characters)	No	No
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1D-5.	Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) or Longitudinal Data from HMIS.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.I.	

	HIC Longitudinal HMIS Data	2023	2024
Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC or the number of households served per longitudinal HMIS data, e.g., APR.	HIC	62	193

1D-6.	Mainstream Benefits–CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

	Mainstream Benefits	CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	SSDI–Social Security Disability Insurance	Yes
4.	TANF–Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
5.	Substance Use Disorder Programs	Yes
6.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
7.	Other (limit 150 characters)	

1D-6a.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

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| 1. | works with projects to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including those that provide substance use disorder treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services, including Medicaid; and |
| 2. | promotes SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Project staff collaborate with the VNA Health Center in Aurora and Elgin FQHC. VNA navigators will come on site to homeless services. Aunt Martha's Community Health Center is a Health Care for the Homeless grantee that also provides onsite enrollment. The shelters also provide transportation to these healthcare sites to ensure enrollment. The CoC providers work with VNA and Aunt Martha's to integrate Medicaid and other benefits including healthcare, financial and social services. Patient coordinators are part of care team that is working together to coordinate primary and preventative medical care, dental care, mental health care and addictions treatment services to ensure effective treatment. Coordinators eliminate barriers that keep patients from getting the services needed; follow-up with all providers; and connect the patient with other resources and services in your community that maximize well-being. Case managers attend the Substance Abuse Roundtable which brings together area substance use disorder providers quarterly. There are specialized staff to enroll individuals into both detox and inpatient treatment programs.

2) Each agency has at least one case manager complete the SOAR program every 18-24 months. The CoC encourages project staff to utilize the SOAR Online course tools and complete the Practice Case SSI/SSDI Application Packet.

ID-7.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies—Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent the Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to develop CoC-wide policies and procedures that:	
1.	respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and	
2.	prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC works closely with the Kane County Health Department. Part of that work has focused on ensuring CoC wide policies and procedures for a thorough response to infectious disease outbreaks in emergency shelters. To ensure that agencies are equipped to handle an outbreak, the Health Department has provided toolkits and technical assistance to all CoC Emergency Shelter and Housing Providers. These toolkits outline when and how to notify the local health department, and next steps to control transmission. To improve their readiness, the Kane CoC has focused on practices to effectively prevent, prepare, and respond to future infectious disease outbreaks using targeted communication by the CoC to facilitate response efforts, connect persons experiencing homelessness with appropriate services and supports, ensure that resources are distributed quickly and efficiently, and address available health and public safety resources.

2) The CoC has required applicants seeking funding for Emergency Shelter services demonstrate their internal infectious disease response plan to prevent infectious disease outbreaks. This plan is compared to the toolkit sent out by the Health Department and analyzed for any weaknesses or gaps. Since the onset of the pandemic, the CoC has received regular reports regarding outbreaks and capacity from its funded homeless services agencies. The CoC also has encouraged the use of non-congregate shelter to be used as isolation and quarantine solutions for clients experiencing an infectious disease.

ID-7a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	effectively shared information related to public health measures and homelessness; and	
2.	facilitated communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The Kane CoC has focused on targeted communication with providers to effectively prevent, prepare, and respond to infectious disease outbreaks. Information is shared to facilitate response efforts, connect persons experiencing homelessness with appropriate services and supports, and address available health and public safety resources.

2) The Kane CoC has coordinated efforts with the Kane County Health Department and the homeless providers to decrease the spread of infectious diseases and ensure safety measures were kept in place and that as measures changed over time, shelter staff adapted to these. This information included proper use of masks and proper hygiene in places where persons remained unsheltered, and in the workplace. Agencies providing emergency shelter implemented health and safety protocols which aligned with both local and CDC guidelines. For over a year shelter providers had weekly calls with the Kane County health department as well as city and county officials to share updates, confirm best practices, and strategize regarding our infectious disease response. Periodic check-ins continue as guidelines change to ensure they are up to date. The shelter Directors have attended the Northern Illinois Regional Shelter Meetings each month to stay in tune with what are best practices at other shelters and to offer support during this time. Hased House shelter obtained a Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment to conduct their own COVID testing on-site and are working with state and local health departments to ensure a steady supply of tests are available. In building out new shelter spaces, the square footage has increased so as to provide appropriate social distancing space. All homeless providers worked closely with the health department to be sure that both staff and residents have access to the vaccine. Vaccine implementation, education, information, availability, vaccination locations have been made available through CoC-wide email blasts as well as calls with the Kane County Health Department staff.

1D-8.	Coordinated Entry Standard Processes.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	can serve everybody regardless of where they are located within your CoC's geographic area;	
2.	uses a standardized assessment process to achieve fair, equitable, and equal access to housing and services within your CoC;	
3.	collects personal information in a trauma-informed way; and	
4.	is updated at least annually using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) This Coordinated Entry system covers the entire geographic area of Kane County, IL using a “No Wrong Door” approach. The same assessment approach is offered at all Access Points. Specialized Access Points have been established to meet the unique needs of people who are or have been a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking.
- 2) The CoC Board approved the implementation of the MAP Assessment tool. The policies and procedures, as well as trainings are currently being drafted by the Coordinated Entry Task Force. The Task Force expects the tool to be implemented in January of 2025. This is a standardized assessment process that documents a person’s housing needs, preferences, and vulnerability. The CoC uses the assessment to gathers information about specific subpopulations and household types within the Coordinated Entry System. That information is used to case conference individuals.
- 3) All information collected from clients is done so in a trauma informed way. Providers and staff participate in Trauma Informed care trainings annually. The assessment tools are intended to be progressive, capturing different information in different stages. Staff gather only enough information to determine the severity of need and potential eligibility for housing and related services. Information disclosed is used for purposes of notes associated with case-conferencing decisions, determining specific program eligibility, making appropriate referrals, providing a reasonable accommodation, and to ensure households are prioritized in a timely manner for housing and assistance.
- 4) The CoC assessment process is updated annually. The CoC routinely conducts Needs Assessment and Data Collection projects to evaluate the outcomes of projects and the experiences of participants. During the Needs Assessment, groups of households that are either currently or formerly participating in Coordinated Entry are asked to share their experiences and provide feedback for system performance. Feedback indicated that people with lived experience found the system hard to navigate and the waitlists long, and the case manager contacts had lengthy intervals. To improve these challenges, the CoC worked with providers to clean and prioritize the By-name list to reduce wait times, increase transparency regarding how the process works, and educate staff on the importance of timely communication with clients.

1D-8a.	Coordinated Entry–Program Participant-Centered Approach.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
	1. reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;	
	2. prioritizes people most in need of assistance;	
	3. ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their needs and preferences; and	
	4. takes steps to reduce burdens on people seeking assistance.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The Coordinated Entry process are affirmatively marketed to and available to eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, familial status, handicap and those who are least likely to apply in the absence of special outreach. Marketing materials are placed at each organization within the CoC geographic boundaries that regularly encounter people who are homeless, or that periodically encounter people in hard to reach homeless subpopulations, such as people who are service-resistant. Materials are furnished to police departments, parks departments, systems and religious institutions for distribution to persons who are homeless or are unstably housed. Marketing materials include: posters that list access points, their location and phone numbers, fliers and laminated business cards.
- 2) The Kane County Continuum of Care currently utilizes OrgCode’s VI-SPDAT to prioritize persons most in need of assistance for referrals to available housing resources. The VI-SPDAT uses the following factors: risk of harm, daily functioning, and wellness. The VI-SPDAT assigns a score to each client, based on these factors. These scores determine an individual ranking on the Priority List. A family’s needs and preferences are incorporated into the decision-making process.
- 3) To ensure people most in need of permanent housing receive assistance in a timely manner, all persons may start the Coordinated Entry process at any access point where a simple, standardized assessment and response is provided. Staff gather only enough information to determine the severity of need and potential eligibility for housing and related services. Information is used for purposes of determining specific program eligibility, making appropriate referrals, providing a reasonable accommodation, and ensuring households are prioritized in a timely manner for housing and assistance.
- 4) Groups of households currently or formerly participating in Coordinated Entry are asked to share their experiences and provide feedback for reducing burdens on them. Feedback indicated that people with lived experience found the system hard to navigate and the waitlists long, and the case manager contacts had lengthy intervals. To improve these challenges, the CoC worked with providers to clean and prioritize the By-name list to reduce wait times, increase transparency regarding how the process works, and educate staff on the importance of timely communication with clients. 248

1D-8b.	Coordinated Entry–Informing Program Participants about Their Rights and Remedies–Reporting Violations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC through its coordinated entry:	
	1. affirmatively markets housing and services provided within the CoC’s geographic area and ensures it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness;	
	2. informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and	
	3. reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants to the jurisdiction(s) responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The Coordinated Entry process and associated housing and supportive services are affirmatively marketed to and available to eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender, age, familial status, handicap and those who are least likely to apply in the absence of special outreach. Providers must have non-discrimination policies in place and conduct assertive outreach to people least likely to engage in services. Their marketing and admission procedures for their housing programs should provide equal housing opportunities. Marketing materials are placed at each organization within the CoC geographic boundaries that regularly encounter people who are homeless, or that periodically encounter people in hard to reach homeless subpopulations, such as people who are service-resistant. Materials are furnished to police departments, parks departments, schools systems and religious institutions for distribution to persons who are homeless or are unstably housed. Marketing materials include: posters that list access points, their location and phone numbers, fliers and laminated business cards.

2) The Coordinated Entry intake form has an attachment that informs clients of their rights. This also occurs through our anti-discrimination policies. Providers are required to make clients aware of these rights and submit their policies to the CoC annually for review. The Coordinated Entry process must comply with the non-discrimination and equal opportunity provisions of Federal Civil Rights Laws as specified at 24 C.F.R. 5.105 (a), including but not limited to the following: Fair Housing Act, HUD’s 2012 and 2016 Equal Access Rules, HUD’s Gender Identity Final Rule, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act; and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.

3) Participants that report potential violations of fair housing are referred to Hope Fair Housing as well as Prairie State Legal Clinic for all available remedies. The CoC reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for program participants to the responsible Consolidated Plan jurisdiction.

1D-9.	Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness—Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	Yes
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	09/20/2024

1D-9a.	Using Data to Determine if Racial Disparities Exist in Your CoC’s Provision or Outcomes of CoC Program-Funded Homeless Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	the data your CoC used to analyze whether any racial disparities are present in your CoC’s provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance; and
2.	how your CoC analyzed the data to determine whether any racial disparities are present in your CoC’s provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoC conducts an annual analysis of racial disparities in Coordinated Entry and the most recent was completed 1/7/2022. In the analysis the CoC used information from HMIS, including Coordinated Entry assessments, and Universal and Program Data Elements collected at project entries, annual updates and exits from all Continuum of Care providers. The HMIS/System Performance Measures data is also used to inform these reports These analyses review housing outcomes, length of time homeless, length of time between entry into shelter and entry into housing, and other metrics that are pertinent to describing the efficacy of our Coordinated Entry System.

2. Racial disparities found were than people who are not multi-racial or Hispanic/Latinx were much more likely to obtain permanent housing. Those persons who are multi-racial or Hispanic/Latinx that obtained permanent housing obtained it more quickly than those were not. People who were black or Asian took much longer to obtain permanent housing than person of other racial groups. Our CoC has identified that Hispanic households have longer stays in shelter, and longer periods between entering shelter and obtaining housing.

1D-9b.	Implemented Strategies to Prevent or Eliminate Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to prevent or eliminate racial disparities.

1.	Are your CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies representative of the population served in the CoC?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC identify steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC?	No
3.	Is your CoC expanding outreach in your CoC's geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups?	No
4.	Does your CoC have communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups?	No
5.	Is your CoC training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness?	Yes
6.	Is your CoC establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector?	No
7.	Does your CoC have staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness?	Yes
8.	Is your CoC educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity?	Yes
9.	Did your CoC review its coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness?	Yes
10.	Is your CoC collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system?	Yes
11.	Is your CoC conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness?	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	
12.		No

1D-9c.	Plan for Ongoing Evaluation of System-level Processes, Policies, and Procedures for Racial Equity.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's plan for ongoing evaluation of system-level processes, policies, and procedures for racial equity.

(limit 2,500 characters)

To address the aforementioned disparities, the CoC board has tasked the Coordinated Entry Task Force with identifying and investigating actions to address racial disparities. The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system. In addition to data analysis, the process will include soliciting participant feedback, observing the availability of Spanish (or other needed languages) that are present in shelters and at access points, and developing action steps to remedy the disparities based on best practices. At the project level where direct assistance to person served occurs, there have been several actions taken. Lazarus House and Ecker Center have created a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion plan in order to improve equity of their services and outcomes. Hased House has been focused on developing new ways to reach more diverse applicants. Hased developed an internal advocacy group (Faith and Justice Alliance for the Homeless) comprised of staff, volunteers, guests and residents that is working to address specific issues such as how White Privilege and White Fragility affect our and how to identify strategies to increase racial equity and inclusivity. Staff have attended HUD webinars on racial equity. Community Crisis Center had a Racial Equity retreat on 1/17/2023 which resulted in forming a DEI committee. Ecker Center serves a large population of Spanish speaking individuals, so the agency is intentionally try to recruit employees that are fluent in Spanish. Their Access to Justice staff deliver behavioral health information to undocumented Spanish speaking persons. 360 Youth Services Board adopted a Commitment to Diversity and Social Justice policy. To fulfill that commitment, a Culture Team was organized and meets every 2 weeks to identify and address implicit bias and have a racial justice training plan. The national Crossroads consulting group was hired to assist the organization in identifying strategic interventions. Recognizing that racism goes beyond personal prejudice, Crossroads focuses on social change strategies. Crossroads' mission is to equip institutions with shared language, frameworks, practices and tools that will assist them in deploying strategies aimed at eliminating antiracist ways of being that result in racially equitable institutional practices.

1D-9d.	Plan for Using Data to Track Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	the measures your CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and
2.	the tools your CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The measures taken to track progress on preventing or eliminating disparities will be ongoing data analysis, reporting and racial disparity assessments. The CoC will ensure all CoC and ESG funded agencies have non-discrimination policies in place. Organizations participating in the Coordinated Entry process must comply with applicable civil rights and fair housing laws and requirements. Steering participants toward any particular housing facility or neighborhood because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability or the presence of children is strictly prohibited. Persons served through the Coordinated Entry process must be informed of the ability to file a discrimination complaint if they feel their rights have been violated.

2) HMIS will complete a Racial Equity Analysis annually using Coordinated Entry data and System Performance Measures. Through the Coordinated Entry Task Force, the CoC will continue to track and analyze data to determine if persons from disproportionately represented racial or ethnic groups have different entry points into the homeless system and how persons move through different pathways to access permanent housing. The CoC Board will continue to engage with organizations across its geography that represent people of color who share its goal to prevent and eliminate disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

1D-10.	Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking—CoC’s Outreach Efforts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below your CoC’s outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decisionmaking processes.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Homeless service providers are contacted by the CoC and asked to refer People with Lived Experience to the CoC for engagement efforts that include: Lived Experience Council, Needs Assessment Planning, Policy development and Revision, and Coordinated Entry process. The Lived Experience committee was formed by the Continuum of Care in June of 2024 with 6 members. These include a former Lazarus House client, a current Rapid Rehousing participant from Kane County RRH, a formerly homeless individual who has participated with multiple homeless service providers, a former PADS of Elgin shelter guest, and a former shelter resident who is graduating from Rapid Rehousing soon.

The CoC has communication, such as flyers and websites, inclusive of underrepresented groups. Special outreach to persons with lived experience is done individually by service providers. Staff goes to locations where homeless persons who are not using services congregate such as shelters, libraries, Starbucks, (anywhere that has free wifi) or train stations, and 24 hour gas stations. The caseworkers distribute resource information cards & meet with persons to encourage the use of services. The CoC routinely conducts Needs Assessment and Data Collection projects to evaluate the outcomes of projects and the experiences of participants. During the Needs Assessment, groups of households that have lived experience are asked to share their experiences with Coordinated Entry and provide feedback for policy improvements. CoC homeless service providers actively engage persons with lived experience in advisory roles and decisions making processes through Resident Advisory Councils, Program Committees, etc. in which a person with lived experience reviews service delivery and provides feedback. Elgin PADS and Hased House have added board members with lived experience. The Hased House advisory committee meets 4x per year to discuss shelter policies. Rule changes have been made because of the suggestions of this group, such as changing the curfew for our Overnight Emergency Shelter from 11 p.m. to 9 p.m. in order to reduce disruptions for sleeping guests. The Community Crisis Center has an Advisory Committee that reports to the Board that includes survivors and homeless persons. AID Programs offer monthly meetings for clients where residents provide feedback. Ecker Center holds quarterly Consumer Council meetings and results are shared with the agency Leadership Team.

1D-10a.	Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

You must upload the Lived Experience Support Letter attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
 Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the four categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1.	Routinely included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	6	3
2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	6	3
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	1	1

4. Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	6	3
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1D-10b. Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Kane CoC ensures that persons with lived experience have access to employment readiness programs and services, employment/vocational training programs, a paid work experience or job opportunity that promotes career or vocational goals. There is a strong working relationship with the local Kane County Workforce Development Division. The Kane Workforce Development Division provide vocational training programs. Participants can choose from cosmetology, hospitality, auto mechanic, welding, computer technician, culinary arts, heating and air conditioning technician, etc. The case manager provides support and assistance in completing applications, filing for financial aid, etc. All CoC agencies receive routine updates on local job postings, employment development, expungement sessions, professional/resume building sessions, and other employment resources. These events take place in various community locations and are broadcast to providers. It is expected that all CoC funded agencies assess clients for work readiness and make referrals as appropriate to Workforce Development to assist clients in achieving self-sufficiency and increase income. The CoC member agencies connect people experiencing homelessness with education and job training opportunities. CoC member organizations have employment staff that work with all clients towards gaining and maintaining either agency or external employment. Any client with prior lived experience can meet with an agency employment counselor for additional internal job opportunities. Education opportunities assist clients in becoming job-qualified through computer GED preparation programs, literacy classes, resume assistance and improved interview skills. Employment specialists assess strengths, interests, skills and experience to assist participants in obtaining a career instead of a short-term solution.

1D-10c. Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below:

1. how your CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;
2. how often your CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;
3. how your CoC gathers feedback from people who received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program;
4. how often your CoC gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program; and
5. steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 & 2. The Lived Experience Council meets quarterly to weigh in on decision making and provide feedback on current initiatives, programming, and planning in the CoC. The CoC has also developed a client service satisfaction survey that is distributed to clients exiting any type of CoC funded service. Additionally the CoC conducts periodic needs assessments that incorporate Lived Experience focus groups. These groups include people currently receiving services, people living in encampments, and people who have used the services in the past. The CoC homeless providers also regularly gather feedback from homeless persons in their projects through the implementation of client satisfaction surveys, town halls and listening sessions, 90 day follow up phone calls, and exit surveys. This information is shared at the CoC membership meetings.

3 & 4. The Kane CoC conducts Needs Assessment and Data Collection projects annually to evaluate the outcomes of CoC and ESG funded projects and the experiences of persons experiencing homelessness. During the Needs Assessment evaluation, groups of households that are either currently experiencing homelessness or have lived experience are asked to share their experiences with Coordinated Entry and services provided and provide feedback for program/policy improvements. Based on evaluation of the information collected and interpretation of best practices, Coordinated Entry develops policy recommendations to improve the homeless response system in the Kane CoC.

5. The CoC has modified the Coordinated Entry system to address challenges raised by persons with lived experience. Feedback data showed that people with lived experience found the Coordinated Entry system hard to navigate and the waitlists long, and the case manager contacts had lengthy intervals. To improve these challenges, the CoC worked with providers to clean and prioritize the by-name list to reduce wait times, increase transparency regarding how the process works, and educate staff on the importance of timely communication with clients. Steps the homeless providers have taken to address challenges identified include increasing on-site staff, medication monitoring, paying for transportation to and from a job for the first 2 weeks, rearranging sleeping areas for higher quality sleep, and hiring persons with lived experience as program staff. Other steps are not requiring face to face meetings. Sometimes the cost of travel is a burden.

1D-11.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	
	Describe in the field below at least two steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months to engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:	
1.	reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and	
2.	reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The Kane County Housing Summit was established in 2022 by the Kane County Development Department to work together as public servants and housing providers to lay the groundwork to make decisions about what can be done to help solve the housing problems in Kane County, IL. As a result of the Kane County Housing Summit, the Kane County Board agreed to review its zoning policies and take steps to review their internal procedures on how affordable housing is developed in Kane County. Though no formal resolution or action has occurred, the County is committed to improving the stock of affordable housing in Kane County.

2) Homeless providers in the CoC are working to reduce regulatory barriers to housing development. With help from Senator DeWitte and the IL Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Lazarus House acquired funding to begin the process of creating two new affordable housing units. Lazarus completed a rezoning process with the city. Work was completed in spring of 2024, and there are now 5 individuals housed there coming from shelter. Through a partnership with PADS, Inc., Association for Individual Development (AID) and the Neighbor Project, funds were secured through both the local Congressman and the Illinois Housing Development Authority to build/create about 20 units of supportive and affordable housing, which will come online in 2026. The project is called Las Rosas. Also, through this partnership, PADS inc. and AID are working to secure an existing 34 unit building for supportive housing and pathway to homeownership housing units. Ecker Center has multiple housing units developed with the IL Housing Development Authority. The agency partnered with Hanover Township and a development company to add 48 subsidized housing units to the Elgin area. Ecker is now the on-site service provider for Hanover Landing. The Association for Individual Development has developed 2 new housing developments in in West Chicago and Elgin.

1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1E-1.	Web Posting of Advance Public Notice of Your CoC’s Local Competition Deadline, Scoring and Rating Criteria.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a. and 2.g.	

1.	Enter the date your CoC published its submission deadline and scoring and rating criteria for New Project applicants to submit their project applications for your CoC’s local competition.	08/12/2024
2.	Enter the date your CoC published its submission deadline and scoring and rating criteria for Renewal Project applicants to submit their project applications for your CoC’s local competition.	08/12/2024

1E-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC’s eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., 2.d., and 2.e.	

You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.	Yes
5.	Used data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	No

6.	Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.	Yes
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1E-2a.	Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below. NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.	
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You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
 Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:

1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	100
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	8
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-PSH

1E-2b.	Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process. NOFO Section V.B.2.d.	
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Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing;
2.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing;
3.	how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and
4.	the severe barriers your CoC considered.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The Kane CoC collected and analyzed data on permanent housing projects using their Renewal Project Evaluation of the applications submitted. There are questions related to circumstances that affect successfully maintaining housing and exits to permanent housing. These include: Did the project lose staff? Did residents lose employment? Data is also collected on the number of exits to permanent housing, unit utilization rate, and returns to homelessness using HMIS.
- 2) The specific data on how long it takes to house people in permanent housing is contained in APR questions 22c and 22 e on Length of time prior to housing and move in date.
- 3) In 2023, the Kane CoC increased the the categories of severity of needs served in project evaluation. It now includes Chronically homeless persons, LGBTQ+ persons, Youth, Veterans, Low or no income persons, Current substance abuse, significant health or behavioral health challenges, or functional impairments, Coming from the streets, Criminal history, Abuse/victimization or a history of victimization/abuse, Domestic Violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse, sex trafficking, High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs, Length of time homeless, Risk of continued homelessness, Risk of illness or death, and Only project of its kind in the CoC geography. The CoC gives extra points to projects that focus on serving persons with severe needs and considers the severity of a project’s population in its review and ranking process using a stand alone criteria worth 15 points. (this increased from 10 points last year). The assigned value is based on the number of groups that are served. There is an additional criteria worth 5 points for serving special populations. These include chronically homeless, veterans, and households with children. Projects receive more points for serving more severe populations and special populations.
- 4) The Project Evaluations are scored with an understanding that these are affected by the severity of the population. Maximum points for each project is 100. Special consideration is also given to projects serving a special population that is the only project of its kind. As an example, the 360 Youth Service Rapid Rehousing project was placed ahead of the PADS Light House 10 PSH project in rank even though it scored lower. Consideration was given to the unique population served which includes because it is specifically targeted to LGBT homeless youth.

1E-3.	Advancing Racial Equity through Participation of Over-Represented Populations in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.e.	
	Describe in the field below:	
	1. how your CoC used input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, to determine the rating factors used to review project applications;	
	2. how your CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population in the review, selection, and ranking process; and	
	3. how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree that proposed projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and steps the projects took or will take to eliminate the identified barriers.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The Kane CoC obtained input and approval from persons of different races and ethnicity (White/Non-Hispanic, Asian, and Black) who are members of the CoC Board as well as members with lived experience of homelessness and those representing the LGBT population when approving the project evaluation factors used to score the CoC project applications.
- 2) The CoC application review, selection and ranking process is open and inclusive. Persons of all races and ethnicity, including those who are over-represented in the local homeless population, are included in the review, selection and ranking process of CoC new and renewal projects at different stages of the application competition through the CoC Board process.
- 3) The project applications asked applicants the extent to which they had taken steps to identify and resolve barriers faced by persons of different races and ethnicities in the provision of services and outcomes and were rated 5 points on whether the agency is compliant with CoC policies to implement the Equal Access and Gender Identity Final Rules and Anti-discrimination policies. The equity criteria contributes to the total project score which is a factor in project selection. The most recent Racial Equity analysis indicates that persons who are multi-racial or Hispanic obtained permanent housing more quickly. Persons who were African American or Asian took much longer to obtain permanent housing than person of other races. In this analysis, the Kane CoC used information from HMIS, including Coordinated Entry assessments, and Universal and Program Data Elements collected at project entries, annual updates and exits from all Continuum of Care providers.

1E-4.	Reallocation—Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	your CoC’s reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed;
2.	whether your CoC identified any low performing or less needed projects through the process described in element 1 of this question during your CoC’s local competition this year;
3.	whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and
4.	why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The Aurora/Elgin/Kane Reallocation Policy allows for both voluntary and involuntary reallocation of funds from renewal projects for the creation of new projects that fit HUD goals and meet local needs. Involuntary reallocation occurs when projects are low performing or less needed according to the Coordinated Entry data. Reallocation shall have the intent to meet housing needs for persons as identified in the Coordinated Entry process and align with HUD’s policy priorities. Currently-funded CoC program project applicants interested in voluntarily reallocating can notify the Kane CoC in writing of their intent to reallocate funds. Involuntary reallocation will be determined by the CoC Board, after a thorough review of a project’s cost, performance, and outcome data. The CoC Board, after a thorough review of a project’s cost, performance, and outcome data will consider involuntary reallocation of a renewal project where HUD contractual goals are not met, both in numbers served, housing stability and financial expenditures. The Needs Assessment Committee will review each grant recipient’s expenditures and program outcomes on a quarterly basis. The CoC Board reviews and approves any reallocation as part of the annual CoC Ranking and Review process.
- 2) For the 2024 CoC application, the CoC accepted 2 projects identified for reallocation by the grantee. All other projects were determined to be high performing and needed.
- 3) In 2024, Ecker Center voluntarily identified the entire Abbott project amount and part of the Leasing project requesting a project reallocation. The Kane CoC Board determined that both project amounts would be reallocated to create new projects. This was after determining that housing stability for the residents was maintained in both projects.
- 4) The Ecker Center Abbott project was completely reallocated and Ecker Center Leasing was partially reallocated. Leasing maintained a lower number of residents.

1E-4a.	Reallocation Between FY 2019 and FY 2024.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2019 and FY 2024?	No
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1E-5.	Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Did your CoC reject any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
2.	Did your CoC reduce funding for any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
3.	Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
4.	If you selected Yes for element 1 or element 2 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2024, 06/27/2024, and 06/28/2024, then you must enter 06/28/2024.	09/18/2024

1E-5a.	Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2024, 06/27/2024, and 06/28/2024, then you must enter 06/28/2024.	09/18/2024
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1E-5b.	Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names; 2. Project Scores; 3. Project Status–Accepted, Rejected, Reduced Reallocated, Fully Reallocated; 4. Project Rank; 5. Amount Requested from HUD; and 6. Reallocated Funds +/-.	Yes
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1E-5c.	Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application 2 Days Before CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g. and 24 CFR 578.95.	
	You must upload the Web Posting–CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC posted the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC’s website or partner’s website–which included: 1. the CoC Application; and 2. Priority Listings for Reallocation forms and all New, Renewal, and Replacement Project Listings.	10/25/2024
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1E-5d.	Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders by Email that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application was posted on your CoC’s website or partner’s website.	10/25/2024
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

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2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	Wellsky
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2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Single CoC
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2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.a.	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2024 HIC data into HDX.	04/24/2024
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2A-4.	Comparable Databases for DV Providers—CoC and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Collection and Data Submission by Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.b.	

	In the field below:	
	1. describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in HMIS comparable databases; and	
	2. state whether DV housing and service providers in your CoC are using a HUD-compliant comparable database—compliant with the FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Victim Service Providers not receiving federal funding are encouraged to use the HMIS comparable databases that are compliant with the HMIS data standards, or with participation in the CoC HMIS system. Non-federally funded Victim Service Providers using the HMIS comparable database provided have the same equitable access and utility of the software as providers mandated to participate. They are encouraged to use the CoC HMIS to participate in the Coordinated Entry process. This allows for a comprehensive and consistent approach for matching clients to available housing interventions, while maintaining their safety and security. In Illinois, the victim service providers as defined by the VAWA Act are mandated to participate in the automated database called InfoNet. This does not meet the HUD definition of a comparable database at this time. Their state funding is contingent on participation.

2) In the Kane CoC, the non federally funded DV victim service provider (Community Crisis Center) is using HMIS. The federally funded Victim Service provider Mutual Ground uses InfoNet. The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority oversees InfoNet. There was an InfoNet/HUD working group in 2019 established to work toward a comparable database. These discussions stopped in 2020 with the pandemic and there has been no further communication from the state at this time. An upgrade to the InfoNet system in October 2020 put it farther behind meeting the requirements of a comparable database. The CoC will continue to get involved in these discussions if the opportunity arises. For the purpose of data collection, the VSP provider is provided with a report template to collect aggregate data that includes instructions and definitions for data collection by the HMIS System Administrator.

2A-5.	Bed Coverage Rate—Using HIC, HMIS Data—CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c. and V.B.7.	

Using the 2024 HDX Competition Report we issued your CoC, enter data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current Non-VSP Beds [Column F of HDX Report]	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds [Column K of HDX Report]	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database [Column M of HDX Report]	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate [Column O of HDX Report]
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	436	28	408	93.60%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	0.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	18	0	18	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	193	0	193	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	124	0	124	100.00%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	0	0	0	0.00%

2A-5a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c.	
	For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:	
1.	steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and	
2.	how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

NOT APPLICABLE. ALL BED COVERAGE IS OVER 90%.

2A-6.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.d.	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2024 HDX Competition Report to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by January 24, 2024, 11:59 p.m. EST?	Yes
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2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

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2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2024 PIT count.	01/25/2024
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2B-2.	PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2024 PIT count data in HDX.	04/17/2024
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2B-3.	PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth in Your CoC’s Most Recent Unsheltered PIT Count.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations in your CoC’s most recent PIT count planning process;	
2.	worked with unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during your CoC’s most recent PIT count planning process; and	
3.	included youth experiencing homelessness as counters during your CoC’s most recent unsheltered PIT count.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) There are two specialized providers for homeless and runaway youth ages 16-24 that serve Kane CoC. Community Crisis Center serves homeless youth and those who are DV Survivors/Fleeing. 360 Youth Services provides transitional housing that serves non-parenting homeless youth ages 18-24 including specialized services for LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning) youth. Both participated in the 2024 PIT count. The Transitional Housing Manager of 360 Youth Services was a member of the CoC Board.
- 2) For the unsheltered count, youth in shelters and transitional housing were consulted on known locations for the unsheltered youth. Collaboration with the Homeless School Liaisons identified additional known locations.
- 3) The CoC staff/volunteers went to locations where unsheltered homeless youth congregate such as libraries, train stations, Starbucks, (anywhere that has free wifi). This also included several sites along the Fox River bank and under bridges, and a section where 2 train tracks converge called the V. Outreach to get youth into shelter was provided. The CoC worked to engage youth known to be homeless who have a lack of awareness or active avoidance to services. PADS Inc. informally interviewed the youth in their shelter to involve them in the planning process and to get feedback on specific known locations for homeless youth. PADS Inc. met with the community policing officers of Aurora Police Dept. prior to the count who came with a list of known locations for youth based on their patrols.

2B-4.	PIT Count—Methodology Change—CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.a and V.B.7.c.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2023 and 2024, if applicable;	
2.	describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2023 and 2024, if applicable;	
3.	describe whether your CoC's PIT count was affected by people displaced either from a natural disaster or seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance who recently arrived in your CoCs' geographic; and	
4.	describe how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results; or	
5.	state "Not Applicable" if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2024.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) There was no sheltered PIT methodology or data quality change. The Kane CoC used client data in HMIS as the primary data source for the sheltered PIT count for emergency shelter and transitional housing projects that participate in HMIS. Information from DV and other non-HMIS providers was provided in surveys to the HMIS System Administrator. The HMIS one night report was run using unique client identifiers for de-duplication. Follow up ensured that the count included all persons in emergency shelters and transitional housing programs, including domestic violence. The number of providers contributing data remained the same. 2) There were no changes in the unsheltered count. It included surveys with volunteers and training. The surveys included all demographics, household type and members, specific location of where they were sleeping, identifying characteristics, history of homelessness (to determine chronic status), disability and criminal record. Local questions included participation in services, satisfaction or frustration with services, how long they have been in this area, location of origin, and whether criminal record has impacted their housing. The unsheltered survey tool uses age ranges in order to more easily identify youth and count them separately. One person, the CoC Coordinator tallied all surveys which aided in de-duplication. Volunteers went to known locations and both law enforcement and volunteers drove around looking for people outside of those locations as well. More known locations throughout the entire coverage area were identified by persons with lived experience, police and shelter providers. The CoC identified hot spots in Elgin at the encampment and in the parks/parking garage. There was veteran outreach. 3 & 4) The total number of homeless persons increased 22% from 461 to 563 in 2024. In 2024, there was an increase in unsheltered persons from 51 to 122. 96 of 122 unsheltered were from Elgin. Of the 96, 68 were counted in the Elgin PADS warming center that night. Most of these persons were unknown from previous counts. All unsheltered persons were surveyed and 22 had been in the area less than 3 months. The rest of the county showed stable numbers of unsheltered persons from previous counts. The warming center in Elgin as of November 2023 is open every night of the year which led to increases in nightly attendance. It is low barrier and neighboring municipalities have learned of it and are transporting persons to it. 5) NA

2C. System Performance

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2C-1.	Reducing the Number of First Time Homeless—Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;	
2.	describe your CoC’s strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The process the CoC developed to determine which risk factors to use in identifying persons becoming homeless is coordinating with all the provider access points of Coordinated Entry as well as with food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters in all 3 service areas of the county. Food insecurity is a major risk factor. Others include unemployment, behind on rent/mortgage, no transportation, insufficient income, physical illness/disability and fleeing domestic violence. Mainstream and homeless providers identify those in a housing crisis and refer them for homeless prevention assistance.

2) The Coordinated Entry pre-screening process is used to address households at risk of becoming homeless. Pre-screening must occur when a family or individual first contacts in person a provider that is serving as a Coordinated Entry Access Point or, in an emergency or after hours situation, as soon after that first contact as possible. If homeless prevention or other mainstream services can address the housing needs of a family or individual, a referral to these services are offered at this point. State homeless prevention funds, state ESG and private funds are allocated in all 3 service areas of the CoC to prevent people from becoming homeless, divert people who are applying for shelter into other housing, and help people who are homeless to quickly move into permanent housing. In 2023, the Kane CoC received an additional \$149,472 for shelter diversion from the state of IL. Of this, \$120,000 will be used for supportive services and \$89,472 in relocation assistance. Homeless prevention services include case management, short and medium term rent assistance, utility assistance, and housing location and stabilization assistance.

3) The Kane County Program Manager for Homeless Services is the responsible person for overseeing the CoC strategy to reduce the number of households experiencing homelessness for the first time.

2C-1a.	Impact of Displaced Persons on Number of First Time Homeless.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b	

Was your CoC's Number of First Time Homeless [metric 5.2] affected by the number of persons seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance displaced due to:

1.	natural disasters?	No
2.	having recently arrived in your CoC's geographic area?	No

2C-2.	Reducing Length of Time Homeless—CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.c.	

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;
2.	describe how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) To reduce Length Of Time homeless, the CoC examines its ES and TH data from the HMIS system for projects with high error rates, long stays, and protocol types in shelter data collection. The goal is to strengthen housing focused case management across the CoC programs, especially shelters and transitional housing. The system also provides direct referrals to homeless prevention services, domestic violence housing and supportive housing for youth to reduce the length of time homeless. Funding for expansion of rapid rehousing has increased within the CoC to reduce the length of time homeless. In addition to the HUD Community Crisis Center expansion of 11 rapid rehousing units, the CoC received \$828,649 in state funds for expansion of rapid rehousing. The Kane CoC has implemented a rapid rehousing review panel to expedite housing placement. The panel meets biweekly to review current caseload with real time updating and case conferencing. Agencies are assigned clients and then focus their activities on a swift housing placement. The Kane CoC is focusing on significant increases in housing placement and decreases in length of time homeless.
- 2) The Coordinated Entry process is being used to identify and house persons with the longest lengths of homelessness according to the written orders of priority. There is a standard assessment tool used. The Kane County Coordinated Entry utilizes OrgCode's VI-SPDAT to prioritize referrals to available housing resources. The VI-SPDAT uses the following factors to determine vulnerability: risk of harm, issues with socialization and daily functioning, and wellness. The VI-SPDAT assigns a score to each client, based on these factors. These scores, along with the dates that each family or individual became homeless, determine each family or individual's ranking on the Priority List. Those with longer lengths of homelessness have priority for Rapid Rehousing and PSH placement. The Coordinated Entry task force meets and conducts case conferencing to identify housing options for those who have been prioritized.
- 3) The Kane County Program Manager for Homeless Services is the responsible position.

2C-3.	Successful Permanent Housing Placement or Retention –CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.d.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;	
	2. describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and	
	3. provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The CoC’s strategy to successfully increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing and rapid rehousing can exit to permanent housing destinations is to review performance by project type to determine if there is an area requiring additional focus, such as improving outreach efforts, Housing First implementation, case management assistance, or a removal of barriers to accessing stable housing. Another strategy is to build housing options capacity by prioritizing funding for additional rapid rehousing and permanent housing projects. The Kane CoC has redesigned the Rapid Rehousing Program to be more efficient and responsive to client experiencing homelessness and to add the eligibility of persons in Category 2. The CoC re-wrote the written standards to eliminate barriers and increase efficiency. Bi-weekly case conferencing was implemented to ensure rapid assignment and placement of clients into units.
- 2) 96% of residents in permanent housing have retained their housing or exited to permanent housing. The CoC’s strategy to increase the rate at which all persons in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations includes maintaining a Housing First approach and providing voluntary services which assist with housing stability. These include helping individuals and persons in families address physical and behavioral health needs, assist them with applying for mainstream and other benefits, and advocacy with landlord relationships. Other voluntary services and supports offered through CoC housing providers include workforce development and career support as well as financial counseling which maintain the income base to retain housing.
- 3) The Kane County Program Manager for Homeless Services is responsible.

2C-4.	Reducing Returns to Homelessness—CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.e.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;	
2.	describe your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate that individuals and families return to homelessness; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The strategy the CoC has implemented to identify those returning to homelessness is analyzing the HMIS System Performance data for Measure 2. The CoC is able to accurately identify a person that returns to homelessness through HMIS because it has a 100% bed coverage rate and because all shelter providers have an open system of sharing client record information. Common factors of households that return to homelessness are loss or significant decrease in income and tenant/landlord issues related to behavior or housing unit upkeep.
- 2) One strategy of the CoC to minimize returns to homelessness is to have service providers provide telephone follow up varying from 90 days to 1 year after exit. Another strategy is that all persons exiting are assisted with aftercare services and mainstream resources for food, employment, and other income supports. Homeless providers work to build a network of flexible landlords. Homeless prevention services are available should a household face significant obstacles to housing retention. Returns are captured by our homeless system providers through a standardized data entry workflow in HMIS as well as in the Coordinated Entry system. Using System Performance Measure reports, HMIS staff review which project types experience higher returns and shorter amounts of time between events. This data is presented to homeless housing and service providers and the CoC with the goal to educate and aid in system planning.
- 3) The HMIS System Administrator is the responsible position for overseeing the CoC strategy to reduce the rate households return to homelessness.

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access employment cash sources;	
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income; and	
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The CoC’s strategy to access employment cash sources involves developing new and ongoing partnerships with workforce development services, local employer referrals, and mainstream employment organizations. These partnerships include collaboration with the Kane County Workforce Development Division to increase access to employment referrals, scholarships for job training programs and WIOA grants for young adults to obtain job training or certification in information technology, manufacturing, office/clerical, trucking/logistics, and accounting. Homeless youth are connected with Central States SER for paid work opportunities. Each homeless provider has employment services that develop access to private employers with partnership agreements. Cafe Liberty provides a culinary training program for veterans. Goodwill Workforce Connection Centers provide local companies with the opportunity to meet with people looking for jobs. Partner companies can share information about themselves, meet with potential candidates and even interview onsite. There are job fairs and/or job interviews virtually with private employers and employment agencies looking to hire some of our job ready participants.
- 2) The Kane CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to increase access to cash income from employment. These include a partnership with the Workforce Development Division Career Resource Centers located in both Elgin and Aurora that offer free access to computer workstations and assistance with resume writing, job search assistance and referrals for education or skills training. Information is provided on job openings, career options and employment opportunities. PADS Inc. offers an onsite paid supported employment program. Lazarus House offers resume writing, interview and application skills training. Both have partnerships with local employers. This is accomplished through a part-time employment specialist on staff as well as through “Preferred Professional”, a group of professionals from the community who meet twice per month with clients on employment strategies. The CoC providers also work with a variety of community employers to create employment opportunities that are mutually beneficial. Some include –Portillos, Spraying Systems, Cintas, US Foods, Johnstone Supply, and Septran bus.
- 3) The responsible person is the Kane County Program Manager for Homeless Services.

2C-5a.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income–CoC’s Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC’s strategy to access non-employment cash income; and	
	2. provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to increase non-employment cash income.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Strategies to increase access to non-employment cash sources ensure that 100% of all homeless providers focus on enrollment in mainstream benefits. All CoC projects work with participants at intake to assess their eligibility for non employment cash benefits such as TANF, SNAP, WIC, SSI, SSDI, Medicaid and Medicare and provide transportation assistance and advocacy. All CoC projects must have SOAR trained staff. If the household does not have any benefits and qualifies or may qualify, the agency facilitates them completing the applications, arranges transportation to the agency office as required, confers with individual case workers as issues arise in the application process, advocate for the participant, and follow up to ensure that they gain their benefits. This also includes helping households access child support and/or re-establish child support. A collaboration with the NIU Health Advocacy legal clinic provides representation in the SSI/SSDI appeal process to obtain disability income and collaborates with medical professionals to provide necessary documentation. Client eligibility for veteran specific benefits is determined at client intake and appropriate assistance/referrals are provided to veterans service organizations such as Disabled Veteran Outreach program, Hines VA Hospital, etc. The CoC provides information to ensure all CoC funded agencies are provided with a resource for training and education on public benefits. DuPage Federation's Training & Technical Assistance division provides statewide public benefits training. Its focus is to improve advocacy for the people served through increased knowledge of these complex programs. Understanding more about benefit programs (including topics such as who can qualify and how to solve problems) helps case managers and other advocates provide more effective and targeted assistance to people in need. Training participants learn to understand the basic rules of who qualifies for a specific benefit, how to complete applications, how to navigate the application process, and how to troubleshoot when problems arise. Training programs are usually offered twice a year. Federation trainers are also available to present to individual organizations. Programs may be tailored to meet an organization's particular needs. If an agency is unable to pay, the Federation will provide the training free.

2) The responsible person is the Kane County Program Manager for Homeless Services.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
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3A-2.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
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3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.	

If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.

Project Name	Project Type	Rank Number	Leverage Type
LIGHT-House Conso...	PH-PSH	7	Both

3A-3. List of Projects.

1. What is the name of the new project? LIGHT-House Consolidated 2 Expansion
2. Enter the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): DSN1KKA1S3T8
3. Select the new project type: PH-PSH
4. Enter the rank number of the project on your CoC's Priority Listing: 7
5. Select the type of leverage: Both

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

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3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No
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3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:

1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and
2.	HUD’s implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.

(limit 2,500 characters)

not applicable.

3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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3C-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serve Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

	Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No
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3C-2.	Cost Effectiveness of Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:

1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.

(limit 2,500 characters)

not applicable.

4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants for New DV Bonus Funding

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4A-1.	New DV Bonus Project Applicants.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.	

	Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?		Yes
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4A-1a.	DV Bonus Project Types.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the type(s) of new DV Bonus project(s) your CoC included in its FY 2024 Priority Listing.

	Project Type	
1.	SSO Coordinated Entry	No
2.	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component	Yes

You must click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated Entry to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b.

4A-3.	Data Assessing Need for New DV Bonus Housing Projects in Your CoC's Geographic Area.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(c) and I.B.3.j.(3)(c)	

1.	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services:	2,918
2.	Enter the number of survivors your CoC is currently serving:	350
3.	Unmet Need:	2,568

4A-3a.	How Your CoC Calculated Local Need for New DV Bonus Housing Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(c)	
	Describe in the field below:	
	1. how your CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services in question 4A-3 element 1 and element 2; and	
	2. the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects); or	
	3. if your CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors please explain in your response all barriers to meeting those needs.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)Element 1 - Kane HMIS identified 2193 persons that are in need of housing where at least one household member is identified as a survivor of domestic violence. This number was determined by taking the total number of persons with a history of DV identified in HMIS from the homeless shelter (1378 individuals), outreach (95 individuals), prevention (702 individuals) , and transitional housing programs (18 individuals). Coordinated Entry as of 9/30/23 shows 410 persons where at least one member is a survivor of domestic violence that do not have a move-in to a housing project. Mutual Ground, a DV provider, had 239 DV survivors in shelter in the last year. The number turned away from shelter was 76 adults and children. $239 + 76 = 315$. $315 + 410 + 2193 = 2918$ persons needing shelter or services. Element 2 -There were 239 households that were provided shelter and services by Mutual Ground DV provider. HMIS identified 111 households currently housed within the CoC have at least one household member that is a survivor of domestic violence. $239 + 111 = 350$ person receiving services.

2) The data source was Kane CoC HMIS system and the InfoNet external DV database used by Mutual Ground. Mutual Ground is mandated in the state of IL to use InfoNet.

3) The Kane CoC is unable to meet the needs of all DV survivors. There is no DV or CoC funded permanent housing available in the Kane CoC at this time. There is a DV Rapid Rehousing project awarded in 2021 which serves a minimum of 17 households annually. This application seeks to expand that project by another 4 households. There were 2193 persons with a history of DV in CoC funded ES, SO, HP, and TH in 2023. There is one DV provider, Mutual Ground, that does emergency shelter and services only. No housing is provided. In the last year, there were 76 DV persons turned away from Mutual Ground. There were 5568 DV hotline calls for services and housing.

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicant Requesting New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)	
	Use the list feature icon to enter information on each unique project applicant applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus projects—only enter project applicant information once, regardless of how many DV Bonus projects that applicant is applying for.	

Applicant Name
Kane County Offic...
Community Crisis ...

Project Applicants Applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH DV Bonus Projects

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicant Requesting New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)	

Enter information in the chart below on the project applicant that applied for one or more New DV Bonus housing projects included on your CoC's FY 2024 Priority Listing for New Projects:

1.	Applicant Name	Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment
2.	Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors–Percentage	68%
3.	Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors–Percentage	100%

4A-3b.1.	Applicant's Housing Placement and Retention Data Explanation.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

For the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention of DV survivors reported in question 4B-3b., describe in the field below:

1.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing placement;
2.	whether the rate for housing placement accounts for exits to safe housing destinations;
3.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing retention; and
4.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects).

(limit 1,500 characters)

- 1) Housing placement was calculated using data from Mutual Ground InfoNet external database indicating the destination upon leaving DV shelter. There were 239 persons served in DV shelter with 163 departures reporting going to a safe location. This was 163 persons out of 229 or 68% placed in safe housing.
- 2) The rate for housing placements accounts for exits to safe housing destinations.
- 3) The rate of housing retention was calculated using HMIS data on PSH projects. Housing retention = total # of DV persons housed in PSH (122 individuals) divided by how many remained housed (108 individuals) plus how many exits to permanent housing (14 individuals). $122/122=100\%$
- 4) The data source for housing placement was INFONET external database. A 2024 summary report determined the number of shelter exits; and the number of housing placements from these exits. The data source for housing retention was Kane HMIS data. A 9/30/23 report was run to determine the number of DV clients in PSH compared to the number who exited to a permanent destination and those who remained in housing.

4A-3c.	Applicant's Experience Housing DV Survivors.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below how the project applicant:	
1.	ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were quickly moved into safe affordable housing;	
2.	prioritized survivors—you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC's emergency transfer plan;	
3.	determined survivors' supportive services needs;	
4.	connected survivors to supportive services; and	
5.	moved survivors from assisted housing to housing they could sustain—address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Kane County services providers who identify individuals and families experiencing DV are put on a Coordinated Entry List within the Kane CoC. The list prioritizes DV families and individuals, and they are reviewed biweekly by the Kane RRH review panel. The RRH review panel will link those individuals to DV shelters and programs while we are in the process of placing them into available rental units. The Kane RRH program works with area landlords and property managers to place RRH DV candidates in rental units. Staff will work with the RRH DV candidate to identify potential rental units, which they have a right to accept or refuse. The program will move quickly to place the candidate once they agree to the unit and the potential landlord agrees to accept the individual. Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, Kane County CoC uses a Coordinated Entry process and prioritization list, Staff, Housing Specialist & Program Manager, will meet with the DV families or individuals and assess their services needs with the Self Sufficiency Matrix assessment, a DV risk assessment, and a vulnerability assessment. The Self Sufficiency assessment will be done every 3 months to measure progress and develop client centered goals with the DV RRH candidate. Staff and the candidate work collaboratively to access benefits, food assistance, transportation, childcare, etc. Goals will develop mutually agreed upon plans. Supportive services include: counseling, advocacy, safety planning, legal services, budgeting, case management, connecting children to schools along with school supplies. Kane county RRH currently works with the following DV programs CCC, Mutual Ground, & Naomi's House with our current RRH program. The Kane RRH DV program will work with candidates in transitioning to become self sufficient and sustain housing stability. Staff will meet weekly to every 3 weeks with RRH DV tenants to assess their progress and link them to needed services as needed. We focus on active engagement and collaboration with the tenants so they can become self-sufficient. We currently have seen positive results with the DV and non DV tenants we serve, 9 of 10 graduating candidates have transitioned so they are in a stable housing setting. We also have 22 of 32 tenants who have become more fiscally stable while in our current program and will be stable when the RRH subsidy ends.

4A-3d.	Applicant's Experience in Ensuring DV Survivors' Safety.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety and confidentiality of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:	

1.	taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during the intake and interview process to minimize potential coercion of survivors;
2.	making determinations and placements into safe housing;
3.	keeping survivors' information and locations confidential;
4.	training staff on safety and confidentiality policies and practices; and
5.	taking security measures for units (congregate or scattered site), that support survivors' physical safety and location confidentiality.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) Kane RRH has access to spaces in our office that are private spaces where staff can meet confidentially respectfully with a DV survivor for the intake process. Staff will also assess and orient the DV survivor on their vulnerability and work with them on maintaining safety from the abuser. We do not share the locations of our rental units and the units are scattered through out the county.
- 2) The Housing Specialist collaborates with the survivor to improve options for safe housing options. The units are scattered throughout Kane County and placements will be based upon safety needs of the DV candidate.
- 3) Documentation and files will be secured & confidential and access will be limited to approved staff.
- 4) All staff, volunteers, visitor and clients must adhere to a confidentiality policy regarding the locations and client locations.
- 5) Kane RRH DV staff do not disclose the locations of our units and staff will be trained on security measures, confidentiality, and legal remedies for safety from their trainings.

4A-3d.1.	Applicant's Experience in Evaluating Its Ability to Ensure DV Survivors' Safety.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served in the project, including any areas identified for improvement throughout the project's operation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Kane RRH measures how the program is ensuring the safety of its program participants through on going contact with the tenants as well as outcome surveys. The tenants complete a questionnaire which explores their understanding of the support from the program, their safety and strategies to reduce risk. The outcome of the surveys are tabulated and evaluated to measure how the program is doing in housing support, ensuring safety and educating the tenants about being safe. The surveys will also be updated to measure and educate the present Current and future DV residents based upon DV assessments and safety strategies to reduce their risk. The program reviews outcomes of the surveys and adapts its engagement strategies based on the survey results. Additionally each tenant in the program is approached with client centered goal development and Housing Specialists work with the client to set strategies and goals that help them remain safe and make progress in becoming self-sufficient. Staff will meet with clients initially once to two times a week with the goal that engagement intervals will be reduced to once every 3 weeks. This is based upon evaluations by staff associated with the client's current needs and safety.

4A-3e.	Applicant's Experience in Placing and Stabilizing Survivors in Permanent Housing Using Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below the project applicant's experience in:	
1.	prioritizing placement and stabilization of survivors;	
2.	placing survivors in permanent housing;	
3.	placing and stabilizing survivors consistent with their preferences; and	
4.	placing and stabilizing survivors consistent with their stated needs.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

Kane County started the Kane RRH program 4.5 years ago. The project has been prioritizing placement and stabilization of DV survivors by facilitating the candidate to choose units that are available, meet with the landlord and check out the prospective apartment. In fiscal year 2019 the county served 9 RRH tenants. The county approached other Rapid Rehousing service providers with a collaborative approach and developed a standard for RRH policies in 2020. The RRH panel met every two weeks to review a Coordinated Entry List (CES), for RRH and assigned agencies to reach out and engage candidates based upon the prioritization of the CES. Currently, the county has placed 80 candidates in RRH units in fiscal year 2023. The Program Manager for Kane RRH has had 30 years of experience development and implementation in permanent support housing and 20 years at a Community Mental Health agency. The Program Manager has experience in client centered individual and group therapies which focused on empowerment and validation strategies, Motivational interviewing, Dialectical Behavioral Therapy, Crisis Intervention, resident self sufficiency strategies, linkages with support services, and development of programming. The two Housing Specialists have 5 & 6 years of experience in providing case management services and support to Non-profit DCFS agency clients. They are also certified Domestic Violence support and engagement staff. They have experience in helping families with support and referrals to assessed needs of the DV family and individuals. They work closely with Mutual Ground, Community Crisis, and Niomi's Place to assist with the 10 Kane RRH DV clients that we presently serve. Program staff have used client centered empowerment strategies to help the tenants to make progress and link them to supportive services to assist them in becoming successful. In this fiscal year 11 of 32 tenants will graduate and be able to financially, socially, and maintain their apartments this year. The staff engagement model is client choice and engagement. 24 of 32 RRH tenants are either employed and are/or becoming economically self sufficient. 6 of the 32 also have a subsidy using when they graduate. The program also has 10 DV current tenants that we are assisting in learning or maintaining behaviors that lead to a safe environment for their household in their RRH unit. Four tenants will have an IHDA subsidy and two will have a Housing Choice Voucher.

4A-3f.	Applicant's Experience in Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below examples of the project applicant's experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:	

1.	establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures survivors and staff interactions are based on equality, and minimize power differentials;
2.	providing survivors access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing survivors with information on the effects of trauma;
3.	emphasizing survivors' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;
4.	centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
5.	providing a variety of opportunities for survivors' connections, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
6.	offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

(limit 5,000 characters)

Kane RRH will engage DV survivors with an approach of mutual respect and client entered empowerment. The services incorporate domestic violence expertise and safety planning, trauma informed, and victim centered approaches. Housing Specialist coordinate the assessment of survivor needs and are trained in client centered engagement that empowers the individual and they work collaboratively to help the tenant work towards agreed upon goals to self-sufficiency. The staff work with the tenant when they have difficulty, and we do not use punitive approaches. Staff problem solve with the tenant to assist them in addressing issues. The supportive services that are provided will include staff's expertise in safety planning, trauma informed and victim centered approaches. Staff will assess the needs of the survivor and their needs from trauma. DV counseling and referral's will be made to the client while they are in our program: i.e. basic needs, mental health/ substance abuse treatment, education and employment, health insurance, mainstream benefits and legal services, child custody, credit history, and the housing search. Kane staff use a translation service accessible by phone, to assist with non-English speaking tenants. They also assist with transportation support and applications for public transportation programs. The use of the Self Sufficiency Matrix helps to identify strengths and area of functioning that they could use assistance on (maintenance of housing, employment, income, nutrition and food, child care, adult and child education, health care coverage, life skills, family relations, mobility, community involvement, parenting skills, legal issues, mental health, substance abuse, safety, credit, disabilities, & physical health). Case plans work towards improvement in self sufficiency. Kane county also has a peer to peer committee for individuals experiencing homelessness and DV issues. We also plan on working with Mutual Ground and the Community Crisis Center for additional support for DV survivors, also offer survivor parenting, trauma informed parenting classes, childcare connection. We will also work with Prairie Legal Aid for any legal issues for child support, orders of protection, and custody issues.

4A-3g.	Applicant's Experience Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of supportive services the project provided to domestic violence survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs.

(limit 5,000 characters)

Services for DV survivors will be assessed with trauma informed care approaches and supportive services will be tailored to meet the identified needs throughout the time the candidate is participating in our program. Supportive services will be based upon the assessments and ongoing meetings with the tenants. Referrals and support to access services will be a part of the program. Staff will link to identified services, such as: mental health/substance abuse treatment, education and employment, health insurance, mainstream benefits, legal services, child custody, credit history, and housing searches. Child custody: staff will work with Prairie State Legal Services for issues related to child custody, orders of protection, criminal history and expungement procedures. Kane RRH staff can provide transportation and support as well as translation services. Kane intends to work with the survivor to attend to safety issues while maintaining confidentiality and harm reduction practices throughout the legal process. When the tenant has bad credit when assessed by staff, we will reach out to organizations such as the National Foundation of Credit Counseling. We also advocate with the candidates' landlords with when they have issues with the client's credit. We also work with the clients on job searches and employment related issues. The Kane County Work Force Develop program is also a source for our tenants to assist with employment opportunities. When the client is in our program, we begin the process of developing housing stability and financial sufficiency. The program develops a plan based upon need and will also include housing safety plans. The plans may include connections for advocacy for self-reliance, legal support and community engagement. We also make sure tenants are aware of the 24-hour 7 day a week crisis program operated by the Ecker Center as a resource. Kane RRH also works with the Kane County Regional Office of Education for support for their children's education in addition to day care. If the individual needs educational support, they will be referred to the Elgin Community College or Waubensee Community College which offer GED classes and educational supports. The Kane RHH staff work with the tenants to obtain financial stability, i.e. orienting them on budgeting and savings. Staff have also been working with the tenants on finding employment that assists them with financial stability. For child Care, referrals have been made to the YWCA. Mainstream benefits like LINK, WIC, TANF, Social Security, Medicaid are explored with the tenant as we assess and meet with them regularly. Mental Health and substance abuse referrals are made with the tenant while using Motivational Interviewing to assist the clients with stability.

4A-3h.	Applicant's Plan for Placing and Stabilizing Survivors in Permanent Housing Using Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(e)	
	Describe in the field below how the project(s) will:	
1.	prioritize placement and stabilization of program participants;	
2.	place program participants in permanent housing;	
3.	place and stabilize program participants consistent with their preferences; and	
4.	place and stabilize program participants consistent with their stated needs.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Kane Rapid Rehousing (RRH) DV project will use the Kane County Coordinated Entry system for prioritization and assessment of the identified DV survivors. Our program works with all of the shelters (which includes: Mutual Ground, Hesed, Lazarus House, Community Crisis Center, and Pads of Elgin), Street Out Reach, or any other agency or program in Kane that has identified a DV survivor. When a DV survivor household is identified RRH staff or one of the Kane programs CoC member agencies will assess the needs of the individual and enter them into the Kane County HMIS system, which prioritizes them. The Kane RRH Review Panel will use the prioritized Coordinated Entry System generated by the HMIS system to review, assign, and follow up on the listed RRH candidates. The RRH Review Panel meets bi-weekly. When the RRH Review Panel assigns a DV survivor the Kane RRH, staff set a meeting within a week to engage the DV survivor. The interview with the DV survivor focuses on a collaborative client centered empowerment approach, & staff will review and develop a personalized safety planning document (planning on how to leave, maintaining safety at their residence, at the job and public places, the need to temporary protective orders, & safety / emotional health). In addition, a self sufficiency assessment will be done to help focus on strengths and needs. Safety planning also includes a survey that will be done initially and every 6 -12 months to evaluate how the tenant and the program is doing. When we meet with the tenant regularly (initially once a week then based on their needs every 3 weeks). Mental Health and substance abuse referrals are made with the tenant while using Motivational Interviewing to assist the clients with stability. In order to place candidates in apartments the Kane DV RRH staff will meet with the DV survivor and set up meetings with landlords/property managers to look at potential available units. The DV survivor chooses the available units. Placement in RRH units are selected based upon the DV survivors' choice. The Kane RRH s program gives the landlord a packet that outlines the RRH program. If all parties agree, the tenant and the landlord sign a lease. The RRH program also will negotiate and advocate with the landlord if there are concerns about employment or other concerns. If the landlord and potential tenant agree, the RRH review the lease with the tenant and review the goals with the candidate.

4A-3i.	Applicant's Plan for Administering Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Practices in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(e)	
	Describe in the field below examples of how the new project(s) will:	
1.	establish and maintain an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant and staff interactions are based on equality, and minimize power differentials;	
2.	provide program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;	
3.	emphasize program participants' strengths—for example, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans work towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;	
4.	center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;	
5.	provide a variety of opportunities for program participants' connections, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and	

6.	offer support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.
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(limit 5,000 characters)

1.Kane RRH DV follows the following core elements: RRH programs in the CoC service area are grounded in the core values and evidence-based practices adopted by all housing programs in the CoC, including, but not limited to: Housing First and harm reduction; and RRH assistance offered without preconditions (such as employment, income, absence of criminal record, or sobriety). RRH programs utilize a person-centered approach, whereby resources and services provided are tailored to the needs of unique housing stability goals created by the participant in collaboration with their case manager. Self-sufficiency is the primary goal of RRH. For RRH projects, self-sufficiency means that through RRH, households will leverage their strengths and obtain what they need in order to maintain permanent housing without the aid of the RRH program. The specific goals will depend on the household's unique barriers to housing stability but will likely include obtaining enough income to pay rent on their own; and developing the skills to maintain housing on their own; and acquiring any support needed to maintain this housing. Frequently, this requires learning rights and responsibilities as a tenant and developing the routine of paying rent directly to the landlord. For many households, self-sufficiency involves meeting personal goals like developing

2. Staff are certified with a 40 hour DV certificate which focuses on trauma informed care and the effects of trauma. Staff will also develop a safety plan to assist the DV survivor in managing trauma.

3.3. The Kane staff use a strengths based assessment, the Self Sufficiency Matrix and collaborates with the RRH clients to develop case plans and works towards the client's defined goals and aspirations.

4.The Kane RRH staff have had cultural competency/ inclusivity training. We will continue to regularly get training on this issue. In the Kane CoC we have standards that require accessibility and that we follow nondiscrimination standards. We also have access to contracted translators when needed. The Kane RRH staff also have had trauma informed training.

5.The Kane RRH program works with all of the clients we serve to develop and plan for natural support networks to the tenants can be self-sufficient. Groups, mentorships, peer to peer and spiritual needs are a part of that process.

6.Kane RRH DV will support survivor parenting with the safety planning. We will also refer to agencies that provide therapy and groups that also address trauma-informed parenting. We also work closely with the Kane County Regional Offices of Education on assistance with education and child care resources. Legal service needs are referred to Prairie Legal Aid.

4A-3j.	Applicant's Plan for Involving Survivors in Policy and Program Development, Operations, and Evaluation in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(f)	

Describe in the field below how the new project will involve survivors:

1.	with a range of lived expertise; and
2.	in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Kane County services providers who identify individuals and families experiencing DV are put on a Coordinated Entry List within the Kane CoC. The list prioritizes DV families and individuals and they are reviewed biweekly by the Kane RRH review panel. The RRH review panel will link those individuals to DV shelters and programs while we are in the process of placing them into available rental units. The Kane RRH program works with area landlords and property managers to place RRH DV candidates in rental units. Staff will work with the RRH DV candidate to identify potential rental units, which they have a right to accept or refuse. The program will move quickly to place the candidate once they agree to the unit and the potential landlord agrees to accept the individual. Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, Kane County CoC uses a Coordinated Entry process and prioritization list, Staff, Housing Specialist & Program Manager, will meet with the DV families or individuals and assess their services needs with the Self Sufficiency Matrix assessment, a DV risk assessment, and a vulnerability assessment. The Self Sufficiency assessment will be done every 3 months to measure progress and develop client centered goals with the DV RRH candidate. Staff and the candidate work collaboratively to access benefits, food assistance, transportation, child care, etc. Goals will develop mutually agreed upon plans. Supportive services include: counseling, advocacy, safety planning, legal services, budgeting, case management, connecting children to schools along with school supplies. Kane county RRH currently works with the following DV programs CCC, Mutual Ground, & Naomi's House with our current RRH program. The Kane RRH DV program will work with candidates in transitioning to become self sufficient and sustain housing stability. Staff will meet weekly to every 3 weeks with RRH DV tenants to assess their progress and link them to needed services as needed. We focus on active engagement and collaboration with the tenants so they can become self sufficient. We currently have seen positive results with the DV and non DV tenants we serve, 9 of 10 graduating candidates have transitioned so they are in a stable housing setting. We also have 22 of 32 tenants who have become more fiscally stable while in our current program and will be stable when the RRH subsidy ends.

Project Applicants Applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH DV Bonus Projects

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicant Requesting New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)	

Enter information in the chart below on the project applicant that applied for one or more New DV Bonus housing projects included on your CoC's FY 2024 Priority Listing for New Projects:

1.	Applicant Name	Community Crisis Center
2.	Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors–Percentage	36%
3.	Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors–Percentage	100%

4A-3b.1.	Applicant’s Housing Placement and Retention Data Explanation.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

For the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention of DV survivors reported in question 4B-3b., describe in the field below:

1.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing placement;
2.	whether the rate for housing placement accounts for exits to safe housing destinations;
3.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing retention; and
4.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects).

(limit 1,500 characters)

- 1) Housing placement was calculated from the Community Crisis Center HMIS database indicating the destination of DV survivors upon leaving shelter. There were 255 DV persons served in shelter with 92 departures reporting going to a safe location. This was 92 out of 255 or 36% placed in safe housing.
- 2) The rate of housing placements accounts for exits to safe housing destinations from shelter.
- 3) The rate of housing retention was calculated using HMIS data. Housing retention = total # of DV persons housed in PSH (122 individuals) divided by how many remained housed (108 individuals) plus how many exits to permanent housing (14 individuals). $122/122=100\%$.
- 4) The data source for housing placement was Community Crisis Center HMIS database. The FY 24 HMIS data showed the total number of shelter exits and the number of exits to safe housing. The Kane HMIS data was used for housing retention. A 9/30/23 report was run to determine the number of DV clients in PSH compared to the number who exited to a permanent destination and those who remained in housing.

4A-3c.	Applicant’s Experience Housing DV Survivors.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project applicant:

1.	ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were quickly moved into safe affordable housing;
2.	prioritized survivors—you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC’s emergency transfer plan;
3.	determined survivors’ supportive services needs;
4.	connected survivors to supportive services; and
5.	moved survivors from assisted housing to housing they could sustain—address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) Homeless DV survivors are quickly connected with emergency shelter or rent assistance to find permanent housing with rent assistance. The Community Crisis Center provides a 35-bed emergency shelter for women and their children needing a safe place to stay. The survivor will be empowered to seek out housing in their specified area, and the case manager will look at what available housing units are available and advocate with potential landlords. Survivors are provided with written documentation of rent approval for landlords. They will be assisted with any application fees, lease documents and moving expenses into the housing.
- 2) The Community Crisis Center (CCC) will use the county-wide Coordinated Entry Housing List to identify and prioritize DV survivors. Those survivors will have been placed on the list by either CCC or another county homeless/DV provider. Using the CoC Rapid Rehousing standards, the CCC case manager will identify those who obtained the RRH score and contact them directly. DV survivors will complete a VI-SPDAT in a timely manner at CCC and other agencies in the county, whereby, it will be possible to contact them while they are in a homeless situation. Once contacted, the survivor will work with the case manager to seek and find housing, and then quickly move into that permanent housing.
- 3) Each client completes a Self Sufficiency matrix which consists of self responses to identify basic needs such as benefits, food assistance, transportation, child care, etc. The case manager and client also work collaboratively on a service plan to identify what other supportive services survivors need and plans to obtain them.
- 4) Supportive Services include counseling, advocacy, safety planning, legal services, budgeting, case management, connecting children to schools along with school supplies.
- 5) This project has opened doors to the DV clients we serve in shelter as well as non-shelter clients whom we serve in the DV program, with DV counseling and legal advocacy. It has enabled the DV survivor to move to safer housing through Rapid Rehousing funds. Along with providing rent assistance, the Community Crisis Center Economic Crisis Program will assist households with food, clothing, diapers, and toiletries. This would enable the household assistance with their budget making an easier transition into permanent housing and the ability to sustain it after the housing subsidy ends.

4A-3d.	Applicant's Experience in Ensuring DV Survivors' Safety.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety and confidentiality of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:	
	1. taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during the intake and interview process to minimize potential coercion of survivors;	
	2. making determinations and placements into safe housing;	
	3. keeping survivors' information and locations confidential;	
	4. training staff on safety and confidentiality policies and practices; and	
	5. taking security measures for units (congregate or scattered site), that support survivors' physical safety and location confidentiality.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. In the Community Crisis Center (CCC) building there are private spaces available with closed doors for staff to meet with a DV survivor, providing confidentiality and respect. The Community Crisis Center does not provide couples' counseling when working with a DV survivor. CCC does provide an Abuse Intervention Program, where both the survivor as well as the abuser can receive separate services but will be seen separately. The Community Crisis Center does not publicize the shelter's location on the website.
2. Community Crisis Center prioritizes placements into safe housing. The case manager works to maximize safe housing options with the survivor. Options of rent assistance in scattered site apartment units or single-family housing is explored. Safety is most important. Location of housing and geographic area is addressed in regards to client's work, child care, children's school and the proximity to abuser's location.
3. All staff, volunteers, visitors, and clients must adhere to a strict confidentiality policy regarding service locations and client locations. Without a Release of Information, no information regarding a DV survivor will be shared with anyone. Community Crisis Center would not disclose where a DV survivor was living, and would strongly encourage the DV survivor to not disclose their location.
4. Staff are provided training on safety planning, confidentiality and legal remedies in their initial 40-hour DV training as well as monthly in service training throughout the year. The Community Crisis Center Training Academy provided domestic violence/sexual assault workshops in January 2024, May 2024 and August 2024. A 20 hour Partner Abuse Intervention is offered in which participants can expect to learn best practices in group dynamics and intervention models. Completion of this training is required for those seeking the CPAIP certification. The Community Crisis Center is an IL Dept. of Human Services Protocol-approved program and is certified as a Training Site by the IL Certified Domestic Violence Professional Board, Inc.
5. For security measures for units, there is a security checklist used and training has been provided that includes not disclosing housing addresses. CCC gives clients choice of location whenever possible and assistance with obtaining Orders of Protection and court advocacy. The staff and survivors work together to create detailed safety plans based on their specific situation and any possible future situation

4A-3d.1.	Applicant's Experience in Evaluating Its Ability to Ensure DV Survivors' Safety.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served in the project, including any areas identified for improvement throughout the project's operation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Community Crisis Center Domestic Violence program measures how we are doing in ensuring the safety of DV survivors through ongoing contact with clients. DV survivors complete a questionnaire which explores their understanding of their safety and strategies to reduce risk. The outcome surveys are tabulated and evaluated to measure how we are doing in ensuring DV survivors' safety and educating the survivors about safety. When providing DV services, safety is number one, crisis intervention, two, and education third. The programs managers review outcomes surveys data. The CCC continually analyzes data from these surveys and evaluates the results. The CCC utilizes this information to make changes to program delivery when needed. In addition, when a client expresses concern about safety and shares the reasons for their concerns, advocates and counselors can problem-solve around these issues and brainstorm ways to help the survivor maintain their safety as well as the safety of their children. Areas of improvement include becoming more knowledgeable regarding safety within the internet and social media for the DV survivors and developing an internet safety protocol.

4A-3e.	Applicant's Experience in Placing and Stabilizing Survivors in Permanent Housing Using Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below the project applicant's experience in:	
1.	prioritizing placement and stabilization of survivors;
2.	placing survivors in permanent housing;
3.	placing and stabilizing survivors consistent with their preferences; and
4.	placing and stabilizing survivors consistent with their stated needs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) In FY2024 181 women and 74 children were stabilized and received safe housing in the Community Crisis shelter. Community Crisis Center has operated a DV Rapid Rehousing project since 2021. An expansion was funded in 2022. Currently the project provides rapid rehousing to a minimum of 17 DV households annually. In the last operating year, 33 households were served. The project has successfully expended its funds and rehoused survivors consistent with their stated preferences and needs. This Expansion of the Community Crisis Center Rapid Rehousing for DV will provide rent assistance and supportive services to a minimum amount of 4 additional DV survivor households. Using a trauma informed, survivor-centered approach, CCC will present survivors with information, education and resources to make informed decisions on the housing options that are available to them. CCC understands that clients react and respond to trauma in different ways and that some clients take longer to process what has happened to them. Location of housing is addressed in regards to client's work, child care, school and proximity to abuser location. It is important that survivors have control over their own plans and goals for achieving safety, stability and self-sufficiency.

2) CCC and the survivor work as a collaborative unit to provide rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing. Participants will identify their housing needs. The participant will seek out housing in their specified area, and appropriate landlords will be identified and contacted to see if they have any available units. The case manager will advocate with landlords and manage the client's lease. The participant will be assisted with any lease documents. CCC will assist the participant with moving to the housing. Once in the housing, the staff will support the participant in achieving goals designed to make them successful in maintaining permanent housing.

3 & 4) CCC makes it a priority for every survivor to obtain the housing consistent with their stated needs and preferences. The case manager will encourage the participant to be successful in the Rapid Rehousing program, by meeting regularly, paying their portion of the rent, participating in financial counseling with budget discussions as a priority, and working to either increase income or enhance career skills. The participant will be encouraged to be successful in achieving an income that will enable them to sustain their own housing.

4A-3f.	Applicant's Experience in Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches. NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below examples of the project applicant's experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:	
1.	establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures survivors and staff interactions are based on equality, and minimize power differentials;	
2.	providing survivors access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing survivors with information on the effects of trauma;	
3.	emphasizing survivors' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;	
4.	centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;	
5.	providing a variety of opportunities for survivors' connections, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and	

6.	offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.
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(limit 5,000 characters)

- 1) There are no punitive interventions at Community Crisis Center. All interactions with staff include shared knowledge, shared values, shared language, and a shared practice with those survivors being served. This promotes mutual respect and that survivors have equal footing with staff. Punitive interventions are not used even if rules are broken during an individual's stay.
- 2) All staff complete a 40-hour DV training upon hiring which includes survivor centered, trauma informed approaches to crisis and case management. The Community Crisis Center also has monthly in-service and professional development training opportunities. From the first contact with a survivor, services focus on informing the client on the impact of trauma and supporting the client on a path towards personal safety and empowerment. By affirming that the violence is not the fault of the survivor, strength and confidence is introduced. The survivor then chooses what the next steps will be; what will help to achieve the established goals.
- 3) Community Crisis Center uses a strength-based approach. The Case Manager meets with participants to assess life skills strengths. We recognize that each client has experienced trauma in different ways that impacts different parts of their lives. Trauma can have psychological, social, neurological and biological effects. At Community Crisis Center, the individual service plan recognizes, understands, and effectively responds to these effects. Over the years, this recognition has resulted in a survivor centered, strengths-based approach that encourages survivors to be active participants in developing their action plans, prioritizes their choices, respects the need to individualize services toward their goals and outcomes.
- 4) All clients regardless of their culture, sexual orientation, gender, disability, religious beliefs, senior status or HIV status are eligible for services. Multicultural competency trainings are provided to staff during the initial 40-hour training and throughout the year to address new information as it emerges to best meet the needs of these populations. Agency staff has participated in the CoC training on the HUD Equal Access and Gender Identity Final Rules.
- 5) CCC provides individual counseling and weekly support groups. Clients can meet at the CCC's main facility, at the courthouse, at a police department, or at an off-site counseling location. The choice is theirs and having choices promotes a client's self-determination and empowerment. Groups provide support from others who have experienced abusive and controlling behaviors from their partners. Referrals to community resources to meet other mental/emotional health needs and spiritual needs are made.
- 6) CCC provides parenting support and education to DV survivors, as well as children's counseling. There is individual counseling, group activities centered on non-violent problem solving and parenting groups. Referrals are made to community resources for child care expenses.

4A-3g.	Applicant's Experience Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of supportive services the project provided to domestic violence survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs.

(limit 5,000 characters)

Community Crisis Center (CCC) will ensure homeless DV survivors are assisted to quickly move into permanent housing with the use of individually tailored supportive services. These services will be incorporated into their domestic violence expertise in safety planning, trauma informed and survivor centered approaches. Case management will coordinate the assessment of survivor needs. DV counseling will be available to the client throughout the client's participation in the project. Supportive services will meet service needs in the areas of basic needs, mental health/substance abuse treatment, education and employment, health insurance, mainstream benefits, legal services, child custody, credit history, housing search and counseling. Child custody – Free legal services including child custody, orders of protection, criminal history and expungement procedures are provided by Prairie State Legal Services. CCC provided transportation and advocacy as well as translation services if the survivor did not speak the same language as the attorney. CCC and Prairie State ensure that the survivors' safety needs were addressed by maintaining confidentiality and using harm reduction strategies throughout the legal process. Bad Credit History-CCC case management assesses whether survivors need credit repair services provided by National Foundation for Credit Counseling. Case management assists survivors in how to approach housing with a landlord when you have a criminal record or a bad credit history. Housing Search and Counseling – CCC employs a DV Economic Empowerment Case Manager to assist clients with both employment-related concerns and job search as well as housing search and connection to resources. Crisis DV Services - Community Crisis Center has a 24 hour crisis hotline staffed 24/7/365, by professional case managers who provide trauma-informed support, which includes safety planning, assessing for emergency shelter, and assistance in navigating the restraining order processes. Walk-in services are available from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. 7 days a week. 184 women and 76 children spent 6358 safe nights in shelter. 1278 adults and children received domestic violence services. Long Term Housing Stability Planning – Case managers regularly follow up with survivors to revisit their safety and action plans as appropriate, especially when moving or after situations that might increase their abuser's attempts to find them (after leaving, after difficult court outcomes, etc.) Education/Employment - CCC partners with Elgin Community College to enroll survivors in GED classes, English as a Second Language, and/or other associates-level or certificate programs for survivors wanting to enhance their income or career prospects through education. We also work with the Illinois Workforce Development Program and our local unemployment office for clients who qualify for assistance through these programs. The Community Crisis Center has a grant that provides employment assistance. For example, if a participant needs to complete an online training, we have funding that can assist with that. The case manager will also provide employment listing updates and connect the client with the unemployment office. To obtain financial stability, there is life skills education regarding budgeting and savings. Participation in them is encouraged so participants can meet their employment/income goals and maintain self-sufficiency. Health Insurance/Mainstream Benefits - The case manager will assist with access to health insurance coverage wherever the client may be eligible, be it at the client's place of employment, through marketplace, or Medicaid. The case manager will assess eligibility for mainstream benefits and assist the client in obtaining any others the client may be eligible for, like LINK, WIC, TANF, Social Security, Medicaid, etc. Child Care can be provided by the YWCA or by this project if it is funded. Mental Health/Substance Abuse - When the client has mental health and/or substance abuse issues, the client will be offered an evaluation from Ecker Center for

Behavioral Health and Renz Addiction Counseling Center and encouraged to voluntarily follow through with any recommendations. Emergency Assistance - The CCC's Economic Crisis Program will assist with any material needs the client may have, including emergency food, toiletries, diapers, Goodwill vouchers, transportation assistance and other assistance. In FY2024, 2401 persons received assistance with food, toiletries, diapers, clothing, rent, medicines, utilities or transportation. 39,624 emergency meals were provided to 1564 households and 46,117 diapers were provided to 477 households. 82 households received rent and/or utility assistance.

4A-3h.	Applicant's Plan for Placing and Stabilizing Survivors in Permanent Housing Using Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(e)	

Describe in the field below how the project(s) will:
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1.	prioritize placement and stabilization of program participants;
2.	place program participants in permanent housing;
3.	place and stabilize program participants consistent with their preferences; and
4.	place and stabilize program participants consistent with their stated needs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Community Crisis Center has been serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking for over 45 years. Safety needs are most important. We have a shelter to house those affected by interpersonal violence as well as a 24 hour hotline, walk in services for stabilization, and the economic crisis program for immediate food, supplies, etc. The Community Crisis Center’s database includes information on all DV clients served, whether they are in shelter, calling our 24-hour hotline, or walking in for services. This Expansion of the Community Crisis Center Rapid Rehousing for DV will provide rent assistance and supportive services to a minimum amount of 4 DV survivor households. There will be 1 FTE Housing Counseling case manager to address their needs for safety, and include trauma-informed, survivor-centered approaches. The Community Crisis Center will be reviewing the county-wide Coordinated Entry Housing List to prioritize placement and stabilization and determine housing needs and preferences for survivors of DV. A Crisis Center staff member will regularly attend a Rapid Rehousing Panel to determine who is eligible in the county for the DV Bonus Rapid Rehousing program. Staff at CCC will complete VI-SPDATs with shelter residents in order for them to be placed on the county-wide Coordinated Entry Housing List. All assistance is individualized based on a clients stated needs and preferences. Community Crisis Center will use their domestic violence expertise in safety planning, trauma informed and victim centered approaches. Safety will be a number one goal. Using a Housing First approach, we will use low barriers in stabilizing and housing clients, by providing clients whatever assistance is needed. We will offer all of our Community Crisis Center programs and the supportive services funded in the project. The case managers will work to engage the client in participation. Length of assistance and services will be based on each household’s need. The housing navigator case manager will be connecting with landlords whom we currently have a relationship. The case manager will also be contacting area real estate companies to partner with as we provide these housing opportunities to the clients. The Community Crisis Center will continue to work with the Kane County Continuum staff in identifying landlords willing to rent to our clients.

4A-3i.	Applicant’s Plan for Administering Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Practices in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(e)	

Describe in the field below examples of how the new project(s) will:	
1.	establish and maintain an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant and staff interactions are based on equality, and minimize power differentials;
2.	provide program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;
3.	emphasize program participants’ strengths—for example, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans work towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;
4.	center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
5.	provide a variety of opportunities for program participants’ connections, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
6.	offer support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

(limit 5,000 characters)

Founded in 1975, Community Crisis Center is one of the oldest domestic violence shelters in Illinois and was instrumental in organizing both the Illinois and National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. In 1987 the Community Crisis Center expanded its domestic violence shelter to 40 beds and has 59 employees who provide services 24-hours a day, 7 days a week. The underlying philosophy of our Domestic Violence Program is that every person has a right to live in a safe environment. Our role is to support, provide information about resources, advocate when systems are blocking their progress and provide a safe place to stay when their home is not safe using trauma informed, victim centered approaches.

1) Community Crisis Center has established an environment of mutual respect in its current operations which will continue to be implemented with this new project. There are no punitive interventions. All interactions with staff include shared knowledge, shared values, and a shared practice with those survivors being served. This promotes mutual respect and that survivors have equal footing with staff. Our role is to support, provide information about resources, advocate when systems are blocking their progress and provide a safe place to stay when their home is not safe.

2) All staff will complete a 40 hour DV training upon hiring which includes survivor centered, trauma informed approaches. The Community Crisis Center also has monthly in-service and professional development training opportunities. From the first contact with a survivor, services focus on informing the client on trauma and supporting the client on a path towards personal safety and empowerment. By affirming that the violence is not the fault of the survivor, strength and confidence is introduced. Staff will discuss and continually provide information about safety planning, abuse, identifying types of abuse, characteristics of an abuser, cycle of violence, power and control, feelings, self-esteem, and other trauma-related concerns.

3) The Community Crisis Center project will have a full time bilingual DV Economic Empowerment Case Manager who meets with participants to assess life skills strengths. We recognize that each client has experienced trauma in different ways that impacts different parts of their lives. At Community Crisis Center, the individual services plan recognizes, understands, and effectively responds to these effects. Over the years, this recognition has resulted in a survivor centered, strengths-based approach that encourages survivors to be active participants in developing their action plans, prioritizes their choices, respects the need to individualize services toward their goals and outcomes.

4) All clients regardless of their culture, sexual orientation, gender, disability, religious beliefs, senior status or HIV status are eligible for services. Multicultural competency trainings are provided to staff during the initial 40-hour training and on yearly basis to address new information as it emerges to best meet the needs of these populations. Agency staff have participated in the CoC training on the HUD Equal Access and Gender Identity Final Rules.

5) Survivors have access to a 24 hour crisis line. Calls are confidential and can be anonymous. CCC will provide individual counseling and weekly support groups. Clients can meet at the CCC's main facility, at the courthouse, at a police department, or at an off-site counseling location. The choice is theirs and having choices promotes a client's self-determination and empowerment. Groups provide support from others who have experienced abusive and controlling behaviors. Referrals to community resources to meet other mental/emotional health needs and spiritual needs are made.

6) This project provides for direct child care assistance to households. The CCC's Economic Crisis Program will assist with any material needs the client may have, including emergency food, toiletries, diapers, Goodwill vouchers,

transportation assistance and other assistance. Referral will also made to community resources for child care expenses such as the YWCA. CCC currently provides parenting groups and education to DV survivors, children’s counseling, individual counseling, and group activities centered on non-violent problem solving.

4A-3j.	Applicant’s Plan for Involving Survivors in Policy and Program Development, Operations, and Evaluation in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(f)	

Describe in the field below how the new project will involve survivors:

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| 1. | with a range of lived expertise; and |
| 2. | in policy and program development throughout the project’s operation. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Community Crisis Center has an Advisory Council of community members, board members, and representatives from education, law enforcement, shelters and a formerly homeless person. The Community Crisis Center developed an Economic Crisis Advisory Committee which is a part of the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Advisory committees. A formerly homeless individual has attended the committee. This individual works with the other committee members, discussing current and future CCC policies and decisions regarding facility, service, and other assistance provided by the CCC. There was also a former staff person who attended that had lived experience, but she has recently retired. Community Crisis Center is currently seeking additional representation from a DV survivor or previous homeless individual. The DV survivors have safety concerns that we are working on.

2. The Economic Crisis committee consults with staff on program policy and procedures for the domestic violence and economic crisis programs. This group works with the agency to build the resources and leverage connections that will make the program more successful. The Community Crisis Center has provided outcome surveys to those who are staying in our shelter and rapid rehousing. The outcome surveys are also used with the walk-in clients, many who are homeless. Direct feedback from DV survivors is obtained from conversations with their primary case managers. The shelter is staffed 24 hours per day with assigned case management team. The opportunity to express concerns as well as positive feedback is always available. Both these methods provide valuable information about the DV survivors experience in our programs and are used to inform program changes, policies, and new program development. The agency integrates their input into the program to help the programs evolve and better serve clients.

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

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1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No	PHA Homeless Pref...	10/04/2024
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No	PHA Moving On Pre...	10/04/2024
1D-10a. Lived Experience Support Letter	Yes	Lived Experience ...	10/10/2024
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation	Yes	Housing First Eva...	10/04/2024
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	10/04/2024
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project	Yes	Scored Forms for ...	10/04/2024
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Notification of P...	10/04/2024
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes	Notification of P...	10/04/2024
1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Local Competition...	10/04/2024
1E-5c. Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		
1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		

2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes	HUD HDX Competiti...	10/04/2024
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No	Housing Leveragin...	10/04/2024
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No	Healthcare Formal...	10/04/2024
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
Other	No		

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Submission Summary

Ensure that the Project Priority List is complete prior to submitting.

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PHA HOMELESS PREFERENCE

The Housing Authority of Elgin letter

The Aurora Housing Authority letter



The Aurora Housing Authority™

September 30, 2024

Ms. Denise Momodu
Continuum of Care of Kane County
143 First Street
Batavia, IL 60510

Dear Ms. Momodu:

This letter is to notify the Kane County Continuum of Care of the homeless preference at the Housing Authority of the City of Aurora in Illinois per their Administrative Plan.

The Aurora Housing Authority has an admission preference for homeless persons as checked below in its administrative planning documents.

- General Preference
Limited Preference
None

Instruction: Please complete this table to give the CoC the % of New admissions into Public Housing programs and Housing Choice Vouchers during FY22 that were homeless at entry.

Table with 3 columns: Public Housing Name, Enter the % of New admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher programs during FY23 that were homeless at entry (10/1/22 - 9/30/203), and Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference in each of these types? The table contains data for Aurora Housing Authority, including percentages for Public Housing and Housing Choice Vouchers, and preference checkboxes.

Sincerely,

Ralph Jordan (handwritten signature)

Ralph Jordan
Executive Director



Commissioners
 John Steffen
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Executive Director
 Martell Armstrong

August 27, 2024

Ms. Denise Momodu
 Continuum of Care for Kane County
 143 First St
 Batavia IL, 60510

Dear Ms. Momodu

This letter is to notify the Kane County Continuum of Care of the homeless preference at the Housing Authority of Elgin Illinois as per their Administrative Plan.

The Housing Authority of Elgin has an admission preference for homeless persons as checked below in its administrative planning documents.

General Preference

Limited Preference

None

Instruction: Please complete this table to give the CoC the % of New admissions into Public Housing programs and Housing Choice Vouchers during FY22 that were homeless at entry.

Public Housing Name	Enter the % of New admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher programs during FY22 that were homeless at entry (10/1/21 - 9/30/22)	Does the PHA have a <u>General</u> or <u>Limited</u> Homeless Preference in each of these types?
Housing Authority of Elgin	Public Housing = % <u>N/A</u> Housing Choice Vouchers = % <u>0</u>	<p>Public Housing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Limited</p> <p>Housing Choice Vouchers</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Limited</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None of Above</p>





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Executive Director
Martell Armstrong

Sincerely,

M. Armstrong
Executive Director





PHA MOVING ON PREFERENCE

The Housing Authority of Elgin letter

The Aurora Housing Authority letter



September 30, 2024

Ms. Denise Momodu
Continuum of Care of Kane County
143 First Street
Batavia, IL 60510

Dear Ms. Momodu:

This letter is to notify you that the Aurora Housing Authority:

Does not have a Move on Preference

OR

Has a Move on Preference to provide rental subsidies to other housing assistance programs for current PSH Program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services. These include but are not limited to Housing Choice Vouchers and Public Housing units.

This Moving on Preference is documented in the:

- Administration Plan
- Admissions and Continued Policy (ACOP)
- Annual 5 Year Plan

	YES	NO
Multifamily assisted housing owners		
PHA		
Low Income Tax Credit Developments		
Local low income housing programs		
Other		

Sincerely,

Ralph Jordan
Executive Director



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Executive Director
Martell Armstrong

August 27, 2024

Ms. Denise Momodu
Continuum of Care for Kane County
143 First St
Batavia IL, 60510

Dear Ms. Momodu

This letter is to notify you that Elgin Housing Authority:

Does not have a Move on Preference

OR

Has a Move on Preference to provide rental subsidies to other housing assistance programs for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services. These include but are not limited to Housing Choice Vouchers and Public Housing units.

This Moving On preference is documented in the:

- Administration Plan
- Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP)
- Annual 5-year Plan

If the Housing Authority has a Moving ON preference, which affordable housing providers in your jurisdiction are used to move program participants into other subsidized housing?

	YES	NO
Multifamily assisted housing owners		
PHA		
Low Income Tax Credit developments		
Local low income housing programs		
Other		

Sincerely,

Executive Director



CONTINUUM OF CARE
For Kane County

October 1st, 2024

Denise Momodu
Associate Planner
Community Development
City of Elgin
150 Dexter Court
Elgin, IL 60120

Dear Ms. Momodu

This letter is to verify our support for the Aurora/Kane/Elgin CoC IL 517 priorities for serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness with severe service needs in the CoC's geographic area

We are members of the CoC Lived Experience Leadership Council. As voting members we are involved in the decision-making process.

We can verify the following:

- individuals with lived experience of homelessness, including unsheltered homelessness participate in CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups; including the Continuum of Care Board;
- Minutes from CoC or CoC Subcommittee meetings show people with lived experience are involved in decision-making);
- Individuals with lived experience of homelessness are included in the development, or revision, of the local competition rating factors and evaluation criteria;

Thank you,

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HOUSING FIRST EVALUATION

SCORED EVALUATION OF LIGHTHOUSE CONSOLIDATED 2

permanent supportive housing

HOUSING FIRST EVALUATION – LIGHTHOUSE CONSOLIDATED 2

Section Five: Housing First

1. Describe how your program uses and maintains a Housing First model. 1500 characters

Our Policy Manual states that: Housing First is a recovery-oriented, evidence-based philosophy and approach that recognizes that housing is a basic human right, and that people are better equipped to make progress in their lives if they have a safe, stable place to live. Through Housing First, people can access permanent housing without having to meet any prerequisites, like sobriety or the completion of programs, that are not required of any typical renter.

Housing First recognizes that homelessness is, first and foremost, a housing crisis, which can be addressed and resolved by providing safe, affordable and supportive housing to those who are homeless. This approach prioritizes people’s basic needs, like food and shelter, above less critical necessities such as employment, income, or sobriety.

Housing First is commonly implemented through permanent supportive housing. Permanent supportive housing pairs wraparound supportive services with long-term rental assistance.

This approach supports the idea that people experiencing homelessness have the right to self-determination, respect, and dignity — and that everyone is “housing ready.”

Making support and services voluntary has been shown to make it more likely for people to actually use available services, which ultimately promotes housing stability and well-being. In fact, many people experience improvements in quality of life as a result of being housed.

1a. Does the project quickly move participants into permanent housing? Yes No

2. Has the project removed the following barriers to accessing housing and services? Check all that apply.

Having too little or no income	x	Having a criminal record with exceptions for state mandated restrictions	x	Any other activity not covered in a lease agreement typically found in your geographic area.	x
Active or history of substance abuse	x	History of domestic violence	x	None of the above	

3. Has the project removed the following as reasons for termination? Select all that apply.

Failure to participate in support services	x	Loss of income or failure to improve income	x	Any other activity not covered in a typical lease agreement in the area	x
Failure to make progress on a service plan	x	Being a victim of domestic violence	X	None of the above	

4. Does your project follow a Housing First model?

Yes No (must select all above to be considered Housing First)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Having a criminal record¹</i> • <i>Having an eviction record</i> • <i>Having a history of domestic violence</i> <p>2. <i>An applicant will be penalized if a project terminates program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Failure to participate in program services</i> • <i>Failure to make progress on a service plan</i> • <i>Loss of, or failure to improve income</i> • <i>Being a victim of domestic violence</i> • <i>Activities not covered in a lease agreement</i> 		<p><i>Does the applicant screen program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Having too little or no income <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Active or history of substance abuse <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having a criminal record² <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having an eviction record <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having a history of domestic violence <input type="checkbox"/></i> <p><i>Does the applicant terminate program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Failure to participate in program services <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Failure to make progress on a service plan <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Loss of, or failure to improve income</i> • <i>Being a victim of domestic violence <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Activities not covered in a lease agreement <input type="checkbox"/></i> <p>Any checked boxes will results in 0 points for Housing First Model.</p>
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¹*With exceptions for state mandated restrictions*

²*With exceptions for state mandated restrictions*



LOCAL COMPETITION SCORING TOOL

Evaluation Sheet – Renewals

Evaluation Sheet – New Projects

DV Questionnaire

CoC PROGRAM NOFA APPLICATION EVALUATION SHEET – Renewal

Project Name		
Agency		
Proposed Services:	Total Participants Served:	
Budget Summary	Grant Request:	\$0,000.00
	Documented Match:	\$0,000.00
	Total Cost:	\$0,000.00

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	RATING	COMMENTS
	Max:5	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Excellent 5 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Good 4points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Fair 2.5 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Poor 0 points </div> </div>
<p><i>Should this project be considered for reallocation?</i></p> <p><i>Outstanding audit findings: Successful applicants will not have any outstanding HUD, state and local government monitoring and/or audit findings. (1 pt)</i></p> <p><i>CoC Participation: Successful applicants will be members in good standing of the Continuum of Care. (1 pt)</i></p> <p><i>CoC Interim Rule Compliance: Successful applicants will be in full compliance with all applicable requirements of the CoC Interim Rule (24 CFR part 578), including participation in (or willingness to participate in) the Coordinated Entry System. (1 pt)</i></p> <p><i>The project has a housing first model (2 pts)</i></p> <p>1. An applicant will be penalized if a</p>	<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">_ / 5</div>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Requirement Satisfied?: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Requirement Satisfied?: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Requirement Satisfied?: <input type="checkbox"/></p>

<p><i>program screens out program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Having too little or no income</i> • <i>Active or history of substance abuse</i> • <i>Having a criminal record¹</i> • <i>Having an eviction record</i> • <i>Having a history of domestic violence</i> <p>2. <i>An applicant will be penalized if a project terminates program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Failure to participate in program services</i> • <i>Failure to make progress on a service plan</i> • <i>Loss of, or failure to improve income</i> • <i>Being a victim of domestic violence</i> • <i>Activities not covered in a lease agreement</i> 		<p><i>Does the applicant screen program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Having too little or no income <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Active or history of substance abuse <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having a criminal record² <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having an eviction record <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having a history of domestic violence <input type="checkbox"/></i> <p><i>Does the applicant terminate program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Failure to participate in program services <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Failure to make progress on a service plan <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Loss of, or failure to improve income</i> • <i>Being a victim of domestic violence <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Activities not covered in a lease agreement <input type="checkbox"/></i> <p>Any checked boxes will results in 0 points for Housing First Model.</p>
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Project Design

The Continuum of Care will give preference to projects that are based on Housing First principles and focus on populations and needs that have been prioritized by the Continuum of Care. Applicants will be evaluated on a four-point scale (Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor) based on how well the application addresses each Design criterion below. Renewal applications will be rated based on performance during the past year; new projects will be rated based on information included in the project application and the Applicant Questionnaire.

Responsiveness to Design Evaluation Criteria







Excellent Good Fair Poor

DESIGN CRITERIA	RATING	COMMENTS			
1. Severity of Needs	Max: 10	 Excellent 10 points	 Good 8points	 Fair 5 points	 Poor 0 points


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<p>The project serves people who have experienced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronically homeless persons • LGBTQ+ persons • Youth • Veterans • Low or no income persons • Current substance abuse, significant health or behavioral health challenges, or functional impairments • Coming from the streets • Criminal history • Abuse/victimization or a history of victimization/abuse, Domestic Violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse, sex trafficking • High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs • Length of time homeless • Risk of continued homelessness • Risk of illness or death • Only project of its kind in the CoC geography • None <p>Criterion scoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent – all these groups(10) • Good – 8 • Fair – 5+ • Poor – 4 or less 	<p>_ /10</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronically homeless persons <input type="checkbox"/> • LGBTQ+ persons <input type="checkbox"/> • Youth <input type="checkbox"/> • Veterans <input type="checkbox"/> • Low or no income persons <input type="checkbox"/> • Current substance abuse, significant health or behavioral health challenges, or functional impairments <input type="checkbox"/> • Coming from the streets <input type="checkbox"/> • Criminal history <input type="checkbox"/> • Abuse/victimization or a history of victimization/abuse, Domestic Violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse, sex trafficking <input type="checkbox"/> • High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs <input type="checkbox"/> • Length of time homeless <input type="checkbox"/> • Risk of continued homelessness <input type="checkbox"/> • Risk of illness or death <input type="checkbox"/> • Only project of its kind in the CoC geography <input type="checkbox"/> • None <input type="checkbox"/>
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DESIGN CRITERIA	RATING	COMMENTS			
<p>2. Involving persons with Lived Experience</p>	<p>Max: 5</p>	 Excellent 5points	 Good 4points	 Fair 2.5 points	 Poor 0 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agency has an advisory council or similar entity of persons with lived experience involved in feedback on service delivery. (2.5pts) • Agency has actively engaged, recruited, trained, and/or compensated persons with lived experience to provide feedback. (1.5pt) • Agency obtains feedback through exit 	<p>_ /5</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisory council or similar entity's <input type="checkbox"/> • Engaged, recruited, trained or compensated for feedbacks <input type="checkbox"/> • Obtain feedback through exit surveys or follow up contact <input type="checkbox"/> 			

surveys, client satisfaction surveys or follow up contacts from persons with lived experience. (1 pt)		
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3. Local Priorities / Special Populations/Racial Equity	Max: 10	 Excellent Good Fair Poor 10 points 8 points 5points 0 points
<p><i>Preference will be given to projects that serve one or more of the following local priority populations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronically homeless (2.5) • Households with children (2.5) <p><i>Has the agency taken steps to identify and address racial disparities in their programs?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes/No (5pts) 	<p>_ /5</p> <p>_ /5</p>	

4 . Services and Benefit obtainment	Max: 10	 Excellent Good Fair Poor 10 points 8 points 5points 0 points
<p><i>The project:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides transportation assistance to enable clients to attend mainstream benefit appointments and/or employment training, or to travel to work • Follows up with participants at least 	<p>_ /10</p>	

<p>annually to ensure mainstream benefits are received and renewed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides program participants with access to SSI/SSDI technical assistance, either by the applicant, a subrecipient, or partner agency <p><i>Criterion Scoring</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Excellent – provides all three of the services above</i> <i>Good – provides only two of the above services</i> <i>Fair – provides only one of the above services</i> <i>Poor – provides none of the services listed above</i> 		
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5. Equal Access/Gender Identity/Anti-discrimination	Max: 5	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  Excellent 5 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Good 4points </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Fair 2 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Poor 0 points </div> </div>
<p><i>The agency is compliant with CoC policies to implement the Equal Access and Gender Identity Final Rules AND Anti-discrimination policies.</i></p> <p><i>Scoring criteria:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Excellent – all policies were provided and are compliant.</i> <i>Good – all policies were provided and mostly compliant.</i> <i>Fair – some policies were provided and mostly compliant.</i> <i>Poor – no policies were provided or policies were out of compliance.</i> 	<p>_ /5</p>	

Project Performance

The Continuum of Care will give preference to high performing projects. New Applications and Renewals will be evaluated on a four-point scale (Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor) based on how well they address each performance criterion below. Renewal applications will be rated based on performance during the past year; new projects will be rated based on projections included in the project application and information in the Applicant Questionnaire.

Responsiveness to Performance Evaluation Criteria







Excellent Good Fair Poor

2. Project Performance *first year projects awarded 50% points*	Max: 35	 Excellent Good Fair Poor 30+ 25-29 18-24 0-17																														
Projects' effectiveness will be demonstrated through the following metrics: Financial Drawdowns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – Completed quarterly drawdowns</i> • <i>Good – Missed 1 quarterly drawdown</i> • <i>Fair – Missed 2 quarterly drawdowns</i> • <i>Poor – Missed 3 quarterly drawdowns</i> Percentage of Funds Expended <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – 95% or more of grant expended</i> • <i>Good – 90-94% of grant expended</i> • <i>Fair – 85-89% of grant expended</i> • <i>Poor – less than 85% of the grant expended</i> Annual Performance Report Submitted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – Submitted on time and accepted with 0-1 returns for corrections</i> • <i>Good – Submitted on time and accepted with 2 returns for corrections</i> • <i>Fair – Submitted on time and accepted with 3 returns for corrections</i> • <i>Poor – Submitted late, or accepted with 4 or more returns for corrections</i> 	_ /35	<table border="0" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;"></td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Excellent</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Good</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Fair</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Poor</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">3 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 points</td> </tr> </table> <table border="0" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;"></td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Excellent</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Good</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Fair</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Poor</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">3 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 points</td> </tr> </table> <table border="0" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;"></td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Excellent</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Good</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Fair</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Poor</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">3 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1 points</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 points</td> </tr> </table>		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor		3 points	2 points	1 points	0 points		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor		3 points	2 points	1 points	0 points		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor		3 points	2 points	1 points	0 points
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<p>Exits to Permanent Housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – 95% (PH), 90% (others)</i> • <i>Good –90% (PH), 85% (others)</i> • <i>Fair –80% (PH), 75% (others)</i> • <i>Poor –less than 80% (PH), less than 75% (others)</i> <p>Unit Utilization Rate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent –100%</i> • <i>Good –95%</i> • <i>Fair –90%</i> • <i>Poor –less than 90%</i> <p>Income Growth (<i>all leavers, and stayers who have been in the project for more than 365 days</i>) (+)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – 50%</i> • <i>Good – 45%</i> • <i>Fair –40%</i> • <i>Poor –less than 40%</i> <p>Returns to Homelessness within 6 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent –5%</i> • <i>Good –10%</i> • <i>Fair –15%</i> • <i>Poor –greater than 15%</i> 		<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Excellent</td> <td>Good</td> <td>Fair</td> <td>Poor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7 points</td> <td>4 points</td> <td>1 point</td> <td>0 points</td> </tr> </table> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Excellent</td> <td>Good</td> <td>Fair</td> <td>Poor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5 points</td> <td>2 points</td> <td>1 points</td> <td>0 points</td> </tr> </table> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Excellent</td> <td>Good</td> <td>Fair</td> <td>Poor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7 points</td> <td>4 points</td> <td>1 point</td> <td>0 points</td> </tr> </table>	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	7 points	4 points	1 point	0 points	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	5 points	2 points	1 points	0 points	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	7 points	4 points	1 point	0 points
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3. Data *first year projects awarded 50% points*	Max: 20				
		Excellent 20 points	Good 14-19 points	Fair 7-14 points	Poor 0-7 points
Applicants will be expected to meet or exceed the following data quality standards, as detailed in the CoC's HMIS Policies and Procedures:	_ /20	Excellent Good Fair Poor			
<p>Completeness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent –no more than 5% missing PII (personally identifying information)</i> • <i>Good –no more than 7% missing PII</i> • <i>Fair - no more than 10% missing PII</i> • <i>Poor –more than 10% missing PII</i> <p>Timeliness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent –majority of records entered on the same day that client received services</i> • <i>Good –majority of records entered within 3 days of the day client received services</i> • <i>Fair - majority of records entered within 10 days of the day client received services</i> • <i>Poor –majority of records entered more than 10 days after the day client received services</i> 		<p>Excellent Good Fair Poor</p> <p>12 points 8 points 4 points 0 points</p>			
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		<p>Excellent Good Fair Poor</p> <p>8 points 6 points 4 points 0 points</p>			

RENEWAL Evaluation Outcome

Evaluation Criteria	Max. Score	Proposer Score	Total Score: <u>XX/100</u>
Design Criteria	45	XX	
Performance Criteria	55	XX	

CoC PROGRAM NOFA APPLICATION EVALUATION SHEET – New Project

Project Name		
Agency		
Proposed Services		
Total Participants Served:		
Budget Summary:	Grant Request:	
	Documented Match:	
	Total Cost:	

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	RATING	COMMENTS
	Max: 5	Excellent 5 points
		Good 4points
		Fair 2.5 points
		Poor 0 points
<p><i>Outstanding audit findings: Successful applicants will not have any outstanding HUD, state and local government monitoring and/or audit findings.</i></p> <p><i>CoC Participation: Successful applicants will be members in good standing of the Continuum of Care. (Section 1, question 11)</i></p> <p><i>CoC Interim Rule Compliance: Successful applicants will be in full compliance with all applicable requirements of the CoC Interim Rule (24 CFR part 578), including participation in (or willingness to participate in) the Coordinated Entry System. (Section 1, question 12)</i></p> <p><i>House First/Reducing Barriers</i> <i>The project has a housing first model.</i></p> <p>3. An applicant will be penalized if a program screens out program participants for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having too little or no income • Active or history of substance abuse • Having a criminal record³ • Having an eviction record • Having a history of domestic violence <p>4. An applicant will be penalized if a project terminates program participants for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Failure to participate in program services • Failure to make progress on a service plan • Loss of, or failure to improve income • Being a victim of domestic violence • Activities not covered in a lease agreement 	/5	<p><i>Requirement Satisfied?: <input type="checkbox"/></i></p> <p><i>Requirement Satisfied?: <input type="checkbox"/></i></p> <p><i>Requirement Satisfied?: <input type="checkbox"/></i></p> <p><i>Does the applicant screen program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Having too little or no income <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Active or history of substance abuse <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having a criminal record <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having an eviction record <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having a history of domestic violence <input type="checkbox"/></i> <p><i>Does the applicant terminate program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Failure to participate in program services <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Failure to make progress on a service plan <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Loss of, or failure to improve income</i> • <i>Being a victim of domestic violence <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Activities not covered in a lease agreement <input type="checkbox"/></i>

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Responsiveness to Design Evaluation Criteria






DESIGN CRITERIA	RATING	COMMENTS
1. Soundness of Program Design	Max: 25	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Excellent 25 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Good 20 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Fair 15 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Poor 10 points </div> </div>
<p><i>The applicant's proposal will be evaluated for overall feasibility and anticipated impact.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Is the project a logical extension of the agency's mission and work?</i> • <i>Does the agency have a landlord identification plan?</i> • <i>Does the agency have staffing plan for the new project?</i> • <i>Will the potential impact of this program assist the CoC in addressing the specific needs of the Continuum?</i> • <i>Does the budget make sense? Is it cost-effective?</i> <p><i>Criterion Scoring</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – all yes</i> • <i>Good – four "yes" responses</i> • <i>Fair – three "yes" responses</i> • <i>Poor – two or less "yes" responses</i> 	25	





2. Agency Capacity and Expertise	Max: 25	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Excellent 25 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Good 20 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Fair 15 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Poor 10 points </div> </div>
<p><i>The applicant's past performance managing CoC awards (or other similar funding sources) will be considered. The applicant's likely ability to administer CoC funding (in addition to its existing programming) will be considered.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Are key staff already in place and ready to begin work?</i> • <i>Are staff well qualified and experienced in the type of services proposed?</i> • <i>The organization has no recent history (last 5 years) of grant funds being recaptured.</i> 	/20	





<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the agency experienced in effectively managing federal (or similarly sourced) funds? Is the agency ready to begin within 90 of their award? <p>Criterion Scoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent – all “yes” responses Good – four “yes” responses Fair – three “yes” responses Poor – two or less “yes” responses 		
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DESIGN CRITERIA	RATING	COMMENTS
3. Severity of Needs	Max: 15	 Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor 15 points 10 points 5 points 0 points
<p>The project serves people who have experienced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chronically homeless persons LGBTQ+ persons Youth Veterans Low or no income persons Current substance abuse, significant health or behavioral health challenges, or functional impairments Coming from the streets Criminal history Abuse/victimization or a history of victimization/abuse, Domestic Violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse, sex trafficking High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs Length of time homeless Risk of continued homelessness Risk of illness or death Only project of its kind in the CoC geography None <p>Criterion scoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent – all these groups Good – 10+ Fair – 5+ Poor – 4 or less 	/15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chronically homeless persons <input type="checkbox"/> LGBTQ+ persons <input type="checkbox"/> Youth <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans <input type="checkbox"/> Low or no income persons <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current substance abuse, significant health or behavioral health challenges, or functional impairments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coming from the streets <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal history <input type="checkbox"/> Abuse/victimization or a history of victimization/abuse, Domestic Violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse, sex trafficking <input type="checkbox"/> High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs <input type="checkbox"/> Length of time homeless <input type="checkbox"/> Risk of continued homelessness <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Risk of illness or death <input type="checkbox"/> Only project of its kind in the CoC geography <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/>





4. Local Priorities / Special Populations (5pts) Racial Equity (5pts)	Max: 10	 Excellent  Fair  Poor 10 points 5points 0 points
Preference will be given to projects that serve one or more of the following special populations/local	/10	

<p>priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronically homeless • Members of households with children • Veterans • Rapid Rehousing • DV Bonus Project 		
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5. Mainstream Benefits	Max: 10	 Excellent 10 points  Good 8 points  Fair 5 points  Poor 0 points
<p>The project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides transportation assistance to enable clients to attend mainstream benefit appointments and/or employment training, or to travel to work • Follows up with participants at least annually to ensure mainstream benefits are received and renewed • Provides program participants with access to SSI/SSDI technical assistance, either by the applicant, a subrecipient, or partner agency <p>Criterion Scoring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent – provides all three of the services above • Good – provides only two of the above services • Fair – provides only one of the above services • Poor – provides none of the services listed above 	/10	

4. Equal Access/Gender Identity/Anti-discrimination	Max: 10	 Excellent 10 points  Good 8 points  Fair 5 points  Poor 0 points
<p>The agency is compliant with CoC policies to implement the Equal Access and Gender Identity Final</p>		

<p>Rules AND Anti-discrimination policies.</p> <p>Scoring criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent – all policies were provided and are compliant. • Good – all policies were provided and mostly compliant. • Fair – some policies were provided and mostly compliant. • Poor – no policies were provided or policies were out of compliance. 	<p>/10</p>	
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DESIGN CRITERIA	RATING	COMMENTS			
5. Involving persons with Lived Experience	Max: 5	 Excellent 5points	 Good 4points	 Fair 2.5 points	 Poor 0 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agency has an advisory council or similar entity of persons with lived experience involved in feedback on service delivery. (2.5pts) • Agency has actively engaged, recruited, trained, and/or compensated persons with lived experience to provide feedback. (1.5pt) • Agency obtains feedback through exit surveys, client satisfaction surveys or follow up contacts from persons with lived experience. (1 pt) 	<p>_ /5</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisory council or similar entity's <input type="checkbox"/> • Engaged, recruited, trained or compensated for feedbacks <input type="checkbox"/> • Obtain feedback through exit surveys or follow up contact <input type="checkbox"/> 			

NEW PROJECT Evaluation Outcome

Evaluation Criteria	Max. Score	Proposer Score	Total Score:
Design Criteria	100		<p><u>/100</u></p>

2024 DV BONUS PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE

APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT TYPE

DV1. Is this project an expansion of an existing CoC renewal? DV bonus funding may be used to expand an existing renewal that is not exclusively for DV survivors as long as the expansion is exclusively for DV survivors.

Yes No

DV2. Does this applicant receive VAWA funding from the state or federal government?

Yes No

If yes, does the applicant use a comparable database to HMIS?

Yes No N/A

DV3. Describe the extent of the need for homeless services for survivors of DV and their families who are defined as homeless at 24CFR 578.3 (4). (10 points possible).

Maximum characters: 1500.

DV4. Describe your project’s previous experience in serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking and the ability to house this population and improve program safety outcomes. (10 points possible). *Maximum characters: 1500.*

DV5. What is your plan to involve survivors in policy and program development? 1500

2023 NOFO DV BONUS PROJECT SCORING

2023 NOFA	Maximum Points Available
CoC Score -. Up to 50 points in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC Application.	50
Collaboration with the Victim - in relation to the CoC application score in sections related to DV service provider collaboration	10
Need for the Project – Quantify the extent of the need and how the project will fill that gap.	10
Quality of the Project Applicant - Previous experience and performance in serving survivors.	15
Inclusion of victim – centered practices – plan to adopt Housing First, Trauma Informed approach, Confidentiality and Safety practices	8
Plan to Include Survivors with Lived Experience – how you will involve survivors in policy and program development	7
Total Possible Score	100



SCORED FORMS for ONE PROJECT

SCORED EVALUATION OF LIGHTHOUSE CONSOLIDATED 2

permanent supportive housing

CoC PROGRAM NOFA APPLICATION EVALUATION SHEET – Renewal

Project Name	Hesed House - LIGHT-House Consolidated 2	
Agency	Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc	
Proposed Services:	Total Participants Served:	58
Budget Summary	Grant Request:	\$773,934
	Documented Match:	\$63,415
	Total Cost:	\$837,349

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS	RATING	COMMENTS
	Max:5	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Excellent 5 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Good 4 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Fair 2.5 points </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Poor 0 points </div> </div>
<p><i>Should this project be considered for reallocation?</i></p> <p><i>Outstanding audit findings: Successful applicants will not have any outstanding HUD, state and local government monitoring and/or audit findings. (1 pt)</i></p> <p><i>CoC Participation: Successful applicants will be members in good standing of the Continuum of Care. (1 pt)</i></p> <p><i>CoC Interim Rule Compliance: Successful applicants will be in full compliance with all applicable requirements of the CoC Interim Rule (24 CFR part 578), including participation in (or willingness to participate in) the Coordinated Entry System. (1 pt)</i></p> <p><i>The project has a housing first model (2 pts)</i></p> <p>1. An applicant will be penalized if a</p>	5/5	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Requirement Satisfied?: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Requirement Satisfied?: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Requirement Satisfied?: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>

<p><i>program screens out program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Having too little or no income</i> • <i>Active or history of substance abuse</i> • <i>Having a criminal record¹</i> • <i>Having an eviction record</i> • <i>Having a history of domestic violence</i> <p>2. <i>An applicant will be penalized if a project terminates program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Failure to participate in program services</i> • <i>Failure to make progress on a service plan</i> • <i>Loss of, or failure to improve income</i> • <i>Being a victim of domestic violence</i> • <i>Activities not covered in a lease agreement</i> 		<p><i>Does the applicant screen program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Having too little or no income <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Active or history of substance abuse <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having a criminal record² <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having an eviction record <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Having a history of domestic violence <input type="checkbox"/></i> <p><i>Does the applicant terminate program participants for:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Failure to participate in program services <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Failure to make progress on a service plan <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Loss of, or failure to improve income</i> • <i>Being a victim of domestic violence <input type="checkbox"/></i> • <i>Activities not covered in a lease agreement <input type="checkbox"/></i> <p>Any checked boxes will results in 0 points for Housing First Model.</p>
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Project Design

The Continuum of Care will give preference to projects that are based on Housing First principles and focus on populations and needs that have been prioritized by the Continuum of Care. Applicants will be evaluated on a four-point scale (Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor) based on how well the application addresses each Design criterion below. Renewal applications will be rated based on performance during the past year; new projects will be rated based on information included in the project application and the Applicant Questionnaire.

Responsiveness to Design Evaluation Criteria









Excellent Good Fair Poor

DESIGN CRITERIA	RATING	COMMENTS			
1. Severity of Needs	Max: 10	 Excellent 10 points	 Good 8points	 Fair 5 points	 Poor 0 points





¹With exceptions for state mandated restrictions

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<p>The project serves people who have experienced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chronically homeless persons LGBTQ+ persons Youth Veterans Low or no income persons Current substance abuse, significant health or behavioral health challenges, or functional impairments Coming from the streets Criminal history Abuse/victimization or a history of victimization/abuse, Domestic Violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse, sex trafficking High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs Length of time homeless Risk of continued homelessness Risk of illness or death Only project of its kind in the CoC geography None <p>Criterion scoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excellent – all these groups(10) Good – 8 Fair – 5+ Poor – 4 or less 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chronically homeless persons ☒ LGBTQ+ persons ☒ Youth ☒ Veterans ☒ Low or no income persons ☒ Current substance abuse, significant health or behavioral health challenges, or functional impairments ☒ Coming from the streets ☒ Criminal history ☒ Abuse/victimization or a history of victimization/abuse, Domestic Violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse, sex trafficking ☒ High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs ☒ Length of time homeless ☒ Risk of continued homelessness ☒ Risk of illness or death ☒ Only project of its kind in the CoC geography ☐ None ☐
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DESIGN CRITERIA	RATING	COMMENTS			
2. Involving persons with Lived Experience	Max: 5	 Excellent	 Good	 Fair	 Poor
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<p>are received and renewed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides program participants with access to SSI/SSDI technical assistance, either by the applicant, a subrecipient, or partner agency <p><i>Criterion Scoring</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Excellent – provides all three of the services above</i> <i>Good – provides only two of the above services</i> <i>Fair – provides only one of the above services</i> <i>Poor – provides none of the services listed above</i> 		
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<p><i>The agency is compliant with CoC policies to implement the Equal Access and Gender Identity Final Rules AND Anti-discrimination policies.</i></p> <p><i>Scoring criteria:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Excellent – all policies were provided and are compliant.</i> <i>Good – all policies were provided and mostly compliant.</i> <i>Fair – some policies were provided and mostly compliant.</i> <i>Poor – no policies were provided or policies were out of compliance.</i> 	<div style="font-size: 2em; margin-bottom: 10px;">●</div> <div style="font-size: 2em;">5/5</div>	


Project Performance

The Continuum of Care will give preference to high performing projects. New Applications and Renewals will be evaluated on a four-point scale (Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor) based on how well they address each performance criterion below. Renewal applications will be rated based on performance during the past year; new projects will be rated based on projections included in the project application and information in the Applicant Questionnaire.

Responsiveness to Performance Evaluation Criteria



Excellent Good Fair Poor

2. Project Performance *first year projects awarded 50% points*	Max: 35	 Excellent Good Fair Poor 30+ 25-29 18-24 0-17			
Projects' effectiveness will be demonstrated through the following metrics: Financial Drawdowns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – Completed quarterly drawdowns</i> • <i>Good – Missed 1 quarterly drawdown</i> • <i>Fair – Missed 2 quarterly drawdowns</i> • <i>Poor – Missed 3 quarterly drawdowns</i> Percentage of Funds Expended <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – 95% or more of grant expended</i> • <i>Good – 90-94% of grant expended</i> • <i>Fair – 85-89% of grant expended</i> • <i>Poor – less than 85% of the grant expended</i> Annual Performance Report Submitted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent – Submitted on time and accepted with 0-1 returns for corrections</i> • <i>Good – Submitted on time and accepted with 2 returns for corrections</i> • <i>Fair – Submitted on time and accepted with 3 returns for corrections</i> • <i>Poor – Submitted late, or accepted with 4 or more returns for corrections</i> 	 28 /35	Excellent 3 points	Good 2 points	Fair 1 points	Poor 0 points

Exits to Permanent Housing

- *Excellent – 95% (PH), 90% (others)*
- *Good –90% (PH), 85% (others)*
- *Fair –80% (PH), 75% (others)*
- *Poor –less than 80% (PH), less than 75% (others)*

Unit Utilization Rate

- *Excellent –100%*
- *Good –95%*
- *Fair –90%*
- *Poor –less than 90%*

Income Growth (*all leavers, and stayers who have been in the project for more than 365 days*) (+)

- *Excellent – 50%*
- *Good – 45%*
- *Fair –40%*
- *Poor –less than 40%*

Returns to Homelessness within 6 months

- *Excellent –5%*
- *Good –10%*
- *Fair –15%*
- *Poor –greater than 15%*

Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
7 points	4 points	1 point	0 points

Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
5 points	2 points	1 points	0 points

Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
7 points	4 points	1 point	0 points

		Excellent 7 points	Good 4 points	Fair 1 point	Poor 0 points
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<p>3. Data</p> <p>*first year projects awarded 50% points*</p>	<p>Max: 20</p>	<p>●</p> <p>Excellent</p> <p>20 points</p>	<p>◐</p> <p>Good</p> <p>14-19 points</p>	<p>◑</p> <p>Fair</p> <p>7-14 points</p>	<p>○</p> <p>Poor</p> <p>0-7 points</p>
<p>Applicants will be expected to meet or exceed the following data quality standards, as detailed in the CoC's HMIS Policies and Procedures:</p> <p>Completeness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent –no more than 5% missing PII (personally identifying information)</i> • <i>Good –no more than 7% missing PII</i> • <i>Fair - no more than 10% missing PII</i> • <i>Poor –more than 10% missing PII</i> <p>Timeliness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Excellent –majority of records entered on the same day that client received services</i> • <i>Good –majority of records entered within 3 days of the day client received services</i> • <i>Fair - majority of records entered within 10 days of the day client received services</i> • <i>Poor –majority of records entered more than 10 days after the day client received services</i> 	<p>◐</p> <p>18</p> <p>/20</p>	<p>Excellent</p> <p>12 points</p>	<p>Good</p> <p>8 points</p>	<p>Fair</p> <p>4 points</p>	<p>Poor</p> <p>0 points</p>
		<p>Excellent</p> <p>8 points</p>	<p>Good</p> <p>6 points</p>	<p>Fair</p> <p>4 points</p>	<p>Poor</p> <p>0 points</p>

Evaluation Outcome

Evaluation Criteria	Max. Score	Proposer Score	<p>Total Score:</p> <p><u>89/100</u></p>
Design Criteria	45	43	
Performance Criteria	55	46	



PUBLIC POSTING – PROJECTS REJECTED-REDUCED

EMAIL NOTIFICATION TO COC

PROJECTS REJECTED-REDUCED NOTIFICATION SIGNED

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CONTINUUM OF CARE
For Kane County

TO: Aurora/Elgin/Kane IL 517 CoC Members

DATE: September 13, 2024

FROM: Denise Momudu, Chair, Continuum of Care for Kane County

RE: NOTIFICATION OF 2024 PROJECTS REJECTED/REDUCED

The Aurora/Elgin/Kane Continuum completed the project selection and tiering process on September 4, 2024. This year eight renewal projects, 2 new bonus projects and 2 DV bonus projects were accepted for inclusion on the 2024 Project Priority List. Two projects were reduced and no projects were rejected.

All eight renewal projects were accepted with the requested funding amount. There was a voluntary reallocation of the Abbott renewal PSH project and a partial reallocation of the Leasing renewal PSH project. These funds were used to create the Light-House Consolidated 2 Expansion new PSH project placed in Tier One. This project was reduced from its original request of \$167,668 to \$146,849 to meet the Tier One total.

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All projects that were approved for inclusion are prioritized in a two tier approach. The tiers are financial thresholds. Tier 1 is 90% of the Annual Renewal Demand for current projects. Tier 2 is the difference between Tier 1 and the maximum amount of renewal, reallocation and bonus funds available. (excluding the DV bonus amount). DV bonus projects follow the Tier Two projects. The Planning project is excluded from tiering.

Tier 2 project-level scoring is based on 100 points with 3 criteria – CoC Application score, ranked position of the project application in Tier 2, and the project application's commitment to Housing First. Up to 50 pts CoC Score + 40 pts Rank number in Tier 2 + 10pts. Housing First project.

Denise Momudu

09/13/24

Signature of Continuum of Care Representative

Date



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TO: Aurora/Elgin/Kane IL 517 CoC Members

DATE: September 13, 2024

FROM: Denise Momodu, Chair, Continuum of Care for Kane County

RE: NOTIFICATION OF 2024 PROJECTS ACCEPTED AND RANKING/TIERING

The Aurora/Elgin/Kane Continuum completed the project selection and tiering process on September 4, 2024. Eight renewal projects were considered for inclusion on the 2024 Project Priority Listing. All eight renewal projects were accepted at their full funding amount. Two new bonus projects were submitted and accepted. Two DV bonus projects were submitted and accepted. The Kane CoC was eligible to apply for \$353,127 for one or more domestic violence bonus projects.

The CoC Board scored each new and renewal application using the CoC Program NOFA Evaluation Criteria which contains objective ranking criteria. All projects submitted were placed in order of scoring on the CoC NOFA Scoring Summary. This summary with the final Tiering list is posted on <https://www.countyofkane.org/Pages/ocr/continuumCare.aspx>.

The final Tiering list also attached to this notification. All renewal projects and one renewal expansion were ranked in Tier One. Community Crisis Center Rapid Rehousing for DV project was the lowest scoring renewal project and was ranked partially in Tier One and Tier Two. The Kane County new Rapid Rehousing project is placed after the Community Crisis Center renewal in Tier Two. Its full amount was \$142,200. The Fox Valley Habitat for Humanity PSH project was placed third in Tier Two. The amount was reduced to \$178,439. This results in the exact amount needed for Tier Two of \$587,838.

Two DV bonus projects were accepted at their full amounts. Kane County DV Rapid Rehousing funding request is \$211,320. Community Crisis Center Expansion of Rapid Rehousing for DV was accepted in the amount of \$141,807. Both of these projects total the full DV bonus amount available of \$353,127. These projects are placed after Tier Two and scored on a different basis.

HUD continues to require all CoCs to rank all projects, except Planning, into two tiers. The purpose of the two tiered approach is for the CoC to clearly indicate their funding priorities.

The tiers are financial thresholds. Tier 1 is 90% of the Annual Renewal Demand for current projects. Tier 2 is the difference between Tier 1 and the maximum amount of renewal, reallocation and bonus funds available. (Excluding the DV bonus amount).

Specifically the CoC Board had to include project amounts in Tier One that would equal no more than \$2,404,791 and amounts in Tier Two that would equal no more than \$587,838. DV Bonus amounts could not exceed \$353,127. The Planning project of \$133,600 is separate in addition to these amounts. The Planning project is excluded from tiering.

HUD will select all project amounts in Tier One from the highest scoring CoC to the lowest scoring CoC before selecting any project amounts in Tier Two. Tier Two projects will be scored individually by HUD up to 100 points each. In Tier Two, HUD will select projects in order of point value from all CoCs. The DV bonus is scored individually on a different 100 point scale by HUD.


Signature of Continuum of Care Representative

09/13/24
Date



CONTINUUM OF CARE
For Kane County

2024 HUD CoC Competition

Staff Recommendations

Tier 1			Total Allocation	\$2,404,791
Applicant	Project	Score	Amount	
Kane County	Kane HMIS			111,945
Hesed House	Harbor	95.5		252,882
Lazarus House	PH3	92.5		238,877
360 Youth	360 RRH	90.5		142,804
Ecker Center	Leasing	90		206,645
Hesed House	LH2	89		773,934
Hesed House	LH2 Expansion	95		146,849
AID	Hunters Ridge	87		293,290
Community Crisis Center	CCC DV RRH	74		237,565
Total:				\$2,404,791

Tier 2			Total Allocation:	\$587,838
Applicant	Project	Score	Amount	
Community Crisis Center	CCV DV	74		267,199
Kane County	KC RRH	91.5		142,200
Fox Valley Habitat for Humanity	PSH	80		178,439
Total:				\$587,838

DV Bonus Fund			Total Allocation:	\$353,127
Applicant	Project		Amount	
Kane County	KC DV			211,320
Community Crisis Center	DV Expansion			141,807
Total:				\$353,127

Projects Reduced/Modified			
Applicant	Project	Request	Recommended
Hesed House	LH10	\$167,668	\$146,849
Fox Valley Habitat for Humanity	PSH	\$253,330	\$178,439



CONTINUUM OF CARE
For Kane County

2024 HUD CONTINUUM OF CARE LOCAL COMPETITION SELECTION RESULTS

	Agency	Project Name	Score	Status	Rank	Amount Requested from HUD	Reallocated Funds
1	Kane County	Kane HMIS	n/a	Accepted	1	\$111,945	0
2	360 Youth Services	360 Rapid Rehousing	90.5	Accepted	4	\$142,804	0
3	Community Crisis Center	Community Crisis Center Rapid Rehousing for DV	74	Accepted	9	\$504,764	0
4	Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc. – PADS	LIGHT-House Consolidated 2	89	Accepted	6	\$773,934	0
5	Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc.	The Harbor	95.5	Accepted	2	\$252,882	0
6	Lazarus House –	PH3	92.5	Accepted	3	\$238,877	0
7	Association for Individual Development	Hunters Ridge	87	Accepted	8	\$293,290	0
8	Ecker Center	Abbott	n/a reallocated	Fully reallocated	Not ranked	0	(\$118,162)
9	Ecker Center	Leasing	90	Reduced reallocated	5	\$206,645	(\$28,687)
	NEW PROJECTS						
10	Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc.	LIGHT-House 2 Consolidated Expansion	95	Accepted	7	\$146,849	+146,849
11	Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment	RRH	91.5	Accepted	10	\$142,200	0
12	Fox Valley Habitat for Humanity	Empowering Pathways	80	Accepted	11	\$178,349	00
13	Kane County	Rapid	91.5	Accepted	12	\$211,320	0

	Agency	Project Name	Score	Status	Rank	Amount Requested from HUD	Reallocated Funds
	Office of Community Reinvestment DV Bonus	Rehousing					
14	Community Crisis Center DV Bonus	Rapid Rehousing	91.5	Accepted	13	\$141,807	0
15	Kane County Office of Community Reinvestment	Planning	n/a	Accepted	Not ranked	\$133,600	0

2024 HDX Competition Report

This workbook contains summary information about your CoC's data as it was entered into HDX 1.0 and HDX 2.0 for your use as part of the 2024 Competition.

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This workbook attempts to maximize accessibility, navigability, printability, and ease of use. Merged cells have been avoided. All tables and text boxes have been given names. Extraneous rows and columns outside printed ranges have been hidden. Formulas may include references to hidden rows and columns or data tables. For ease of use, these referenced sources have been hidden but can be unhidden by any user at any time. Raw data sources contained in this workbook are named according to the module and fiscal year from which they originate - e.g. "HIC_2024" is the Housing Inventory Count raw data from Fiscal Year 2024.

For Questions:

If you have questions, please reach out to HUD via the "Ask a Question" page, <https://www.hudexchange.info/program-support/my-question/> and choose "HDX" as the topic.

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HDX Data Submission Participation Information

Government FY and HDX Module Abbreviation	Met Module Deadline*	Data From	Data Collection Period in HDX 2.0
2023 LSA	Yes	Government FY 2023 (10/1/22 - 9/30/23).	November 2023 to January of 2024
2023 SPM	Yes	Government FY 2023 (10/1/22 - 9/30/23).**	February 2024 to March 2024
2024 HIC	Yes	Government FY 2024. Exact HIC and PIT dates will vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it will be last Wednesday in January of 2024.	March 2024 to May 2024
2024 PIT	Yes	Government FY 2024. Exact HIC and PIT dates will vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it will be last Wednesday in January of 2024.	March 2024 to May 2024

1) FY = Fiscal Year

2) *This considers all extensions where they were provided.

2) ***"Met Deadline" in this context refers to FY23 SPM submissions. Resubmissions from FY 2022 (10/1/21 - 9/30/22) were also accepted during the data collection period, but these previous year's submissions are voluntarily and are not required.

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LSA Usability Status 2023

Category	EST AO	EST AC	EST CO	RRH AO	RRH AC	RRH CO	PSH AO	PSH AC	PSH CO
Fully Usable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Partially Usable									
Not Usable									

EST

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	846	1,343	1,297
AO	667	984	936
AC	177	353	370
CO	1	0	0

RRH

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	51	84	63
AO	30	46	31
AC	23	38	31
CO	0	0	0

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PSH

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	205	198	141
AO	134	133	109
AC	71	65	32
CO	0	0	0

- 1) Glossary: EST = Emergency Shelter, Save Haven, & Transitional Housing; RRH = Rapid Re-housing; PSH = Permanent Supportive Housing; AO = Persons in Households without Children; AC = Persons in Households with at least one Adult and one Child; CO=Persons in Households with only Children
- 2) Because people have multiple stays in shelter over the course of a year and stay in different household configurations, a single person can be counted in more than one household type. Therefore, the sum of the number of people by household type may be greater than the unique count of people.
- 3) Total Sheltered count only includes those served in HMIS participating projects reported by your CoC.
- 4) For CoCs that experienced mergers during any of these reporting periods, historical

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Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

This measures the number of clients active in the report date range across ES, SH (Metric 1.1) and then ES, SH and TH (Metric 1.2) along with their average and median length of time homeless. This includes time homeless during the report date range as well as prior to the report start date, going back no further than the look back stop date or client's

Metric 1.1: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES and SH projects.

Metric 1.2: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES, SH, and TH projects.

a. This measure is of the client's entry, exit, and bed night dates strictly as entered in the HMIS system.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, and SH	1,287	117.8	75.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and TH	1,295	122.6	78.0

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b. This measure is based on data element 3.917

This measure includes data from each client's Living Situation (Data Standards element 3.917) response as well as time spent in permanent housing projects between Project Start and Housing Move-In. This information is added to the client's entry date, effectively extending the client's entry date backward in time. This "adjusted entry date" is then used in the calculations just as if it were the client's actual entry date.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	1,306	299.3	134.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	1,313	303.1	137.0

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Measure 2: Returns to Homelessness for Persons who Exit to Permanent Housing (PH) Destinations

This measures clients who exited SO, ES, TH, SH or PH to a permanent housing destination in the date range two years prior to the report date range. Of those clients, the measure reports on how many of them returned to homelessness as indicated in the HMIS for up to two years after their initial exit.

Metric	Total # of Persons Exited to a PH Destination (2 Yrs Prior)	Returns to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months (0 - 180 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 6 to 12 Months (181 - 365 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months (366 - 730 days)		Number of Returns in 2 Years	
	Count	Count	% of Returns	Count	% of Returns ⁴	Count	% of Returns ⁶	Count	% of Returns ⁸
Exit was from SO	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exit was from ES	171	18	10.5%	9	5.3%	13	7.6%	40	23.4%
Exit was from TH	5	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exit was from SH	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exit was from PH	31	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	207	18	8.7%	9	4.4%	13	6.3%	40	19.3%

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Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Metric 3.1 – Change in PIT Counts

Please refer to PIT section for relevant data.

Metric 3.2 – Change in Annual Counts

This measures the change in annual counts of sheltered homeless persons in HMIS.

Metric	Value
Universe: Unduplicated Total sheltered homeless persons	1,430
Emergency Shelter Total	1,422
Safe Haven Total	0
Transitional Housing Total	20

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Measure 4: Employment and Income Growth for Homeless Persons in CoC Program-funded Projects

This measure is divided into six tables capturing employment and non-employment income changes for system leavers and stayers. The project types reported in these metrics are the same for each metric, but the type of income and universe of clients differs. In addition, the projects reported within these tables are limited to CoC-funded projects.

Metric 4.1 – Change in earned income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	73
Number of adults with increased earned income	6
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	8.2%

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Metric 4.2 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	73
Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	13
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	17.8%

Metric 4.3 – Change in total income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	73
Number of adults with increased total income	19
Percentage of adults who increased total income	26.0%

Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	45
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	9
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	20.0%

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Metric 4.5 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	45
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	16
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	35.6%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	45
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	23
Percentage of adults who increased total income	51.1%

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Measure 5: Number of Persons who Become Homeless for the First Time

This measures the number of people entering the homeless system through ES, SH, or TH (Metric 5.1) or ES, SH, TH, or PH (Metric 5.2) and determines whether they have any prior enrollments in the HMIS over the past two years. Those with no prior enrollments are considered to be experiencing homelessness for the first time.

Metric 5.1 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, and TH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH or TH during the reporting period.	982
Of persons above, count those who were in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	170
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time)	812

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FY 2023 Reporting Year: 10/1/2022 - 9/30/2023

Metric 5.2 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, TH, and PH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH, TH or PH during the reporting period.	1,034
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	204
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time.)	830

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Measure 6: Homeless Prevention and Housing Placement of Persons defined by category 3 of HUD’s Homeless Definition in CoC Program-funded Projects

Measure 6 is not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.

Measure 7: Successful Placement from Street Outreach and Successful Placement in or Retention of Permanent Housing

This measures positive movement out of the homeless system and is divided into three tables: movement off the streets from Street Outreach (Metric 7a.1); movement into permanent housing situations from ES, SH, TH, and RRH (Metric 7b.1); and retention or exits to permanent housing

Metric 7a.1 – Change in SO exits to temp. destinations, some institutional destinations, and permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons who exit Street Outreach	0
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	0
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	0
% Successful exits	0.0%

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Metric 7b.1 – Change in ES, SH, TH, and PH-RRH exits to permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH and PH-RRH who exited, plus persons in other PH projects who exited without moving into housing	860
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	211
% Successful exits	24.5%

Metric 7b.2 – Change in PH exits to permanent housing destinations or retention of permanent housing

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in all PH projects except PH-RRH who exited after moving into housing, or who moved into housing and remained in the PH project	126
Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	119
% Successful exits/retention	94.4%

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System Performance Measures Data Quality

Data coverage and quality will allow HUD to better interpret your SPM submissions.

Metric	All ES, SH	All TH	All PSH, OPH	All RRH	All Street Outreach
Unduplicated Persons Served (HMIS)	1,699	20	143	73	34
Total Leavers (HMIS)	1,184	9	36	10	1
Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	395	0	0	0	0
Destination Error Rate (Calculated)	33.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

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Each SPM Measure

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No Notes. Measure 6 was not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.
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No notes.

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2024 Competition Report - HIC Summary

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For HIC conducted in January/February of 2024

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current Beds in HMIS or Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV [†] Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster ^{**}	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Adjusted HMIS Bed Coverage Rate for Year-Round, Current Beds
ES	436	408	408	0	408	100.0%
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	18	18	18	0	18	100.0%
RRH	193	193	193	0	193	100.0%
PSH	124	124	124	0	124	100.0%
OPH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
Total	771	743	743	0	743	100.0%

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HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHVT Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster**	Adjusted Total Year-Round Current, VSP Beds	HMIS Comparable Bed Coverage Rate for VSP Beds
ES	436	0	28	0	28	0.00%
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	18	0	0	0	0	NA
RRH	193	0	0	0	0	NA
PSH	124	0	0	0	0	NA
OPH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
Total	771	0	28	0	28	0.00%

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For HIC conducted in January

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP and VSP Beds	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
ES	436	408	436	93.58%
SH	0	0	0	NA
TH	18	18	18	100.00%
RRH	193	193	193	100.00%
PSH	124	124	124	100.00%
OPH	0	0	0	NA
Total	771	743	771	96.37%

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2024 Competition Report - HIC Summary

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Rapid Re-housing Beds Dedicated to All Persons

Metric	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
RRH beds available to serve all pops. on the HIC	9	11	65	62	193

1) † EHV = Emergency Housing Voucher

2) *This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds not associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.

3) **This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating or HMIS-comparable database participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, VSP, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.

4) Data included in these tables reflect what was entered into HDX 2.0.

5) In the HIC, "Year-Round Beds" is the sum of "Beds HH w/o Children", "Beds HH w/ Children", and "Beds HH w/ only Children". This does not include Overflow ("O/V Beds") or Seasonal Beds ("Total Seasonal Beds").

6) In the HIC, "Current" beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").

7) For historical data: Aggregated data from CoCs that merged are not displayed if HIC data were created separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

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2024 Competition Report - PIT Summary

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For PIT conducted in January/February of 2024

Submission Information

Date of PIT Count	Received HUD Waiver
1/25/2024	Not Applicable

Total Population PIT Count Data

Category	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
PIT Count Type	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and partial unsheltered count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count
Emergency Shelter Total	320	328	195	318	399	422
Safe Haven Total	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transitional Housing Total	23	17	5	16	11	19
Total Sheltered Count	343	345	200	334	410	441
Total Unsheltered Count	45	65	51	57	51	122
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count*	388	410	251	391	461	563

1) *Data included in this table reflect what was entered into HDX 1.0 and 2.0. This may differ from what was included in federal reports if the PIT count type was either sheltered only or partial unsheltered count.

2) Aggregated data from CoCs that merged is not displayed if PIT data were entered separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

3) In 2021, for CoCs that conducted a "Sheltered and partial unsheltered count", only aggregate and not demographic data were collected.

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HOUSING LEVERAGING COMMITMENT

Public Action to Deliver Shelter letter for Light House Consolidated 2 Expansion new PSH project

5 units x 25% = 2 new PSH units



Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc. (PADS®)

Inter-Congregational Ministries Providing Food, Clothing, Shelter and Hope to Homeless Persons at Hesed House.

Sept.12, 2024

Housing Letter of Commitment

This letter of commitment is being utilized in the FY 2024 HUD CoC NOFO, in order to add additional housing capacity to the LIGHT-House Consolidated 2 Expansion new project application, allowing for the expansion of the permanent supportive housing project serving highly vulnerable chronically homeless households. The new project application is for 5 additional PSH units.

Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc. commits to providing 2 privately funded additional units of permanent supportive housing to the LIGHT-House Consolidated 2 Expansion new project (HUD CoC PSH). No federal, state or other government funds will be utilized to provide the subsidy for this additional PSH unit.

These privately subsidized housing units, over the time period of Dec. 1st, 2025, through Nov. 30th, 2026, will be valued at \$24,000 (\$1,000/month x 2 units x 12 months).

In addition, Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc. commits that it's LIGHT-House Consolidated 2 program staff will provide supportive services to the household in these privately funded units.

Sincerely,

Joseph Jackson, Executive Director
Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc.

Ending Homelessness, One Person – One Family – at a Time.



Healthcare Formal Agreements

MOU between Public Action to Deliver Shelter and Association for Individual Development

Total project cost = \$146,849 x 25% = \$36,715 for health services

September 14, 2024

Joseph Jackson
Public Action to Deliver Shelter, Inc.
659 South River Street
Aurora, IL 60506

Dear Joe:

When the LIGHT-House Consolidated 2 Expansion PSH new program is initially funded through the Kane County Continuum of Care, the Association for Individual Development commits to provide mental health services, substance use counseling, case management, housing location assistance, assistance with financial benefits, rental assistance, crisis intervention, developmental assessments, employment services for persons with disabilities and referrals to the LIGHT-House Expansion program of Public Action to Deliver Shelter for the period of December 1, 2025 through November 30, 2026. These services have a minimum value of \$36,715 which is 25% of the project funding being requested of \$146,849. Project eligibility for program participants will be based on CoC Program fair housing requirements and will not be restricted by AID.

Lore Baker

Lore Baker
President/CEO

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