



A Home for Everyone Coordinating Board 2016 CoC NOFA Update (9/7/2016) – Final Ranked Project Application List, Bonus Project Selection and Reallocation of Transitional Housing project funding

Background

At its July 6, 2016 meeting, the Coordinating Board reauthorized the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)—under continued direction of the Board and with strong support from Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) staff—to finalize rating and ranking criteria, use these criteria to rate and rank projects, and forward this list to HUD as part of the 2016 CoC application. Additionally, the Board reauthorized the RAC to develop a solicitation process for new bonus projects and new projects funded through reallocation, and to select new projects to include in our 2016 CoC application.

On June 28, 2016, HUD published the [FY 2016 CoC Program NOFA](#). Our application is due to HUD on September 14. The NOFA states:

1. HUD anticipates that funds available through the 2016 NOFA may not be sufficient to fully fund all existing renewal projects nationwide (similar to what we saw last year). As in prior years, HUD requires us to rate and rank renewal projects and to place all projects into one of two “tiers,” a process that is explained in more detail below.
2. We can apply for new project funding through the process of reallocation or the permanent housing bonus. This year, our CoC is eligible to apply for \$932,952 in bonus project funding for Permanent Supportive Housing and/or Rapid Re-housing activities.

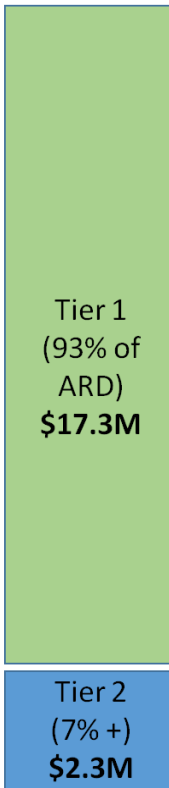
Renewal project rating and ranking

- **At its July 26, 2016 meeting, the RAC approved some minor changes to the rating and ranking framework used last year.** The changes better aligned rating and ranking to AHFE’s recently adopted Community Guidelines for homeless services.
- AHFE staff conducted rating and ranking using the updated framework, and scored and ranked projects as summarized in Attachment A.

Placement of projects into Tier 1 and Tier 2

- As in prior years, HUD requires projects to be placed in two “tiers”—monetary thresholds based on a percentage of our CoC’s total renewal amount. In awarding 2016 project funding, HUD will first fund all projects in Tier 1 and then competitively allocate the remaining money to fund projects in Tier 2. While Tier 2 will remain highly competitive nationally, HUD weights the majority of each Tier 2 project’s score based on our entire community’s performance. As in past years, we expect to score well compared to many other communities.
- Locally, all of our renewal projects are important to our continuum of services. Therefore, in prior years, we have strategically placed projects in Tier 1 and Tier 2 based on analysis of which Tier 2 projects HUD is most likely to competitively fund. This year, HUD’s NOFA conditions restricted our ability to do that. As a result, a renewal project’s position on the 2016 CoC Ranked Project Application list was determined solely by its score.
- Nine projects are placed in Tier 2, including the two bonus projects. AHFE staff has spoken to each of these projects to notify them of this placement.
- **At its August 15, 2016 meeting, the RAC approved the 2016 CoC Ranked Project Application list (see Attachment A).**

2016 application amount: \$19.5M



Selection of Bonus Project applications

- JOHS staff, at the direction of the RAC, released the 2016 HUD CoC Bonus Project Solicitation for up to \$932,952 in funding for new permanent housing projects on July 29, 2016.
- The focus of the solicitation was Permanent Supportive Housing and Rapid Re-housing projects for people experiencing homelessness with priority for projects that address housing and service needs among people with severe and persistent mental illness, people with a history of involvement in the criminal justice system, and/or survivors of domestic violence.
- We received six strong applications from six different organizations.
- **At its August 15, 2016 meeting, the RAC selected two applications totaling \$932,952 to put forth to HUD as part of our CoC application.** The selected applications came from Bradley Angle and Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare. Bradley Angle proposed a \$185,353 Rapid Re-housing project to house about 10 households impacted by domestic violence through their Healing Roots Program. Cascadia proposed a \$747,599 Permanent Supportive Housing project to house about 39 chronically homeless households with acute mental health conditions.

Reallocation of Transitional Housing project funding to support permanent housing activities

- HUD is encouraging CoCs to closely examine the performance and cost effectiveness of Transitional Housing (TH) renewal projects, and TH projects—especially those that don't use a Housing First approach—are disadvantaged in HUD's scoring. Where we expect program outcomes to improve, HUD encourages communities to reallocate TH projects to permanent housing models, like Rapid Rehousing.
- Earlier this year, AHFE staff reached out to staff from all TH projects in our CoC to discuss the possibility of reallocation.
- **At its July 29, 2016 meeting, the RAC decided to offer "first right of refusal" to TH projects electing to reallocate their project funds to permanent housing through the 2016 CoC NOFA.**
- Four TH projects decided to reallocate funding and apply for new permanent housing projects, including: Jean's Place (TPI), Turning Point (Neighborhood House), the Royal Palm (Cascadia), and West Women's and Children's Transitional Housing (Salvation Army). These projects will reallocate their funding to permanent housing activities starting in FY 2017.

Next steps

- The Joint Office of Homeless Services, the CoC's newly appointed Collaborative Applicant, will complete and submit the 2016 CoC Consolidated Application on behalf of the CoC by the deadline of September 14, 2016.
- Prior to submission, the final CoC application will be publically posted on the AHFE website at ahomeforeveryone.net/cocresources. ***The application will be posted and available for public review no later than September 12, 2016.***
- The RAC has requested that AHFE staff send out a survey to all CoC project applicants to solicit feedback about the rating and ranking process. Feedback will be used by RAC and JOHS staff to inform the process going forward. ***This survey will be distributed in late September.***

With questions, feel free to reach out to Erin Pidot at erin.pidot@multco.us or 503-988-2524.

**Attachment A: OR-501 Portland/Gresham/Multnomah County Continuum of Care (CoC)
2016 CoC Ranked Project Application List (8/19/2016)**

	Applicant Name	Project Name	Project Type	Total 2016 Application Budget	FINAL RANK
Tier 1	County of Multnomah	Domestic Violence Supportive Housing	PH	\$522,611	1
	The Salvation Army	The Women's Housing Collaborative	PH	\$312,271	2
	Bradley-Angle House	Andrea Lee Rental Assistance	PH	\$87,019	3
	Human Solutions, Inc.	Family Futures	PH	\$1,237,581	4
	Human Solutions, Inc.	Rapid Re-Housing Initiative	PH	\$417,140	5
	County of Multnomah	Homesafe Supportive Housing Project	PH	\$327,968	6
	Human Solutions, Inc.	Safe Home	PH	\$120,487	7
	Human Solutions, Inc.	Safe Home Partnership	PH	\$415,693	8
	Human Solutions, Inc.	Moving to Permanent Housing	PH	\$60,875	9
	Human Solutions, Inc.	Bridges to Housing	PH	\$266,659	10
	New Avenues for Youth Inc.	Roads to Housing	PH	\$83,711	11
	Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare	Special Needs Housing	PH	\$18,093	12
	Outside In	Old Town Collaborative	PH	\$366,045	13
	County of Multnomah	OTIS Project	PH	\$317,970	14
	County of Multnomah	Pathways Youth Housing	PH	\$14,857	15
	Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare	OTIH Project	PH	\$312,668	16
	Central City Concern	Sunrise Place	TH	\$106,767	17
	Transition Projects, Inc.	Collaboration	PH	\$323,387	18
	JOIN	NOWHome	PH	\$211,432	19
	Home Forward	Shelter Plus Care 4	PH	\$304,435	20
	Self Enhancement, Inc.	Project HAVEN: Rapid Rehousing	PH	\$1,526,444	21
	Self Enhancement, Inc.	Project HAVEN: PSH	PH	\$907,355	22
	Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare	Royal Palm 2 PSH (Reallocation)	PH	\$711,638	23
	Home Forward	Shelter Plus Care CAP	PH	\$548,887	24
	Neighborhood House	19th Ave Apartments (Reallocation)	PH	\$282,042	25
	Transition Projects, Inc.	Women's Housing Program (Reallocation)	PH	\$247,670	26
	Central City Concern	Madrona Studios	PH	\$230,795	27
	The Salvation Army	The Women's Housing Collaborative Expansion (Reallocation)	PH	\$128,164	28
	County of Multnomah	Horizons Youth Supportive Housing	PH	\$160,848	29
	Home Forward	Shelter Plus Care ICH	PH	\$2,207,894	30
	Transition Projects, Inc.	Winter Housing	PH	\$273,579	31
	Home Forward	Shelter Plus Care 6	PH	\$470,813	32
	Luke-Dorf, Inc.	The Clifford Apartments	PH	\$187,879	33
	Home Forward	Shelter Plus Care VAC	PH	\$580,725	34
	Central City Concern	HOPE	PH	\$2,122,085	35
	Northwest Pilot Project, Inc.	Pathways Rent Assistance	PH	\$147,171	36
	County of Multnomah	Pathways Youth Mental Health Services	SSO	\$46,673	37
	Home Forward	Shelter Plus Care CPT	PH	\$535,395	38
	Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare	Special Needs Services	PH	\$127,974	39
	Transition Projects, Inc.	Horizons (Part 1 of 2)	PH	\$81,202	40
TOTAL, TIER 1				\$17,353,902	
Tier 2	Transition Projects, Inc.	Horizons (Part 2 of 2)	PH	\$55,599	40
	Impact NW	Richmond Place	TH	\$117,941	41
	Transition Projects, Inc.	Rapid Rehousing Bonus	PH	\$60,404	42
	Cascade AIDS Project	Housing Integration for Healthier Outcomes	PH	\$435,599	43
	Central City Concern	Employment Recovery Program	TH	\$227,262	44
	Central City Concern	Alcohol and Drug Free Housing	TH	\$163,661	45
	City of Portland	HMIS	HMIS	\$245,666	46
	Bradley Angle House	Healing Roots Rental Assistance	PH	\$185,353	47
	Cascadia	Cascadia Community PSH	PH	\$747,599	48
	TOTAL, TIER 2				\$2,239,084