

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

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

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- Section 3 Resources;
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- Frequently Asked Questions

1A-1. CoC Name and Number: AR-500 - Little Rock/Central Arkansas CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: City of Little Rock

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: People Trust

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	Yes	Yes
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	No	No
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes	No
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	No	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	Yes	No	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	Yes
13.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	No	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	Yes	Yes	Yes

17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
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	Yes
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	Yes	Yes
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	Yes	Yes	No
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	Yes	Yes	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)

CATCH lends it focus to those who have expressed interest or may have been involved in previous years and have not decided to unite with the organization, who are among the ones strategically contacted. The CATCH is committed to addressing the needs of underserved communities and ensures that equity and justice are at the forefront of the creation of all policies and systems created by the CoC. The CoC maintains a racial equity committee that consists of CoC funded agencies and other CoC stakeholders including local governmental partners. Black and Brown are ensured that the voices of people of color are heard within the CATCH organization. The CoC uses data from the CE referral and PIT Count to identify systemic disparities and tailors the work around removing the barriers in housing systems.

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. 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; CATCH conducts wide outreach to recruit new members and tries to make membership as accessible as possible to a wide range of community stakeholders. CATCH's membership application is simple and straightforward. It is publicly posted on the CATCH website and shared multiple times throughout the year to the CATCH listserv. CATCH also rotates its membership meetings to different locations throughout the year to drive increased exposure to our work to recruit new members, and conducts additional public awareness events, such as a "Landlord Lunch and Learn" in May 2024 that attracted more than 200 people from the community, all of whom were introduced to CATCH's work and invited to be members.

2. Ensured effective communication with individuals with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats;

CATCH maintains paper-based, web-based, and phone-based (via a toll-free number) platforms for organizations or individuals to apply for membership.

3. Invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).

CATCH proactively reaches out to a broad range of organizations and individuals to engage them in our work and invite them to become members.

The current CATCH membership includes organizations that have a specific equity focus. For instance, two very active members also hold seats on the board: People Trust, a nationally recognized CDFI that seeks to proactively invest in underdeveloped Black communities in Little Rock, and Arkansas State Independent Living Council, which is an advocate for Arkansans with disabilities.

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.) Solicitation and considered opinions are gathered during the quarterly CoC membership meeting, monthly Board of Directors meetings, monthly Steering Committee meeting and CATCH website has contact us suggestion tab.

2.)Solicitation and considered opinions are gathered during the quarterly CoC membership meeting, monthly Board of Directors meetings, monthly Steering Committee meeting and CATCH website has contact us suggestion tab. 3.) To ensure effective communication with individuals with disabilities, CATCH CoC uses the following: large print documents, access to interpreter services (current CATCH president is an ASL interpreter along with representative from Arkansas Division of Blind Services), and the City of Little Rock has AI electronic interpreter equipment, electronic documents such as emails & PDF format.

4.)CATCH lends it focus to those who have expressed interest or may have been involved in previous years and have not decided to unite with the organization, who are among the ones strategically contacted. In addition, membership information can be found on our CATCH webpage. One of the main priorities for the committee is to engage with local coalitions, agencies and groups assisting with the homeless in the CoC geographical area. This has resulted in the enfolding of the former Arkansas Homeless Coalition into the work of the CoC adding around 200 new members and future CoC Board Members. Ongoing partnerships with other organizations and municipalities for community events such as Immerse Arkansas new shelter groundbreaking event on 05-02-23, City of Little Rock Micro Home Village groundbreaking event on 07-17-23, North Little Rock Unsheltered Fair 10- 13-23 from 10am-3pm and Point-In Time count prep meetings are in place to build awareness, advocacy and community engagement. Coalitions and agencies are invited to make presentations at the quarterly membership meetings (February, May, August and November) to increase awareness. A number of coalitions (AR SIIC, Innovation HUB, Central Arkansas Library, Arkansas 211 and Street Ministry) have been visited by CoC board members resulting in them become a part of their committees. CoC members are encouraged to recruit new members and to spread the word about CoC far and wide in our community. CoC has partnered with other municipalities (North Little Rock and Jacksonville) and service providers for community events this year to build awareness, advocacy and community engagement.

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 Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless (CATCH) CoC notified the public through their website and active email lists about the current funding opportunities project applications as an open invitation on August 07, 2024. Notifications were also posted on the City of Little Rock website to ensure a broader audience was notified about the project applications. 2.)The project application is provided with an application along with a checklist which is uploaded to the CATCH website, active email list and City of Little Rock website for the public to review and submit their documents back by the set deadline. Each applicant is required to review the CoC Competition and Renewal or Replacement of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grant manual to ensure they are adhering to HUD requirements. The checklist details all the information that is required to be submitted back for New and Renewal projects. Once the applications and documents are received, they are provided to the Rank & Review committee to rank and score. 3.) Each project application is ranked & reviewed by a committee that will score each project by tier by the number of projects being submitted. Once the project applicant has been notified through email if their project application was accepted, rejected or more documentation is needed, then the Rank and Review committee will submit their result to the Collaborative Applicant that they have determined which final project applications will be submitted to HUD and the scoring will be communicated to all project applicants. 4.)To ensure effective communication with individuals with disabilities, CATCH CoC uses the following: large print documents, access to interpreter services (current CATCH president is an ASL interpreter along with representative from Arkansas Division of Blind Services), and the City of Little Rock has AI electronic interpreter equipment, electronic documents such as emails & PDF format.

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)	Yes
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Yes
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	No
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes
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.		Nonexistent

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?	No
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers?	No

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 CoC has a partnership with the Little Rock School District (LRSD) and a relationship with their Family Services Liaison; the Family Services Liaison assists with the annual Point-in-Time data count and attends CoC membership meetings to be apprised of ongoing community initiatives. Both the CoC and the LRSD possess partnerships with community-based (CBO) and faith-based (FBO) organizations that provide resources and services to students in need. Moving away from the pandemic, the CoC can more closely monitor students as most in-person learning has returned and options for virtual schooling are limited. It's been reported that for the 2023-2024 school year in Pulaski County, 726 students reported as homeless, with 159 in Saline County, 92 in Prairie County, and 256 in Lonoke County.

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)

American Rescue Plan and Title 1 funds for homeless students has assisted with eligible homeless services for students along with continued collaborations with LEAs and Little Rock School District (LRSD) to put in effect written or formal agreements. Continued collaborations with youth organizations and school districts within the geographic area exist through providing available housing and shelter resources that can be disseminated to students and families experiencing homelessness. Additional collaborations are being developed to explore all aspects of ensuring that services are being linked to the individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Continued collaborations across multiple cities have also increased the impact that these funds will have on future developments.

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	Yes
3.	Early Childhood Providers	No	Yes

4.	Early Head Start	No	Yes
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	No	Yes
6.	Head Start	No	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	Yes
2.	State Sexual Assault Coalitions	Yes
3.	Anti-trafficking Service Providers	Yes
	Other Organizations that Help this Population (limit 500 characters)	
4.		No

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.) Victim Service Advocates within the CoC identify further ways of enhancing the safety of the participants and their children, as well as strategies for minimizing or escaping dangerous situations. This is provided through intake via prescreening or referrals providing services at an undisclosed location with 24hrs supporting staffing by trauma-informed professionals. This is incorporated into safety planning. The CoC relies on the expertise of the trauma-informed professionals to assist participants in creating a safety plan that makes sense for their current situation. Policies and resources are revised and changed as often as needed. The nature of domestic violence services makes it essential that safety and confidentiality be a priority. All participating agencies ask that participants sign and uphold the Transitional Housing Assistance Program Confidentiality Policy, that is given to participants separately, which asks that they not disclose information about anyone participating in the program. 2.)The CoC recognizes that all the necessary services and resources can be made available but, if the participants and their children are not around “trauma-informed” providers, they could be re-traumatized or worse, go back to their abuser. Our ongoing training and education to all service agencies are essential in understanding the behaviors of participants. The Victim Service Advocates within the CoC are committed to helping providers understand the responses of participants and offer trauma-sensitive care. A Victim Services Representative sits on the CoC board. As well as attending the monthly CoC board and quarterly membership meetings.

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.) There is a Danger Assessment conducted with survivors that helps in determining the danger of their relationship. Before a survivor is transferred to another program or into their own housing, safety planning would be conducted by specialized advocates. This could include getting an alarm system for their new home to identify ways to prevent other people from knowing their information. Safety planning can be re-evaluated as often as the survivor feels is necessary. 2.) The program membership within the CoC works closely together to provide resources that another program might not have through collaboration and partnership. For example, if DV provider had no availability for housing, they would reach out to others in the CoC to find availability. Even if it was temporary until resources became available. This is only done with permission from the survivor, which is documented by them signing a Release Form giving the DV provider the okay to speak to another program about availability. In addition, each DV provider signs a confidentiality contract and so do all the people who enter their organization from the survivors to volunteers and board members. Lastly, having a comparable database to collect and report required aggregate data protects the sharing of personally identifiable information to community providers. Thus, keeping a survivor’s personal and confidential personally identifiable information safe.

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.		No	No

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.) Prepare for and facilitate membership meetings, Assess the performance of the CoC; identify gaps; develop and implement strategies to address gaps and improve the overall CoC performance, including implementation of best practices, Monitor performance of CoC and ESG recipients and subrecipients in CoC's geographic area. 2.)DV providers were able to provide 143 individuals/families with assistance for transitional housing with 60 individuals/families needing housing and other necessary DV services with an unmet need for 80 survivors. The CoC has funds to address the needs of DV survivors, through a DV bonus grant. CoC providers work with DV providers to provide housing assistance to DV survivors in need of housing through wrap-around services. DV providers continue to provide supportive services to DV survivors. DV providers track those in need of housing and services in a comparable database. DV provider and CoC provider developed a waitlist for all people seeking permanent housing assistance. Through the Homeless Preference, DV survivors will receive preference for assistance. This enables DV to provide the ability to track the unmet need for housing and services more effectively. Also, DV provider developed a new tab in the Apricot data entry system. This tab will keep track of who, when, and how much time was spent with each DV survivor and the services the DV provider completed 3.)The CoC provides updated resources for the program membership that is easily obtainable and quickly revised upon changes. Within the program membership of the CoC there are monthly informational meetings that provide insight into what is available for a survivor of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Likewise, making sure program membership is aware of the ability for emergency transfers to take place is communicated through meetings and trainings, which also provides what the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) recommends be adopted for organizations to use, followed by a form which is available to anyone who is working with a survivor. The form also serves a dual purpose for providing an emergency transfer. 4.) The CoC provides updated resources for the program membership that is easily obtainable and quickly revised upon changes. Within the program membership of the CoC there are monthly informational meetings that provide insight into what is available for a survivor of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

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)

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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)

There are several barriers that survivors of domestic violence face. The main ones are safe, affordable housing, legal services, mental health resources, and easy access to agencies that provide all of those and many other services. Currently, a survivor goes to an average of 22 locations to meet all their immediate needs. Take housing as an example; a survivor must have a state identification card. You need a birth certificate to obtain the id, along with another form of identification. Proof of income, and if that comes from child support or social security, the survivor must go to those government agencies to get the necessary paperwork.2.) CoC is a collaboration of partner agencies that can simplify the process some but not all the way. There are other transforming responses in the works such as development of the first Family Peace Center in the state of Arkansas, scheduled to open in early 2026. The Family Peace Center model is set to be the most comprehensive domestic violence support facility in the state, bringing together more than a dozen critical agencies under one roof to provide survivors with holistic, life-changing services. There is over 600 Family Peace (Justice) Centers around the world and the number one outcome is homicide reduction. With Arkansas rating consistently over the past decade, at being in the top 10 of highest number of domestic violence related homicides, finding a way to support survivors is critical. Many of the agencies that make up the CoC have already shared their commitment to meet survivors at the FPC.

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?	No
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)?	No
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)?	No

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 Collaborative Applicant (CA) as a key stakeholder within the CoC passed an ordinance creating non-discrimination protections for employees, prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, political opinions or affiliation. Also, any vendor with whom the Collaborative Applicant does business will be prohibited from discrimination. This had a trickle-down effect and the CoC was able to draft a similar policy to affirm comprehensive nondiscrimination legislation that will protect our most vulnerable population. The CA and CoC are working toward advancing equality for LGBTQ+ Arkansans who have no statewide protections in housing, workplace and public accommodations. 2.) AR-500 will make active efforts to seek geographic, demographic, and socioeconomic diversity among its Directors, and shall not discriminate based on race, ethnicity, gender, age, religion, or sexual orientation. 3.) This committee, working in collaboration with the Collaborative Applicant, will establish a monitoring and evaluation procedure for AR-500, will engage in performance monitoring of CoC and ESG projects, and prepare and report on project- and system-level outcomes and performance to the CoC membership. 4.) This committee, working in collaboration with the Collaborative Applicant, will establish a monitoring and evaluation procedure for AR-500, will engage in performance monitoring of CoC and ESG projects, and prepare and report on project- and system-level outcomes and performance to the CoC membership. In addition, we report any findings to the agency and request corrective action.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area–New Admissions–General/Limited Preference–Moving On Strategy.	
	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?
Northbridge Housing Solutions	22%	No	No
Housing Authority of the City of Little Rock (DBA Metropolitan Housing Alliance MHA)	37%	Yes-Public Housing	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)

1.) PHAs within the CoC's geographical area have established a homelessness preference in their Administrative Plans. This preference prioritizes those experiencing homelessness by placing them at the top of waitlist for various voucher programs and providing a voucher that would provide permanent housing placement. Each PHA utilizes their Housing Continuum and referral, based case management and support service system to help individuals and families address impediments to housing and to improve long-term goals so they may eventually become self-sufficient. Once the Rapid Re-housing assistance for the participant has ended the individual will then be offered Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) for a one-year subsidy. Once the participant is on TBRA they will then be prioritized to receive a permanent HCV housing subsidy from one of the PHAs. When PHAs are accepting applications for any of its programs, all persons who wish to apply for any of the programs must complete an application, as indicated in each PHAs public notice. A reasonable accommodation will be made for all persons upon request. Federal laws require PHAs to treat all applicants and participants equally, providing the same quality of service, regardless of family characteristics and background and prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, familial status, and disability. This will include applying for housing services through HCV, and other Public Housing programs as their waiting list becomes open and their names come up on the list. Housing services include the Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) and home ownership program which both help participants move toward sufficiency. 2.) None.

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	Yes
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	Yes
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)	Yes
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	Yes
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	Yes
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No
7.	Public Housing	Yes
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	
	PBV = 589 Homeownership = 8 TPV = 7	Yes

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.	None

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.	8
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.	8
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.) By evaluating the length of time, a project applicant program takes place to move participants/homeless individuals or families into permanent housing. 2.) 1.) Reviewing performance data, 2.) Reviewing outcomes 3.) Communicating performance to stakeholders and providers about support changes, 4.) Analyze System Performances, 5.) Identifying Contributing Factors on gathering more quantitative information to improve strategies based on data results 3.)The Monitoring & Evaluation Committee conducts on-site monitoring of each project on all aspects of grant compliance, including housing first compliance for projects that are listed as such. The Committee uses HUD standards for conducting these monitoring. The Committee also asks for copies of all HUD monitoring reports of projects within the COC, and follows up on any deficiencies noted by HUD, including those related to Housing First. 4.) 1.) Making Coordinated Entry accessible for all services providers 2.) Conducting several Street Outreach Events to target homeless audience with resources that are available3.) Providing listing of Shelters for the surrounding service areas4.) Supportive Services/ Case Management for Permanent Supportive Housing participants

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)

Recognizing that some individuals experiencing homelessness are less likely to seek assistance, the Homeless Services Team employs a tailored approach. This includes building trusting relationships through consistent, on-the-ground outreach, providing essential items like food, water, toiletries, sleeping bags, and clothing, and offering referrals for shelter, housing, and health services that meet the diverse needs of those served. The City of Little Rock emphasizes a prioritization method and pathways to care of the most vulnerable in their encampment response strategy. This includes pathways to short- and long-term care facilities, connections to substance use treatment programs, and prioritization of permanent housing for those with disabilities.

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)		

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.	Longitudinal HMIS Data	107	0

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:	
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.) The CoC provides information regarding available mainstream resources through the services provided by agencies within the geographic area. CoC members engage and network with each other in CoC board and membership meetings regarding services that are available for clients to obtain benefits such as SNAP, medical insurance, Medicaid, childcare vouchers, etc. Information is distributed through electronic channels such as the CoC’s email listserv and website. Healthcare organizations partner with CoC member agencies to provide medical treatment to clients by having on-site clinics at shelters and day centers. Behavioral health and mental health services are provided onsite at various day centers and shelters throughout the CoC geographic area, and those resources are shared at board and membership meetings. Through these partnerships, clients also receive assistance on how to effectively use the benefits they’ve acquired, including Medicaid. This year a community healthcare organization and mental health service provider joined the membership to further bridge the gaps in services that can assist those experiencing homelessness and provided training on the use of services. The CoC took part in its annual health needs assessment after several indicators from the previous assessment showed a need in the homeless sector for more partnerships with service providers. 2.) Social workers, program directors, and substance use counselors are present at CoC board and membership meetings to provide introduction to services available in the areas of healthcare, mental health and substance use to ease the referral process and provide a streamlined path into services for the most vulnerable.

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 Collaborative Applicant (CA) and CoC members are maintaining plans to assist local shelters with a referral process for infectious disease recipient by providing them resource information for available COVID clinics, health clinic and community hospital. In addition, the CA provided emergency hotel services to assist with public health emergencies. Our CoC will continue to apply our emergency processes for infectious disease including COVID well as natural disasters, in the event of another emergency like the tornado that touched down in Central Arkansas in 2023. This includes adapting public health policies, adaptations to facilities to improve public health, and maintaining quarantine and testing procedures that worked effectively to limit outbreaks of COVID or other infectious diseases. Our CoC will continue to work to implement rapid communication amongst members to share expertise and experiences, so information and best practices can be utilized. 2.) Our CoC handles emergency disasters and infectious disease epidemics based on the State’s public health policies and City of Little Rock Emergency Response Resources. Our CoC will continue to work to implement rapid communication amongst members to share expertise and experiences, so information and best practices can be utilized.

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.) Our CoC communicated resources to CATCH members and community stakeholders regarding available funds and coordinated services with DHS and our CoC members. Information from our local public health agencies was disseminated throughout our CoC email list-serve as well links were provided on the CoC website to connect individuals to public health services. 2.) Collaborations across departments under the Collaborative Applicant (CA) also allowed service providers to receive information that was needed when public health agencies may not have access to information readily available. This information included street outreach funds to improve sanitation practices, support transportation costs for individuals, as well as support health service costs. Other CoC members received funds to support housing costs for individuals and families as well as to prevent eviction from housing. Additionally, several CoC members received funding to support emergency shelter expenses, costs associated with sanitary supplies, and cleaning costs for facilities.

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.) Coordinated Entry System (CE) is way to help those seeking homeless housing and services access programs more efficiently by: • Streamlining access and referrals (fewer phone calls and screenings) • Providing fair and equal access • Utilizing standardized tools and practices • Being realistic with individuals and families about their near-term options, giving them the opportunity to assess their situations honestly and identify alternatives to mainstream systems. • Using a Housing First approach • Identifying and prioritizing individuals and families who are the most in need of assistance. 2.)

Scoring system is as follows:

1. Length of Chronic Homelessness: see definition above points are calculated after initial criteria for program eligibility has been met, starting point begins at 13th month. Point System: • 13-24 months: 3 points • 25+ months: 4 points

2. Residence in Inappropriate Settings: Point System: • Currently unsheltered: 4 points • Temporarily in emergency shelter: 3 points • Residing in safe havens: 2 points

3. Utilization of Emergency Shelters and Safe Havens: Point System: • 0-3 months: 1 point • 4-6 months: 2 points • 7-12 months: 3 points • 13+ months: 4 points

4. Medical and Behavioral Health Needs: Point System: • Severe medical conditions: 3 points • Severe mental/behavioral health needs: 3 points • Both severe medical and behavioral health needs: 4 points

5. Previous Unsuccessful Housing Interventions: Point System: • No previous unsuccessful attempts: 1 point • One previous unsuccessful attempt: 2 points • Multiple previous unsuccessful attempts: 3 points

6. Presence of Vulnerable Populations: Point System: • Families with children: 3 points • Elderly individuals with limited access to care: 2 points • Elderly individuals with no access to care: 3 points • Individuals with disabilities: 3 points

Calculation: The total score for each individual or household is calculated by summing the points across all criteria. higher total scores indicate a higher priority for housing and supportive services. 3.)All CoC using the CE to collect client information must limit the collection of information to that which is relevant to services and must inform the client of the purpose and intention for data collection 4.)The Steering Committee meets monthly.

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.) Coordinated Entry System (CE) is way to help those seeking homeless housing and services access programs more efficiently by: • Streamlining access and referrals (fewer phone calls and screenings) • Providing fair and equal access • Utilizing standardized tools and practices • Being realistic with individuals and families about their near-term options, giving them the opportunity to assess their situations honestly and identify alternatives to mainstream systems. • Using a Housing First approach • Identifying and prioritizing individuals and families who are the most in need of assistance. 2.)1. Length of Chronic Homelessness: Priority will be given to individuals or households with the longest documented history of chronic homelessness, as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). 2. Residence in Inappropriate Settings: Individuals or households residing in places not meant for human habitation, such as on the streets, in cars, abandoned buildings, or similar locations, will be given higher priority. 3. Utilization of Emergency Shelters and Safe Havens: Priority will be assigned based on the length of stay in emergency shelters or safe havens, with a focus on individuals or households with the most extended durations in these temporary settings. 3.)Once a person experiencing a housing crisis has been assessed, the coordinated entry process moves on to determining his or her priority for housing and supportive services. The person’s level of vulnerability or need is determined by analyzing the information obtained from the assessment against PTCHP’s AR-500’s CoC Lead Agency Prioritization Standards. It is the person’s prioritization status (and other information from the assessment) that determines where the person will be referred to in the next coordinated entry step. In referral, the group of people with the highest priority is offered housing and supportive services projects first. 4.) Once a person experiencing a housing crisis has been assessed, the coordinated entry process moves on to determining his or her priority for housing and supportive services. The person’s level of vulnerability or need is determined by analyzing the information obtained from the assessment against PTCHP’s AR-500’s CoC Lead Agency Prioritization Standards. It is the person’s prioritization status (and other information from the assessment) that determines where the person will be referred to in the next coordinated entry step.

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.) At the monthly Steering Committee and on the CATCH website (referral)
- 2.) Through the coordinated entry process, PTCHP will continue to comply with the nondiscrimination provisions of federal civil rights laws, including the Fair Housing Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, and Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as HUD’s Equal Access and Gender Identity Rules, as applicable. Under these laws and rules, the following classes are protected from discrimination: Race, Color, Religion, National Origin, Sex, Actual or Perceived Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity, Disability, Familial Status, or Marital Status.
- 3.) The CoC jurisdiction (City of Little Rock) completes a certifying consistency annually with the Consolidated Plan.

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.	01/20/2023

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.) Each member organization of the CoC collects its own data related to service outputs and outcomes and is encouraged to submit data to the Collaborative Applicant's (City of Little Rock) Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (ODEI) for review and analysis. In the current grant cycle, three members of the CoC reported to the ODEI. The following data shows that most individuals experiencing homelessness served in the past year were African American (an average 44%). The percentage of Little Rock's population that identifies as African American is 42.0%, so this race/ethnicity is overrepresented among the homeless population. 2.) The CoC members reported seeing no significant changes in race/ethnicity of the population they serve in the past year. The CoC does not currently disaggregate outcomes data based on race—this is an area identified for data collection and reporting improvement. Efforts to address racial disparities in homelessness include additional outreach to shelters with mobile municipal ID clinics for Hispanic population, which provide a more accessible form of official identification to residents of Little Rock including our homeless residents. The free ID card provides access to banking, school, and municipal services, and may also be used to secure 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?	
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?	Yes
3.	Is your CoC expanding outreach in your CoC's geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups?	Yes
4.	Does your CoC have communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups?	Yes
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?	Yes
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.		

You must select a response for elements 1 through 11 in question 1D-9b.

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)

The CoC has taken steps to identify racial disparities by translating pamphlets and brochures into Spanish due to the language barriers that were seen to be a major concern within the Hispanic/Latino community. The goals were to help increase awareness and ease the process of applying for assistance preparing public announcements in Spanish has been implemented so that individuals know what services are available and where. There are hopes to adopt a language access policy after information from the racial equity assessments has been assessed. That this means organizations there would require a bilingual representative to be available at initial contact for non-English speaking individuals. The Collaborative Applicant created an ID card system for individuals who are unable to secure identification in the traditional manner including those who are experiencing homelessness who have difficulties connecting to documentation requirements. In addition, another barrier is parental connection with the school system. This ID card assists with allowing parental and guardian access to retrieve their child(ren) from school after dropping them off in the morning. Also, partnerships with banking institutions who agreed to allow the ID card for individuals to set up needed accounts. Typically, this serve is unavailable for vulnerable populations without a valid form of identification. Being able to show proof of who a person is very useful for citizens reentering society, as well. Knowledge that initially not having proper ID could cause racial disparities for an individual who needs to reintegrate back into society. The CoC is encouraged to continue these efforts and more, moving forward to find solutions that combat racial inequalities and disparities through AI technical resources, Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) outreach events and Interpretation services.

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.) During the past year, the Collaborative Applicant (CA) assisted the most vulnerable during natural disasters and crisis situations. This afforded the CA opportunities to track the efforts on a by-name list that showed demographics on the individuals being served. This tracking is currently being updated as services are provided to eliminate disparities.
- 2.) By keeping a digital by-name list spreadsheet or homeless portal system.

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)

The CATCH organization has a website that shares useful information and posts social media announcements to help engage those people who are homeless and those with lived experience. CATCH has several members with lived experience who make key decisions on the Board. In some cases, those members can help engage in efforts to change service delivery within the CoC. CATCH’s priority is to utilize a team effort to find and utilize resources to help those experiencing homelessness get connected to needed services. CATCH outreach efforts include social media postings, website announcements, community fairs, and working with other organizations to spread the word about CATCH and the resources available to help those who are homeless. In all these outreach efforts, we strive to involve members and non-members with lived experience to guide our efforts to reach those in need and supply the best services and resources.

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.	2	2
2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	2	2
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC’s local competition rating factors.	0	0
4.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC’s coordinated entry process.	2	2

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 CoC has a variety of organizations that train during the membership meetings on professional development and provide employment opportunities. Several partners work with homeless organizations to provide skills and tutorials for development.

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.) We work closely with the City of Little Rock Chief Homeless Officer and have CoC members who regularly visit homeless encampments to survey the residents to assess their needs and gather feedback as to what services would help them in their quest to end homelessness and secure permanent housing. 2.) Our CoC gathers the feedback on a regular basis, when we have our quarterly member meetings and if any feedback is presented during Board meetings, that information is passed along as well. 3.) Access refers to how people experiencing a housing crisis learn that coordinated entry exists and access crisis response services. The first contact that most people experiencing a housing crisis will have with the crisis response system is through a coordinated entry access point. Access points play a critical role in engaging people to address their most immediate needs through referral to emergency services. 4.) Our CoC gathers feedback monthly from those who have received assistance and uses that feedback as a guide to improve our ability to address the challenges that those receiving assistance have encountered. 5.) The CoC surveys data from the City of Little Rock Office and with the Chief Homeless Officer to gather information on the resources needed for the homeless and tries to talk with people with lived experience to make sure we can address the challenges they face. The CoC collaborates with resources from other member agencies and people, including members with lived experience, to ascertain additional assistance for this target audience. The CoC realizes some areas must be addressed, including a more prioritized centralized waiting list for homeless housing service needs.

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 Collaborative Applicant (CA), through the homeless initiative group and with the help of the City of Little Rock mayor's office, embarked on rezoning and acquiring land to establish a homeless village in the heart of Little Rock where homelessness has increased. The land has been acquired to create a homeless village in Little Rock, Arkansas, that will house up to 220 individuals on any given night. Groundbreaking has already occurred, and final steps are being taken in the design stage for the "tiny homes" that will inhabit the village. 2.) Other organizations are also working to develop additional chronically homeless shelters, and/or provide extra space to provide vital services to the chronically homeless. The City of Little Rock has been instrumental in working to try and reduce regulatory barriers, in meeting with city officials, landowners, stakeholders and other agencies to strive and reduce any barriers that may prevent such affordable housing developments. The CoC is encouraged that future homeless resource collaborations will be underway, especially with support from the mayor and city director, who are/ restructuring a homeless division to move the needle more effectively, including the hiring of a new Chief Homeless Officer.

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:

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- 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.	08/07/2024
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.	08/07/2024

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.	Yes

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)?	181
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	9
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.) By monitoring each project applicant.
- 2.) The Collaborative Applicant (CA) reviews the CoC's expenditures on a monthly basis.
- 3.) Housing First and PSH to eliminate homelessness in our geographic area.
- 4.) PSH and Housing First

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.	
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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 ranking and review committee consist of representatives from members of CATCH from different generational age demographic. The input from the committee representation assists with determining the rating factors for submission of CoC project applications; by ranking the projects by supporting documentation, service needs, and CoC HUD requirements. 2.) The ranking and review committee consist of representatives from members of CATCH from different generational age demographic. The input from the committee representation assists with determining the rating factors for submission of CoC project applications; by ranking the projects by supporting documentation, service needs, and CoC HUD requirements. 3.) There will be a more streamlined approach to effectively monitor the organizations more often that service the homeless to identify barriers that each organization has directly. Monthly reporting from each organization to the CoC on available beds, waitlist, capacity, need and additional funding opportunities for permanent supportive housing.

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.) N/A
- 2.) N/A
- 3.) N/A
- 4.) N/A

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?	Yes
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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?	No
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.	10/18/2024

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.	10/17/2024
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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.	10/28/2024
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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.	10/28/2024
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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.	Statewide
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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.	05/10/2024
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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.) The CoC AR-500 and our HMIS Lead have taken proactive measures to ensure that DV (Domestic Violence) housing and service providers utilize databases compliant with HUD’s standards. Specifically, we have: **Training and Technical Assistance:** We provide ongoing training and technical assistance to DV providers within our CoC to ensure they understand HUD’s requirements for a comparable database and how to implement them effectively. These sessions focus on database configuration, data privacy, and ensuring that DV data collection aligns with the HUD 2024 HMIS Data Standards. ***Collaboration and Communication:** We maintain regular communication with DV service providers to address any challenges or needs they may have in implementing a HUD-compliant comparable database. This includes holding regular check-ins and working collaboratively to troubleshoot and solve any technical or operational issues.

•Monitoring and Compliance Verification: Our CoC and HMIS Lead will conduct routine monitoring and verification processes to ensure that DV providers’ databases meet HUD’s requirements. This includes verifying that their systems uphold the highest data security and privacy standards, ensuring confidentiality as mandated under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). ***Support for Transition and Implementation:** For DV providers needing to transition to or set up a new comparable database, our CoC and HMIS Lead offer comprehensive support. This includes assistance with database setup, configuration, and ensuring compatibility with HUD reporting standards (e.g., CSV export capabilities that align with HUD’s Annual Performance Report requirements). 2.) Yes, all DV housing and service providers in CoC AR-500 are currently using a HUD-compliant comparable database that aligns with the FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards. The selected databases have been vetted to ensure they provide the necessary functionality to protect client confidentiality while meeting HUD’s requirements for data collection, reporting, and submission.

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	469	183	158	55.20%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	0.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	236	106	130	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	0	17	40	57.50%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	402	0	402	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)

Emergency Shelter (ES)-1.)1.To increase the bed coverage rate for Emergency Shelters (ES) to at least 85% over the next 12 months, the CoC AR-500 will engage with non-participating providers by conducting outreach meetings that highlight the benefits of HMIS participation and the importance of accurate data for funding and resource allocation. We will also develop incentives, such as technical support, additional training, and priority consideration for future funding opportunities, to encourage these shelters to join HMIS. 2.)
 2.Additionally, the CoC will implement a quarterly monitoring system to track bed coverage rates and adapt outreach strategies as necessary based on shelter responses. To implement these steps, the CoC will assign a dedicated outreach team from both the CoC and HMIS Lead to conduct in-person and virtual meetings with non-participating shelters, providing them with information and support. A technical assistance program will be developed, including tailored training sessions and on-call support for troubleshooting. The CoC will establish a follow-up schedule to assess progress and monitor participation, ensuring that shelters are effectively onboarded into HMIS. This tracking system will help stay on target to reach the 85% bed coverage goal. Rapid Rehousing (RRH)
 1.For Rapid Rehousing (RRH) programs, the CoC will expand HMIS training sessions tailored specifically for RRH providers, emphasizing the importance of accurate bed and unit tracking for service coordination. Providers will be educated on how HMIS data can improve service delivery results, increasing efficiency in tracking client progress and securing funding. CoC AR-500 is in the process of updating its systems to ensure data quality rather than addressing HMIS participation, as all RRH providers are already actively participating in HMIS. With a new ARMIS Lead who is going the extra mile to ensure compliance and data quality, the CoC will focus on system improvements and training to maintain high data standards. Over the next 12 months, the CoC will implement system updates that align with HUD’s FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards and provide comprehensive training sessions to RRH providers to enhance their understanding of the updated systems and improve data entry accuracy. 2. To implement these steps, the ARMIS Lead will spearhead a series of system upgrades aimed at optimizing data quality checks and ensuring compliance with federal standards.

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.	01/24/2024
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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.	05/10/2024
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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.) Immerse Arkansas is an agency within our CoC that specializes in serving homeless youth and has been invaluable in identifying unaccompanied youth in our area. Immerse Arkansas opened their youth shelter (The Station) in September 2024.
- 2.) Representatives from Immerse Arkansas were actively involved in the planning of the Point in Time Count to ensure homeless youth were appropriately canvassed.
- 3.) Immerse Arkansas was instrumental in identifying and recruiting homeless youth, who were utilized as volunteers in the most recent unsheltered Point in Time Count.

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.) In 2023, many homeless serving agencies within the Coc were able to have their own staff members conduct surveys and subsequently enter the information directly into HMIS, which allowed more volunteers to be dispatched to agencies with higher needs, to conduct the count.
- 2.) "Not Applicable"
- 3.) "Not Applicable"
- 4.) "Not Applicable"

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. Risk Factors Determination: CoC AR-500 identifies risk factors for first-time homelessness using data analysis and input from community providers. Factors include recent loss of income, eviction notices, family violence, physical or mental health challenges, and substance use issues. The CoC uses standardized assessments at Access Points, such as PTCLF’s entry site, and feedback from ARMIS data to continuously update and refine these factors.

2. Strategies for At-Risk Individuals and Families: The CoC addresses these risks through by working with member agencies with targeted prevention services, including eviction prevention, legal aid, short-term rental assistance, and financial counseling. Prevention Guides within the system assist at-risk families in identifying available resources to stabilize their housing situations before becoming homeless.

3. Oversight: The People Trust Community Loan Fund (PTCLF) leads as the HMIS and Coordinated Entry Access Point, responsible for implementing and overseeing prevention strategies and risk reduction measures within CoC AR-500.

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?	Yes
2.	having recently arrived in your CoC's geographic area?	Yes

(limit 2,500 characters)

CoC AR-500's metrics on first-time homelessness have been affected by individuals displaced due to natural disasters and newcomers requiring short-term housing assistance. In response, the CoC has allocated emergency shelter spaces and temporary housing services for disaster-displaced individuals or those newly relocated without stable housing.

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.Reducing Time Homeless: The CoC utilizes a Housing First model, streamlining pathways to permanent housing, particularly through Rapid Rehousing (RRH) and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) options. By prioritizing the highest-need cases, the CoC can significantly reduce the time individuals remain homeless.

2. Identifying and Housing Long-Term Homeless: Through ARMIS, individuals and families with extended homelessness are identified using criteria from assessment tools that emphasize duration and severity of homelessness. The highest priority cases are fast-tracked to RRH or PSH as soon as they become available.

3.Oversight: The CoC AR-500 Executive Board works closely with the lead agency, PTCLF, which is responsible for managing and overseeing all efforts to reduce the length of time individuals and families experience homelessness. This collaboration ensures that strategies are aligned with CoC goals, and that resource allocation is optimized across CoC AR-500

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. Increasing Permanent Housing Exits: The CoC leverages partnerships with local housing providers and aligns its coordinated entry process to prioritize the most vulnerable individuals for available housing. Case managers work closely with clients to ensure that individuals in emergency and transitional housing are connected to permanent housing options.
2. Retention in Permanent Housing: CoC AR-500's follow-up case management ensures that individuals retain their permanent housing. Support services, including employment assistance and behavioral health care, are part of ongoing engagement to prevent loss of housing. Periodic assessments help identify any emerging challenges so that additional support can be deployed as needed.
3. Oversight: As a Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) provider for CoC AR-500, PTCLF's Housing Administrators oversee strategies to facilitate and maintain permanent housing for CoC participants.

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.

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1. Identifying Return Risk: CoC AR-500 uses ARMIS data tracking to monitor individuals and families exiting to permanent housing. High-risk cases, identified through prior homelessness history or income instability, are flagged for follow-up to prevent recurrences. This proactive identification allows the CoC to anticipate and address potential return risks promptly.
2. Reducing Return Rate: To support housing retention, CoC AR-500 employs intensive case management and follow-up services that connect individuals and families to essential resources, including mental health care, job placement programs, and emergency financial assistance. Consistent follow-up ensures early intervention for any challenges participants face, helping to secure their housing stability.
3. Oversight: The CoC Executive Board, as well as the Collaborative oversees CoC AR-500's strategies aimed at preventing returns to homelessness. Working in partnership with member agencies, PTCLF ensure that follow-up care and supportive services are consistently provided, reinforcing long-term housing stability across CoC AR-500.

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.	

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1. Access to Employment Cash Sources: The CoC collaborates with local workforce centers and educational institutions to provide job training, skill-building, and employment opportunities. Employment Guides within the CoC help individuals apply for positions and access job fairs to secure reliable sources of income.
2. Partnerships with Employment Organizations: Through partnerships with organizations like Arkansas Workforce Services, CoC AR-500 connects participants to tailored employment services that align with their skills and goals. Workshops on resume writing, interview preparation, and ongoing job search support are part of these efforts.
3. Oversight: The CoC Executive Board works closely with the collaborative and lead agency to oversee CoC strategies to increase income through employment.

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.	

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1. Accessing Non-Employment Cash Income: Active member agencies within the CoC assists participants in applying for benefits such as SSI, SSDI, and TANF, facilitated through dedicated case managers and Benefit Specialists who help navigate the application processes for these resources.
2. Oversight: PTCLF's Administrators provide technical assistance and oversee initiatives to increase non-employment income, ensuring that individuals have access to needed support for financial stability.

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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?	No
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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.	

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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
This list contains no items			

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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.

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n/a

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
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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?	No
Applicant Name		
This list contains no items		

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

We have provided the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:

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6. If you cannot read the attachment, it is likely we cannot read it either.
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 - . We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment.
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8. Only use the "Other" attachment option to meet an attachment requirement that is not otherwise listed in these detailed instructions.

Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No		
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No		
1D-10a. Lived Experience Support Letter	Yes	Lived Experience ...	10/28/2024
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation	Yes	Housing First Eva...	10/28/2024
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	10/28/2024
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project	Yes	Scored Forms for ...	10/28/2024
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Notification of P...	10/28/2024
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes	Notification of P...	10/28/2024
1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Local Competition...	10/28/2024
1E-5c. Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes	Web Posting- CoC ...	10/28/2024
1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes	Notification of A...	10/28/2024

2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes	HUD's HDX Competi...	10/28/2024
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No		
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No		
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
Other	No	Coordinated Entry...	10/28/2024

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Submission Summary

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Lived Experience of Homelessness

(CATCH) Board Member

My name is Chris Porter, born and raised in Little Rock, Arkansas, in the summer of 1962. I was raised mainly by a loving, supportive mother and stepfather, though I occasionally interacted with my biological father. I am the third of my mother's seven children. As I grew into adolescence, around sixteen, I became aware of the crowded space in our modest, humble house. I began to feel that I might be taking up space that could be used to make my family members more comfortable.

With youthful curiosity, I started spending time outside of the house, initially staying with friends or other family members. But as it often goes, people sometimes, likely unintentionally, make you feel unwanted or in the way. This led me to find my own places to sleep, sometimes in spaces where one should not stay if trying to live by the morals and values taught by those who truly loved and cared for me. Eventually, I no longer felt worthy of returning home to my family, so I became more determined to make it on my own.

I began traveling around the United States, finding myself sleeping under a bridge, covered by an old newspaper, while hitchhiking from Kansas City back to Little Rock. I spent time in housing projects in Atlanta, Washington, D.C., and throughout Pulaski County, Arkansas. I worked odd jobs and day labor to provide for myself, sometimes staying with girlfriends who had housing. But without my name on any lease, I would eventually have to leave.

After many years of this lifestyle, I was finally able to enter a facility that helped me address the negative behaviors I had adopted. I realized that the people, places, and activities I had become involved with were in direct conflict with the values and morals I'd grown up with. Later, I met and married the love of my life, someone who shared my values. Together, we started out in an apartment and eventually bought several homes in Little Rock, where we raised our children. Today, we are deeply engaged in the lives of our grandchildren, extended family, and community. We are both dedicated to serving God and helping everyone He brings into our lives, regardless of their social or economic background.

I now understand that what I once saw as misfortune was actually "good fortune"—it shaped my desire to serve others. Walking in someone else's shoes taught me invaluable lessons, and I live by this quote: "There is no greater love than a man who lays down his life to help a friend." "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

Two quotes of my own, which I believe were given to me from above, guide my path: "If we treat everybody right, we can't go wrong," and "One thing is more valuable than

making money: making a difference in the lives of others.” Many people were placed in my path to help me change, helping me understand that it is truly better to give than to receive.

Over the past thirty years, I’ve pursued education—even achieving a master’s degree—but I find my experiences to be my greatest assets in serving the people God places in my life daily. I’ve learned that the only reason to look down on anyone is to help lift them up. I have served on boards, committees, and spoken at venues around the country, including the Capitol, as a voice for the homeless and voiceless.

If you hear anything in my story, please don’t hear it as an account of my achievements. Instead, listen to the hand of God and the angels He has placed in my path, that His glory may shine through. If you’re reading this and you, too, are in the business of serving others, thank you for being the “angel” that you are!

Yours in Service,

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Better Community Development- Housing First Checklist



BCD INC. Housing First Checklist: Assessing Projects and Systems for a Housing First Orientation

Housing First is a proven approach, applicable across all elements of systems for ending homelessness, in which people experiencing homelessness are connected to permanent housing swiftly and with few to no treatment preconditions, behavioral contingencies, or other barriers. It is based on overwhelming evidence that people experiencing homelessness can achieve stability in permanent housing if provided with the appropriate level of services. Study after study has shown that Housing First yields higher housing retention rates, drives significant reductions in the use of costly crisis services and institutions, and helps people achieve better health and social outcomes.¹

This checklist was designed to help you make a quick assessment of whether and to what degree housing programs — and entire systems — are employing a Housing First approach. Robust tools and instruments are available elsewhere to quantitatively measure program quality and fidelity to Housing First. This tool is not meant to take the place of those more rigorous assessments, but is intended to help Continuums of Care, individual housing and services providers, funders, and other stakeholders to communicate about, and quickly assess, alignment with key Housing First approaches.

Core Elements of Housing First at the Program/Project Level

For your homelessness service system to work the most efficiently and effectively, individual programs must embrace a Housing First approach. This portion of the checklist can help you assess the extent to which your local programs are implementing Housing First. You can use this tool for trainings or planning sessions, during a site visit or program audit, as a guide when reviewing funding applications, or for many other uses.

- Yes** Access to programs is not contingent on sobriety, minimum income requirements, lack of a criminal record, completion of treatment, participation in services, or other unnecessary conditions.
- Yes** Programs or projects do everything possible not to reject an individual or family on the basis of poor credit or financial history, poor or lack of rental history, minor criminal convictions, or behaviors that are interpreted as indicating a lack of “housing readiness.”
- Yes** People with disabilities are offered clear opportunities to request reasonable accommodations within applications and screening processes and during tenancy, and building and apartment units include special physical features that accommodate disabilities.

Quick Screen: Does Your Project Use Housing First Principles?

- 1) Are applicants allowed to enter the program without income?
- 2) Are applicants allowed to enter the program even if they aren’t “clean and sober” or “treatment compliant”?
- 3) Are applicants allowed to enter the program even if they have criminal justice system involvement?
- 4) Are service and treatment plans voluntary, such that tenants cannot be evicted for not following through?

- Yes Programs or projects that cannot serve someone work through the coordinated entry process to ensure that those individuals or families have access to housing and services elsewhere.
- Yes Housing and service goals and plans are highly tenant-driven.
- Yes Supportive services emphasize engagement and problem-solving over therapeutic goals.
- Yes Participation in services or compliance with service plans are not conditions of tenancy, but are reviewed with tenants and regularly offered as a resource to tenants.
- Yes Services are informed by a harm-reduction philosophy that recognizes that drug and alcohol use and addiction are a part of some tenants' lives. Tenants are engaged in non-judgmental communication regarding drug and alcohol use and are offered education regarding how to avoid risky behaviors and engage in safer practices.
- Yes Substance use in and of itself, without other lease violations, is not considered a reason for eviction.
- YES Tenants in supportive housing are given reasonable flexibility in paying their share of rent on time and offered special payment arrangements for rent arrears and/or assistance with financial management, including representative payee arrangements.
- Yes Every effort is made to provide a tenant the opportunity to transfer from one housing situation, program, or project to another if a tenancy is in jeopardy. Whenever possible, eviction back into homelessness is avoided.

Core Elements of Housing First at the Community Level

Housing First should be adopted across your community's entire homelessness response system, including outreach and emergency shelter, short-term interventions like [rapid re-housing](#), and longer-term interventions like [supportive housing](#). You can use this part of the checklist to assess the extent to which your community has adopted a system-wide Housing First orientation, as well as guide further dialogue and progress.

- Your community has a coordinated system that offers a unified, streamlined, and user-friendly community-wide coordinated entry process to quickly assess and match people experiencing homelessness to the most appropriate housing and services, including rapid re-housing, supportive housing, and/or other housing interventions.
- Yes Emergency shelter, street outreach, and other parts of your crisis response system implement and promote low barriers to entry or service and quickly identify people experiencing homelessness, provide access to safety, make service connections, and partner directly with housing providers to rapidly connect individuals and families to permanent housing.
- Yes Outreach and other crisis response teams are coordinated, trained, and have the ability to engage and quickly connect people experiencing homelessness to the local coordinated entry process in order to apply for and obtain permanent housing.
- Yes Your community has a data-driven approach to [prioritizing housing assistance](#), whether through analysis of the shared community assessment and vulnerability indices, [system performance measures](#) from the Homeless Management Information System, data on utilization of crisis services, and/or data from other

systems that work with people experiencing homelessness or housing instability, such as hospitals and the criminal justice system.

- Yes Housing providers and owners accept referrals directly from the coordinated entry processes and work to house people as quickly as possible, using standardized application and screening processes and removing restrictive criteria as much as possible.
- Yes Policymakers, funders, and providers conduct joint planning to develop and align resources to increase the availability of affordable and supportive housing and to ensure that a range of options and mainstream services are available to maximize housing choice among people experiencing homelessness.
- Yes Mainstream systems, including social, health, and behavioral health services, benefit and entitlement programs, and other essential services have policies in place that do not inhibit implementation of a Housing First approach. For instance, eligibility and screening policies for benefit and entitlement programs or housing do not require treatment completion or sobriety.
- Yes Staff in positions across the entire housing and services system are trained in and actively employ evidence-based practices for client/tenant engagement, such as motivational interviewing, client-centered counseling, critical time interventions, and trauma-informed care.

Additional Resources

- [Implementing Housing First in Supportive Housing](#) (USICH, 2014) – discusses supportive housing and Housing First as tools for ending chronic homelessness and helping people with disabilities live independently in the community.
- [Webinar: Core Principles of Housing First and Rapid Re-Housing](#) (USICH, 2014) – describes the core components of the Housing First approach and the rapid re-housing model and how both work together to help end homelessness.
- [Four Clarifications about Housing First](#) (USICH, 2014) – clarifies some common misperceptions about Housing First.
- [It's Time We Talked the Walk on Housing First](#) (USICH, 2015) – advances our thinking on Housing First.
- [Housing First in Permanent Supportive Housing](#) (HUD, 2014) – provides an overview of the principles and core components of the Housing First model.
- [Permanent Supportive Housing Evidence-Based Practices KIT](#) (SAMHSA, 2010) – outlines the essential components of supportive housing, along with fidelity scales and scoresheets.

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Local Competition Scoring Tool



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**Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless (CATCH)
2024 Project Ranking Tool - Renewal**

Reviewer _____

Agency _____

Project _____

Project Type _____

Threshold Questions All require "YES" or an accepted justification to move forward with application review.

Threshold Criteria	Yes	No	Source	Notes
Project complies with eligibility requirements of the CoC Interim Rule and Subsequent Notices and meets threshold requirements outlined in the HUD 2024 NOFO			Non-profit documentation	
Project does utilize the Housing First Model (checklist and application)			1) Project Application Section 3B #5 2) Supplemental Application Q8 3) Housing First Checklist	
Project will follow the CoC's Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures, including HUD's Equal Access Rule, when it is implemented while also participating in the development and implementation of CE.			Supplemental Application Q6	
Project does or will participate in HMIS or an equivalent database			Supplemental Application Q19-23	
Project has written documentation of match that meets HUD's standards			Project Application Section 6D	

Applicant is an active CoC Participant			1) Committee List Submitted by Collaborative Applicant 2) Letter of Good Standing 3) Supplement Application Q13		
Application and supplemental application are complete			Review of Items Submitted		
Applicant does not have any unresolved HUD monitoring findings			1) Project Application Recipient Performance 2) Supplemental Application Q3		
Current audit does not have findings			Agency Audit Letter		
Renewal Projects Only (older than 1 year)					
Renewal Project has a spending rate of at least 80% on their total grant award			Supplemental Application Q2, review of most current completed grant year spenddown		
Projects that serve families:					
The project accepts all families with children 18 and under without regard to age or gender			Supplemental Application Q9b		
The project has a staff person responsible for ensuring that children are enrolled in school and connected to services in the community			Supplemental Application Q9a		

I. Project Services and Support	Source Data	Points Breakdown	Total Points	Notes
Describes the entire scope of the project including each of the following: target	1) Section 3b	Addresses the entire scope of	Total 5 Points	
	2) Supplemental			

<p>population to be served, project plan for addressing the identified housing and supportive services needs, anticipated project outcome(s), coordination with other organizations (e.g. federal, state, nonprofit), and how the CoC program funding will be used.</p>	<p>Application U/, Q10, and Q11 3) Attached MOUs</p>	<p>the project including all 5 criteria items listed Address a portion of the scope of the project including 3 or more of the criteria items listed Does not address the entire scope of the project including less than 3 of the criteria items listed</p>	<p>5 3</p>	
<p>Project is a permanent housing project (RRH, PSH) The type, frequency, and duration of the supportive services proposed fit the needs of the population to be served</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 3A, 4B Project Application Section 4A #1</p>	<p>Yes No Total 5 Points 5 0</p>	<p>5 0</p>	
<p>Project staff have training and skill-set including trauma-informed approach, expertise, etc. to serve specific populations including vulnerable populations</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 3B 2) Supplemental Application Q7 and Q12</p>	<p>Meets Needs Well Meets Needs Satisfactorily Does not meet needs Total 5 Points 5 3 0</p>	<p>5 3 0</p>	
<p>Project has partnerships in place to successfully connect clients to mainstream health, social services, employment programs, and other mainstream benefits for which program participants might be eligible</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 4A 2) Supplemental Application Q10 3) Attached MOUs</p>	<p>Yes Total 5 Points 5</p>	<p>5</p>	
<p>Project confirms Housing First Approach and specifically explains how their agency follows this practice while limiting barriers to individuals needing assistance with housing.</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 3B 2) Supplemental Application Q8 3) Housing First Checklist</p>	<p>No Total 5 Points 0</p>	<p>0</p>	
		<p>Housing First Plan is implemented and agency prevents barriers to all populations Housing First Plan is not yet implemented but agency does have a plan to proceed Housing First Plan is not implemented with no plan to</p>	<p>5 3</p>	

		proceed with implementation		
Category I. Total Maximum Points			0	
			30	0

II. Meaningful engagement of people with lived experience of homelessness in project design, policy-making, and decision-making Project demonstrates experience and plan to incorporate people with lived experience of homelessness in decision-making, feedback and operation of the program or past projects	Source Data Supplemental Application Q17-18	Points Breakdown		Points Awarded	Notes
		Total 6 Points			
		Someone with lived experience of homelessness is on agency board (including survivors of domestic violence)		1	
		Agency employs staff members with lived experience of homelessness		1	
		Program provides opportunities to provide anonymous feedback during program and at program exit		1	
		Agency has diverse staff and board including BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ community members		1	
		Program provides sound examples of ways that participants are meaningfully engaged in program design and operation in addition to how their involvement influenced the program		2	
Category II. Total Maximum Points			6	0	

III. Active participation in Continuum of Involvement in CATCH (could include PIT	Source Data 1) Committee List	Points Breakdown	Points Awarded	Notes
		Total 2 Points		

Count committee, Planning committee, strategic planning committee, or other committee not listed

Submitted by
Collaborative Applicant
2) Letter of Good Standing
3) Supplemental Application Q13

	Yes		2	
	No		0	
Category III. Total Maximum Points			2	0

IV. Community Need	Source Data	Points Breakdown		Points Awarded	Notes
		Total 5 Points			
Demonstrated Geographical Need	Supplemental Application Q4	Statistical evidence proves the demonstrated needs for this project in the geographic area			
		Only limited statistical evidence provided to prove the demonstrated needs for this project in the geographic area	5		
		No statistical evidence was provided to prove the demonstrated needs for this project in the geographic area	3		
		Total 5 Points		0	
In the case where the similar services exist, the service is still relevant and a reasonable plan to avoid duplication of services is in place.	Supplemental Application Q5	Organization states there are other services being provided and shows plan in place to avoid duplication while working with partners			
		Organization states there are other services being provided in the area but does not show plan in place to avoid duplication	5		
		Organization is not sure if there are other services being	3		
		Total 5 Points		0	

The agency exhibits local partnerships through compliance with educational assurances (if serving children), LHC participation and strategic MOUs, and leveraging to meet real program needs.	1) Project Application Section 4A #1 2) Supplemental Application Q9a, Q10 3) Attached MOUs	provided in the area and does not have any local partnerships in place to prevent duplication	OR	There are currently no services being provided in this area with no issue of duplication to occur	0	5
The agency accepts all families with children 18 and under without regard to age and gender	1) Supplemental Application Q9B	Agency states they work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes, if applicable, but does not provide examples of ways they have leveraged program resources	Agency does not work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes and does not provide examples of ways they have leveraged program resources	<p>Total 5 Points</p> <p>Yes 5</p> <p>No 0</p> <p>Total 3 Points</p>	0	3
Agency employs SOAR certified staff	1) Project Application Section 4A 2) Supplemental Application Q10	Agency states they work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes, if applicable, and provides examples of ways they have leveraged program resources	Agency states they work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes, if applicable, and provides examples of ways they have leveraged program resources	<p>Total 5 Points</p> <p>Yes 5</p> <p>No 0</p> <p>Total 3 Points</p>	0	3
The target sub-population for this project is	Supplemental			<p>Total 5 Points</p>	0	0

a current proven need in the community

Application Q7

		<p>Program make-up, goals, and associated services are tailored to meet the needs of this sub-population and the applicant has adequate skills and experience to administer the tailored project</p>	5	
		<p>Program make-up, goals, and associated services are not tailored to meet the needs of this sub-population, but the applicant does have adequate skills and experience with plans to implement and administer a tailored project OR Program make-up, goals, and associated services are tailored to meet the needs of this sub-population, but the applicant does not have adequate skills and experience with plans to administer a tailored project</p>	3	
<p>Equitable and inclusive outreach to individuals that are specifically in underserved and overrepresented populations such as racial/ethnic groups and LGBTQIA+ population.</p>	<p>1) Supplemental Application Q7, Q11</p>	<p>The outreach plan for the project participants is inclusive of all eligible participants within the community, accessible, and targeted to persons with high</p>	<p>Total 5 Points</p> <p>0</p>	

Agency has confirmed commitment to assist in development and implementation as well as participation in the CoC's coordinated entry system	Supplemental Application Q6	<p>Barriers (which may require an ongoing street outreach component), feasibly implemented and leverages community support</p> <p>The outreach plan for the project participants is not currently inclusive of all eligible participants within the community, accessible, or targeted to persons with high barriers (which may require an ongoing street outreach component), not feasibly implemented and does not leverage community support, but the agency has provided plans of future changes to correct this</p> <p>The outreach plan for the project participants is not currently inclusive of all eligible participants within the community, accessible, nor targeted to persons with high barriers (which may require an ongoing street outreach component), not feasibly implemented and does not leverage community support with no future plans to correct this</p>	5	3	
		<p>Total 5 Points</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>No</p>	0	5	
			0	0	
			38	0	
Category IV. Maximum Points					

Chronic Health Conditions	3 Conditions)/Q5a Total Number of Persons Served	conditions	less than 5% with 1 or more conditions	2			
HIV/AIDS	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023- 09/30/2024						
Development Disabilities Physical Disabilities	PSH and SH Projects % of adults served by the program who had zero (\$0) income at entry. (Any cash income is included)	APR Q 5a, 18	50% or above	0			
	Calculation: Q18 Number of Adults with No Income at Entry/ Q5a Number of Adults	30%-49.9%	6				
	10%-29.9%	4					
	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023- 09/30/2024	Below 10%	0				
RRH, TH, TH-RRH	% of adults served by the program who had zero (\$0) income at entry. (Any cash income is included)	APR Q 5a, 18	60% or more	6			
	Calculation: Q18 Number of Adults with No Income at Entry/ Q5a Number of Adults	40%-59%	4				
	20%-39%	2					
	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023- 09/30/2024	Below 20%	0				
Project specifically serves vulnerable populations that might face additional barriers such as: High utilization of crisis and emergency services to meet basic needs, including but not limited to emergency rooms, jails, and	Supplemental Application Q12	Total 10 Points	Yes	10			

RRH, TH-RRH, TH, SH Programs % of persons in RRH, TH-RRH, TH, and SH programs who exited the program during the year to permanent destination, excluding any participants who passed away as reported in the APR.	Number of Stayers)/(Q5a Total Number of Persons-Q23c Deceased)			
	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023-09/30/2024	2024 System Performance Average for AR500: 100.0% (M7b2: Successful PH Exits at link below) Reference Link		
	APR Q 5a, 23c	Total 10 Points		
	Calculation: Q23c Permanent Destinations Subtotal/(Q5a Number of Leavers-Q23c Deceased)	30.3% or above 20.1%-30.2% 20% or below	10 5 0	
	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023-09/30/2024	2024 System Performance Average for AR500: 30.3% (M7b1: Successful ES, SH, TH, RRH at link below) https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/system/performance.measures.hud.public.data/viz/HUDCoCSyste		
Category VII. Maximum Points		10	0	

VIII. Increase Income % of persons age 18 and older who increased earned income at program exit in project as shown in most recent APR.	Source Data APR Q 5a, 18, 19a Calculation: 19a2 Number of adults w/earned income who retained income and increased at exit + 19a2 number of adults w/earned	Points Available		Points Awarded	Notes
		41.3% or above	Total 10 Points		
		30.1%-41.2%	5		
		30.0% or below	0		

income who did not have income at start and gained income by exit)/(Total adults 5a - Adults not required to do annual assessment Q18)	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023-09/30/2024	2024 System Performance Average for AR500: 41.3% https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/system.perfo (M4: Ltrs Increased Earned Inc. at link below)		10	0
		Total 10 Points			
		41.0% or above	5		
		30.1%-40.9%	0		
% of persons age 18 and older who increased total income at the end of program exit, either by gaining a source of income or by increasing the amount of their total income.	APR Q 5a, 18, 19a Calculation: 19a1 Number of adults with any income who increase income by annual assessment + 19a2 Number of adults with any income who increase income by exit)/(Total adults 5a - Adults not required to do annual assessment Q18) Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2022-09/30/2023	2024 System Performance Average for AR500: 41.3% (M4: Ltrs Increase Total Inc. at link below) https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/system.perfo		20	0
Category VIII. Maximum Points					

X. Utilizing New and Existing Resources

Source Data

Points Available

Points Awarded

Notes

Projects are consistently utilizing grant resources	1) Project Application- Performance Recipient Section 2) Supplemental Application Q2	Project's most recent renewal recapture is 2% or less OR Project's most recent renewal recapture is more than 2% but is giving 100% of balance to CATCH for reallocation OR Project has not completed a renewal	Total 10 Points		
		Project's most recent renewal recapture average is more than 2% and chooses not to reallocate the balance BUT has provided detailed and persuasive information as to why this occurred and what steps were taken so that future recapture will be below 2%		10	
		Project's most recent renewal recapture average is more than 2% and chooses not to reallocate the balance and does not have persuasive explanation as to why or actions it will take for recapture to be below 2%		5	
Category IX. Maximum Points			10	0	

X. HMIS	Source Data	Points Available	Points Awarded	Notes
Maintains complete client level data in HMIS for this project as shown in Data Quality Reports	APR Q6a-d (Average of total error rates)	Total 5 Points		
		Combined, collective data elements are at least 95%	5	
		Combined, collective data elements are between 90%-94.99%	4	

<p>Occupied and Available for Occupancy as completed in the APR by the recipient</p> <p>The agency has experience using HMIS or a comparable database: Homeless System Response</p>	<p>APR Q2 Average of Units and Beds (Average % of Actually Available to Proposed)</p> <p>Supplemental Application Q19-23</p>	<p>Combined, collective data elements are between 85%-89.99%</p>	3	<p>1</p>	<p>0</p>	
		<p>Combined, collective data elements are between 80%-84.99%</p>	2			
		<p>Combined, collective data elements are below 80%</p>	1			
		<p>Total 5 Points</p>				5
		<p>90% or above</p>	5			
		<p>70%-89%</p>	3			
		<p>50%-69%</p>	1			
		<p>Below 50%</p>	0			
		<p>Total 5 Points</p>				5
		<p>Has experience with HMIS but some concern with capacity</p>				3
<p>No experience with HMIS and</p>		0				
<p>OR</p>						
<p>Has experience with HMIS comparable database or</p>		5				
<p>Some experience with comparable database or client-level data management</p>		3				
<p>No experience with HMIS comparable database or client-level data management and significant concerns</p>		0				
<p>Category X. Maximum Points</p>		15	0			

XI. Project Details		Source Data	Points Available	Points Awarded	Notes
<p>Previous Year's Annual Performance Report (APR) was submitted on time.</p>		<p>Project Application Section- Recipient Performance</p>	<p>Total 5 Points</p>		
			Yes	5	
			No	0	
<p>Project funds are drawn down quarterly.</p>		<p>Project Application Section- Recipient</p>	<p>Total 5 Points</p>		

Project Budget provides a description for any eligible cost item listed along with annual assistance requested	Performance	Yes	5	
	Project Application Section 6-Budgets that pertain to project	No	0	
Match is secured with source(s) documented	Project Application-6D	Total 5 Points		
		Yes	5	
		No	0	
		Total 5 Points		
		Yes	5	
		No	0	
Category XI. Maximum Points			20	0

Agency has plan in place to review system performance data annually in order to improve outcomes.	Source Data	Points Breakdown		Points Awarded	Notes
		Supplemental Application Q30	Total 5 Points		
Category III. Total Maximum Points		Yes	5	5	0
		No	0		

Scoring Summary				
Category	Project Services and Support	Points Awarded	Maximum Points	
Category I.	Meaningful engagement of people with lived experience of homelessness in project design, policy-making, and decision-	0	30	
Category II.	Active Participation in Continuum of Care	0	6	
Category III.	Community Need	0	2	
Category IV.	Increasing Safety for Survivors of Domestic Violence	0	38	
Category V.	Project Serves Vulnerable Population	0	3	
Category VI.	Increase Housing Stability	0	22	
Category VII.	Increase in Income	0	10	
Category VIII.	Utilizing New and Existing Resources Effectively to Improve	0	20	
Category IX.	HMIS	0	10	
Category X.	Project Budget	0	15	
Category XI.	System Performance Improvement	0	20	
Category XII.		0	5	
Total Points			0	181



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**Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless (CATCH)
2024 Project Ranking Tool - Renewal**

Reviewer Reviewer #2--Noland

Agency City of North Little Rock

Project Our House Family Housing Program

Project Type _____

Threshold Questions All require "YES" or an accepted justification to move forward with application review.

Threshold Criteria	Yes	No	Source	Notes
Project complies with eligibility requirements of the CoC Interim Rule and Subsequent Notices and meets threshold requirements outlined in the HUD 2024 NOFO	✓		Non-profit documentation	
Project does utilize the Housing First Model (checklist and application)		✓	1) Project Application Section 3B #5 2) Supplemental Application Q8 3) Housing First Checklist	
Project will follow the CoC's Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures, including HUD's Equal Access Rule, when it is implemented while also participating in the development and implementation of CE.	✓		Supplemental Application Q6	
Project does or will participate in HMIS or an equivalent database	✓		Supplemental Application Q19-23	
Project has written documentation of match that meets HUD's standards	✓		Project Application Section 6D	

Applicant is an active CoC Participant		✓	1) Committee List Submitted by Collaborative Applicant 2) Letter of Good Standing 3) Supplement Application Q13	
Application and supplemental application are complete		✓	Review of Items Submitted	
Applicant does not have any unresolved HUD monitoring findings		✓	1) Project Application Recipient Performance 2) Supplemental Application Q3	
Current audit does not have findings		✓	Agency Audit Letter	
Renewal Projects Only (older than 1 year)				
Renewal Project has a spending rate of at least 80% on their total grant award		✓	Supplemental Application Q2, review of most current completed grant year spenddown	
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The project accepts all families with children 18 and under without regard to age or gender		✓	Supplemental Application Q9b	
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<p>population to be served, project plan for addressing the identified housing and supportive services needs, anticipated project outcome(s), coordination with other organizations (e.g., federal, state, nonprofit), and how the CoC program funding will be used.</p>	<p>Application U/, Q10, and Q11 3) Attached MOUs</p>	<p>1) The project including all 3 criteria items listed Address a portion of the scope of the project including 3 or more of the criteria items listed Does not address the entire scope of the project including less than 3 of the criteria items listed</p>	<p>5 5 3</p>	<p>5</p>	
<p>Project is a permanent housing project (RRH, PSH)</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 3A, 4B</p>	<p>Yes No</p>	<p>Total 5 Points 5 0</p>	<p>0</p>	
<p>The type, frequency, and duration of the supportive services proposed fit the needs of the population to be served</p>	<p>Project Application Section 4A #1</p>	<p>Meets Needs Well Meets Needs Satisfactorily Does not meet needs</p>	<p>Total 5 Points 5 3 0</p>	<p>5</p>	
<p>Project staff have training and skill-set including trauma-informed approach, expertise, etc. to serve specific populations including vulnerable populations</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 3B 2) Supplemental Application Q7 and Q12</p>	<p>Yes No</p>	<p>Total 5 Points 5 0</p>	<p>5</p>	
<p>Project has partnerships in place to successfully connect clients to mainstream health, social services, employment programs, and other mainstream benefits for which program participants might be eligible</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 4A 2) Supplemental Application Q10 3) Attached MOUs</p>	<p>Yes No</p>	<p>Total 5 Points 5 0</p>	<p>5</p>	
<p>Project confirms Housing First Approach and this practice while limiting barriers to individuals needing assistance with housing.</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 3B 2) Supplemental Application Q8 3) Housing First Checklist</p>	<p>Housing First Plan is implemented and agency prevents barriers to all populations Housing First Plan is not yet implemented but agency does have a plan to proceed Housing First Plan is not implemented with no plan to</p>	<p>Total 5 Points 5 3 3</p>	<p>3</p>	

	proceed with implementation	0	
Category I. Total Maximum Points		30	0 23

II. Meaningful engagement of people with lived experience of homelessness in project design, policy-making, and decision-making Project demonstrates experience and plan to incorporate people with lived experience of homelessness in decision-making, feedback and operation of the program or past projects	Source Data	Points Breakdown		Points Awarded	Notes
		Total 6 Points	1		
	Supplemental Application Q17-18	Someone with lived experience of homelessness is on agency board (including survivors of domestic violence)	1		
		Agency employs staff members with lived experience of homelessness	1		
		Program provides opportunities to provide anonymous feedback during program and at program exit	1		
		Agency has diverse staff and board including BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ community members	1		
		Program provides sound examples of ways that participants are meaningfully engaged in program design and operation in addition to how their involvement influenced the program	2		
Category II. Total Maximum Points			6	0	6

III. Active participation in Continuum of Involvement in CATCH (could include PIT	Source Data	Points Breakdown	Points Awarded	Notes
	1) Committee List	Total 2 Points		

Court committee, Planning committee, strategic planning committee, or other committee not listed

Submitted by Collaborative Applicant
 2) Letter of Good Standing
 3) Supplemental Application Q13

Category III. Total Maximum Points	Submitted by		Points Awarded	Notes
	Yes	No		
	2		2	
	0		0	
	2		2	

IV. Community Need	Source Data	Points Breakdown		Points Awarded	Notes
		Total 5 Points	Total 5 Points		
Demonstrated Geographical Need	Supplemental Application Q4	Statistical evidence proves the demonstrated needs for this project in the geographic area	5	5	
		Only limited statistical evidence provided to prove the demonstrated needs for this project in the geographic area	3		
		No statistical evidence was provided to prove the demonstrated needs for this project in the geographic area	0		
		Total 5 Points		5	
In the case where the similar services exist, the service is still relevant and a reasonable plan to avoid duplication of services is in place.	Supplemental Application Q5	Organization states there are other services being provided and shows plan in place to avoid duplication while working with partners	5		
		Organization states there are other services being provided in the area but does not show plan in place to avoid duplication	3		
		Organization is not sure if there are other services being			

<p>The agency exhibits local partnerships through compliance with educational assurances (if serving children), LHC participation and strategic MOUs, and leveraging to meet real program needs.</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 4A #1 2) Supplemental Application Q9a, Q10 3) Attached MOUs</p>	<p>provided in the area and does not have any local partnerships in place to prevent duplication</p>	<p>OR</p>	<p>There are currently no services being provided in this area with no issue of duplication to occur</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>The agency accepts all families with children 18 and under without regard to age and gender</p>	<p>1) Supplemental Application Q9B</p>	<p>Agency states they work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes, if applicable, but does not provide examples of ways they have leveraged program resources</p>	<p>Agency does not work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes and does not provide examples of ways they have leveraged program resources</p>	<p>Total 5 Points Yes 5 No 0</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>Agency employs SOAR certified staff</p>	<p>1) Project Application Section 4A 2) Supplemental Application Q10</p>	<p>Agency states they work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes, if applicable, but does not provide examples of ways they have leveraged program resources</p>	<p>Agency does not work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes and does not provide examples of ways they have leveraged program resources</p>	<p>Total 3 Points Yes 3 No 0</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>The target sub-population for this project is</p>	<p>Supplemental</p>	<p>Agency states they work with specific partners (with proof of MOUs) including educational institutes, if applicable, but does not provide examples of ways they have leveraged program resources</p>		<p>Total 5 Points</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>Total 5 Points</p>

a current proven need in the community

Application Q7

		<p>Program make-up, goals, and associated services are tailored to meet the needs of this sub-population and the applicant has adequate skills and experience to administer the tailored project</p>	5	5	
<p>Equitable and inclusive outreach to individuals that are specifically in underserved and overrepresented populations such as racial/ethnic groups and LGBTQIA+ population.</p>	<p>1) Supplemental Application Q7, Q11</p>	<p>Program make-up, goals, and associated services are not tailored to meet the needs of this sub-population, but the applicant does not have adequate skills and experience with plans to administer a tailored project</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Program make-up, goals, and associated services are tailored to meet the needs of this sub-population, but the applicant does not have adequate skills and experience with plans to administer a tailored project</p>	3	0	
<p>Total 5 Points</p>		<p>The outreach plan for the project participants is inclusive of all eligible participants within the community, accessible, and targeted to persons with high</p>			

Agency has confirmed commitment to assist in development and implementation as well as participation in the CoC's coordinated entry system	Supplemental Application Q6	<p>barriers (which may require an ongoing street outreach component), feasibly implemented and leverages community support</p> <p>The outreach plan for the project participants is not currently inclusive of all eligible participants within the community, accessible, or targeted to persons with high barriers (which may require an ongoing street outreach component), not feasibly implemented and does not leverage community support, but the agency has provided plans of future changes to correct this</p> <p>The outreach plan for the project participants is not currently inclusive of all eligible participants within the community, accessible, nor targeted to persons with high barriers (which may require an ongoing street outreach component), not feasibly implemented and does not leverage community support with no future plans to correct this</p>	5	3	
Category IV. Maximum Points		Total 5 Points	0	5	
		Yes	5	5	
		No	0	0	36
			38	0	36

V. Increasing Safety for Survivors of		Source Data	Points Available		Points Awarded	Notes
Housing case managers and direct supervisors trained in trauma-informed care, which includes "trauma and its impact" and "trauma-informed care."	Supplemental Application Q14		Total 1 Point		1	
			Yes	1		
Housing case managers and direct supervisors completed training for serving survivors of domestic violence (DV 101)	Supplemental Application Q15		Total 1 Point		1	
			Yes	1		
Agency has an emergency transfer and re-housing policy that, at minimum, mirrors the VAWA emergency transfer policy in the Entry Point Policies and Procedures	Supplemental Application Q16		Total 1 Point		1	
			Yes	1		
Category V. Maximum Points					3	0 3

VII. Project Serves Vulnerable Population		Source Data	Points Available		Points Awarded	Notes
PSH and SH Projects	APR Q. 5a, 13a2	Calculation: Q13a2 2	Total 6 Points		6	
			50% or greater with 2 or more conditions	6		
% of persons served by the program who meet locally defined vulnerable conditions at entry, listed on the APR:	Calculation: Q13a2 2	Conditions + Q13a2	Total 6 Points		6	
			30%-49% with 2 conditions or more	4		
Mental Illness		3 conditions)/Q5a	Total 6 Points		6	
Alcohol Abuse		Total Number of Persons Served	Total 6 Points		6	
Chronic Health Conditions			Total 6 Points		6	
HIV/AIDS		Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023-09/30/2024	Total 6 Points		6	
Development Disabilities		APR Q. 5a, 13a2	Total 6 Points		6	
Physical Disabilities			Total 6 Points		6	
RRH, TH, TH-RRH Projects			Total 6 Points		6	
% of persons served by the program who meet locally defined vulnerable conditions at entry, listed on the APR:			Total 6 Points		6	
Mental Illness			Total 6 Points		6	
Alcohol Abuse			Total 6 Points		6	

Chronic Health Conditions	3 Conditions)/Q5a Total Number of Persons Served	conditions			
	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023- 09/30/2024	less than 5% with 1 or more conditions		2	
HIV/AIDS					
Development Disabilities Physical Disabilities	PSH and SH Projects				
% of adults served by the program who had zero (\$0) income at entry. (Any cash income is included)	APR Q 5a, 18	50% or above	Total 6 Points	6	2
	Calculation: Q18 Number of Adults with No Income at Entry/ Q5a Number of Adults	30%-49.9% 10%-29.9%		4 2	
RRH, TH, TH-RRH % of adults served by the program who had zero (\$0) income at entry. (Any cash income is included)	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023- 09/30/2024	Below 10%		0	6
	APR Q 5a, 18	60% or more	Total 6 Points	6	
	Calculation: Q18 Number of Adults with No Income at Entry/ Q5a Number of Adults	40%-59% 20%-39%		4 2	0
	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023- 09/30/2024	Below 20%		0	
Project specifically serves vulnerable populations that might face additional barriers such as: High utilization of crisis and emergency services to meet basic needs, including but not limited to emergency rooms, jails, and	Supplemental Application Q12		Total 10 Points	10	10
			Yes	10	

RRH, TH-RRH, TH, SH Programs % of persons in RRH, TH-RRH, TH, and SH programs who exited the program during the year to permanent destination, excluding any participants who passed away as reported in the APR.	Number of Stayers)/(Q5a Total Number of Persons-Q23c Deceased)			
	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023-09/30/2024	2024 System Performance Average for AR500: 100.0% (M7b2: Successful PH Exits at link below) Reference Link		
	APR Q 5a, 23c		Total 10 Points	
	Calculation: Q23c Permanent Destinations Subtotal/(Q5a Number of Leavers-Q23c Deceased)	30.3% or above 20.1%-30.2% 20% or below	10 5 0	10
	Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023-09/30/2024	2024 System Performance Average for AR500: 30.3% (M7b1: Successful ES, SH, TH, RRH at link below) https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/system.performance:measures:hud.public.data/viz/HUDCoCSyste		
Category VII. Maximum Points				10

VIII. Increase Income % of persons age 18 and older who increased earned income at program exit in project as shown in most recent APR.	Source Data	Points Available	Points Awarded	Notes
	APR Q 5a, 18, 19a	41.3% or above	Total 10 Points	0
Calculation: 19a2 Number of adults w/earned income who retained income and increased at exit + 19a2 number of adults w/earned	30.1%-41.2%		5	
	30.0% or below		0	

<p>income who did not have income at start and gained income by exit)/ (Total adults 5a - Adults not required to do annual assessment Q18)</p>	<p>Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2023-09/30/2024</p>	<p>2024 System Performance Average for AR500: 41.3% (M4: Lvs Increased Earned Inc. at link below) https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/system/perfo</p>		
<p>% of persons age 18 and older who increased total income at the end of program exit, either by gaining a source of income or by increasing the amount of their total income.</p>	<p>APR Q 5a, 18, 19a Calculation: 19a1 Number of adults with any income who increase income by annual assessment + 19a2 Number of adults with any income who increase income by exit)/ (Total adults 5a - Adults not required to do annual assessment Q18)</p>	<p>41.0% or above Total 10 Points 30.1%-40.9% 30% or below</p>	<p>10 5 0</p>	<p>0</p>
<p>Category VIII. Maximum Points</p>		<p>Timeframe for Review: 10/01/2022-09/30/2023</p>	<p>2024 System Performance Average for AR500: 41.3% (M4:Lvs Increase Total Inc. at link below) https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/system/perfo</p>	<p>0</p>

<p>IX. Utilizing New and Existing Resources</p>	<p>Source Data</p>	<p>Points Available</p>	<p>Points Awarded</p>	<p>Notes</p>
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Projects are consistently utilizing grant resources	1) Project Application- Performance Recipient Section 2) Supplemental Application Q2	Project's most recent renewal recapture is 2% or less	Total 10 Points	10	
		OR Project's most recent renewal recapture is more than 2% but is giving 100% of balance to CATCH for reallocation			
		OR Project has not completed a renewal			
	Project's most recent renewal recapture average is more than 2% and chooses not to reallocate the balance BUT has provided detailed and persuasive information as to why this occurred and what steps were taken so that future recapture will be below 2%	5			
	Project's most recent renewal recapture average is more than 2% and chooses not to reallocate the balance and does not have persuasive explanation as to why or actions it will take for recapture to be below 2%	0			
Category IX. Maximum Points				10	0 10

X. HMIS Maintains complete client level data in HMIS for this project as shown in Data Quality Reports	Source Data APR Q6a-d (Average of total error rates)	Points Available		Points Awarded	Notes
		Total 5 Points			
		Combined, collective data elements are at least 95%	5		
		Combined, collective data elements are between 90%-94.99%	4		

Occupied and Available for Occupancy as completed in the APR by the recipient	APR Q2 Average of Units and Beds (Average % of Actually Available to Proposed)	Combined, collective data elements are between 85%-89.99%	3	3	
		Combined, collective data elements are between 80%-84.99%	2		
The agency has experience using HMIS or a comparable database: Homeless System Response	Supplemental Application Q19-23	90% or above	5	5	
		70%-89%	3		
		50%-69%	1		
		Below 50%	0		
		Total 5 Points			
		Has experience with HMIS	5	5	
		Some experience with HMIS but some concern with capacity	3		
		No experience with HMIS and	0		
		OR			
		Has experience with HMIS comparable database or	5		
		Some experience with comparable database or client-level data management	3		
		No experience with HMIS comparable database or client-level data management and significant concerns	0		
			15	0	13

Category X. Maximum Points

XI. Project Details		Source Data	Points Available	Points Awarded	Notes
Previous Year's Annual Performance Report (APR) was submitted on time.		Project Application Section- Recipient Performance	Total 5 Points	0	
Project funds are drawn down quarterly.		Project Application Section- Recipient	Yes 5 No 0		
			Total 5 Points		

Project Budget provides a description for any eligible cost item listed along with annual assistance requested	Performance	Yes	5	5	
		No	0		
Match is secured with source(s) documented	Project Application Section 6-Budgets that pertain to project	Total 5 Points		5	
		Yes	5		
Project Application-6D	Project Application-6D	Total 5 Points		5	
		Yes	5		
		No	0	0	
Category XI. Maximum Points			20	0	15

Agency has plan in place to review system performance data annually in order to improve outcomes.	Source Data Supplemental Application Q30	Points Breakdown		Points Awarded	Notes
		Yes	No		
Category III. Total Maximum Points		5	0	5	
		5	0	5	

Scoring Summary					
Category	Project Services and Support	Points Awarded	Maximum Points		
Category I.	Meaningful engagement of people with lived experience of homelessness in project design, policy-making, and decision-	23	0	30	
Category II.	Active Participation in Continuum of Care	6	0	6	
Category III.	Community Need	2	0	2	
Category IV.	Increasing Safety for Survivors of Domestic Violence	36	0	38	
Category V.	Project Serves Vulnerable Population	3	0	3	
Category VI.	Increase Housing Stability	18	0	22	
Category VII.	Increase in Income	10	0	10	
Category VIII.	Utilizing New and Existing Resources Effectively to Improve	0	0	20	
Category IX.	HMIS	10	0	10	
Category X.	Project Budget	13	0	15	
Category XI.	System Performance Improvement	15	0	20	
Category XII.		5	0	5	
Total Points		141	0	181	

Tiebreaker Criteria

In the event that two or more projects of the same type received the same project score, the following tie-breaking criteria will be applied to aid in the ranking of projects when no other distinguishing data and/or information is available:

- 1) Renewal Projects will be prioritized over new projects
- 2) Projects located in an LHC with a clear demonstrated need and/or that does not already have a CoC funded program will be prioritized

Additional Reviewer Comments

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2024 AR-500
Tier 1 and Tier 2 Rankings

APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT NAME	AVERAGE SCORE	TIER 1 RANK	AMOUNT BY TIER	FUNDED AMOUNT TOTALS	R&R Committee Decision
Our House	OH Family Housing Project	129	1	\$ 162,568.00	\$ 162,568.00	Approved
BCD	Beyond Shelter	116	2	\$ 47,187.00	\$ 47,187.00	Approved
People Trust	DV Bonus	114	3	\$ 192,824.00	\$ 192,824.00	Approved
People Trust	AR Management Info Sys	Priority	4	\$ 99,210.00	\$ 99,210.00	Approved
People Trust	PT Family Housing Project	108	5	\$ 266,913.00	\$ 266,913.00	Approved
People Trust	Joseph Program	104	6	\$ 40,581.00	\$ 40,581.00	Approved
People Trust	S+C #44	103	7	\$ 686,471.00	\$ 822,775.00	Approved
People Trust	S+C #43	101	8	\$ 957,714.00	\$ 1,094,018.00	Approved
			Total	\$ 2,453,468.00	\$ 2,726,076.00	

City of Little Rock	Planning Grant			\$ 152,449.00	Approved
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TIER 2		10% of CoC ARD		
People Trust	S+C #44	\$ 136,304.00		
People Trust	S+C #43	\$ 136,304.00		
Tier 2 Total		\$ 272,608.00	\$ 2,726,076.00	Total CoC ARD



PEOPLE TRUST COMMUNITY
LOAN FUND

10/18/2024

CATCH, Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless
Attn: Dr. FranSha Anderson, President – Elect
3618 W Roosevelt Rd
Little Rock, AR 72204

RE: Notice of Appeal, FY 2024 Review & Ranking Tier 2 Decision for S+C #43 and S+C #44

Dear Dr. FranSha Anderson,

On behalf of the People Trust Community Loan Fund (CDFI), we wish to express our gratitude for the Review and Ranking (R&R) Committee's diligent work in reviewing and accepting our project applications for the FY 2024/25 Continuum of Care (CoC) funding opportunity. We appreciate the committee's commitment and the opportunity to participate in this vital process.

However, we respectfully submit this letter as a formal appeal regarding the ranking of Shelter Plus Care (S+C) #43 and Shelter Plus Care (S+C) #44, which were both placed in Tier 2. We were originally informed that these projects were placed in Tier 2 due to their size and award amount, as a strategic decision rather than a reflection of their ranking. Nevertheless, as explained during today's CATCH Board of Directors Meeting by Michelle Spencer, CATCH/CoC Review & Ranking Chair, these grants were moved to Tier 2 based on their ranking.

We are familiar with the HUD 10% CoC Rank & Review standard, which is a regulation established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to promote competitiveness and prioritize funding for housing projects that demonstrate the highest impact and efficiency in addressing homelessness. This rule mandates that 10% of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) - the total funding amount for renewing CoC projects—must be placed in Tier 2 as part of the funding application and ranking process. While we understand the regulations guiding these decisions, we believe the placement of these programs in Tier 2 unfairly penalizes the essential services they provide.

S+C #43 and S+C #44 are Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) programs, a cornerstone in our continuum of care and critical to the long-term stability of individuals experiencing chronic homelessness. These PSH programs not only provide housing but also deliver vital support services, including case management, mental health resources, and substance abuse treatment, which are crucial for participants to achieve and maintain housing stability. Given the high success rates and life-changing impact of these programs, Tier 2 placement jeopardizes their ability to continue this important work.

The rigid adherence to the HUD 10% ranking standard, while well-intentioned, inadvertently penalizes highly effective and high-cost programs like S+C #43 and S+C #44. We urge the committee to reconsider the impact this decision has on the population we serve and the systemic efforts to reduce homelessness. These programs have a proven track record of success, meeting HUD's goals for Permanent Supportive Housing, and significantly contributing to our community's overall progress toward ending homelessness.

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**PEOPLE TRUST COMMUNITY
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We respectfully request that the Rank & Review Committee re-evaluate the placement of S+C #43 and S+C #44 in Tier 2 and consider moving them into Tier 1, where they would be better positioned to receive the support needed to continue serving vulnerable individuals and families. Alternatively, to reduce risk, we propose splitting these high-priority projects between Tier 1 and Tier 2. By securing partial funding in Tier 1 and placing the remaining portion in Tier 2, the committee would ensure that at least some funds are guaranteed while Tier 2 scoring could help secure additional resources. We also recommend that the committee distribute projects with varying performance scores across both tiers to maximize the chances of securing funds for all. This balanced approach can minimize risk for essential, high-performing projects like S+C #43 and S+C #44, preventing them from being grouped entirely in Tier 2.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to discussing this matter further.

Arlo Washington, President
People Trust Community Loan Fund

CC: Artina Blackmon, Michelle Spencer, Cecilia Cole, & Tracy Shine

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Cole, Cecilia M.

From: Michelle Spencer, CDBG Director <mspencer@cityofjacksonville.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 6:44 PM
To: greg
Cc: arsilcdirector@arsilc.org; Phillips, Harriett; BNoland@nlr.ar.gov; Cole, Cecilia M.
Subject: RE: Notice of Appeal: FY 2024 Review & Ranking Tier 2 Decision for S+C #43 and S+C #44
Attachments: 2024 CoC Grants Rank and Review Tier Ranking final.pdf
Importance: High

Hello,

After meeting with the R&R committee members today, we are in agreement that there are not many options to provide toward People Trust appeal request. The committee could only score what was provided by each applicant and the average scores reflect the results of each review. Careful considerations were made in the scoring based on the rating tools and documentation that was provided by each applicant. The project application process is a competitive process and the reason why timeliness, thoroughness and providing proper documentation is so important when requested. We are not able to penalize higher scoring project applications to support People Trust appeal request.

The following responses are provided:

The average scores listed on the final tier rankings, shows the two lowest scores were S+C #44 and S+C #43, therefore strategically the committee decided to split Tier 2, 10% required amount of \$272,608.00 between the 2 lowest ranking projects. Which resulted in \$136,304.00 being deducted from both. This was the committees decision to not impact the lowest scoring application with deducting the entire 10% from it because it would be too impacting on one alone.

The only other option is to deduct the entire \$272,608.00 from the lowest scoring project application (S+C #43), reducing its Tier 1 amount to \$821,410.00.

Please feel free to reach out if further clarity is needed.

Thank you,

Michelle Spencer

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Reflection ~ Psalms 107:28-30

From: Michelle Spencer, CDBG Director <mspencer@cityofjacksonville.net>
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2024 12:00 AM
To: BNoland@nlr.ar.gov; hphillips@littlerock.gov
Subject: Fw: Notice of Appeal: FY 2024 Review & Ranking Tier 2 Decision for S+C #43 and S+C #44

Hello,

I am forwarding this notice of an appeal, for your review and response. I am currently attending advance training out of state and won't be back in the office until next Monday. Let's schedule a time this week to meet to discuss before a response is provided to People Trust.

Please let me know a few dates and times that work for your schedule, mine currently is pretty full but will try to accommodate a date once you both chime in.

Thank you,

Michelle Spencer

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From: Artina Blackmon <artina@providingequalopportunities.org>
Sent: Saturday, October 19, 2024 2:58:06 PM
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Cc: Arlo Washington <arlo@providingequalopportunities.org>; Cole, Cecilia M. <ccole@littlerock.gov>; Shine, Tracey T. <tshine@littlerock.gov>; Michelle Spencer, CDBG Director <mspencer@cityofjacksonville.net>
Subject: Notice of Appeal: FY 2024 Review & Ranking Tier 2 Decision for S+C #43 and S+C #44

Please see attached notice of appeal.

Thank you,



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Central Arkansas Team Care
for the Homeless

October, 28, 2024

Peoples Trust Community Loan Fund
Attn: Arlo Washington
4000 W. 12th Street
Little Rock, AR 72204

Dear Arlo,

On behalf of CATCH and the Board of Directors, thank you for your project application for the FY 2024/25 Continuum of Care (CoC) funding opportunity. We received your formal letter of appeal concerning the ranking of Shelter Plus Care (S+C) #43 and Shelter Plus Care (S+C) #44 in the Tier 2 category.

As you may know, the Ranking and Review Committee takes every application and follows precise steps to ensure that the ranking policies are consistent with HUD's policy and align with local needs and priorities. Every project application is evaluated fairly and scored using the CoC Rating Tool.

The Ranking and Review Committee met and discussed your appeal and request to move the (S+C) projects into the Tier 1 category. After careful consideration, review and discussion, the Executive Committee feels that all the proper procedures were followed in the scoring process and has determined that the current ranking for the above projects will stand.

Sincerely,

Greg Chastine
V.P. CATCH BOARD

cc. Artina Blackmon, Michelle Spencer, Cecilia Cole, Tracy Shine



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Notification of Projects Accepted



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10/11/2024

Better Community Development
Attn: Sandra Mitchell
1200 S. Valentine Street
Little Rock, AR 72204

Re: FY 2024 Continuum of Care Funding Application-Beyond Shelter program

On behalf of the *CoC Review and Ranking* committee, thank you for submitting your project application for the FY 2024/2025 *Continuum of Care* Funding Opportunity through the U.S. *Department of Housing and Urban Development*.

The *Review and Ranking* committee agreed, that your project application is **accepted** and will be submitted to HUD, ranked as #2 on the 2024 priority listing for AR-500.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the *Review and Ranking* committee regarding anything shared.

Sincerely,

Michelle Spencer

Review and Ranking (R&R) Chair



CATCH

Central Arkansas Team Care
for the Homeless

10/11/2024

Our House
Attn: Ben Goodwin
302 East Roosevelt
Little Rock, AR 72206

Re: FY 2024 Continuum of Care Funding Application-Family Housing project

On behalf of the *CoC Review and Ranking* committee, thank you for submitting your project application for the FY 2024/2025 *Continuum of Care* Funding Opportunity through the *U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*.

The *Review and Ranking* committee agreed, that your project application is **accepted** and will be submitted to HUD, ranked as #1 on the 2024 priority listing for AR-500.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the *Review and Ranking* committee regarding anything shared.

Sincerely,

Michelle Spencer

Review and Ranking (R&R) Chair



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Central Arkansas Team Care
for the Homeless

10/11/2024

People Trust Community Loan Fund
Attn: Arlo Washington
5300 W. 65th St.
Little Rock, AR 72209

Re: FY 2024 Continuum of Care Funding Application-ARMIS, DV Project, PT Family Housing, Joseph, S+C43 & S+C44

On behalf of the *Review and Ranking (R&R)* committee, thank you for submitting your project application for the FY 2024 *Continuum of Care* Funding Opportunity through the *U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*.

The *Review and Ranking* committee has decided that your funding applications are **conditionally accepted and will be submitted to HUD if the following items are submitted and/or corrected in Esnaps.**

Additional Requirements:

Your agency will need to update each application to readjust your Annual Renewal Amounts (ARA). Currently your budgeted amounts are not correct on your applications and will need adjustments with current ARAs:

ARMIS- ARA, **\$99,210.00**

Domestic Violence Project-ARA, **\$192,824.00**

PT Family Housing- ARA, **\$266,913.00**

Joseph- ARA, **\$40,581.00**

S+C #43- ARA, **\$1,094,018.00**

S+C #44- ARA, **\$822,775.00**

You will need to contact the Collaborative Applicant (CA), to reopen your applications and then make all updates in Esnaps. Once you've updated all applications, send a confirmation email to the R&R chair and CA.

Please understand that in order for your applications to be submitted to HUD, you must fully complete all the requirements that are listed above. Deadline for the CoC to approve and make public is October 15th.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the *Review and Ranking* committee if you have questions.

Sincerely,
Michelle Spencer
Review and Ranking (R&R) Chair



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Central Arkansas Team Care
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10/17/2024

People Trust Community Loan Fund
Attn: Arlo Washington
5300 W. 65th St.
Little Rock, AR 72209

Re: FY 2024 Continuum of Care Funding Application-ARMIS, DV Project, PT Family Housing, Joseph, S+C43 & S+C44

On behalf of the *Review and Ranking (R&R)* committee, thank you for submitting your project applications and making the requested updates in a timely manner, for the FY 2024/25 *Continuum of Care* Funding Opportunity through the *U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development*.

The *Review and Ranking* committee agreed that your funding applications are **accepted** and will be submitted to HUD. The rankings and tiers listed below will be added to the 2024 priority listing for AR-500.

Tier 1

Domestic Violence Project- ranked 3, **\$192,824.00**

ARMIS- ranked 4, (as a priority), **\$99,210.00**

PT Family Housing- ranked 5, **\$266,913.00**

Joseph- ranked 6, **\$40,581.00**

S+C #44- ranked 7, **\$686,471.00**

S+C #43- ranked 8, **\$957,714.00**

Tier 2, 10% of CoC ARD

S+C #44- \$136,304.00

S+C #43- \$136,304.00

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the *Review and Ranking* committee if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Michelle Spencer
Review and Ranking (R&R) Chair



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Local Competition Selection Results

2024 AR-500
Tier 1 and Tier 2 Rankings

APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT NAME	AVERAGE SCORE	TIER 1 RANK	AMOUNT BY TIER	FUNDED AMOUNT TOTALS	R&R Committee Decision
Our House	OH Family Housing Project	129	1	\$ 162,568.00	\$ 162,568.00	Approved
BCD	Beyond Shelter	116	2	\$ 47,187.00	\$ 47,187.00	Approved
People Trust	DV Bonus	114	3	\$ 192,824.00	\$ 192,824.00	Approved
People Trust	AR Management Info Sys	Priority	4	\$ 99,210.00	\$ 99,210.00	Approved
People Trust	PT Family Housing Project	108	5	\$ 266,913.00	\$ 266,913.00	Approved
People Trust	Joseph Program	104	6	\$ 40,581.00	\$ 40,581.00	Approved
People Trust	S+C #44	103	7	\$ 686,471.00	\$ 822,775.00	Approved
People Trust	S+C #43	101	8	\$ 957,714.00	\$ 1,094,018.00	Approved
			Total	\$ 2,453,468.00	\$ 2,726,076.00	

City of Little Rock	Planning Grant			\$ 152,449.00	Approved
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TIER 2		10% of CoC ARD
People Trust	S+C #44	\$ 136,304.00
People Trust	S+C #43	\$ 136,304.00
Tier 2 Total		\$ 272,608.00
		\$ 2,726,076.00 Total CoC ARD



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Web Posting-CoC-
Approved
Consolidated
Application

City of Little Rock Website

CoC NOFO

[Click link for Letter of Intent](#)

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3.) The CoC is required to notify, in writing outside of e-snaps, all project applicants who submitted their project applications to the CoC by the local CoC-established deadline whether their project application(s) will be accepted and ranked on the CoC Priority Listing, rejected, or reduced by the CoC **no later than 15 days** of the CoC Program application submission deadline of each FY funding opportunity.

Please see additional information for FY24 CoC Competition.

2024 CoC Competition Information

1.) **2024 CATCH CoC Request for Proposals document**

2.) **2024 CATCH NOFO Timeline documents**

2024 CoC Application Materials

- 1.) [CATCH Letter of Intent Form](#)
- 2.) [Checklist Form](#)
- 3.) [2024 Supplemental Application-Renewal](#)
- 4.) [2024 Supplemental Application- New](#)

[2024 CoC Rank and Review](#)

- 1.) [Rank and Review Policies and Procedures](#)
- 2.) [Rank and Review Tool](#)

[HUD Exchange/ CoC Competition Tool](#)

[CoC Program Competition | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#)

[FY24 and FY25 CoC Competition and Renewal or Replacement of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants](#)

[CoC Scoring Chart Comparison](#)

[2024-2025_NOFO_ScoringChartComparison.pdf \(endhomelessness.org\)](#)

Applicants for all projects must submit a letter of intent (on organization original letterhead; see

example: [https://mcusercontent.com/79f21e418979cdeaafb387785/files/11f99014-305e-1e95-6dff-](https://mcusercontent.com/79f21e418979cdeaafb387785/files/11f99014-305e-1e95-6dff-54e5fe51647b/FY_2024_CATCH_Letter_of_Intent_form.pdf)

[54e5fe51647b/FY_2024_CATCH_Letter_of_Intent_form.pdf](#)) including the project type and estimated amount (budget) of request to CATCH

at ccole@littlerock.gov. All interested organizations are urged to read the NOFO (see

link: [https://mcusercontent.com/79f21e418979cdeaafb387785/files/edfaf3c-c-dce3-1fab-a366-](https://mcusercontent.com/79f21e418979cdeaafb387785/files/edfaf3c-c-dce3-1fab-a366-8ebb771d3a5c/2024_amp_2025_CoC_Competition_and_Renewal_or_Replacement_of_Youth_Homeless_Demonstration_Program_Grants.pdf)

[8ebb771d3a5c/2024_amp_2025_CoC_Competition_and_Renewal_or_Replacement_of_Youth_Homeless_Demonstration_Program_Grants.pdf](#)) in its entirety

or contact the CoC before submitting a letter of intent **by 08/16/2024 at 4:00pm.**

More information will be released by the Collaborative Applicant and the CoC in the coming days regarding

2024 NOFO CoC Competition

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More information will be released by the Collaborative Applicant and the CoC in the coming days regarding 2024 CoC Competition (NOFO) materials to submit.

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Renewal CoC Projects

Central Arkansas Team Care for the Homeless (CATCH) Continuum of Care FY24 Supplemental Application to Regular NOFO

Due **September 20th by 4:30 pm** via email to (all items must be sent): Cecilia Cole ccole@littlerock.gov

Late applications will NOT be accepted

Purpose: This supplemental application allows the Rank and Review committee to more holistically review project applications. It provides details that are lacking in the HUD electronic application and that provide context for the agency's local system and coordination. As competitiveness for these funds increases, we find that strong systems are just as important as strong projects and that data-driven policy priorities must influence practice.

Reference documents provided on CoC website or sent with this document (see final page):

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| 1. List of all Continuum of Care (CoC) and
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) projects | 3. Blank USICH Housing First Checklist |
| 2. Point-in-time count (PIT) | 4. Consolidated Planning Jurisdictions |
| | 5. DV Comparable Database |

Application Attachments

* Please refer to the Application Checklist to ensure that all required documents are attached. You may ask questions regarding the application and application materials to Cecilia Cole at ccole@littlerock.gov until 09/20/24.

Project Questions: An updated application with updated e-snaps question number references will be released after HUD releases the e-snaps applications.

Supplement:

Renewal Projects Greater than 1 completed funding year: Answer questions 1-24 and 30

New Renewal Projects Less than 1 full year of completed funding: Answer ALL questions

1. Please describe any significant changes in, or plans for, your project that the rank and review committee should be aware of related to staffing, housing location/facility, policy, HUD amendments, decreased funding request, expansion, etc.

Recipient Performance

2. If the performance expectations in Recipient Performance (e-snaps section and number subject to change) (APR timeliness, findings, quarterly drawdowns, recapture) were not met by the project, please explain:

3. CoC or HUD Monitoring Reports: Describe any specific action that has been taken, or change in information, you would like the rank and review committee to be aware of that relates to concerns expressed in monitoring visits and/or prior application reviews.

Project Detail Demonstrated Need

4. Using statistical evidence (most recent PIT Count Data, Census Bureau Stats, Local Government Data, Local Needs Assessment Data, etc.), describe the demonstrated need for this project in your geographic area.

5. Are there other agencies in your area that provide similar services? Yes No

If YES, how do you avoid duplication of services?

6. Describe below your agency's current involvement in and continued commitment to developing the continuum's coordinated entry process:

7a. OR 7b. ONLY ANSWER THE ONE THAT PERTAINS TO YOUR PROJECT.

7a. **(Answer If your project serves a subpopulation)** If your project focuses on a specific sub-population, **please list the sub-population(s)** and describe your: **1)** skills & experience (staff training including trauma-informed care, expertise, etc.) for serving this population, **2)** the current need in your community around this particular sub-population as compared to others **3)** any additional considerations in the program specific to your sub-population (this may include programming make-up,

community partnerships, etc.), and **4)** how you ensure that equitable and inclusive outreach is occurring specifically for populations that are overrepresented or underserved such as special racial/ethnic groups and the LGBTQIA+ community and describe ways that you have invited those specific populations to be involved in decisions in your local project area.

If your agency is a DV service provider, please describe DV 101 training that your staff have completed as well as your emergency transfer and re-housing policy that at minimum mirrors the VAWA emergency transfer policy.

7b. (Answer If your project serves all populations) If your project serves all populations, **please list the populations that you serve** and describe your: **1)** skills & experience (staff training including trauma-informed care, expertise, etc.) for serving all populations, **2)** the current need in your community around the population(s) your project serves **3)** any additional considerations in the program specific to your population(s) (this may include programming make-up, community partnerships, etc.), and **4)** how you ensure that equitable and inclusive outreach is occurring specifically for populations that are overrepresented or underserved such as special racial/ethnic groups and the LGBTQIA+ community and describe ways that you have invited those specific populations to be involved in decisions in your local project area.

If your agency is a DV service provider, please describe DV 101 training that your staff have completed as well as your emergency transfer and re-housing policy that at minimum mirrors the VAWA emergency transfer policy.

8. Housing First: (Refer to your project application in e-snaps and the USICH Housing First Checklist)
Please provide an explanation for any boxes that were **not** marked in Project Application Section 3b. Project Description Question 3 Housing First part b & c and/or if “no” was indicated for 3a or 3d.

Supportive Services for Participants

9a. Please explain how you ensure educational services are in place for all children and that project policies and practices are consistent with the laws related to providing them (for projects serving families or youth).

9b. Please explain how your project accepts all families with children 18 and under without regard to age and gender (for projects serving families or youth).

10. Please replicate your responses from section 4A, question 1 (e-snaps section and number subject to change) in the eSnaps application and indicate the name(s) of the organizations/individual person you are referencing in in the table below. ***If you indicated that you have SOAR* certified staff on your project application, please submit proof of staff certification.*** *Course through SAMSHA that strains case workers to assist

adults (18+) who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and have a serious mental illness, medical impairment, and/or a co-occurring substance use disorder to apply for the Social Security Administration's (SSA) disability programs, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI).

Supportive Services	Name of applicable Organizations/Individuals	Provider (Applicant, Partner, Non-Partner)	Frequency (Daily, weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, bi-monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually, as needed)
Assessment of Service Needs			
Assistance with Moving Costs			
Case Management			
Child Care			
Education Services			
Employment Assistance and Job Training			
Food			
Housing Search and Counseling Services			
Legal Services			
Life Skills Training			
Mental Health Services			
Outpatient Health Services			
Outreach Services			
Substance Abuse Treatment Services			
Transportation			
Utility Deposits			

Other, please explain:

Outreach for Participants

11. For each location participants are coming from, please describe how your outreach plan to identify program participants (your targeted population) and engage them in the project will be equitable and inclusive specifically with underserved and overrepresented populations while using affirmative marketing to reach those who might otherwise not apply. Discuss any affirmatively furthering fair housing approaches that you have put into place with your agency and/or project.

12. Answer both a. and b. *if* you answer yes to a.

a. Does your project specifically serve vulnerable populations that face additional barriers (see list below)

b. If so, identify the populations that you serve, and describe how your plan serves them.

- High utilization of crisis and emergency services to meet basic needs, including but not limited to emergency rooms, jails, and psychiatric facilities;
- History of victimization/abuse including domestic abuse, sexual assault, and childhood abuse;
- Length of time homeless;
- Low income;
- No income;
- Only project of its kind in the CoC's geographic area serving a special homeless population/subpopulation
- Risk of continued homelessness
- Significant challenges or functional impairments, including physical, mental, developmental, or behavioral health disabilities regardless of the type of disability, which require a significant level of support to maintain permanent housing (focuses on the level of support needed not disability type);
- Substance abuse-current or past;
- Unsheltered homelessness-especially youth and children;
- Vulnerability to illness or death;
- Vulnerability to victimization, including physical assault, trafficking, or sex work.

Continuum of Care Participation

13. Please list staff members and their role that are **current** CATCH Voting Board Members, CATCH Board Officers, **and/or** CATCH Committee Members. *(list of voting board members, elected officers, and committee members are included on resources page)*

Domestic Violence Safety Training

14. Housing Case Managers and direct supervisors are trained in trauma-informed care, which includes “trauma and its impact and “trauma-informed care.” Yes No

15. Housing Case Managers and direct supervisors completed training for serving survivors of domestic violence (DV 101). Yes No

16. Agency has an emergency transfer and re-housing policy that, at minimum, mirrors the VAWA emergency transfer policy in the Entry Point Policies and Procedures. Yes No

Supplement

17. (1) How does your agency ensures that individuals who utilize or have utilized homeless services ***(those who have lived experience either currently or within the last 5 years)*** provide meaningful participation in program decision making and evaluation and (2) provide specific examples of how this has occurred? (3) In addition, explain how (a)they have the opportunity to provide anonymous feedback during the program and at program exit, (b)if there is representation on your board, and (c)if there is representation in your agency employment of individuals with lived experience.

18. Please describe the diversity of your staff, board members, **and/or** volunteers for your agency including BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color) and LGBTQIA+ community members.

HMIS

19. Does your agency have experience using HMIS? Yes No

20. If yes to 19, how long has your agency used HMIS and what is the primary use of it within your agency? *(i.e., do you use it because you are required and for that program only or do you use it also for programs that do not have a requirement?)*

21. If no to 19, does your agency use a comparable database (does it meet criteria at this link)? Yes No

[Homeless System Response: Comparable Database Vendor Checklist \(hudexchange.info\)](http://hudexchange.info)

22. If yes to 21, what system does your agency use and what is the primary use of it within your agency? *(i.e., do you use it because you are required and for that program only or do you use it also for programs that do not have a requirement?)*

23. If no to 21, what plans does your agency have to implement HMIS, HMIS comparable database, or client-level management system?

Other Supplement: This information will not be considered for scoring purposes but will be used solely for informational purposes.

24. Describe the manner by which you ensure that all communications seeking participation are provided in a manner that is effective for persons with hearing, visual, and other communications related disabilities consistent with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and, as applicable, the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as ensuring consistency with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000(d) and Executive Order 131166 which requires responsible steps be taken to ensure meaningful access to services, programs, and activities by persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP persons).

NEW RENEWAL (less than 1 year renewal) ONLY (have not submitted an APR before or finished a full year of facilitating CoC funding.)

(responses will be used for scoring purposes):

25. What **percentage** of individuals (*all ages*) successfully exited your program to permanent housing from 10/1/2022-9/30/2023? Please provide the number of individuals that were enrolled during that time along with the number that successfully exited. Please include the type of program (i.e. RRH, PSH, TH, Joint TH+RRH) in which they were enrolled at that time. (*i.e., 200 exited between 10/1/2022 and 9/30/2023, 100 of the 200 exited to permanent housing. 50% exited to permanent housing.*)

26. What **percentage** of persons 18 and older served by your program increased their **earned** income at program exit who would have exited program between 10/1/2022 and 9/30/2023? Please provide the number of individuals that were enrolled during that time, the number that exited during that time, and the number that increased their total income at exit. Please include the type of program (i.e. RRH, PSH,

TH, Joint TH+RRH) in which they were enrolled at that time. (i.e. 200 exited between 10/1/2022 and 9/30/2023, 100 of the 200 increased their earned income at exit. 50% increased earned income.)

27. What **percentage** of persons 18 and older increased their **total** income at the end of the operating year or program exit, either by gaining a source of income or increasing the amount of their total income from 10/1/2022-9/30/2023? Please provide the number of individuals that were enrolled during that time, the number that exited during that time, and the number that increased their total income. Please include the type of program (i.e. RRH, PSH, TH, Joint TH+RRH) in which they were enrolled at that time. (i.e., 200 exited between 10/1/2022 and 9/30/2023, 100 of the 200 increased their total income at exit. 50% increased total income.)

28. (1) Please explain how your current projects that are state or federally funded consistently utilized those grant resources during their most recent completed grant year. (i.e. most recently completed CoC year, ESG ending 9/30/2023, etc). **(2)** Please give the award amount and total expenditure amount for each grant during their most recent completed grant year.

29. For PSH: (1) What percentage of persons served by your program have **two or more** vulnerable conditions at entry based on your organization assessment which includes mental illness, alcohol abuse chronic health conditions, HIV/AIDS, Development Disabilities, and/or physical disabilities from 10/1/2022-9/30/2023? **(2a)** Please provide the number of individuals served in your program and **(2b)** the number of individuals who have 2 or more of the above listed vulnerable conditions (for the above timeframe).

For RRH, TH, or TH-RRH: (1) What percentage of persons served by your program have one or more vulnerable conditions at entry based on your organization assessment which includes mental illness, alcohol abuse, chronic health conditions, HIV/AIDS, development disabilities, and/or physical disabilities from 10/1/2022-9/30/2023? **(2a)** Please provide the number of individuals served in your program and **(2b)** the number of individuals who have 1 or more of the above listed vulnerable conditions (for the above timeframe).

RENEWAL AND NEW RENEWAL (will be used for scoring purposes):

30. (1) Explain the process that your agency has in place to review system performance data annually in order to improve upon outcomes. **(2)** Provide any data to show how you have improved system performance measures because of your process in place at this time.

Agency executive director certification of accuracy for all project information listed above:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed name and title of signatory: _____

Resources Page:

Housing First Checklist: [Housing First Checklist: Assessing Projects and Systems for a Housing First Orientation | United States Interagency Council on Homelessness \(usich.gov\)](#)

Comparable Database: [Homeless System Response: Comparable Database Vendor Checklist \(hudexchange.info\)](#)

Consolidated Planning Jurisdictions in Balance of State: [CDBG Contacts: Arkansas - Community Development - CPD | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#)

Point in Time (PIT) Count: [HDX 2.0 Homelessness Data Exchange \(hudhdx2.info\)](#)

CoC Projects:

Family Promise of Pulaski County

Central Arkansas Homeless Diversion Program

Our House, Inc.:

Family Housing

People Trust:

DV Bonus

Shelter Care #43

Shelter Care #44

Joseph Grant

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Shelter Care #44 ranked # _____

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ARMIS ranked # _____

Family Housing Program ranked # _____

Better Community Development (BCD)

Beyond Shelter ranked # _____

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HUD's Homeless Data Exchanged (HDX) Competition Report

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HDX 2.0 unavailable for maintenance window 10/21 – 11/4/2024

There will be a freeze on the Production environment to finalize important performance upgrades across the system ahead of the LSA data collection period. To guard against data loss, access to all HDX 2.0 modules will be suspended for a two-week period from 10/21/2024 – 11/4/2024. We will update this banner as soon as work is complete, and you can resume using the platform.

View Official Submission Status

Welcome to the Longitudinal Systems Analysis (LSA) module. Here, you can upload, view, and notate official and local-use LSA datasets. A summary of progress for all official HUD submissions for each of your affiliated CoCs is displayed below. Local-use datasets can be found using the "View All Datasets" view. Use the menu on the left to navigate to "Upload New LSA" to upload new official or local-use LSAs.

Primary Submitters: Please click the 'Submit for Review' button when you have left comprehensive notes on your warning flags and are ready for the HDX Team to review your dataset.

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AR-500	Little Rock/Central Arkansas CoC	CATCH LSA 23 - version.4	12/01/2023	2023	04/12/2024	COMPLETE	Meghan Henry	Primary	Whiney Force	04/12/2024	16	21	0

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CATCH Coordinated Entry Form

Screened by: _____ Agency: _____ Date of Screening: _____

Participant Information

Name: _____ DOB: _____
 Address: _____ Gender: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ email: _____

Prioritized Vulnerability Criteria

Chronically Homeless: Homeless >12 months Homeless at least 4 times in the last 3 years
 Veteran Status: Honorable Dishonorable N/A
 Household Members: Adults: _____ Children: _____

***If client is identified to be a vulnerable population, please contact designated agency.**

*For all families and chronically homeless individuals contact:
 People Trust Community Housing Program (PTCHP) at 501-404-4857*

Person Contacted: _____ Date and Time: _____

*For **veteran services** contact:
 CAVHS at 501-244-1900 or St. Francis House (SSVF) at 501-916-2514*

Person Contacted: _____ Date and Time: _____

Where did the client/family sleep last night?
 Rental Unit Owns Home Shelter Other Friend/Family's Streets/Car

Services Needed (Check all that apply):

Emergency Shelter Employment Substance Abuse Treatment Disability Benefits
 Domestic Violence Mental Health Medical Housing and/or Rental Assistance
 Transportation (i.e. bus pass) Birth Certificate and/or ID

Referrals Out:

Agency Name:	Phone Number:
Person Contacted:	Date and Time:
Agency Name:	Phone Number:
Person Contacted:	Date and Time:
Agency Name:	Phone Number:
Person Contacted:	Date and Time:

I/we, _____, authorize the staff of the _____ agency to exchange or release information to agencies within the Central AR Continuum of Care for the purpose of assisting with maintaining or obtaining housing for myself/my family. Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTICE: By entering your name in the "Signature" field above you consent to allow the referral to be sent to an agency to assist you.

AR-500 CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) COORDINATED ENTRY (CE) PROCESS & PROCEDURES

The CoC Program Interim Rule defines coordinated entry as a centralized or coordinated process designed to coordinate program participant intake assessment and provision of referrals. [Such a system covers the [CoC's] geographic area, is easily accessed by individuals and families seeking housing or services, is well advertised, and includes a comprehensive and standardized assessment tool.

Coordinated entry is a consistent, streamlined process for accessing the resources available in the homeless crisis response system. Through coordinated entry, People Trust Community Housing Program (PTCHP) – CoC Lead Agency will work closely with the Continuum of Care (CATCH) & Collaborative Applicant (City of Little Rock) to ensure that the highest need, most vulnerable households in the community are prioritized for services and that the housing and supportive services in the system are used as efficiently and effectively as possible. By gathering information through a standardized assessment process, coordinated entry provides data information that will be used for system project planning and resource allocation.

Core Elements of Coordinated Entry

Established **access** points use a standardized **assessment** process to gather information on people's needs, preferences, and the barriers they face to regaining housing. Once the assessment has identified the most vulnerable people with the highest needs, AR-500 CoC follows established policies and procedures to **prioritize** households for **referral** to appropriate and available housing and supportive services resources.

Access (Centralized through AR500/CoC)

Access refers to how people experiencing a housing crisis learn that coordinated entry exists and access crisis response services. The first contact that most people experiencing a housing crisis will have with the crisis response system is through a coordinated entry access point. Access points play a critical role in engaging people in order to address their most immediate needs through referral to emergency services.

Assessment (Conducted at Various Stages)

Assessment is the process of gathering information about a person presenting to the crisis response system. Assessment includes documenting information about the barriers the person faces to being rapidly housed and any characteristics that might make him or her more vulnerable while homeless.

- **Initial Triage** - current crisis addressed to ensure immediate safety
- **Diversion** – examining his or resources and options other than entering the homeless system
- **Intake** – Occurs when the person accepts crisis assistance, such as emergency shelter from an agency within the AR-500 CoC (after establishing assistance through a member agency the person can also be referred to a Public Supportive Housing (PSH) Provider)
- **Initial Assessment** - The initial assessment incorporates a prioritization component that indicates the level of risk, vulnerability, and the person's barriers, goals and preferences, or need based on the responses to the assessment questions (*See order of Priority for PSH*)
- **Potential Eligibility Assessment** – Collecting required information and documentation for eligibility screening
- **Comprehensive Assessment** – Clarifies and verifies the person's history, barriers, goals and preferences. Assists with case management and the development of a housing service plan, including strategy for exiting

homelessness.

- **Next-step / moving on Assessment** - Re-evaluates program participants who have been stably housed for some time and who are ready for less intensive housing or services, perhaps even an exit to self-sufficiency. Can also be used when new information about a person is revealed during enrollment in a project and the new information suggests a different service strategy might be warranted.

Prioritization (*Order of Priority for PSH*)

Once a person experiencing a housing crisis has been assessed, the coordinated entry process moves on to determining his or her priority for housing and supportive services. The person's level of vulnerability or need is determined by analyzing the information obtained from the assessment against PTCHP's AR-500's CoC Lead Agency Prioritization Standards. It is the person's prioritization status (and other information from the assessment) that determines where the person will be referred to in the next coordinated entry step. In referral, the group of people with the highest priority is offered housing and supportive services projects first.

Referral (*Give & Receive*)

Once a person experiencing a housing crisis has been assessed, the coordinated entry process moves on to determining his or her priority for housing and supportive services. The person's level of vulnerability or need is determined by analyzing the information obtained from the assessment against PTCHP's Prioritization Standards. It is the person's prioritization status (and other information from the assessment) that determines where the person will be referred to in the next coordinated entry step.

Nondiscrimination: Through the coordinated entry process, PTCHP will continue to comply with the nondiscrimination provisions of federal civil rights laws, including the Fair Housing Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, and Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as HUD's Equal Access and Gender Identity Rules, as applicable. Under these laws and rules, the following classes are protected from discrimination: Race, Color, Religion, National Origin, Sex, Actual or Perceived Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity, Disability, Familial Status, or Marital Status

**PEOPLE TRUST COMMUNITY HOUSING PROGRAM
AR-500 CoC – LEAD AGENCY
PRIORITIZATION STANDARD FOR CHRONICALLY HOMELESS
INDIVIDUALS/HOUSEHOLDS:**

Objective:

The primary goal of the PTCHP Prioritization Standard is to effectively and fairly allocate resources to individuals and households experiencing chronic homelessness, focusing on those with the most urgent and severe needs.

Criteria:

1. Length of Chronic Homelessness:

Priority will be given to individuals or households with the longest documented history of chronic homelessness, as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

2. Residence in Inappropriate Settings:

Individuals or households residing in places not meant for human habitation, such as on the streets, in cars, abandoned buildings, or similar locations, will be given higher priority.

3. Utilization of Emergency Shelters and Safe Havens:

Priority will be assigned based on the length of stay in emergency shelters or safe havens, with a focus on individuals or households with the most extended durations in these temporary settings.

4. Medical and Behavioral Health Needs:

Individuals or households with documented severe medical or behavioral health needs will be prioritized, recognizing the increased vulnerability and complexity of providing services to this population.

5. Previous Unsuccessful Housing Interventions:

Priority consideration will be given to those individuals or households who have experienced previous unsuccessful attempts at obtaining stable housing, acknowledging the need for targeted and sustained support.

6. Presence of Vulnerable Populations:

Priority will be given to households with vulnerable populations, including families with children, elderly individuals, or individuals with disabilities, recognizing the heightened vulnerability of these groups.

**PEOPLE TRUST COMMUNITY HOUSING PROGRAM
AR-500 CoC – LEAD AGENCY
SCORING SYSTEM FOR PRIORITIZING CHRONICALLY HOMELESS
INDIVIDUALS & HOUSEHOLDS**

To operationalize the prioritization standard, a scoring system is designed to assign points based on specific criteria. Higher scores indicate a higher priority for receiving housing and supportive services. In order to be eligible for housing restricted to chronically homeless individuals or families under the People Trust Community Housing Program, participants must meet the definition of chronically homeless as approved by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD):

- *A homeless individual with a disability as defined in section 401(9) of the McKinney-Vento Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(9)), who:*
 - *Lives in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter, and*
 - *Has been homeless and living as described for at least 12 months* or on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years, as long as the combined occasions equal at least 12 months and each break in homelessness separating the occasions included at least 7 consecutive nights of not living as described.*
- *An individual who has been residing in an institutional care facility for less, including jail, substance abuse or mental health treatment facility, hospital, or other similar facility, for fewer than 90 days and met all of the criteria of this definition before entering that facility*;* or
- *A family with an adult head of household (or, if there is no adult in the family, a minor head of household) who meets all of the criteria of this definition, including a family whose composition has fluctuated while the head of household has been homeless.*

Scoring system is as follows:

- 1. Length of Chronic Homelessness:** *see definition above points are calculated after initial criteria for program eligibility has been met, starting point begins at 13th month.*

Point System:

- 13-24 months: 3 points
- 25+ months: 4 points

- 2. Residence in Inappropriate Settings:**

Point System:

- Currently unsheltered: 4 points
- Temporarily in emergency shelter: 3 points
- Residing in safe havens: 2 points

- 3. Utilization of Emergency Shelters and Safe Havens:**

Point System:

- 0-3 months: 1 point
- 4-6 months: 2 points
- 7-12 months: 3 points
- 13+ months: 4 points

- 4. Medical and Behavioral Health Needs:**

Point System:

- Severe medical conditions: 3 points
- Severe mental/behavioral health needs: 3 points
- Both severe medical and behavioral health needs: 4 points

- 5. Previous Unsuccessful Housing Interventions:**

Point System:

- No previous unsuccessful attempts: 1 point
- One previous unsuccessful attempt: 2 points
- Multiple previous unsuccessful attempts: 3 points

6. Presence of Vulnerable Populations:

Point System:

- Families with children: 3 points
- Elderly individuals with limited access to care: 2 points
- Elderly individuals with no access to care: 3 points
- Individuals with disabilities: 3 points

Calculation:

The total score for each individual or household is calculated by summing the points across all criteria. higher total scores indicate a higher priority for housing and supportive services.

THRESHOLD FOR PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Total Score Range 0 - 20 points Categories:

Priority Level 3: (0 - 5 points)

- Individuals or households with relatively lower scores fall into this category.
- Consideration for program participants is limited and will most likely be referred to a more suitable program for assistance.
- *Through observation & client case-study, we have found that these cases benefit from targeted outreach or less intensive support services.*

Priority Level 2: (6 -12 points)

- Individuals or households with moderate scores are eligible for basic program participation.
- Resources are allocated based on availability and capacity.

Priority Level 1: (13 - 20 points)

- Individuals or households with higher scores are given top priority for program participation.
- These cases represent the most urgent and severe needs.
- On this level resources are expedited & emergency access to housing and supportive services for this group.

This scoring system provides a quantitative method for CoC Member Agencies to prioritize assistance based on key criteria, ensuring a fair and transparent allocation process. Regular reviews and adjustments to the scoring system can be made to address changing circumstances and community dynamics.

AR-500's: PROPOSED COORDINATED ENTRY (CE) SYSTEM

Coordinated Entry IS a way to help those seeking homeless housing and services access programs more efficiently by:

- Streamlining access and referrals (fewer phone calls and screenings)
- Providing fair and equal access
- Utilizing standardized tools and practices
- Being realistic with individuals and families about their near-term options, giving them the opportunity to assess their situations honestly and identify alternatives to mainstream systems.
- Using a Housing First approach
- Identifying and prioritizing individuals and families who are the most in need of assistance.

Coordinated Entry IS NOT a stand-alone solution to eradicate homelessness, nor does it address the shortfall in affordable housing directly. Instead, the Coordinated Entry system is designed to enhance AR-500's Continuum of Care (CoC) efforts by facilitating access to, and ensuring the judicious use of, mainstream programs. It aims to maximize self-reliance among those who are currently homeless or facing an immediate threat of homelessness.

GENERAL PROCESS:

The CE process begins with the Coordinated Entry Referral Form and standardized Eligibility Assessment, which determines whether individuals and families are eligible to work with an Outreach Specialist who determines the appropriate referral site for services. Enrollment Assessments are administered via electronic submission at established core sites throughout AR-500. The Enrollment Assessment is the first step for all individuals and families seeking housing and/or services. The Enrollment Assessment is comprised of standardized questions that are designed to gather basic household characteristics as well as to determine their next-step referral needs.

Individuals and families who are unstably housed but not experiencing literal or imminent homelessness are served on-site at established core sites, over the phone or via electronic mail or transmitter, who identify resources and provide information and referrals to address their immediate barriers to housing retention or to meet other service needs. Individuals and families who are experiencing literal or imminent homelessness are referred to participating agencies, the staff responsible for providing Navigation services. Prevention Guides serve individuals and families who are at imminent risk of homelessness while Resource Guides serve individuals and families who are literally homeless. Guides utilize best practices when working with individuals and families to resolve their housing crises and meet assessed needs. To ensure consistency of services across sites and fidelity to best practices, AR-500 Guides are required to conform to service delivery policies and procedures incorporated into these CE Policies and Procedures.

I. VETERANS

Veterans and their families access the CE system through the general process described above, and immediately referred to AR-500's VA partner agencies to determine whether veterans are already connected with the VA to establish eligibility for VA benefits and programs, such as HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) and Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF).

II. SPECIALIZED SERVICE PATHWAYS FOR SUBPOPULATIONS

Youth and persons fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing literal or imminent homelessness are referred to a specific site for guidance and customized services. CE sites tasked with serving an identified subpopulation were selected for their experience and expertise in serving the specific subpopulation. In addition to administering the uniform assessment tools and providing standardized CE services, these sites also use customized assessments that are geared toward determining services and referrals that best meet the specific needs of the subpopulation. While the CE system includes specialized pathways for youth and young adults, and individuals and families fleeing domestic violence, these subpopulations may be served at any CE site.

Youth under 18 & Young Adults 18-24

- Staff assess prevention, family reunification, or emergency shelter options for youth and young adults who are experiencing literal or imminent homelessness.
- Specialized assessments are used in conjunction with the Navigator Assessment to connect youth and young adults with appropriate housing and services.

Individuals & Families Experiencing Domestic Violence

- Staff determine the safety needs of individuals and families who are fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence or are at imminent risk of harm.
- Specialized assessments are used in conjunction with the Guide Assessment to connect individuals and families with appropriate housing and services.

Addressing the Needs of Individuals & Families Who Are Fleeing or Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence

Guides and providers of homeless housing must give precedence to ensuring safety and fair access to housing and services for those trying to escape domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, all while maintaining the right of client choice. Specialized housing and services are offered by victim service providers specifically for individuals and families affected by these situations. Nonetheless, such individuals and families are entitled to access the entire spectrum of housing and services available. Consequently, Guides are required to extend homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing, and resource navigation services to all eligible individuals and families. To coordinate services and housing placements confidentially and effectively for these groups, Guides employ unique identifiers and confidential communication methods.

If the individual has expressed that they are in an emergency situation, please call 911

For help with victims of domestic violence, child abuse, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, call:

24 Hour Crisis Lines	
Domestic Violence	1-800-332-4443
Child Abuse	1-800-482-5964
Rape Crisis Program	1-800-643-5748
Adult Abuse	1-800-482-8049
Human Trafficking	1-800-373-7888

III. Diversity and Inclusion Competence

Diversity and Inclusion Competence requires recognizing and responding appropriately to various cultural factors, such as age, ability, beliefs, ethnicity, experiences, gender identity, language, nationality, religion, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic background. Navigators must possess cultural and linguistic skills, with a strong recommendation to pursue training to enhance these abilities. They are also encouraged to examine their own values, biases, and beliefs to understand how these personal aspects affect their communication and service provision. This introspection ensures that Guides respect and consider the diverse cultural preferences and practices of the individuals and families they serve, integrating this understanding into their planning.

As part of their routine duties, Guides actively enhance their knowledge and skills in diversity and inclusion, sharing insights with colleagues. They are expected to leverage their expanding expertise to evaluate the cultural and linguistic appropriateness of tools, assessments, and strategies and to forge referral partnerships with entities that demonstrate cultural and linguistic competence.

IV. GUIDE SERVICES

GUIDES are representatives from participating agencies with granted access to the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) for AR-500, also known as the Arkansas Management Information System (ARMIS).

- i. **INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WHO ARE AT IMMINENT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS** are eligible to work with Prevention Guides. Under the Emergency Solutions Grant for Homeless Prevention (ESG-HP), Prevention Guides carry out a Prevention Assessment to evaluate eligibility and prioritize individuals for Targeted Prevention assistance. The role of the Prevention Guide is to offer direct support aimed at preventing homelessness, which includes efforts to maintain current housing or aid in finding suitable alternative housing. They act as advocates for accessing any suitable housing options, temporary or otherwise, to avoid homelessness and facilitate connections to essential services like employment support, legal aid, behavioral health services, and healthcare, with the aim of enhancing housing stability and retention.

In working with Prevention Guides, individuals and families strive to secure their housing situation and minimize obstacles to keeping their housing. Should an individual or family face homelessness while engaged with a Prevention Guide, the guide's initial step is to help secure housing. In cases where permanent supportive housing programs are necessary for stabilization, individuals or families will be directed to a Resource Guide for further assistance.

- ii. **INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WHO ARE EXPERIENCING LITERAL HOMELESSNESS** are eligible to work with a Resource Guide. Within the Continuum of Care (CoC) framework, Resource Guides carry out essential assessments to establish eligibility and set priorities for enrollment into homeless housing programs. They aid individuals and families in securing affordable housing, ensuring compliance with Fair Market Rent & Rent Reasonableness guidelines, and address barriers to accessing and maintaining housing. This includes facilitating direct referrals to essential mainstream resources like employment support, supportive services, behavioral health services, and healthcare.

Resource Guides collaborate with individuals and families to help them find housing and overcome obstacles to accessing and keeping it. Should immediate housing not be available or if individuals and families are unable to secure housing in the private market, they are placed on a referral list for homeless housing programs for which they qualify as openings arise. The Coordinated Entry system is used to fill openings for Rapid Rehousing (RRH), Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), and Other Permanent Housing (OPH). RRH aims to swiftly transition individuals and families into independent housing, offering search assistance, short-term rental aid, and customized support services. PSH provides permanent housing and supportive services for chronically homeless individuals with disabilities or families with a disabled member. OPH offers independent living housing options to homeless individuals, without restricting eligibility to those with disabilities or families with a disabled member and may include supportive services.

V. **COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSEMENT & RESPONSE TO HOUSING CRISES**

The eligibility assessment determines the most appropriate response to the individual's or household's crisis.

The **ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT** is the uniform tool used by all participating agencies sites:

- Assess the sustainability of current housing; or assess the current situation to determine appropriate housing interventions.
- Determine prioritization for Targeted Prevention assistance, or Homeless Assistance
- Collect necessary information to assist the individual or family with the creation of an action plan to either stabilize current housing, obtain new housing, *or address barriers to obtaining housing.*

VI. PROCESS & FLOW

The CE System employs a uniform assessment process and standardized tools across all entry points to guarantee equitable access to services and resources.

AR-500'S COORDINATED ENTRY (CE) SYSTEM

