

HLC CoC 2023 NOFO Rating Criteria – New Projects

RATING FACTOR	PERFORMANCE GOAL	SOURCE	PERFORMANCE	POINT(S)
Performance Measures				
Experience				
The experience of the applicant and subrecipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing housing similar to that proposed in the application.		LOI - Q 1	Max point value	25
The experience of the applicant with utilizing a Housing First approach. Including 1) eligibility criteria; 2) process for accepting new clients; 3) process and criteria for exiting clients. Must demonstrate there are no preconditions to entry, allowing entry regardless of current or past substance abuse, income, criminal records (with exceptions of restrictions imposed by federal, state, or local law or ordinance), marital status, familial status, self-disclosed or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Must demonstrate the project has a process to address situations that may jeopardize housing or project assistance to ensure that project participation is terminated in only the most severe cases.		LOI - Q 1 & Q 9	Max point value	15
The experience of the applicant in effectively utilizing grant funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.		LOI - Top of pg 4	Max point value	10
Design of Housing & Supportive Services				
The extent to which the applicant 1) demonstrates understanding of the needs of the clients to be served. 2) Demonstrates that type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the clients to be served. 3) Demonstrates that type and scale of all supportive services, regardless of funding source, meets the needs of clients to be served. 4) Demonstrates how clients will be assisted in obtaining mainstream benefits. 5) Establishes performance measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable, and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.		LOI - Q 1	Max point value	15

The extent to which the applicant describes the plan to assist clients to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing that is safe, affordable, accessible, and acceptable to their needs.	LOI - Q 1	Max point value	10
The extent to which the applicant describes how clients will be assisted to increase employment and/or income and maximize their ability to live independently.	LOI - Q 1	Max point value	10
Does the project leverage additional funding with housing subsidies or units not funded through the CoC or ESG programs?	LOI - Middle of pg 4	Yes/No	Yes = 10 No = 0
Does the project leverage health resources, including a partnership commitment with a healthcare organization?	LOI - Top of pg. 4	Yes/No	Yes = 10 No = 0
Timeliness			
The extent to which the applicant describes a plan for rapid implementation of the program, documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing/serving the first program participant. Provides a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.	LOI - Q 1	Max point value	10
Project Effectiveness			
Coordinated Entry Participation – Agency agrees to source clients exclusively from Coordinated Entry.	LOI - Q 5	Max point value	10
A project has secured more than 25% match	LOI - Top of pg. 4	YES	10
		NO	0
Equity Factors			
Recipient incorporates the tenets of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity in their organizational structure, including in their agency leadership, governance, hiring practices, staff trainings, and/or policies.	LOI - Q 12	Yes/No	Yes = 10 No = 0
Recipient utilizes a variety of methods to address equity.	LOI - Q 11	≥ 6 methods	15
		3-5 methods	5
		< 3 methods	0
New project has reviewed internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and has a plan for developing and implementing equitable policies that do not impose undue barriers that exacerbate disparities and outcomes.	LOI - Q 13	Yes/No	Yes = 10 No = 0

New project describes their plan for reviewing program participant outcomes with an equity lens, including the disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age. If already implanting a plan, applicant describes findings from outcomes review.	LOI - Q 1b	Max point value	10
New project describes plan to review whether programmatic changes are needed to make program participant outcomes more equitable and developed a plan to make those changes. If already implementing a plan, applicant describes findings from review.	LOI - Q 2	Max point value	10
Other and Local Criteria			
Is the project providing Permanent Supportive Housing	LOI - Page 3 - Project Type	YES	10
		NO	0
Based upon review of all application documents for quality, validity, and applicability, the IRT member will give the application an overall score.		Max point value	20