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PROCESS FOR APPLICANTS

Applicant agencies must meet the eligibility criteria set forth in the FY21 NOFO. Instructions for completion of the FY21 CoC Competition Project Ranking sheet are as follows. Please read the instructions thoroughly. To ensure the competition is fair and transparent, all applicant agencies should be included on any emails about the process below.

1. Create a copy of this document for each renewal project. The project name should appear in the file name, for example "Agency Abbreviation Project Name CoC Project Scoring FY21 Final"
2. It would be beneficial to first "clean" your HMIS data using the 0260 - HUD CoC APR Data Quality/Completeness - v9 report, and any additional preferred data cleaning reports before completing the Scoring Matrix.
3. The first portion of the Scoring Matrix, the Project Administration section, is not scored. Information from this section will be beneficial to the CoC Board in better understanding the rest of the document's data.
4. The Project Performance section is worth 30 points. The CoC - APR 2020 and the 0252 HMIS Data Quality Report are required to complete this section. Run each report twice: once for 7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020, and another separate report for 7/1/20 - 6/30/2021.
5. Enter the 7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020 results in Column B, and the 7/1/2020 - 6/30/2021 results in Column C.
6. Select the appropriate descriptor from the drop-down list in Column D.
7. Column E will automatically calculate.
8. The Spending & Financial Management section is worth 9 points. When completing rows 40-47, report amounts after a budgetary amendment, if there were any. Row 54 refers to audit findings, not recommendations.
9. The Housing First Fidelity tab is worth 9.5 points and auto-populates with the results of the Housing First Fidelity tab. Follow the directions at the top of the Housing First Fidelity tab to complete that section.
10. Submit each project's completed CoC Project Scoring Matrix FY21 and project eligibility/policies for Housing First Fidelity verification to amandadavis@ywcaquincy.org no later than October 19, 2021.

NOTE: If any calculation, reference, or other errors are identified during completion of this document, please alert amandadavis@ywcaquincy.org and all applicant agencies immediately. A decision on how to handle any required corrections will be made by a neutral party, the CoC Board.

SCORING PROCESS

The Scoring Criteria and Housing First Fidelity assessment reflect the CoC's performance priorities: spending the prior year's award; adherence to the Housing First mode; exits to permanent housing,

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returns to homelessness following exits to permanent housing, increases/maintenance of income, increase/maintenance of benefits.

A neutral, transparent scoring matrix is used to ensure that all applicants are scored on the same relevant criteria. Consideration will be given to agencies submitting scoring criteria for new projects, DV service providers, or other situations where available data does not align perfectly with the scoring criteria. These applicants should provide a clear explanation of why they are not able to submit data for each missing metric, and supply alternative data to the best of their ability.

COC BOARD REVIEW PROCESS

The CoC Board will review the above scoring and supplemental information and will rank projects according to each project's final score. Project applications will be reviewed for feasibility, adherence to evidence-based best practice, and overall benefit to the individuals and families experiencing homelessness within the CoC.

COC REALLOCATION PROCESS

IF the above scoring process reveals that a project is performing below the CoC's standards for essential elements such as failing to spend a significant portion of their prior year's funding without extenuating circumstances; failure to adhere to the Housing First mode; failure to meet performance expectations on exits to permanent housing, returns to homelessness following exits to permanent housing, or increases/maintenance of income/benefits. Funding will be reduced or reallocated completely depending on the inadequacy of the performance. Renewal agencies and new agencies may apply for the reduced or reallocated funding.

COC APPLICANT RANKING PROCESS

The information gleaned from the process described above will be used to rank projects for submission in the CoC's FY21 Prioritization List. The Prioritization List will be emailed to applicants and posted to WCICCC.com.

Renewal projects are ranked on the Prioritization List in order of total score, with the highest scoring renewal project ranked as #1. Each project will follow according to score. New projects will follow the renewal projects in order of score.

For a full description of HUD's tiering process, see the FY21 NOFO. Tier 1 is equal to 100 percent of the combined Annual Renewal Amounts for all projects eligible for renewal for the first time, plus 94 percent of the combined Annual Renewal Amounts for all other projects eligible for renewal. Project applications in Tier 1 will be conditionally selected from the highest scoring CoC to the lowest scoring CoC, provided the project applications pass both eligibility and quality threshold review. Any type of new or renewal project application can be placed in Tier 1, except for CoC Planning and UFA Costs (if applicable), which are not ranked. However in the event insufficient funding is available to award all Tier 1 projects, Tier 1 will be reduced proportionately, which could result in some Tier 1 project falling into

Tier 2 is the difference between Tier 1 and the CoC's ARD plus any amount available for CoC Bonus projects (not including amounts available for DV Bonus projects) and before adjustments are made to permanent housing leasing, operating, and rental assistance budget line items based on changes to Fair Market Rent (FMR) as described in Section III.K of this NOFA. This does not include the amounts available for CoC Planning and UFA Costs (if applicable) projects. Project applications placed in Tier 2 will

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be assessed for eligibility and threshold requirements, and funding will be determined using the CoC Application score as well as the factors listed in Section II.B.10 of this NOFA.