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#### Overview

On July 5, 2023, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23) for the Continuum of Care Grant Program Competition. The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, States, Indian Tribes or Tribally Designated Housing Entities [as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103) (TDHEs)], and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families, and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness. For more information about the HUD Continuum of Care Grant Program, including detailed applicant instructions and guides, please visit: <a href="https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/comm\_planning/coc/competition">https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/comm\_planning/coc/competition</a>.

The PA-502 Delaware County Continuum of Care Governing Board (the Board) is responsible for soliciting, scoring, ranking, and recommending to HUD all new and renewal project applications for both grant competitions. The Delaware County Department of Human Services (DHS) has been designated by the Board as the Collaborative Applicant for the consolidated applications, including all project applications, that will be submitted to HUD on behalf of the Delaware County Continuum of Care. For more information about the Delaware County CoC, please visit: <a href="https://delcohomelessservices.org">https://delcohomelessservices.org</a>.

To access the Delaware County CoC HUD FY23 CoC Grant Competition applications, scoring tools, and other materials, please visit: https://delcohomelessservices.org/2023-nofo-docs-%26-info.

### **Eligible Organizations**

Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes and TDHE (as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996). Public housing agencies are eligible without limitation or exclusion. For-profit entities are ineligible to apply for grants or to be subrecipients of grant funds.

### **Eligible New and Renewal Project Types**

- 1. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) is permanent housing in which housing assistance (e.g., long-term leasing or rental assistance) and supportive services are provided to assist households with at least one member (adult or child) with a disability in achieving housing stability.
- 2. Rapid Re-housing (RRH) is permanent housing that provides short-term (up to three months) and medium-term (4-24 months) tenant-based rental assistance and supportive services to households experiencing homelessness.
- 3. Joint Transitional Housing/Rapid Re-housing (Joint TH/RRH) combines two existing program components, Transitional Housing (TH) and RRH in a single project to serve individuals and families experiencing homelessness. They provide a safe place for people to stay crisis housing with financial assistance and wrap around supportive services determined by program participants to help them move to permanent housing as quickly as possible. Stays in the crisis housing portion of these projects should be brief and without preconditions, and participants should quickly move to permanent housing.
- 4. Dedicated HMIS project for the costs that can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the Delaware County Department of Human Services. Additionally, if the CoC has organizations within its geographic area that are victim service providers (VSPs), the HMIS Lead, or subrecipient, may request HMIS funds for a comparable database. VSPs may also request HMIS funds in their project application budgets to enter data into a comparable database.
- 5. Coordinated Entry projects to implement policies, procedures, and practices that equip the CoC to better meet the needs of people experiencing homelessness who are survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

### **HUD FY23 CoC Local Grant Competition Funding Available**

#### FY23 HUD CoC Grant Competition Funding Available to the PA-502 **Delaware County CoC Description** Amount **Type** \$5,377,760 Annual Renewal Demand The base amount of funding the PA-502 (estimated) (ARD) for Delaware CoC may apply for, typically used to continue the funding of existing "renewal" County projects that are already providing services in the community. \$428,637 Bonus Project Funding In addition to the ARD, the PA-502 CoC is eligible for up to this amount of funding to create new projects or expand renewal projects.\* **DV Bonus Project Funding** \$612,338 In addition to the ARD and Bonus Project funding, the PA-502 CoC is eligible for up to this amount of funding to create new projects or expand renewal projects that exclusively serve Domestic Violence (DV) survivors. \$306,169 CoC Planning Project Every CoC receives a dedicated Planning Funding Project grant to fund HUD-required CoC activities.

\$6,724,904

Total Amount of Funding Available to the PA-502 CoC

All new and renewal projects in the FY23 PA-502 CoC Local Grant Competition will be scored and ranked by a non-conflicted team of Board and community members for review and approval by the CoC Governing Board through a majority vote of non-conflicted members.

<sup>\*</sup>HUD also allows and encourages CoCs to create new projects through the reallocation (reduction or elimination) of renewal projects that are lower performing or no longer meet their community's needs.

### **HUD FY23 CoC Local Grant Competition Timeline**

**Please note:** The PA-502 Delaware County CoC Local Grant Competition Timeline is driven by dates established by HUD. These dates are subject to change. Changes will be published and posted to the Delaware County CoC HUD FY23 CoC Grant Competition webpage as necessary.

Date	Event
May 30, 2023	CoC New Project Intent to Apply Form released on CoC website. social media, and sent by email to CoC membership (local, not HUD required).
July 5, 2023	HUD FY23 Continuum of Care NOFO released.
August 1, 2023	Local Grant Competition Guidelines (including Timeline) Released. Materials posted on CoC website and distributed to CoC membership via email.
August 9, 2023	CoC Governing Board vote to approve local competition scoring, ranking, and reallocation processes.
August 9, 2023	CoC Governing Board vote to approve reallocation recommendations.
August 15, 2023	Nonconflicted CoC Project Review Team Meeting to review Renewal Project performance.
August 16, 2023	CoC Renewal Project applicants notified in writing via email of reallocation (reduction or elimination).
August 25, 2023	All New and Renewal Project applications must be submitted to Collaborative Applicant for review in HUD e-snaps.
August 31, 2023	Nonconflicted CoC Project Review Team Meeting to select New Projects for inclusion in Consolidated Application and finalize project ranking recommendations for Priority Listing.
September 7, 2023	CoC Governing Board vote to review and approve project rankings.
September 8, 2023	Public notification on CoC webpage and social media that all new and renewal project applicants have been notified in writing via email of their project acceptance and rank at least 15 days prior to the HUD submission deadline.

September 18, 2023	CoC Consolidated Application posted on CoC webpage for public review and distributed to the CoC Governing Board in writing via email.
September 22, 2023	CoC Governing Board vote to approve Consolidated Application and Priority Listing for submission to HUD.
September 25, 2023	Final Consolidated Application and Priority Listing submitted to HUD in e-snaps.
September 28, 2023	HUD FY23 CoC Grant Submission deadline.

<sup>\*</sup>Revised August 1, 2023