

2023 CoC Program Competition Priorities and Ranking

A. Priorities for new projects funded through the CoC Bonus:

1. Rapid Rehousing (RRH)* for families with a program length of 12 to 24 months.
2. Rapid Rehousing (RRH)* for individuals with a program length of at least 12 months.

B. Priorities for new projects funded through Reallocation:

1. Rapid Rehousing (RRH)* for families with a program length of 12 to 24 months.
2. Rapid Rehousing (RRH)* for individuals with a program length of at least 12 months.

* Persons to be served in RRH must meet the following criteria:

- (a) residing in a place not meant for human habitation;
- (b) residing in an emergency shelter;
- (c) persons meeting the criteria of paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless, including persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence situations;
- (d) residing in a transitional housing project that was eliminated in the FY 2017 CoC Program Competition; or
- (e) residing in transitional housing funded by a Joint TH and PH-RRH component project (see Section III.A.3.h. of the NOFA); or
- (f) receiving services through a VA-funded homeless assistance program and met one of the above criteria (Sections III.A.3.j.(3)(a), (b), (c), or (d) at initial intake to the VA's homeless assistance system.

RATIONALE FOR PRIORIZATION IN SECTIONS A AND B

Priority 1. As reflected in the Monthly Indicators Reports for Centralized Intake, the number of families in need of Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) continues to grow exceeding current capacity. Therefore, families are referred to the “next best option” which is Rapid Rehousing (RRH). However, the length of stay in current family RRH programs ranges from 6 months to 12 months which isn’t enough time for a family to fully stabilize in permanent housing. While the need is small compared to that for individuals, the impact will be greater because the number of RRH units that can be created with the CoC funds available will be closer to the need for families than for individuals.

Priority 2. As reflected in the Monthly Indicators report, the greatest need for Rapid Rehousing is amongst single individuals. Landlords are now requesting 12 months of rental assistance.

Ranking projects in Tier 1 and 2:

- Renewal projects will be ranked first in Tier 1 based on total score highest to lowest.
- New projects will be ranked next in Tier 1 and/or 2 in order of priority as listed in sections A and B on page 1 and then based on total score highest to lowest.
NOTE: *If a project application straddles the Tier 1 and Tier 2 funding line, HUD will conditionally select the project up to the amount of funding that falls within Tier 1; and then, using the CoC score and other factors described in Section II.B.17. of the NOFA, HUD may fund the Tier 2 portion of the project. If HUD does not fund the Tier 2 portion of the project, HUD may award the project at the reduced amount, provided the project is still feasible with the reduced funding (e.g., is able to continue serving homeless program participants effectively).*
- Per HUD policy, YHDP renewal projects will not be ranked in either tier nor will they be subject to the same competitive process as CoC renewal projects.
- Renewal projects, which include the YHDP projects, with a performance measure score of 70% or less may be subject to reallocation or moved to Tier 2 and ranked based on... (Option 1: the criteria for new projects.) or (Option 2: after the new projects based on score).