Rubric for Scoring Consolidated Application (Exhibit 1)

Maximum of 150 points and 6 bonus points

https://www.onecpd.info/resources/documents/FY2013-2014CoCProgramNOFA.pdf

1. **CoC Strategic Planning & Performance (69 pts)**

   Based on COC's plan for & progress to reduce homelessness & decreasing the number of recurrences of homelessness, with a focus on chronic homelessness.

   - "made available" = through annual turnover
   - *2013 Actual Numeric Achievement & Baseline:* considered the baseline for future competitions & COCs will be scored based on this info.
   - *2014-15 Proposed Numeric Achievement:* COCs will be accountable for meeting the proposed numeric achievements – reasonably achievable based on strategies it will implement.

   (a)   Ending Chronic Homelessness – up to 16 points

3a-1.1b *2013*	To COCs that increased the total number of PSH beds dedicated for use by the CH as reported in the FY 2012 COC Application • **Max points** = to COCs that met or exceeded their 12 month goal (FY 2012 Application, 3A obj 1)	3
3a-1.1b *14-15*	To COCs that demonstrate & commit to a continued increase in total number of PSH beds dedicated for use by CH in 2014 & 2015 • **Max points** = to COCs where there is a cumulative increase from 2013-2015	2
3a-1.1d *2013*	To COCs that demonstrate they are currently prioritizing the CH in at least 30% of the existing PSH units that are not dedicated to serving CH & that are made available through turnover. • **Max points** = currently prioritize admission for CH in at least 85% of the non-dedicated PSH units that are made available through turnover • Using APR & HMIS: subtract total # people served in COC funded PSH beds over 12-month reporting period from total # year-round COC funded PSH beds in 12 month reporting period equals total # PSH created through turnover. Enter # of these turnover beds that will be prioritized for use of CH.	2
3a-1.1d *14-15*	To COCs that commit to increasing % of turnover in non-dedicated PSH units in which CH are prioritized or if the commitment rate identified is currently at 85%, the COC must maintain the 85% rate in 2014 & 2015. • Numeric goals indicated here must be achievable as the COC will be measured against these goals in future COC competitions through HIC/PIT data in HDX. • COCs will be required to <u>attach</u> a list of projects to the Application (including name and number/% of units per project that are willing to commit). • Based on historical data & COC plans	5
3a-1.2 & 1.3	To COCs that provide a clear description of the COC's plan between 2014-2015 to increase the number of PSH beds available for the CH (based on the information provided in the chart 3A-1.1), and that outlines specific strategies & actions the COC will take to achieve the goal of ending chronic homelessness by 2015. • **Max points** = COCs must clearly identify by name of the individual, organization, or committee responsible for implementing the goals of increasing the # of PSH for CH. • **NO points** to COC that simply identifies "the COC" as the responsible party. • Strategies & actions must be measurable & achievable in relation to time & resources. • **Max points** = Describe what the steps & strategies are AND how they will be achieved over the 2 year period.	4

(b) Housing Stability – up to 10 points   *APR 10.1.12-9.30.13*

3A-2.2c *2013*	To COCs that demonstrate for 2013 that at least 80% of COC program participants either remained in PH or exited from TH to PH • **To calculate:** (a) total # of participants served by all coc-funded PSH, (b) total # of participants that remain in COC funded PSH at end of operating year <u>plus</u> number of participants that exited from all coc-funded PSH to a different PH destination. (c) Divide # entered for (b) by # entered for (a) = %.	4
3A-2.2c *14-15*	To COCs that indicate that they will increase the % of COC program participants who remained in or exited to PH to at least 80% in 2014 & 2015. • Numeric goals indicated here must be achievable as the COC will be measured again these goals in future competitions. • **To calculate:** (a) estimated # of program participants that will be served by all coc-funded projects <mark>(or did it mean PSH?),</mark> (b) estimated # of program participants that will have remained in COC-funded PSH <u>plus</u> the total # participants that will have exited from all COC-funded PSH to a different PH destination. (c) Divide # entered for (b) by # entered for (a) = %.	3
3A-2.3 & 2.4	To COCs that provide a clear description of the COC's plan between 2014-2015 to improve the housing stability of participants in its COC program-funded projects <mark>(or did it mean PSH?),</mark> (based on information provided in chart 3A-2.2) & that address the specific strategies & actions the COC will take to meet the numeric achievements proposed for 2014 & 2015. • **Max points** = COCs must clearly identify the individual, organization, or committee responsible for implementing this goal. • **NO points** to COC that simply identifies "the COC" as the responsible party. • Strategies & actions must be measurable & achievable in relation to time & resources. • **Max points** = describe what the steps & strategies are AND how they will be achieved over the 2 year period. • HUD goal is 80%; those below that goal in 2013 should demo steps toward increasing their performance; those at or above goal should include steps that will allow them to at least maintain current performance.	3

<mark>**This is a question to clarify through AAQ.**</mark>

(c)   Jobs & Income Growth – up to 8 points   *APR 10.1.12-9.30.13* Total adults

3A-3.2a *2013*	To COCs that clearly demonstrate that participants in all COC program-funded projects obtained employment income during program participation. * • **Max points** = COCs where 20% or more of participants in COC program-funded projects have employment income. • This includes participants that gained employment after entry or were already employed at entry but increased employment income by time of exit.	2
3A-3.2b *2013*	To COCs that clearly demonstrate that participants in all COC program-funded projects increased their income from sources other than employment. * • **Max points** = COCs where 54% or more of participants in COC program-funded projects have income from sources other than employment. • This includes participants that gained non-employment income after entry or were already receiving non-employment income at entry but increased non-employment income by time of exit.	1
3A-3.2a *14-15*	To COCs that indicate they will increase (or maintain) the % of participants in COC program-funded projects who increase their income through employment in a given operating year to at least 20% in 2014 & 2015. • Numeric goals indicated here must be achievable as the COC will be measured again these goals in future competitions. • APR: 10/1/13 – 9/30/14 and then 10/1/14 – 9/30/15	1
3A-3.2b *14-15*	To COCs that indicate that they will increase (or maintain) the % of participants in COC program-funded projects who increase their income from sources other than employment in a given operating year to at least 54% in 2014 & 2015. • Numeric goals indicated here must be achievable as the COC will be measured again these goals in future competitions. • APR: 10/1/13 – 9/30/14 and then 10/1/14 – 9/30/15	1
3A-3.4 & 3.5 & 3.6	To COCs that provide a clear description of the COC's plan between 2014-2015 to increase the % of project participants in all COC program-funded projects that increase their incomes from both employment & non-employment sources & that address the specific strategies & actions the COC will take to meet the numeric achievements proposed for 2014 & 2015. • **Max points** = COCs must clearly identify the individual, organization, or committee responsible for implementing this goal. • **NO points** to COC that simply identifies "the COC" as the responsible party. • Strategies & actions must be measurable & achievable in relation to time & resources. • **Max points** = describe what the steps & strategies are AND how they will be achieved over the 2 year period. • HUD goal is 54% for non-employment & HUD goal is 20% for employment; those below that goal in 2013 should demo steps toward increasing their performance; those at or above goal should include steps that will allow them to at least maintain current performance.	3

(d)   Mainstream Benefits – up to 7 points   *APR 10.1.12-9.30.13*

3A-4.2a *2013*	To COCs that demonstrate that participants in COC program-funded projects increase their mainstream benefits during program participation. * • **Max points** = COCs where at least 56% of participants (adults) obtain mainstream benefits from entry date to program exit.	2
3A-4.2a *14-15*	To COCs that indicate that they will increase (or maintain) the % of participants in COC program-funded projects who increase their mainstream benefits in a given operating year in 2014 & 2015. • **Max points** = must either have a rate of at least 56% that is maintained, or show a numerical increase from 2014 to 2015. • Numeric goals indicated here must be achievable as the COC will be measured again these goals in future competitions.	2
3A-4.4 & 4.5	To COCs that provide a clear description of the COC's plan in 2014 & 2015 to increase the % of project participants in all COC program-funded projects that obtain mainstream benefits & that address the specific strategies & actions the COC will take to meet the numeric achievements proposed for 2014 & 2015. • **Max points** = COCs must clearly identify the individual, organization, or committee responsible for implementing this goal. • **NO points** to COC that simply identifies "the COC" as the responsible party. • Strategies & actions must be measurable & achievable in relation to time & resources. • **Max points** = describe what the steps & strategies are AND how they will be achieved over the 2 year period. • HUD goal is 56% for mainstream benefits; those below that goal in 2013 should demo steps toward increasing their performance; those at or above goal should include steps that will allow them to at least maintain current performance.	3

Participants = Adults for mainstream benefits

(e) **Rapid Re-Housing – up to 10 points**
- ✓ With McKinney-Vento (MCKV) = COC & ESG
- ✓ w/out McKinney-Vento = TANF and SSVF

- CA must 1st refer to the total # of units for HWC assisted with RRH in proejcts that receive MCKV funding as reported on 2013 HIC. Use that #, the CA must determine how many of those were assisted with COC-funding. *most won't have units in this field this year. (#3A-5.1a)
- Same as above, except using total # units, determine how many HH were assisted w/ESG (#3A-5.1b)
- Same as above, expect using total # units, determine how many households were assisted with TANF and SSVF (non-mckinney vento funds) (#3A-5.1c)
  ==Total? Of just HH with children==

3A-5.1a, b,c *13-15*	To COCs that plan to increase in the number of homeless households with children assisted through RRH programs between 2013-2015. • Enter total # of HWC that were assisted through RRH per year with COC-funds on 2013 HIC & then estimates for 2014-15. • Enter total # of HWC that were assisted through RRH per year with ESG-funds on 2013 HIC & then estimates for 2014-15. • Enter total # of HWC that were assisted through RRH per year that didn't receive MCKV funding as reported on 2013 HIC & then estimates for 2014-15.	3
3A-5.2 & 5.3	To COCs that provide a clear description of how the COC will increase the number of homeless households with children that are assisted with RRH (through COC, ESG, or other sources), in 2014 & 2015, including specific strategies and actions the COC will take to meet the numeric achievements being proposed. • **Max points** = COCs must clearly identify the individual, organization, or committee responsible for implementing this goal. • **NO points** to COC that simply identifies "the COC" as the responsible party. • Strategies & actions must be measurable & achievable in relation to time & resources. • **Max points** = describe what the steps & strategies are AND how they will be achieved over the 2 year period.	3
3A-5.4, 5.5, & 5.6	To COCs that provide a clear description of the written policies & procedures for administering assistance under COC & ==ESG programs==. These must be: ✓ Specific & detailed ✓ Address any unique eligibility requirements for assistance ✓ Reflect the homeless population & subpopulation w/in the COC ✓ Reflect the housing & services resources available w/in the COC ✓ Reflect local & national targeting priorities • Must provide detailed description of determining & prioritizing which eligible homeless households will receive RRH assistance and the amount or % of rent that each program participant must pay. Must specify the frequency in which most RRH providers provide case management to households in COC & ESG funded RRH projects. • Must specify most common ways RRH providers contact program participants and how the providers assess when a household is ready to end or if additional assistance is needed. • Describe any standards that the COC may require of all RRH providers. Must indicate whether the majority of RRH providers within the geographic routinely follow-up w/previously assisted HH to ensure that they don't experience additional episodes of homelessness within the 1st 12 months after assistance ends.	4

	• If follow-up does occur routinely, CA must describe how frequently the RRH provider follows up with the HH and what steps the provider takes if it is determined that the housing is again at risk. • If follow-up does not occur routinely, CA must describe what other steps the COC takes to ensure that HH exiting RRH do not experience additional episodes of homelessness within 1st 12 months. COCs will be assessed on the responses as they pertain to BOTH the COC and ESG program.	

HWC = households with children

(f)   Opening Doors – up to 3 points

3D-1 3C-7	To COCs that demonstrate how it is including the goals of *Opening Doors* in local plans established to prevent & end homelessness. • CA must describe the extent to which the COC has operationalized the strategic decisions it has developed in strategic planning exercises. • Must include how the COC has incorporated the goals of *Opening Doors* into the COC strategic planning decisions & specific steps it is taking to meet each of the goals locally within the specified time frame. • Also indicate if there are local interagency councils that have developed plans to prevent/end homelessness and whether the COC is on target to meet each of these goals. Also, include what steps the COC is taking to assess existing barriers to entry & how they plan to remove them. • Describe the extent to which these types of additional screening requirements (income eligibility requirements, sobriety, background checks, credit checks) currently exist for any project funded through the COC or ESG program • Describe what steps (if any) the COC is taking to remove these requirements or describe why they are not acting as barriers for persons that are generally hardest to serve.	3

End chronic homelessness by 2015, end veteran homelessness by 2015
End family, youth, and child homelessness by 2020
Set path to end all homelessness

(g)   Ending Family Homelessness – up to 4 points

3D-2	To COCs that demonstrate the efforts to combat homelessness among households with dependent children – particularly those living in unsheltered situations. • Must include outreach plan the COC has in place to reach this population and address the homelessness situation.	4

(h)   Addressing the Needs of Victims of Domestic Violence – up to 2 points

3D-3	To COCs that demonstrate current efforts to address the needs of victims of DV, including their families. • Include a clear description of services & safe housing from all funding sources that are available within the COC to serve this population. • Include what policies the COC has in place to ensure the safety and privacy of DV survivors that are served in any COC or ESG program.	2

(i)   Ending Youth Homelessness – up to 2 points

3D-4	To COCs that demonstrate current efforts to address youth homelessness, including a clear description of services & housing from all funding sources that are available within the COC. • Include the extent to which resources are available for all youth or only specific to youth between the ages of 16-17 or 18-24.	2

(j)   Reaching Unsheltered Homeless – up to 3 points

3D-5	To COCs that demonstrate efforts to identify and engage the homeless who routinely sleep on the streets or in other places not meant for human habitation (i.e. car, park, abandoned building, campground). • Must include the COCs outreach plan to reach this population and demonstrate that the outreach plan covers the COC's entire geographic area. • Must also demonstrate how the plan addresses geographic barriers that might make outreach to unsheltered persons more difficult.	3

(k)   Ending Veteran Homelessness – up to 4 points

3D-6	To COCs that demonstrate the extent to which they are partnering or collaborating with HUD-VASH and other VA-funded programs (SSVF and Grant Per Diem) that are operating in the COC geographic area. • COCs should specifically describe how they are combatting homelessness among veterans & their families, especially for those not eligible for homeless assistance through US DVA (i.e HUD-VASH, SSVF, and Grant Per Diem). • **Max points** = include a complete description of services & housing available for veterans from all funding sources. • Must describe the extent to which it coordinates with the local VA and/or VA-funded programs within the COC to ensure that the COC program & ESG funding that is available to serve homeless veterans is used primarily to serve those that <u>ARE NOT</u> eligible for VA-funded housing or services (i.e. dishonorably discharged).	4

2. COC Coordination of Housing & Services (28 pts)

Based on the extent to which the COC demonstrates that it coordinates its housing & service resources with other systems of care that serve the homeless, and that housing & services within the COC are coordinated.

(a)   Preventing Homelessness – up to 2 points

3C-4	To COCs that thoroughly describe the COC's strategy to reduce the number of i/f who become homeless & describes the success of the COC at reducing the number of i/f who become homeless. • **Max points** = COCs provide a brief narrative that specifically describes the current homelessness prevention efforts in place within the COC's entire geographical area aimed at reducing the # of i/f who become homelessness. • The response must describe how the COC coordinates with the ESG recipients within the COC's geographic area on homelessness prevention efforts. o Should include a discussion of any barriers to fair housing choice identified in the jurisdictions' Analyses of Impediments that related to homeless populations. o COCs must describe how they coordinated with ESG projects within their geography.	2

(b)   Discharge Planning – up to 4 points

| 3B-1, 2, 3, & 4 | To the maximum extent practical, COC should demonstrate how they are coordinating with and/or assisting in State or local discharge planning efforts to ensure that those discharged are not released directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other MV homeless assistance programs.
• Must clearly indicate if there is a discharge policy in place mandated by the State or adopted by the COC
• Must identify specific actions the COC has taken (i.e. provide training to membership or working with the system of care to help them come up with an alternative plan)
   ✓ **Max points** = CA must provide specific examples of where persons routinely go upon discharge.
   ✓ **No points** for all questions for a particular system of care if CA indicates that persons are routinely discharged from that system of care directly into homelessness (streets or shelter) or McKinney-Vento homeless assistance programs.
• For all 4 institutions - specifically identify the stakeholders and/or collaborating organizations that are responsible for ensuring there is a comprehensive discharge policy in place & followed
   ✓ **Max points** = COCs must clearly identify the individual, organization, or committee responsible for implementing this goal.
   ✓ **NO points** to COC that simply identifies "the COC" as the responsible party.

➢ Foster care – discharging youth aging out of foster care (1 point)
➢ Health care – discharging persons from health care facilities, i.e. hospitals (1 point)
➢ Mental health – discharging persons from mental health facilities (1 point)
➢ Corrections – discharging persons from correctional facilities, i.e. prisons (1 point) | 4 |

(c)   Consolidated Plan – up to 2 points

| 3C-1.1 | To COCs where the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction(s) within the COC includes the COC's strategic plan goals for addressing & reducing homelessness.
• **Max points** = COCs must specifically list the goals in the COC strategic plan that are included in the Con Plan that pertains to addressing & reducing homelessness.
• **No Points** = if CA says "yes" but doesn't list specific goals
All con plan jurisdictions are required to strengthen the homeless needs assessment & strategy in their plans. COC Interim Rule requires COCs to participate in Con Plan for all jurisdictions within the COC's geographic area. | 2 |

(d)   Emergency Solutions Grant – up to 3 points

| 3C-2 & 3 | CA must describe extent to which the COC consults with ESG jurisdiction(s) within the COC geographic area.
• Response must specifically state how the COC consults and coordinates with the ESG recipient on the plan for allocating ESG funds for FY2012 and 2013
• Responses must specifically describe the plan for reporting on & evaluating the performance of ESG program recipients/sub-recipients.

CA must describe the extent to which ESG program funds were used for RRH and homeless prevention (HP).
• Responses must include % of 2012 & 2013 total ESG allocations for both activities within COC geographic area (5 components = SO, ES, HP, RRH, HMIS).
• CA must provide rationale for how the funding allocation decisions were made. | 3 |

(e) Coordination with Other Funding Sources – up to 1 point

3C-5	To COCs that clearly demonstrate coordinated with other Federal, State, local, private, and other entities serving homeless & those at risk of homeliness in the planning & operation of projects. • Must clearly & specifically describe how it participates in and/or coordinates with other funding, service opportunities, & policies of each of the following programs to support the COC's strategy and housing & service system: ✓ HOPWA, TANF, RHY, Head Start, philanthropic organizations & foundations, and other housing & service programs funded through Federal, state, or local government resources. • Response must address each of these funding sources, regardless of whether any entities w/in the COC receives funding from any 1 of the sources.	1

(f) Public Housing Agencies (PHA) – up to 2 points

3C-6	To COCs that can clearly demonstrate how they are currently engaged with/or are attempting to engage with local PHA(s).
	• **Max points** = COCs that can demonstrate ways in which they are partnering with one or more PHA in efforts to prevent & end homelessness.
	  ✓ Partnering includes: where PHA(s) are active members of the COC, where PHA homeless preference exists w/in the COC, & where 1 or more PHA actively seeks referrals from organizations within the COC.
	  ✓ CA should identify by name those PHAs where there IS active engagement and ISN'T but attempted engagement.
	
	Where there isn't currently any active engagement between COC & at least 1 PHA – describe what efforts, if any, the COC has taken to engage with the PHA w/in the geographic area AND whether there have been barriers to that collaboration.
		2

(g) Housing First Approach – up to 3 points

3C-8	To COCs based on the extent to which the COC uses a Housing First approach – a model of housing assistance offered without precondition (such as sobriety or minimum income threshold) and rapid placement & stabilization in PH. • **Max points** = the COC must describe the extent to which the COC & its recipients of funding for PSH have adopted a Housing First model. Max credit to CA that demos COC already adopted or is in the process of implementing a HF model across COC's entire geographic area, or in at least • **Max points** = at least 75% of the COCs PSH project applications submitted for the FY2013 funds must report that they follow a Housing First approach HUD will review FY2013 Project Applications to determine % of PSH projects within COC that indicate that they have adopted HF approach.	3

(h)   Centralized or Coordinated Assessment System – up to 2 points

3C-9	To COCs that can demonstrate the existence of a centralized or coordinated assessment system AND describe how the system is used to ensure that the homeless i/f are placed in the appropriate housing & service types based on their level of need. • Response must include each of the following: ✓ The portion of the COC's geographic area covered by the system ✓ Description of the east of accessible to the system for homeless i/f seeking housing & services ✓ Manner in which the COC advertises the system to the public ✓ Description of the comprehensive & standardized assessment tool used	2

(i)   Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing – up to 2 points

3C-10	To COCs that demonstrate recipients have implemented specific strategies that affirmatively further fair housing as detailed in 24 CFR 578.93 (c). • Must identify how the COC determined which populations were underserved and include a description of the special outreach being implemented to bring these persons into housing.	2

(j)   Educational Assurances – up to 2 points

3C-11 & 12	To COCs that specifically describe how the COC collaborates with local education authorities to assist in the identification of i/f who become or remain homeless & are informed of the eligibility for services. Must demonstrate ESG recipients are involved in this effort. • This includes demonstrating that the COC has established policies that required homeless assistance providers to ensure all children are enrolled in early childhood programs or in school & connected to appropriate services in the community. • Must describe specific policies AND how the COC ensures that all homeless service providers are complying with this requirement. Examples include: ✓ COC requires all recipients to inform families & unaccompanied youth of their educational rights. ✓ COC requires all recipients to collaborate with local school district liaisons as a matter of policy and when new children enter programs. ✓ COC provides material to families & unaccompanied youth regarding educational rights. Must describe involvement (if any) of local educational authorities have in the COC planning process & extent to which recipients of COC and ESG funding have a joint process in place with school administration to identify families experience homelessness and/or at risk of homelessness. Examples include: ✓ COC works with school liaisons to develop safeguards to protect homeless students from discrimination based on homelessness. ✓ COC formed a sub-committee to address homeless among families & unaccompanied youth and include local educational authorities. ✓ Local school districts are included in COC strategic planning activities.	2

(k)   Preventing Involuntary Family Separation – up to 2 points

3C-13	To COCs that demonstrate that the COC is collaborating with emergency shelters and housing providers to ensure homeless households with children under the age of 18 are not denied admission and are not separated. • Include any written policies that prohibit family separation • If no policies, must describe the steps it will take to develop & implement a written policy.	2

(l)   Affordable Care Act – up to 1 point

4C-4	To COCs that demonstrate how the COC is preparing, with project recipients, for the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). • The description should address the extent to which project recipients and sub-recipients will participate in enrollment & outreach activities to ensure eligible households take advantage of the new healthcare options. • COC should be actively prepping for implementation by determining how the funds may be used by recipients to serve the homeless population.	1

(m)   Resources for Services - up to 2 points

4C-5	To COCs that are able to demonstrate they are identifying alternative sources (mainstream resources) for supportive services in order to reduce the amount of COC program funds being used to pay for those costs. ➢ COC Interim Rule allows for payment of certain supportive service costs, therefore it is more efficient for COCs to use mainstream resources where possible AND use HUD funds for housing-related costs. • COC must proactively seek & provide information to COC program recipients/subs within the geographic area about mainstream resources & funding opportunities. • Describe steps the COC is taking to work with COC program recipients/subs to identify other sources.	2

3. <u>Recipient Performance (15 pts)</u>

COCs that clearly and specifically demonstrate steps taken to ensure the COC program funded projects meet performance measures as outlined by HUD.

(a)   Performance Monitoring – up to3 points

4A-1	To COCs that demonstrate that the COC monitors the performance of recipients on HUD-established performance goals that are reported in the FY2013/2014 COC Application & included in the strategic planning process that addresses: ✓ ending chronic homelessness ✓ increasing housing stability ✓ increasing project participant income & mainstream benefits ✓ the use of RRH to reduce homelessness among households with children • Include frequency in which monitoring occurs, the type, & the scope of monitoring that is conducted (i.e. on-site, remote).	3

(b)   Increasing Performance – up to 3 points

4A-2	To COCs that demonstrate that recipients are assisted to meet HUD-established performance goals (as listed in Section VII.A.1 of this NOFA). • Detailed description of the steps the COC takes to assist underperforming project recipients to improve (e.g. technical assistance is provided) and the manner in which the COC provides feedback.	3

(c)   Increasing Capacity – up to 3 points

4A-3	To COCs that demonstrate how the COC assists underperforming recipients to increase their capacity to implement program requirements (e.g. submission of timely reports, timely draws for funds, etc.) in order to successfully carry out the requirements of the Act, COC interim rule, and local COC priorities. • Must include a detailed description of how the COC: ✓ Evaluates the capacity of project recipients (distinct from monitoring) in managing their grants ✓ the steps the COC takes to assist underperforming projects recipients to improve capacity to administer grants in compliance with COC program ✓ the manner in which the COC provides feedback	3

(d)   Reducing Homeless Episodes – up to 3 points

4A-4	To COCs that provide information to HUD on the length of time i/f remain homeless & specifically describe how the length of time that i/f remain homeless will be reduced in the community. • **Max points** = COC must provide a narrative that describes specific efforts currently in place by the COC to track length of time i/f remain homeless AND the planning process to reduce the length of time i/f remain homeless. • The narrative must include: ✓ How data from COC and ESG funded programs are considered as well as how non-HUD funded projects are included ✓ The extent to which the COC uses HMIS to monitor & record episodes of homelessness by participants who exited RRH, TH, & PSH. ✓ The average length of time that i/f remain homeless ✓ The specific efforts currently in place to rack including the tools used to do the tracking	3

(e)   Outreach – up to 1 point

4A-6	To COCs that demonstrate a thorough plan for reaching homeless i/f. • **Max points** = COC must provide information that demonstrates that 100% of the geographic area is considered, and that describes the specific outreach procedures in place that are used by the homeless service agencies to identify and engaged homeless i/f, including their efforts to provide meaningful outreach to persons with disabilities and persons with limited English proficiency. • Must describe the procedures they will use to market their housing & supportive services to eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, familial status, or disability who are least likely to apply in the absence of special outreach.	1

(f)   Tracking & Reducing Returns to Homelessness – up to 2 points

3C-14 4A-5	To COCs that provide information to HUD on the text to which i/f leaving homelessness experience additional spells of homelessness & specifically describe how the number of i/f who return to homelessness will be reduced in the community. • **Max points** = Demonstrate the use of HMIS within the COC to monitor and record returns to homelessness by participants who exit RRH, TH, and PSH. • The COC will be assessed on the processes that have been implemented by COCs to reduce the number of additional returns to homelessness once the homeless have exited the homeless system.	2

4. **COC Housing, Services, & Structure (13 pts)**
   Based on the extent to which a COC demonstrates the existence of a coordinated, inclusive, and outcome-orientated community process, including an organizational structure and decision-making process for developing and implementing a COC strategy that is inclusive of representatives from both the private & public sector; has a fair and impartial project review & selection process; and has created, maintained, & built upon a community-wide inventory of housing for the homeless.

   (a)   COC Meetings – up to 2 points

1B-1	To COCs that can clearly demonstrate that they conduct regular meetings that are open to the public & inclusive of the homeless and/or formerly homeless. • **Max points** = to COCs that hold meetings of the full membership, with published agendas, at least semi-annually.	2

   (b)   Complaints – up to 2 points

1D-7	If COC did not receive any written complaints from recipients, sub-recipients, applicants, or other members of the COC as they relate to 24 CFR 578.7 (responsibilities of the COC) and 578.9 (preparing the application) within 12 months before the COC Program Applicant submission deadline. In the event the COC did, the Collaborative Applicant must address whether the complaints were resolved in a manner that was satisfactory & without retaliation to the entity who lodged the compliant. • Description of complaint, how it was resolved, & date(s) of resolution	2

   (c)   Inclusive Structure – up to 2 points

1C-2	If the COC considers the full range of opinions from individuals or entities with knowledge of homelessness in the geographic area or an interest in preventing or ending homelessness in the geographic area when establishing COC-wide committees. • Demonstrate that the most active committees established within the COC that are directly involved in addressing homelessness prevention, as well as the goals for ending homelessness, contain persons with a wide-range of knowledge. • **Max points** = include actual examples of 1 or more workgroup(s) & the persons that are involved.	1
1D-3	If the COC is open to proposals from entities that have not previously received funds in prior competitions. • COC must clearly & specifically describe how it works with homeless service providers that have expressed an interest in applying for HUD funds & what steps it takes to discuss & review proposals as well as provide feedback & guidance.	1

(d)   Project Application Performance Metrics – up to2 points

1D-2	Based on extent to which the COC reviews & ranks projects using periodically collected data on the projects within the COC in order to conduct analysis on the effectiveness of each project & to determine the extent to which each has resulted in rapid return to PH for those served by the project – taking into account the severity of barriers faced by the program participant. • **Max points** =Provide a brief narrative that specifically describes the current or proposed efforts in place by COC to collect information & analyze the results. o Include: time frame, data source, specific performance measures, & how often the data is reviewed o Specify how each of the data sources allows COC to analyze the extent to which each project has resulted in participants' rapid return to PH o Must demonstrate how the severity of barriers faced by project participants are taken into account	2

(e)   Accuracy of GIW – up to 1 point

1D-6	Attach the final GIW that was approved by HUD either during the COC Registration or during the 7-day grace period following publication of NOFA.	1

(f)   Ranking & Selection Process – up to 3 points

1D-1	To COCs that demonstrate the use of ranking & selection process for project applications that is based on objective criteria & that has been publicly announced by the COC – including published written policies & procedures that include dated meeting minutes. • **Max points** = Attach written documentation of rating & ranking/review process & include evidence of how the COC made the information publicly available (i.e. website). Process should include all applications (new & renewal). o Process published in the COC governance charter or a standalone document. o Evidence the process was presented via dated meeting minutes & evidence the meeting minutes were made available to full membership. • Must post on its website all parts of COC Consolidated Application, including Priority Lists, before the submission deadline and notify community members & key stakeholders that the application is available. If no website, must post this information to a partner website within the COC. If HUD is notified & confirms that the COCs didn't notify project applications in writing, outside of *e-snaps* with reason, no later than 15 days before application deadline – COC will receive a 0.	3

(g)   Housing Inventory Count Submission – up to 1 point

1E-1	To COCs that submitted the 2013 HIC data in the HDX by the 4/30/13 deadline.	1

5. Leveraging (5 pts)

	To COCs that demonstrate the extent to which the amount of assistance to be provided to the COC will be supplemented with resources from other public & private sources, including mainstream programs. • **Max points** = 100% participation in leveraging from all project applications & have at minimum 150% leveraging • Commitment letter(s) must be on file and dated within 60 days of the COC application deadline.	5

6. **HMIS (11 pts)**

COCs that clearly demonstrate the existence of a functioning HMIS that facilitates the collection of information on the homeless using residential and other homeless services and stores that data in an electronic format.

(a)   HMIS Governance – up to2 points

2A-2	To COCs that have in place a HMIS governance charter.
	• **Max points** = must attach a copy of the HMIS Governance Charter
	   o Must be updated annually
	   o Include all policies & procedures necessary to comply with the HMIS requirements in the COC Program Interim Rule, the 2010 HMIS Data Standards, and any local HMIS requirements
	   o Clearly outlines the roles & responsibilities of the COC & HMIS Lead
	For those COCs that incorporate the HMIS policies & procedures into their governance by reference, a copy of the referenced document must also be attached.
	
	No points will be awarded to COCs that do not have a governance charter between the COC, the Collaborative Applicant, & the HMIS lead.
		2

(b)   HMIS Plans – up t0 1 point

2A-3	To COCs that describe how the Privacy Plan, Security Plan, and Data Quality Plan are reviewed by the COC & ensure that the HMIS Lead reviews & revises these plans on a regular basis. • Privacy Plan: a plan that at the minimum includes data collection limitations, purpose & use limits, allowable uses & disclosures, access & correction standards, & protection for victims of DV. • Security Plan: a plan that ensures the confidentiality, integrity, & availability of all HMIS information, protects against any reasonably anticipated threats or hazards to security, & ensure compliance by end users. • Data Quality Plan: a plan that ensures completeness, accuracy, & consistency of the data in the HMIS Response must include: • Date in which each of the plans were developed & promulgated to users throughout the COC • How frequently each plan is reviewed & updated by the COC	1

(c)   HMIS Funding – up to2 points

2B-3	To COCs that demonstrate that the HMIS is supported by non-HUD sources. COCs will be assessed on the total funding generated for the HMIS from all sources – HUD, other federal, State and local, private, etc. – that includes the amounts for all matching sources – both cash and in-kind. • **Max points** = COC must demonstrate that at least 25% of the HMIS budget – beyond what is counted towards match requirements is supported through non-COC Program funding sources.	2

(d)   Bed Coverage – up to2 points

2C-1 2C-2 2C-3 2C-4	To COCs that record 86% or higher for bed coverage rate – including emergency shelter, Safe Havens, transitional housing, RRH, and PSH. • The bed coverage rate is the number if HMIS participating beds divided by the total number of year-round beds dedicated to the homeless in the geographic area covered by the COC. Each housing type will be calculated separately. • Beds funded by victim service providers must NOT be included.	2

(e)   Data Quality – up to 2 points

2D-2	To COCs that have below 10% null or missing values & 10% of refused or unknown records as recorded in the HMIS. • Must report the number of unduplicated client records with null or missing values for the UDE on a single day, as selected by the COC, within the last 10 days in January 2013. To calculate null/missing & refused/don't know: • Name, SSN, DOB, Ethnicity, Race, Gender = divide by total number new clients • Veteran & disabling condition = divide by number of adults (18+) • Residence, zip, housing status, HOH = divide by number of adults (18+) or unaccompanied youth	2

(f)   Entry and Exit Dates – up to 1 point

2F-1.1	To COCs that demonstrate the procedures in place to ensure program entry and exit dates are recorded in HMIS. • The COC will be required to attach the HMIS policies and procedures where HUD will review to ensure that there is a section clearly describing the procedure of how entry and exit dates are recorded in HMIS accurately. Policy & Procedure must detail the policies, procedures, guidelines, and standards that govern operation of a COC's HMIS for both the HMIS and the CHOs. • Outline roles/responsibilities of all agencies & persons w/access to HMIS data. • Outline how HMIS data is secured & protected.	1

(g)   Required Reports – up to 1 point

2D-3	To COCs that demonstrate that they are able to generate HUD required reports (e.g. APR, CAPER, etc.) from the HMIS system. • Indicate the extent to which the HMIS is able to generate such reports • Indicate the specific reporting requirements that are fulfilled using HMIS generated data	1

7. **Point-in-Time (PIT) Count   (9 pts)**

   Based on the collection, use, & submission of the 2013 PIT count data.

(a)   PIT Count & Data Submission – up to 3 points

2G-1
 2G-3
 2G-4
	To COCs that conducted a PIT count and reported the data in HDX.
	 • **Max points** = to COCs that:
	   o Conducted a sheltered & unsheltered PIT count (last 10 days in Jan. 2013)
	   o Submitted the PIT data for 2013 in HDX by 4/30/13
	   o Provided the % of homeless service providers (Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, & Safe Haven) that supplied information on sheltered population and subpopulation data:
	 <u>Observation</u> = % of sheltered PIT count that was conducted by observing the # participants in shelters/housing
	 <u>Provider Shelter</u> = % of sheltered PIT count that was conducted through survey (i.e. spreadsheet designed by COC capturing total # persons, beds used vs. available)
	 <u>Client Interview</u> = % of sheltered PIT count that was conducted by interviewing the participants that are in the shelter/housing
	 <u>HMIS</u> = % of sheltered PIT count that was gathered only through HMIS
		3

(b)   Change in PIT Since 2012 – up to 2 points

2G-5	To COCs that demonstrate an overall reduction in the number of i/f who have become homeless since the number reported in the FY 2012 COC Program Competition. • **Max points** = COC must demonstrate a decrease in the number of sheltered & unsheltered homeless i/f from the previous PIT count & compare it to the number of homeless i/f from the most recent PIT as reported in HDX. Must compare & describe the difference between 2012 & 2013 (as reported in HDX) PIT counts: • Compare the total number of persons counted during sheltered PIT count. • Specifically explain any factors that might have resulted in an increase, decrease, or no change in the sheltered count.	2

(c)   Subpopulation Data – up to 2 points

2I-1 2I-3	To COCs based on the COC's ability to collect & report accurate and quality subpopulation data for the sheltered homeless during the 2013 PIT count. • Describe how each method was used to collect & produce subpopulation data on the sheltered homeless population during the 2013 PIT count – to ensure high quality of the data collected. • Describe each method individually. • Ex: name of method selected: provide description of how method was used.	2

(d)   Methodology for Unsheltered Count – up to 2 points

2K-4 2L-3 2N-3	To COCs based on the COC's ability to collect & report accurate and quality on the unsheltered homeless but using methods to reduce the occurrence of counting the unsheltered homeless more than once during the 2013 PIT count. • Compare & contrast difference between 2012-2013 unsheltered PIT count – total number of persons • Describe how each method was used to collect & produce subpopulation data on the unsheltered homeless population during the 2013 PIT count. Describe how each method was used to ensure the accuracy & how each was used to reduce the occurrence of counting unsheltered homeless persons more than once during the count. • Describe each method individually. • Ex: name of method selected: provide description of how method was used.	2

8. BONUS Points (6 pts)

	Administration: 100% of project applications request 7% or less in admin costs	2
	SSO Projects: No SSO Projects are prioritized in Tier 1	2
	Accuracy of Submission: Accurately and completely include all submitted project applications on the Form HUD-2991	2

• "all relevant subpopulations" = families, youth, veterans, victims of domestic violence, the unsheltered homeless, and the chronically homeless.
• i/f = individuals and families
• CH = chronic homeless
• PSH = permanent supportive housing
• * = as reported in APRs submitted to HUD between October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013
• RRH = rapid re-housing
• HDX = Homelessness Data Exchange
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