

Coordinated Entry Equity Demonstration Round 2

SNAPS is embarking on a second round of the Coordinated Entry Equity Demonstration (Demo), a cohort of Continuums of Care (CoCs) that will work together to design more equitable assessment and prioritization processes to improve conditions and outcomes for Black, Brown, Indigenous, and all people of color. We are excited to invite you to join this cohort of communities in the second iteration of the Demo.

For years, communities have seen how assessment tools, prioritization processes, and general practices within coordinated entry systems (CES) create racial inequities in the provision of housing and services to clients and do not prioritize clients for appropriate housing in a racially equitable way.

In partnership with Black, Brown, Indigenous and people of color, as well as people with lived expertise, 8-10 CoCs will identify system disparities through local data, agree upon focus area(s) and test racially equitable CES processes **in service of** significantly transforming the experience and housing stability of those disproportionately represented in our homeless response systems.

In order to apply for the Demo, CoCs should submit an expression of interest statement that answers the following:

- Why is it urgent for your community to participate in Round 2 of the Demo?
- What is the level of support from your CoC leadership, membership and other stakeholders?
- What previous TA engagements has your community participated in?
- Do you have a core team of individuals meeting regularly to have racial equity conversations that includes Black, Indigenous, Latinx and all people of color, and people with lived expertise of homelessness?
- In what ways is your community willing to do transformational equity work to prioritize input and strategies from people with lived expertise and Black, Indigenous, Latinx and all people of color in ending homelessness, and how would you reimagine this for your community?

The statement is due to SNAPSinfo@hud.gov on or before 5:00pm (PST) /8:00pm (EST) **September 3, 2021**.

The statements will be reviewed by SNAPS staff and the HUD Equity Demo Coaches, which are the technical assistance providers involved in this Demo. We will evaluate the respondents to be intentional to ensure inclusion of urban, suburban, and rural geographics across the United States.

The HUD Equity Demo Coaches are hosting informational office hours every Tuesday and Friday through August 27th.

Optional Office Hours every Tuesday and Friday during the open submission period, beginning on Friday, August 6th.

Tuesdays: 3:00-4:00PM (Eastern Time)

Fridays: 12:00-1:00PM (Eastern Time)

[Link to Office Hours here](#)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3444146889>

Or call in #: 1.253.215.8782; 3444146889#

Please review the Information Packet for the Demo overview and instructions on how to submit your expression of interest. Questions can be directed to SNAPSinfo@hud.gov.