Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP)

Round 6 Notice of Funding Opportunity
March 30, 2022
Webinar Welcome and Overview

- Introduction and welcome
- Background on YHDP
- Changes for Round 6 YHDP
- Eligibility
- Scoring
- Applying
Webinar Format and Housekeeping Items

• 90 minutes total with time for questions
• Participants are muted by default
• To ask a question at any time, use the chat feature on the Zoom toolbar
• We will answer as many as questions as possible during the Q&A portion of the webinar.
• Recording, transcript and chat log will be posted on HUD.gov
• Webinar tomorrow focusing specifically on the addition of Tribes and TDHEs as eligible YHDP applicants
Welcome Remarks

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- Regina Lee
- Jeanine Beasley
- Erin Collick
- Aimee Harmon Darrow
- Rolisha Handy
Purpose and Summary

**Goal:** The goal of the YHDP NOFO is to support up to 25 communities in the development and implementation of a coordinated community approach to prevent and end youth homelessness and sharing that experience with and mobilizing communities around the country toward the same end.

**Population to be Served:** this demonstration program serves youth experiencing homelessness, including unaccompanied and pregnant or parenting youth, where no member of the household is older than 24.
What YHDP Offers

1. Funding
2. Innovation
3. Collaboration
4. Technical Assistance
• HUD will award approximately $72 million to 25 communities
  • The NOFO offers a priority for communities with substantial rural populations in up to 8 locations
• Maximum award: $15 million
• Minimum award: $1 million
• Funding can be used for any project eligible under CoC regulations, including planning, housing, and services.
  • Project funds, except planning and hard costs, renewable under future CoC competitions
Overview of YHDP process

YHDP Community Designation
- Working with other community partners, CoC Collaborative Applicants respond to Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
- NOFO awards announced, including total funding available to community after intensive planning process

Coordinated Community Plan (CCP)
- Communities must establish a planning team, including youth with lived experience, CoC and ESG recipients, child welfare agencies and other stakeholders in youth homelessness
- Communities analyze need and current youth homelessness system
- Communities may only apply for planning projects prior to approval of CCP

Project Application
- Organizations in community apply for projects that are identified in the CCP, including projects focused on housing, services, and system supports
- SNAPS staff reviews project applications and fund individual projects
Round 6 Major NOFO Changes

1. Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities are eligible applicants for YHDP funding.
2. HUD removed the Point in Time (PIT) count as a component of the funding formula because HUD waived the unsheltered count in 2021 and these counts may be outdated.
3. HUD modified the process for determining funding levels to address ties in application scores.
4. HUD updated rating criteria for clarity and to emphasize youth voice and leadership in the YHDP.
5. HUD allows YHDP grants to have an initial grant term of 30 months to allow for grant start-up activities and hiring.
Ranking and Funding process

Ranking process:
• HUD will rank all applications based on the rating factors.

Funding process:
• HUD will select the 16 highest ranking communities and run the funding formula as outlined in II.C of the FY2021 YHDP NOFO
• If sufficient funds remain, HUD will add an additional community and re-run the funding formula
• HUD will repeat this process until not enough funds remain for another community or 25 communities are selected, whichever happens first
Rural Definition

A YHDP community will be considered rural if:

• the population in the geographic area designated in the application has more people residing in rural areas than either suburban or urban areas, based on data from the Census Bureau.

• the designated geographical area is located in a state that has a population density of less than 30 persons per square mile (as reported in the most recent decennial census), and at least 1.25 percent of the total acreage of such State is under Federal jurisdiction, provided that no metropolitan city in such State is the sole beneficiary of the grant amounts awarded under this NOFO.
## Rating Criteria

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CoC-designated Collaborative Applicants that registered during the FY 2022 CoC Program Registration Process may apply for funding under this NOFO for:

- any community located within its CoC’s geographic area
- multiple communities located within its CoC’s geographic area
  - Only one application per CoC will be selected for funding
- CoC Registration deadline- April 7, 2022
How to Apply

Who: Continuum of Care Collaborative Applicants

When: NOFO Deadline—June 28, 2022
11:59:59 p.m. Eastern time

Where: Applications are submitted using grants.gov
Appendix A - Project Selection Process

- Appendix A outlines requirements for projects awarded after YHDP community selection
- Includes:
  - Special YHDP Activities allowed in addition to CoC regulations
  - Project thresholds
  - Environmental requirements
Appendix B – Coordinated Community Plan

- Appendix B outlines required components of the Coordinated Community Plan
  - Community need
  - Partners
  - Required plan elements
  - Principles
  - Signatures
Agency Contacts

HUD Headquarters staff will be available to provide clarification on the content of this NOFO. Please note that HUD staff cannot assist applicants in preparing their applications.

Questions regarding specific program requirements for this NOFO should submit a question to youthdemo@hud.gov
Additional information

• Webinar: FY21 YHDP NOFO Information for American Indian and Alaska Native tribes and other stakeholders
  • Thursday, March 31, 3-4 pm Eastern time
  • Link available on HUD.gov YHDP site
• [HUD.gov YHDP](https://www.hud.gov) site: Additional tools forthcoming
  • Rural resources
  • FAQs
  • Previous competition information
Resources

- YHDP Website: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/yhdp
- YHDP Technical Assistance Website https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/yhdp/
Questions?