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15:01:20 From Aliman Sears, CER: Will the recording of this webinar be made available?

15:01:48 From William Snow: @Aliman - yes the webinar will be recorded and posted on HUD.gov

15:04:01 From Claire Shanahan: Can a domestic violence bonus Joint TH-RRH or RRH project restrict program participant eligibility to those identified as human trafficking survivors only, rather than broader Category 4 definition?

15:04:04 From Kevin Nowlan - CFPA Peoria to Hosts and panelists: If awarded with DV Bonus money – will that money then be included in a CoC’s ARD in future competitions?

15:04:13 From Three Cty Continuum of Care Zoom: Three County CoC in Western Massachusetts

15:04:29 From Tara Carruth, County of Ventura: I'm eager to hear when we should expect answers from the NOFO email or if we should ask those questions here.

15:04:29 From Kevin Nowlan - CFPA Peoria to Hosts and panelists: The NOFA stated that DB Bonus RRH projects can choose and 18 month grant term: “Any new project that is requesting consideration under the DV Bonus may only request 1-year of funding, but may request a longer initial grant term not to exceed 18 months regardless of project application type”.

If the project elected and initial grant term of 18 month will the project be eligible to compete in next year’s competition?

15:04:34 From Michelle Grabelle: can you clarify the 25% for the healthcare bonus

15:04:44 From Helen Kelly: Before I forget, if you don't specifically address this, I'd love more info on anticipated turn around time for both TA emails we are supposed to use instead of AAQ (I emailed a few questions last Thursday, but haven't heard back), and if it is recommended to forward the question again if no response within a set amount of time. Thank you! -Helen, Diana T. Myers & Associates.

15:07:34 From Michelle Grabelle to Hosts and panelists: can you please clarify the 25% rule for the healthcare bonus

15:07:39 From Vernett Sherrill: How can a legacy program with only rental assistance or leasing apply for supportive services?

15:08:04 From Stan: Is this for CoCs? Or individual applicants?

15:08:19 From Claire Shanahan: Collaborative Applicants, stan
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15:08:23 From Hannah King Boyles to Hosts and panelists: The NOFO says YHDP renewal projects do not need to meet the 25% match requirement, but the project application in e-snaps requires assurance of 25% match. How can we request to not meet the 25% match?

15:08:28 From Jean Lee to Hosts and panelists: Please Note: The Exec. Dir. for Nicholas House recently passed away. I am sitting in for him per our Board President request. Is it possible to email us a copy of this presentation? jlee@nicholashouse.org

15:08:29 From Tamika @ Miss Co, AR Econ Dev to Hosts and panelists: I already emailed e-snaps over a week ago - but no response. Is there a phone number I can call?

15:09:06 From William Rich: @Kevin Nowlan - Yes, upon eligible renewal a DV Bonus project will be included in ARD.

15:09:16 From Hannah King Boyles: The NOFO says YHDP renewal projects do not need to meet the 25% match requirement, but the project application in e-snaps requires assurance of 25% match. How can we request to not meet the 25% match?

15:09:26 From Steffi Travis: Newbie here: WHERE are the DETAILED Instructions?

15:09:48 From Hannah King Boyles: When will the navigational guide for YHDP renewal projects be posted?

15:09:52 From William Snow: @Kevin - RE: renewing a 18-month DV Bonus grant. If the project elects to have an 18-month grant term the timing of the renewal will depend on when that grant expires. If the grant expires by 12/31/2022 then it will be eligible for renewal in the next competition. If it ends after that it will not be eligible for renewal until the 2023 competition.

15:10:19 From Karri Gornick: When will those questions that were submitted to the Nofo email be answered?

15:10:36 From englishbird to Hosts and panelists: Can you confirm that the Permanent Housing Bonus Funding, if awarded, would be available in CY2023 and not sooner?

15:10:39 From Sofia Herrera: Is the e-snaps website fully functional now? there were problems accessing last week.

15:11:03 From Becky Tuno: will you be posting questions and answers for everyone to view?

15:11:17 From Ann Pope: Encourage questions and answers submitted through CoC NOFO email to be shared and posted as an FAQ

15:11:24 From Sarah Drummond to Hosts and panelists: “Your CoC is required to approve the CoC application” - what does that mean? Who is the CoC?
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15:11:29  From Candee: Where can the responses to questions submitted at CoC NOFO be found?

15:11:43  From Sidhartha Nilakanta: @Sofia, yes e-snaps is up and running

15:12:16  From Martha Are - CFCH and HSN: What are the modalities for a COC to approve the application?

15:12:40  From Angela Hogan: Yes please we routinely use FAQ to see other people's questions and how they were answered.

15:12:40  From Annette Evans to Hosts and panelists: I just checked the HUD website and the technical guidance is not available to import the Collaborative Application - do you have a timeline for this document? CoC Application Navigational Guide: Navigate the application screens in e-snaps using step-by-step instructions and screenshots. (Not yet available)

15:12:58  From Tara Carruth, County of Ventura: We submitted a question about reallocation. Specifically if a renewal project will receive a reduction in the rental budget can that renewal reduce the total households that are served.

15:13:04  From William Snow: Regarding responses to the emails. We have been responding to emails but we are also working through our process for responding. We anticipate that the responses will start coming more quickly in the near future. We appreciate your patience as we also work through the process of not using the AAQ.

15:13:10  From Karen Kowal (she/they): Is it CoC approval 2 days prior or CoC posting 2 days prior?

15:13:40  From Amy.E.Jones: Can you say, as stated in previous question #X..?

15:14:06  From Kexin Ma: For certain questions that just ask for a number, e.g. # of rapid rehousing, could there be a box to explain this? It will be great if we could provide explanation on some of these numbers.

15:14:22  From Carla Solem: Does that apply if you answer a question referencing answers in a previous question? (i.e See Question 3A.)

15:14:56  From Mitch Blum-Alexander: Yes, FAQ of responses to questions submitted to HUD would be very helpful

15:15:56  From William Snow: @Tara RE: reallocation and renewal project budget - if you reallocate part of a project you can reduce the number of people you serve and the number of beds/units you provide.
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15:15:16 From Brian Fitzmaurice: A full set of FAQs will be posted very soon, hopefully next week.

15:15:36 From Shaye Rabold (she/her): Ditto @ Karen about approval vs. posting two days prior. I'm rusty, but I don't remember "approval" 2 days prior.

15:16:08 From TCHC Planning Department: In Tier 1, when there are individual project scores, are the project scores determining if they get funded? Or is it based on the rank order instead of the application score?

15:16:57 From Farland Jenkins: what are these abbreviations?

15:16:57 From englishbird: Can you please confirm that a Permanent Housing Bonus Project, if awarded, would have funding available for CY2023 and not earlier?

15:17:20 From Kristen Chambers (she, her): Will there be a YHDP Renewal Project navigational guide made available?

15:17:37 From Sofia Herrera: e-snaps was on and off yesterday.

15:17:55 From William Rich: Yes, when a project is reduced due to reallocation the households served can be reduced on a pro-rata basis. Please consult with your field office contact.

15:17:58 From Liz Isaacs: If a YHDP project wishes to replace only some of its current activities, should it submit both a replacement application for the portion of the ARA being replaced and a renewal application for the portion of the application not being replaced or should it submit only a replacement application for the full ARA?

15:18:17 From Quiana Fisher to Hosts and panelists: If a new project application is submitted which utilizes housing subsidies or subsidized housing units not funded through the CoC or ESG program, could the program use these subsidies as Match?

15:18:25 From Keila Dewey to Hosts and panelists: Since the budget section has disappeared from the project application the last few years, how do we modify our previous budget? Is that possible now?

15:18:33 From William Snow: @Vernett - RE: legacy programs - you have the ability to amend your project if changes are necessary. However, changes that reduce the number of units or change the target population are reviewed very carefully. There must be very good cause if a project is proposing to serve fewer people/households.

15:18:35 From Mitch Blum-Alexander: Bonus points for new proposals that include healthcare partnerships or rental subsidy outside CoC/ESG...is there a cap to increased bonus points. In other words, let’s say a new project has both the healthcare and rental subsidy. Will the project score get a bonus for each element?
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15:19:25 From Caroline Crouse : @Hanna King Boyles: Thanks for that flag on esnaps requiring match for YHDP projects- we will work to make that not a requirement but, in the meantime, just state that you have 25% on the match screens to be able to submit.

15:19:30 From William Snow : @Mitch - the bonus points do not get applied at the project level. Rather those bonus points are applied to the CoC score. This means that the points are capped at 10 points for the CoC.

15:19:57 From Courtney Cochran (she/her) : So the definition of CoC here does not include actions/activities of grantees? Just the CoC coordinator & Governance committee? Who all is defined as the CoC?

15:19:59 From Carla Solem : Karen Deblasio stated that reviewers do not reference previous answers. Does this apply if you specifically write in your answer a reference to a previous answer, "refer to question _____"? This is helpful to describe a complex answer with limited character counts.

15:20:11 From Candee : It was unclear to me in the NOFO what CoC bonus projects can fund--in the past we have used for new projects such as PSH and RRH. Can CoC bonus funds be used to expand HMIS to fund expanded support of the CoC?

15:20:12 From Lisa Benson : Does HUD consider the PHA accepting referrals from CES for EHV as participating in CES?

15:20:16 From Manuel Sarria : IC7, why is it limited to 2 PHA's?

15:20:56 From Jason Alexander-Capacity for Change : Can a provider submit a consolidated application request to consolidate a TH-RRH renewal project and a RRH renewal project since they are both PH-RRH projects?

15:21:39 From Mitch Blum-Alexander : If a CoC did not reallocate 20% of its ARD the past 5 years, can it still go ahead and apply for new projects with Bonus funding?

15:22:31 From Caroline Crouse : @Liz Isaccs: If a community wishes to replace some current activities in a YHDP grant, the community should submit just a replacement grant that outlines both the current and new activities. Replacement is a 1 for 1, so any replacement project must fully replace the original project.

15:22:54 From Tara Carruth, County of Ventura : I really appreciate the transparency on scoring in the NOFO and the specifics in the detailed instructions. Thank you!
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15:23:08 From Amy Wyatt to Hosts and panelists: How can we possibly rank HMIS projects compared to other projects - it's like comparing apples to potatoes

15:23:19 From Brian Wilson (he/him): We were a Round 3 YHDP grantee. Our YHDP projects are just now signing 2-year HUD grant agreements. Do we list these projects as “renewal” or is that something we do in two years?

15:23:41 From Bridgett: For questions that indicated geographic areas, how are responses addressed if a CoC has a dual geo areas?

15:23:45 From Amanda Sternberg: The NOFO section VII.B.5.a states a point may be earned for “demonstrating a decrease of at least 5% in the number of sheltered homeless individuals and families in the most recent PIT count compared to the 2019 PIT, if one was done in 2019, and to the 2018 PIT count if no 2019 PIT count was done, count as recorded in HDX, excluding emergency shelter beds added for a Presidentially declared disaster and recorded as such in HDX”.

Our CoC did PIT counts in January 2019, January 2020, and January 2021. Based on these instructions, does this mean we should compare our PIT data from 2019 to our 2021 PIT data (ie, the most recent)? Doing so means we’re essentially ignoring the 2020 PIT data, so I want to confirm that this is correct.

15:23:58 From Sofia Herrera: Transparency is really appreciated!

15:24:16 From Caroline Crouse: @Bia Moreira: if you would like to add eligible activities to any YHDP grant, you must submit a replacement project that includes the additional activities rather than just renew the grant.

15:24:46 From Tammy Walker: Bed Coverage kills us as shelters don't participate nor do they get state or federal funds

15:25:03 From William Rich: @Kela Dewey - For renewal budget updates projects do not require a detailed budget chart for the Supportive Services, Operating, HMIS. The list of budget details in the original new project application are sufficient. To update the amounts for Supportive Services, HMIS, or Admin. BLIs you only need to enter the totals per category on screen '6E. Summary Budget'.

15:25:07 From Kristian Castro (he/him/his): Is bed coverage the same as bed occupancy?

15:25:11 From Shaye Rabold (she/her): Love the inclusion of VSP comparable database beds this year! Getting VSPs participating is a big deal!

15:25:14 From Sidhartha Nilakanta: Since the budget section has disappeared from the project application the last few years, how do we modify our previous budget? Is that possible now? - Answer:
In Renewal projects, unless the budget is RA or leasing which can be altered in the budget detail, you can’t alter in the budget detail screen for SS, Operating and HMIS, just in the topline summary budget numbers

15:26:22 From Caroline Crouse: @Brian Wilson Only projects that have a project end date in 2022 are eligible to renew under the 2021 CoC NOFO. If you are just signing grant agreements right now, you will likely have a start date in 2021 and project end date of 2023, meaning that these projects will renew under the 2022 CoC NOFO.

15:26:39 From Lisa Coffman: Shaye - we agree, it is a very big deal.

15:26:45 From Catherine Huang Hara (she/her): VASH single handedly drags down our bed coverage. Can the data import tool be used to compensate for this shortfall?

15:26:55 From Candee: Bed Coverage has been a significant challenge due to Covid--two issues--units weren’t available because of the eviction moratorium and rental costs increased. In rural areas--units are very scarce.

15:27:16 From Lisa Benson: VASH also badly impacts us. The data import tool is not useful as our HMIS vendor requires an exorbitant fee to import data which we cannot afford.

15:27:42 From Bia Moreira (she/her): Question regarding the 25% match flexibility for YHDP projects. Is this only for projects starting in 2022? Do we have flexibility for projects in the round 2 YHDP communities that were automatically renewed last year?

15:27:44 From Tara Carruth, County of Ventura: Good Question about VASH, we have also struggled to get data imported because of the HMIS vendor and VA staff turnover. We keep trying.

15:28:05 From Robert Ward to Hosts and panelists: The bed coverage thing is really frustrating because the non-participating emergency shelters are done meeting with us so they can tell us no again. I don’t know what HUD would like us to do about this at this point.

15:28:33 From Carrie Poser: scoring CoC when they don’t require VASH is incredibly frustrating.

15:28:53 From Sidhartha Nilakanta: Can a provider submit a consolidated application request to consolidate a TH-RRH renewal project and a RRH renewal project since they are both PH-RRH projects? - Answer: No. Must be the same component.

15:29:02 From TCHC Planning Department: new projects that are CoC funded for bonus?

15:29:32 From Lisa Benson: So we would have to reallocate away from an effective program that already uses these partnerships, to a new program with the same partnerships, to get points for this?
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15:29:53 From Martha Are - CFCH and HSN: Are there partial points for a health care partnership that still uses CoC housing?

15:29:57 From Greta Guarton: 25% of total new units, or 25% within the project?

15:30:25 From Maria, (she, her, hers): Do new PSH units have to be new construction, or can they be existing units not currently part of CoC funding?

15:30:27 From Caroline Crouse: @Bia Moreira The match flexibility for YHDP can be applied to renewal projects through the 2021 NOFO, including those that were renewed for the first time with 2020 CoC funds. This flexibility is not available, however, for the 2020 grants.

15:30:29 From Jason Thorpe (he/him): If a new project meets the bonus criteria (housing/healthcare partner of 25% component) but is a new CONSOLIDATION project, would points be assigned? Essentially meaning - if one existing project has this commitment but is consolidating to make those resources available in other projects of the same component that do not include that commitment and the total commitment is equal to 25% of the consolidated application amount, does this suffice?

15:30:40 From Liz MacDonald: So if we have evidence of healthcare connections in a renewal project, it does not provide bonus points?

15:30:43 From Barbara Peters: Does healthcare include mental health/behavioral health?

15:30:48 From Karen Kowal (she/they): How is HUD defining a health care organization? Does the primary purpose of the organization need to be health care?

15:30:48 From CARES Of NY, Inc.: In the New Project Application, does the applicant report the total number of units (CoC funded and non-CoC funded), or just the CoC-funded?

15:31:43 From Caroline Crouse: @Hannah King Boyles: We hope that the navigational guide for YHDP renewal projects will be posted soon but don't have an exact date

15:31:45 From Jason Alexander-Capacity for Change: Can a TH-RRH or RRH renewal project apply for an expansion grant to fund Street Outreach as SSO?

15:31:58 From Karen Kowal (she/they): Can you ask them if the objective criteria and SPM parts in 1-E are for ALL projects or just for non-CES and non-HMIS or just non-system level or just for renewals?

15:32:02 From TCHC Planning Department: Is there any data on how many DV Bonus projects were awarded in FY19 with DV bonus funds and how many applications there were?

15:32:07 From Shaye Rabold (she/her): Does "health care" include "mental health" care? Surely.
15:32:18 From Liz Isaacs: Would YHDP submit a replacement project app if: Project has an existing HUD approved waiver and is requesting the continuation of that waiver?  
   o What if the project is requesting to change its Component Type to one of the allowable YHDP replacement project types described in the NOFO?  

15:32:24 From Jackie Agee: Are DV bonus projects renewable? This would be the third year for our DV bonus project  

15:33:07 From Mitch Blum-Alexander: Can new projects that were awarded through the FY 2019 NOFA go through transition, consolidation, reallocation, expansion?  

15:33:24 From Sidhartha Nilakanta: Are DV bonus projects renewable? This would be the third year for our DV bonus project - Answered Yes, they are renewable.  

15:33:41 From William Rich: @Maria. PH-PSH projects can request funds for existing units not yet receiving CoC funds.  

15:34:24 From Jennifer (she/her): Brian - So, this is why we received a surprise email from our Desk Officer about rent levels for projects using Actual Rents? That was a really confusing request without this background information.  

15:34:40 From Amy Wyatt: For project ranking - how should we rank HMIS projects against other renewal projects? It is like comparing apples to potatoes.  

15:34:48 From Caroline Crouse: @Liz Isaacs: If there are no other changes to the project, you do not need to submit a replacement project; however, if there are additional changes to the project, you should submit a replacement project. If the project is requesting a change in component type, you should submit a replacement project with the new component type.  

15:34:51 From Sarah Johnson: Our CoC has 3 CE-SSO renewals this year — one DV CE, one youth CE and one CE for everybody else. How do we address the requirement that we have ONE CE SSO project?  

15:34:56 From Anne Cooper: I have not gotten this yet (TN-509)  

15:35:02 From Lisa Benson: I don't believe we received instructions for this (IL-503)  

15:35:03 From Ryan Macy-Hurley: William stated that CoCs are eligible for bonus points for "New Projects" only. Does this include expansion requests provided that the bonus points conditions are still met (e.g., leveraged housing units comprise 25% of the total project - existing and expansion)?  

15:35:11 From Karen Kowal (she/they): For CoC's who received notices about "actual rents (less than FMR)" - Does this mean that ARD changes?
15:35:13  From Raina Smith-Roller (she, her) : I'm sorry, did you say these reports to go out to projects from the CoC was already sent? Or will be sent out?

15:35:19  From Greta Guarton : NY-603 has not gotten this yet.

15:35:22  From Brianna Stanley to Hosts and panelists : Can a CoC expand an existing SSO project to incorporate existing outreach services?

15:35:30  From Jackie Agee to Hosts and panelists : What about rent prices higher than FMR?

15:35:32  From Sidhartha Nilakanta : @raina - they should have already been sent out

15:35:43  From Liz Isaacs : Would YHDP submit a replacement project app if : Project is requesting to use one or more YHDP Special Activities, explicitly described in the NOFO as allowable. And, what if a Project is requesting to provide another innovative YHDP activity not authorized in the CoC Program Interim Rule or among the YHDP Special Activities explicitly described in the NOFO as allowable?

15:35:43  From Linda Love : Neither has OK-507

15:35:44  From Anjeana : AIRS has not gotten this email yet either

15:35:48  From Erin Nixon to Hosts and panelists : For the healthcare bonus projects, can the healthcare provider apply for a SSO grant if 100% of the units are sourced from non-CoC funds? Or can an agency apply for rental assistance funds for 75% of the units with 25% sourced from other funding and the healthcare provider providing services as in kind?

15:36:07  From Heather : did not receive the report

15:36:11  From Amanda Sternberg : MI-501 has not received this report yet either.

15:36:30  From Erin Nixon to Hosts and panelists : If CoCs have a SSO-CE grant, can we renew that grant and apply for the SSO-CE DV Bonus project?

15:36:35  From Leah McCall : MI-504 has not received either

15:36:39  From Carol Weber : Will this be recorded so I can hear the rest? I have to leave before this ends.

15:36:41  From Claire Shanahan : Please confirm that an amendment taking effect August 2021 supercedes using the GIW

15:36:45  From Vernett Sherrill : NJ-514 has not received the report

15:36:48  From Tammy Walker : MO has not gotten it either
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15:36:49 From Kim Crawford, Raleigh Wake Partnership: NC 507 has not received

15:36:58 From Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness: NC 513 hasn't either

15:37:04 From Jan Calvin: OR-504 has not received

15:37:04 From Raina Smith-Roller (she, her): Is it possible to get this again for Clackamas County CoC (OR-507). It can be sent to me: Raina Smith-Roller, interim CoC Lead, rsmithroller@clackamas.us

15:37:05 From Annette Evans to Hosts and panelists: OR-506CoC has not received

15:37:06 From Sue Legal: AR-503 did not receive either

15:37:07 From Jett Black-Maertz: *report TO BE SENT

15:37:16 From Mitch Blum-Alexander: @Amanda, @Leah Out-Wayne did receive the Actual Rent report list this week

15:37:21 From Keila Dewey to Hosts and panelists: OK-505 has not received this that I am aware of

15:37:24 From Bia Moreira (she/her): Question regarding the new project types allowed in YHDP. If a community wants to scale down a YHDP RRH project and start a host homes project, so split one project into 2 through replacements, however, there is no subrecipient identified yet for host homes, and one would be identified through a competitive procurement process in 2022, can we apply for that project without a subrecipient identified? Based on community needs?

15:37:30 From Sarah Baynard - MSBH: MD 511 (Mid Shore Behavioral Health in MD) needs report as well

15:37:43 From William Snow: @Sarah - the 1 SSO-CE DV Bonus project is simply a limitation on what your CoC can apply for regarding new DV Bonus grants. It is not a restriction on renewal grants.

15:37:59 From Karen Deblasio: For those indicating they haven't received the report, if you have projects with actuals NOT FMRs, and you haven't received the report, please submit an email, with your CoC number to COCNOFO@hud.gov

15:38:00 From Bridgett: Hi Linda Love, Oklahoma did not have any "Actual Rents" from your desk officer

15:38:15 From Davia Steeley: Did I hear correctly that we are using FY2020 FMR?

15:38:32 From William Rich: Yes if a project expires in 2022 they can apply for transition, consolidation, reallocation, expansion but please follow the guidance for each process.
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15:39:31  From Ann Pope: If renewal applicants have specific questions regarding budget updates, should those questions go to the NOFO or Esnaps site?

15:39:39  From Mandee Russell to Hosts and panelists: I missed the beginning of the presentation - will the slides be shared?

15:39:47  From Caroline Crouse: @Liz Isaacs: Recipients should submit a replacement project if they are requesting to utilize one of the YHDP special activities outlined in the NOFO. If the recipient is requesting a special YHDP activity that is not specifically outlined in the NOFO, the project application should address the criteria that are outlined in section V. of the NOFO (see page 40 of the NOFO).

15:40:10  From Karen Deblasio to Mandee Russell and all panelists: yes - we will post on hud.gov

15:40:25  From Shannon Frey -MDH-: What is the CoC Bonus project that we can apply for this year besides DV?

15:40:36  From Brianna Stanley: Can a CoC expand an existing SSO project to incorporate existing outreach services?

15:40:37  From Suzanne Brownchurch (she/her): will YHDP replacement projects be on the new or renewal grant?

15:40:37  From William Snow: @Amy - CoCs have the ability to set their own rating and ranking standards. HMIS grants are definitely different than other projects. CoCs can choose to automatically place them in a specific part of their rating and ranking or use another method for rating and ranking those projects.

15:40:43  From Karen Kowal (she/they): Will the changes because of actual rents change the ARD for a community?

15:41:40  From Liz MacDonald: Can YHDP budgets be revised to assist young people with utility deposits?

15:41:42  From Renee Clark: Do we send questions regarding how to change our 2020 grants so they transfer properly to FY2021 to e-snaps or NOFO email?

15:41:47  From Lesa Weikel: Will the CoC Consolidation process be covered?

15:41:48  From Brian Fitzmaurice: The project budgets in e-snaps will contain 2020 amounts. These will be adjusted as applicable to 2021 levels by HUD at the end of the assessment process. The 2021 GIWs contains the amounts awarded, or adjusted accordingly, from 2020.

15:41:50  From Adeola to Hosts and panelists: We have a project that was delayed in round 3. We received the grant agreement last week, this project is not listed on the GIW. We were informed by
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TA that we would not renew this project in this competition, but would renew it next year. Can you confirm

15:41:51 From Caroline Crouse: @Suzanne Brownchurch: YHDP replacement projects are considered new projects

15:41:53 From Jason Thorpe (he/him): Are new consolidation or transition grants formed from existing projects that meet the 25% bonus criteria eligible for the purposes of the CoC bonus points? Or are bonus points only available if the new project is formed through CoC Bonus, DV Bonus, or traditional reallocation?

15:42:01 From Vernett Sherrill: If you apply for an Expansion project, is the budget line item limited to what is in the renewal project. Example can you request an expansion for just supportive services for a renewal project?

15:42:47 From Three Cty Continuum of Care Zoom: the NOFA states that YHDP projects do not need to provide MATCH - would that require a replacement YHDP project if they chose not to provide match?

15:42:53 From Caroline Crouse: @Adeola: The information you received is correct. Only projects that have a project end date in 2022 are eligible to renew under the 2021 CoC NOFO. If you are just signing grant agreements right now, you will likely have a start date in 2021 and project end date of 2023, meaning that these projects will renew under the 2022 CoC NOFO

15:44:06 From Lisa Benson: @William - that may negatively impact communities with relatively few agencies with capacity to administer CoC programs, but whose few providers do look to develop and improve programming (i.e., rural communities); we really struggle with getting people interested in CoC dollars locally

15:44:41 From erica mulryan to Hosts and panelists: To be clear, we CANNOT use the YHDP renewal/replacement process to partially reallocate from one YHDP renewal to create a new project of another type still within the same yhdp site.

15:44:44 From Adeola to Hosts and panelists: Do you need YAB approval for all YHDP replacements and how do you submit confirmation of that in the submission?

15:44:55 From Caroline Crouse: @Three Cty Continuum of Care Zoom: Yes, incorporating any of the available Special YHDP Activities into a project design requires a community to submit a replacement project.
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15:45:31 From Catherine Huang Hara (she/her): So you can't consolidate a TH and RRH to become a TH-RRH?

15:45:47 From Jason Thorpe (he/him): In FY19 NOFA, consolidations required prior approval by HUD before application submission. I do not see that requirement in the FY 2021 NOFO. Is it correct to believe that this is no longer required prior to application submission?

15:45:57 From Candee: Do you request expansions from CoC bonus or DV Bonus funds or it is only allowed through reallocation?

15:46:00 From Cathryn Marchman: On p. 70 in the NOFO under Section II.B. - bullet three speaks about at least 20 of total points available for project applications. Is this 20% total project applications (new + renewal combined) or 20% of new and 20% of renewal applications?

15:46:02 From Suzanne Brownchurch (she/her): When will the CoC Collaborative App be available in e-snaps?

15:46:15 From Claire Shanahan: @Suzanne it's been available.

15:46:16 From Debra Palmquist: Will HUD share those projects that have been successful in other communities, for which they will provide incentives?

15:46:16 From Manuel Sarria to Hosts and panelists: Last year our consolidations were not accepted. Not sure if we made any mistakes. FL-600

15:46:32 From Angela Hogan: @Caroline When will new YHDP Communities be announced? There is nail-biting going on over here:-)

15:46:34 From Caroline Crouse: @Erica Mulryan: Correct- you cannot partially reallocate YHDP projects

15:46:43 From Candace Timmerman: Would it matter if one project was awarded under Samaritan bonus and one awarded under permanent housing bonus?

15:46:48 From Steffi Travis: @Suzanne: check your filters and you can find the Collaborative Application

15:47:04 From Lisa Benson: @Suzanne - if you're not seeing it, you might go into your CoC Registration and then go look at Submissions; doing that made it show up for me after it wasn't available (not sure why)

15:47:16 From Brian Alexander: Do you need to do a separate application that consolidates all of the surviving and terminating grants? or just the individual applications that are marked as surviving and terminating?
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15:47:23 From Steffi Travis: @Lisa - yes, that is what I had to do.

15:47:36 From Heather: would the healthcare/housing bonus points be eligible for CoC renewal program expansions, since it is technically a new application?

15:47:53 From Shannon Quinn-Sheeran: Please confirm that YHDP Projects requesting anything not explicitly allowed in the CoC Program Interim rule or the NOFO whether the request is a new waiver, a previously approved waiver or an innovative YHDP activity not authorized must demonstrate in its replacement project application:
1) YAB approval - Attach YAB letter of support in Section 7A
2) A description in response to questions 5a/6a on the YHDP screen or in an attachment in Section 7A how the proposed activity will be tested or likely to achieve a positive outcome in at least one of these areas: stable housing, permanent connections, education/employment, well-being
3) The activity is cost effective
4) The activity does not conflict with fair housing, civil rights, or environmental regulations.

15:48:22 From William Rich: @Shannon, New CoC Bonus projects can be (a) Permanent housing-permanent supportive housing (PH-PSH) projects.
(b) Permanent housing-rapid rehousing (PH-RRH) projects.
(c) Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects.
(d) Dedicated HMIS

15:48:27 From Sidhartha Nilakanta to Hosts and panelists: Can someone tell me what this healthcare bonus is?

15:48:34 From Caroline Crouse: @Adeola: No. The only activity that requires Youth Action Board approval is if the recipient seeks to use a special YHDP activity that is not specifically outlined in the CoC NOFO.

15:48:48 From Amanda Sternberg: One of the NOFO measures (VII.B.2.a) awards points for being able to demonstrate that at least 33% of the points awarded to projects were objective criteria. Examples of objective criteria are then given. Can HUD provide examples of what non-objective criteria would be, so that we may have a sense of how well our project review scoring criteria meets this expectation.

15:48:58 From Jason Alexander-Capacity for Change: @WilliamRich Can't a new bonus project be for CE SSO?
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15:49:08 From Brian Fitzmaurice: @Brian Alexander: for consolidations, you no longer submit a combined application, but the individual project applications. HUD will combine the projects on the back end.

15:49:10 From William Snow: @Maria - for the housing leverage bonus questions, the new PSH units do NOT have to be new construction. But they cannot be from an ESG or CoC funded project. The NOFO states they can be from a variety of external sources (that are not CoC and ESG Program funds)

15:49:34 From Claire Shanahan: @Jason only under DV bonus

15:49:40 From Lisa Benson: (For ref: this is Thomas Bates from IL-503, not Lisa Benson. I don't seem to be able to change my name on here, sorry.)

15:50:10 From Martha Are - CFCH and HSN: Do the housing leverage bonus questions only apply if it's tied to a health care project?

15:50:14 From Davia Steeley: Information will be on HUD Exchange > Resources Tab?

15:50:14 From Karissa White, Community Development Commission to Hosts and panelists: When will the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition NOFO: What's New, Changes, and Highlights document be available?

15:50:15 From Karen Kowal (she/they): What is the date range for the match letters? Is it August 17, 2021 and November 16, 2021?

15:50:24 From Adam Hiob to Hosts and panelists: Are CoCs required to offer a training or information session specific to their local CoC?

15:50:34 From Kira to Hosts and panelists: Does the Earned Income Disregard rule still applies.

It is discussed in the old SHP Desk Guide but I don’t see anything about it in the Interim Rule 24 CRF 578.77.

15:50:35 From Lesa Weikel: Can you review the PSH requirement for new PSH projects - just to be Dedicated Plus- but not have to be dedicated chronic? Requirement to be able to serve households with children

15:50:41 From Amanda Wander: throughout the NOFO DV survivor and Fleeing Dv seem to be used interchangeably, does someone have to be actively fleeing DV or can they have previous or recent history of surviving DV?
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15:50:41 From Anne Cooper: Is the MOU with Workforce and Development (Employment) providers not an attachment (point earner) this year? - the NOFO encourages employment with housing and healthcare, and employment

15:50:44 From Annette Evans to Hosts and panelists: In the absence of FY21 navigation guide for Collaborative Application, can I use the FY2019 navigation guides for importing the Collaborative application from 2019

15:50:45 From Peter Rosenblatt: Can we move from an Actual Rent budget to a FMR budget?

15:50:56 From Helen Kelly: The youth count under CoC scoring mentions a youth count as well as the less specific, effectively counting youth in fy22. Can you clarify the expectation here?

15:51:07 From Carrie Poser: Is it eligible to apply for DV Bonus to expand a current renewal DV RRH grant (previously awarded in DV Bonus)?

15:51:10 From Cindy Ryman Yost to Hosts and panelists: We were given the incorrect start time from our COC, they sent ET and we are CST, so will the full recording be available and when will it be posted?

15:51:27 From MercedesS: We would be a new project applicant, so are completely new to this grant. Can you give more information about the 25% match?

15:51:31 From Karen Kowal (she/they): Is objective criteria only for renewals or also for new housing and new HMIS projects?

15:51:35 From Brian Fitzmaurice: @Karis: Please refer to the Detailed Instructions for a summary of What is New this year. The Detailed Instructions are now available on the HUD.GOV CoC competition site.

15:51:40 From Jennifer (she/her): Will questions and response from chat and from questions sent to CoCNOFO@HUD.gov or e-snaps@HUD.gov be posted together on an FAQ page?

15:51:45 From Karissa White, Community Development Commission: Yes- please provide info on the DedicatePLUS requirement to serve households with children and the new requirements of homelessness for Youth.

15:51:50 From Helen Kelly: Also, can you please let us know what happens if a CoC commits to unsheltered PIT and/or Youth Count, but then decides not to/cannot?

15:52:04 From Lesa Weikel: Would an MOU that was made with a PHA or WIA agency that was signed in past years that is still valid - will it be accepted or does a new MOU signed within the NOFO date range need to be obtained?
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15:52:09 From CARES Of NY, Inc.: Pg. 35 of the NOFO says New Projects can include SSO-CE. Is that not the case?

15:52:27 From William Rich: @Jason. Yes, you are correct CoC Bonus can be. (e) Supportive services only coordinated entry (SSO-CE) project to develop or operate a centralized or coordinated assessment system.

15:52:47 From Brian Fitzmaurice: @Mercedes: For New projects see the Detailed Instructions for New projects for instructions on match and other items for new projects.

15:52:49 From Davia Steeley: Can you repeat what you said about adding eligible activities to a renewal application?

15:53:09 From Shaye Rabold (she/her): @jason...see page 35 of NOFO... SSO-CE allowed though Bonus or Reallocation (I am not from HUD so double check yourself)

15:53:38 From Janel Kerby Holt: Can we change grants from Actual Rents to FMR?

15:54:02 From CAFTH - CoC: Can you explain this DedicatedPLUS logic of requiring households with children? Our project applicants often ask why. “Projects that were awarded as DedicatedPLUS in a previous CoC Program Competition are required to include households with children to qualify as a DedicatedPLUS project in the FY 2021 CoC Program Competition.”

15:54:06 From Bia Moreira (she/her): Question re YHDP replacement. If we want to take one project and split it with multiple project types (e.g., host homes), but the CoC has not identified a subrecipient yet because we must do an RFP/Competitive process. Can we submit an application for a replacement project without a subrecipient identified?

15:54:34 From Caroline Crouse: @Davia Steeley: YHDP project recipients can add Special YHDP Activities outlined in section V of the NOFO, but, if they do so, must submit a replacement project that includes these activities rather than a renewal project.

15:54:35 From Courtney Cochran (she/her): Can tribal nations apply for funds from more than one CoC or only one CoCs in this year's competition?

15:54:46 From William Snow: @CARES - page 35 in the NOFO outlines the eligible projects funded under COC Bonus and reallocations. That includes SSO-CE projects. A CoC can also apply for 1 SSO-CE project under the DV Bonus

15:55:15 From Angela Clarke: Karen Kowal are new HMIS projects allowed?

15:55:15 From William Snow: @Claire - no, Nili is responding to questions from the chat at this point.
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15:55:50 From Karri Gornick: are current alternative requirements auto renewed if we submit a renewal?

15:55:56 From Connie Sanderson: Why change from NOFA to NOFO?

15:56:01 From Candee: What is the expectation about interaction with tribal nations? If a tribal nation forms their own CoC in future years would the CoC ARD be reduced by that amount?

15:56:06 From William Snow: @Angela - HMIS projects are not currently an eligible new project type

15:56:06 From Karissa White, Community Development Commission: NOFO- (4) Any youth-serving provider funded under this NOFO may serve unaccompanied youth aged 24 and under (or families headed by youth aged 24 and under) who have an unsafe primary nighttime residence and no safe alternative to that residence. - Does this include TAY PSH projects? Or are they still required to be Chronically Homeless?

15:56:28 From Amy Wyatt: The e-snaps website is down. It will not allow me to sign in. Should I email the e-snaps email?

15:56:28 From Tram Ngo: Where can I find the scoring rubric for the CoC competition?

15:56:29 From Angela Hogan: Can a CoC have two SSO-CE projects? One regular and one DV?

15:56:38 From Karri Gornick: and our host homes is funded out of our SSO. Seems like in this grant host homes is a separate category. If we want to fund host homes, do we need to do a replacement since our original app didn't separate out host homes?

15:57:04 From Claire Shanahan: @Tram in the announcement, there are pages with tables of scoring weighting

15:57:11 From CARES Of NY, Inc.: @William - pg. 35 of NOFO says a Dedicated HMIS Project is an eligible New Project. Is that not true?

15:57:28 From Pat Leslie: The NOFO indicates no prevention activities will be funded. If YHDP project has Prevention activities, will these need to the eliminated in the application process - using a replacement project?

15:57:32 From Brian Fitzmaurice: @Connie Sanders: the NOFO is the same type of notice as a NOFA. It's just a wording change from "announcement" to "opportunity."

15:57:32 From Martha Taylor: Is HMIS expansion an eligible project type?
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15:57:32  From Caroline Crouse : @Karri Gornick: a No, if your community received approval of an alternative requirement, you should submit a replacement project for this project to ensure it aligns with the special YHDP activities in the NOFO.

15:57:34  From Lesa Weikel : HUD interprets “youth-serving provider” as a private nonprofit organization whose primary mission is to provide services to youth aged 24 and under and families headed by youth aged 24 and under. HUD interprets “living in unsafe situations” as having an unsafe primary nighttime residence and no safe alternative to that residence - what is an agency serves other populations and has dedicated UAY staff?

15:57:48  From Janel Kerby Holt : Can we change actual to FMR budget?

15:58:04  From Sofia Herrera : Yes, the em-snaps website has been down quite a bit. Any thoughts on the stability of the site?

15:58:04  From Vernett Sherrill to Hosts and panelists : Is it possible for future webinars that HUD request that attendees NOT sign-in on the chat and reserve the chat specifically for questions and answers? It is really hard to keep track of the questions and answers with so many people signing-in from around the country.

15:59:01  From William Snow : @Karen - HUD is requesting that a CoC use objective criteria, including system performance measures, as part of its rating and ranking process. HUD understands that some projects do not have system performance measure data because of the nature of the project (e.g., HMIS).

15:59:16  From Jason Thorpe (he/him) : Are applicants that wish to consolidate existing projects required to obtain prior HUD approval before the application is submitted as in FY 2019 competition? It looks like that requirement was removed in this year's NOFO?

15:59:34  From Karen Kowal (she/they) : @William so new housing projects should be objective as well?

15:59:45  From Shaye Rabold (she/her) : Probably a big no, but since renewal Dedicated Plus projects have to include households with children, is there an ability to restructure unit configurations (add 2 bedroom plus), which could increase the RA BLI. Reduce Supportive Services to stay within the ARA for example...

15:59:55  From Alissa Robinson to Hosts and panelists : I’m sorry for this very basic question but to clarify - this NOFO is for CoCs to submit? Or can a nonprofit agency submit?
16:00:16 From Heather: for renewal expansion applications - are the housing/healthcare bonus points eligible as the expansion is technically a new project application?

16:01:25 From Caroline Crouse: @ Angela Hogan: Hopefully in the next few weeks!

16:01:31 From Brian Fitzmaurice: @Aliss: The CoC Collaborative Applicant submits the CoC Application and Priority Listing. The individual projects applications are submitted via the CoC. A non-profit cannot independently submit an application, but in coordination with the CoC.

16:01:33 From Sofia Herrera: An important question is the stability of the e-snaps site. . . it has been down quite a bit and it is making folks nervous. Any thoughts?

16:01:35 From MercedesS: Can a new applicant apply both as a new project AND as a Domestic Violence applicant?

16:01:46 From Candee: All of our PSH projects are designated Dedicated+ many serve single individuals--is that no longer allowable?

16:01:52 From Lydia Pickett (MACH): We do not currently have a YHDP project. Can a new YHDP project be funded?

16:02:06 From Claire Shanahan: What are the chances my human trafficking specific DV bonus question can be answered? Several COCs have same question

16:02:25 From erica mulryan: I want to emphasize the problems with ongoing e-snaps site issues. the page load time is often very, very bad - like up to 30 seconds for a page to load.

16:02:31 From William Snow: @Cathy - RE: 20% - this is about the weight applied at the project level. For instance, you may have a different reviewing process for new and renewal projects and HUD is looking for the weight you apply in those processes. If you had 10 elements worth 10 points each then at least 2 of those elements would be based on system performance-like measures.

16:02:47 From Debra Palmquist: Would a community affordable housing provider with a project-based Section 8 contract in place, who is willing to partner with service providers to house homeless families, be an example of a new partnership that might be incentivized? CoC funds for services, but rental assistance in place from the property.

16:02:58 From Lisa Coffman: Mercedes - a new applicant can submit applications to their local CoC for review and ranking for a new CoC project and a DV bonus project.

16:03:11 From Caroline Crouse: @Lydia Pickett: No, only YHDP projects that have been funded can be renewed or replaced.
16:03:29 From Brian Fitzmaurice: There are a lot of comments regarding slowness or inoperability of e-snaps. We are taking note. Please continue to report problems to the e-snaps@hud.gov email box.

16:04:05 From Lisa Benson: If HUD could mandate that HMIS Vendors allow imports for free, that would be a dream come true for us.

16:04:07 From Jason Alexander-Capacity for Change: Can a CoC reject a new bonus project application without rating and scoring it if it does not meet HUD or local CoC priorities?

16:04:11 From Laura DeRosier to Hosts and panelists: Where are the FAQ’s located??

16:04:36 From Claire Shanahan: @Jason yes, build it into your local policy for the NOFO.

16:04:46 From Lisa Coffman: Claire - we are not going to have an answer on HT survivors and DV bonus projects during this webinar. You may want to also send that question to the CoCNOFO in box.

16:04:48 From TCHC Planning Department: Does HUD give a project score for projects in Tier 1? Or only for projects in Tier 2?

16:05:04 From Jennifer (she/her): Can you add a text box for the RRH beds can be explained too? That question is a constant thorn in our side because slight changes in proportions of families vs. singles results in a 10 point swing every year.

16:05:19 From Brian Fitzmaurice: @Laura DeRosier: The FAQs are not yet posted, but will be soon. They will be posted to the CoC Competition site on hud.gov where all the other resources are posted.

16:05:26 From Felecia Motteler: If HUD could require that Housing Authorities take referrals through CES that’d be incredibly helpful.

16:05:28 From Grant Card (NMCAA): Will this new application process continue to be evaluated by HUD, and will that evaluation process include provider-agency input/comments?

16:05:29 From Caroline Crouse: @Bia Moreira: No, you do not need to submit a separate project to continue using Host Homes.

16:05:31 From Nili Soni: @Laura-FAQs will be located at https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition#guides

16:05:35 From Courtney Cochran (she/her): Can anyone address is tribal nations can apply in more than one CoC in this year's Competition? I submitted this over a week ago to the HUDNOFO email...
and need to know what to guidance to give to tribal projects in my CoC that also have tribal land in other CoCs.

16:05:37 From Karen Kowal (she/they) : Should match letters cover a specific date range?

16:05:51 From emengers to Hosts and panelists : for FFY20 non-competitive renewals, are we required to have cash match commitment letters on file or is it sufficient to have documentation of actual cash match expenditures for each grant? usually these would be collected during the local competition process and we are unsure if we need to have the actual letters in files for the FFY20 grants.

16:05:51 From Janel Kerby Holt : Change renewal grant to FMR from Actual Rent?

16:05:54 From Lisa Benson : Is EHV considered the PHA participating in CES?

16:05:58 From Angela Hogan : can you talk quickly about DV Bonus projects and tiering?

16:06:11 From Jim Ward TX-607 (he/him) : Can you talk about Section VII.C Does a CoC have to be a HPC?

16:06:19 From Carrie Poser : Can you apply for DV Bonus to expand a renewal RRH grant?

16:06:24 From Felecia Motteler : Some HMIS vendors also refuse to adhere to the HUD requirements. What is HUD able to do to address this?

16:06:25 From Polly Ruddick : Can we have a text box for RRH bed as well? That number changes every month and 10 points is a lot not to be able to explain why it is higher or lower.

16:06:28 From Karen Kowal (she/they) : How does HUD define health care organization? Does their primary focus need to be health care?

16:06:32 From Jason Alexander-Capacity for Change : CoC application question bump: Can you expand an RRH project to include Street Outreach as an SSO line item?

16:06:34 From William Snow : @Karen - Yes, new projects should be based on objective criteria as well.

16:06:36 From Lisa Coffman : Claire - we are working on finding an answer. Stay tuned for the FAQs.

16:06:54 From Amanda Wander : does the definition of healthcare include mental health?

16:06:58 From Amanda Sternberg : The NOFO section VII.B.5.a states a point may be earned for “demonstrating a decrease of at least 5% in the number of sheltered homeless individuals and families in the most recent PIT count compared to the 2019 PIT, if one was done in 2019, and to the 2018 PIT count if no 2019 PIT count was done, count as recorded in HDX, excluding emergency shelter beds added for a Presidentially declared disaster and recorded as such in HDX”.
Our CoC did PIT counts in January 2019, January 2020, and January 2021. Based on these instructions, does this mean we should compare our PIT data from 2019 to our 2021 PIT data (ie, the most recent)? Doing so means we’re essentially ignoring the 2020 PIT data, so I want to confirm that this is correct.

From Brian Fitzmaurice: If your rental assistance is now at "actual rents" you would continue at actual rent. See the report forwarded from the Coc.

From Jim Ward TX-607(he/him): Like to designate applications as eligible to serve Homeless under other federal statute, must a CoC be pre-approved?

From Housing Services: For the Housing and healthcare bonus-since it only applies to CoC's that apply for new PH projects, does that include new DV bonus RRH projects?

From Kate Bristol: Can a CoC receive the 10 bonus points by submitting a single project that both leverages housing resources and also healthcare resources? Or do there need to be two separate projects (one for the 5 housing points and one for the 5 healthcare points)?

From Caroline Crouse: Prevention activities should not have been funded in the original YHDP project. Please send a question to CoCNOFO@hud.gov outlining the activity you are discussing and we can look a little closer.

From Tamieka McLaurin: If a project is doing a consolidation and one program uses FMR and the other uses Actual rent which do we use for the FY GIW?

From Lisa Coffman: @Claire - thank you for raising!

From Amanda Brandenburg: How can grantees that want to consolidate grants enhance their chances? Do they need HUD approval or a letter from the CoC supporting the consolidation?

From Kate Bristol: Also, it would be very helpful to know ASAP if "healthcare" includes behavioral health.

From Karen Kowal (she/they): @Brian Fitzmaurice Will putting 2020 actual rents in effect ARD in any way?

From William Snow: @Amanda - RE: PIT - HUD will be comparing the PIT count data to the most recent years. If there is 2020 data, HUD will use that data as part of its comparison.

From Vernett Sherrill: How much is HUD taking into consideration the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on normal CoC operations?

From Angela Hogan: @Courtney Cochran I’m just a CoC, but we have single providers who have grants from multiple CoCs at the same time.
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16:08:50 From Amanda Stadler: I'm also curious if a renewal + expansion project is eligible for the housing/healthcare bonus points.

16:08:56 From pam.fleck: Would we be able to use these funds to start RRH first time?

16:08:59 From Janel Kerby Holt: @Brian Fitzmaurice: We want to see about changing a grant from and Actual Rent budget to FMR.

16:09:03 From Angie Sweeney: I just saved this on my favorites: Thank you for sharing it with me: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition#guides

16:09:24 From William Rich: @Jason Thorpe. For consolidations requests field office approval is not a requirement as long as all projects are eligible for renewal. When in question consult your field office contact.

16:09:29 From William Snow: @Kate - RE: bonus points - you can gain the point with a single new PH project. You do not have to apply for multiple new PH projects to be eligible for the bonus points.

16:10:12 From Claire Shanahan: Hey Carrie! See bottom of page 15 - you can use dv bonus funding to expand a regular renewal of the same project type

16:10:19 From Candee: Can you address expectation related to tribal nation involvement

16:10:20 From Shaye Rabold (she/her): Whether or not health care includes mental health/behavioral health has been asked a few times. Is that something you have to still confirm? Sorry if I've missed a typed response.

16:10:47 From Brian Alexander: With an expansion project, can you confirm how the applicant would do the application - do they need to do the renewal application and a new application marked as expansion?

16:11:02 From Heather: bump the question on whether healthcare includes behavioral health

16:11:11 From Homeless Solutions: adding my voice to the comments about scoring PIT count of RRH beds (based only on those with move-in date on that night) without an explanation. Not an accurate reflection of RRH capacity and whether that has gone up or down in real life as opposed to what it looked like on one night, which is impacted by when people are moving into housing and household size.

16:11:14 From Jasmin Volkel: For expansion - is HMIS eligible?

16:11:38 From William Snow: @Jasmin - no, HMIS projects cannot be expanded in this process (not eligible as a new project)
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16:11:41 From Sidhartha Nilakanta to Courtney Cochran (she/her) and all panelists: For expansion - is HMIS eligible? - Yes

16:11:56 From Heather: @William can you confirm if expansion projects are eligible for the bonus points?

16:12:29 From Sidhartha Nilakanta to Hosts and panelists: What is this thing about no new HMIS projects?

16:12:50 From Laura DeRosier to Hosts and panelists: If a current renewal wants to expand their project to serve 100% DV pop, can they apply for a new project through the Expansion option for DV Bonus fund potential?

16:13:27 From Laura DeRosier to Hosts and panelists: Can you talk a little bit more about the transition grant option as it pertains to reallocating grants?

16:13:52 From Ben Kong (County of Santa Clara): To clarify, HMIS expansion is not eligible because HMIS is not eligible as a new project?

16:14:01 From Caroline Crouse: @Emengers: Please consult your Field Office on this question.

16:14:06 From William Snow: The expansion grants are considered "new" projects

16:14:07 From Jason Thorpe (he/him): Does the bonus apply to new projects created through reallocation or transition grants? Or only CoC Bonus, DV Bonus, traditional reallocation?

16:14:08 From Kelly Conroy-Scott CoC NY-518: does healthcare include harm reduction?

16:14:42 From Fred Spannaus: HMIS is eligible as a New Project - see Instructions for New Project Apps

16:14:58 From Sidhartha Nilakanta to Hosts and panelists: Why are we saying HMIS is not eligible as a new project?

16:14:59 From Greta Guarton: We have projects with leasing and operations = actual rents.

16:15:13 From Brianna Stanley: Can a CoC expand an existing SSO project to incorporate existing outreach services that are not currently funded as a CoC?

16:15:18 From Anne Cooper: We do have projects with actual rents in our COC and I have not gotten that (TN-509)

16:15:53 From Jason Thorpe (he/him): Are applicants submitting new applications for consolidation required to obtain prior HUD approval before submitting the consolidation application as in FY 2019 or has this requirement been removed this year? It doesn't appear to be included in the current NOFO.
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16:15:54 From Karen Deblasio to Anne Cooper and all panelists: I've got you listed and will check on the report for you

16:15:55 From Lisa Coffman: @Laura DeRosier - yes a current renewal could apply for a DV bonus to expand the project to serve 100% survivors. For more info on expansion check page 15 of the NOFO

16:16:26 From Felisha Lawrence to Hosts and panelists: If a CoC forgot to include VASH bed count in HIC count but now have corrected it and have redone the math, for the collaborative app, what #s should they use for bed count and coverage rate? The numbers calculated with VASH included or the original #s submitted to HUD?

16:16:33 From Kelly Conroy-Scott CoC NY-518: Will we have a list of what activities/interventions are considered healthcare?

16:16:43 From Shavon Moore: I'm confused, can we expand HIMS or no?

16:16:50 From Jason Alexander-Capacity for Change: @lisacoffman is there a HUD definition of how recently someone fled DV to be considered a DV Survivor?

16:16:59 From Lisa Coffman to Laura DeRosier and all panelists: Did you see the answer to your renewal expansion question?

16:17:29 From Adriana Ramirez Altamirano: Can you confirm if expansion projects are eligible for the bonus points? @William

16:17:32 From Angie Sweeney: I don't know if this was asked before, but the YHDP application was a new application when we applied for it. Now, do we have to re-submit a new application for a whole new application for renewal?

16:17:40 From Adeola: YHDP is not required 25% match can you clarify

16:17:51 From Lisa Coffman: @Jason Alexander - no. Category 4 indicates fleeing and/or attempting to flee. There is no time period designated.

16:18:10 From englishbird: Are the Permanent Housing Bonus projects awarded for CY2023 funding?

16:18:17 From Jason Alexander-Capacity for Change: @Lisa thank you

16:18:46 From Caroline Crouse: @Angie Sweeney: No, if you are not making changes to the YHDP project, you can just submit a renewal project application.

16:18:47 From Jim Ward TX-607(he/him): Can someone talk more about Section VII.C Homeless under other statutes?
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16:19:11  From  DavidKoch : And Finally.... Are we ever going to have LIVE trainings and conferences again?!?

16:19:24  From  William Rich : @Brianna Stanley. CoC funds cannot replace existing State or Local funds

16:19:39  From  Amanda Brandenburg : NHSDC is in ATL in person!

16:19:57  From  Alexandria Labenz : Will YHDP projects be able to import data from original application in esnaps similar to a 'normal' coc program?

16:20:00  From  Claire Shanahan : @David Koch, no never again. /s

16:20:06  From  Angie Sweeney : Please elaborate on the YHDP 25% match. Is any match required?

16:20:14  From  Karissa White, Community Development Commission : All PSH DedicatedPLus projects are now required to take household with children now correct (renewals and new)? If this is something a renewal project is unable to do, do they switch to serving 100% Chronically Homeless?

16:20:52  From  Jean Lee   to   Hosts and panelists : I am totally unfamiliar with this process, this is my first time being exposed to this information, therefore I look forward to reviewing the recording as soon as it's posted

16:20:56  From  Martha Are - CFCH and HSN : some of us read the housing and health care points are requiring both be the same project, and some of us read it as being and/or - that you could have one housing project and a separate health project. Can you clarify?

16:21:01  From  Three Cty Continuum of Care Zoom : yeah, how is it determined whether a project needs to provide the YHDP match

16:21:08  From  Kelly Conroy-Scott CoC NY-518 : Can we go back to healthcare? Are non-traditional interventions like harm reduction applicable?

16:21:10  From  Marika Baren (she/her) : Can you provide any clarity around inclusion of Tribal communities and TDHE's in the process? Does the following mean that funding for a project submitted by a Tribe will be added to the ARD based on the formula area and block grant program? "These amendments mean that not only may Tribes and TDHEs apply for grants through other CoCs, but that formula areas, as that term is defined in the Indian Housing Block Grant program at 24 CFR 1000.302, are eligible to be added to the geographic areas of existing CoCs or may be included in newly formed CoCs."

16:21:25  From  Jesica Mays : Can CE-SSO be expanded through reallocation the same as HMIS, just not as a bonus?
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16:21:32 From Anne Cooper: Hate to sound like a broken record, but our CoC has three projects show are using Actual Rents and I (the Collaborative Applicant TN-509) did NOT get the email you're referring to.

16:22:16 From Angela Hogan: I'm a little more confused now about the PHA concept. So if we have an MOU with our PHA for EHV that counts? Even if that has nothing to do with the project we are requesting $ for.

16:22:26 From Karen Deblasio: Anne from TN- I will follow up with your desk officer asap to get that report for you

16:22:27 From David Koch: @Amanda Brandon - HUD Approved?

16:22:57 From Martha Taylor: Can tribal projects limit participants to tribal members only?

16:23:13 From William Snow: The expansion grants are considered new and you can consider the efforts associated with those "new" grants with regard to the bonus questions.

16:23:26 From Angie Sweeney: I'm a little confused. Will Esnaps pre-fill from the YHDP new application automatically into the renewal application?

16:23:44 From Ben Kong (County of Santa Clara): If we cannot expand an existing HMIS project, can we submit a separate new HMIS project through the Bonus Funding?

16:23:50 From Sidhartha Nilakanta: I'm a little confused. Will Esnaps pre-fill from the YHDP new application automatically into the renewal application? - No, I don't believe so Angie.

16:23:54 From Karen Kowal (she/they): Yes please to health care FAQ

16:23:56 From Jason Thorpe (he/him): @William - is that also true for "new" consolidation and transition grants?

16:24:11 From Karissa White, Community Development Commission: thank you for the tribes FAQ!

16:24:18 From William Rich: @Jesica, Yes reallocation funds can be used to expand SSO-CE

16:24:19 From William Snow: @Jesica RE: expansions -yes, CE-SSO and HMIS grants can be expanded as a reallocated grant or as a CoC Bonus grant.

16:24:31 From Steffi Travis: Will there be additional sessions like this one? Especially for folks totally new to NOFO?

16:24:31 From CAFTH - CoC: We have also not received the actual rent report in TN-501 (Memphis/Shelby Co)
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16:24:32 From Shawnel Willer: ND-500 needs the actual rent report
16:24:32 From Tarra McFadden: UT-500 needs and actual rents report
16:24:32 From Shannon Frey-MDH: CoC MD-513 need report
16:24:33 From zgarrett: Zona Garrett NC-509
16:24:35 From Michael Livingston to Hosts and panelists: I have to sign off now. Thank you VERY much for putting this together. We're a new CoC, and this helps a great deal.
16:24:37 From Human Services Coalition: NY-510 needs an actual rent reports please.
16:24:37 From Amanda Sternberg: MI-501 needs the actual rent report. We have projects using actual rent.
16:24:37 From Carla Solem: MN-508
16:24:38 From Sharon Baillie to Hosts and panelists: HI-501
16:24:38 From Vernetta Sherrill: NJ-514 has not received the report
16:24:39 From Caroline Crouse: @Three Cty Continuum of Care Zoom Recipients should include documentation in the project application that the community has taken reasonable steps to maximize resources available for youth experiencing homelessness.
16:24:39 From Chris Taylor: Chris Taylor TN-512
16:24:40 From Shaye Rabold (she/her): Norm said we would learn why it has to be a NOFO now instead of a NOFA. This is an extremely important question ;-)
16:24:41 From Laura DeRosier to Hosts and panelists: Will projects included in the rent report have to manually change the bli's in e-snaps?
16:24:51 From Courtney Cochran (she/her): MN 509 need actual rents report too. Thank you!
16:24:52 From Charles Bollinger III: CoC NY500 needs the report
16:24:57 From Debbi Trosvig (she/her/hers) to Hosts and panelists: WA-504 I don't believe we've receive our report with the 2020 info
16:25:01 From Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness: @Steffi, yes for the newbies!
16:25:01 From Leroy Wilson: NC-504
16:25:02 From Jim Ward TX-607(he/him): What if there are errors on the actual rent report?
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16:25:09  From  Robin Smith : MO-602 needs the report
16:25:18  From  David Weathington  to  Hosts and panelists : PA-500 needs the actual rent report.
16:25:22  From  Jackie Hundt  to  Hosts and panelists : NC504 needs report
16:25:22  From  davis : SD-500 Needs Report
16:25:23  From  Claire Shanahan : Same question as Jim
16:25:23  From  Shaye Rabold (she/her) : I swear he said on an office hours we would hear about it today. Lawyers...
16:25:24  From  Keenan Jones, Baltimore County, MD : MD-CoC 505
16:25:29  From  Stephen Crane  to  Hosts and panelists : "...Funding Availability"
16:25:32  From  Jim Ward TX-607(he/him) : Like renewal projects included that should not be.
16:25:37  From  Keenan Jones, Baltimore County, MD : Need Report
16:25:49  From  Lisa Snipes : We have a NOFA/NOFO jar. A quarter every time some says NOFA. It's full.
16:25:52  From  Grants Email : TX-500 needs the report
16:25:55  From  Robert Ward : Availability makes it sound like you're just handing the money out. Opportunity makes it sound like you have to work for it
16:25:55  From  Kira  to  Hosts and panelists : 509
16:25:55  From  dcloward : CA-526
16:25:59  From  Rita Hurley : MA 511 needs report
16:25:59  From  Greta Guarton : Please send report. NY 603. Thank you!
16:25:59  From  Stacy Tarpley  to  Hosts and panelists : OK-502
16:26:03  From  Megan Stuart : NY 505
16:26:04  From  Courtney Cochran (she/her) : Are there other TA/office hours on the NOFO already scheduled we should know about?
16:26:04  From  Keenan Jones, Baltimore County, MD : MD-CoC 505 Need Report
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16:26:04  From  Jim Ward TX-607(he/him) : TX-607 has an error in the Actual Rent Report

16:26:04  From  Katie Gentry : Will questions submitted to the email be released in FAQ for all other applicants?

16:26:05  From  Evan Caster (he/him) : CO-504

16:26:06  From  Paula Llanas : CoC CA-613 Needs the report

16:26:11  From  Julie Brewer : KS505 needs report

16:26:15  From  Jasmine Baker : GA-502

16:26:16  From  Corey Hardinger-Carroll County Grants Office : MD-506

16:26:20  From  Tina B Krause : Northwest NC CoC 516 needs the report

16:26:26  From  B Markowski   to   Hosts and panelists : Brandon Markowski DCA Trenton Brandon.markowski@dca.nj.gov for report request please

16:26:30  From  Louise Hubbard : FL509 need report.

16:26:30  From  Anne Cooper   to   Hosts and panelists : Anne Cooper, TN-509, Knoxville Field Office. Thanks!

16:26:46  From  Lee M. Hamilton : MA 503 Not aware if our local CoC received this report as this is the first I’m hearing about this.

16:27:01  From  William Snow : @Katie - we will provide some FAQs. They will not include every question that comes through the competition email but we will publish what we can.

16:27:03  From  Olivia Denton Koopman : OK-501

16:27:07  From  Debra Palmquist : If you have successful projects you'd like other to emulate - can u share what they are?

16:27:20  From  Shannon Quinn-Sheeran : CT505 needs the report

16:27:27  From  Lisa Coffman : @Lee - the Actual Rents Report were sent to the Primary Contact for the Collaborative Applicant. Check with them to see if they have received.

16:27:30  From  Sofia Herrera : pls comment on making sure e-snaps works!

16:27:35  From  De Lucious   to   Hosts and panelists : Also, not sure f AL-501 received the report, please send.

16:27:36  From  Nanette Villarreal, Kings United Way : Nanette Villarreal CA-513
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16:27:41 From Jim Ward TX-607(he/him) : We score on the detailed instructions
16:27:42 From Angela Hogan : Can we have THIS Meeting Weekly???
16:27:43 From Shavon Moore : TX604 needs the report

16:28:37 From Lisa Coffman : ALL - the Actual Rents Report were directed to the Primary Contacts for your Collaborative Applicant. Please check with them to make sure they received. They were directed to send only to the projects listed on the report.

16:28:37 From Felecia Motteler : Will FY19 DedicatedPLUS projects that cannot serve families and return to being 100% Dedicated cause issues with scoring?

16:29:15 From Bridgett : Hi OK-501 - There were no actual rent reports for your area-- message from your desk officer