

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP)

FY 2019 and FY 2020 Notice of Funding Opportunity





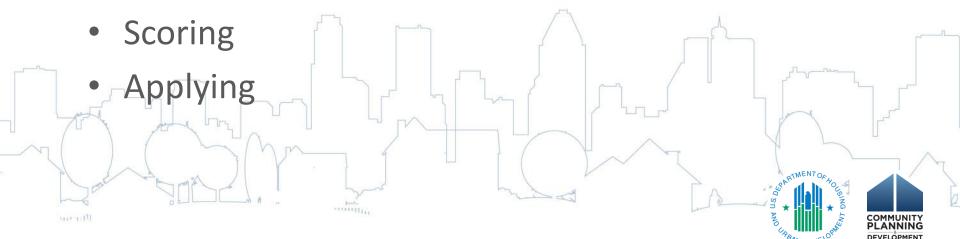
Opening Remarks from SNAPS

Norm Suchar, Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs



Webinar Welcome and Overview

- Introduction
- Racial Equity in YHDP
- Youth Leadership
- Changes for FY 19 and FY 20 YHDP
- Eligibility



Webinar Format and Housekeeping Items

- 90 minutes total
- Approximately 25 minutes for questions
- Participants are muted by default
- To ask a question at any time, use the Question and Answer feature on the Adobe Connect toolbar
- We will answer as many as questions as possible during the Q&A portion of the webinar.
- After the webinar, please submit any outstanding questions to HUD AAQ.





Introduction

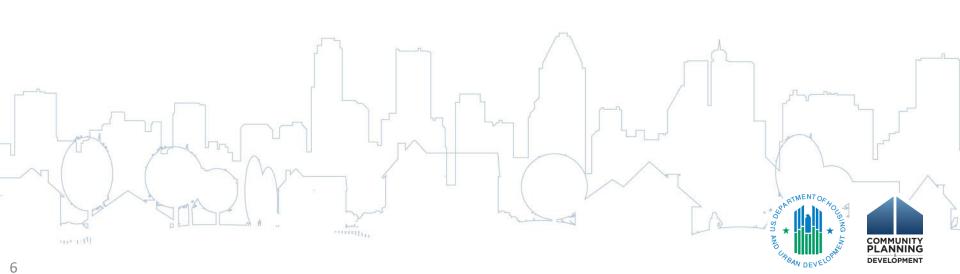
Why is YHDP Needed?

- •41,565 youth experiencing homelessness (2020 PIT count)
 - 34,210 unaccompanied youth
 - 7,355 parenting youth



Poll Question

Has your community previously applied for YHDP funding?



Introduction

What does YHDP Offer? What YHDP Initiate? Youth Voice and Leadership **Funding Coordinated Community Innovation** Approach Collaboration Opportunity for Innovation **Implementation** Projects Uniquely Oriented to **Equity** Youth Experiencing Homelessness

What do we mean by Racial Equity?

- Racial equity is the condition that would be achieved if one's racial identity no longer predicted, in a statistical sense, one's housing, economic, and health outcomes.
- Racial equity includes addressing root causes of inequities, not just outcomes. This includes elimination of policies, practices, attitudes, and cultural messages that reinforce differential outcomes by race or otherwise fail to address them.
- Racial equity is also a process. This means that Black people, Indigenous people, and people of color—those most impacted—are part of the decision—making about funding, policies and programs.





Racial Equity in YHDP

- Include people with lived experience, Black people, people of color, young people and LGBTQ identified people on resource allocation and decision-making groups.
- Look at your current data (disaggregated by race, by gender, and the intersection of race and gender). Determine where there are the greatest racial inequities. Allocate funds to address the inequities at both programmatic and systems level.
- Contract with organizations that are experts in reaching and engaging with underserved and marginalized populations (e.g. YWCAs, Urban Leagues, CDCs, local NAACP chapters, communities of faith, Housing Justice Alliance local chapters)
- Collect data on placements, type of placement, type and length of assistance, geography of placement, and returns to homelessness and monitor it by race, gender and the intersection of race and gender.

Ensuring Equity in YHDP



Purpose

Goal: The goal of the YHDP is to support up to 50 communities, at least 8 of which will be rural, 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.





Program Goals:

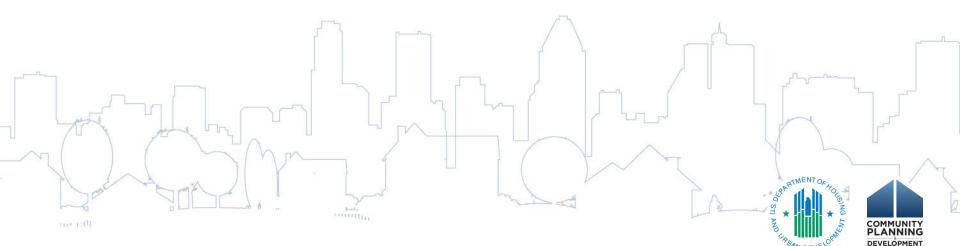
- Improve and better understand the data we collect on youth homelessness
- Understand the definitional and eligibility differences that exist between the various youth serving systems
- Design and implement an array of programs that work for youth with different experiences and needs
- Coordinate with our partners to leverage the necessary resources and knowledge for the creation of an effective and coordinated community response





Poll Question

Do you currently have a Youth Action Board in your community?

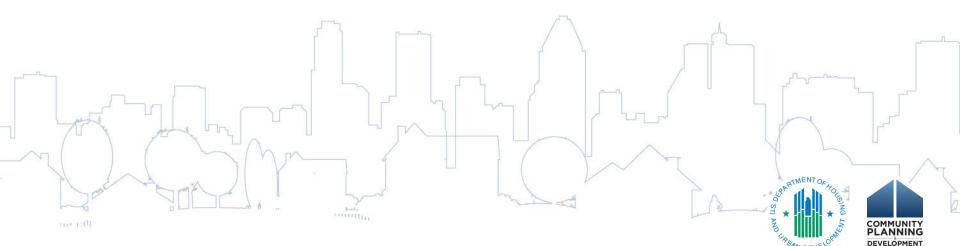


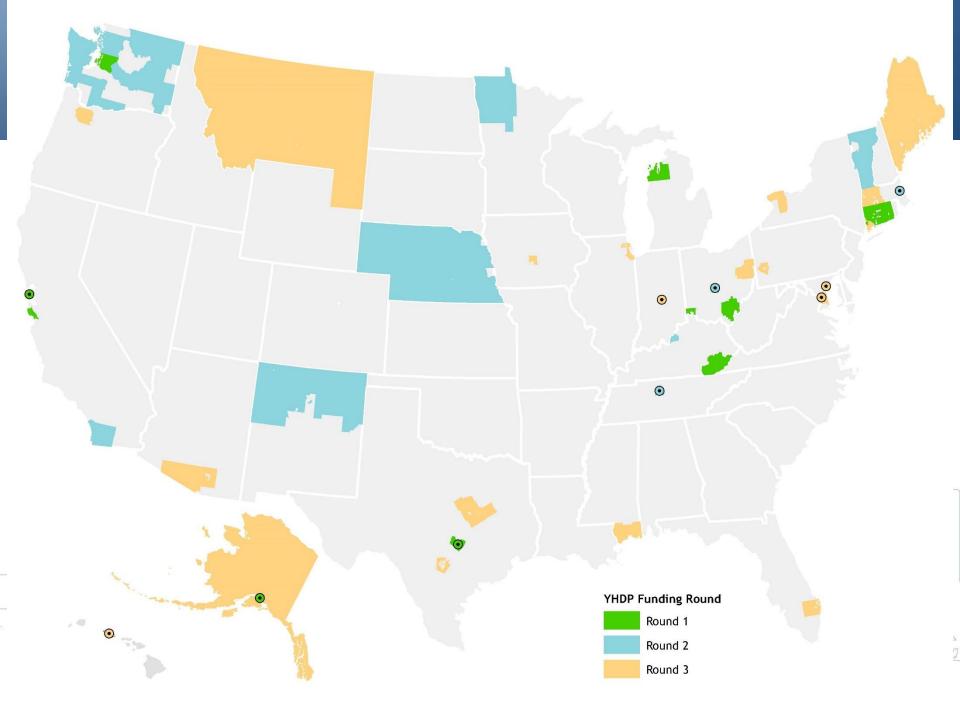
Youth Leadership

Youth-Led Work Youth involvement Youth and young adult who have lived throughout the experiences project Youth collaboration, Youth conducting Youth sustaining an equitable system technical assistance planning and and engagement strategy

YHDP Lead Agency for Santa Cruz, CA

"YHDP gave us the resources to think deeper and work with youth experiencing homelessness in new and different ways... to pull together non-traditional and traditional partners to dig deep and strategize, as well as the resources to put those strategies into action." — Christine Sippl, Encompass Community Services





Overview of YHDP process

CoC's Collaborative
 Applicants apply for
 YHDP NOFO

2. HUD evaluates applications to YHDP NOFO

3. Up to 50 communities selected as a YHDP communities- 25 with FY2019 funds and 25 with FY2020 funds

4. Selected YHDP communities create Coordinated Community Plan (CCP)

5. Selected communities apply for projects using YHDP funds





FY 19 & FY 20 Major NOFO Changes

- Up to \$145 million dollars of funding available! Up to 50 communities, 8 of which must be rural, will be selected!
- Funding formula changed to include data from Point in Time (PIT) counts.
- Simplified rating criteria as well as additional questions that emphasize youth voice and leadership in the YHDP.
- HUD modified the ranking process, establishing a required score and adding bonus points to ensure adequate representation of rural areas amongst YHDP communities.





FY 19 & FY 20 Major NOFO Changes con't

- Threshold requirements for letters of support from the Public Child Welfare Agency (PCWA) and Youth Action Board changed to a rating factor.
- Modified the CoC waiver process to provide more flexibility with respect to YHDP projects that do not comply with CoC program requirements. These exceptions are outlined in Appendix A.
- Moved the detailed explanation of the Coordinated Community Plan requirements to Appendix B for clarity.





Funding Factor

- HUD changed the formula for determining the amount of funding each YHDP community would receive. The revised formula uses data from the Point in Time counts in addition to the poverty and fair market rent data included in previous NOFOs.
- HUD modified the ranking process, establishing a required score of 65 out of 100 for FY 2019 awards and adding bonus points for up to eight rural applicants in FY 2020 to ensure adequate representation of rural areas amongst YHDP communities

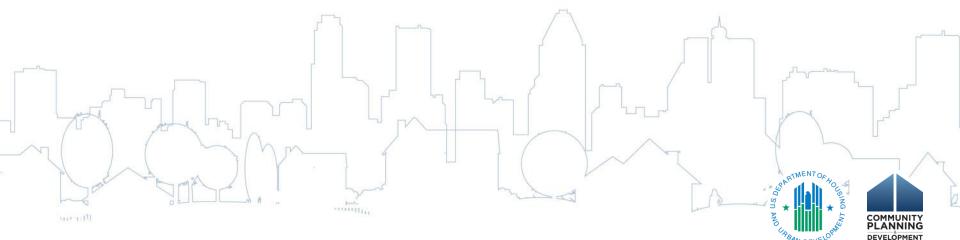




YHDP Lead Agency for Santa Cruz, CA

YHDP created a sentiment of partnership rather than a funder/grantee dynamic...we have dismantled the typical hierarchical relationship around funding to have true partnerships to end youth homelessness

Shebreh Kalantari-Johnson, Encompass Community
 Services



Number and amount of awards

- HUD is combining funding from FY 2019 and FY 2020 Appropriations
 - FY 2019: Approximately \$80 million for up to 25 communities, 8 of which must be rural
 - FY 2020: Approximately \$80 million for up to 25 communities, with a priority for communities with substantial rural populations in up to 8 locations



Number and amount of awards

HUD will rank all applications based on the rating factors.

FY 2019:

- Eight highest-ranking rural communities selected for FY2019 funding, then eight highest non-rural communities
- If sufficient funds remain, applying formula to additional communities up to 25 total

FY 2020:

- 16 highest ranking communities not selected for Round 4 will be selected and funding formula is run
- If sufficient funds remain, formula will repeat to additional communities up to 25 total





Scoring Criteria

HUD assigned 100 possible points to seven rating factors plus a 10-point bonus to Rural applicants

Rating Factor	Points
Leadership Capacity	15
Community Need	20
Collaboration	20
Youth Collaboration	25
Data and Evaluation Capacity	20
Rural Bonus for 2020 funds	10*





Rural Definition

Rural - a county or group of counties designated by the applicant in which:

- the population in the CoC has more people residing in rural areas than either suburban or urban areas, based on data from the Census Bureau. Applicants qualifying under this element of the rural definition must designate the entire CoC's geographic area as the geographic area of the community in IV.B.1 of this NOFO; or
- the population across the designated counties included in the geographic area, which does not encompass the entire CoC, has more people residing in rural areas than either suburban or urban areas, based on data from the Census Bureau; or
- 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.



Rural Awards Eligibility 2019 vs. 2020

FY 2019:

- At least 8 communities with substantial rural populations will be chosen.
- All applicants (rural & non-rural) must meet a required score of 65 out of 100 points.
- If there are fewer than 8 rural applications that meet the required score of 65 points, HUD will select the next most rural applicant who meets this baseline score of 65 points.
 - HUD considers the "next most rural" as the applicant that has the highest percentage of population living in rural areas that scores above the baseline score of 65 provided that the designated geographic area in the application does not have more people residing in urban areas than rural areas.

FY 2020:

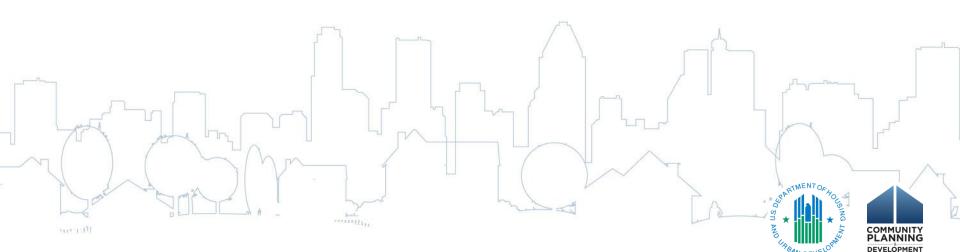
- After the selection of communities to receive FY 2019 funds, HUD will award 10 bonus points to the next eight highest ranking applications where the geographic area covered by the application meets the YHDP rural definition.
- These bonus points will only be awarded when communities are being considered for FY 2020 funding





Poll Question

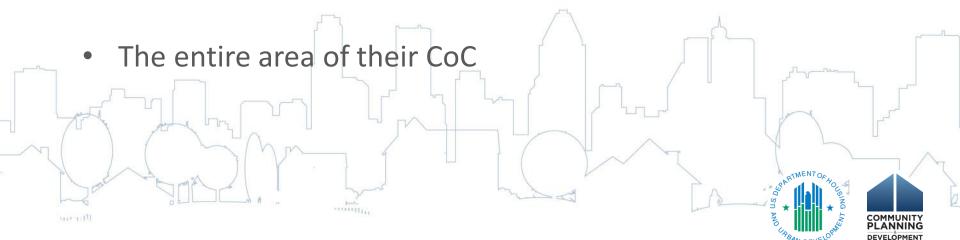
Does your community plan on applying as a rural community or a non-rural community?



Applicant Eligibility

CoC-designated Collaborative Applicants that registered during the FY 2020 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



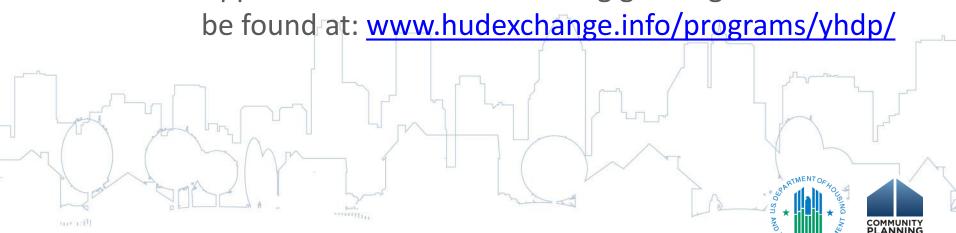
How to Apply

Who: Continuum of Care Collaborative Applicants

When: NOFO Deadline-July 27, 2021

11:59:59 p.m. Eastern time

Where: Application are submitted using grants.gov and can



Post-Selection Process: Coordinated Community Plan and Project Applications

After communities are selected as a YHDP community, they must:

- Create a Coordinated Community Plan
- Apply for individual projects to obtain funding allocated to the community
 - YHDP projects will have 2-year grant terms and may be renewed under the Continuum of Care Program (CoC)
 - The collaborative applicant (CA) and other project applicants designated by the CA are eligible for YHDP grant funds.
 - For-profit entities are not eligible to apply for YHDP funds or be subrecipients
 - The CA's that are not Unified Funding Agencies (UFAs) may also designate an eligible applicant to be the recipient of the planning grant





Post-Selection Process: Coordinated Community Plan and Project Applications

Coordinated Community Plan (CCP) and Project Application Timeline

Once HUD announces the selected communities, the following timeline will apply:

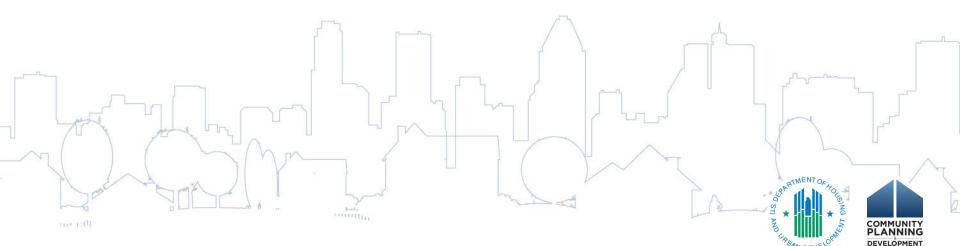
- Selected Communities will have 6 months to submit a CCP.
- Communities that need additional time to form their youth action board or develop community capacity to begin the CCP planning phase may request up to a 3-month extension of this deadline.
- Planning projects may be submitted while a CCP is being reviewed
- Once a CCP is approved, non-planning projects may be submitted into esnaps.





Poll Question

Have you talked to current or past YHDP communities about their CCP and/or project application development process?



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 the Ask a Question link on the YHDP website

(https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/yhdp/)





Technical Assistance

Building an effective system to end youth homelessness

Building partnerships and collaboration across the communities to end youth homelessness

Building a planning team focused on ending youth homelessness

Resources

 YHDP Website: https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/yhdp/

Resources for Homeless Youth Service Providers:
 <u>www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-</u>
 <u>assistance/resources-for-homeless-youth/resources-for-homeless-youth-service-providers</u>

CoC Analysis Tool: Race and Ethnicity:
 https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/5787/coc-analysis-tool-race-and-ethnicity/





Resources

Ending Youth Homelessness Digest

https://mailchi.mp/hudexchange/ending-youth-homelessness-digest-may-13-2021?e=47e351bc94

Racial Equity:

https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6048/covid 19-homeless-system-response-rehousing-activationand-racial-equity/

Ending Youth Homelessness (USICH):
 www.usich.gov/goals/youth

Questions?





Closing Remarks from CPD

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Thank you!

Please submit any questions that were not answered during this webinar to HUD AAQ: https://www.hudexchange.info/get-assistance/my-question/

