HUD 2021 Notice Of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

City of Long Beach, Department of Health and Human Services Homeless Services Bureau

September 14th, 2021

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Data on Homelessness in Long Beach

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NOFO Overview

- HUD released the NOFO on August 18th making $2.656 billion available

- Renamed from Notice Of Funding Availability to Opportunity (NOFA to NOFO)

- Tier 1 is equal to 100% of the CoC Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)

- Past DV Bonuses are being incorporated into each CoC's ARD

FY21 NOFO Scoring

Section	Title	2021 Points	2019 Points
1	CoC Coordination and Engagement	96	56
2	Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking	30	29
3	Homeless Management Information System	11	9
4	Point-In-Time Count	3	6
5	System Performance	23	60
-	Performance and Strategic Planning	-	40
Total		**163**	**200**
6	Coordination with Housing and Healthcare Bonus Points	10	N/A
7	CoC Merger Bonus Points	15	25
Total		**188**	**225**

- NOFO Applications are due Tuesday, November 16th

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Changes for FY2021 NOFO

- No longer doing a renewal application. HSB will be conducting a new process for gaining intent to renew and updating key documents. All renewing projects must be entered by Sunday, October 17.

- NOFO Scoring is less focused on performance than past years. All indications are that this is a one time change due to the impacts of the pandemic

- First Nations/Tribes and Tribally Designated Entities (TDHEs) are now eligible for CoC funding as well as can directly apply if they so choose

- Increased focus on incorporating the voice of persons with lived experience/expertise

- Returning to a strong Housing First focus

- HUD wants to see CoCs incorporate racial equity into the scoring of each individual project

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Reallocation Policy & Recommendations

- HUD allows CoCs to use Reallocation to shift funds in whole or part from existing eligible renewal projects to create one or more new projects without decreasing the CoC's ARD. This is a tool to optimize resources and improve system performance.

- Two Types of Reallocation:

Competitive (Performance-Based Reallocation)	Voluntary Reallocation
- CoC will review the following to determine if reallocation is necessary: - Project Capacity - Financial Management - Performance Outcomes - Compliance with Local and Federal Regulations - Local Need - Loss of External Supporting Program Funds. - Policy and Standards will review projects during NOFO period and will develop reallocation recommendations for Board approval	- Subrecipients can opt to reallocate their own funds for renewal projects at any time - The City will determine how released funds will be reallocated (via a competitive process or finding a replacing project)

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Funding Opportunities

ONE New or Expansion CoC Bonus Project for up to $473,886 for a:

- Permanent Housing – Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH) project

- Permanent Housing – Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH) project

- Joint Transitional Housing (TH) and PH-RRH project

ONE New Domestic Violence (DV) Project for up to $795,406 for a:

- Supportive Services Only (SSO) Coordinated Entry (CE) project

- Joint Transitional Housing (TH) and PH-RRH project

The contract term will be for 12-months with the operational period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

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Ranking & Prioritization Methodology

- All projects will be ranked and prioritized based on a variety of factors using a Tier system. The criteria and ranking process will differ depending on if it is a new (CoC or DV Bonus) or renewal project.

	New CoC or DV Bonus Project	Renewal Project
Evaluation Criteria	• Organizational Capacity and Experience • Project Design • Coordination and Collaboration • Health and Housing Agency Partnership (Bonus Points) • Performance • Commitment to Racial Equity • Budget and Cost Effectiveness	• Project Performance • Fiscal Performance • HMIS (or Comparable Database) Utilization • CoC Participation (Bonus Points)

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Areas of Future Focus

- Increasing connection with managed health care plans, hospital and medical providers

- Examine how we assess and support program level and system performance

- Staff recommend a stronger look at reallocation

- Further engagement of our first nations agencies and persons experiencing homelessness

- Starting lived experience/expertise advisory board and developing clear policies for incorporating decision making within the group

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Next Steps

When	Activity
September 14th	CoC Board Approval for: 1. Component Type Priorities for Funding 2. Ranking and Prioritization Methodology 3. Reallocation Policies and Procedures 4. New Project RFP Process
On or about September 15th	• New Projects RFP will be released • Renewal Projects Certification to Renew process will be announced • All submissions will be accepted using our new online application system
September 30th **1:00 PM – 2:00 PM**	Pre-Proposal Conference for New Projects RFP
October 18	Deadline for New Projects RFP
On or about October 25th	Ad Hoc Review Committee will review submittals for New Projects and evaluated projects for renewals and develop rankings/prioritizations for funding
End of October (Date TBD)	Special CoC Board Meeting to Vote on New Projects and Renewals (ranking and prioritization) for CoC Consolidated Application

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Thank you

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