Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

- 1. the CoC Application,
- 2. the CoC Priority Listing, and
- 3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

- 1. The FY 2023 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
- 2. The FY 2023 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
- 3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
- 4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
- 5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It

- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with—if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to

appeal HÚD's funding determination.

- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.
	NOFO Sections V.B.1.a.(1), V.B.1.e., V.B.1f., and V.B.1.p.
	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023:
1.	select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC's coordinated entry system; or
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC's geographic area:

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC's Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	Yes
3.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
4.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
5.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	No	No	No
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes	No
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	Yes	Yes	Yes
10.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
11.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	No	No	No
12.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	Yes
13.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	No	Yes
14.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes

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16.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes	Yes	Yes
17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
18.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	Yes	Yes
19.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
20.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes
21.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	Yes
22.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
24.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
25.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	Yes	Yes	Yes
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	Yes	Yes	Yes
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.	State Government Staff	Yes	Yes	Yes
35.	Faith-Based Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(2)
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;
2.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and
3.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).

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- 1) Information about membership is available on the CoC website & in CoC emails, which include a link to become of a member of the CoC in all communications. A solicitation for membership occurs in advance of the CoC's semiannual meetings, when voting may occur among CoC members. CoC staff attend monthly county/regional housing and/or homeless coalition meetings to share CoC updates/info and solicit for new members.
- 2) CoC membership form is online & can be provided in alternate formats as requested. Accessible materials (PDF) are available on CoC website. Slack, Mailchimp email service & CoC website each provide accessible electronic formats. Meetings are held in accessible buildings/locations, live-streamed & recorded via Zoom, which supports closed captioning. TTY phone services are available.
- 3) The CoC formed a Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging (DEIB) Committee in spring 2021. Part of the Committee's strategic plan is to increase CoC representation from diverse groups. The DEIB Chair & others reinvigorated the CoC's Membership Committee, which over the last year has revised outreach strategies, language used within outreach for Board members, the application & interview process, and a significant expansion in the number and type of organizations receiving information about the CoC's call for new Board members. These changes resulted in an unprecedented number of applications received during the 2023 recruitment effort. This Summer, the Board voted in 5 new Board members, which represent the most diverse group of applicants in the history of the CoC, this includes several new members with lived experiences of homelessness, and individuals identifying as LGBTQ+. In addition to circulating calls for new CoC & Board members to the CoC's distribution list of 500+ and asking recipients to share the information with community members, the CoC circulates membership to many other community partners to engage persons form diverse backgrounds. This includes: schools, universities and community based organizations such as NAACP; Urban League; Centers of Independent Living; Big Brothers Big Sisters; Jewish Family and Community Services; Alliance for Refugee Youth Support and Education; Black Equity Coalition; the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement; and many more.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(3)
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information;
3.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and
4.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.

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1-The CoC's Gov Board includes 20 members. Previously, Board members filled dedicated seats "from relevant organizations" as defined in CoC Interim Rule. In 2023, the CoC began phasing out dedicated seats in lieu of other forms of diversity, such as race, ethnicity, LGBTQ+ status, & significant representation among folks w/lived experiences. This has resulted in a broader array of individuals invested in the CoC's mission, including several outside of the homeless service system. The CoC revised recruitment for new Committee members, further increasing the array of orgs participating in the CoC. Semi-annual CoC meetings includes both sharing & solicitation of info relevant to CoC operation, strategy, priorities & more. At regional meetings, the CoC solicits input through in-depth discussion from members/stakeholders. CoC Committees (eg DEIB, Youth, Veterans, DV) provide leadership with input. The CoC hosts regular trainings (DV, fair housing, DEIB, etc) that are open to the full CoC membership, and uses these as a forum for discussion/ eedback. 2-Info re: semi-annual CoC mtgs, training, or other opportunities are advertised via email, Slack & CoC website. Agendas are provided in advance & meeting minutes/materials are posted/stored on CoC website. Semi-annual CoC meetings provide the opportunity for roundtable discussions on topics for which the CoC leadership is seeking community input. Gov Board members facilitate discussion at each table & input is brought back to the full Board to inform planning & priorities. The CoC also circulates electronic surveys to solicit input/ feedback on a range of topics, including CoC priorities, input on meeting locations, training needs, etc.

3- Accessible materials (PDF) are available on CoC website. Slack, Mailchimp email service & CoC website each provide accessible electronic formats. Meetings are held in accessible buildings/locations, live-streamed & recorded via Zoom, which supports closed captioning. Registration forms include the opportunity to indicate accessibility needs.

4-The largest project undertaken by the CoC during the last 2 years is an overhaul/ redesign of its CES, the need for which was IDed during the April 2021 CoC mtg, which focused on CES. To follow-up, an ad-hoc Committee conducted an eval of CES, followed by an RFP to ID consultants to support work. The redesign was presented at the April 2023 CoC meeting & the system rollout is imminent, w/ the last training conducted on 9/28/23.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(4)
	Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications-the process;
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and
4.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats.

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1)The CoC issued a Notice of Intent (NOI) on 5/30/23 to inform CoC members/partners that a formal RFP for new projects would be forthcoming. In the NOI, the CoC encouraged interested applicants to reach out for TA to discuss project design, eligible activities, etc. The CoC then issued two formal new project RFPs for the CoC Competition on 7/11/23 – one for CoC Bonus and one for DV Bonus. The RFPs were posted on CoC website, announced on the CoC's Slack page & emailed to CoC distribution list. CoC members/partners were encouraged to share the RFPs w/local agencies who may be interested. The RFP included language related to new project scoring thresholds: "Additional consideration will be given to agencies that have not previously received CoC funding". The CoC hosted CoC NOFO Competition webinar on 7/26/23 which provided an overview of the CoC NOFO and the new project RFP and answered questions. Slide deck was provided in PDF form & webinar was recorded/posted on CoC website. TA was available to new applicants (upon request) to support the submission of a competitive application, including eligible activities & eligible households. 2) RFP packet was distributed by email, web posting & Slack, which included the 2 RFPs, due date, blank copy of application for reference and instructions for completing/submitting application & budget via the CoC's online survey software (Alchemer). A budget template was provided with the RFP. 3) RFPs stated that "All Preliminary Applications will be reviewed by the Western PA CoC Funding Committee based on the following criteria" and included threshold criteria as well as scoring criteria for new projects. The new project scoring tool was also posted on the CoC website. Priorities were informed by the Gaps Analysis, which was presented in May 2023 to the CoC membership & recorded/ posted to CoC website. CoC funding policies were linked in RFP and also posted on CoC website, which articulates the project selection process – new project apps are reviewed by Funding Committee, with recommendations forwarded to the non-conflicted members of the Governing Board for final approval.

4) Accessible application materials (PDF) were available on the CoC website, distributed via email and posted on the CoC's Slack page. The NOFO webinar hosted by the CoC included closed caption technology. RFP noted that if TA or accommodations are needed to apply for funding, the CoC is able to provide reasonable accommodations.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.
	In the chart below:
1.	select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	No
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	Yes
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Yes
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Nonexistent
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	

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1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.
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	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
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1.	consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG Program funds;
2.	participated in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and
	subrecipients;
3.	provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated

Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area; and

1) DCED is the State ESG Recipient, the CoC's Collaborative Applicant (CA) & holds a seat on CoC Board. Annually, DCED updates their method of distribution under their annual action plan process which indicates their priorities and allocation plan for funding allocation and allows for public comment. The CoC shares opportunities for public comment & meetings with membership. Historically, non-entitlement areas receive priority, which includes 18 of the CoC's 20 counties.

4. provided information to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions to address homelessness within your CoC's geographic area so it could be addressed in the Consolidated Plan update.

To ensure consistency across funding sources, PA DCED requires ESG subrecipients to participate in CoC planning & to follow a Housing First approach. Regional projects are incentivized in order to fill capacity and service gaps across the CoC. In addition, ESG applicants must provide a letter of support from the CoC.

Washington & Westmoreland counties are the CoC's other ESG recipients. Representatives from each county are represented on the CoC Gov Board. ESG Coordination between these jurisdictions & the CoC occurs at county level, where reps present the plan to CoC members for input & sign-off.

2) DCED uses performance data generated from HMIS in the evaluation of

- 2) DCED uses performance data generated from HMIS in the evaluation of projects. The CoC facilitates a quarterly monitoring process for CoC and ESG funded projects to evaluate performance and data quality each quarter. This process supports the CoC's submission of strong & accurate data for the SPM, LSA, CAPER reports, as well as increasing the accuracy of data for the evaluation of projects. PA DCED (State ESG recipient) also participates on CoC Funding Committee, which results in coordinated funding decisions.
- 3) The CoC provides CoC-wide, regional and county-level HIC & PIT data to DCED. County-level HIC and PIT data are also provided to all other Con Plan jurisdictions.
- 4) DCED regularly engages CoC membership to provide input for the Con Plan, including the ID of community needs & priorities for CDBG, HOME, ESG, HTF & HOPWA. This coordination occurs at the CoC-level, as well as during regional CoC meetings. In addition, CoC leadership participates in DCED's regional Housing Advisory Committee, which is a formal component of the Con Plan consultation. As the CA & HMIS Lead, DCED has access to all data needed for the Con Plan & provides data/info to all Con Plan jurisdictions. The CoC is working to develop a local advocacy guide, to educate providers on the importance of Con Plan & tips for effective participation.

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	1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.		
		NOFO Section V.B.1.c.		
		Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency sh transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation identity:	n or separate	
1.	Conducted mandatory separated.	training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not	Yes	
2.	Conducted optional tra separated.	ining for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not	No	
3.	3. Worked with ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients.		Yes	
4.	Worked with ESG reciparea that might be out compliance.	pient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into	Yes	
5. Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers.		No		
	1C-4	. CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.		
	10-1	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.		
		Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with	h:	
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1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2. State Education Agency (SEA)		Yes
3. Local Education Agency (LEA)		Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

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The CoC collaborates & has formal partnerships with youth education providers, SEAs & LEA, local school districts. Related to formal partnerships: (1) Pennsylvania Department of Education (the

State Education Agency) & CoC HMIS Lead Agency have an established formal, written interagency data-sharing protocol which allows for increased identification & service coordination across homeless & education providers. (2) The CoC has a school system representative on the Board (homeless regional coordinator).

Related to the CoC's systemwide process to partner with youth education providers: (1) The SEA participates on the YHDP implementation team; (2) A representative of the CoC participates on the statewide Early Childhood Education/ Homelessness Stakeholder group to increase access to early childhood resources; (3) CoC & SEA/LEAs collaborated in joint planning to allocate ARP funding awarded through local M-V liaisons to support homeless youth. This coordination also resulted in ARP funding to hire two system navigator positions for youth working w/16 school districts, which are employed through a CoC-funded organization. (4) In two counties within the CoC, youth education representatives, along with CYS, Juvenile Justice & homeless service providers all participated in learning collaboratives to improve the community response to youth homelessness.

Additional examples of collaboration with youth education providers include: -Several ESG/CoC-funded organizations also operate youth education services (e.g. Head Start, youth employment, tutoring & life skills), which are used to leverage/match CoC & documented in an MOU.

- -Head Start providers host on-site enrollment at shelters.
- -Youth education providers participate in the annual PIT count.
- -Joint submission and/or cross system letters of support for grant applications.
- -CoC orgs work w/ schools to coordinate needed transportation & supplies.
- -School district staff are CoC members.
- -Coordination also occurs during Housing/Homeless Awareness month.

1C-4b. Informing Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC uses to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

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The CoC's Written Standards (fully updated in spring 2021 and then updated annually) requires all projects serving children/youth to designate a staff person to ensure that children are enrolled in school and connected to appropriate services, including early childhood program, part C of IDEA & subtitle B of title VII of the Act. Additionally, programs must take the educational needs of children into account when families are placed in housing and will, to the maximum extent practical, place families with children as close as possible to their school of origin to not disrupt children's education. CoC/ESG-funded projects are required to adhere to the CoC's written standards, which require that all projects inform families of their eligibility for educational services & educational rights under the McKinney-Vento Act. All CoC-funded organizations participated in a compliance desk monitoring process in spring 2022 which included requiring all orgs to affirm that they met the requirement of having this designated staff person to ensure children are enrolled in school/connected to services. Case Managers within CoC-funded programs have strong working relationships with local school district McKinney-Vento homeless liaisons and many have MOUs with local school districts and publicly funded Pre-K/early learning programs to ensure streamlined access to educational programs for children exp. homelessness. Collaboration between CoC/ESG-funded providers and LEAs includes coordination on transportation, school supplies and additional materials needed such as school uniforms.

In 2022 the CoC provided training on Education Rights for Children, Youth and Families Experiencing Homelessness. Staff who are new to the homeless services field and/or who have not received prior training on the educational rights of children, youth and families were strongly encouraged to attend. Topics included: structure and purpose of the ECYEH Program; McKinney-Vento vs. HUD Homeless Definitions; rights of children in public schools when experiencing homelessness (transportation, enrollment, remediation, liaison duties, etc.); addressing needs of students in public schools when experiencing homelessness (removing barriers; assistance such as clothing, school supplies, etc.; working with agencies/shelters); rights of students in foster care and an introduction to establishing relationships across housing and education sectors. This training was recorded is available on CoC website.

1C-4c.	Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	

NOFO Section V.B.1.d.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

		MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years	Yes	Yes
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	Yes	Yes
3.	Early Childhood Providers	Yes	Yes
4.	Early Head Start	Yes	Yes
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	Yes	Yes
6.	Head Start	Yes	Yes

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7.	Healthy Start	No	No
8.	Public Pre-K	Yes	Yes
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.			

1C-5. Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors–Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers.

NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

In the chart below select yes or no for the organizations your CoC collaborates with:

	Organizations	
1.	state domestic violence coalitions	Yes
2.	state sexual assault coalitions	Yes
3.	other organizations that help this population	Yes

1C-5a	Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers to Address Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations indicated in Question 1C-5 to:

1. update CoC-wide policies; and

2. ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors.

The CoC's membership includes numerous victim service providers (VSPs), many of which are dual programs serving both DV & sexual assault survivors, and the state DV coalition (PCADV).

1) Numerous VSPs are actively involved in the Coordinated Entry Committee. During the last update of the Written Standards, which direct the operation of both ESG & CoC funded projects, the Ex Dir of a VSP served on the Committee and played a key role in ensuring the needs of survivors were incorporated into the Standards.

The CoC worked in partnership with PCADV and DV providers to develop the CoC's Emergency Transfer Plans and protocols.

The CoC has begun conversations w/PCADV around supporting the forthcoming 2022 VAWA requirements, including the monitoring of ETP-related policies. PCADV has included VAWA BLI in their FY23 new project application to support this work, to be formalized once additional details are known.

The CoC has been working to redesign its CE system for the last 1.5 years, which has included significant involvement of DV/SA program staff. In addition, the CoC funds two DV CE staff positions who work to ensure that the needs of DV survivors are met through CE, and to inform CE P&P.

The Executive Committee of the CoC's Gov Board, which often recommends CoC-wide policy updates to the full Board, includes VSP.

2) To ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and meet the needs of survivors, the CoC provides training opportunities each year that incorporate trauma-informed care/ practices. This includes the annual training on DV best practices, which is presented each year by PCADV housing staff. PCADV co-presented training in preparation for the new CES launching on housing planning for survivors.

VSPs, who have extensive training on Trauma Informed Care, sit on the CoC Governing Board & participate in many of the CoC's active committees. In addition, PCADV participates in Committees and other CoC-led efforts, and also provides TA throughout the year to any homeless assistance providers & VSPs to support the implementation of trauma-informed care and victim-centered services.

The CoC worked closely w/PCADV in the development of their DV Housing plan, which significantly increases trauma-informed housing/services within the CoC.

1C-5b.	Coordinated Annual Training on Best Practices to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.
	Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinates to provide training for:
1.	project staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma-informed, victim-centered) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually); and
2.	Coordinated Entry staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma informed care) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually).

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1)The CoC provides annual training on safety & best practices in serving survivors of DV. In partnership with the PA Coalition Against Domestic Violence (PCADV) the CoC last provided DV training on 12/14/22, which included: training to educate project staff on identifying & serving individuals under category 4; safety planning best practices; VAWA, including legal protections and emergency transfer plan; eligibility for CoC resources; as well as key themes of safety, confidentiality, trauma-informed and victim-centered approaches. The training was required for all ESG/CoC-funded organizations. The next required training will be held in December 2023.

The CoC's annual PIT count training also includes safety and best practice around engaging DV survivors, utilizing trauma-informed, victim-centered practices. The phrasing of questions on PIT surveys to identify any safety concerns have been vetted and revised by PCADV.

In addition, the CoC's written standards training materials include the safety protocols within the CoC's Emergency Transfer Plan. All new CoC and ESG staff must complete the written standards trainings, which have been recorded and are posted on the CoC's website.

The CES policies and procedures include safety planning protocols and guide CES operations to be trauma-informed and victim-centered. Two DV CE staff also support project staff with engaging/ enrolling new clients using a trauma-informed, victim-centered approach.

2) CE operators/assessors also participated in the above referenced trainings. In addition, all survivors enter the system through DV CE Assessment Centers (DVAC), unless they specifically indicate that they do not want to access DV services. DVAC services are provided by VSPs (in each of the CoC's 20 counties), who all have extensive training & must meet ongoing training requirements around safety planning, trauma-informed care, victim-centered services and DV CE best practices.

DVACs, operated by VSPs also help to connect Survivors to DOJ, HHS, or other DV-specific funding sources. As needed, the Coordinated Entry Committee provides additional training, guidance & revisions for DV-related CE policies/procedures/protocols.

In addition to attending the trainings listed above, CE staff includes DV CE staffing, who provide support and training to their colleagues as needed, and during weekly staffing meetings.

1C-5c.	Implemented Safety Planning, Confidentiality Protocols in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry includes:	
1.	safety planning protocols; and	
2.	confidentiality protocols.	

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1) To provide safe, trauma-informed (TIC), victim-centered services, the CoC has designed its Coordinated Entry (CE) System to provide a Domestic Violence Assessment Centers (DV AC) throughout the CoC's 20 county geography. The CoC's CE DV Policy outlines protocols for serving those fleeing DV including:

a)Confidential, immediate access to emergency services & CE;

b)If a Survivor is being served at a General Assessment Center, and identifies as feeling unsafe/afraid, they are offered a warm Handoff to the DV AC. This ensures VSPs conduct the assessment & immediately provide the household with trauma-informed, victim-centered services, including safety planning & shelter resources if needed. Triage questions within the CE assessment ensure survivors are connected to the DVAC if needed/desired.

In addition, the CoC has two DV CE specialists that can support the safety needs of individuals accessing CE, including immediate safety planning, regardless of where they present.

The Co-Chair of the CE Committee worked for years as a Victim Service Provider, but recently changed jobs, and works to ensure safety, planning and confidentiality protocols are built into CE. VSP orgs & DV CE staff have been involved in the CE redesign effort, which this fall will fully conclude with the revision of all CE policies, procedures & protocols.

2) The CE workflow is set up to immediately assess whether someone is fleeing DV. Each DV AC assesses Survivors using the VI-SPDAT, outside of HMIS. The household's information is tracked in VSP HMIS-compliant database and de-identified data is entered into HMIS by the CE Lead Agency. By using deidentified data survivors have access to all CoC/ESG-funded projects for which they are eligible. During housing referral from CE, with the client's permission, the VSP will connect the client to the housing provider for engagement and enrollment. To protect the DV client's safety & confidentiality, the CoC records information regarding how to safely engage the client to provide a housing resource.

1C-5d.	Used De-identified Aggregate Data to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.
	Describe in the field below:
1.	the de-identified aggregate data source(s) your CoC used for data on survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and
2.	how your CoC uses the de-identified aggregate data described in element 1 of this question to evaluate how to best meet the specialized needs related to domestic violence and homelessness.

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- 1) The CoC utilizes de-identified aggregate DV data from the following sources:
- DV comparable databases
- HMIS Coordinated Entry data
- HMIS data for survivors who are not enrolled in DV-dedicated projects
- system performance data & project-level APR data provided by DV-dedicated ESG- & CoC-funded projects from comparable databases
- DV shelter data is provided by VSPs & PCADV
- aggregated PIT data, collected from HMIS & paper surveys
- 2) The CoC uses the above-listed data in a number of ways, including:
- Through analysis of data pulled from DV comparable databases, as well as an analysis of CE data, the CoC can better understand the needs of Survivors, where those needs are & funnel resources to address need (federal & private). Examples include: # of DV survivors in shelter in each region/county of the CoC; rate at which Survivors access services through CE & the rate of housing placement through CE BNL; # of survivors presenting w/disabilities (physical & cognitive/intellectual); and areas where additional coordination may be needed to address specialized needs, such as aging, children & youth, LGBTQ+. This data is included in the CoC's annual gaps analysis, which is used by the CoC Funding Committee to evaluate need across & within the CoC's 20-county geography.
- VSPs provide their aggregated project-level APR data to CoC for quarterly monitoring process, which reviews performance and data quality. This allows the CoC to evaluate performance & data quality, and allows VSPs to engage in quality improvement. Additionally, this data highlights where DV-dedicated projects excel & where additional resources may be needed to address deficits.
- Data from comparable database is used to: add households (HHs) to By Name List & CE referrals; evaluate ESG/CoC-funded projects through CoC's quarterly monitoring process; evaluate DV-dedicated CoC-funded projects as part of the annual scoring process; track DV-dedicated ESG service delivery; CAPER data; and has most recently been used to provide data to inform 2023 CoC application.
- DV Assessment Centers administer the VI- SPDAT CE screening tool outside of HMIS. This info is tracked in VSP database & provides the CE Lead Agency with VI-SPDAT scores & HH needs so that anonymous client profiles are created in HMIS to ensure Survivors are prioritized for housing placement.
- To report PIT data, the CoC uses HMIS & paper surveys to ID # homeless due to DV fleeing, which would otherwise be unknown.

1C-5e.	Implemented Emergency Transfer Plan Policies and Procedures for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
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	Describe in the field below how your CoC communicates to all individuals and families seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance:	
1.	whether your CoC has policies and procedures that include an emergency transfer plan;	
2.	the process for individuals and families to request an emergency transfer; and	
3.	the process your CoC uses to respond to individuals' and families' emergency transfer requests.	

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- 1) The CoC worked in partnership with PCADV & VSPs to draft the ETP & update as needed. The ETP is publicly posted on the CoC website, is included in the CoC Written Standards (WS) & CE Policies/Procedures. All ESG/CoC-funded projects are required to participate in WS training, which includes information on the ETP process, is conducted live & recorded with ongoing access on the CoC's website for reference & new hires. PCADV provides annual CoC-wide training on DV best practices, which includes in- depth overview of ETP & best practices for a victim-centered trauma-informed implementation. This helps ensure that all ESG/CoC-funded orgs have the most up to date info about this policy & how to utilize it for participants. In addition, ESG/CoC RFPs for new projects inform applicants that adhering to all aspects of WS is required. Info about the ETP is made available to all participants upon enrollment into a CoC/ESG-funded project. CE Policies/Procedures include connections to DV providers for persons fleeing DV & contacting CoC for housing assistance.
- 2) The process to request an emergency transfer is publicly posted on the CoC website & is made available to all participants in ESG/CoC programs. To request an emergency transfer, a participant can notify their case manager/housing provider verbally or in writing. Transfer request to indicate if there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the participant were to remain in the same dwelling unit or indicating that a household member was a victim of sexual assault that occurred on the premises during the preceding 90 calendar-day period.
- 3) Providers inform clients of VAWA rights, including ETP. Providers must act as quickly as possible to move a participant requesting ETP, subject to availability & safety of a unit within the provider's own inventory. If that is not possible, ETP can be processed through CE System. Upon request by provider receiving ETP request, the CE staff will work quickly, following the established protocol/policies/procedures, to help identify an alternate safe unit & coordinate providers & resources to facilitate transfer. The implementation of the ETP is furthered through RRH projects that cover all counties, including PCADV's CoCwide DV RRH project; FCCAA's Southwest Regional RRH project; & MCHA's Northwest Regional RRH project; which collectively provide 321 units across all 20 counties. All ETP P&P will be reviewed/updated as part of redesigned CES & 2022 VAWA req.

1C-5f.	Access to Housing for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	ensures that survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all of the housing and services available within the CoC's geographic area; and	
2.	proactively identifies systemic barriers within your homeless response system that create barriers to safely house and provide services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.	

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- Coord Entry P&P and Written Standards ensure the DV survivors have equal access to all housing/services within the CoC. CE protects the safety & confidentiality of people fleeing/attempting to flee and all survivors of domestic violence while simultaneously providing them with access to housing and services. During the CE Triage Assessment, all households are asked basic questions to determine if they are fleeing/attempting to flee DV, dating violence, stalking, SA, or HT. If yes, the household can opt to be assessed by DV Assessment Center (DVAC), if not already presenting for services from DV provider. DV providers operate DVACs throughout the CoC, providing safety planning & CE services including administering the VI-SPDAT CE screening tool outside of HMIS. This info is tracked in VSP HMIS compliant database & provided to CE Lead Agency with VI-SPDAT scores & HH needs (e.g. bedroom size) so that anonymous client profiles are created in HMIS for prioritization on CES By Name List (BNL) for all housing & services for which they are eligible. All vacancies in ESG/CoC-funded projects are required to be filled by households on BNL, which is tracked for CoC-funded projects. Some projects funded with other funding sources also use BNL as a referral source. Robust coordination w/ DV advocates has assisted all providers to understand how to best serve DV survivors, in addition to increased ESG & CoC funding for DVdedicated projects through CoC ARD, CoC DV Bonus funds, ESG & ESV- CV.
- 2) The CoC incorporates the needs of Survivors in all discussions to proactively identify systemic barriers and to address barriers, both proactively & reported issues. This is accomplished through close coordination with local VSPs & Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence (PCADV). DV advocates participate on the CoC's Gov Board, Executive Comm, all Committees, are employed to operate the CE system, and more. This coordination/ integration of DV advocates allows for input in the planning & development of all CoC policies, procedures & operations, and for the needs of Survivors to be proactively incorporated into the design of the system. In addition, this close coordination helps to facilitate quick responses if issues are identified within the operation of the system. Further, the coordination w/ DV advocates throughout all phases of redesigning the new CE system will prevent systemic barriers within the system.

1C-5g.	Ensuring Survivors With a Range of Lived Expertise Participate in Developing CoC-Wide Policy and Programs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	ensured survivors with a range of lived expertise are involved in the development of your CoC-wide policy and programs; and	
2.	accounted for the unique and complex needs of survivors.	

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1) For many years, the CoC has included PWLE into the CoC's leadership structure, workforce & all aspects of CoC operations. Currently, the CoC has a robust Youth Action Board (YAB), Homeless Action Board (HAB), and is working to grow its new Youth Justice Action Board. YAB & HAB reps have dedicated seats on the CoC's Gov Board & CoC Committees, allowing for the expertise of PWLE to inform the opps & policy development, and helps to facilitate robust discussion & input from these Advisory Boards. Both the YAB & HAB incorporate members with lived experiences of DV, dating violence, SA & stalking.

All CoC members, including a significant # of VSPs & PCADV, are asked to share recruitment efforts w/program participants. The CoC's trauma- informed human-centered recruitment & engagement process for YAB/HAB membership does not ask participants to share their homeless status/history or Survivor status/history at any point, although many eventually do. Both the YAB & HAB follow group-established community agreements, which incorporate safety & confidentiality for all participants.

The CoC has a compensation process, which allows all participants the opportunity to be paid for their time through check, Venmo or pre-paid debit card. If a Survivor needed an alternate pay option, that would be accommodated & incorporated into options made available to all members, as payment options have been added/ removed over time to meet participant needs.

In addition, PCADV has recently established a Survivor Advisory Council to provide survivors who are engaging in or have recently completed services with an opportunity to influence, design & provide direct feedback for the DV housing system. This feedback will be used to inform DV RRH programming & operational changes, and shared with relevant CoC Committees/Board for further integration of survivor feedback.

2) All efforts to include the expertise of PWLE incorporate addressing participants by their preferred name, gender & language preferences. All meetings begin with introductions that make these details known to all participants. Participation in meetings/events can occur in-person, video conferencing or phone calls. Name & contact info about Survivors, and any YAB/HAB participants, is provided only with the individual's consent. No information about their personal history is shared, unless self-disclosed. In addition, PCADV's Survivor Council incorporates confidentiality protections for participants.

1C-6.		Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+–Anti-Discrimination Policy and Training.	
		NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	
	1.	Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination?	Yes
	2.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
	3.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	Yes

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1C-6a. Anti-Discrimination Policy–Updating Policies–Assisting Providers–Evaluating Compliance–Addressing Noncompliance. NOFO Section V.B.1.f. Describe in the field below: 1. how your CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ and other organizations to update its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary to ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families; 2. how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policies; and 4. your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.		
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	2.	how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti- discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy;
4. your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.	3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
	4.	your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

1)The CoC's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging (DEIB) Committee, which includes representation of LGBTQ+ individuals & orgs serving LGBTQ+ households, reviewed/updated the CoC's antidiscrimination policy, which was then approved by the Gov Board in Sept 2022. This new policy was presented at the semi-annual CoC membership meeting in October 2022.

Our very rural CoC has no LGBTQ+ specific service providers. The Gov Board's membership, which approves all CoC policies, includes representatives of the LGBTQ+ community, including PWLE. In Sept 2023, the Director of a statewide LGBTQ+ advocacy org was voted onto the Gov Board. Each of these members bring expertise/experience to support non-discrimination policy development. The CoC has a longstanding relationship with the Fair Housing Law Center, who is available to assist/ advise on discrimination-related issues as needed. Ongoing training reinforces the expectation that all housing/services are trauma-informed for all populations.

2)The CoC's policy includes the requirement that projects must operate consistent with HUD's Equal Access & Gender Identity Final Rules, as well as anti-discrimination requirements. Sample language & templates were provided for use to help CoC providers develop/update their own policies. This includes policies that LGBTQ+ households must receive supportive services, shelter, & housing free from discrimination. CoC provides TA upon request.

Jan 2023: LGBTQ+ service orgs (from outside CoC) provided training to support LGBTQ+ competencies, implementation of best practices, services that are trauma-informed, and how to be an organizational ally. Training provided annually.

April 2023: Training on Fair Housing laws, equal access rules & LGBTQ+ projections. Provided annually.

3)The CoC has reviewed provider non-discrimination policies through a compliance desk monitoring review. Most recently, to ensure compliance w/ the CoC's policy, the FY2023 renewal scoring process included the CoC's review of project-level anti-discrimination policies.

4)Project policies not compliant w/CoC requirements must revise & resubmit to the CoC, with TA & support available to those out of compliance. In extreme cases, the CoC's funding policies allow for reallocation due to non-compliance w/CoC policies, including non-discrimination. If discrimination related to the enrollment/termination of a LGBTQ+ HH is reported to the CoC, the CoC may consult with and/or refer client to Fair Housing Center.

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1C-7. Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area–New Admissions–General/Limited Preference–Moving On Strategy.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the current CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with–if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2022 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
Lawrence County Housing Authority	31%	Yes-Public Housing	No
Westmoreland County Housing Authority	21%	Yes-HCV	No

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.
	Describe in the field below:
	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.

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- 1) The CoC has positive relationships with many of the 24 PHAs in the geographic area, including the participation of the Clarion County PHA's Executive Director as a member of the Gov Board. In addition to the data presented above, McKean County PHA, Mercer County PHA, City of Dubois PHA & Jefferson County PHA each have reported a homeless preference. Several PHAs also have preferences that benefit households served within the CoC, including veterans, households fleeing domestic violence & displaced households. Examples of partnership include:
- -McKean County PHA created a program for families and youth at risk of homelessness who are child welfare involved and has a preference for transition aged youth experiencing homelessness. In addition, this PHA manages/operates the CoC's diversion program.
- -Some PHAs have worked with their local child welfare agencies to apply for Foster Youth to Independence (FYI) vouchers, including Jefferson County PHA who has been awarded FYI vouchers.
- -Working with Westmoreland County and Indiana County Housing Authorities to design and implement a process and MOU for allocated Emergency Housing Vouchers
- -The CoC is working to encourage additional preferences. Butler County PHA is currently working with CoC partners to develop a Move On Strategy. Much of this work is conducted on the county level through county housing/homeless coalitions where PHA staff often attend and/or partner with coalition members on various local initiatives. Greene County Human Services, a CoC-grantee & representative on the Gov Board, has been working w/ Greene PHA on increasing Move On.
- -Many PHAs are members of the CoC and coordinate with the CoC in several ways. This includes: coordination/implementation of special purpose vouchers; recent Mainstream & FUP applications; VASH vouchers (Butler PHA, Indiana PHA & Lawrence PHA); CoC-funding (currently Dubois PHA, McKean PHA, Butler PHA; Clarion PHA; previously Mercer PHA).
- -The CoC provided letters of support for Stability Vouchers to the Butler, Clarion, Elk & Indiana PHAs.
- -The CoC's new strategic plan prioritizes expanding affordable housing resources in partnership with PHAs, including mutual applications to further expand special purpose vouchers, preferences, and more.
- -The CoC has presented/co-presented at the PA Association of Housing & Redevelopment Authorities conferences several times over the last few years in order to increase knowledge of CoC-work & partnerships.

 2) n/a

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
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Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:

Multifamily assisted housing owners			No	
2. PHA			Yes	
3. Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments			No	
4. Local low-income housing programs			No	
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Other (III	mit 150 characters)		
5. Units op	erated by non-profit housing developers		Yes
1C-70	c. Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.		
	In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in you CoC's coordinated entry process:	r	
1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	Yes	
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	No	
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	No	
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	No	
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	No	
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No	
7.	Public Housing	No	
8.	Other Units from PHAs:		
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1C-7c	Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessne NOFO Section V.B.1.g. Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream youchers, Family Unification Program	Yes	am Funding Sour
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1C-76	B. Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessne NOFO Section V.B.1.g. Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)? Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement. Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	Yes Progra	

1C-7e.1.	List of PHAs with Active MOUs to Administer the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program.		
	Not Scored–For Information Only]	
Does EHV	s your CoC have an active Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any PHA to administer the Program?	Yes	
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If you PHA	u select yes to question 1C-7e.1., you must use the list feature below to enter the name of every your CoC has an active MOU with to administer the Emergency Housing Voucher Program.		
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1C-7e.1. List of PHAs with MOUs

Name of PHA: Westmoreland County Housing Authority

1C-7e.1. List of PHAs with MOUs

Name of PHA: Indiana County Housing Authority

1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

 $\hbox{HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at \ CoC\ Program\ Competition\ to\ assist\ you\ in\ completing\ the\ CoC\ Application.\ Resources\ include:}$

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;

 - 24 CFR part 578;- FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Discharge Planning Coordination.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.h.		
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coording systems of care listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than a discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistant.	nates with the 90 days are not ance programs.	
1. Foster Care		Yes	
2. Health Care		Yes	
3. Mental Health Care		Yes	
4. Correctional Facilities		Yes	
1D-2.	Housing First-Lowering Barriers to Entry.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.		

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2023 CoC Program Competition.	56
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2023 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	56
3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

You must upload the Housing First Evaluation attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

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	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC evaluates every project—where the applicant checks Housing First on their project application—to determine if they are using a Housing First approach;
2.	the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation; and
	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach.

- 1) CoC policy & Written Standards require all ESG/CoC-funded orgs to implement a Housing First (HF) approach. Outside of the CoC Competition, the CoC conducted desk monitoring of each grantee in 2022, which included a review of HF compliance. The desk monitoring process will be completed at regular intervals with grantees. In spring 2023, outside of CoC competition, the CoC reviewed all grantee policies related to HF (e.g. admissions, program rules, discharge) & provided written feedback to each grantee on updates needed to policies. Grantees were given a timeline to update all policies in alignment with HF, and will be required to resubmit their policies later this year for review. The CoC will continue to use policy reviews, quarterly monitoring process, & other methods to evaluate HF compliance through the local CoC competition & at regular intervals outside of the competition.
- 2) The CoC evaluated providers on 9 elements of HF including: 1-screening based on sobriety, use of substance, completion of treatment, or participation in service; 2-screening out for no income, criminal convictions, or lack of "housing readiness"; 3-housing-focused services emphasize housing procurement over therapeutic goals; 4-participation in services/compliance not a condition of staying in program; 5-use of alcohol or drugs in itself not a reason for program dismissal; 6-prioritize those with highest needs; 7-staff trained in evidence-based practices such as motivational interviewing/client-centered approach; 8-services are informed by a harm reduction philosophy; 9-primary focus is assisting with swift PH placement.
- 3) As noted in part 1, CoC conducts periodic desk monitoring to ensure HF compliance (last completed in 2022) as well as policy reviews (last completed in 2023). The CoC also analyzes and distributes data quality reports as part of quarterly monitoring process. If a project's data showed increased patterns of turnover, the project would be expected to explain reasons for the #/% of exits to explain cause. The CoC's redesigned CE System, to launch in Q4 2023, will provide new opportunities for evaluating HF compliance. The CoC will be implement "push" referrals vs. the current "pull" system. Community-level case conferencing & housing problem solving will increase provider accountability for rapidly housing referred households. Newly hired CE staff will provide additional oversight to ensure referred households are eligible & aren't screening out.

1D-3.	Street Outreach-Scope.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.j.
	Describe in the field below:
1.	your CoC's street outreach efforts, including the methods it uses to ensure all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness are identified and engaged;
2.	whether your CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC's geographic area;
3.	how often your CoC conducts street outreach; and
4.	how your CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.

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 The CoC has made intentional efforts to provide street outreach (SO) through a variety of methods. Veteran outreach workers are actively engaged throughout the CoC. If someone is identified as unsheltered but not a veteran, referrals & CE assessment are provided. Funding sources for SO workers include: SSVF, ESG, PATH & VAMC. Street outreach providers have worked to build relationships w/ orgs within their communities (such as VFWs, 24-hour establishments, soup kitchens, police dept) to ID individuals and/or locations where unsheltered may be located. SO workers respond to reports of unsheltered homelessness from community partners. YHDP navigators also support SO for youth. In addition to formal paid SO efforts, some counties conduct regular outreach through community agencies & volunteers. In addition, the CoC has identified hot spots for youth & methods for youth engagement. In many of the most rural areas of the CoC, providers have relationships/partnerships with local law enforcement, park rangers, EMT, and others who "phone in" any sightings of someone believed to be unsheltered. Homeless assistance providers then go to the location to conduct outreach. 2) Street outreach covers 100% of the CoC's geographic area. 3) Weekly SO is conducted in 80% of the CoC's geo area through ESG & SSVF funding, focusing mostly on known locations. SO is provided in the remaining 20% of the CoC, which is largely rural, as they receive reports of unsheltered households. 100% of the CoC is covered in the annual unsheltered PIT count. 4) LanguageLine is available for translation, including ASL. Street outreach workers engage individuals consistently & are often able to provide tangible asst (food vouchers, sleeping bags, coats, hygiene items & transportation passes), in addition to shelter/housing resources. Street outreach workers are trained to engage those with MH/BH/physical health issues & in cultural competency. SO workers are equipped to provide CE assessments "in the field" to eliminate the need for appointments, transportation to CE centers & other obstacles that may prevent the person from seeking services. CE Assessment Centers are expected to advertise/market CE services. As such, marketing materials are posted within the community. CoC/ESG resources require orgs to

1D-4.	Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.k.	

serve all HH types, in compliance with non-discrimination policies.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate strategies your CoC implemented to ensure homelessness is not criminalized and to reverse existing criminalization policies in your CoC's geographic area:

	Your CoC's Strategies	Ensure Homelessness is not Criminalized	Reverse Existing Criminalization Policies
1.	Engaged/educated local policymakers	Yes	No
2.	Engaged/educated law enforcement	Yes	No
3.	Engaged/educated local business leaders	Yes	No
4.	Implemented community wide plans	Yes	No
5.	Other:(limit 500 characters)		

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CoC has Reentry Committee; Re-entry RRH to prevent prison exits to homelessness, funded through Home4Good; new Youth Justice Action Board working for system's change to prevent youth exiting juvenile justice settings from exiting to homelessness & identify appropriate interventions.	No	No
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Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) or Longitudinal Data from HMIS.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.I.	

	HIC Longitudinal HMIS Data	2022	2023
Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC or the number of households served per longitudinal HMIS data, e.g., APR.	Longitudinal HMIS Data	910	877

1D-6.	1D-6. Mainstream Benefits–CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

		CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	SSDI–Social Security Disability Insurance	Yes
4.	TANF-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
5.	Substance Use Disorder Programs	Yes
6.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
7.	Other (limit 150 characters)	
	Child care; LIHEAP	Yes

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1D-6a.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
	Describe in the next year ever
1.	systemically provides up-to-date information on mainstream resources available for program participants (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, SSDI, TANF, substance abuse programs) within your CoC's geographic area;
2.	works with project staff to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including substance abuse treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services; and
3.	works with projects to promote SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff.

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1) The PA Dept of Human Services (DHS) provides annual training to the CoC on mainstream benefits, most recently on 9/25/23. PA DHS staff will also attend semi-annual CoC meetings to provide announcements/ updates to benefit programs. In addition, the CoC provides updates on mainstream benefits through the CoC's social media platform (Slack) & during monthly regional meetings of the CoC. Updates are provided during county-level housing coalition meetings by reps from the County Assistance Offices (CAOs), Community Action Agencies (CAAs) & Legal Aid. More in-depth training is primarily provided at county level, through the CAOs & local collaboratives. 2) The applicants for 17 CoC-funded projects are county BH offices and/or BH providers, with additional BH providers operating additional projects. The CoC has been working to support providers to further coordinate/leverage partnerships between health care orgs, including supporting project applicants w/TA to incorporate leveraged healthcare services into project design. The CoC provides MOU templates & supports other ways to formalize partnerships with FQHC, Medicaid-reimbursable service providers, Community HealthChoices, the state's managed care program and more. The CoC works w/community partners to ensure that participants effectively utilize Medicaid/ other benefits. Medicaid/Medicare insurance companies (MCOs) engage w/ providers to discuss benefits/how to access. CAAs throughout CoC ensure individuals exp. homelessness are assisted to apply for, receive & use benefits. 3) CoC orgs either employ staff who are SOAR certified, or partner with neighboring orgs who have SOAR certified staff. For example, Fayette County Community Action Agency serves as the Western PA lead for SOAR and has two staff who are SOAR trained. They can support other orgs w/SOAR certification or TA. Previously, through a foundation grant, FCCAA hosted a SOAR certification program that offered organizations reimbursement for the cost of staff to attend/participate in training & become SOAR certified, which increased the # of SOAR certified providers. As part of the annual CoC NOFO, renewal & new projects are required to affirmatively answer that they will "Utilize a SOAR trained individual to provide technical assistance related to accessing SSI/SSDI". If grantees need assistance accessing SOAR training, the CoC will connect them with local/state resources. The CoC hosted a SOAR training for CoC members/partners on 9/6/23.

1D-7. Increasing Capacity for Non-Congregate Sheltering.

NOFO Section V.B.1.n.

Describe in the field below how your CoC is increasing its capacity to provide non-congregate sheltering.

The CoC has expanded its non-congregate shelter capacity over the past 3 years. In 2020 the CoC reported 28 non-congregate (including hotel/voucher beds) on the HIC vs. 33 non-congregate beds on the 2023 HIC. ESG-CV funds added significant capacity to the CoC for non-congregate shelter since 2020. Through ESG-CV funds, the CoC was able to serve 946 households with non-congregate shelter between 2020 and 2023, with 264 of these HHs served by VSPs. Many of these households were concentrated within just a few of the CoC's 20 counties.

The PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) is the state ESG, CDBG, HOME recipient, as well as the CoC Collaborative Applicant. DCED has made non-congregate shelter a priority within their HOME-ARP allocation plan (accounting for 20% of total allocation). This will bring over \$15M into Pennsylvania to support the development of non-congregate shelter. DCED will prioritize funds for non-entitlement communities, which means these funds will be able to serve non-urban areas across 18 of CoC's 20 counties. The application for these funds is expected in Q4 of 2023 & will greatly expand the CoC's capacity to provide non-congregate shelters in the communities where these are needed. CoC leadership and members participated in HOME-ARP input sessions to help directly inform the allocation plan. In addition to HOME-ARP funds, ESG-CV funds were used to significantly increase non-congregate shelter capacity. For example, non-congregate shelter capacity in Butler County was increased to reduce the number of people in shelters & to respond to the increased demand for shelter. Lawrence County, too, used hotels in-lieu of shelter to prevent the spread of COVID. Several DV agencies operating throughout the CoC also increased non-congregate shelter access to prevent the spread of COVID and respond to an increase in demand for assistance. Many communities offset their need for increased shelter capacity and/or need to decrease shelter occupancy through ERAP & other resources. As such, the true need for permanent increases to non-shelter capacity may not be fully understood. Even still, some providers reported positive outcomes & interest in fully converting their congregate shelters to non-congregate based. Reasons include increased privacy is more desirable and humane for clients & reduction in illness among vulnerable clients.

ID-8.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies–Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to:	
1.	develop CoC-wide policies and procedures to respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and	
2.	prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness.	

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1) No parts of the CoC's 20 county geography have their own public health department. As such, the entire CoC falls under the PA Dept of Health (DOH). PA DOH & Dept of Human Services (DHS) are both integral agencies in the response to & prevention of infectious diseases. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the CoC strengthened its relationship with DOH & DHS, including participation in the State's Sheltering Task Force, which included the distribution of safety planning protocols (including social distancing, de-densifying shelter, hand washing, masks, vaccinations), identification of shelter needs, & the procurement of resources. The information/resources resulting from this partnership helped decrease the spread of COVID-19 & ensured safety

measures were implemented. During the height of COVID, the CoC established procedures, in partnership with the state agencies referenced above, that will be redeployed in the case of future outbreaks, including: communication procedures to gather info from the State (as well as other sources such as CDC & HUD) & disseminate this info quickly to providers via: CoC Office Hour calls; online communication platforms (Slack & email mailing list); & via regional meetings of the CoC. These communication enhancements & practices adopted during COVID will allow the CoC to respond quickly & strategically during any future public health crisis.

2) The CoC & CA are members of the PA Sheltering Task Force, which continues to meet quarterly, in order to provide updates & maintain established

systems/ contacts in place.

CoC providers have established protocols to act swiftly for future public health emergencies to prevent infectious diseases outbreaks among people exp. homelessness. These include de-densifying programs (including use of hotels/motels), isolation/quarantining protocols, testing protocols, handwashing/cleaning protocols, screening protocols, vaccination protocols, and staffing.

CoC providers have also established/enhanced partnerships with local healthcare providers for access to testing and vaccines.

In addition, as of July 2023, the state Medicaid agency is providing reimbursement for street medicine services. As such, the CoC will be working in partnership with PA DHS to identify opps for how the CoC can intentionally increase these services throughout the 20-county geography. The expansion of these services will help the CoC to prevent/ respond to any infectious disease outbreaks in the future.

ID-8a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	shared information related to public health measures and homelessness, and	
	facilitated communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.	

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1) Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the CoC strengthened its relationship with the PA Dept of Health (DOH) & Dept of Human Services (DHS), who oversee public health activities for the CoC, by participating in their Sheltering Task Force. The Task Force (TF) was the communication hub for updates from FEMA/PEMA, CDC, DOH, DHS, and HUD and continues to have quarterly calls in order to maintain the system established during COVID & to support the ongoing public health coordination at all levels.

During COVID, the CoC disseminated info from TF to providers quickly/regularly via: CoC Office Hour calls (which started 2x/week at the beginning of the pandemic & reduced frequency based on need); online communication platforms (Slack & email mailing list); and via regional meetings of the CoC. This included sharing best practices, info about needed supplies & medical/prevention related equipment, available funding sources and more. This task force also created an opportunity for the CoC to share local needs with state officials.

2) The two-way communication established between state officials & local homeless providers during COVID helped to inform the state regarding what assistance was needed, and helped the CoC to understand the impact & needs of different communities within the CoC's geography.

This info was used throughout the CoC to establish/expand partnerships w/public health providers. Through the joint efforts of homeless providers & public health workers, resources were allocated to provide hotel vouchers & other non-congregate sheltering options. The CoC is still seeing positive results stemming from these efforts, including providers reporting future planning/ resource development w/ public health agencies. In addition, the CoC is hopeful that many communities will apply for non-congregate shelter funding to be available Q4 of 2023 through PA DCED's HOME-ARP application process. The CoC will be working w/DHS later this year to ID opportunities to provide street medicine services throughout the CoC, using a new reimbursable service added under the state's Medicaid plan, which will help to prevent/ limit future health emergencies among individuals sleeping in unsheltered locations.

10-0	Centralized or Coordinated Entry System–Assessment Process.	
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NOFO Section V.B.1.p.		
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	covers 100 percent of your CoC's geographic area;	
2.	uses a standardized assessment process; and	
3.	is updated regularly using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.	

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- 1) CES covers & serves all 20 counties w/in CoC (covering 100% of the CoC). This includes a General Assessment Center (GAC) & DV Assessment Centers (DVAC) in nearly every county to provide CE services & direct all households needing homeless assistance to the appropriate intervention, while also maintaining client choice. Regional Youth Navigators also provide CES. In addition to CE services, assistance w/safety planning is available from DVACs. CE services can be provided by walking into or calling GAC/DVAC. Street outreach & CE staff are also available to do provide CE services in any location. In addition, 211 is accessible CoC-wide 24/7 (through live voice & texting options) to direct households needing homeless assistance to the local GAC, DVAC or shelters.
- 2) Currently, all CE Assessors use a standardized Triage/Safety Protocol & a Triage Assessment to determine homeless status & if household is fleeing DV. The VI-SPDAT is used to assess for vulnerability & informs prioritization of BNL, which is the required referral source for ESG/CoC-funded providers. The CoC has been working with ICF to re-design its CE system, with implementation beginning in Q4 of 2023, will center housing problem solving (HPS) strategies, which includes services & financial assistance for diversion & rapid exit, as the first step of CE.

Additional resource allocation will be conducted through case conferencing meetings within the CoC's four CES regions. Factors considered include VI-SPDAT assessment score, length of time homeless, # of prior homeless episodes, chronicity, info gained during 30-day HPS period, & other vulnerabilities to be identified by each region.

3) The CES redesign process was launched as a result of input from providers during CE Committee meetings, which led to a more robust conversation with the full CoC membership. The redesign process, which has been ongoing for 18 months, has included many opportunities for CoC members/providers to pilot new workflow options, provide input for planning, participate in training & provide additional feedback. The redesign included input/feedback from PWLE who had recently received CE services, which included youth, veterans & DV survivors. In addition, each region will be working to identify an "anchor agency" and establish variances to CE P&P for local implementation. In addition, the CE Committee meetings & regional case conferencing meetings create opportunities for ongoing input & updates to the system as needed.

1D-9a.	Program Participant-Centered Approach to Centralized or Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;	
2.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance;	
3.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their preferences; and	
4.	takes steps to reduce burdens on people using coordinated entry.	

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- 1)The CoC's street outreach (SO) providers are an extension of the CE system by providing mobile/remote CE services and/or connecting the most vulnerable and/or disconnected households to CE services delivered thru a General or DV Assessment Centers (GAC/DVAC). SO teams include PWLE, which has been helpful to engage folks least likely to seek out assistance. Regional Youth navigators are also able to provide CE services. The CES uses Language Line, which provides translation services for 240 languages & ASL. Individuals needing assistance who call 211 will be directed to local GAC/DVAC and/or shelter.
- 2) Currently, all CE Assessors use a Triage/Safety Protocol to determine homeless & DV status. The VI-SPDAT is used to determine vulnerability. GAC/DVAC make direct referrals to shelter, prevention and/or diversion resources. HHs needing TH/RRH/PSH are placed on the By Name List (BNL) for prioritization, which includes: vulnerability, chronicity, VI-SPDAT score & LOT homeless.

Under the CoC's new CE system (rolling out in Q4, 2023), all HHs will be provided w/housing problem solving services prior to assmt & referral for PH resources. This will allow the CoC to provide services to more HHs, while prioritizing medium/long-term assistance for HHs most in need & otherwise unable to end their homelessness.

- 3)HHs most in need are prioritized for PH openings, incorporating participant choice/preferences, with diversion funds assisting HHs that can end their homelessness w/limited assistance. All ESG/CoC providers are required to fill openings through the BNL, using the above-listed prioritization criteria. To facilitate rapid placement, multiple RRH projects, including DV RRH, provide flexible resources (e.g. transportation asst) throughout CoC's geography. To expedite housing placement, the new CE system (Q4 launch) will incorporate referrals for HHs most in need, document readiness & coordination of regional resources to support housing search, cross county transportation needs, etc.
- 4) The redesigned CE system delays the VI-SPDAT in place of a more phased assessment process that includes housing problem solving services, resulting in a more client-centered, less intrusive process. In addition, once the new CE system is implemented, the CoC will be looking to replace the VI-SPDAT with a new, less invasive, assessment tool. Participation from PWLE will be incorporated into that process.

1D-9b. Informing Program Participant about Rights and Remedies through Centralized or Coordinated Entry–Reporting Violations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.
	Describe in the field below how your CoC through its centralized or coordinated entry:
1.	affirmatively markets housing and services provided within the CoC's geographic area and ensures it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness;
2.	informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and
3.	reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants to the jurisdiction(s) responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.

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- The CoC markets the Coordinated Entry System (CES) & housing/services available through flyers, CoC website, & community outreach. Each county has a designated General Assessment Center (GAC). CoC is divided into 4 CE regions, each with a CE Specialist who helps educate community orgs about CES. GACs are well-known within the community & serve as key touchpoints for households seeking homeless assistance. GACs often provide an array of services to the community's most vulnerable citizens & provide info about housing/services to all, irrespective of demographics. Also, street outreach staff share info about housing/services with unsheltered HH. HH exp. homelessness who call 211 (community resource hotline) are referred to their local GAC &/or Domestic Violence Assessment Center. CoC written standards include a nondiscrimination policy which describes expectations of CES & providers. In summary. CE to assist CoC/ESG providers in meeting the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing requirement by providing marketing resources, auxiliary aids & other services necessary to ensure effective communication... including info in accessible formats as needed, such as Braille, audio, large type, assistive listening devices, & sign language interpreters, as well as accommodation for persons with limited English proficiency. The policy provides examples of reasonable accommodations/modifications and included in the CoC's Written Standards training.
- 2) All CoC/ESG providers & CE specialists participate in annual training on Fair Housing/Equal Access, to ensure they understand their responsibilities to further fair housing efforts. CE Specialist onboarding includes training to identify rights violations & connect HH with local resources to navigate jurisdictional issues & pursue legal action if needed. Each county has access to a simple online referral form in partnership with Fair Housing Law Center, aiding in reporting violations & seeking legal guidance. CE assessors can also report suspected discrimination to CE Specialists & CE Committee Chair for discussion/resolution.
- 3) Fair housing related issues are reported to DCED, the Collab Applicant & entity responsible for the CoC's primary Con Plan jurisdiction. DCED serves on Board, CE Committee & Funding Committee, which allows for any reported issue to be further addressed through these forums if needed.

1D-	10. Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness–Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	Yes
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	05/16/2023
1D-1	0a. Process for Analyzing Racial Disparities–Identified Racial Disparities in Provision or Outcomes of Homeless Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
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	Describe in the field below:]
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2. what racial disparities your CoC identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

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- 1) The CoC has conducted four racial disparities since 2019 (2019, 2020, 2022, 2023). These analyses reviewed homeless system access & outcomes by race & ethnicity using data from HMIS, including CE & SPM data. The CoC Lead Agency conducted the analyses & solicits feedback from community partners and providers to inform the analysis. The most recent analysis in 2023 included an analysis of CE access and outcomes by race and ethnicity, which included looking at access to CE by race/ ethnicity, VI-SPDAT score by race/ethnicity, length of time on By Name List by race/ethnicity, and coordinated entry outcomes (e.g., PH destinations, temporary destinations, unknown outcome) by race/ethnicity. This analysis was displayed using Tableau software, which allows community partners/providers to view data CoC-wide and/or to drill down the data to a specific county/ies and region, which is very important in our 20county CoC, as resources, needs and disparities may vary at the regional and county level. The Tableau dashboard/analysis is publicly available for community partners and providers. Previous racial disparities analyses have also included an analysis of system performance measure outcomes by race and ethnicity (exits to permanent housing, length of time in housing, increasing income). These annual analyses are shared with the full CoC, and community partners can drill into their local data and discuss challenges and solutions at their regional and county level housing meetings.
- 2) The CoC identified the following disparities:
- Black or African American households are over-represented in the homeless population, as this group makes up a greater proportion of households seeking homeless assistance (13%) versus the general population of Black or African American households (3%). Further, 75% of Black households were in the Southwest Region (7 of 20 counties), and 30% of the total in Washington County specifically.
- On average, white households scored higher than Black/African American households on the VI-SPDAT CE assessment (1.1 average point difference).
- there are very few Hispanic/Latino(a)(x) households in the CoC (1.5% of the general population). The rate of Hispanic/Latino(a)(x) households seeking homeless assistance services in the CoC was 2.7%.
- Black or African American households had lower rates of exit to permanent housing than White households (39% vs. 45%).

1D-10b.	Implemented Strategies that Address Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to address any racial disparities.

1.	The CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies are representative of the population served in the CoC.	No
	The CoC has identified steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC.	Yes
3.	The CoC is expanding outreach in geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups.	Yes

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4.	The CoC has communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups.	Yes
5.	The CoC is training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness.	Yes
6.	The CoC is establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector.	Yes
7.	The CoC has staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness.	Yes
8.	The CoC is educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity.	Yes
9.	The CoC reviewed coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
10.	The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system.	Yes
11.	The CoC is conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	
12.	The CoC's DEI Committee created a strategic plan, which will include recommendations on operations, funding & governance	Yes

1D-10c.	Implemented Strategies that Address Known Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below the steps your CoC is taking to address the disparities identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

steps were taken following the previous analysis. Specifically:

- -The Gov Board approved updated non-discrimination & inclusion policies.
- -Disparities analyses in 2022 & 2023 allow for regional/county data drilldown. -CoC grantees were evaluated on their completion of an organizational equity analysis (looking at org policies, practices, training) during the 2022 renewal scoring. The 2023 renewal scoring included evaluation of equity narrative providing description of recent and/or current actions taken to address disparities and advance equity in organizational service delivery.
- -The CoC hosted racial equity training series in 2020, 2021 and 2022 (required for ESG/CoC providers). In 2022, the 5-part training series included these topics presented from an equity lens: harm reduction; culturally responsive services; understanding racial disparities; uncovering implicit bias; & lived experience in service system. These topics continue to be reinforced throughout all training. -In 2021 the CoC formed DEIB Committee to assess diversity & equity at the Board level & throughout CoC operations. This Committee has advanced this work via:
- a)Opens every Board & CoC meeting with "centering around equity" mini training sessions aimed at increasing education/awareness & reminder to place equity at the center of discussion & decision making.
- b)Assessed Board diversity & training needs; designed a 6-part training series that all Board members were mandated to attend; ongoing DEIB training now provided bimonthly.
- c)Revised the CoĆ's mission statement to support diversity & equity.
- d)Created DEIB truths & values ethical statement endorsed by all Board members.
- e)Completed a DEIB strategic plan. Goals include: Board members accountable to support/embody the values & truths statements; recruit Board & Committees members more inclusively, intentionally; incorporate diverse voices of PWLE; strategic relationships w/ orgs that represent diverse perspectives & align with CoC's mission; Develop continuous quality improvement process to center diversity, equity & inclusion within all CoC policies, practices & procedures; Partner w/ Funding Comm to ID new DEI-centered methods to evaluate projects & engage applicants.
- f)Work w/ CES redesign comm to guide dev. of equity-centered strategies. g)2023-pilot in 2 orgs providing 9 month learning collab focused on DEIB to support organizational change

1D-10d.	Tracked Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	the measures your CoC has in place to track progress on preventing or eliminating disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and	
2.	the tools your CoC uses.	

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1) The CoC uses the annual gaps analysis to track progress on preventing/ eliminating disparities. For example, in the 2022 gaps analysis, the CoC identified that BIPOC had lower CE assessment scores overall than White households. The CoC is able to track progress over time via the gaps analysis. The CoC has just completed an 18-month process to redesign the CE process, which includes deprioritizing the assessment score & move to more equitable service provision. The CoC also uses the gaps analysis to monitor LOT homeless by race/ethnicity & exits to PH by race/ethnicity. Since the CoC conducts this gaps analysis annually, and uses the interactive Tableau dashboard software, the CoC is able to track progress over time. The CoC also disaggregates the System Performance Measure outcomes by race/ethnicity to identify disparities, and can track progress over time with each new dataset.

In addition to these quantitative measures, the CoC Funding Committee evaluated equity-related factors each year as part of the annual renewal scoring process. In 2023 the scoring criteria asked grantees to describe recent or current actions to address disparities and advance equity in provision of services. The CoC is able to use this information to analyze efforts at the organization/program level to identify and address disparities. In 2022 CoC grantees completed an equity self-assessment tool, which will be used again over time to analyze whether grantees identify areas of progress, or areas where additional support is needed.

The Gov Board has redesigned the recruitment process for new Board, Committee & CoC membership. This includes revising language used in outreach materials & the application process; expanding outreach efforts & targeting organizations that serve BIPOC & other diverse populations. A demographic assessment was completed by the Board, to create a baseline against to measure progress.

2) To measure whether the CoC is making progress on preventing/elimination disparities, the CoC uses: a) gaps analysis, which utilized HMIS, ČE data, and data from DV comparable database, including data disaggregated by race; b) SPM data, which analyzes outcomes by race at the CoC/organization/program level; c) self-report from providers (qualitative data) related to recent/current actions to address disparities, and an overall organizational self-assessment related to equity; and d) a demographic assessment tool to capture the characteristics of the Board's membership.

1D-11. Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking—CoC's Outreach Efforts.

NOFO Section V.B.1.r.

Describe in the field below your CoC's outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decision making processes.

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The CoC established a Youth Action Board (YAB) several years ago once the CoC began to actively seek out solutions to address youth homelessness. Building on that success, the CoC launched a new Homeless Action Board (HAB) this year, made up of PWLE of homelessness, but not limited to youth. To recruit persons with lived experience for the YAB, HAB, CoC Board and Committees, the CoC sends out periodic recruitment emails to the 500+ on its listserv, including all CoC-funded orgs, and also reaches out directly to targeted organizations to discuss opportunities. This includes a specific recruitment flyer & for YAB membership this is also shared with youth-serving entities. The CoC also used a paid Facebook ad which included the HAB/YAB application link. In 2023 the Board created a Membership Committee that was tasked with diversifying the Board. The group created a new recruitment process that included a new application & interview process that reprioritized factors considered when selecting new Board members, shifting from representation based on geography & sector, to focus more on demographics, in hopes of intentionally diversifying the Board. As a result of this new strategy, the CoC had 15 people apply for open Board seats (the highest ever received), including 5 persons with lived experience of homelessness.

The CoC has a long history of including PWLE in leadership positions and recognizes the importance of these advisory boards & PWLE within the governance charter & structure. Currently, there are two (at large) seats on the Board for PWLE, two seats on the Board for Youth Action Board (YAB) members, and two additional seats for the HAB are being added with the next round of Gov Charter updates. These board members are also engaged in the CoC's working committees. Stipends are provided for PWLE who are participating as individuals vs. representing an organization for which they are employed and being paid for their Board participation. CoC staff supports the YAB & HAB membership & meets with members to provide ongoing training/ support for meaningful engagement in the CoC. Computers are provided, if needed, to ensure PWLE have the ability to participate in Zoom meetings & to review materials before/after Board & Committee meetings.

Beginning in Sept 2023, the CoC will launch its "Board Buddies" program, which pairs PWLE & other new Board members with seasoned Board members in order to support engagement, inclusion & belonging.

1D-11a. Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.

NOFO Section V.B.1.r.

You must upload the Letter Signed by Working Group attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the four categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1	. Included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	18	7
2	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	18	7
3	. Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	1	1

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	4.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	3	1	

1D-11b.	Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

The CoC, in partnership with CoC partner orgs, has provided professional development opportunities for individuals with lived experience who are working with the CoC. In addition, CoC & partner orgs have helped connect individuals w/ lived experience to employment opportunities.

Professional Development:

- -CoC staff does quarterly goal setting with YAB members. Those goals are divided into group/shared goals and personal goals. Staff then works with Gov Board members and/or CoC members orgs to ensure that YAB members are supported both personally and professionally.
- -WCA (CoC funded org) has provided free training around professionalism and goal setting to YAB.
- -CoC Board member (from Slippery Rock University) has provided free training to the YAB around facilitating difficult conversations, public speaking, and meeting facilitation.
- -CoC partner org (North Hills Community Outreach) presented on professional goal setting and helped set up YAB members with informational interviews.
- -All YAB members were invited to attend the NAEH conference for professional development opportunities
- -3 YAB members attended PA Homes Within Reach Conference in Dec 2022
 -All CoC funded orgs connect participants with professional development
- opportunities through local CareerLinks and other employment partners, including support with resume building, interviewing skills, etc.
- -DCED (CoC Collaborative Applicant) provides scholarships annually to support attendance of at the PA Homes Within Reach Conference among PWLE, beyond the YAB.
- Computers are provided to all YAB and HAB members that need them in order to participate in CoC/Board/Committee meetings.

Employment:

- -WCA (CoC funded org) and Union Mission (CoC funded org) both offered a YAB member a paid position in their org.
- -CHAPS (CoC funded org) hired a YAB member as peer support specialist -Other CoC funded orgs employ persons with lived experience. For example, Catholic Charities Butler County hired two individuals that are former clients, and they contract with a cleaning company that is owned by a former client. Greene County Human Services has also supported a person with lived experience to be hired within the county's maintenance department. A number of VSPs frequently hire Survivors to work for the organization once no longer receiving services.
- -Within the CoC's YHDP planning grant, funding was allocated to provide parttime employment opps to 2 YAB members to support YHDP CCP implementation.

1D-11c. Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.		
NOFO Section V.B.1.r.		
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC routinely gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;	
2.	how your CoC routinely gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC or ESG Programs; and	

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3. the steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC has two lived experience committees – the Youth Action Board (YAB) and Homeless Action Board (HAB). YAB and HAB members share feedback directly to CoC lead on areas for improvement and focus. Two YAB members are employed by CoC organizations and provide feedback to CoC leadership frequently. Feedback of the YAB was solicited throughout the CoC's work to prepare for YHDP, when submitting a YHDP application, through the development of the Coordinated Community Plan, the YHDP project selection process, and to advise on implementation. The YAB remains involved in YHDP work & will participate in the development and implementation of a Continuous Quality Improvement

monitoring for YHDP projects. The HAB launched earlier this year, but the CoC will be working to fully integrate HAB members in similar types of projects.

2) In addition to YAB/HAB, feedback from users of CoC/ESG-funded programs was used to inform the CoC's CE system redesign. As part of this system redesign, ICF (consultants) engaged persons who had recently received CE services to provide feedback on the CE system and areas of improvement. This included two live feedback sessions (one DV specific and one non-DV specific), as well as participant surveys. Persons with lived experience were compensated for their time. The CE Lead Agency will continue to seek out/obtain input from system users at least annually & as needed.

3) Based on the feedback of PWLE who have used the CE system, the CE redesign includes changes to the assessment process, including a less intrusive phased assessment process. In addition, the CoC has increased funding & capacity to the CE system by adding new staff positions. These new staff will help support a more robust response to households seeking homeless assistance. Services added will include: housing problem solving solutions including diversion; case conferencing; document readiness; and transportation as needed.

Another example of addressing challenges occurred when YAB members shared feedback about difficulty integrating fully into the work of the CoC as persons with lived experience. As a result of this feedback, the CoC created a truths and values statement & is implementing a new process to engage PWLE on Board and Committee by creating a Board Buddy/mentor program. This includes prepping and debriefing before and after Board and Committee meetings.

1D-12.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.t.
	Describe in the field below at least 2 steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months to engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:
1.	reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and
2.	reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.

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The Western PA CoC includes a total of 720 municipalities across its 20 counties. Some of these municipalities have a zoning ordinance, either because they have enacted their own zoning ordinance or because they have chosen to be covered by a county's zoning. In addition, a substantial number of municipalities don't have zoning.

- 1) Due to the size of the CoC, much of the work related to reforming local zoning and land use policies happens at the municipal/county level. Examples of activities conducted to reform zoning and land use policies within the last 12 months include:
- a) The CoC consultant has worked with some municipalities within the CoC to amend their zoning to allow for innovative affordable housing options (such as elder cottages); b) Fayette County Community Action Agency (CE lead, and CoC grantee) has met with county commissioners, attended commissioner's meetings, and met with township supervisors to discuss zoning and land use policies.
- c) In Westmoreland County (one of the most populated counties in the CoC), Westmoreland Community Action (CoC grantee) routinely works with County Commissioners, Departments, municipalities and local development authorities to address land use and market barriers impact affordable housing. This has resulted in an increase in private grant contributions to support responsible land use. HUD-HOME funded affordable housing construction and a pending Federal Home Loan Bank application to support affordable housing construction. Additionally, WCA staff serve on a variety of nonprofit and local government boards working to address responsible land use planning. 2) In the last 12 months, the CoC and its member orgs have taken the following
- steps:
- a) The CoC consultant has presented at state housing and CAA conferences on zoning special exceptions for innovative affordable housing options, to support communities in understanding zoning allowances & opportunities for innovation. b) In addition, the CoC is exploring how to utilize Act 58, which was signed into law 7-11-22, granting more powers to municipalities to approve tax abatements and other incentives for affordable-housing projects. This law allows municipalities to grant 10-year tax exemptions on multi-unit buildings where 30% of units qualify as affordable housing or when a project repairs a blighted property, among other provisions to increase affordable housing development.

Yes

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1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking-Local Competition

 $\hbox{HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at \ CoC\ Program\ Competition\ to\ assist\ you\ in\ completing\ the\ CoC\ Application.\ Resources\ include:}$

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
 FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

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1	E-1. Web Posting of Your CoC's Local Competition Deadline–Advance Public Notice.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a. and 2.g.	
	You must upload the Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
1.	Enter your CoC's local competition submission deadline date for New Project applicants to submit their	07/11/2023
	project applications to your CoC-meaning the date your CoC published the deadline.	
2.	Enter the date your CoC published the deadline for Renewal Project applicants to submit their project applications to your CoC's local competition—meaning the date your CoC published the deadline.	07/28/2023
1	E-2. Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., 2.d., and 2.e.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:	
1	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes

4. Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.

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5. Us	ed data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	Yes
(e.g	ovided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over- oresented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the entified barriers.	Yes
1E-2a	. Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.	
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	You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:	
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1. Wh	nat were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	100
2. Ho	w many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	53
3. Wh	nat renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-PSH
1E-2b	. Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.d.	
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	Describe in the field below:	
1	how your CoC analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing;	
2	how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing;]
3	how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and	
4	. considerations your CoC gave to projects that provide housing and services to the hardest to serve populations that could result in lower performance levels but are projects your CoC needs in its geographic area.	

1) The CoC renewal scoring criteria (formally adopted February 2023) is used to evaluate annual performance of CoC-funded renewal projects across various metrics & inform ranking decisions. The CoC uses APR data from HMIS or comparable databases (CDBs) to analyze data quality (DQ) & performance metrics.

For successful permanent housing (PH) placement/retention, APR data on the % of households that exit to PH and/or retain PH (PSH) is used (accounts for 10/100 points).

Outside of CoC competition, the CoC publishes quarterly monitoring reports which looks at DQ & performance outcomes using APR data from HMIS or CDBs, including exits to PH/retention in PH. This includes a Tableau dashboard accessible to CoC grantees which shows performance over time related to exits to/retention of PH.

- 2)As part of renewal scoring, the CoC analyzes LOT between project start and housing move-in, specifically the % of households who moved into housing within 30 days. The threshold for points is 90% of households move into PH within 30 days (for PSH) & 80% within 30 days for RRH. This criteria is scored using data from HMIS or DV CDB.
- 3-4) The CoC factors in severe needs/vulnerabilities experienced by participants when conducting annual evaluation. The severity of needs factors considered during scoring were:
- -Health Conditions: % of participants with 1+ physical and/or mental condition
- -Zero Income at Entry: % adults w/ zero income at entry
- -Chronically homeless: % chronically homeless at entry
- -Unsheltered: % adults coming from unsheltered locations at entry
- -Domestic Violence: % adults w/ history of DV

These criteria are scored using data from HMIS or DV CDBs. The severity of need criteria above account for 10/100 points. Projects can earn partial points for many questions, even if performance doesn't meet top benchmark. Benchmarks adjusted by project type, recognizing some project types serve more vulnerable HHs. Add'l measures such as non-earned income are included to ensure projects serving HH w/highest vulnerabilities are evaluated fairly. CoC provides training to grantees explaining that severity of need criteria are designed to provide balance in project evaluation process, as projects serving participants with the highest severity of needs may struggle in other areas (increasing income, exits to PH).

In addition, funding policies allow for Funding Committee to factor in additional considerations when ranking projects (such as serving HH w/ severe needs).

1E-3.	Advancing Racial Equity through Participation of Over-Represented Populations in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.
	NOFO Section V.B.2.e.
	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC used the input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, to determine the rating factors used to review project applications;
2.	how your CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over- represented in the local homelessness population in the review, selection, and ranking process; and
3.	how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree to which their project has identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.

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1) The CoC funding process is implemented by the Funding Comm, including determining rating factors, new project selection, reallocation & ranking. Upon conclusion of annual renewal scoring, the CoC distributes rscoring criteria to the CoC for feedback. This is the opportunity for providers, stakeholders & community members to provide input. While this process is open to all, the race/ethnicity of those responding is unknown. This input is reviewed by Funding Comm who recommends final renewal scoring criteria to the non-conflicted Gov Board for approval. Both groups approving these factors include PWLE.

Methods for obtaining input from persons of different races, particularly those overrepresented, will be discussed w/DEIB Comm, including recruiting new Funding Comm members. Black/African American households are overrepresented (13% of homeless pop. vs. 4% general pop.). There are few Hispanic/Latino(a)(x) households in the CoC (1.5% of the general pop.) but are slightly overrepresented (2.7% homeless pop.).

- 2) The DEIB Comm has created a new membership recruitment process to diversify CoC leadership, which includes Funding Comm. The goal is to identify PWLE as new members, and persons of different races, particularly black & brown HHs, who (while #s are small) are overrepresented w/in homeless pop. The Funding Comm does benefit from members that work with some of the CoC's most vulnerable households, including vets, DV, youth & justice involved. 1 PWLE currently on Funding Comm. The non-conflicted Gov Board, which approves final funding recs, includes six non-conflicted members w/ lived exp. The Comm will continue to recruit PWLE & persons of different races in partnership w/DEIB Committee.
- 3) Renewal scoring has included equity criteria for 3 years. In 2023, grantees provided a narrative on recent or current actions to ID/address disparities & advance equity within their orgs. This narrative was worth 4/100 points and is a significant factor in ranking. The CoC's 2022 renewal scoring criteria included an equity self-assessment tool, which assessed steps orgs are taking to increase equity. The analysis reviewed: Org Commitment, Leadership/ Governance; Equity Policies/ Implementation; Org Climate, Culture/Communications; Service-Based Equity; Service-User Voice; Workforce Composition; Community Collabs; Quality Improvement. These responses have assisted in designing equity-related training & inform strategies to increase diversity & equity.

1E-4.	Reallocation–Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.
	Describe in the field below:
1.	your CoC's reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed;
2.	whether your CoC identified any low performing or less needed projects through the process described in element 1 of this question during your CoC's local competition this year;
3.	whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and
4.	why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.

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1) The CoC's reallocation process is outlined in the Funding Policies, which is updated annually & approved by the Board. The document is circulated to the full CoC, including CoC-funded providers & publicly posted on the CoC website at the start of the renewal scoring process annually (April 2023). The CoC identifies projects that were low performing, underspending, or had cost effectiveness concerns via the annual project evaluation/scoring process. The CoC's gaps analysis is also used to ID where funding is needed. The CoC may consider reallocation based on the following factors: underperformance; underspending; cost effectiveness; lack of need; funds needed to respond to an urgent/emerging CoC need; or monitoring indicates serious problems (e.g. discrimination & Housing First violations such as barriers to entry or project termination). Grantees may also opt for voluntary reallocation. Projects are considered for involuntary reallocation if they have underperformance or underspending for 2+ years. First, however, the CoC provides an official letter outlining the concerns, offers TA, and requests the grantee to provide a written response outlining challenge areas & how issues will be resolved. If performance does not improve after receiving this official notice, the CoC may consider the project for potential reallocation.

Recommendations for full or partial reallocation are submitted by the Funding Committee, to the group of non-conflicted Board members for final approval. Projects subject to reallocation are provided with an opportunity to submit an appeal, as indicated in CoC's Funding Policies.

- 2) Following the 2023 renewal scoring process, the CoC identified 6 projects w/concerns 2 for both underspending & underperformance, 2 for underspending, and 2 for underperformance. The CoC informed each of these projects regarding concerns via letter and offered TA.
- 3) While 6 projects were identified as having concerns, no projects were subject to involuntary reallocation this year.
- 4) The CoC opted not to involuntarily reallocate, in full or in part, any of the 6 projects flagged because each has participated in TA & have shown improvement over the last year. Two orgs voluntarily reallocated CoC funding in 2023: Clarion Co PHA voluntarily reallocated an older TH project, in full; and Dubois PHA voluntarily reallocated a portion of project funding to reduce their geography.

1E- 4 a.	Reallocation Between FY 2018 and FY 2023.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	
	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2018 and FY 2023?	No
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1	E-5. Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
1	E-5. Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps. NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	

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You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application was posted on your CoC's website or partner's website.

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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

 $\hbox{HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at \ CoC\ Program\ Competition\ to\ assist\ you\ in\ completing\ the\ CoC\ Application.\ Resources\ include:}$

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2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.		
	Not Scored–For Information Only		
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Ente	er the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is o	currently using.	Eccovia/ClientTrack
2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.		
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Sele	ect from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS cov	verage area.	Multiple CoCs
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2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.		
	NOFO Section V.B.3.a.		
Ente	er the date your CoC submitted its 2023 HIC d	ata into HDX.	04/11/2023
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2A-4.	Comparable Database for DV Providers–CoC	and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Coll	ection and
	Data Submission by Victim Service Providers		
	NOFO Section V.B.3.b.		
	In the field below:		
1.	describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead ha providers in your CoC collect data in HMIS co	ave taken to ensure DV housing and somparable databases;	ervice
2.	state whether DV housing and service provide comparable database—compliant with the FY	ers in your CoC are using a HUD-com 2022 HMIS Data Standards; and	pliant
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3. state whether your CoC's HMIS is compliant with the FY 2022 HMIS Data Standards.

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1) The CoC has encouraged VSPs applying for ESG/CoC-funding over the years to include funds within their budget to update their database to meet the HUD comparable database requirements. 100% of ESG/CoC-funded DV housing and service providers in the CoC use one of two DV comparable databases, ETO and EmpowerDB, with both collecting the required HUD data elements. Additionally, all VSPs, receiving VOCA funding enter data into ETO. VSPs participating in the CoC-wide DV RRH project w/ PCADV use EmpowerDB. All other ES, TH, RRH, PSH projects are reported into ETO. PCADV provides TA, reporting & other database related supports to DV agencies who use ETO & EmpowerDB. PCADV is able to pull aggregated reports for all programs that participate in either of these databases. Data is provided to the CoC/HMIS Lead/ ESG Recipient for a number of purposes, including for the CAPER. VSPs are currently able to submit deidentified aggregated APR data for their projects out of their comparable databases directly into SAGE.

De-identified aggregated data is also used to score CoC-funded VSPs as part of the annual renewal scoring process. The CoC & HMIS Lead also coordinated with VSPs who are CoC and ESG grantees to collect their performance data as part of its quarterly monitoring process. This includes data related to system performance such as length of time from enrollment to move-in, increased income, exits to PH destinations, as well as data quality. VSPs are able to submit their aggregated APRs on a quarterly basis to the CoC and are provided with performance reports and a Tableau dashboard to monitor their data quality and performance over time. The CoC has assisted VSPs to troubleshoot issues within their APRs, such as technical errors that are identified through the annual renewal scoring process or quarterly monitoring process, which can then be addressed with the VSP comparable database vendor.

The CoC/HMIS Lead is able provide high level technical assistance about HUD's requirements around data standards and the submission of APR/CAPER data

- 2) Yes, DV housing and service providers in the CoC are using a HUD-compliant comparable database –compliant with the FY 2022 HMIS Data Standards.
- 3) Yes, the CoC's HMIS is compliant with 2022 HMIS Data Standards.

2A-5. Bed Coverage Rate-Using HIC, HMIS Data-CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
NOFO Section V.B.3.c. and V.B.7.	

Enter 2023 HIC and HMIS data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Total Year-Round Beds in 2023 HIC	Total Year-Round Beds in HIC Operated by Victim Service Providers		HMIS Year-Round Bed Coverage Rate
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	763	180	187	32.08%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	

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3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	310	18	234	80.14%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	579	143	436	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	1,228	80	1,004	87.46%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	52	0	20	38.46%

2A-5a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5.
NOFO Section V.B.3.c.	
	For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:
1.	steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and
2.	how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.

- 1) To increase HMIS coverage, the CoC: a) provides bonus points within the renewal scoring criteria to CoC-funded orgs that voluntarily enter HMIS data when not required by funder; b) pays for HMIS user licenses to remove barriers to participation.
- -ES and TH: Many ES and TH projects have not historically participated in HMIS because not required by funders. CoC will engage other funders to discuss benefits of HMIS participation, including faith-based orgs (FBO), State of PA, United Way.
- -OPH: 13 beds not on HMIS are operated by a veterans program that is very engaged in the CoC's efforts to end veteran homelessness. The CoC will request that these beds are added to HMIS.
- 2) To increase bed coverage, the CoC will work to educate/engage funders about the benefits of aligning data collection to CoC/HMIS.
- -FBOs: Executive Director of Union Rescue Mission (CoC Board member, CE Committee Co-Chair & CE Lead Agency) volunteered to assist w/ engaging FBOs in HMIS & CE implementation. The CoC's new CE system (rollout Q4, 2023) will include deepened engagement with ES providers around diversion & other housing problem solving approaches. This will help to build relationships w/ FBO providing shelter to understand the importance of data sharing. -Additional HMIS/CE enhancements include "push" referral system & live bed
- inventory. These additional features will be useful to providers, thereby increasing participation incentive.
- -New HMIS staff is a former provider in area Community Action Agency, who can help to strategize furthering engagement with non-HMIS participating orgs.
- -The CoC is participating in Coordinated Investment Planning process, in partnership with several state agencies. Increased coordinated data collection has been identified as a need. State-funded ES participation in HMIS would significantly increase bed coverage rates.
- -Coordination with VAMCs is very strong through the CoC's Veteran Committee. HMIS participation will continue to be requested of VAMC partners.
- -The CoC has hired five new CES staff, one new HMIS staff person, is currently advertising for two new CoC staff positions, and is looking to further increase its capacity through the increased planning grant. This increase in capacity will support the CoC's efforts to build relationships & further engage all geographic parts of the CoC & broaden those to further advance the CoC's goals and priorities, including increasing HMIS participation rates.

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2A-6. Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.		
	NOFO Section V.B.3.d.	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2023 HDX Competition Report to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by February 28, 2023, 8 p.m. EST?	Yes
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2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

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2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	
Ent	er the date your CoC conducted its 2023 PIT count.	01/25/2023
20.2	PIT Count Data-HDX Submission Date.	
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	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	
Ent	er the date your CoC submitted its 2023 PIT count data in HDX.	04/11/2023
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2B-3.	PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth in Your CoC's Most Recent Unsheltered PIT Count.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.b.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations in your CoC's most recent PIT count planning process;	
2.	worked with unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during your CoC's most recent PIT count planning process; and	
3.	included youth experiencing homelessness as counters during your CoC's most recent unsheltered PIT count.	

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- 1) To effectively count youth, the CoC has engaged community stakeholders & youth w/ lived experience to incorporate youth-specific strategies into the overall PIT count. CoC-wide planning & county-level planning in each of the CoC's 20 counties occurs to successfully conduct the unsheltered PIT count. This includes: cross-systems planning between the PIT county contact & stakeholders serving youth exp. homelessness, including schools. These stakeholders help ID locations where youth are known to congregate, spread information about the count, and plan/host/market "come and be counted events". CoC-wide efforts included: providing contact info for youth orgs; sharing info with state/regional/local homeless edu liaisons; youth-focused training to county unsheltered coordinators; and the use of the CoC's PIT count standards for counting homeless youth, which include engaging local youth in the planning process. The CoC offered stipends to support the participation of youth in the planning of the PIT count, as well as stipends for participation in the actual PIT count. Several youth-serving orgs participated as PIT count leads and/or volunteers in their respective counties, which included recruiting/engaging youth with lived experience as part of the PIT count. 2) The PIT planning team used HMIS data, PIT data from previous years, and local edu system data to ID counties with higher numbers of youth exp. homelessness. Each county has a designated unsheltered PIT count coordinator, who works in partnership with local youth, McKinney-Vento liaisons, youth-serving providers & other stakeholders to identify locations in their counties to find youth. The CoC provided training on youth-specific PIT strategies including where communities may identify youth exp. homelessness. The Youth Action Board (YAB) also weighs in on locations. The CoC's YHDP projects are fully operational now, including a CoC-wide youth navigation project which will be able to provide key data on locations to target during 2024 PIT count.
- 3) The CoC provided stipends to support the participation of youth in PIT planning & conducting the actual PIT count. The CoC assisted with youth recruitment efforts. At the county level, some counties with a higher prevalence of youth homelessness were able to successfully engage youth with lived exp. in their local planning process and/or to participate in the actual count. Some YAB members also participated in the PIT count at the local level.

2B-4. PIT Count-Methodology Change-CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
NOFO Section V.B.5.a and V.B.7.c.	
	In the field below:
1.	describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2022 and 2023, if applicable;
2.	describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2022 and 2023, if applicable; and
3.	describe how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results; or
4.	state "Not Applicable" if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2023.

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1) There were no changes to the 2023 sheltered PIT count implementation methodology or data quality. However, there was an influx of COVID-related ES funding in 2022 (specifically ESG-CV and ERAP funds), including noncongregate sheltering. These resources for the most part had ended prior to the 2023 PIT Count, which resulted in a reduction of persons in ES in 2023.

2) There were no changes to the 2023 unsheltered PIT count implementation related to methodology or data quality. The CoC did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2022 due to COVID-19 concerns. The last full unsheltered PIT count that the CoC conducted was in 2020 (2021 was a headcount only count).

3) There was an influx of COVID-related ES funding in 2022 (specifically ESG-CV and ERAP funds), including non-congregate sheltering. These resources for the most part had ended prior to the 2023 PIT Count, which resulted in a reduction of persons in ES in 2023.

2C. System Performance

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2C-1. Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless–Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b.
	In the field below:
1.	describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;
2.	describe your CoC's strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time

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1) Through strategic plan & Consolidated Plan listening sessions, and an analysis of HMIS data, the following most significant risk factors for first time homelessness have been identified: history of DV; exiting from institutions; recent eviction; doubled up; and lack of employment income. The CoC conducts an annual gaps analysis using Coordinated Entry Data to

identify who is entering the system, what the service needs are, and potential disparities within the system. This gaps analysis data is used at the CoC-level and at the local county level to identify risk factors for experiencing homelessness. On the local level, county housing coalitions & regional CoC groups identify & discuss emerging trends being addressed locally.

groups identify & discuss emerging trends being addressed locally. 2) CoC uses a homeless prevention screening/prioritization tool to connect HHs to prevention resources more quickly. In addition, the CoC launched a diversion program in 2019, which targets households that can be diverted from shelter and/or exited from shelter quickly. Beginning in Q4, 2023, the CoC will begin implementation of new CE system, which includes case conferencing & 30-day housing problem solving (HPS). HPS will include increased resources (staffing & financial) to support prevention & diversion activities.

Many of the CoC's CE General Assessment Centers are in Community Action Agencies (CAA). These centers have diverse resources to prevent/stabilize HHs prior to becoming homeless. This includes connections to benefits & using state Homeless Asst Program funds to provide diversion/prevention (first/last/security, eviction prevention funds). CAAs work with landlords to set up payment plans to prevent eviction.

The CoC uses several funding streams to support prevention efforts, including: ESG, state HAP, SSVF, FEMA, BH Reinvestment Funds, HHS Opioid-Dedicated hsg funding, criminal justice RRH to prevent discharges to homelessness, Home4Good diversion & social determinates of health funding. Through YDHP implementation, Host Homes are used to prevent homelessness. CYS partnerships have led to increased discharge planning & investments in housing to prevent homelessness among TAY.

3) The CoC's Gov Board, in their oversight of all CoC Committees, is responsible for overseeing strategies to reduce first time homelessness.

2C-1a.	Impact of Displaced Persons on Number of First Time Homeless.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b	
	Was your CoC's Number of First Time Homeless [metric 5.2] affected by the number of persons seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance displaced due to:	
1.	natural disasters?	No
2	having recently arrived in your CoCs' geographic area?	No
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	Length of Time Homeless–CoC's Strategy to Reduce.	
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3. provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

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1)The CoC implements various strategies to reduce length of time homeless (LOTH), including-

Targeting Funds:

- -Significant investment in RRH over the last 6 years. CoC-funded RRH has increased from \$1.9M in 2017 to \$7M in 2023. The CoC is applying for additional RRH in the 2023 NOFO Competition.
- -RRH is priority project type under ESG.
- -Diversion/ prevention resources are used to preserve PH resources for households needing more intensive services.
- -Flexible funds through Home4Good are used to help pay PHA debt to move in homeless household & other opportunities to quicken housing move-in

CoC Policies/eval:

- -100% of CoC-projects operate using Hsg First (HF) approach, including significant training in the past to support HF implementation & additional training planned for 2024. CoC conducted HF policy review in 2023 & provided feedback where policy/practice needs strengthened.
- -Written standards/CE system prioritize vulnerable households (e.g. HHs with longest LOTH).
- -CoC PSH beds reg'd to be 100% chronic dedicated.
- -As part of annual renewal review/scoring, projects are evaluated on the length of time b/w project entry & residential move-in.

CE Strategies:

- -The CoC has been redesigning its CE system for the last 18 months & will be providing the last training before rollout begins on 9-28-23. The redesigned system includes housing problem solving (HPS) for all households engaging in the system, unless doing so would risk the safety/welfare of the household. HPS services will include rapid exit, to ID households that can exit homelessness with short-term/ limited financial assistance. The CoC has regional & CoC-wide RRH projects that will support rapid exits. In addition, the new CES will assist providers with document readiness & will leverage regional resources to facilitate an expedited PH placement.
- 2) CoC CE assessment includes questions about LOT homeless, which impacts how HHs are prioritized for assistance, per the CoC's written standards & adoption of CPD Notice 16-11. The CE By Name List includes LOTH as a visible field. Street outreach engages individuals with long histories of homelessness, including conducting CE assessments.
- 3) The CoC's Gov Board, in their oversight of all CoC Committees & CoC operations, is responsible for overseeing strategies to reduce LOTH.

2C-3. Exits to Permanent Housing Destinations/Retention of Permanent Housing-CoC's Strategy			Strategy
	NOFO Section V.B.5.d.		
	In the field below:		
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	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;
	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.

- 1)The CoC implements various strategies to increase PH placement from ES, TH & RRH, including:
- -All CoC-funded projects are evaluated on exits to PH. SSO & TH projects can be awarded up to 8 points (8% of scoring) and TH/RRH & RRH can be awarded up to 10 points (10% of scoring) for this metric. All project types must achieve 83% positive exits, or higher, to be awarded points.
- -Through reallocation & setting data driven priorities the CoC has significantly expanded RRH capacity. CoC-funded RRH has increased from \$1.9M in 2017 to \$7M in 2023.
- -Hsg First approach used, prioritizing housing stabilization over program rules. HHs that are evicted by landlord are rehoused.
- -CoC provided 4-part training series of housing-focused case management practices in 2021. In 2022, training series included harm reduction & culturally responsive services to further strengthen case magmt.
- -Many projects educate participants using strategies from the "Prepared Renters Program", which educates tenants on maintaining housing/ housing stability
- -Case mngrs support increasing income and/or cash/ mainstream benefits, resulting in more money in HHs budget to support rent
- -Increased partnership with PHAs throughout the CoC, coupled with flexible funding that allows the CoC to pay back rent or other barrier to accessing PHA resources, increasing exits to PH
- -Redesigned CE system & increased resources for housing problem solving (HPS), case conferencing & CE staffing will help support exits to PH. HPS will include rapid exit, supporting more HHs to exit ES to PH. Case conferencing will support referrals to most appropriate intervention. CE staff will support document readiness, increasing eligibility for PH projects/resources.
- 2) Retention of PH and/or exits to other PH destinations includes the above & the following strategies:
- -PSH projects are evaluated on PH exits/retention for 10 points (10% of scoring). Points are only awarded for outcomes of 83%+ positive PH exit/retention.
- -CoC emphasizes the importance of providers having good communication with landlords so that problems can be addressed before they lead to eviction
- -Enhanced housing-focused case mngmt has increased housing stabilization
- -Coordination with mainstream resources such as MH/BH supports
- -Increased income, including through SSI. The CoC has several providers with SOAR trained staff and CoC provides SOAR training from PA MH agency (OMHSAS).
- 3)The CoC's Gov Board will oversee these strategies.

2C-4.	Returns to Homelessness–CoC's Strategy to Reduce Rate.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.e.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;	
2.	describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness	

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To ID & support households at risk of returning to homelessness, Providers are encouraged to maintain contact with program participants upon exit & provide housing stabilization services for up to six months, including connections to additional resources such as prevention, if needed.

The CoC analyzes data from CE tool, which collects data on history of homelessness, disabilities, MH/BH/SA issues, income, presence of children, evictions, etc. This data is used to understand which households have returned or have factors that put them at higher risk for returns to homelessness. Through the CE system & HMIS, CE assessors & shelters can ID HHs who return to homelessness to quickly expedite assessments/ referrals, & better ID risk factors.

In addition, the CoC looks at returns to homelessness from CoC-funded projects as part of the annual renewal scoring.

- 2) The CoC continues to implement strategies to reduce the rate of addtl returns to homelessness including:
- -Expansion of PH resources using ESG/CoC funds
- -Through the implementation of CE, the CoC is more effectively connecting HHs in ES with RRH, which will reduce the % of HHs returning to homelessness.
- -Ensuring that assistance is appropriate based on HHs needs. For example, if the HH cannot sustain housing the provider can extend RRH asst (up to 24 mos). Additionally, the CoC's written standards outline the conditions/prioritization of RRH clients to transfer to PSH.
- -RRH providers work to connect HHs to long-term affordable units & provide support/ connections/ opportunities for unit to be sustained upon exit. While not limited to RRH, this strategy is supported by flex funds that allow the CoC to pay off PHA debts, increasing the # of HHs eligible for these affordable housing resources. This has resulted in increased enrollments in PHA units, as many PHAs have preferences for homelessness.
- -100% Hsg First results in HHs being rehoused if evicted by landlord. Hsg focused case mngmt training & emphasis on in-home case mgmt services have improved retention.
- -Effective use of prevention & diversion funding, which is increasing in 2024 -County Human Service Depts & CAAs are instrumental in connecting clients to prevention asst, mainstream resources, workforce devt, transportation, childcare, LIHEAP & other resources that promote long-term housing stability.
- -Youth navigators, just added to the system, help youth make connections to support housing stability.
- 3) Gov Board responsible to oversee.

2C-5. Increasing Employment Cash Income–CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.
	In the field below:
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access employment cash sources;
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income; and
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment.

1) The CoC's strategy to increase employment income is to build partnerships & collaborations to connect those being served with employment opportunities. Strategies include: collaborating with workforce development system; foundation support to provide education & skill development; working with local employers to expand employment opportunities.

CoC orgs have built strong partnerships with local CareerLink, including some formal cooperation agreements. CoC orgs employ participants in their programs. YHDP CCP includes increasing youth connection to WIOA-funded employment programs to offer skill development, job placement & planning towards livable wage & case management.

The CoC includes increases in total income as part of the annual renewal scoring. This measure is weighted worth 7 points (out of 100) and specifically measures % of all adult participants who increased income from any source from entry to exit/annual assessment (leavers and stayers). Grantees are also evaluated on % of participants with any source of income at annual/exit (3 points out of 100).

The CoC has encouraged homeless assistance providers to hire PWLE, including current/ former clients. The Greene County, for example, has hired two individuals from their CoC-funded projects, including one in their maintenance department & the other in the Parks and Rec Department. Connect, Inc. offers participants employment opportunities to work in their ES, D&A Center for Excellence & housing programs. In addition, the CoC provides cash stipends to PLWE participating in CoC leadership/ activities.

2) Strategies to increase employment income are implemented through CoC partnerships with CareerLink, Workforce Development, Office of Voc Rehab & programs through PA Dept of Human Services targeted to TANF/SNAP recipients to prepare for, find, and keep employment. Many Community Action Agencies throughout the CoC provide both homeless assistance, as well as employment/ workforce development assistance. These orgs are able to provide these & other services to support employment for clients, including funding to support training & obtaining licenses/ certificates, subsidized childcare, transportation assistance & more. Specifically, CAAs in 15 counties provide employment training, job dev, supported work, and/or youth employment. Transportation services are provided by CAAs in 6 counties. 3) The CoC's Governing Board is responsible for overseeing these strategies.

2C-5a. Increasing Non-employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy

NOFO Section V.B.5.f.

In the field below:

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- 1. describe your CoC's strategy to access non-employment cash income; and
- provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income.

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1) To increase non-employment cash income, the CoC strategy is to increase access to SSI through SOAR & ensure CoC partners are educated on mainstream benefits & able to quickly connect participants to benefits. The CoC coordinates with PA State SOAR contact to provide annual training, with the most recent training on 9-6-23. The CoC also has a significant # of providers who are SOAR certified.

Assistance in applying for SSI, SSDI, TANF & other cash benefits is provided by CoC partners throughout the geo area. Enrollment in mainstream benefits occurs online through the state's COMPASS system, an online single application system for many health/human service programs. All CoC providers are proficient users of COMPASS.

CAAs work w/participants to submit applications for benefits through COMPASS & are most often the local providers for WIC, LIHEAP, transportation, other TANF-funded services & asst w/tax returns including child tax credits. This partnership w/CAAs ensures individuals exp. homelessness have assistance to apply for, receive, and utilize non-employment cash benefits. Neighborhood Legal Service assists with appeals if individuals are denied benefits and will speak with the state to navigate complex cases.

The CoC keeps program staff up-to-date regarding mainstream benefits through monthly county housing/homeless meetings, regional CoC meetings & semiannual full CoC meetings.

The CoC coordinates with PA DHS to provide annual training on mainstream benefits (TANF, SSI/SSDI, Employment Assistance Program, Substance Abuse Programs, SNAP, etc) with the most recent training occurring 9-25-23. This training covered eligibility, access, benefits maintenance/renewals, advocacy tips, and program updates.

Ongoing updates are shared with CoC-program staff through posts on the CoC's social media platform (Slack).

Increasing income is included in annual renewal scoring criteria. Specifically, this measure is weighted worth 7 points (out of 100) and specifically measures % of all adult participants who increased income from any source from entry to exit/annual assessment (leavers and stayers). COVID stimulus & COVID unemployment created new opportunities for households to increase nonemployment cash income. CoC providers assisted HHs to ensure stimulus was received & appeal unemployment decisions if needed. CoC orgs offer transportation to public benefit appointments as needed.

2) The Gov Board is responsible to oversee these strategies.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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- 24 CFR part 578;- FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

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3	A-1. New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project-Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
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	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
	A-2. New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project-Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
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	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
		
3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.	
	If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.	

Project Name	Project Type	Rank Number	Leverage Type
PA0780-Greene Cou	PH-RRH	37	Healthcare
Arise DV PSH Project	PH-PSH	33	Both
PA0718-Veterans R	PH-RRH	34	Healthcare

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3A-3. List of Projects.

1. What is the name of the new project? PA0780-Greene County Rapid Rehousing

Expansion Project

2. Enter the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): F5NZJQ9JN1T9

3. Select the new project type: PH-RRH

4. Enter the rank number of the project on your 37

CoC's Priority Listing:

5. Select the type of leverage: Healthcare

3A-3. List of Projects.

1. What is the name of the new project? Arise DV PSH Project

2. Enter the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): TGMJVKKPK493

3. Select the new project type: PH-PSH

4. Enter the rank number of the project on your 33

CoC's Priority Listing:

5. Select the type of leverage: Both

3A-3. List of Projects.

1. What is the name of the new project? PA0718-Veterans RRH Expansion

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2. Enter the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): NQ2JY2S5JES3

3. Select the new project type: PH-RRH

4. Enter the rank number of the project on your CoC's Priority Listing:

5. Select the type of leverage: Healthcare

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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- PHA Crosswalk; and
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3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs-New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	
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for I	our CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding nousing rehabilitation or new construction?	INO
3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs-New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	
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	If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:	
1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and	
2.	HUD's implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.	

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3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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3C-1. Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.		
	NOFO Section V.F.	
proje	our CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component ects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other eral statutes?	No
3C-2.	Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	
	You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:	
	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and	
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.	

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N/A

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4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants for New DV Bonus Funding

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 Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

-	A-1. New DV Bonus Project Applications.		
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.		
	Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?		
4,	-1a. DV Bonus Project Types.		
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.		
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the type(s) of new DV Bonus project(s) your CoC included in its FY 2023 Priority Listing.		
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	Project Type		
1.	Project Type SSO Coordinated Entry	No	

4A-3.	4A-3. Assessing Need for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects in Your CoC's Geographic Area.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(c)	
1.	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services:	881
	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services: Enter the number of survivors your CoC is currently serving:	881 171

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4A-3a.	How Your CoC Calculated Local Need for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(c)
	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services in question 4A-3 element 1 and element 2; and
2.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects); or
3.	if your CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors please explain in your response all barriers to meeting those needs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1. To calculate the number of survivors needing housing & services the CoC combined 3 data points from July 1 31, 2023:
- A) the # of individuals from HMIS who were active on the CE By Name List awaiting housing who self-reported fleeing DV = 143,
- B) the # of adult victims served by DV programs (including shelters) within the CoC in ETO = 567, and
- C) the number of survivors the CoC is currently serving =171.
- Because of the confidential nature of DV data, it was not possible to fully deduplicate between HMIS data & ETO data; therefore, it is possible that this # may include duplicates.
- To calculate the number of survivors the CoC is currently serving (171), the CoC combined 2 data points:
- D) the number of DV survivors being served from July 1-31, 2023 by CoC permanent housing projects who enter data into HMIS = 81, and
- E) the number of DV survivors being served from July 1-31, 2023 by CoC permanent housing projects that use the DV comparable database Empower DB = 90.
- 2. HMIS and ETO (comparable database) were used as the data sources to calculate need. HMIS and Empower DB (comparable databases) were used as the data sources to calculate number served.
- 3. According the Western CoC 2023 gaps analysis, which utilizes CY2022 CE data, DV survivors made up 25% of the households accessing Coordinated Entry during 2022 (789 DV survivor households). Only 44% of these DV survivor households (347 households) exited the BNL to a permanent housing destination in 2022. This data clearly indicates that there is a significant gap in resources in the Western PA CoC to serve all DV survivor households experiencing homelessness. In addition, DV survivors benefit from specialized, survivor-centered and trauma-informed services from providers who are trained in working with DV survivors, which is currently limited in capacity. While DV survivors can be served by non-DV dedicated programs, often survivors prefer to receive services from an agency specializing in serving DV survivors, especially in regard to ensuring safety and confidentiality.

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicants and Their Experience in Housing Placement and Housing Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)	

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Use the list feature icon to enter information on each unique project applicant applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus projects—only enter project applicant information once, regardless of how many DV Bonus projects that applicant is applying for.

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Project Applicants Applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH DV Bonus Projects

	Information About Unique Project Applicants and Their Experience in Housing Placement and Housing Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.
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NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)

Enter information in the chart below on the project applicant applying for one or more New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects included on your CoC's FY 2023 Priority Listing for New Projects:

1.	Applicant Name	Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence (PCADV)
2.		FY 23 NEW Western PA CoC DV RRH
3.	Project Rank on the Priority Listing	62
4.	Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)	L3ALQVRJLU71
5.	Amount Requested	\$1,270,005
6.	Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors–Percentage	93%
7.	Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors–Percentage	82%

4A-3b.1.	Applicant Experience in Housing Placement and Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	
	For the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention of DV survivors reported in question 4B-3b., describe in the field below:	
1.	how the project applicant calculated both rates;	
2.	whether the rates accounts for exits to safe housing destinations; and	
3	the data source (e.g. comparable databases other administrative data external data source	

(limit 1,500 characters)

HMIS for non-DV projects).

1.Rate of housing placement is calculated as % of DV survivors enrolled in Rapid Rehousing (RRH) in EmpowerDB (comparable database) who successfully moved to permanent housing from 7/1/22-6/30/23. Rate of housing retention is calculated as % of DV survivors (leavers) in permanent housing who retained permanent housing after RRH rental assistance ended.
2.PCADV's member programs prioritize the exit of survivors from RRH to safe,

permanent housing destinations. The rates account for exits to safe housing destinations.

3.All PCADV member programs who provide RRH services and rental assistance are provided with access to EmpowerDB (comparable database) to securely and confidentially manage and report data. As such, Empower DB was the data source for housing placement/retention rates.

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4A-3c.	Applicant Experience in Providing Housing to DV Survivor for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)
	Describe in the field below how the project applicant:
1.	ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were quickly moved into safe affordable housing;
2.	prioritized survivors–you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC's emergency transfer plan, etc.;
3.	determined which supportive services survivors needed;
4.	connected survivors to supportive services; and
5.	moved clients from assisted housing to housing they could sustain–address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Since 2020, 264 HH have been served, and program has expanded from 9 to 19 counties. To assist survivors to move into PH quickly, DV programs partner with private landlords, PHAs, affordable hsg providers, LIHTC properties, etc. PCADV provides robust onboarding to MPs including: Domestic Violence Housing First; RRH basics; Landlord engagement. PCADV hired a Community Engagement Specialist who works across the CoC on: relationships w/landlords, training MPs on document readiness & addressing barriers to renting, connecting MPs to financial resources to resolve barriers to renting, coordinating w/community resources to support housing retention. MPs serve as CE access sites. The program contacts Union Mission (CE lead) to place survivors on the BNL. When the program has an RRH opening, they contact CE lead for referrals based on CE prioritization. The DV program contacts the HH in order of score. In addition, MPs also prioritize survivors needing emergency transfer where safety has been compromised. DV MPs provide a range of services, including RRH case mngmt. Survivors can access housing and financial education, credit repair/building & job readiness & education. All services are provided based on survivor choice. Service options are IDed through the expressed needs of the survivor & through assessment tools on Housing Stability and Economic Stability. Assessments are updated yearly. PCADV hired an Economic Justice Specialist who develops partnerships, leverages resources, provides training, & furthers community connections in order to center economic justice within the DV HF RRH project. 4) DV programs regularly connect survivors to community supports including public benefits, child care, healthcare, transportation, furniture, & employment services. DV programs focus on community engagement to ensure that survivors have resources & community connections beyond the DV program. 5) Ability to retain housing post RA is assessed monthly through budget planning & increased income. RRH for survivors must be flexible to be successful. An advocate will support a survivor w/additional RA, past 12 months, if that is what will lead to housing retention. If additional RA isn't sustainable for the HH, the advocate & survivor work to secure a more affordable unit, or long-term subsidy through local PHAs & other affordable housing partners. Support after exit is determined by the survivor, and can continue as long as needed.

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	Applicant Experience in Ensuring DV Survivor Safety for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	
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	Describe in the field below examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety and confidentiality of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:	
	taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during the intake and interview process to minimize potential coercion of survivors;	
2.	making determinations and placements into safe housing;	
3.	keeping information and locations confidential;	
4.	training staff on safety and confidentially policies and practices; and	
5.	taking security measures for units (congregate or scattered site), that support survivors' physical safety and location confidentiality.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) Intake into services is done in a private space, either a private office or location that meets the needs of the survivor- e.g., a park where survivor's children can play, safe relative's home, or location where the survivor receives other services. While very rare for a couple to present for DV services together, if this occurs, interviews are conducted separately to minimize potential safety risks. Providers will also not conduct interviews in the presence of minor children.
- 2) Advocates use assessment tools for Housing Stability and Economic Stability to help survivors identify housing barriers such as credit score, debt, and evictions, and needed resources to eliminate those barriers, such as financial counseling, credit resolution, connection to benefits, & payment of previous debt. Assessment tools were developed by PCADV to support service provision and are reviewed/updated as needed. Survivor's confidentiality is prioritized by the DV program & info to landlord only driven based on input/approval by Survivor. An advocate supports a survivor w/ID of location & type of housing that is most safe & preferred (e.g., close to school, transportation). Advocates support a survivor through the entire process of renting a unit, including housing search assistance & landlord relationship development. The process is driven by client choice.
- 3) Survivors' rental locations are kept confidential in comparable database & paper files stored in manner required by PCADV and federal standards. While there is no requirement to keep the location of one's own rental unit confidential, through safety planning advocates assist survivors in the ID of safe visitors & safe ways to disclose their address. DV shelter locations are kept confidential. 4) All PCADV member program (MP) staff are required to have 40 hrs. of training that covers extensive safety planning, survivor driven trauma informed services, including trauma informed intakes & assessments. The 40-hour training also includes confidentiality policies and best practice. PCADV provides ongoing training and technical assistance regarding safety planning and confidentiality as needed. RRH-specific training also required by MPs. 5) MP staff discuss physical safety concerns with survivors and support them if they wish to keep their location confidential. MPs use relocation & other funds to purchase alarms, ring cameras, change the locks & other modifications requested by Survivor to protect their physical safety.

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4A-3d.1.	Applicant Experience in Evaluating Their Ability to Ensure DV Survivor Safety for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	

NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)

Describe in the field below how the project has evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served in the project, including any areas identified for improvement during the course of the proposed project.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Safety is evaluated both formally and informally by PCADV member programs. During every meeting with the survivor, a DV advocate who is an expert in safety planning, discusses safety with the survivor, as safety needs often change as a survivor becomes independent of their abusive partner. RRH services and case management are adjusted based on a change in safety needs. PCADV DV RRH member programs have seen success with monthly calls after exit, as it allows the survivor to process any current/residual trauma and discuss barriers to maintaining housing. Many survivors also choose to say engaged in non-CoC funded supportive services when RRH ends, such as support groups or counseling. Safety is at the forefront of all these services. Formally, upon exit, survivors are given a questionnaire & asked: "The services I received helped me plan for my safety". The survivor reports an answer from 1(strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree). The program offers ongoing services to the survivor, such as support group, counseling, activities for children, and ongoing financial education. Survivors may engage in services after exit for as long as this wish, as there is no time limit on community DV services.

PCADV has applied for funding from the Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, to create a staff position for housing program evaluation. If awarded, the position will start January 2024. This position will be responsible for: ensuring contract compliance by member programs regarding integration of survivor feedback, coordinating and facilitating survivor focus groups, meeting with community stakeholders to solicit feedback and identify methods to make meaningful changes in program design and delivery. This position will also track program outcomes; then, make recommendations and implement changes to improve outcomes.

4A-3e.	Applicant Experience in Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)	
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	Describe in the field below examples of the project applicant's experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:	
1.	prioritizing placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants' wishes and stated needs;	
2.	establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;	
3.	providing program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;	

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4.	emphasizing program participants' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;
5.	centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
6.	providing a variety of opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
7.	offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

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- 1) PCADV practices DV Housing First (DVHF) to ensure that survivor-centered services and Housing First principles are grounded in the work to support survivors' access to permanent housing. Services are flexible and tailored to survivors needs. PCADV supports stabilization in PH through survivor-driven trauma-informed mobile advocacy, which is a core DVHF component. This means that survivor & advocate agree upon a time/place to meet to ease the burden of travel for the survivor. All services are voluntary, advocates provide the survivor with all of the service options & provide support based on what the survivor identifies they need. Advocates work quickly to support a survivor in housing identification, as the period from a survivor choosing to leave an abusive situation and the time they find safe housing can be highly lethal. Prioritizing safety during this time is essential. If a survivor agrees, an advocate will accompany the survivor to resolve debt, access benefits, search for rental housing, and meet with landlords. Once a survivor is housed, stabilization is prioritized by visits from the housing advocate, connection to employment resources, financial education, budgeting resources and access to non-CoC flexible funding for needs not eligible through CoC.
- 2) All DV services, including RRH, are voluntary, trauma informed, and survivor driven. There are no mandates to participate. There are no enforced rules, and program guidelines are centered around common lease requirements. Each HH is given clear information, both verbally and in writing, regarding expectations of both the survivor and DV program, the grievance procedure, and protocols reclient records safety, confidentiality, & release of information. Advocates emphasize developing trust in the relationship. All advocate training is rooted in the reality that service providers hold power that participants to not have. That power must be continually acknowledged and work to be diminished. As such, Advocates are trained to develop an authentic professional relationship with survivor, rely on the survivor's expertise in their own life, and ask about/prioritize the survivor's goals.
- 3) DV programs consistently integrate opportunities to share the impacts of trauma w/ survivors. PCADV has partnered w/ National Center on DV, Trauma & Mental Health to assist programs in sustaining survivor-driven, trauma-informed services. A key component of this training is providing tools for advocates to share w/survivors during counseling and safety planning conversations regarding the impacts of trauma on their lives, such as an equity based version of the Power and Control Wheel, strategizes for quick resolution of anxiety, and readings that validate the survivor's experience.
- 4) PCADV uses Housing Stability Assessment & Stability Plan tools to assist survivors to develop & maintain housing & pursue goals. Advocate & participant work together to identify strengths & resources—income, good credit, current job, prior employment history, education/training, positive rental or landlord experiences & support systems. The plan is tailored to what participants want, what they see as achievable & what support they need. The plan is revisited during every meeting, as needs and prioritize often change as a survivor gains safety and independence.
- 5) Trauma-informed, survivor-centered approaches are included throughout PCADV training, both in online modules & in-person training. PCADV provides training and resources to help local DV programs serve historically marginalized communities in a meaningful way. PCADV's Training Institute offers courses for advocates to develop these skills, including advocacy around LGBTQ+ & underserved communities, trauma sensitivity, & working w/ survivors who have experienced brain injury. All PCADV Programs have language translation services, many programs have Spanish speakers on staff, and for programs located in areas with large populations of non-native speakers of English or

Spanish, they often employ advocates who speak the spoken language(s) of the region.

6) Opportunities for connection among survivors are prioritized by member programs through support groups, parenting support & other opportunities to break isolation & build authentic connection, as we know that supportive community is often a part of the solution to living a life free of violence.

7) PCADV member programs support parents by:

a-Offering children's support group/childcare during adult DV support groups & court hearings.

b-Providing support and information regarding discipline.

- c-Coaching regarding age-appropriate ways to talk to children & providing child development info/referrals.
- d-Providing referrals to head start, WIC, public benefits, parenting classes, diaper banks.

e-Assisting with enrollment for school/arranging transportation.

f-PCADV provides funding for legal services, which includes parenting related issues.

4A-3f. Applicant Experience in Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.

NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(d)

Describe in the field below examples of supportive services the project provided to domestic violence survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs.

(limit 5,000 characters)

Examples of supportive services PCADV member programs have provided to DV survivors over the last funding year include:

- Landlord Engagement & Housing Search: Using DV RRH housing search assistance, advocate & survivor partner to find a safe & retainable rental unit. The advocate uses connections with previous landlords to support the survivor in finding housing, while building relationships with new landlords where the survivor is interested in living. The advocate supports the survivor in looking for a unit, provides transportation to visit units, & supports in negotiations with landlords.
- Survivor-Driven, Trauma-Informed Mobile Advocacy: Once housed, the advocate meets with the survivor in their home, or another location that is most convenient for the survivor where safety needs, budgeting, referrals to community resources & opportunities for increases in income/benefits are discussed.
- Elimination of Financial Barriers to Housing: Using DV RRH case management, the advocate works with the survivor to identify financial and economic barriers to housing by pulling credit report & begin paying down debt, to both increase their credit score when leasing a unit, & to improve their overall financial health.
- Economic Justice Advocacy: All survivors are provided with the opportunity to learn about their finances build a budget, plan to increase income, financial literacy curriculum & match savings opportunities.
- Flexible Funding Support: Advocates have access to private funding that can be braided with CoC funds to support the retention of a unit. Examples would be funds that support education, children's needs, auto repair, or other emergency/unplanned expenses that would divert rent money.
- Additional supportive services are available to all survivors that enter the RRH program & upon completion of RRH including, but not limited to:
- •Core services (24-hour crisis response, transportation access, & individual advocacy)
- •Legal services (assistance with issues such as custody, divorce, child & spousal support; legal advice/representation)
- •Community Referrals/Partnerships (thrift store vouchers, job training, connections to employers, connection to healthcare and mental health services, referrals to substance use support, childcare, food banks, furniture donations)
- •Scholarships for educational enrichment (financial assistance is provided to survivors for the costs of schooling, books, job training, and/or other educational endeavors to further economic stability)
- Ongoing support: All survivors are offered services upon completion of RRH. Many continue to meet with their advocate for legal or children's needs, or to attend a community support group. Survivors are also able to receive financial support to retain housing outside of RRH.

4A-3g.	Plan for Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Practices for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(e)
	Describe in the field below examples of how the new project(s) will:
1.	prioritize placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants' wishes and stated needs;
2.	establish and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;

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3.	provide program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;
4.	emphasize program participants' strengths-for example, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans work towards survivordefined goals and aspirations;
5.	center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
6.	provide a variety of opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
7.	offer support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

(limit 5,000 characters)

 PCADV & its member programs (MPs) will continue to practice DV Housing First (DVHF) to ensure that survivor-centered services and Housing First principles will remain centered in the work to support survivors' access to permanent housing. Any programmatic changes recommended by the Survivor Caucus will be integrated into the new project. Services will continue to be flexible and tailored to survivors needs. This includes housing choice. As such, DV programs continue to expand their staff's capacity to engage with landlords to provide choice & rapid placement. Program supports Stabilization in PH through survivor-driven trauma-informed mobile advocacy, which is a core DVHF component. All services are voluntary, advocates provide the survivor w/ service options & provides support based on what the survivor identifies they need. PCADV will also expand capacity by hiring two new staff. Together, these two staff will cover the 20-county CoC to expand the recruitment of new landlords, expand housing partnerships & identify affordable housing resources. This will further Member Program's ability to support survivors to quickly moving in to safe rental units & have increased access to housing subsidies/ affordable units for long-term sustainability.

2) All DV RRH services will continue to be voluntary, trauma informed, & survivor driven. There are no mandates to participate. There are no enforced rules, and program guidelines are centered around lease requirements. Each HH is given clear/consistent info verbally and in writing, regarding expectations of both the survivor & DV program, the grievance procedure, how to release information, and how records are kept safe and confidential. Advocates continue to emphasize developing trust in the relationship; this trust facilitates a

problem-solving approach.

3) DV programs will consistently integrate opportunities to share the impacts of trauma w/ survivors. PCADV has entered into an ongoing partnership w/ National Center on DV, Trauma & Mental Health to assist programs in sustaining survivor-driven, trauma informed services and plans to continue that relationship. A key component of this training is providing tools for advocates to share w/ survivors during counseling and safety planning conversations regarding the impacts of trauma on their lives.

 PCADV & member programs will continue to use the Housing Stability Assessment & Stability Plan tools to assist survivors in obtaining/maintaining housing & pursue goals. Advocate & participant will work together on a plan to identify strengths—like income, good credit, prior employment history, education/training, positive rental, or landlord experiences & support systems. The plan is tailored to what participants want, what they see as achievable &

what support they need.

5) Trauma-informed, survivor-centered approaches are included throughout PCADV training for member programs, both in online modules & in-person training. PCADV will continue to provide training & resources to help local DV programs serve historically marginalized communities in a meaningful way. PCADV's Training Institute offers trainings for advocates to develop these skills, including advocacy around LGBTQ+ & underserved communities, trauma sensitivity, & working w/ survivors who have experienced brain injury. All PCADV programs have language translation services available, many programs have Spanish speakers on staff, and as needed, advocates who speak other languages based on the needs in the specific community. CoC- related policies around discrimination & equal access are followed. PCADV's Training Institute regularly revisits the training curriculum for member programs to ensure all aspects of holistic case management are thoroughly described and updates are made when new techniques and resources become available.

Service offerings will include support groups, parenting support & other

- opportunities to break isolation & build authentic connection, as we know that supportive community is often a part of the solution to living a life free of violence.
- 7) MPs will continue to support parents by providing the following core services: a-Offering children's support group/childcare during adult DV support groups & court hearings.
- b-Providing support and information regarding discipline.
- c-Coaching regarding age-appropriate ways to talk to children & providing child development info/referrals.
- d-Providing referrals to head start, WIC, public benefits, parenting classes, diaper banks.
- e-Assisting with enrollment for school/arranging transportation.
- f-PCADV provides funding for legal services, which includes parenting related issues.

In addition, funding in the VAWA BLI were requested. These funds will allow the project to provide enhanced supports for survivors requesting emergency transfers.

PCADV will also be working in partnership with the CoC around the VAWA confidentiality requirements.

4A-3h.	Involving Survivors in Policy and Program Development, Operations, and Evaluation of New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.I.(1)(f)	
	Describe in the field below how the new project will involve survivors:	
1.	with a range of lived expertise; and	
2.	in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.	

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1. PCADV understands the importance of centering survivors in the work of ending DV. The vast majority of both PCADV & member program staff self-identify as survivors of interpersonal violence. While this identity & experience gives a personal connection to mission engagement, survivor voice from those directly receiving services needs to be incorporated in an ongoing manner.

PCADV's leadership structure includes specific caucuses to center the experience & expertise of survivors and marginalized voices. The Survivors of DV Caucus, along with PCADV delegates & Board, helps develop & execute strategy that incorporates the realities of lived experience. A Survivor Advisory Council has been established through the Survivors Caucus. While Council participation is voluntary, we will work to diversify the membership to be representative of different experiences of homelessness.

2. Under the leadership of PCADV's Community Engagement Specialist, a Survivor Advisory Council has been implemented to provide survivors who are engaging in or have recently completed services w/an opportunity to influence, design & provide direct feedback for the DV system. The Council is responsible for providing input to the CoC re: survivor-centered RRH policies and reviewing current DV RRH projects. The Council is involved at every step of the process, providing recs and insight into personal experience of DV RRH. PCADV & DV program staff meet with the council quarterly, reporting on data & program outcomes.

The Council will be involved in PCADV's yearly evaluation of DV RRH. PCADV will seek input on the data points included in the project's evaluation. Feedback from the evaluation will be integrated into the project, assuring that DV RRH is survivor driven & able to quickly pivot to meet the needs of survivors seeking safe housing options. Council members will be paid for their time, provided leadership opps, & given flexibility w/engagement. No identifiable participant information will be shared & the safety of survivors in RRH & Caucus will be prioritized.

In addition, member programs use various anonymous feedback tools to gather lived expertise during and after a survivor's interaction with the program; such feedback is used to modify project design and delivery to better meet survivors' needs.

PCADV will connect survivors to the CoC's Homeless Action Board, ensuring Survivor experience is reflected within voices of PWLE advising CoC.

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

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1D-11a. Letter Signed by Working Group		Yes	Letter Signed by	09/19/2023
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation		Yes	Housing First Eva	09/21/2023
1E-1. Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline		Yes	Web Posting of Lo	09/21/2023
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool		Yes	Local Competition	09/21/2023
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project		Yes	Scored Forms for	09/21/2023
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced		Yes	Notification of P	09/21/2023
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted		Yes	Notification of P	09/21/2023
1E-5b. Local 0 Selection Res	Competition ults	Yes	Final Project Sco	09/21/2023
1E-5c. Web Posting–CoC- Approved Consolidated Application		Yes	Web Posting - CoC	09/26/2023

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1E-5d. Notification of CoC- Approved Consolidated Application	Yes	Notification of C	09/26/2023
2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes	HUD's Homeless Da	09/18/2023
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No	Housing Leveragin	09/18/2023
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No	Healthcare Formal	09/19/2023
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
Other	No		

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4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants 09/28/2023

4B. Attachments Screen 09/26/2023

Submission Summary No Input Required

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1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference

Documents include the following:

- Westmoreland County Housing Authority Admin Plan Excerpt
- Lawrence County Housing Authority Admin Plan Excerpt

Westmoreland County Housing Authority - Admin Plan Excerpt

The PHA will offer a preference to any family that has been terminated from its HCV program due to insufficient program funding.

The PHA will offer the following local preferences, treated equally, for Westmoreland County residents:

- 1. Educational/Training Preference for families that are residents of Westmoreland County where the head of household or spouse are current graduates or current participants in educational (full-time student) or training programs designed to retrain and prepare the individual for the job market. The PHA will require detailed information from the agency or institution providing the education or training. Online classes are not acceptable.
- 2. <u>Transitional Housing Preference</u> for families that are residents of Westmoreland County and who are participating in a transitional housing program preparing the family to live independently. The PHA will require a letter of referral from the agency or institution providing the transitional housing.
- 3. <u>Victims of Domestic Violence Preference</u> for families that are residents of Westmoreland County that include victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who have either been referred by a partnering service agency or consortia or is seeking an emergency transfer under VAWA from the PHA's public housing program or other covered housing program operated by the PHA.
 - a. The PHA will work with the following partnering service agencies:
 - b. Blackburn Center, Greensburg, PA
 - c. Alle-Kiski HOPE Center, Tarentum, PA
 - d. The applicant must have a current Westmoreland County Protection from Abuse (PFA) Order; or
 - e. The applicant must have a current Westmoreland County Protection from Abuse (PFA) Order and the domestic abuse shelter must provide a referral letter that indicates the family has resided at the shelter for at least 30 days. If the applicant meets the 30-day criteria but has moved from the shelter, a determination will be made on a case-by-case basis regarding retention of the preference.
 - f. The applicant must certify that the abuser will not reside with the applicant unless the PHA gives prior written approval.

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- 4. <u>Involuntarily Displaced Preference</u> for a family that is a resident of Westmoreland County who has been permanently displaced from their home or the unit is uninhabitable:
 - a. Government Action including, but not limited to,
 - 1) condemnation,
 - 2) property acquisition,
 - 3) code enforcement,
 - 4) grant activity, or a
 - 5) Federally declared disaster.
 - b. Disasters including, but not limited to:
 - 1) Fire
 - 2) Flood
 - c. Verification must be provided in the form of a notice of displacement or letter of referral from the agency which displaced the applicant (i.e., Red Cross, Salvation Army, etc.).
 - d. With respect to sections a.5) and b. and c. above, the following also applies:

Declared Disasters

In the case of a disaster declared by Westmoreland County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Federal Government, or other governmental entity who has the authority to make a disaster declaration, the Westmoreland County Housing Authority reserves the right for its Executive Director (or designee) to modify its preference system and permit Westmoreland County resident applicants who have been directly affected by the disaster to be housed immediately, and before all other applicants on the waiting list. However, applicants must meet all screening and other applicable program requirements prior to admission. The duration of such modification shall be at the discretion of the Executive Director (or designee), but in all instances, will automatically expire 180 days after the modification was instituted. Any other provisions of this Administrative Plan can also be suspended during the emergency at the discretion of the Executive Director so long as the provision suspended does not violate law. Where regulatory waivers are necessary for any other provisions, they shall be promptly requested of the HUD Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.



- 5. <u>Homeless Preference</u> for a family that is a resident of Westmoreland County who
 - a. Lacks fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; and,
 - b. Has primary nighttime residence that is a supervised public or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living; and,
 - c. Provides documentation from the shelter that indicates the family has resided at the shelter for at least 30 days. If the applicant meets the 30-day criteria but has moved from the shelter, a determination will be made on a case-by-case basis regarding retention of the preference. The applicant will be considered to be "homeless" if one of the following criteria exits:
 - 1) The applicant has moved from the shelter but has not relocated to permanent housing (i.e., is staying with relatives or friends).
 - 2) Prior to processing the application, the PHA may require a second certification from the same source that the applicant is not yet permanently housed and has been continuously homeless or temporarily housed since claiming the preference.
 - 3) If a family is in transitional housing and wishes the PHA to hold the family's place on the waiting list, a statement is required from the agency providing the transitional housing.
 - d. Verification must be provided in the form of a referral letter from the homeless shelter provider.
- 6. Veteran's Preference will be extended to residents of Westmoreland County:
 - a. Current members of the U.S. Armed Forces
 - b. Veterans with an honorable discharge
 - c. Spouses or surviving spouses of veterans
 - d. Dependent parent (age 62 or older) or a child (person with disabilities) of a veteran
 - e. A divorced spouse of a veteran who is the legal guardian of a child of a veteran.
 - f. The PHA will require U. S. government documents which indicate that the applicant qualifies under the above definition:
 - 1) Discharge papers (Form DD214 showing honorable), and

- 2) Proof of veteran benefits such as pension, disability, or medical benefits; or
- 3) Any documents verifying current service status.
- 7. <u>Certain Moderate Rehabilitation Participants Preference</u> for families currently residing in a unit which is overcrowded or under-occupied and there is no applicable unit available in the moderate rehabilitation development or other moderate rehabilitation developments within the PHA's jurisdiction.
- 8. <u>Public Housing Self-Sufficiency Program Participants Preference</u> for families who maintain full-time employment for 12 consecutive months while under the Family Self-Sufficiency Contract of Participation. Limited to five families per year according to date and time of application.
- 9. <u>Tenants Terminated Due to Insufficient Program Funding Preference</u> will be offered to any family that has been terminated from any WCHA-administered program due to insufficient program funding.
- 10. <u>Foster Youth to Independence Program Preference</u>: The PHA will provide a selection preference on the PHA's HCV waiting list for FYI voucher holders who are terminated due to the 36-month limit on assistance.

If during the eligibility interview it is determined that the applicant is no longer eligible for any of the above local preferences, the applicant will assume position on the regular list based on date and time of application.



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	Other (list below)
	the PHA plans to operate one or more site-based waiting lists in the coming year, answer each of the lowing questions; if not, skip to subsection (3) Assignment
1.	How many site-based waiting lists will the PHA operate in the coming year? 12
2. [Yes X No: Are any or all of the PHA's site-based waiting lists new for the upcoming year (that is, they are not part of a previously-HUD-approved site based waiting list plan)? If yes, how many lists?
3. 2	X Yes \square No: May families be on more than one list simultaneously If yes, how many lists? 12
	 Where can interested persons obtain more information about and sign up to be on the site-based waiting lists (select all that apply)? X PHA main administrative office – All applications are processed at the administrative office. All PHA development management offices Management offices at developments with site-based waiting lists At the development to which they would like to apply X Other (list below) – Applicants may obtain more information and print out an application on when available but must return completed application to the PHA main administrative office only.
(3) As	<u>ssignment</u>
	w many vacant unit choices are applicants ordinarily given before they fall to the bottom of or are moved from the waiting list? (select one) One Two Three or More
b. <i>X</i>	Yes No: Is this policy consistent across all waiting list types?
c. If a	answer to b is no, list variations for any other than the primary public housing waiting list/s for the PHA
(4) A	dmissions Preferences
	ome targeting: Yes X No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 40% all new admissions to public housing to families at or below 30% of median area income
	ansfer policies: nat circumstances will transfers take precedence over new admissions? (list below) Emergencies Overhoused

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 X Underhoused X Medical justification X Administrative reasons determined by the PHA (e.g., to permit modernization work) X Resident choice: (state circumstances below) Any resident may request a transfer but if none of the reasons above apply they must pay a convenience transfer fee. Other: (list below)
 c. Preferences 1. X Yes No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to public housing (other than date and time of application)? (If "no" is selected, skip to subsection (5) Occupancy)
2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)
Former Federal preferences: X
Other preferences: (select below) X Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability X Veterans and veterans' families – per PA Housing Authorities Law X Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction Families who live in jurisdiction Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes) Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting) Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs Victims of reprisals or hate crimes X Other preference(s) (list below) Families referred by Children and Youth Services
3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the space that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.
1 Date and Time – within the preference catagories
Former Federal preferences: 2

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Othe	r preferences (select all that apply)
3	Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
1	Veterans and veterans' families
3_	Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
	Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
	Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
	Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
	Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
1	Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
X	Other preference(s) (list below)
1	Families referred by Children and Youth Services
4. R X □	elationship of preferences to income targeting requirements: The PHA applies preferences within income tiers Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements
	Occupancy Company Comp
	hat reference materials can applicants and residents use to obtain information about the rules of occupancy
	Spublic housing (select all that apply)
X	The PHA-resident lease
X	The PHA's Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy policy
X	PHA briefing seminars or written materials
	Other source (list)
b. Ho X X X Contact the second secon	ow often must residents notify the PHA of changes in family composition?(select all that apply) At an annual reexamination and lease renewal Any time family composition changes At family request for revision Other (list)
(6) D	Deconcentration and Income Mixing
	ALSO SEE ATTACHMENT 12
a. <i>X</i>	Yes No: Did the PHA's analysis of its family (general occupancy) developments to determine concentrations of poverty indicate the need for measures to promote deconcentration of poverty or income mixing?
b. <i>X</i>	Yes No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to its admissions policies based on the results of the required analysis of the need to promote deconcentration of poverty or to assure income mixing?

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Changes were made during the 2001 program year and updated with each agency plan.

c. If th	ne answer to b was yes, what changes were adopted? (select all that apply) Adoption of site-based waiting lists If selected, list targeted developments below:
X	Employing waiting list "skipping" to achieve deconcentration of poverty or income mixing goals at targeted developments If selected, list targeted developments below:
	Targeted for higher income residents: PA26-4, Grant Street, PA26-5B, Sciota Street, PA26-7, Lincoln Terrace, PA26-12,McGrath Manor Targeted for lower income residents: PA26-3, Walnut Ridge, PA26-5A, Brinton Hill, PA26-8, Crescent Place
	Employing new admission preferences at targeted developments If selected, list targeted developments below:
	Other (list policies and developments targeted below)
d. <i>X</i> Y	Yes No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to other policies based on the results of the required analysis of the need for deconcentration of poverty and income mixing?
e. If the	he answer to d was yes, how would you describe these changes? (select all that apply)
X \square \square X X X	Additional affirmative marketing Actions to improve the marketability of certain developments Adoption or adjustment of ceiling rents for certain developments Adoption of rent incentives to encourage deconcentration of poverty and income-mixing Other (list below) Lease was amended to reflect deconcentration policy.
	sed on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to or retain higher-income families? (select all that apply) Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts List (any applicable) developments below: PA26-4, Grant Street, PA26-5B, Sciota Street, PA26-7, Lincoln Terrace, PA26-12, McGrath Manor
_	sed on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to access for lower-income families? (select all that apply) Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts List (any applicable) developments below: PA26-3, Walnut Ridge, 26-5A, Brinton Hill, PA26-8, Crescent Place

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Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer section 8 are not required to complete sub-component 3B. Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant-based section 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, certificates).

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 a. What is the extent of screening conducted by the PHA? (select all that apply) X Criminal or drug-related activity only to the extent required by law or regulation Criminal and drug-related activity, more extensively than required by law or regulation More general screening than criminal and drug-related activity (list factors below) Other (list below)
b. X Yes No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
c. X Yes \square No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
d. Yes X No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source) <i>The Housing Authority runs a final nation-wide background check through First Advantage Resident Solutions</i> .
 e. Indicate what kinds of information you share with prospective landlords? (select all that apply) X Criminal or drug-related activity X Other (describe below) Tenancy history of the applicant.
(2) Waiting List Organization a. With which of the following program waiting lists is the section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting list merged? (select all that apply)
X None
Federal public housing
Federal moderate rehabilitation
Federal project-based certificate program
Other federal or local program (list below)
 b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (select all that apply) X PHA main administrative office X Other (list below) PHA will mail application forms to prospective tenants and will also visit with applicants in cases of hardship or disability
(3) Search Time
a. X Yes \square No: Does the PHA give extensions on standard 60-day period to search for a unit?

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If yes, state circumstances below:

The PHA grants 30-day extensions on a case by case basis and allows disabled applicants additional reasonable time to find a suitable unit.

(4) Admissions Pro	eferences
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a. Inc	ome targeting
	es X No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 75% of all new admissions to the section 8 program to families at or below 30% of median area income?
b. Pre	ferences
1. X	Yes No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (other than date and time of application) (if no, skip to subcomponent (5) Special purpose section 8 assistance programs)
	nich of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all
that ap	oply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)
Forme	r Federal preferences
X	Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
X	Victims of domestic violence - to support or assist victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking under the Violence Against Women and Justice Department Reauthorization Act 2005
X	Substandard housing
X	Homelessness via other preferences marked above
X	High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)
Other	preferences (select all that apply)
	Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
\overline{Y}	Veterans and veterans' families – per PA Housing Authorities Law
	Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction
Ħ	Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
Ħ	Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
\overline{X}	Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
\Box	Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
$\begin{array}{c} \square \\ X \\ \square \\ \square \\ X \\ \square \\ X \end{array}$	Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
X	Other preference(s) (list below) – <i>Those that are elderly and/or disabled</i> .

- 3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the space that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.
- 1 Date and Time with the preference categories

Former Federal preferences

Lawrence County Housing Authority Admin Plan Excerpt 2 Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition) Victims of domestic violence 1 2 Substandard housing 2 Homelessness – via other preferences marked above 4 High rent burden Other preferences (select all that apply) Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability 3 Veterans and veterans' families Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes) Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting) Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs Victims of reprisals or hate crimes Other preference(s) (list below) – *Those that are elderly and/or disabled*. 4. Among applicants on the waiting list with equal preference status, how are applicants selected? (select one) Date and time of application Drawing (lottery) or other random choice technique 5. If the PHA plans to employ preferences for "residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction" (select one) This preference has previously been reviewed and approved by HUD The PHA requests approval for this preference through this PHA Plan 6. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements: (select one) The PHA applies preferences within income tiers Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements (5) Special Purpose Section 8 Assistance Programs a. In which documents or other reference materials are the policies governing eligibility, selection, and admissions to any special-purpose section 8 program administered by the PHA contained? (select all that apply) XThe Section 8 Administrative Plan X Briefing sessions and written materials Other (list below)

b. How does the PHA announce the availability of any special-purpose section 8 programs to the public?

Through published notices

Other (list below)

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1D-11a. Letter Signed by Working Group

Documents include the following:

- Letter from CoC Homeless Action Board
 - o 6 members
- Letter from Advocates for Change, CoC Youth Action Board
 - o 10 members
- Letter from CoC Funding Committee member/Board member

Letter from CoC Homeless Action Board o 6 members

To whom it concerns,

My name is Ivy McClintock. I am writing this letter on behalf of the CoC's Homeless Action Board (HAB), as an authorized representative of that Committee. The Committee voted to support the CoC's NOFO application and they delegated me to be our representative. We are in support of the Western PA CoC's 2023 NOFO application. I am a person with lived experience of homelessness/housing instability. I am currently a member of the CoC's HAB. The HAB has 6 members, and is a group of individuals who have past lived experience with homelessness (within the last 7 years but no less than 1 year), housing instability or other systems involvement who work within the CoC to make homelessness rare, brief and non-recurring. The HAB has two voting seats on the CoC's Board of Governors, and is engaged in the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Committee. I have been participating on this Committee since its conception in May 2023.

I am writing in support of the CoC's priorities to serve households experiencing homelessness in Western PA.

Sincerely,

IVY McClintock

(electronic signature)

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Letter from Advocates for Change, CoC Youth Action Board o 10 members

To whom it concerns,

My name is Daphne Hulings. I am writing this letter on behalf of the CoC's Youth Action Board (YAB), Advocates for Change (A4C), as an authorized representative. The Committee voted to support the CoC's NOFO application and they delegated me to be our representative. We are in support of the Western PA CoC's 2023 NOFO application. I am a person with lived experience of homelessness/housing instability. I am currently a member of the CoC's YAB. A4C has 10 members and is comprised of youth and young adults (YYA), aged 16-25 who have lived experience, past or present, with housing instability, homelessness, other systems involvement and/or youth allies who are committed to our vision. The YAB has two voting seats on the CoC's Board of Governors, and is engaged in the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging and Membership Committees. Additionally, A4C led and is continuing to lead the CoC's Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) and is currently working with programs on implementation. I have been participating on this Committee since its conception in December 2018.

I am writing in support of the CoC's priorities to serve households experiencing homelessness in Western PA.

Sincerely,

Daphne Hulings

(electronic signature)

Daphne Hulings



Hello, my name is Richard Blews and I am writing this letter in strong support of the Western PA CoCs 2023 CoC NOFO Application.

I am a person with lived experience of homelessness and was homeless with my (then) pregnant wife and kids for a period of six months. We were living out of our van when a rent to own home we were trying to purchase was beyond livable and able to fixed for adequate housing. Programs funded through the CoC allowed my family and I to become self-sufficient and acquire/hold onto housing permanently. I share this part of my story because it was the ground work of who I am today, a grateful and humble person that gives back to the community that gave so much to me. I work with homeless individuals and individuals with mental health/drug and alcohol diagnosis to assist them in having a better life, meaning their boosting their wellness/self-esteem while ensuring their needs are being met.

Because of the Western CoC, I got my family's and I life back, and now I am participating in the CoC as a Member/Chair of the Funding Committee and a Member of the Governing Board. The role of the funding committee is to evaluate, rank and ensure quality housing models and services are being provided to individuals in communities throughout Western PA along with filling gaps in services by providers seeking funding for new programming to combat those gaps. The Funding Committee has a lot of responsibility when it comes to renewal scoring, ranking and allocating resources to providers and it is a role I take very seriously and to heart. I have been participating in the Funding Committee since the end of 2022 and am beginning the Governing Board in October of 2023.

I am writing all of this in full support of the CoC's priorities to serve households experiencing homelessness in Western Pennsylvania.

Respectfully,

Richard C. Blews

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1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation

Documents include the following:

- CoC Desk Monitoring tool completed by all CoC grantees in spring 2022 (outside of CoC Competition), including Housing First evaluation questions
 - CoC tool completed by grantee (org/project name redacted)
- Letter sent to CoC grantee in spring 2023 related to Housing First Policy review
 - The CoC and Funding Committee completed a review of all CoC grantee policies (admissions/rules/discharge policies) related to Housing First compliance. This was completed outside of the CoC Competition.
 - Orgs have until 12/31/23 to resolve issues identified in the review.
 - Org/project name redacted

CoC Desk Monitoring Tool - CoC Tool Completed By Grantee

CoC Monitoring Tool All CoC-Funded Programs Desk Monitoring Tool - Project Level

Eastern and Western PA Continuums of Care Monitoring Tool for CoC-Funded Programs Regulatory Compliance

Organization Name:	redacted	
Project Name:		
Grant Number (first 6 digits):		
Desk	Audit Information:	
Name of staff completing tool:	redacted	
Name of staff consulted during completion of tool:		
Date(s) of Desk Audit:		3/9/2022
(DMA/DCED Use Only) Desk Audit Reviewer(s):		

Instructions:

CoC Grantees: Please complete this Desk Audit Monitoring Tool as requested by DCED/DMA. Organizations must complete a Project Level tool for each CoC funded project that your organization operates (e.g., if your org operates 4 projects, you will need to complete the tool 4 times - one for each project). Please complete the green tabs. The yellow tabs are provided for reference only. If an item is not applicable to your project, please mark as N/A. For any items that are out of compliance, please provide written comments explaining the circumstances and how you will remedy the issue. The legend below indicates where you should look for each of the items in the desk audit tool (for example: policies and procedures, client files, fiscal records). Please note that in order to complete the desk audit, you may need to consult with both program staff and fiscal staff within your organization.

Legend:		
P&P: Policies and Procedures	HC: Hard Copy Proof/Documentation	
CF: Client Files	SR: Self-Report from Agency	
H: HMIS		
FR: Fiscal Records		

	CoC PROJECT MONITORING TOOL - PROJECT-LEVEL MONITORING			
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Organiz	redacted redacted			
	Name: redacted			
	Number (first 6 digits): redacted			
	Type: Permanent Supportive Housing 03/09/2022			
Date.	03/03/2022			
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	PROJECT OPERATIONS			
_	COC STANDARDS	YES	NO	N/A
1	Does this project participate in the CoC Coordinated Entry System? [24 CFR 578.7(a)(8)] P&P SR	Х		-
2	Does the project have a designated staff person to ensure that school-aged children are enrolled in school and connected to appropriate educational services such as early childhood projects (if the project provides housing/services to families)? [24]			
	CFR 578.23 (c)(iv)] HC; SR	х		
3	CTR 376.23 (C)(NY) TIC, 3R			
	Does the project have a formal termination of assistance process that includes providing a written copy of the project rules			
	and information related the termination process to the participant before services begin? [24 CFR 578.91] P&P	х		
4				
	Does the formal termination of assistance process include providing participants with a clear statement of the reasons for			
	termination, offering a decision review process by a person other than the staff who made/approved the termination			
	decision, and providing prompt written notice of the final decision to the participant? [24 CFR 578.91] P&P	х		
5	Does the organization involve homeless individuals and families through employment; volunteer services; or otherwise in			
	operating the project, or in providing supportive services for the project, to the maximum extent possible? [24 CFR 578.75			
6		Х		-
ь	Does the project have policies that allow for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, who are imminently threatened by harm, to retain their rental assistance and move to a different unit? [24 CFR 578.51(3)] P&P			
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7	PSH ONLY> Does the project have a policy to allow households members living in an assisted unit to retain assistance until			
	expiration of the leases after the death, incarceration or long-term institutionalization of qualifying household member? [24]			
	CFR 578.75] P&P			x
8	<psh only=""></psh> Does the project have a policy to allow household members living in an assisted unit to retain assistance until			
	expiration of lease if qualifying member is evicted from the unit due to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or			
	stalking? [24 CFR 578.75(j)] P&P			х
9	PSH ONLY> Does the project provide meals or meal preparation facilities for all participants? [24 CFR 578.75(d)] <i>Note:</i>			
	Required for programs that provide supportive housing for homeless persons . HC; SR			х
	COMMENTS/DOCUMENTATION:			
Nister D	HOUSING FIRST			
	lease refer to your CoC's Written Standards for more information on Housing First requirements. If you answer no to any of using First questions, we recommend that you complete HUD's Housing First Assessment Tool and use that as a resource to			
	your policies/procedures in alignment with Housing First. HUD Housing First Assessment Tool:			
	/www.hudexchange.info/resource/5294/housing-first-assessment-tool/	YES	NO	N/A
10	Do your program policies and procedures include specific language to ensure that particiants are NOT screened out based on			
	having too little or no income? P&P	Х		
11	Do your program policies and procedures include specific language to ensure that particiants are NOT screened out based on			
	active substance use or history of susbtance use? P&P	х		
12	Do your program policies and procedures include specific language to ensure that particiants are NOT screened out based on			
	having a criminal record (with exceptions for state mandated restrictions)? P&P	Х		-
13	Do your program policies and procedures include specific language to ensure that particiants are NOT screened out based on			
	history of domestic violence (including ensuring participants are NOT screened out for lack of protective/restraining order,	.,		
14	period of separation from abuse, or law enforcement involvement)? P&P Do your program policies and procedures include specific language to ensure that particiants are NOT terminated from the	Х	 	+
14	project due to failure to participate in supportive services? P&P	х		1
15	Do your program policies and procedures include specific language to ensure that particiants are NOT terminated from the	^	<u> </u>	
	project due to failure to make progress on a service plan? P&P	х		1
16	Do your program policies and procedures include specific language to ensure that particiants are NOT terminated from the		İ	
	project due to loss of income or failure to improve income? P&P	х		

17	Do your program policies and procedures include specific language to ensure that particiants are NOT terminated from the			
	project due to being a victim of domestic violence? P&P	Х	Ь	
	COMMENTS/DOCUMENTATION:			
	RECORDKEEPING	YES	NO	N/A
18	Does the project have an executed grant agreement on file? [24 CFR 578.23(c)] HC	X	110	14/7
19	Does the project have documentation of grant amendments on file, if applicable? [24 CFR 578.105] HC		\vdash	x
	Does the project have documentation of executed MOU's related to any services that will be provided by a third party? Note:			1
	this should include any partners identified in the supportive services budget as well as any other partners delivering services			
20	[24 CFR 578.73(c)(3)] HC	х		
	FY18 and FY19 Grant Terms: Does the project have documentation of any applicable COVID-19 waivers? [HUD CPD Memos			
21	3/31/20, 5/22/20, 9/30/20] HC	х	<u> </u>	$oldsymbol{ol}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}$
	Was an environmental review completed prior to committing or expending HUD or local funds on any eligible project			
	activities or acquiring, rehabilitating, converting, leasing, repairing, disposing of, demolishing or constructing property? [24			
22	CFR 578.31; 24 CFR 50] HC	Х	<u> </u>	↓
23	Was the most recent APR submitted on time (within 90 days of grant cycle end)? [24 CFR 578.33(f)] HC COMMENTS/DOCUMENTATION:	Х	Ь	Ь
	PROJECT EVALUATION	YES	NO	N/A
	Does the project periodically evaluate the impact of its services on the target population? (please document in the comments		NO	N/A
24	Does the project periodically evaluate the impact of its services on the target population? (please document in the comments below how the project conducts this evaluation) SR	YES x	NO	N/A
	Does the project periodically evaluate the impact of its services on the target population? (please document in the comments below how the project conducts this evaluation) SR Does the project periodically evaluate the ongoing and emerging needs of the target population? (please document in the	х	NO	N/A
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Resource	Link	Notes
		The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program interim rule
		focuses on regulatory implementation of the CoC
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CFR-2017-title24-	Program. Updated version of the CoC Program
CoC Interim Rule	vol3/xml/CFR-2017-title24-vol3-part578.xml	interim rule was published on April 1, 2017.
		Provides helpful information for CoC and ESG
		grantees on numerous topics, including eligible
		activities, environmental review, financial
		management, grant administration, homeless
		eligibility, leasing and rental assistance, match,
	https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/coc-	program components, rent calculation, and
HUD CoC Virtual Binders for CoC and ESG	esg-virtual-binders/	additional requirements.

Letter sent to CoC grantee in spring 2023 related to Housing First Policy Review



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June 19, 2023

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Dear redacted

As part of the 2023 Renewal Scoring Process, the Funding Committee requested that all CoC grantees submit copies of their policies related to Housing First implementation, including 1) admissions/intake policies, 2) rules/expectations for clients, and 3) termination/discharge/appeal policies.

Process for reviewing policies:

Submitted policies were reviewed by two different DMA staff for alignment with Housing First policies. The two DMA staff conferred with each other on findings. The DMA team identified potential areas that appear to not be aligned with Housing First, and/or areas lacking detail related to Housing First. While the focus of the review was on Housing First, if the DMA team identified other areas that were not in compliance with HUD requirements those were also flagged. DMA provided a summary of the identified issues to the Funding Committee and Committee members reviewed the list of issues.

We are now notifying you in writing of potential areas of concern. Please see spreadsheet included with this letter. In addition, we are providing all grantees with a list of general themes/issues that were seen throughout many programs (see next page). Though these general issues may or may not apply to your program(s), we ask that you review the list of general themes/issues that were identified across programs.

Next Steps:

- CoC grantees are asked to complete a brief survey by Friday July 14, 2023 at 5pm which asks for information on your plan and timeline to resolve any outstanding questions/issues. https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7377399/West-HF-Next-Steps
 - For some grantees, the Funding Committee had questions about a certain policy. If the Funding Committee asked for additional information, you will be asked to provide the requested information as part of your survey response.
- The Funding Committee requests that any identified issues be resolved and
 policies be updated no later than **December 31, 2023**. We recognize that it may
 take some agencies time to review the issues and update their policies.
- You will be asked to resubmit your policies in advance of the 2024 renewal scoring process. During the 2024 Renewal Scoring Process, the Funding Committee plans to evaluate whether grantees updated the identified areas.

Sincerely,

Brendan Auman

Brendan Auman, DCED
On behalf of the Western PA CoC Funding Committee

General Themes/Concerns Across All Providers

Below you will find a list of common themes that DMA identified when reviewing policies. We recommend that you review your policies related to the items below, even if these specific items were not identified for your program(s).

1	No Housing First language anywhere in policies. Punitive-focused rules, without any Housing First language about how the program will support the participant to be successful. Termination policies did not include any language about termination being a last resort and the program will make every effort to support participant to retain housing.
2	Some programs did not include termination appeal language and/or appeal policy did not comply with HUD requirements. See: https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/coc-esg-virtual-binders/coc-esg-additional-requirements/participant-termination/
3	Program indicates a max income requirement at entry or annual assessment (e.g., 30% or 50% AMI) . There are no maximum income requirements at entry or annual assessment for CoC-funded programs.
4	Lack of language that a lease termination does NOT necessarily equal program termination. Even if a participant's lease is terminated, that should not automatically result in a program termination.
5	Some programs have incorrect or missing language about retention of assistance after death, incarceration, or institutionalization for more than 90 days in PSH. Per CoC interim rule: "(i) Retention of assistance after death, incarceration, or institutionalization for more than 90 days of qualifying member. For permanent supportive housing projects surviving, members of any household who were living in a unit assisted under this part at the time of the qualifying member's death, long-term incarceration, or long-term institutionalization, have the right to rental assistance under this section until the expiration of the lease in effect at the time of the qualifying member's death, long-term incarceration, or long-term institutionalization."
	In general, regardless of project type, there appeared to be unclear and/or inconsistent language from programs around temporary unit vacancies and abandonment.
6	No pets allowed language that does not include provisions for service animals. Programs should follow HUD guidance on how to determine appropriate accommodations for support animals and ensure their policies include language re: support animals. See HUD guidance here "Assessing a Person's Request to Have an Animal as a Reasonable Accommodation Under the Fair Housing Act": https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PA/documents/HUDAsstAnimalNC1-28-2020.pdf.
7	Prioritization language not updated with current Written Standards. Programs should ensure their prioritization language is aligned to current Written Standards.
8	Only allowing 3rd party verification of homelessness. If 3rd party documentation cannot be obtained, program should document efforts to obtain it but must accept self-certification. https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/HomelessDefinition Recordkeeping RequirementsandCriteria.pdf
9	Requiring ID documents (birth certificate, SS card, photo ID) as a condition of enrollment. Program should support participants with obtaining missing ID documents, but lack of ID documents should not preclude a household from being enrolled.

10	Requiring movement on participant goal plan as a condition of staying in program. Participants should not be terminated based on compliance with treatment plan or goal plan - this is not aligned with Housing First or the Written Standards. See pages 11-12 of Western PA CoC Written Standards: "Supportive services emphasize engagement and problem-solving over therapeutic goals. Services plans are highly tenant-driven without predetermined goals. Participation in services or Project compliance is not a condition of PSH. RRH Projects may require case management as a condition of receiving rental assistance. Participation in services or project compliance is not a condition of staying in the project." https://pennsylvaniacoc.org/sites/default/files/attachments/2021-03/Western%20PA%20CoC%20Written%20Standards_approved%203_30_21.pdf Policies indicate that it is up to the participant to identify their rental unit and does not approved to the participant to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approved to identify their rental unit and does not approve t
11	Policies indicate that it is up to the participant to identify their rental unit and does not indicate what support the program will provide to participants related to housing search.
12	Charging additional fees for participants above and beyond rental contributions or occupancy charges. No other fees beyond rent contributions (rental assistance) and occupancy charges (leasing/operating) are allowed per HUD. See HUD video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zOS3X9T52us
13	Inconsistent or contradictory policies.

Issues specific to your organization:

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<u>Issue</u>	Reasoning	Action Requested
There is little to no Housing First language in the policies	It is important that CoC-funded programs proactively share with participants that the program follows a Housing First approach, and includes language about this in client-facing and employee-facing policies. This should include how the program will support the participant to be successful in the	We recommend that you update your policies to include language from pages 11-12 and page 15 (termination) in the Written Standards (Housing First).
Documents submitted did not include any client-facing rules/expectations documents or termination documents.	program (including avoiding termination except as last resort). The program should have documents for participants that outline program rules/expectations and termination procedures (including grievance policies).	Client-facing policies for rules and termination should be created if they do not currently exist. Policies should align with Written Standards and Housing First.

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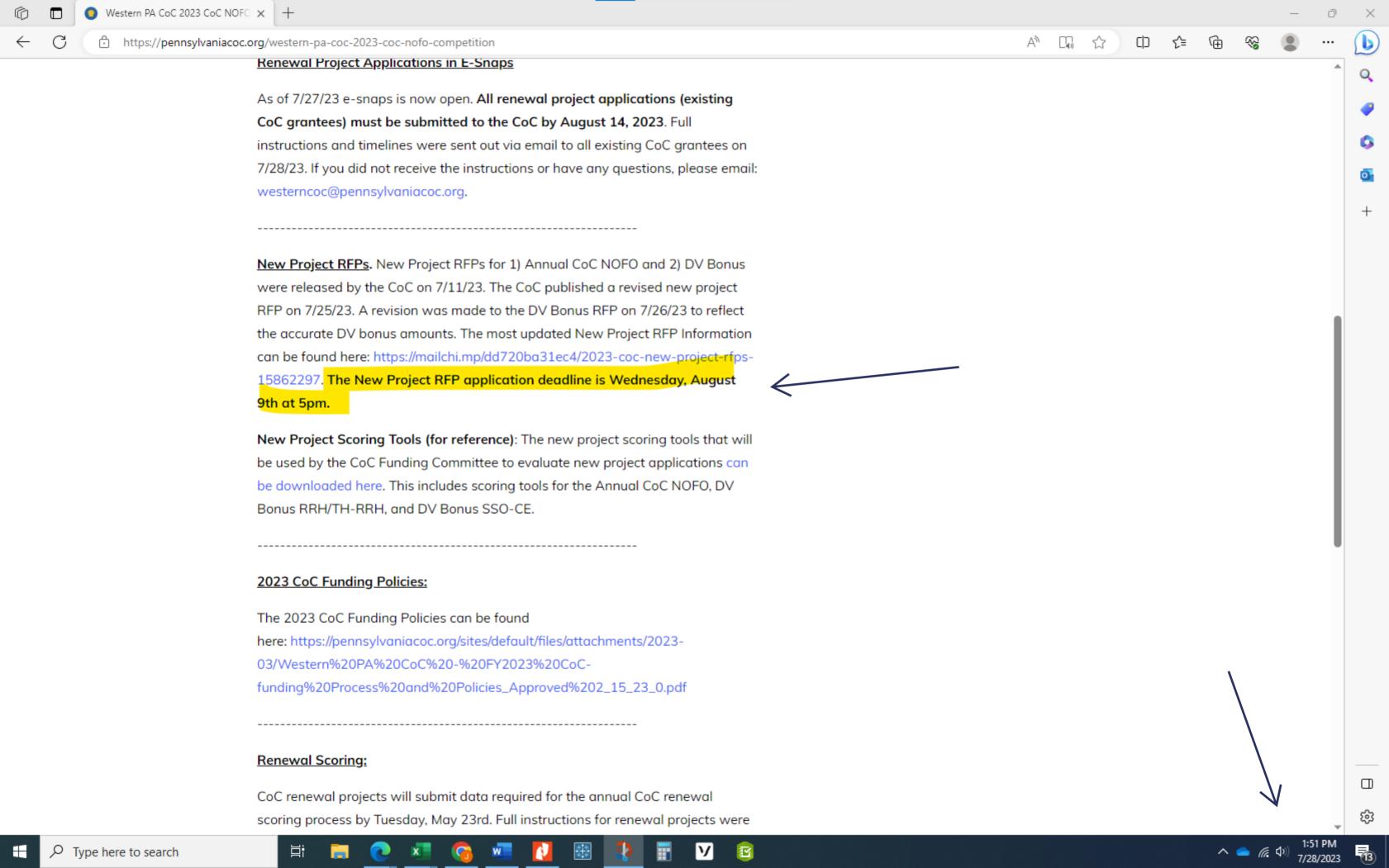
1E-1. Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline

Documents include the following:

- CoC Competition New Project RFPs
 - Revised new project RFP published to CoC website on 7/26/23 (deadline for submission 8/9/23)
 - Original RFP published to CoC website on 7/11/23 (deadline for submission 8/9/23)
- CoC Competition Renewal Project Application instructions
 - Published to CoC website on 7/28/23 (deadline for submission 8/14/23)
 - Email to renewal project applicants with full instructions – sent out 7/28/23 (deadline for submission 8/14/23)

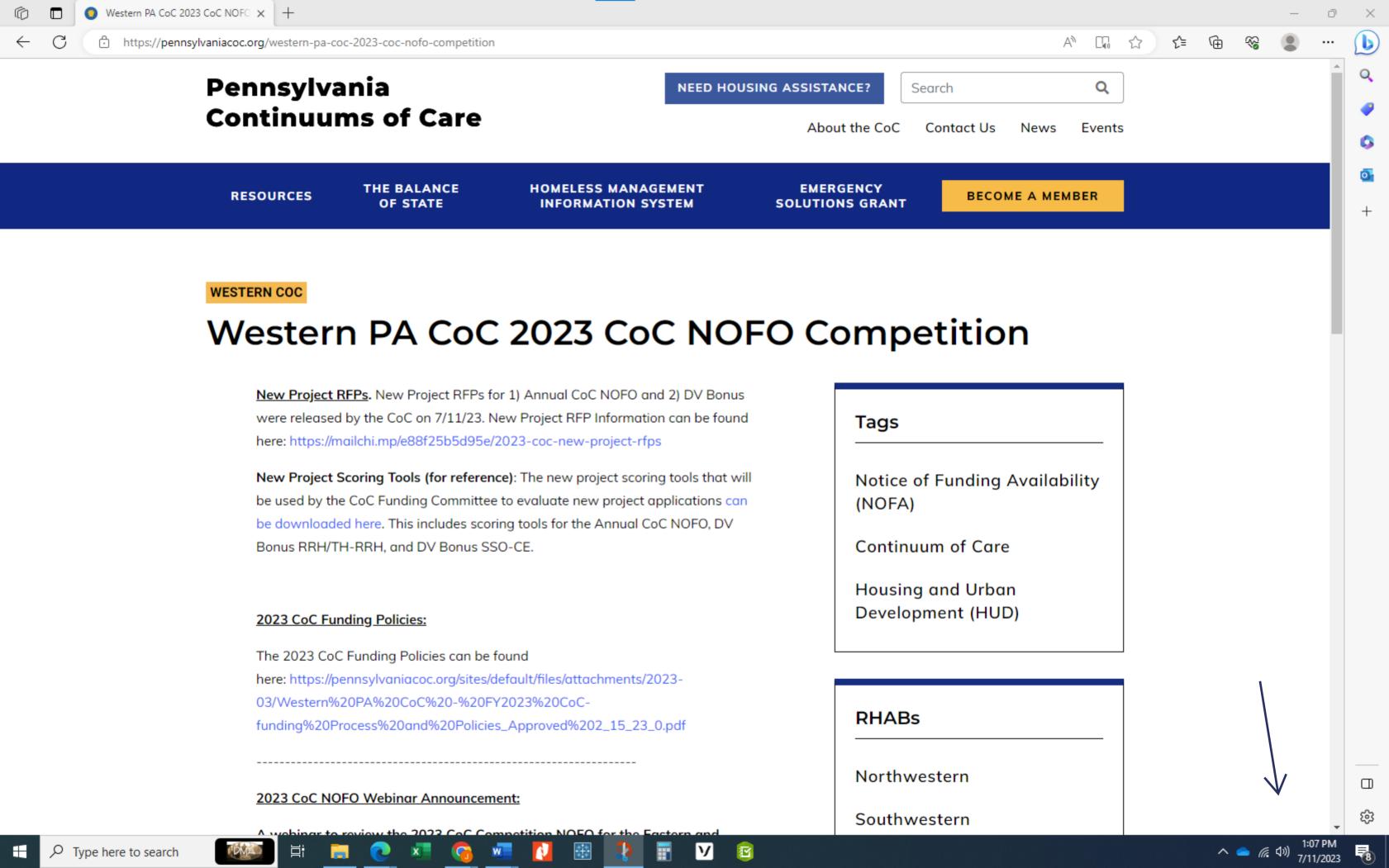
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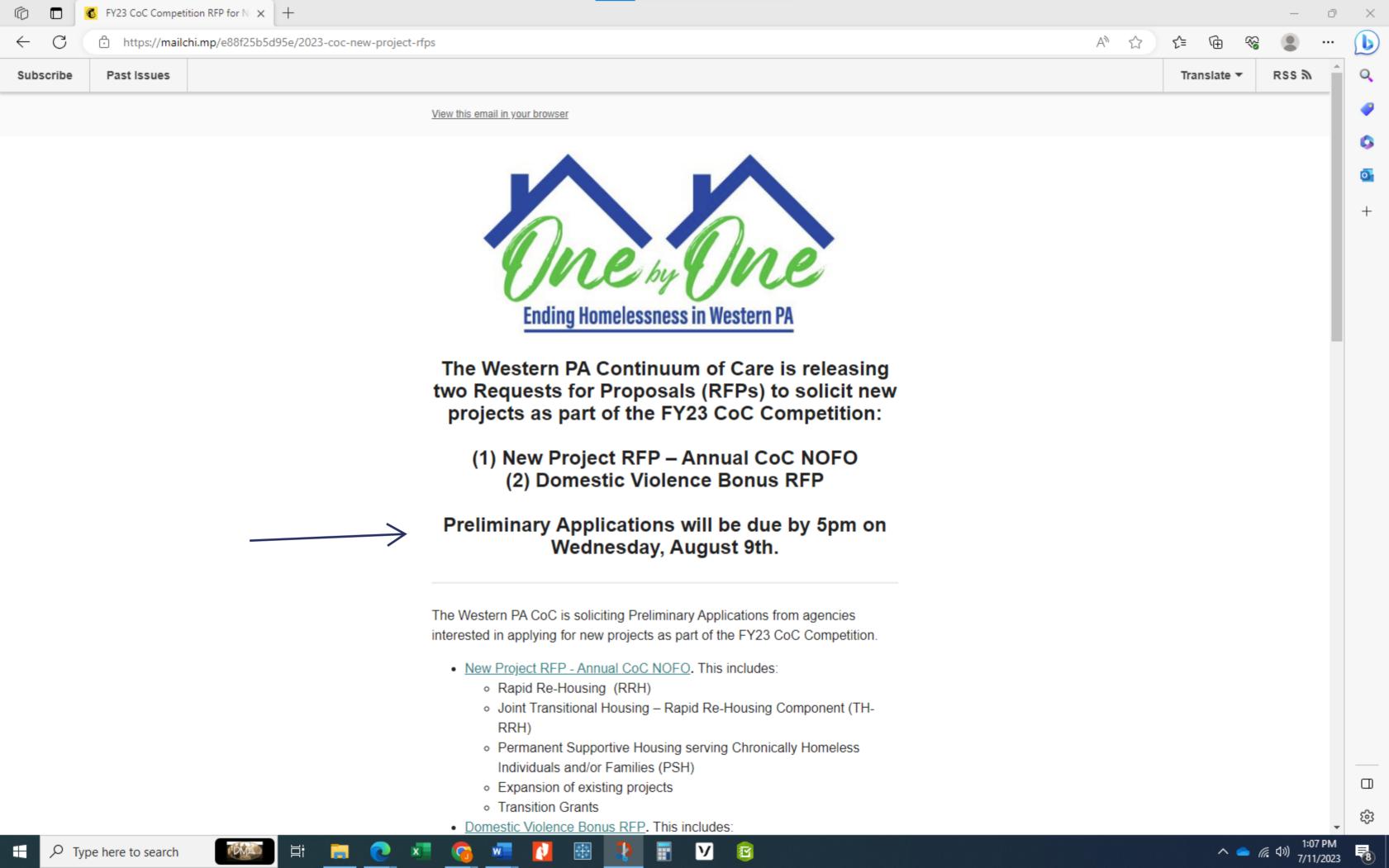
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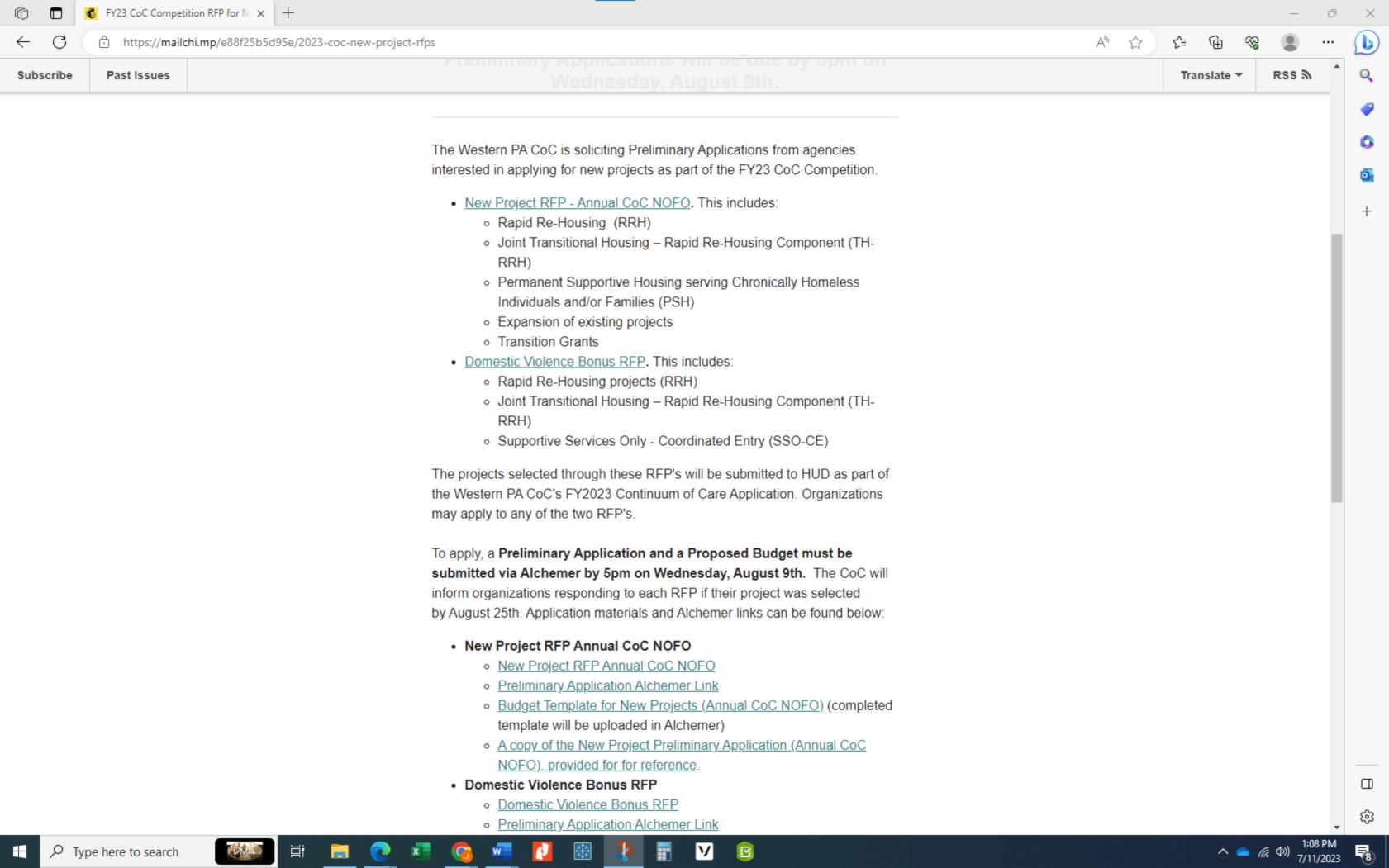


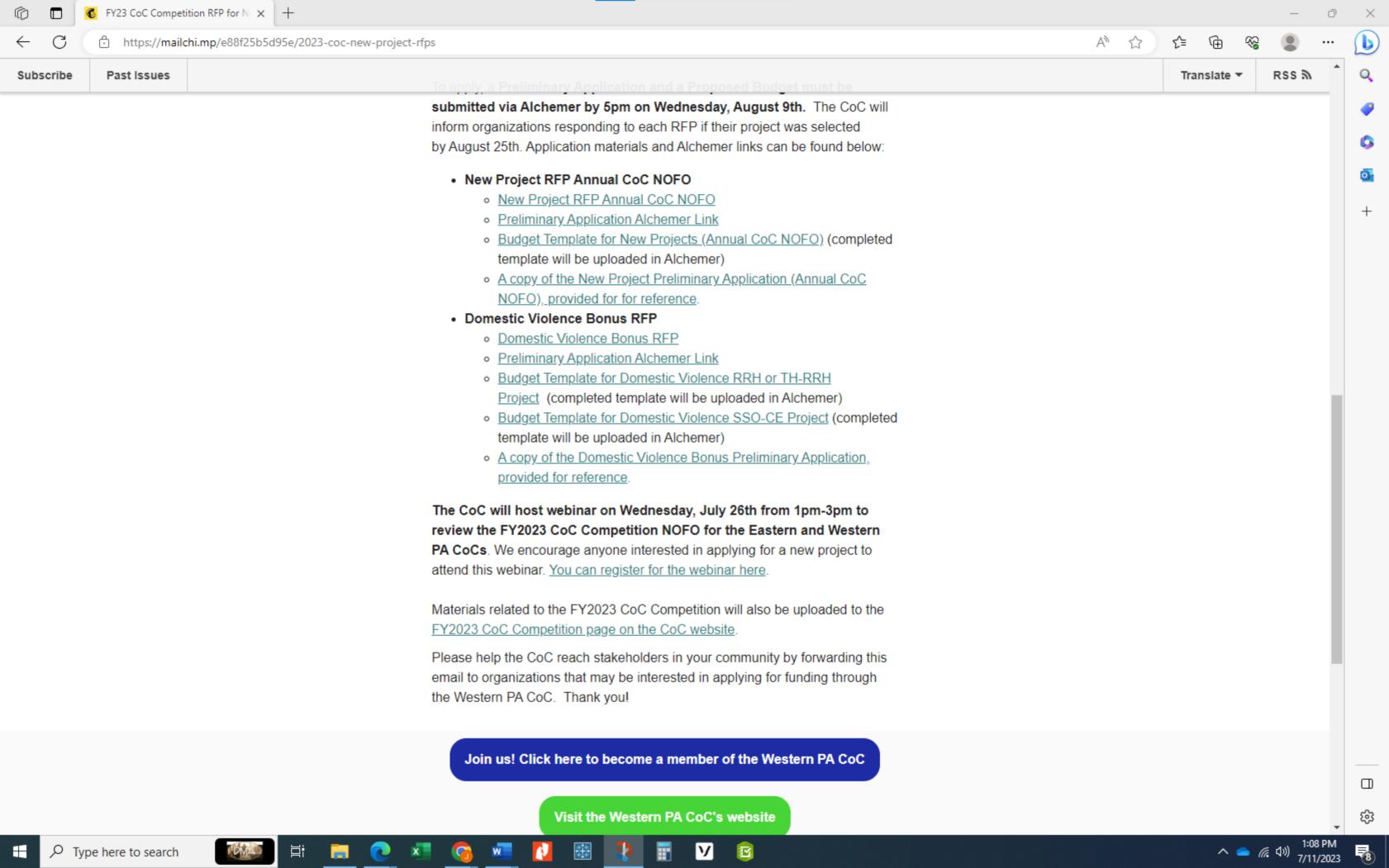
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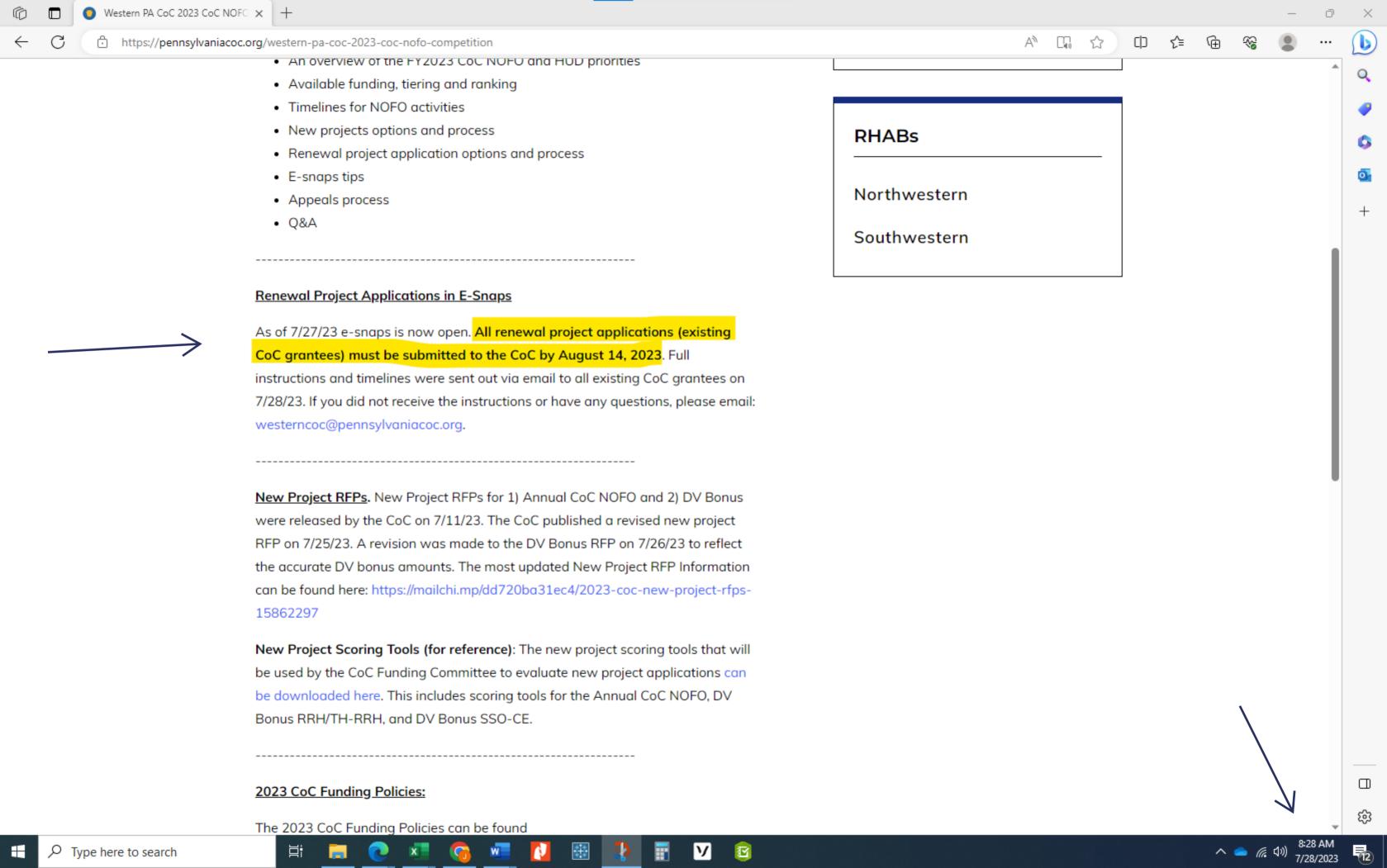






CoC Competition Renewal Project Application instructions

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- CoC Competition Renewal Project Application instructions
- Email to renewal project applicants with full instructions – sent out 7/28/23 (deadline for submission 8/14/23)

Western PA CoC: Renewal Project Application - Instructions and Important Information

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2 attachments (383 KB)

Dropbox Links for 2023 CoC Grantees - West_updated.pdf; FY22CoCNOFO_ProjectApp and Esnaps_Tips & Troubleshooting.pdf;

Dear Western PA CoC-funded Grantees-

Please read this important message about submission of Renewal Project Applications for the 2023 CoC NOFO Competition.

As part of the Eastern PA CoC's Consolidated Application for the 2023 CoC Competition, DMA will undertake a review of all renewal project applications prior to the submission of these applications into the e-snaps system by grantees. *E-snaps is now open, so grantees can access their renewal applications.* Instructions for submitting this information are provided below.

- By August 14th at 5pm: All agencies with renewal project applications are being asked to provide a PDF of your completed Renewal Project Application(s) exported from e-snaps.
- The PDF of your Renewal Project Application should be submitted to Dropbox. Attached to this email you will find a list of Dropbox links; each project will have its own unique link.
- Please DO NOT SUBMIT your Renewal Project Application(s) in e-snaps. If you
 accidentally submit the application, please contact us at westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org and we
 will release the application back to you.
- IMPORTANT RERMINDER REGARDING PROJECT NAMES:
 - When you set up your FY2023 renewal project in e-snaps, you must insert the "six-digit PIN" from your project's grant number at the beginning of the project name.
 Your "six-digit PIN" is the first six digits of your grant number.
 - For example: for grant number PA0123L3T091811:
 - Applicant Name: DMA Homeless Services
 - Project Name: PA0123 Elkins Park Rapid Re-Housing Project

- The PDF file name should be: 2023 Renewal App Agency Name Project Name
- **Prior to submitting your application**, check the Submission Summary to make sure ALL sections have been completed.
- By September 5^{th:} You will receive a project review form with required corrections.
- By September 12th (or within 5 working days of receipt of your review): You must <u>submit</u> your corrected application on e-snaps.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED TO THIS EMAIL - The following documents are attached to this email to assist with completing the above steps:

- **Dropbox instructions and url links** You will use these links to upload your project application.
- CoC Project Applications & e-snaps: 2022 Tips and Troubleshooting Guide We are sending the guide from 2022, as we believe the e-snaps submission process will be very similar in 2023. Once HUD's detailed instructions are out, we will send an updated version.

NOTES REGARDING RESOURCE DOCUMENTS:

- NOTE: We believe HUD will be publishing the final Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW) in the next few days. We will send that out once it is published. Grantees should use the information on the final GIW when completing their budgets in e-snaps.
- The CoC hosted a NOFO webinar on 7/26/23. The webinar recording and slides are available on the CoC website on the CoC NOFO Competition page: https://pennsylvaniacoc.org/eastern-paccoc-2023-coc-nofo-competition.

CONSOLIDATION - If you are considering consolidating projects:

- Hopefully we have already heard from you about this. If not, please reach out ASAP to DMA.
- Please follow the instructions above to submit the individual applications in e-snaps for
 each renewal project that you would like to consolidate. Be sure to make no substantive changes
 to the budget or units, beds or households served.

If you have questions regarding completing your renewal project application(s), please first review the attached document "CoC Project Applications & e-snaps: 2022 Tips and Troubleshooting Guide" and the HUD instructions/guides referenced within the document.

After reviewing these resources, if you are still unable to resolve your issue, send DMA an email at westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org. We will work to assist you as quickly as possible.

Thank you for your continued participation in the CoC application process and the work you and your agencies do to end homelessness every day!

- DMA Staff

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PA-601 - WESTERN PA COC Continuum of Care

1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool

Documents include the following:

- Summary of which renewal project scoring criteria meet which HUD thresholds
- Renewal scoring criteria
- Summary of which new project scoring criteria meet which HUD thresholds
- New project scoring tool

Summary of which renewal project scoring criteria meet which HUD thresholds

RENEWAL PROJECTS

Below please find outlined which criteria meet HUD requirements as outlined in the NOFO. The full renewal scoring criteria document can be found on the following pages:

- 1. Established total points available for each project application type. **See page 16 of renewal scoring criteria document.**
- 2. Had at least 33% of total points based on objective criteria. The following criteria are objective criteria. Objective criteria make up 90 out of 100 points (90%).

Criteria #	Criteria	Max Points
1a/1b	Housing Stability - TH and SSO	8
1b	Housing Stability – RRH, TH-RRH and PSH	10
2	Returns to Homelessness	2
4	Length of Stay/Average – TH and SSO	1
5	Length of Stay/Less than 12 Months – TH and SSO	1
6	Length of Time Between Project Start Date and Housing Move In - Average	1
7	Increase Total Income	7
8	Participants with Any Income	3
9	Connecting Participants to Mainstream Benefits	4
10	Participants Connected to Health Insurance	2
11	High Quality Data Entry	8.5
12 13	Timeliness of HMIS Data Entry Project Participant Eligibility	4 2
14	Unit Utilization Rate	3
16	Funds Expended (% Expended)	8
17	Timely APR Submission	2
18a/b	Cost Effectiveness – Cost Per HH	1
19a/b	Cost Effectiveness - Cost Per HH Pos Exit	1
21	Project Type	3
22a	Severity of Need - Health Conditions	2
22b	Severity of Need - Zero Income at Entry	2
22c	Severity of Need – Chronically Homeless	2
22d	Severity of Need - Unsheltered	2
22e	Severity of Need - Domestic Violence	2
24	Housing First Policies (submitted timely)	4
26	Non-Discrimination Policy Submitted	2
28	CoC Meetings	2
29a	RHAB Participation Meetings	2

29b	County LHOT or housing coalition meetings	2
30	Participation in CoC Training Events	6.5

3. Had at least 20% of the total points based on system performance criteria. The following criteria are related to system performance. System performance criteria make up 23 out of 100 points (23%).

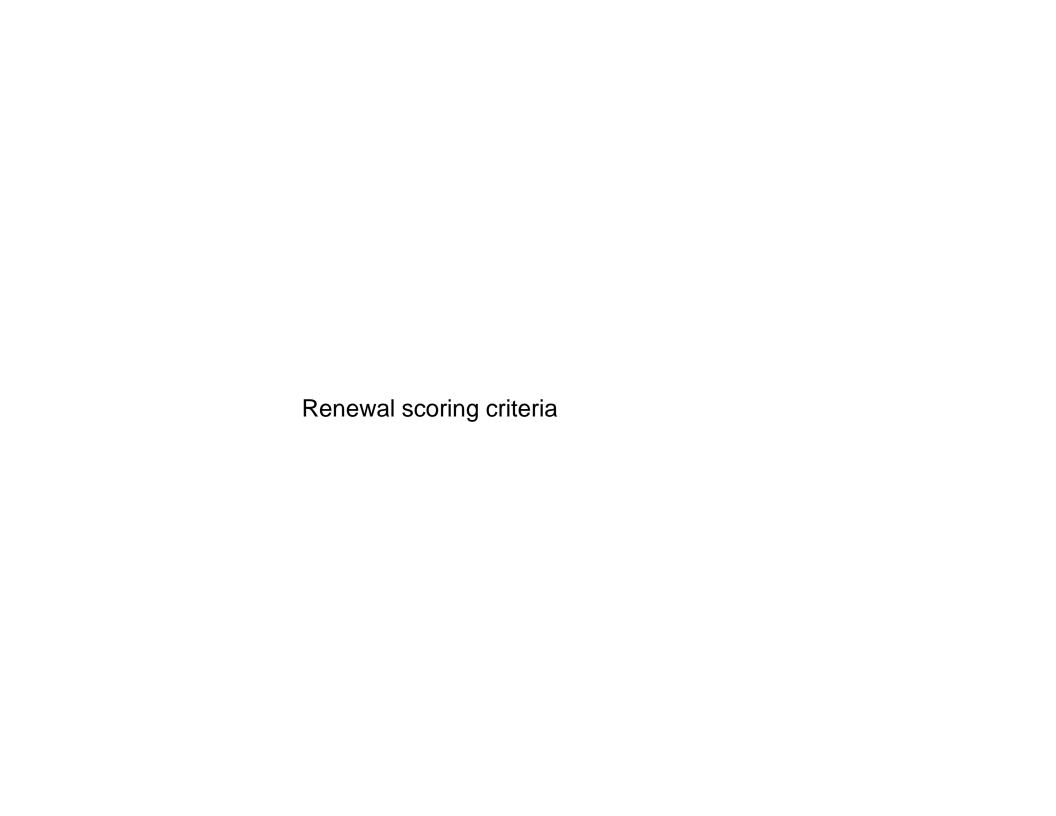
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8	Participants with Any Income	3

4. Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services. **The following criteria considered specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities:**

Criteria		
#	Criteria	Max Points
22a	Severity of Need - Health Conditions	2
22b	Severity of Need - Zero Income at Entry	2
22c	Severity of Need – Chronically Homeless	2
22d	Severity of Need - Unsheltered	2
22e	Severity of Need - Domestic Violence	2

- 5. Used data from comparable database to score projects submitted by VSPs. **As indicated in the** attached renewal scoring criteria document, all criteria using data either pulled data from HMIS OR from APR from a DV comparable database.
- 6. Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers. **The following criteria evaluated this:**

C	Criteria		
	#	Criteria	Max Points
2		Equity Narrative	4



Western PA CoC: 2023 Renewal Project Scoring Criteria

Approved by Funding Committee: 2/14/2023

The time period used for all data will be January 1, 2022-December 31, 2022

#	Criteria	Data Source	Point Structure
Performance	and Data Quality: RRH/ TH-RRH/PSH = 41.5 points; TH	= 40.5 points; SSO :	= 39 points
1a	TH/SSO- Housing Stability: TH & SSO Only	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	TH/SSO • 98% = 8 points
	TH Measurement: % of participants/leavers who exited to permanent housing destination. SSO Measurement: % of participants/leavers who were placed into Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing or Permanent Housing Note: Individuals who exit to any of the below listed "destinations" will be removed from the calculation and therefore will not count negatively towards this outcome: Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility Foster care home or foster care group home Long-term care facility or nursing home Deceased Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility		 94-97%= 6 points 88-93% -4 points 83-87% = 2 points
	Note to grantees: The thresholds for this criterion were lowered for 2021, to account for the impact of COVID-19. This criterion will likely be readjusted in future years, including raising thresholds and point value. Average outcomes in 2022: TH: 100%; SSO: 97%		
1b	RRH/TH-RRH/PSH – Housing Stability: RRH, TH-RRH & PSH Only – RRH and TH-RRH Measurement: % of participants/leavers who exited to permanent housing destination. PSH Measurement: % of participants/stayers who remained in PSH project or participants/leavers who exited to other permanent housing.	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	RRH/TH-RRH % exits to permanent housing; PSH % remained in permanent housing or exited to permanent housing: • 98% = 10 points

	Note: Individuals who exit to any of the below listed "destinations" will be removed from the calculation and therefore will not count negatively towards this outcome: • Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility • Foster care home or foster care group home • Long-term care facility or nursing home • Deceased • Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility Note to grantees: The thresholds for this criterion were lowered for 2021, to account for the impact of COVID-19. This criterion will likely be readjusted in future years, including raising thresholds and point value. Average outcomes in 2022: PSH: 98%; RRH/TH-RRH: 99%		 88-93% = 6 points 83-87% = 4 points
2	 <u>% returns to homelessness</u>: Percentage of adults return to homelessness within 6 months of program exit to a permanent housing destination. <u>Note</u>: N/A for DV providers, as there is no way to measure if clients reentered the system, only their specific program. N/A for SSO Average outcomes in 2022: 0.7%	HMIS	 0 - 5% returns to homelessness within 6 months of program exit = 2 points 6 - 10% = 1 point >10% = 0 points
3	Degree to which victim service projects improve safety for the population served. Evaluate the practices of victim service providers around serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and their ability to house survivors and meet safety outcomes.	RSF	2 points total 1) Projects must describe how they support the safety of DV survivors by: • Training staff on safety planning • Training staff on trauma-informed, victim centered approaches • Adjusting intake space to better ensure a private conversation • Working with survivors to have them identify

			what is safe for them as it relates to scattered site units and/or rental assistance • Keeping the location confidential of units used for survivors 2) Project must describe how they measure the projects' ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served (i.e. how does the project capture/evaluate this data)
4	Length of Stay/Average: TH and SSO Only - Average length of stay for leavers Average outcomes in 2022: 316 days	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	Average length of stay for leavers: Less than 9 months (274 days or less) = 1 point 9 - 12 months (275 to 365 days) = 0.5 points
5	Length of Stay/Less than 12 months: TH and SSO Only - The percent of participants whose length of stay is 12 months or less Average outcomes in 2022: 82.4%	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers • 90%+ = 1 point • 80-89% = 0.5 points
6	Length of time between Project Start Date and Housing Move-in Date (RRH, TH-RRH, and PSH only)- Average Providers are expected to move participants in as quickly as possible upon enrollment; Decreasing length of time between project start date and housing move-in date is one factor that contributes to SPM Metric 1b (length of time homeless) Average outcomes in 2022: 8 days	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	30 days or less (average) = 1 point

7	Increase in total income: % of all adult participants who increased income from any source from entry to exit/annual assessment (leavers and stayers) NOTE: Adult participants' Earned Income Growth and Non-Earned Income Growth both factor into Total Income Growth. Average outcomes in 2022: PSH: 59%; RRH/TH-RRH: 50%; TH: 69%; SSO: 52%	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 50% or more had an increase in total income = 7 points 40-49% increase income = 6 points 30-39% increase income = 4 points 20-29% increase income = 3 points
8 (NEW)	Participants with any income - % of adult participants with 1+ source of income at exit/annual assessment (leavers and stayers)	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 60%+ - 3 points 50-59% - 2 points 40-49% - 1 point
9	Connecting Participants to Mainstream Benefits % of adult participants with 1+ source of Non-Cash benefits (SNAP, WIC, TANF, others, etc.) Average outcomes in 2022: PSH:86%; RRH: 79%; SSO: 81%; TH: 88%	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 100% = 4 points 90-99% = 3 points 80-89% = 2 points 70-79% = 1 point
10	Participants Connected to Health Insurance: Percentage of all participants with 1+ source of health insurance Average outcomes in 2022: PSH: 89%; RRH: 95%; SSO: 99%; TH: 90%	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	95%=2 points85-94% = 1 point
11	#MIS Data Quality: % of Error Rate for the following data points entered into HMIS: a. PII - Name b. PII - Date of Birth c. PII - Race d. PII - Ethnicity e. PII - Gender f. Destination g. Income and Sources at Entry h. Income and Sources at Annual Assessment	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database	8.5 points total 11.a. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.b. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.c. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.d. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.e. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.e. – 0% error rate – 1.5 points 11.g. – 0% error rate – 1.5 points 11.h. – 0% error rate – 1.5 points 11.i. – 0% error rate – 1.5 points

	i. Income and Sources at Exit		
	Please note that this criterion may be more heavily weighted in future scoring rounds.		
12	a. % of project entry records entered into HMIS within specified benchmark b. % of project exit records entered into HMIS within specified benchmark Data entered within 10 days. Timeliness specifically looks at project entry and exit dates. For example, this measure will compare a household's actual enrollment date against the date that their enrollment date was entered in HMIS Per the HMIS Participation Agreement, all data should be entered into PA-HMIS within 7 days. Please note that this criterion may be more heavily weighted in future scoring rounds. 2022 Average Outcomes Entries: 72% 2022 Average Outcomes Exits: 68%	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database	 4 points total a. 100% of project entry records input within: 0-10 days -2 points 80% of project entry records input within 0-10 days - 1 point b. 100% of project exit records input within: 0-10 days - 2 points 80% of project exit records input within 0-10 days - 1 point
Grant Manage	ment/Monitoring = 17 points PSH/RRH/TH-RRH/TH; 1	3 points SSO	
13	Participant Eligibility: Prior residence of adult participants served during the reporting period = Category 1 (literally homeless) or Category 4 (fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or family member)	RSF (report from provider on literally homeless and fleeing DV households); cross referenced with APR from HMIS and APR from DV providers	 94% of adult participants served were literally homeless/fleeing DV = 2 points 90-93% of adult participants served were literally homeless/fleeing DV = 1 points
	% of participants whose prior living situation was reported as literally homeless situations or fleeing DV		

14	 <u>Unit Utilization rates</u>: Average utilization/occupancy rate of project Average utilization rate of project (using project utilization each quarter, as reported on APR) N/A for SSO 	# units per renewal app compared to average unit utilization; APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	All Projects ■ 90+ utilization rate = 3 points ■ 85-89% = 2 points ■ 80-84% = 1 point
	Note to grantees: The thresholds and point value for this criterion were lowered for 2021, to account for the impact of COVID-19. This criterion will likely be readjusted in future years, including raising thresholds and point value. For projects with under 10 units, will use a 3-year average if the project is under 80% utilization.		
15 (not scored in 2023)	<u>Drawdown rates</u> : Minimum of quarterly drawdown from eLOCCS. HUD requires a minimum of quarterly draws	e-LOCCS	Not scored in 2023. Due to significant delays from HUD with executing contracts in 2023, many providers were not able to draw funds in the first or second quarter of their grant. As such, the CoC will not be evaluating on quarterly draws in 2023.
16	Funds Expended: % of grant funds expended. Ensure project is fully utilizing CoC funding. Goal = full spend down If less than 90% expended, grantee will be asked to submit a supplemental form related to grant spending over last 3 years and projected spending.	e-LOCCS	 100% of funds expended = 8 points 95% - 99% expended = 6 points 90% - 94% expended = 2 points <90% expended = 0 points
17	Timely APR submission APR submitted within 90 days of end of grant (HUD requirement)	Last submitted APR	 Timely submission = 2 points Submitted beyond 90 days = 0 points

18a	Cost Effectiveness - Cost per household: SSO/TH/RRH/TH-RRH- Average cost per Household served (TH-RRH and RRH: households who moved into housing) compared to average of other projects	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database; Grant Inventory Worksheet	Numerator: Services + admin line items from Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW) Denominator: # of HHs served per PA-HMIS/APR or APR from DV providers SSO/TH/RRH/TH-RRH projects will be ranked in order of lowest to highest cost per household. Points will be awarded in quartiles (25% of projects in group): • Top 25% of projects with lowest cost/HH = 1 point • Second quartile of projects (26-50%) = 0.75 points • Third quartile (51-75%) = 0.5 points • Bottom 25% of projects with highest cost per HH = 0 points
18b	Cost Effectiveness - Cost per household: PSH- Average cost per Household served who moved into housing to average of other projects	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database; Grant Inventory Worksheet	Numerator: Services + admin line items from GIW Denominator: # of HHs served per PA-HMIS/APR or APR from DV providers PSH projects will be ranked in order of lowest to highest cost per household. Points will be awarded in quartiles (25% of projects in group): Top 25% of projects with lowest cost/HH = 1 point Second quartile of projects (26-50%) = 0.75 points Third quartile (51-75%) = 0.5 points Bottom 25% of projects with highest cost per HH = 0 points

19a	Cost Effectiveness - Cost per EXIT to PH destination: TH/RRH/TH-RRH- Average cost per exit to Permanent Housing destination compared to average of other projects SSO projects are excluded from this criterion.	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database; Grant Inventory Worksheet	Numerator: Services + admin line items from GIW Denominator: Leavers to PH per PA-HMIS/APR or APR from DV providers SSO/TH/RRH/TH-RRH projects will be ranked in order of lowest to highest cost per household. Points will be awarded in quartiles (25% of projects in group): Top 25% of projects with lowest cost/HH = 1 point Second quartile of projects (26-50%) = 0.75 points Third quartile (51-75%) = 0.5 points Bottom 25% of projects with highest cost per HH = 0 points
19b	Cost Effectiveness - Cost per household that remains in PSH or exits to another PH destination: PSH- Average cost per household that remains in PSH or exits to other Permanent Housing destination compared to average of other projects	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database; Grant Inventory Worksheet	Numerator: Services + admin line items from GIW Denominator: Stayers + Leavers to other PH per PA-HMIS/APR or APR from DV providers PSH projects will be ranked in order of lowest to highest cost per household. Points will be awarded in quartiles (25% of projects in group): Top 25% of projects with lowest cost/HH = 1 point Second quartile of projects (26-50%) = 0.75 points Third quartile (51-75%) = 0.5 points Bottom 25% of projects with highest cost per HH = 0 points

20	HUD Monitoring Disposition of HUD Monitoring and Findings. Any findings during monitoring should be resolved within the HUD timeline identified.	Letter verifying no monitoring; If monitored, evidence of no outstanding findings	 No monitoring within the last two years, or monitored with no outstanding issues = 0 points Project monitored and has unresolved findings = - 5 points
HUD Priorit	ies = 29 points		
21	Project Type Point value awarded based on project type	RSF	 PSH = 3 points RRH/TH-RRH = 3 points TH = 0 points SSO = 0 points
22a	Severity of Need/Health Conditions: Percent of adult participants with 1+ physical and/or mental health conditions	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database	• PSH o 100+= 2 points o 90-99% = 1 point
	 Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process. Projects who serve participants with high severity of needs may struggle in other areas (e.g., increasing income, exits to permanent housing) as a result of serving participants with high severity of need. These criteria are intended to factor that into the scoring. Projects are not intended to receive all points in all areas of the renewal scoring criteria. Criteria are intended to allow for a balanced evaluation of the project. 		• RRH/TH-RRH/TH/SSO
22b	Severity of Need/Zero Income at Entry: Percent of adult participants with zero income at program entry Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process.	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 50% + = 2 points 20% to 49 = 1 point < 20% = 0 points

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22c	22c Severity of Need/Chronically Homeless: Percent of chronically homeless households at entry Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process. Projects who serve participants with high severity of needs may struggle in other areas (e.g., increasing income, exits to permanent housing) as a result of serving participants with high severity of need. These criteria are intended to factor that into the scoring. Projects are not intended to receive all points in all areas of the renewal scoring criteria. Criteria are intended to allow for a balanced evaluation of the project.		 PSH 20-29% = 0.5 points 30-39%= 1 point 40-49%+= 1.5 points 50%+= 2 points RRH/TH-RRH/TH/SSO 1-4%- 1 point 5%+ - 2 points
22d	· ·		 5-9%= 0.5 points 10-14%= 1 point 15-19%= 1.5 points 20%+= 2 points

22e	 Severity of Need/Domestic Violence: % of adult participants w/ History of domestic violence Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process. Projects who serve participants with high severity of needs may struggle in other areas (e.g., increasing income, exits to permanent housing) as a result of serving participants with high severity of need. These criteria are intended to factor that into the scoring. Projects are not intended to receive all points in all areas of the renewal scoring criteria. Criteria are intended to allow for a balanced evaluation of the project. 	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 10-14%= 0.5 points 15-19%= 1 point 20-24%= 1.5 points 25%+= 2 points
23	Housing First Approach: CoC policy requires all CoC-funded projects to operate using a Housing First Approach. IMPORTANT NOTE TO PROJECTS: In the upcoming year, the CoC plans to review organization/project policies and procedures to ensure compliance with a Housing First approach as a part of the CoC NOFA scoring and ranking process. This may include review of policies and procedures related to participant eligibility, intake/screening policies, and exit/discharge policies. The CoC recommends that all CoC funded organizations/projects review their policies and procedures to ensure that they are aligned with a Housing First approach, using the Housing First questionnaire as a guide.	RSF	Organization affirmatively answers all questions within Housing First Questionnaire = 5 points
24 (NEW)	Housing First Policies The Funding Committee is requesting that CoC-funded agencies provide documentation related to compliance with Housing First. This includes: 1) admissions/intake/screening policy, including participant eligibility; 2) program rules and/or expectations; 3) exit/discharge/appeals policy. If your agency does not currently have these policies, you will be required to indicate that Once the CoC receives the requested documents, CoC staff will review the policies for alignment with Housing First policies. The CoC will request	Submission via Alchemer	2 points – submission of policies by indicated timeline

	these documents in advance of the spring renewal scoring process as it will take time for CoC staff to review these documents. If the CoC staff identifies any potential areas that appear not to be aligned with Housing First, or if there are discrepancies within the document, these issues will be reviewed with the Funding Committee. The CoC will notify program staff in writing of these concerns. CoC agencies will need to respond within 2 weeks mapping out their plan and timeline to resolve any outstanding questions/issues CoC agencies will be given a 3-month window to remedy any issues within the policies and resubmit to the CoC. If agencies need an extension, they can request this from the Funding Committee. In 2023 the Funding Committee will score projects based on whether they submitted the requested documents by the indicated timeline. In 2024 the Funding Committee intends to score projects based on whether a) agency policies are in alignment with Housing First based on CoC review, OR b) agency resolved policies that were flagged by CoC staff as issues.		
25 (NEW)	 Lived Experience Grantee has a minimum of one homeless individual or formerly homeless individual on the board of directors or other equivalent policymaking entity of the recipient or subrecipient OR grantee has received HUD approval for a plan to otherwise consult with homeless or formerly homeless individuals when considering and making policies and decisions. Grantees will also be asked to answer narrative questions related to how they involve people with lived experience in decision-making. This is a HUD requirement per CoC Interim Rule Section 578.75(g). 	Renewal Summary Form	 Organization affirms that they have a homeless individual or formerly homeless individual on the board of directors = 3 points
26	Non-Discrimination Policy	Renewal Summary Form	• Policy Submitted = 2 points

(NEW)	 Grantee submits organization non-discrimination policy. Per the CoC Written Standards, CoC funded agencies are required to adopt an organizational non-discrimination policy. 		
27 (NEW)	Equity Narrative The Western PA CoC is committed to advancing equity in the provision of homeless assistance services for people who may face additional barriers due to race, ethnicity, LGBTQ status, religion, immigrant status, etc. a. Agency provides narrative description of recent or current actions taken to address disparities and advance equity in its provision of services. Examples may include actions such as: • staff training(s): equity, trauma informed care, cultural competence, etc. • reviewing and updating policies & procedures to incorporate an equity lens and remove barriers that might cause a specific group to avoid or be barred from your program (e.g., culturally biased dress codes, diversity of staff, rules on previous behavior or residence, etc.) • evaluating the design of your program: does it address discrimination that may occur in the market (e.g., landlord engagement); deliver culturally-competent services; and take into account culturally-responsive, community-based supports the client/tenant might need? • partnering with community-based organizations that target services to specific subpopulations by supporting participants with jobs, health care, social support, etc. • expanding opportunities for people with lived experience of homelessness (including people of color, LGBT folks, people of different religious backgrounds, immigrants, persons with disabilities, etc.) to provide expert advice and opinions on policy, procedures, and service delivery; Pay them as experts • reviewing program outcomes for disparities across different groups of people, including data on who is admitted to the program and who is exited from the program to examine potential disparities • updating forms to promote inclusion: ask participants their pronouns, legal name, and chosen name; translate forms to primary languages spoken by your participants; etc.	Renewal Summary Form	4 points max 1 point for each substantive recent or current action; up to 4 points

	 evaluating the representation within your board membership and/or organizational leadership to determine whether your board/leadership reflects the population served providing anonymous ways to collect feedback from staff and participants on the culture and climate of your services 		
-	pation = 12.5 points	T	
28	 CoC meetings CoC Meeting Attendance. Full participation in CoC is expected in order to further the goals of the CoC. 	RSF & CoC meeting sign- in sheets	 2 total points Attendance at April 2022 CoC Meeting = 1 point Attendance at October 2022 CoC meeting = 1 point
29a	Regional Homeless Advisory Board (RHAB) meetings ● Participation in RHAB meetings. Full participation in RHAB is expected in order to further the goals of the CoC.	RSF & RHAB attendance sheets	 Attended at least 50% of all RHAB meetings in 2022 = 2 points N/A if in NW Region and not a member of the RHAB.
29b	County LHOT or housing coalition meetings ● Participation in county LHOT or Housing Coalition Meetings. Full participation in county LHOT or housing coalition meetings is expected in order to further the goals of the CoC.	Letter signed by Chair of county entity	Attendance at 75% or more of all county LHOT/housing coalition meetings. NW non-RHAB members = 4 points All others = 2 points
30	Participation in CoC Training Events Full participation in webinar and training opportunities is expected of all CoC funded organizations	RSF & attendance sheets	Attendance at CoC training events is expected of organizations receiving CoC funding. • Points awarded for each training attended 9 required trainings; points outlined below) – 6.5 total points • 0.5 bonus point available for Mainstream Benefits Training 2022 required trainings included: • Fair Housing Training – 1 point • 4/6/22 Webinar

			 Data Quality 101 training – 1 point
			 Bonus Points: Mainstream Benefits Training – 0.5 points 11/16/22 Webinar
31 (not scored in 2023)	Coordinated Entry Participation % of enrollments pulled from By Name List	TBD	Not scored in 2023. Funding Committee will determine mechanism for scoring this in future years with reports available in

32 (Bonus)	Full <u>HMIS participation</u> within organizations receiving CoC funding	• RSF & HMIS	ClientTrack and may pull preliminary data to set baseline benchmarks. HMIS participation among homeless assistance programs (not receiving ESG, CoC, SSVF, PATH, RHY funding)
			operated by your organization = 0.5 point (maximum)
33	Late Submission (Penalty) if required CoC Renewal Scoring Documents are submitted after deadline (unless provided an extension due to extenuating circumstances) If a grantee needs to request a submission extension due to extenuating circumstances, this must be requested via email (to CoC email address) at least 2 business days in advance. Extensions will be reviewed and approved by the Funding Committee. No extensions will be provided for submissions greater than 5 days after the stated deadline. Grantees are strongly encouraged to work ahead of the deadline to avoid the need to request an extension.	Review of Survey Submission Date	-2 point penalty for late submission of documents (late submission = any submission after the specific time/date of stated deadline) No renewal scoring documents will be accepted later than 5 days after the stated deadline.

Total Point Scale:

- PSH/RRH/TH-RRH— 100 points
- TH = 99 points (TH score will be converted to a 100-point scale)
- SSO 93 points (SSO score will be converted to a 100-point scale)

<u>Housi</u>	ng First Questionnaire: Is your program operating using a housing first approach?
Organ	ization Name:
Projec	t Name:
Persoi	n Completing this form:
Date:	
1.	Admission/tenant screening and selection practices promote the acceptance of applicants regardless of their sobriety or use of substances, completion of treatment, and participation in services. □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):
2.	Applicants are not rejected on based on having no income, minor criminal convictions, or behaviors that indicate a lack of "housing readiness." □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):
3.	Supportive services emphasize housing procurement over therapeutic goals. Services plans are highly tenant-driven without predetermined goals.
	☐ Yes ☐ No Comment (if needed):
4.	Participation in services or program compliance is not a condition of staying in our program. □ Participation in services or program compliance is NOT a condition of staying in our program □ Participation in services or program compliance IS a condition for staying in our program Comment (if needed):
5.	Use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself is not considered a reason for program dismissal. ☐ Use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself is NOT a reason for program dismissal ☐ Use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself IS a reason for program dismissal Comment (if needed):
6.	We prioritize those with the highest need for services rather than "first come/first serve", such as duration of homelessness and other barriers. □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):
7.	Case managers/service coordinators are trained in and actively employ evidence-based practices for client/tenant engagement such as motivational interviewing and client-centered counseling.

	☐ Yes ☐ No Comment (if needed):
8.	Services are informed by a harm reduction philosophy that recognizes that drug and alcohol use and addiction are a part of tenants' lives, where tenants are engaged in non-judgmental communication regarding drug and alcohol use, and where tenants are offered education regarding how to avoid risky behaviors and engage in safer practices. □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):
9.	Our primary focus is assisting people in our program with a housing plan for swift exit to permanent housing. □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):

APPENDIX: Data Calculations Explanation for HMIS/APR Related Scoring Criteria

Criteria #	Criteria	Calculation
1a	TH/SSO – HOUSING STABILITY TH Measurement: % of participants/leavers who exited to permanent housing destination among those who exited project.	TH APR Q23c: Exit Destination Numerator: (Q23c-Total persons exiting to positive housing destinations) Denominator: (Q23c-Total persons) - (Q23c-Total persons whose destinations excluded them from the calculation) - (Q23c Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility)
	SSO Measurement: % of participants/leavers who were placed into Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing or Permanent Housing	Q23c: Exit Destination Numerator: (Q23c-Total persons exiting to permanent housing destinations) + (Q23c-Total persons exiting to temporary housing destinations) - (Q23c Place not meant for habitation) Denominator: (Q23c-Total persons) - (Q23c-Total persons whose destinations excluded them from the calculation) - (Q23c Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility)
		Note for TH and SSO: Individuals who exit to any of the below listed "destinations" will be removed from the calculation and therefore will not count negatively towards this outcome: Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility Foster care home or foster care group home Long-term care facility or nursing home Deceased Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility
1b	RRH/TH-RRH/PSH- HOUSING STABILITY RRH Measurement: % of participants/leavers who exited to permanent housing destination among those who exited project.	RRH/TH-RRH: APR Q23c: Exit Destination Numerator: (Q23c-Total persons exiting to positive housing destinations) Denominator: (Q23c-Total persons) - (Q23c-Total persons whose destinations excluded them from the calculation) - (Q23c Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility)
	<u>PSH Measurement</u> : % of participants/stayers who remained in PSH project or participants/leavers who exited to other permanent housing.	PSH: APR Q1 Report Validation Table; Q22a1: Length of Participation – CoC Projects; Q23c: Exit Destination Numerator: (Q22a1 Stayers-Total) + (Q23c-Total persons exiting to positive housing destinations)

		Denominator: (Q5a-Total persons served) - (Q23c-Total persons whose destinations excluded them from the calculation) - (Q23c Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility) Note: Individuals who exit to any of the below listed "destinations" will be removed from the calculation and therefore will not count negatively towards this outcome: Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility Foster care home or foster care group home Long-term care facility or nursing home Deceased Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility
2	RETURNS TO HOMELESSNES % of adults return to homelessness within 6 months of program exit to a permanent housing destination N/A for DV providers	SPM 2ab Data File – Returns to Homelessness Numerator: # of Adults who returned to an ES, TH or SH projects within 6 months of Exit to Permanent Housing Denominator: # Clients who exited from program to a permanent housing destination between 7/1/21-12/31/22
3	DEGREE TO WHICH VICTIM SERVICCE PROJECT IMPROVE SAFETY FOR THE POPULATION SERVED	Documentation provided will be reviewed to determine whether agency has established practices to a) train staff on safety planning; b) train staff on implementing trauma-informed, victim centered approached; c) adjust intake spaces to better ensure privacy/confidentiality; d) work with survivors to identify safe housing options (including scattered site); and e) keep location confidential of participants units. Documentation provided will be reviewed to determine whether project has a process to measure the the safety of DV survivors the project served, and whether they are able to explain how they capture and evaluate this data. Scoring rubric: Part 1: 1 point – Agency provides thorough response to all components of part 1. 0.5 points – Agency provides response to 3 or more components of part 1, but is missing responses to some elements 0 point – Agency provides response to less than 3 components of part 1

		 Part 2: 1 point - Agency demonstrates a mechanism for measuring the safety of DV survivors served and provides a clear description of this mechanism, including how this data is captured. 0.5 points – Agency provides a vague description of measuring safety of DV survivors, and does not provide a clear description of the mechanism OR agency provides response to some components of part 2, but is missing response to some elements 0 points- Agency does not demonstrate a mechanism for measuring the safety of DV survivors, does not provide a clear description of the mechanism, and does not demonstrate how this data is captured. 	
4	LENGTH OF STAY/AVERAGE (TH AND SSO ONLY) Average length of stay for leavers	APR Q22b: Average and Median Length of Participation in Days Average Length-Leavers	
5	LENGTH OF STAY/LONGER THAN 12 MONTHS (TH AND SSO ONLY) The percent of participants whose length of stay is 12 months or less	APR Q22a1: Length of Participation – CoC Projects Numerator: (Total-30 days or less) + (Total-31 to 60 days) + (Total-61 to 90 days) + (Total-91 to 180 days) + (Total-181 to 365 days) Denominator: (Total-Total)	
6	LENGTH OF TIME BETWEEN PROJECT START DATE AND RESIDENTIAL MOVE IN	Q22c: Length of Time between Project Start Date and Housing Move-in Date Average length of time to housing: Total	
7	INCREASE IN TOTAL INCOME % of all adult participants who increased income from any source from entry to exit/annual assessment (leavers and stayers)	APR Q19a1: Client Cash Income Change – Income Source- by Start and Latest Status (Stayers); APR Q19a2: Client Cash Income Change – Income Source- by Start and Exit (Leavers); Q18: Client Cash Income Category - Earned/Other Income Category - by Entry and Annual Assessment/Exit Status Numerator: (Q19a1 Number of Adults w/Any Income-Performance Measure: Adults who Gained or Increased Income from Start to Annual Assessment, Average Gain) + (Q19a2 Number of Adults w/Any Income-Performance Measure: Adults who Gained or Increased Income from Start to Annual Assessment, Average Gain)	
		<u>Denominator:</u> (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Total Adults) + (Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-Total Adults) – (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Number of adult stayers not yet required to have an annual assessment) – (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused) –	

		(Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)
8 (New)	PARTICIPANTS w/ANY INCOME: % of adult participants with 1+ source of income (leavers and stayers)	APR Q18: Client Cash Income Category - Earned/Other Income Category - by Entry and Annual Assessment/Exit Status Numerator: (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-1 or more source of income) + (Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-1 or more source of income) Denominator: (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Total Adults) + (Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-Total Adults) - (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Number of adult stayers not yet required to have annual assessment) - (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Adults with Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused Income Information) - (Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-Adults with Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused Income Information)
9	CONNECTING PARTICIPANTS TO MAINSTEAM BENEFITS Percent of adult participants with 1+ source of Non-Cash benefits (SNAP, WIC, TANF, others, etc.)	APR Q20b: Number of Non-Cash Benefit Sources; APR Q18: Client Cash Income Category - Earned/Other Income Category - by Entry and Annual Assessment/Exit Status Numerator: (Q20b Benefit at Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-1 + Source(s)) + (Q20b Benefit at Exit for Leavers-1+ Source(s)) Denominator: (Q20b Benefit at Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-Total) + (Q20b Benefit at Exit for Leavers-Total) – (Q18 Number of Stayers-Number of adult stayers not yet required to have an annual assessment) – (Q20b Benefit at Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused) – (Q20b Benefit at Exit for Leavers-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)
10	PARTICIPANTS CONNECTED TO HEALTH INSURANCE Percentage of all participants with 1+ source of health insurance	APR Q21: Health Insurance; APR Q1: Report Validation Table Numerator: (Q21 Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-1 Source of Health Insurance) + (Q21 Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-More than 1 Source of Health Insurance) + (Q21 Exit for Leavers-1 Source of Health Insurance) + (Q21 Exit for Leavers-More than 1 Source of Health Insurance) Denominator: (Q1 Number of Stayers) + (Q1 Number of Leavers) – (Q21 Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-Number of Stayers not yet Required to Have an Annual Assessment) – (Q21 Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused) – (Q21 Exit for Leavers-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)
11	HMIS DATA QUALITY % of Error Rate for the following data points entered into PA HMIS:	APR Q6a. Data Quality: Personally Identifiable Information a. Name - % of Error Rate

	 a. PII - Name b. PII - Date of Birth c. PII - Race d. PII - Ethnicity e. PII - Gender f. Destination g. Income and Sources at Entry h. Income and Sources at Annual Assessment i. Income and Sources at Exit 	b. Date of Birth - % of Error Rate c. Race - % of Error Rate d. Ethnicity - % of Error Rate e. Gender - % of Error Rate Note: If Personally Identifiable Information fields are marked as Client Doesn't Know/Refused due to domestic violence/dating violence/sexual assault/human trafficking/stalking survivor not providing data due to confidentiality/safety concerns, this will be factored into scoring and projects will not be penalized. APR Q6c. Data Quality: Income and Housing Data Quality f. Destination - % of Error Rate
		g. Income and Sources at Entry - % of Error Rate h. Income and Sources at Annual Assessment - % of Error Rate i. Income and Sources at Exit - % of Error Rate Note: Projects with no entries won't be scored on <i>g (Income and Sources at Entry)</i> and projects with no exits won't be scored on <i>f (Destination)</i> and <i>i (Income and Sources at Exit)</i>
12	a. % of project entry records entered into HMIS within specified benchmark b. % of project exit records entered into HMIS within specified benchmark	a. Numerator: (Number of Project Start Records-0 Days + 1-3 Days + 4-6 Days + 7-10 Days) Denominator: (Number of Project Start Records-0 Days + 1-3 Days + 4-6 Days + 7-10 Days + 11+ Days) b. Numerator: (Number of Project Exit Records-0 Days + 1-3 Days + 4-6 Days + 7-10 Days) Denominator: (Number of Project Exit Records-0 Days + 1-3 Days + 4-6 Days + 7-10 Days + 11+ Days)
		Note: Projects with no entries won't be scored on 11.a. Projects with no exits won't be scored on 11.b.

13	PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY % of participants whose prior living situation was reported as literally homeless situations or fleeing DV	Data provided by providers in the RSF will be reviewed to determine the percentage of participants served who are literally homeless and fleeing DV. Data will be cross-referenced with APR from HMIS and APR from DV providers.
		Numerator: # of participants served literally homeless <i>and/or</i> fleeing DV as reported on RSF 1/1/22-12/31/22 Denominator: Total # of participants served 1/1/22-12/31/22
		HUD Category 1/Literally Homeless Definition: Individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning: (i) Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not meant for human habitation;
		(ii) Is living in a publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state and local government programs); or (iii) Is exiting an institution where (s)he has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution
		HUD Category 4/Fleeing Domestic Violence Definition Any individual or family who: (i) are fleeing, or are attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member.; (ii) Has no other residence; and (iii) Lacks the resources or support networks to obtain other permanent housing
14	UNIT UTILIZATION RATES Average utilization/occupancy rate of project (using project utilization each quarter, as reported on APR)	Information provided in the Renewal Project Summary Form survey will be considered in calculating utilization. APR Q8b Point-in-Time Count of Households on the Last Wednesday; 2022 Project App # Units
	(N/A for SSO)	Numerator: Average of Q8b Point-in-Time Count of Households Served on the Last Wednesday in Jan, April, July, October
		<u>Denominator:</u> # Units per 2022 Project Applications (and prior years where applicable)

		For projects under 10 units, will use a 3-year average if the project is under 80% utilization.
15	DRAWDOWN RATES	NOT SCORED IN 2023
(Not Scored	Minimum of quarterly drawdown rates	
in 2023)	from eLOCCS	Review of documentation requested in RSF survey (eLOCCS summary page).
16	FUNDS EXPENDED	Review of documentation requested in RSF survey (eLOCCS summary page). Review of
	% of grant funds expended	supplemental expenditure form with additional information/explanation if program did not meet expenditure threshold.
17	TIMELY APR SUBMISSION	Review of documentation requested in RSF survey (e.g. email from Sage system; email from HUD
	APR submitted within 90 days of end of grant	reps; copy of the details from Sage submission)
18a	COST EFFECTIVENESS – COST PER	Numerator: Services + admin line items from 2022 Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW)
	UNIT/HOUSEHOLD SERVED:	
	SSO/TH/RRH/TH-RRH – Average cost per	<u>Denominator</u> : # of HHs served (as reported on RSF, and verified by APR validation file)
	Household served (TH-RRH and RRH:	
	who moved into housing) compared to average of other projects	
	average of other projects	
18b	COST EFFECTIVENESS – COST PER	Numerator: Services + admin line items from 2022 Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW)
	UNIT/HOUSEHOLD SERVED:	
	PSH - Average cost per household who moved into housing compared to	<u>Denominator</u> : # of HHs served (as reported on RSF, and verified by APR validation file)
	average of other projects	
19a	COST EFFECTIVENESS – COST PER	Numerator: Services + admin line items from 2022 GIW
200	POSITIVE EXIT/RETENTION:	
	TH/RRH/TH-RRH - Average cost per exit	<u>Denominator</u> : Leavers to PH (as reported on RSF and verified by APR validation file)
	to Permanent Housing destination	
	compared to average of other projects	NOTE: For RRH and RRH component of TH-RRH this only includes households who moved in and then exited to PH
	(N/A for SSO)	i tileti exited to Pfi
	(11/7/10/330)	Note: Projects with no exits during the lookback period will not be scored on this criteria.
		Projects with no exits to permanent housing during the lookback period will have a total cost per
		positive exit that equals services +admin line items from GIW.
19b	COST EFFECTIVENESS – COST PER	Numerator: Services + admin line items from 2022 GIW
	POSITIVE EXIT/RETENTION:	

	PSH - Average cost per household that remains or exits to Permanent Housing destination compared to average of other projects	<u>Denominator</u> : Stayers + Leavers to other PH (as reported on RSF and verified by APR validation file) NOTE: For RRH and PSH this only includes households who moved in and then exited to PH	
20	HUD MONITORING Disposition of HUD Monitoring and Findings	Review of information provided in RSF survey regarding monitoring, along with any supplemental monitoring documents provided.	
21	PROJECT TYPE	Points awarded based on project type as reported on RSF (confirmed via HUD project application)	
22a	SEVERITY OF NEED/HEALTH CONDITIONS — Percent of adult participants with 1+ disabilities at exit or annual assessment	Q13b2: Number of Conditions at Exit, Q13c2: Number of Conditions for Stayers	
22b	SEVERITY OF NEED/PERCENT ZERO INCOME AT ENTRY % of households with zero income at program entry	APR Q18: Client Cash Income Category – Earned/Other Income Category – by Start and Annual Assessment/Exit Status Numerator: Q18 Adults with No Income – Number of Adults at Start Denominator: (Q18. Total Adults – Number of Adults at Start) – (Q18. Number of Adults at Start – Adults with Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused Income Information)	
22c	SEVERITY OF NEED/CHRONICALLY HOMELESS Percent of chronically homeless households at entry	APR Q26a Number of Households w/ at least one or more Chronically Homeless Persons Numerator: Q26a Chronically Homeless - Total Denominator: (Q26a Total) – (Q26a Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)	

22.1	SEVERITY OF NEED/UNSHELTERED	APR Q15 Living Situation	
22d	% of adult participants coming from unsheltered locations at entry	Numerator: (Q15 Total Place not meant for human habitation)	
		<u>Denominator</u> : (Q15 Total) – (Q15 Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)	
22e	SEVERITY OF NEED/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	APR Q14a Domestic Violence History	
ZZe	% of adult participants w/ History of domestic violence	Numerator: Q14a Total Yes (Domestic Violence History)	
	domestic violence	<u>Denominator:</u> Q14a Total Total – Q14a Total Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused	
23	HOUSING FIRST APPROACH	Agency response to Housing First Questionnaire will be reviewed to ensure adherence to Housing First tenets	
24 (New)	HOUSING FIRST POLICIES	Review of Survey Submission Date	
25 (New)	LIVED EXERIENCE	Review of RSF information submitted by agency	
26 (New)	NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency	
27 (New)	EQUITY Recent and/or Current Agency Actions to address disparities and advance equity in its provision of services	Review of RSF submitted by agency	
28	COC MEETINGS CoC Meeting Attendance	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency, meeting sign in records, and online survey attendance submissions	
29a	REGIONAL HOMELSS ADVISORY BOARD (RHAB) MEETINGS Participation in RHAB meetings	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency, sign in records submission from RHAB meetings, and documentation from RHAB chairs	
29b	COUNTY LHOT OR HOUSING COALITION MEETINGS Participation in county LHOT or Housing Coalition Meetings	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency, sign in records from LHOT meetings, and documentation from LHOT chairs	
30	PARTICIPATION IN COC TRAINING EVENTS	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency, webinar/training sign in records, and online survey attendance submissions	
31 (not scored in	Coordinated Entry Participation	NOTE: This criteria will not be scored in 2023.	

2023)	% of enrollments pulled from By Name List	
32 (Bonus)	BONUS: FULL HMIS PARTICIPATION WITHIN ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING COC FUNDING	Review of documentation submitted by agency in RSF and confirmation of HMIS participating projects by DCED HMIS team
33	Late Submission (Penalty) if required CoC Renewal Scoring Documents are submitted after deadline (unless provided an extension due to extenuating circumstances)	Review of Survey Submission Date

Summary of which new project scoring criteria meet which HUD thresholds

NEW PROJECTS

Below please find outlined which criteria meet HUD requirements as outlined in the NOFO. The full new project scoring tool can be found on the following pages:

- 1. Established total points available for each project application type. See new project scoring tool page 4 (Annual CoC NOFO), page 8 (DV Bonus RRH or TH-RRH) and page 11 (DV Bonus SSO-CE).
- 2. Had at least 33% of total points based on objective criteria. The following criteria are objective criteria. Objective criteria make up 22 out of 58 maximum points (38%).

Criteria #	Criteria	Max Points
1	Geography to be covered	2
15	System Performance Measures	10
16	Non-CoC Resources to Cover Housing Costs	5
	Non-CoC Resources to Cover Healthcare/Service	
17	Costs	5

3. Had at least 20% of the total points based on system performance criteria. The following criteria are related to system performance. System performance criteria make up 14 out of 58 maximum points (24%).

Criteria		
#	Criteria	Max Points
	Strong description of how project will assist	
	participants to obtain and retain permanent	
12	housing	2
	Strong description of how project will assist	
13	participants to access mainstream resources	2
15	System Performance Measures	10

4. Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services. **The following criteria considered specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities:**

Criteria		
#	Criteria	Max Points
	Experience with project component type and/or	
3	target population	2
	Experience serving and improving outcomes for	
	communities that have historically been	
	marginalized, and organizational capacity to promote	
5	racial equity	2

- 5. Used data from comparable database to score projects submitted by VSPs. As indicated in the attached new project scoring tool, all current CoC-funded projects (including VSPs) are evaluated on performance in FY23 local renewal scoring process (which evaluated VSPs using DV comparable database data) see criteria 15.
- 6. Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers. **The following criteria evaluated this:**

Criteria		
#	Criteria	Max Points
	Project design and delivery of services are designed	
4	to promote equity	2
	Experience serving and improving outcomes for	
	communities that have historically been	
	marginalized, and organizational capacity to promote	
5	racial equity	2
	Organizational capacity to promote racial equity	
	within leadership/operations/hiring practices, and	
6	through financial commitments	1

New project scoring tool -Annual CoC NOFO

- -DV Bonus RRH or TH-RRH
- -DV Bonus SSO-CE

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Western PA Coc: 2023 New Pr	oject Scoring Sheet (Annual CoC NOFO)
Agency Name:	
Project Type:	
Expansion project? (Yes or No)	
Transition project? (Yes or No)	

FUNDING COMMITTEE INSTRUCTIONS: For each project you are evaluating, enter your score for each criteria in the corresponding blue field. For criteria 15, DMA will provide numbers for you to enter into the Max Points and Points Awarded fields. Score will automatically calculate.

Please enter any comments at the bottom of the sheet. Please use a separate tab for each project you are evaluating. See DMA summary spreadsheet for additional helpful information such as budget information, cost effectiveness, and CoC participation.

APPLICANT INFORMATION	MAX POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
1 Geography to be covered (questions 8, 9, 25) Multi-county, RHAB/CoC-wide = 2 points Single County with strong explanation in project description why single county project needed = 2 points Single County without strong explanation why single county project needed = 0 points	2	
APPLICANT EXPERIENCE	MAX POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
 Organizational capacity = 2 points (questions 15-18) O points if organization does not describe sufficient capacity to implement project 1 point if capacity somewhat described 2 points if it is clear that the organization has capacity to operate the project, based on HUD and CoC requirements 	2	
Experience with project component type and/or target population = 2 3 points (question 18) a) If PSH: demonstrates sufficient experience with chronic population b) If RRH or TH/RRH: demonstrates sufficient experience with rapidly rehousing households c) If tageting a specific subpopulation: demonstrates sufficient experience with the subpopulation · 0 points if not described · 1 point if somewhat described · 2 points if reviewer believes the applicant has needed experience	2	

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Project design and delivery of services are designed to promote equity = 4 2 points (question 19)		
0 points if not described	2	
1 point if somewhat described	_	
2 points if clearly described and provides strong description of how design will promote equity		
wiii promote equity		
Experience serving and improving outcomes for communities that have		
historically been marginalized, and organizational capacity to promote		
5 racial equity = 2 points (question 19)	2	
0 points if not described 1 point if somewhat described	2	
2 points if reviewer believes the applicant has needed experience and		
capacity		
Organizational capacity to promote racial equity within		
leadership/operations/hiring practices, and through financial		
6 commitments = 1 point (question 20)		
0 points if not described	1	
0.5 points if somewhat described, or have taken some steps but not fully implemented	1	
1 point if clearly described and indicates strong organizational capacity to		
promote racial equity		
7 Experience with Housing First = 2 points (question 21)		
0 points if not described		
1 point if somewhat described	2	
2 points if applicant indicates low/no barriers to entry and that reviewer		
believes the applicant has needed experience		
Experience parterning with people with lived experience = 1 points		
8 (question 22)		
0 points if not described	1	
0.5 points if somewhat described1 point if described and reviewer believes the applicant has needed		
experience		
PROJECT DESIGN	MAX POINTS	DOINTS AWARDED
Clear and compelling description of community/regional need = 2 points	IVIAX FOINTS	POINTS AWARDED
9 (question 24)		
0 points if need not described	2	
1 point if narrative but no data, or data does not support the need for this		
project 2 points if applicant describes need and provides supporting data		
Strategic partnerships with community providers = 2 points (question 23,		
10 part 2)		
0 points if not described		
1 point if somewhat described	2	
2 points if partners named and nature of partnership described, including		
2 points if partners named and nature of partnership described, including the services/ resources being provided by community partnerships		

	0 points if projected outcomes not described 2 points if projected outcomes further goals of CoC	2	
12	Strong description of how project will assist participants to obtain and retain permanent housing = 2 points (question 28) 0 points if not described 1 point if somewhat described 2 points if clear description of how project with assist participants to obtain housing, including relationships with landlords	2	
13	Strong description of how project will assist participants to access mainstream resources = 2 points (question 29) 0 points if not described 1 point if somewhat described 2 points if clear description of how project with assist participants to acces smainstream resources	2	
14	Appropriateness of project. (The proposed project is responsive to the needs as identified in the project description.) = 4 points (question 24, reviewer's overall impression, and project budget) O points if projected intervention does not match needs identified 2 point if projected intervention somewhat matches needs, but there are outstanding questions or concerns 4 points if project scale, project type, and service plan are appropriate based on needs identified	4	
	SYSTEM PERFORMANCE	MAX POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
	Current CoC funded projects: System Performance Measures (Quintiles) Current CoC funded agencies will be evaluated on their performance in the FY23 local renewal scoring process related to system performance criteria (housing stability, returns to homelessness or DV safety for DV dedicated projects, LOT between project start date and housing move in, income growth, connecting participants to non-cash/mainstream benefits, connecting participants to health insurance, high quality data entry, timeliness of HMIS data entry). Agencies will be evaluated in quintiles. DMA will take average performance score for any agency that has multiple CoC funded projects. Agencies that do not currently receive CoC funding will not be evaluated on this criteria. *However, the Funding Committee may also consider performance as an additional factor for consideration if an applicant was a former CoC grantee or is a current or former ESG grantee.* 1st quintile - Top 20% ranked CoC funded agencies related to system performance: 10 points 2nd quintile: 21-40% ranked: 8 points 3rd quintile: 41-60% ranked: 6 points	TO BE ENTERED BY DMA	TO BE ENTERED BY DMA

	Leveraging	MAX POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
16	Non-COC Resources to cover housing costs = 5 points (questions 31-32) 5 points if PSH or RRH project will housing subsidies or subsidized housing units for at least 25% of units/participants in the project	5	
17	Non-COC Resources to cover healthcare/service costs = 5 points (questions 33-34) 5 points if project will leverage 25% or more of the project's healthcare/service needs through community partnerships	5	

NEED/DEMAND	MAX POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
18 Need/demand for project = Up to 10 points		
10 points - project meeting high demand based on gaps analysis data and compared to other projects submitted 5 points - project meeting medium demand based on gaps analysis data and compared to other projects submitted 0 points - project meeting low demand based on gaps analysis data and compared to other projects submitted	10	DETERMINED BY FUNDING COMMITTEE

TOTAL	TOTAL MAX BASE POINTS	TOTAL POINTS AWARDED
Total Points, Not Including System Performance (Max 48)	48	#VALUE!
	TO BE	
	ENTERED BY	
System Performance Points (10 if CoC-funded; 0 N/A)	DMA	TO BE ENTERED BY DMA
TOTAL SCORE (Total Points Awarded/Total Max Base Points)		#VALUE!

NOTE: OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Additional consideration will be given to agencies that have not previously received CoC funding

Past Performance:

A: Current ESG Grantees

Previous performance related outcomes are strong

B: Applicants who are not current/former CoC/ESG grantees/ no data in HMIS

Strong performance outcomes from other projects (if known)

Cost Effectiveness

Is the project cost effective? Compare project's service budget to CoC average. How does supportive services + admin cost compare to CoC average? (DMA to provide)

CoC Participation:

Participates in CoC/RHAB (DMA to provide)

Participates in HMIS or HMIS-comparable database (DMA to provide) Participates in Coordinated Entry process (DMA to provide)

Do you recommend this project? (Yes/No)	
Do you recommend any changes to the project design/scale/etc.?	
Funding Committee Comments:	

RRH)		
Agency Name:		
Project Type:		
FUNDING COMMITTEE INSTRUCTIONS: For each project yo criteria in the corresponding blue field. Score will automat		
Please enter any comments at the bottom of the sheet. Ple you are evaluating. See DMA summary spreadsheet for ad budget information, cost effectiveness, and CoC participat	ditional helpful	• •
	MAX POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
Geography to be covered (questions 8, 9, 22) Multi-county, RHAB/CoC-wide = 2 points Single County with strong explanation in project description why single county project needed = 2 points Single County without strong explanation why single county project needed = 0 points	2	
Organizational capacity = 2 points (questions 12-15) 0 points if organization does not describe sufficient capacity to implement project 1 point if capacity somewhat described 2 points if it is clear that the organization has capacity to operate the project, based on HUD and CoC requirements	2	
Experience providing housing to families/individuals fleeing domestic violence = 2 points (questions 20, 24-27; questions 11 and 11a) 0 points if not described 1 point if somewhat described		
2 points if reviewer believes the applicant has needed experience	2	
Plan for involving survivors people with lived experience in policy/program development = 1 points (question 29) 0 points if not described 0.5 points if somewhat described 1 point if described and reviewer believes the applicant has needed experience	1	
Strategic partnerships with community providers = 2 points (question 21 part 2, 27) 0 points if not described		
 1 point if somewhat described 2 points if partners named and nature of partnership described, including the services/ resources being provided by community partnerships 	2	

6 Projected outcomes = 2 points (question 21, part 3)		
0 points if projected outcomes not described		
2 points if projected outcomes further goals of CoC	2	
7 How organization supports safety of survivors = 2 points (question 25)		
0 points if not described		
1 point if somewhat described		
1 point it somewhat described		
2 points if clear description of how project supports safety of survivors	2	
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Utilizing a trauma-informed, victim-centered approach = 2 points		
8 (question 26)		
0 points if not described		
1 point if somewhat described		
2 points if clear description of experience providing a trauma-informed,		
victim-centered approach	2	
victim-centered approach		
Survivor-centered services, strengths-based approach, cultural		
9 responsiveneness = 2 points (question 28)		
0 points if not described		
1 point if somewhat described		
2 points if clear description of how organization maximizes client choice		
and autonomy	2	
10 Assist DV survivors to meet service needs = 2 points (question 27)		
0 points if not described		
1 point if somewhat described		
2 points if clear description of how organization supports survivors to		
meet service needs	2	
Experiencing serving and improving outcomes for communities that have		
11 been historically marginalized = 2 points (question 30)		
0 points if not described		
1 point if limited experience, or limited description provided		
2 points if strong evidence of experience serving and improving outcomes		
for historically marginalized communities	2	
, ,		
Appropriateness of project. (The proposed project is responsive to the		
needs as identified in the project description.) = 4 points (question 21,		
12 reviewer's overall impression, and budget)		
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0 points if projected intervention does not match needs identified		
1 point if projected intervention somewhat matches needs, but there are		
outstanding questions or concerns		
2 points if project scale, project type, and service plan are appropriate		
based on needs identified	4	
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13 Current CoC funded projects: System Performance Measures (Quintiles)		
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Current CoC funded agencies will be evaluated on their performance in the FY23 local renewal scoring process related to system performance criteria (housing stability, returns to homelessness or DV safety for DV dedicated projects, LOT between project start date and housing move in, income growth, connecting participants to non-cash/mainstream benefits, connecting participants to health insurance, high quality data entry, timeliness of HMIS data entry). Agencies will be evaluated in quintiles. DMA will take average performance score for any agency that has multiple CoC funded projects. Agencies that do not currently receive CoC funding will not be evaluated on this criteria. *However, the Funding Committee may also consider performance as an additional factor for consideration if an applicant was a former CoC grantee or is a current or former ESG grantee.*

1st quintile - Top 20% ranked CoC funded agencies related to system

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performance: 10 points

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2nd quintile: 21-40% ranked: 8 points 3rd quintile: 41-60% ranked: 6 points 4th quintile: 61-80%: 4 points 5th quintile: 81-100%: 0 points

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14	Need/demand for project = Up to 10 points		
	10 points - project meeting high demand based on gaps analysis data and compared to other projects submitted 5 points - project meeting medium demand based on gaps analysis data and compared to other projects submitted 1 point - project meeting low demand based on gaps analysis data and compared to other projects submitted	10	DETERMINED BY FUNDING COMMITTEE
	Partial points may be awarded at the discretion of the Funding Committee member (anywhere on scale of 1-10); point values above are a general		

	TOTAL MAX	
TOTAL	BASE POINTS	TOTAL POINTS AWARDED
Total Points, Not Including System Performance (Max 35)	35	0
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	ENTERED BY	
System Performance Points (10 if CoC-funded; 0 N/A)	DMA	TO BE ENTERED BY DMA
TOTAL SCORE (Total Points Awarded/Total Max Base		#VALUE!
Points)		#VALUE:

NOTE: OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

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A: Current ESG/CoC Grantees
Previous performance related outcomes are strong

Is the project cost effective? Compare project's service budget to CoC average. How does supportive services + admin cost compare to CoC	
average? (DMA to provide)	
CoC Participation:	
Participates in CoC/RHAB (DMA to provide)	
Participates in HMIS or HMIS-comparable database (DMA to provide) Participates in Coordinated Entry process (DMA to provide)	
Do you recommend this project? (Yes/No)	
Do you recommend any changes to the project design/scale/etc.?	
<u>Funding Committee Comments</u> :	

B: Applicants who are not current/former CoC/ESG grantees/ no data

Strong performance outcomes from other projects (if known)

in HMIS

Cost Effectiveness

Western PA CoC: 2023 New Project Scoring Sheet (DV CE)		
Agency Name:		
FUNDING COMMITTEE INSTRUCTIONS: For each project you are ecorresponding blue field. Score will automatically calculate. Please enter any comments at the bottom of the sheet. Please us evaluating. See DMA summary spreadsheet for additional helpful	e a separate tab for each pr	oject you are
effectiveness, and CoC participation. SCORING CRITERIA	MAX POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
Organizational capacity = 2 points (questions 12-15)	IVIAX POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
0 points if organization does not describe sufficient capacity to implement project 1 point if capacity somewhat described, but not all areas thoroughly addressed 2 points if reviewer believes applicant has capacity to implement the project and meet expectations, based on HUD and CoC requirements	2	
2 Current involvement and participation in Coordinated Entry System (question 16) 0 points if no current partnership 1 point if some current partnership, but partnership is limited 2 points if there is an existing partnership that is described to be active and collaborative	2	
Clear and compelling description of how current system is inadequate to meet needs of DV survivors, and how proposed project will address these inadequacies a = 10 points (question 17) 0 points if need not described or unclear how proposed project will address inadequacies 5 points if need somewhat described or only a limited description of how proposed project will address inadequacies 10 points if need clearly and thoroughly described AND clear description of how proposed project will address inadequacies	10	
Plan for involving survivors people with lived experience in policy/program development = 1 points (question 29) 0 points if not described 0.5 points if somewhat described 1 point if described and reviewer believes the applicant has needed experience	1	
Trauma-informed and victim-centered services = 2 points (question 26) 0 points if not described 1 point if somewhat described 2 points if described and reviewer believes the applicant has needed experience	2	
Experience serving and improving outcomes for communities that have historically been marginalized, and organizational capacity to promote racial equity = 2 points (question 30) 0 points if not described 1 point if somewhat described 2 points if reviewer believes the applicant has needed experience and capacity	2	

Appropriateness of project. (The proposed project is responsive to the needs as identified in the project description.) = 4 points

8 (reviewer's overall impression and budget)

0 points if projected intervention does not match needs identified 2 points if project scale, project type, and service plan are appropriate based on needs identified

SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

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MAX POINTS

9	Current CoC funded pi	rojects: System Pe	rformanc	e Measures	(Quintiles)

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1st quintile - Top 20% ranked CoC funded agencies related to system performance:

2nd quintile: 21-40% ranked: 8 points 3rd quintile: 41-60% ranked: 6 points 4th quintile: 61-80%: 4 points 5th quintile: 81-100%: 0 points TO BE ENTERED BY DMA

TO BE ENTERED BY DMA

POINTS AWARDED

		TOTAL POINTS
TOTAL	TOTAL MAX BASE POINTS	AWARDED
TOTAL Points, Not Including System Performance (Max 23)	23	0
		TO BE ENTERED BY
System Performance Points (10 if CoC-funded; 0 N/A)	TO BE ENTERED BY DMA	DMA
TOTAL SCORE (Total Points Awarded/Total Max Base Points)	#VALU	JE!

NOTE: OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Additional consideration will be given to agencies that have not previously received CoC funding

Past Performance:

A: Current Grantees (CoC or ESG):

Previous performance related outcomes are strong

B: Applicants who are not current/former CoC/ESG grantees/ no data in HMIS Strong performance outcomes from other projects (if known)

Cost Effectiveness

Is the project cost effective? Compare project's service budget to CoC average. How does supportive services + admin cost compare to CoC average? (DMA to provide)

CoC Participation:

Participates in CoC/RHAB

Participates in HMIS or HMIS-comparable database

Participates in Coordinated Entry process

Do you recommend any changes to the project design/scale/etc.?					
Funding Committee Comments:					

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1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project

Documents include the following:

- One scored renewal project form (PSH)
- Renewal scoring criteria

One scored renewal project form (PSH) PSH was most common renewal project type

Western PA CoC 2023 Renewal Scoring Summary

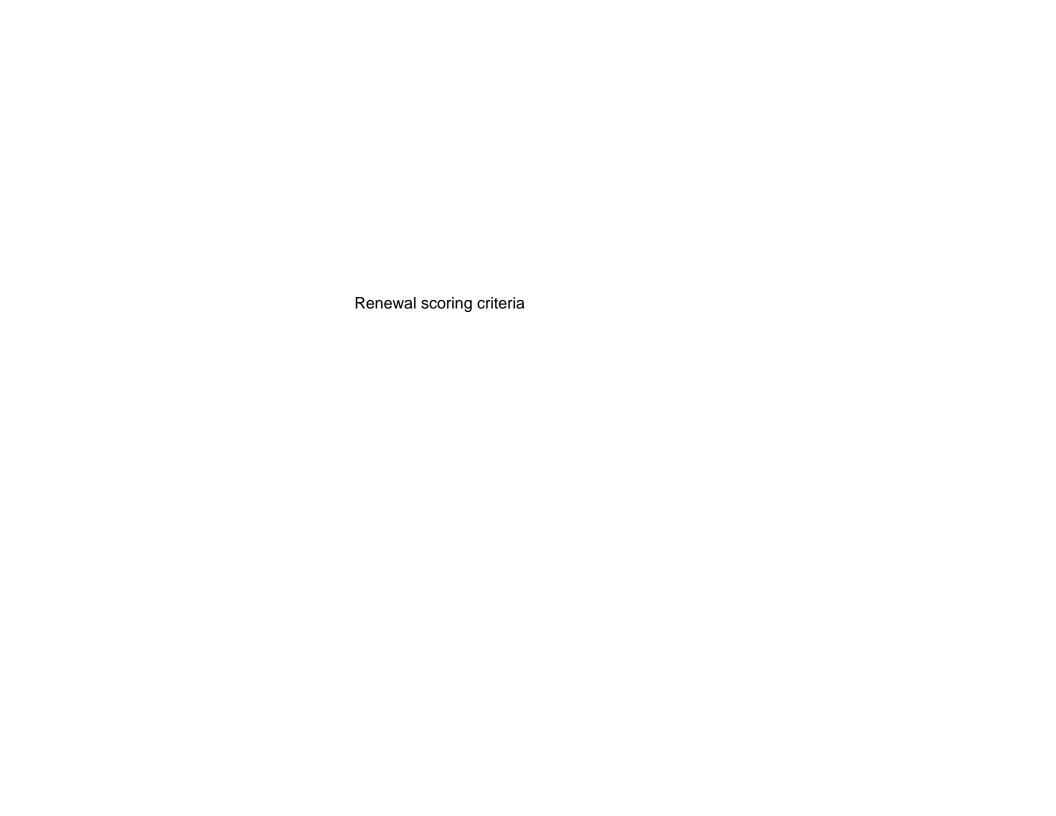
Agency Name
Project Name
Project Type

Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc
PA0495-Housing Now
PSH

Criteria #	Criteria	Max Points	Performance/Outcomes	Points Awarded	Criteria Type
1a	TH/SSO - Housing Stability	8	N/A	N/A	System Performance; Objective
1b	RRH/TH-RRH/PSH - Housing Stability	10	100%	10	System Performance; Objective
2	Returns to Homelessness	2	0%	2	System Performance; Objective
3	Projects Dedicated to DV	2	N/A	N/A	
4	SSO/TH - Length of Stay/Average	1	N/A	N/A	System Performance; Objective
5	SSO/TH - Length of Stay/Longer than 12 Months	1	N/A	N/A	System Performance; Objective
	RRH/TH-RRH/PSH - Length of Time Between Project Start				
6	Date and Residential Move In	1	0 Days	1	System Performance; Objective
7	Income Growth - Increase Total Income	7	50%	7	System Performance; Objective
8	Participants with Any Income	3	50%	2	System Performance; Objective
9	Connecting Participants to Mainstream Benefits	4	100%	4	Objective
10	Participants Connected to Health Insurance	2	100%	2	Objective
11a	High Quality Data Entry - PII Name	0.5	0%	0.5	Objective
11b	High Quality Data Entry - PII Date of Birth	0.5	0%	0.5	Objective
11c	High Quality Data Entry - PII Race	0.5	0%	0.5	Objective
11d	High Quality Data Entry - PII Ethnicity	0.5	0%	0.5	Objective
11e	High Quality Data Entry - PII Gender	0.5	0%	0.5	Objective
11f	High Quality Data Entry-Destination	1.5	0%	1.5	Objective
11g	High Quality Data Entry-Income and Sources at Entry High Quality Data Entry-Income & Sources at Annual	1.5	0%	1.5	Objective
11h	Assessment	1.5	0%	1.5	Objective
		1.0	5,0	2.0	
11i	High Quality Data Entry-Income and Sources at Exit	1.5	0%	1.5	Objective
	Timeliness-Percent project entry records entered w/in				
12a	specified benchmark	2	100%	2	Objective
	Timeliness-Percent project exit records entered w/in				
12b	specified benchmark	2	100%	2	Objective
13	Project Participant Eligibility	2	100%	2	Objective
14	Utilization Rate	3	95%	3	Objective
15	Quarterly Draws	N/S in 2023	N/S	N/S	
16	Funds Expended	8	100%	8	Objective
17	Timely APR Submission	2	Yes	2	Objective
18	Cost Per HH	1	\$1,547.00	0.75	Objective
19	Cost Per HH Pos Exit	1	\$1,638.00	0.75	Objective
20	HUD Monitoring	0 (-5 if unresolved findings)	N/A	0	
21	Project Type	3	PSH	3	Objective
22a	Severity of Need - Health Conditions	2	100%	2	Objective; Severe Service Needs
22b	Severity of Need - Zero Income at Entry	2	78%	2	Objective; Severe Service Needs
22c	Severity of Need - Chronically Homeless	2	6%	0	Objective; Severe Service Needs

Criteria #	Criteria	Max Points	Performance/Outcomes	Points Awarded	Criteria Type
22d	Severity of Need - Unsheltered	2	28%	2	Objective; Severe Service Needs
22e	Severity of Need - Domestic Violence	2	11%	0.5	Objective; Severe Service Needs
23	Housing First Approach	5	Yes	5	
24	Housing First Policies	2	Yes	2	Objective
25	Lived Experience	3	Yes	3	
26	Non-Discrimination Policy	2	Yes	2	Objective
					Equity/Identifying Barriers to
					Participation Faced by Persons of
27	Equity Narrative	4	3 out of 4 points	3	Different Races and Ethnicities
28	CoC Meetings	2	2 Meetings	2	Objective
29a/b	RHAB Participation & County LHOT Participation	4	100%	4	Objective
30a	CoC Webinars - Fair Housing Training	1	Yes	1	Objective
30b	CoC Webinars - Data Quality 101	1	Yes	1	Objective
30c	CoC Webinars - Data Quality 201	1	Yes	1	Objective
30d	CoC Webinars - Domestic Violence Training	1	Yes	1	Objective
30e	CoC Webinar - DEI parts 1 to 5	2.5	5 out of 5 trainings	2.5	Objective
31	Coordinated Entry Participation	N/S in 2023	N/S	N/S	
32	Full HMIS Participation	0.5 bonus points	Yes	0.5	
33	Late Submission Penalty	0 (2 point penalty if late)	No	0	

	100 points for PSH/RRH/TH- RRH; 99 points for TH (converted to 100 point scale); 93 points for SSO (converted to 100 point	
MAX ELIGIBLE POINTS/ADJUSTED BASE	scale)	100
TOTAL POINTS EARNED		95.0
FY23 SCORE (total points earned/adjusted based)		95.0
FY22 score (per CoC Funding Policies, final score is average of FY23 and FY22scores)		95.0
FINAL SCORE		95.0



Western PA CoC: 2023 Renewal Project Scoring Criteria

Approved by Funding Committee: 2/14/2023

The time period used for all data will be January 1, 2022-December 31, 2022

#	Criteria	Data Source	Point Structure
Performance	and Data Quality: RRH/ TH-RRH/PSH = 41.5 points; TH	= 40.5 points; SSO :	= 39 points
1a	TH/SSO- Housing Stability: TH & SSO Only	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	TH/SSO • 98% = 8 points
	TH Measurement: % of participants/leavers who exited to permanent housing destination. SSO Measurement: % of participants/leavers who were placed into Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing or Permanent Housing Note: Individuals who exit to any of the below listed "destinations" will be removed from the calculation and therefore will not count negatively towards this outcome: Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility Foster care home or foster care group home Long-term care facility or nursing home Deceased Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility		 94-97%= 6 points 88-93% -4 points 83-87% = 2 points
	Note to grantees: The thresholds for this criterion were lowered for 2021, to account for the impact of COVID-19. This criterion will likely be readjusted in future years, including raising thresholds and point value. Average outcomes in 2022: TH: 100%; SSO: 97%		
1b	RRH/TH-RRH/PSH – Housing Stability: RRH, TH-RRH & PSH Only – RRH and TH-RRH Measurement: % of participants/leavers who exited to permanent housing destination. PSH Measurement: % of participants/stayers who remained in PSH project or participants/leavers who exited to other permanent housing.	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	RRH/TH-RRH % exits to permanent housing; PSH % remained in permanent housing or exited to permanent housing: • 98% = 10 points

	Note: Individuals who exit to any of the below listed "destinations" will be removed from the calculation and therefore will not count negatively towards this outcome: • Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility • Foster care home or foster care group home • Long-term care facility or nursing home • Deceased • Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility Note to grantees: The thresholds for this criterion were lowered for 2021, to account for the impact of COVID-19. This criterion will likely be readjusted in future years, including raising thresholds and point value. Average outcomes in 2022: PSH: 98%; RRH/TH-RRH: 99%		 88-93% = 6 points 83-87% = 4 points
2	 <u>% returns to homelessness</u>: Percentage of adults return to homelessness within 6 months of program exit to a permanent housing destination. <u>Note</u>: N/A for DV providers, as there is no way to measure if clients reentered the system, only their specific program. N/A for SSO Average outcomes in 2022: 0.7%	HMIS	 0 - 5% returns to homelessness within 6 months of program exit = 2 points 6 - 10% = 1 point >10% = 0 points
3	Degree to which victim service projects improve safety for the population served. Evaluate the practices of victim service providers around serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and their ability to house survivors and meet safety outcomes.	RSF	2 points total 1) Projects must describe how they support the safety of DV survivors by: • Training staff on safety planning • Training staff on trauma-informed, victim centered approaches • Adjusting intake space to better ensure a private conversation • Working with survivors to have them identify

			what is safe for them as it relates to scattered site units and/or rental assistance • Keeping the location confidential of units used for survivors 2) Project must describe how they measure the projects' ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served (i.e. how does the project capture/evaluate this data)
4	Length of Stay/Average: TH and SSO Only - Average length of stay for leavers Average outcomes in 2022: 316 days	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	Average length of stay for leavers: Less than 9 months (274 days or less) = 1 point 9 - 12 months (275 to 365 days) = 0.5 points
5	Length of Stay/Less than 12 months: TH and SSO Only - The percent of participants whose length of stay is 12 months or less Average outcomes in 2022: 82.4%	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers • 90%+ = 1 point • 80-89% = 0.5 points
6	Length of time between Project Start Date and Housing Move-in Date (RRH, TH-RRH, and PSH only)- Average Providers are expected to move participants in as quickly as possible upon enrollment; Decreasing length of time between project start date and housing move-in date is one factor that contributes to SPM Metric 1b (length of time homeless) Average outcomes in 2022: 8 days	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	30 days or less (average) = 1 point

7	Increase in total income: % of all adult participants who increased income from any source from entry to exit/annual assessment (leavers and stayers) NOTE: Adult participants' Earned Income Growth and Non-Earned Income Growth both factor into Total Income Growth. Average outcomes in 2022: PSH: 59%; RRH/TH-RRH: 50%; TH: 69%; SSO: 52%	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 50% or more had an increase in total income = 7 points 40-49% increase income = 6 points 30-39% increase income = 4 points 20-29% increase income = 3 points
8 (NEW)	Participants with any income - % of adult participants with 1+ source of income at exit/annual assessment (leavers and stayers)	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 60%+ - 3 points 50-59% - 2 points 40-49% - 1 point
9	Connecting Participants to Mainstream Benefits % of adult participants with 1+ source of Non-Cash benefits (SNAP, WIC, TANF, others, etc.) Average outcomes in 2022: PSH:86%; RRH: 79%; SSO: 81%; TH: 88%	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 100% = 4 points 90-99% = 3 points 80-89% = 2 points 70-79% = 1 point
10	Participants Connected to Health Insurance: Percentage of all participants with 1+ source of health insurance Average outcomes in 2022: PSH: 89%; RRH: 95%; SSO: 99%; TH: 90%	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	95%=2 points85-94% = 1 point
11	#MIS Data Quality: % of Error Rate for the following data points entered into HMIS: a. PII - Name b. PII - Date of Birth c. PII - Race d. PII - Ethnicity e. PII - Gender f. Destination g. Income and Sources at Entry h. Income and Sources at Annual Assessment	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database	8.5 points total 11.a. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.b. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.c. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.d. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.e. – 0% error rate – 0.5 points 11.e. – 0% error rate – 1.5 points 11.g. – 0% error rate – 1.5 points 11.h. – 0% error rate – 1.5 points 11.i. – 0% error rate – 1.5 points

	i. Income and Sources at Exit		
	Please note that this criterion may be more heavily weighted in future scoring rounds.		
12	a. % of project entry records entered into HMIS within specified benchmark b. % of project exit records entered into HMIS within specified benchmark Data entered within 10 days. Timeliness specifically looks at project entry and exit dates. For example, this measure will compare a household's actual enrollment date against the date that their enrollment date was entered in HMIS Per the HMIS Participation Agreement, all data should be entered into PA-HMIS within 7 days. Please note that this criterion may be more heavily weighted in future scoring rounds. 2022 Average Outcomes Entries: 72% 2022 Average Outcomes Exits: 68%	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database	 4 points total a. 100% of project entry records input within: 0-10 days -2 points 80% of project entry records input within 0-10 days - 1 point b. 100% of project exit records input within: 0-10 days - 2 points 80% of project exit records input within 0-10 days - 1 point
Grant Manage	ment/Monitoring = 17 points PSH/RRH/TH-RRH/TH; 1	3 points SSO	
13	Participant Eligibility: Prior residence of adult participants served during the reporting period = Category 1 (literally homeless) or Category 4 (fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or family member)	RSF (report from provider on literally homeless and fleeing DV households); cross referenced with APR from HMIS and APR from DV providers	 94% of adult participants served were literally homeless/fleeing DV = 2 points 90-93% of adult participants served were literally homeless/fleeing DV = 1 points
	% of participants whose prior living situation was reported as literally homeless situations or fleeing DV		

14	 Unit Utilization rates: Average utilization/occupancy rate of project Average utilization rate of project (using project utilization each quarter, as reported on APR) N/A for SSO 	# units per renewal app compared to average unit utilization; APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	All Projects ■ 90+ utilization rate = 3 points ■ 85-89% = 2 points ■ 80-84% = 1 point
	Note to grantees: The thresholds and point value for this criterion were lowered for 2021, to account for the impact of COVID-19. This criterion will likely be readjusted in future years, including raising thresholds and point value. For projects with under 10 units, will use a 3-year average if the project is under 80% utilization.		
15 (not scored in 2023)	<u>Drawdown rates</u> : Minimum of quarterly drawdown from eLOCCS. HUD requires a minimum of quarterly draws	e-LOCCS	Not scored in 2023. Due to significant delays from HUD with executing contracts in 2023, many providers were not able to draw funds in the first or second quarter of their grant. As such, the CoC will not be evaluating on quarterly draws in 2023.
16	Funds Expended: % of grant funds expended. Ensure project is fully utilizing CoC funding. Goal = full spend down If less than 90% expended, grantee will be asked to submit a supplemental form related to grant spending over last 3 years and projected spending.	e-LOCCS	 100% of funds expended = 8 points 95% - 99% expended = 6 points 90% - 94% expended = 2 points <90% expended = 0 points
17	Timely APR submission APR submitted within 90 days of end of grant (HUD requirement)	Last submitted APR	 Timely submission = 2 points Submitted beyond 90 days = 0 points

18a	Cost Effectiveness - Cost per household: SSO/TH/RRH/TH-RRH- Average cost per Household served (TH-RRH and RRH: households who moved into housing) compared to average of other projects	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database; Grant Inventory Worksheet	Numerator: Services + admin line items from Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW) Denominator: # of HHs served per PA-HMIS/APR or APR from DV providers SSO/TH/RRH/TH-RRH projects will be ranked in order of lowest to highest cost per household. Points will be awarded in quartiles (25% of projects in group): • Top 25% of projects with lowest cost/HH = 1 point • Second quartile of projects (26-50%) = 0.75 points • Third quartile (51-75%) = 0.5 points • Bottom 25% of projects with highest cost per HH = 0 points
18b	Cost Effectiveness - Cost per household: PSH- Average cost per Household served who moved into housing to average of other projects	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database; Grant Inventory Worksheet	Numerator: Services + admin line items from GIW Denominator: # of HHs served per PA-HMIS/APR or APR from DV providers PSH projects will be ranked in order of lowest to highest cost per household. Points will be awarded in quartiles (25% of projects in group): Top 25% of projects with lowest cost/HH = 1 point Second quartile of projects (26-50%) = 0.75 points Third quartile (51-75%) = 0.5 points Bottom 25% of projects with highest cost per HH = 0 points

19a	Cost Effectiveness - Cost per EXIT to PH destination: TH/RRH/TH-RRH- Average cost per exit to Permanent Housing destination compared to average of other projects SSO projects are excluded from this criterion.	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database; Grant Inventory Worksheet	Numerator: Services + admin line items from GIW Denominator: Leavers to PH per PA-HMIS/APR or APR from DV providers SSO/TH/RRH/TH-RRH projects will be ranked in order of lowest to highest cost per household. Points will be awarded in quartiles (25% of projects in group): Top 25% of projects with lowest cost/HH = 1 point Second quartile of projects (26-50%) = 0.75 points Third quartile (51-75%) = 0.5 points Bottom 25% of projects with highest cost per HH = 0 points
19b	Cost Effectiveness - Cost per household that remains in PSH or exits to another PH destination: PSH- Average cost per household that remains in PSH or exits to other Permanent Housing destination compared to average of other projects	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database; Grant Inventory Worksheet	Numerator: Services + admin line items from GIW Denominator: Stayers + Leavers to other PH per PA-HMIS/APR or APR from DV providers PSH projects will be ranked in order of lowest to highest cost per household. Points will be awarded in quartiles (25% of projects in group): Top 25% of projects with lowest cost/HH = 1 point Second quartile of projects (26-50%) = 0.75 points Third quartile (51-75%) = 0.5 points Bottom 25% of projects with highest cost per HH = 0 points

20	HUD Monitoring Disposition of HUD Monitoring and Findings. Any findings during monitoring should be resolved within the HUD timeline identified.	Letter verifying no monitoring; If monitored, evidence of no outstanding findings	 No monitoring within the last two years, or monitored with no outstanding issues = 0 points Project monitored and has unresolved findings = - 5 points
HUD Priorit	ies = 29 points		
21	Project Type Point value awarded based on project type	RSF	 PSH = 3 points RRH/TH-RRH = 3 points TH = 0 points SSO = 0 points
22a	Severity of Need/Health Conditions: Percent of adult participants with 1+ physical and/or mental health conditions	APR pulled from HMIS or DV comparable database	• PSH o 100+= 2 points o 90-99% = 1 point
	 Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process. Projects who serve participants with high severity of needs may struggle in other areas (e.g., increasing income, exits to permanent housing) as a result of serving participants with high severity of need. These criteria are intended to factor that into the scoring. Projects are not intended to receive all points in all areas of the renewal scoring criteria. Criteria are intended to allow for a balanced evaluation of the project. 		• RRH/TH-RRH/TH/SSO
22b	Severity of Need/Zero Income at Entry: Percent of adult participants with zero income at program entry Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process.	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 50% + = 2 points 20% to 49 = 1 point < 20% = 0 points

	 Projects who serve participants with high severity of needs may struggle in other areas (e.g., increasing income, exits to permanent housing) as a result of serving participants with high severity of need. These criteria are intended to factor that into the scoring. Projects are not intended to receive all points in all areas of the renewal scoring criteria. Criteria are intended to allow for a balanced evaluation of the project. 		
22c	 Severity of Need/Chronically Homeless: Percent of chronically homeless households at entry Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process. Projects who serve participants with high severity of needs may struggle in other areas (e.g., increasing income, exits to permanent housing) as a result of serving participants with high severity of need. These criteria are intended to factor that into the scoring. Projects are not intended to receive all points in all areas of the renewal scoring criteria. Criteria are intended to allow for a balanced evaluation of the project. 	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 PSH 20-29% = 0.5 points 30-39%= 1 point 40-49%+= 1.5 points 50%+= 2 points RRH/TH-RRH/TH/SSO 1-4%- 1 point 5%+ - 2 points
22d	 Severity of Need/Unsheltered: % of adult participants coming from unsheltered locations at entry Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process. Projects who serve participants with high severity of needs may struggle in other areas (e.g., increasing income, exits to permanent housing) as a result of serving participants with high severity of need. These criteria are intended to factor that into the scoring. Projects are not intended to receive all points in all areas of the renewal scoring criteria. Criteria are intended to allow for a balanced evaluation of the project. 	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 5-9%= 0.5 points 10-14%= 1 point 15-19%= 1.5 points 20%+= 2 points

22e	 Severity of Need/Domestic Violence: % of adult participants w/ History of domestic violence Note to Grantees: Goals/Intent of Severity of Need Criteria HUD requirement For projects who serve participants with high vulnerability/high severity of needs, HUD wants to ensure that CoCs are taking this into consideration in some way during the scoring process. Projects who serve participants with high severity of needs may struggle in other areas (e.g., increasing income, exits to permanent housing) as a result of serving participants with high severity of need. These criteria are intended to factor that into the scoring. Projects are not intended to receive all points in all areas of the renewal scoring criteria. Criteria are intended to allow for a balanced evaluation of the project. 	APR pulled from HMIS; APR from DV providers	 10-14%= 0.5 points 15-19%= 1 point 20-24%= 1.5 points 25%+= 2 points
23	Housing First Approach: CoC policy requires all CoC-funded projects to operate using a Housing First Approach. IMPORTANT NOTE TO PROJECTS: In the upcoming year, the CoC plans to review organization/project policies and procedures to ensure compliance with a Housing First approach as a part of the CoC NOFA scoring and ranking process. This may include review of policies and procedures related to participant eligibility, intake/screening policies, and exit/discharge policies. The CoC recommends that all CoC funded organizations/projects review their policies and procedures to ensure that they are aligned with a Housing First approach, using the Housing First questionnaire as a guide.	RSF	Organization affirmatively answers all questions within Housing First Questionnaire = 5 points
24 (NEW)	Housing First Policies The Funding Committee is requesting that CoC-funded agencies provide documentation related to compliance with Housing First. This includes: 1) admissions/intake/screening policy, including participant eligibility; 2) program rules and/or expectations; 3) exit/discharge/appeals policy. If your agency does not currently have these policies, you will be required to indicate that Once the CoC receives the requested documents, CoC staff will review the policies for alignment with Housing First policies. The CoC will request	Submission via Alchemer	2 points – submission of policies by indicated timeline

	these documents in advance of the spring renewal scoring process as it will take time for CoC staff to review these documents. If the CoC staff identifies any potential areas that appear not to be aligned with Housing First, or if there are discrepancies within the document, these issues will be reviewed with the Funding Committee. The CoC will notify program staff in writing of these concerns. CoC agencies will need to respond within 2 weeks mapping out their plan and timeline to resolve any outstanding questions/issues CoC agencies will be given a 3-month window to remedy any issues within the policies and resubmit to the CoC. If agencies need an extension, they can request this from the Funding Committee. In 2023 the Funding Committee will score projects based on whether they submitted the requested documents by the indicated timeline. In 2024 the Funding Committee intends to score projects based on whether a) agency policies are in alignment with Housing First based on CoC review, OR b) agency resolved policies that were flagged by CoC staff as issues.		
25 (NEW)	 Lived Experience Grantee has a minimum of one homeless individual or formerly homeless individual on the board of directors or other equivalent policymaking entity of the recipient or subrecipient OR grantee has received HUD approval for a plan to otherwise consult with homeless or formerly homeless individuals when considering and making policies and decisions. Grantees will also be asked to answer narrative questions related to how they involve people with lived experience in decision-making. This is a HUD requirement per CoC Interim Rule Section 578.75(g). 	Renewal Summary Form	 Organization affirms that they have a homeless individual or formerly homeless individual on the board of directors = 3 points
26	Non-Discrimination Policy	Renewal Summary Form	• Policy Submitted = 2 points

(NEW)	 Grantee submits organization non-discrimination policy. Per the CoC Written Standards, CoC funded agencies are required to adopt an organizational non-discrimination policy. 		
27 (NEW)	Equity Narrative The Western PA CoC is committed to advancing equity in the provision of homeless assistance services for people who may face additional barriers due to race, ethnicity, LGBTQ status, religion, immigrant status, etc. a. Agency provides narrative description of recent or current actions taken to address disparities and advance equity in its provision of services. Examples may include actions such as: • staff training(s): equity, trauma informed care, cultural competence, etc. • reviewing and updating policies & procedures to incorporate an equity lens and remove barriers that might cause a specific group to avoid or be barred from your program (e.g., culturally biased dress codes, diversity of staff, rules on previous behavior or residence, etc.) • evaluating the design of your program: does it address discrimination that may occur in the market (e.g., landlord engagement); deliver culturally-competent services; and take into account culturally-responsive, community-based supports the client/tenant might need? • partnering with community-based organizations that target services to specific subpopulations by supporting participants with jobs, health care, social support, etc. • expanding opportunities for people with lived experience of homelessness (including people of color, LGBT folks, people of different religious backgrounds, immigrants, persons with disabilities, etc.) to provide expert advice and opinions on policy, procedures, and service delivery; Pay them as experts • reviewing program outcomes for disparities across different groups of people, including data on who is admitted to the program and who is exited from the program to examine potential disparities • updating forms to promote inclusion: ask participants their pronouns, legal name, and chosen name; translate forms to primary languages spoken by your participants; etc.	Renewal Summary Form	4 points max 1 point for each substantive recent or current action; up to 4 points

	 evaluating the representation within your board membership and/or organizational leadership to determine whether your board/leadership reflects the population served providing anonymous ways to collect feedback from staff and participants on the culture and climate of your services 		
-	pation = 12.5 points	T	
28	 CoC meetings CoC Meeting Attendance. Full participation in CoC is expected in order to further the goals of the CoC. 	RSF & CoC meeting sign- in sheets	 2 total points Attendance at April 2022 CoC Meeting = 1 point Attendance at October 2022 CoC meeting = 1 point
29a	Regional Homeless Advisory Board (RHAB) meetings ● Participation in RHAB meetings. Full participation in RHAB is expected in order to further the goals of the CoC.	RSF & RHAB attendance sheets	 Attended at least 50% of all RHAB meetings in 2022 = 2 points N/A if in NW Region and not a member of the RHAB.
29b	County LHOT or housing coalition meetings ● Participation in county LHOT or Housing Coalition Meetings. Full participation in county LHOT or housing coalition meetings is expected in order to further the goals of the CoC.	Letter signed by Chair of county entity	Attendance at 75% or more of all county LHOT/housing coalition meetings. NW non-RHAB members = 4 points All others = 2 points
30	Participation in CoC Training Events Full participation in webinar and training opportunities is expected of all CoC funded organizations	RSF & attendance sheets	Attendance at CoC training events is expected of organizations receiving CoC funding. • Points awarded for each training attended 9 required trainings; points outlined below) – 6.5 total points • 0.5 bonus point available for Mainstream Benefits Training 2022 required trainings included: • Fair Housing Training – 1 point • 4/6/22 Webinar

			 Data Quality 101 training – 1 point
			 Bonus Points: Mainstream Benefits Training – 0.5 points 11/16/22 Webinar
31 (not scored in 2023)	Coordinated Entry Participation % of enrollments pulled from By Name List	TBD	Not scored in 2023. Funding Committee will determine mechanism for scoring this in future years with reports available in

32 (Bonus)	Full HMIS participation within organizations receiving CoC funding	• RSF & HMIS	ClientTrack and may pull preliminary data to set baseline benchmarks. HMIS participation among homeless assistance programs (not receiving ESG, CoC, SSVF, PATH, RHY funding) operated by your organization = 0.5 point (maximum)
33	Late Submission (Penalty) if required CoC Renewal Scoring Documents are submitted after deadline (unless provided an extension due to extenuating circumstances) If a grantee needs to request a submission extension due to extenuating circumstances, this must be requested via email (to CoC email address) at least 2 business days in advance. Extensions will be reviewed and approved by the Funding Committee. No extensions will be provided for submissions greater than 5 days after the stated deadline. Grantees are strongly encouraged to work ahead of the deadline to avoid the need to request an extension.	Review of Survey Submission Date	 -2 point penalty for late submission of documents (late submission = any submission after the specific time/date of stated deadline) No renewal scoring documents will be accepted later than 5 days after the stated deadline.

Total Point Scale:

- PSH/RRH/TH-RRH- 100 points
- TH = 99 points (TH score will be converted to a 100-point scale)
- SSO 93 points (SSO score will be converted to a 100-point scale)

<u>Housi</u>	ing First Questionnaire: Is your program operating using a housing first approach?
Organ	ization Name:
Projec	ct Name:
Perso	n Completing this form:
Date:	
1.	Admission/tenant screening and selection practices promote the acceptance of applicants regardless of their sobriety or use of substances, completion of treatment, and participation in services. □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):
2.	Applicants are not rejected on based on having no income, minor criminal convictions, or behaviors that indicate a lack of "housing readiness." □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):
3.	Supportive services emphasize housing procurement over therapeutic goals. Services plans are highly tenant-driven without predetermined goals.
4.	Participation in services or program compliance is not a condition of staying in our program. □ Participation in services or program compliance is NOT a condition of staying in our program □ Participation in services or program compliance IS a condition for staying in our program Comment (if needed):
5.	Use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself is not considered a reason for program dismissal. ☐ Use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself is NOT a reason for program dismissal ☐ Use of alcohol or drugs in and of itself IS a reason for program dismissal Comment (if needed):
6.	We prioritize those with the highest need for services rather than "first come/first serve", such as duration of homelessness and other barriers. □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):
7.	Case managers/service coordinators are trained in and actively employ evidence-based practices for client/tenant engagement such as motivational interviewing and client-centered counseling.

	☐ Yes ☐ No Comment (if needed):
8.	Services are informed by a harm reduction philosophy that recognizes that drug and alcohol use and addiction are a part of tenants' lives, where tenants are engaged in non-judgmental communication regarding drug and alcohol use, and where tenants are offered education regarding how to avoid risky behaviors and engage in safer practices. □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):
9.	Our primary focus is assisting people in our program with a housing plan for swift exit to permanent housing. □ Yes □ No Comment (if needed):

APPENDIX: Data Calculations Explanation for HMIS/APR Related Scoring Criteria

Criteria #	Criteria	Calculation
1a	TH/SSO – HOUSING STABILITY TH Measurement: % of participants/leavers who exited to permanent housing destination among those who exited project.	TH APR Q23c: Exit Destination Numerator: (Q23c-Total persons exiting to positive housing destinations) Denominator: (Q23c-Total persons) - (Q23c-Total persons whose destinations excluded them from the calculation) - (Q23c Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility)
	SSO Measurement: % of participants/leavers who were placed into Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing or Permanent Housing	SSO Q23c: Exit Destination Numerator: (Q23c-Total persons exiting to permanent housing destinations) + (Q23c-Total persons exiting to temporary housing destinations) - (Q23c Place not meant for habitation) Denominator: (Q23c-Total persons) - (Q23c- Total persons whose destinations excluded them from the calculation) - (Q23c Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility)
		Note for TH and SSO: Individuals who exit to any of the below listed "destinations" will be removed from the calculation and therefore will not count negatively towards this outcome: Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility Foster care home or foster care group home Long-term care facility or nursing home Deceased Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility
1b	RRH/TH-RRH/PSH- HOUSING STABILITY RRH Measurement: % of participants/leavers who exited to permanent housing destination among those who exited project.	RRH/TH-RRH: APR Q23c: Exit Destination Numerator: (Q23c-Total persons exiting to positive housing destinations) Denominator: (Q23c-Total persons) - (Q23c-Total persons whose destinations excluded them from the calculation) - (Q23c Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility)
	PSH Measurement: % of participants/stayers who remained in PSH project or participants/leavers who exited to other permanent housing.	PSH: APR Q1 Report Validation Table; Q22a1: Length of Participation – CoC Projects; Q23c: Exit Destination Numerator: (Q22a1 Stayers-Total) + (Q23c-Total persons exiting to positive housing destinations)

		Denominator: (Q5a-Total persons served) - (Q23c-Total persons whose destinations excluded them from the calculation) - (Q23c Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility) Note: Individuals who exit to any of the below listed "destinations" will be removed from the calculation and therefore will not count negatively towards this outcome: Hospital or other residential non-psychiatric medical facility Foster care home or foster care group home Long-term care facility or nursing home Deceased Jail, prison, or juvenile detention facility
2	RETURNS TO HOMELESSNES % of adults return to homelessness within 6 months of program exit to a permanent housing destination N/A for DV providers	SPM 2ab Data File – Returns to Homelessness Numerator: # of Adults who returned to an ES, TH or SH projects within 6 months of Exit to Permanent Housing Denominator: # Clients who exited from program to a permanent housing destination between 7/1/21-12/31/22
3	DEGREE TO WHICH VICTIM SERVICCE PROJECT IMPROVE SAFETY FOR THE POPULATION SERVED	Documentation provided will be reviewed to determine whether agency has established practices to a) train staff on safety planning; b) train staff on implementing trauma-informed, victim centered approached; c) adjust intake spaces to better ensure privacy/confidentiality; d) work with survivors to identify safe housing options (including scattered site); and e) keep location confidential of participants units. Documentation provided will be reviewed to determine whether project has a process to measure the the safety of DV survivors the project served, and whether they are able to explain how they capture and evaluate this data. Scoring rubric: Part 1: 1 point – Agency provides thorough response to all components of part 1. 0.5 points – Agency provides response to 3 or more components of part 1, but is missing responses to some elements 0 point – Agency provides response to less than 3 components of part 1

		 Part 2: 1 point - Agency demonstrates a mechanism for measuring the safety of DV survivors served and provides a clear description of this mechanism, including how this data is captured. 0.5 points – Agency provides a vague description of measuring safety of DV survivors, and does not provide a clear description of the mechanism OR agency provides response to some components of part 2, but is missing response to some elements 0 points- Agency does not demonstrate a mechanism for measuring the safety of DV survivors, does not provide a clear description of the mechanism, and does not demonstrate how this data is captured.
4	LENGTH OF STAY/AVERAGE (TH AND SSO ONLY) Average length of stay for leavers	APR Q22b: Average and Median Length of Participation in Days Average Length-Leavers
5	LENGTH OF STAY/LONGER THAN 12 MONTHS (TH AND SSO ONLY) The percent of participants whose length of stay is 12 months or less	APR Q22a1: Length of Participation – CoC Projects Numerator: (Total-30 days or less) + (Total-31 to 60 days) + (Total-61 to 90 days) + (Total-91 to 180 days) + (Total-181 to 365 days) Denominator: (Total-Total)
6	LENGTH OF TIME BETWEEN PROJECT START DATE AND RESIDENTIAL MOVE IN	Q22c: Length of Time between Project Start Date and Housing Move-in Date Average length of time to housing: Total
7	INCREASE IN TOTAL INCOME % of all adult participants who increased income from any source from entry to exit/annual assessment (leavers and stayers)	APR Q19a1: Client Cash Income Change – Income Source- by Start and Latest Status (Stayers); APR Q19a2: Client Cash Income Change – Income Source- by Start and Exit (Leavers); Q18: Client Cash Income Category - Earned/Other Income Category - by Entry and Annual Assessment/Exit Status Numerator: (Q19a1 Number of Adults w/Any Income-Performance Measure: Adults who Gained or Increased Income from Start to Annual Assessment, Average Gain) + (Q19a2 Number of Adults w/Any Income-Performance Measure: Adults who Gained or Increased Income from Start to Annual Assessment, Average Gain)
		<u>Denominator:</u> (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Total Adults) + (Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-Total Adults) – (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Number of adult stayers not yet required to have an annual assessment) – (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused) –

		(Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)
8 (New)	PARTICIPANTS w/ANY INCOME: % of adult participants with 1+ source of income (leavers and stayers)	APR Q18: Client Cash Income Category - Earned/Other Income Category - by Entry and Annual Assessment/Exit Status Numerator: (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-1 or more source of income) + (Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-1 or more source of income) Denominator: (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Total Adults) + (Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-Total Adults) - (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Number of adult stayers not yet required to have annual assessment) - (Q18 Adults at Annual (Stayers)-Adults with Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused Income Information) - (Q18 Adults at Exit (Leavers)-Adults with Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused Income Information)
9	CONNECTING PARTICIPANTS TO MAINSTEAM BENEFITS Percent of adult participants with 1+ source of Non-Cash benefits (SNAP, WIC, TANF, others, etc.)	APR Q20b: Number of Non-Cash Benefit Sources; APR Q18: Client Cash Income Category - Earned/Other Income Category - by Entry and Annual Assessment/Exit Status Numerator: (Q20b Benefit at Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-1 + Source(s)) + (Q20b Benefit at Exit for Leavers-1+ Source(s)) Denominator: (Q20b Benefit at Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-Total) + (Q20b Benefit at Exit for Leavers-Total) – (Q18 Number of Stayers-Number of adult stayers not yet required to have an annual assessment) – (Q20b Benefit at Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused) – (Q20b Benefit at Exit for Leavers-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)
10	PARTICIPANTS CONNECTED TO HEALTH INSURANCE Percentage of all participants with 1+ source of health insurance	APR Q21: Health Insurance; APR Q1: Report Validation Table Numerator: (Q21 Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-1 Source of Health Insurance) + (Q21 Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-More than 1 Source of Health Insurance) + (Q21 Exit for Leavers-1 Source of Health Insurance) + (Q21 Exit for Leavers-More than 1 Source of Health Insurance) Denominator: (Q1 Number of Stayers) + (Q1 Number of Leavers) – (Q21 Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-Number of Stayers not yet Required to Have an Annual Assessment) – (Q21 Latest Annual Assessment for Stayers-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused) – (Q21 Exit for Leavers-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)
11	HMIS DATA QUALITY % of Error Rate for the following data points entered into PA HMIS:	APR Q6a. Data Quality: Personally Identifiable Information a. Name - % of Error Rate

a. PII - Name b. PII - Date of Birth c. PII - Race d. PII - Ethnicity e. PII - Gender f. Destination g. Income and Source h. Income and Source Assessment i. Income and Source	d. Ethnicity - % of Error Rate e. Gender - % of Error Rate Note: If Personally Identifiable Information fields are marked as Client Doesn't Know/Refused due to domestic violence/dating violence/sexual assault/human trafficking/stalking survivor not providing data due to confidentiality/safety concerns, this will be factored into scoring and projects will not be penalized. APR Q6c. Data Quality: Income and Housing Data Quality
	f. Destination - % of Error Rate g. Income and Sources at Entry - % of Error Rate h. Income and Sources at Annual Assessment - % of Error Rate i. Income and Sources at Exit - % of Error Rate Note: Projects with no entries won't be scored on g (Income and Sources at Entry) and projects with no exits won't be scored on f (Destination) and i (Income and Sources at Exit)
a. % of project entry record into HMIS within specified b. % of project exit records HMIS within specified benefits	ds entered benchmark Numerator: (Number of Project Start Records-0 Days + 1-3 Days + 4-6 Days + 7-10 Days) Denominator: (Number of Project Start Records-0 Days + 1-3 Days + 4-6 Days + 7-10 Days + 11+ Days)
	Projects with no entries won't be scored on 11.a. Projects with no exits won't be scored on 11.b.

13	PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY % of participants whose prior living situation was reported as literally homeless situations or fleeing DV	Data provided by providers in the RSF will be reviewed to determine the percentage of participants served who are literally homeless and fleeing DV. Data will be cross-referenced with APR from HMIS and APR from DV providers.
		Numerator: # of participants served literally homeless <i>and/or</i> fleeing DV as reported on RSF 1/1/22-12/31/22 Denominator: Total # of participants served 1/1/22-12/31/22
		HUD Category 1/Literally Homeless Definition: Individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning: (i) Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not meant for human habitation;
		(ii) Is living in a publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state and local government programs); or (iii) Is exiting an institution where (s)he has resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution
		HUD Category 4/Fleeing Domestic Violence Definition Any individual or family who: (i) are fleeing, or are attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member.; (ii) Has no other residence; and (iii) Lacks the resources or support networks to obtain other permanent housing
14	UNIT UTILIZATION RATES Average utilization/occupancy rate of project (using project utilization each quarter, as reported on APR)	Information provided in the Renewal Project Summary Form survey will be considered in calculating utilization. APR Q8b Point-in-Time Count of Households on the Last Wednesday; 2022 Project App # Units
	(N/A for SSO)	Numerator: Average of Q8b Point-in-Time Count of Households Served on the Last Wednesday in Jan, April, July, October
		<u>Denominator:</u> # Units per 2022 Project Applications (and prior years where applicable)

		For projects under 10 units, will use a 3-year average if the project is under 80% utilization.
15	DRAWDOWN RATES	NOT SCORED IN 2023
(Not Scored	Minimum of quarterly drawdown rates	
in 2023)	from eLOCCS	Review of documentation requested in RSF survey (eLOCCS summary page).
16	FUNDS EXPENDED	Review of documentation requested in RSF survey (eLOCCS summary page). Review of
	% of grant funds expended	supplemental expenditure form with additional information/explanation if program did not meet expenditure threshold.
17	TIMELY APR SUBMISSION	Review of documentation requested in RSF survey (e.g. email from Sage system; email from HUD
	APR submitted within 90 days of end of grant	reps; copy of the details from Sage submission)
18a	COST EFFECTIVENESS – COST PER	Numerator: Services + admin line items from 2022 Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW)
	UNIT/HOUSEHOLD SERVED:	
	SSO/TH/RRH/TH-RRH – Average cost per	<u>Denominator</u> : # of HHs served (as reported on RSF, and verified by APR validation file)
	Household served (TH-RRH and RRH:	
	who moved into housing) compared to average of other projects	
	average of other projects	
18b	COST EFFECTIVENESS – COST PER	Numerator: Services + admin line items from 2022 Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW)
	UNIT/HOUSEHOLD SERVED:	
	PSH - Average cost per household who moved into housing compared to	<u>Denominator</u> : # of HHs served (as reported on RSF, and verified by APR validation file)
	average of other projects	
19a	COST EFFECTIVENESS – COST PER	Numerator: Services + admin line items from 2022 GIW
200	POSITIVE EXIT/RETENTION:	
	TH/RRH/TH-RRH - Average cost per exit	<u>Denominator</u> : Leavers to PH (as reported on RSF and verified by APR validation file)
	to Permanent Housing destination	
	compared to average of other projects	NOTE: For RRH and RRH component of TH-RRH this only includes households who moved in and then exited to PH
	(N/A for SSO)	then exited to Fri
		Note: Projects with no exits during the lookback period will not be scored on this criteria.
		Projects with no exits to permanent housing during the lookback period will have a total cost per
		positive exit that equals services +admin line items from GIW.
19b	COST EFFECTIVENESS – COST PER	Numerator: Services + admin line items from 2022 GIW
	POSITIVE EXIT/RETENTION:	

	PSH - Average cost per household that remains or exits to Permanent Housing destination compared to average of other projects	<u>Denominator</u> : Stayers + Leavers to other PH (as reported on RSF and verified by APR validation file) NOTE: For RRH and PSH this only includes households who moved in and then exited to PH
20	HUD MONITORING Disposition of HUD Monitoring and Findings	Review of information provided in RSF survey regarding monitoring, along with any supplemental monitoring documents provided.
21	PROJECT TYPE	Points awarded based on project type as reported on RSF (confirmed via HUD project application)
22a	SEVERITY OF NEED/HEALTH CONDITIONS — Percent of adult participants with 1+ disabilities at exit or annual assessment	Q13b2: Number of Conditions at Exit, Q13c2: Number of Conditions for Stayers Numerator: ((Q13b2. Without Children-1 Condition + 2 Conditions + 3+ Conditions + Condition Unknown) + (Q13b2. Adults in HH With Children and Adults-1 Condition + 2 Conditions + 3+ Conditions + Condition Unknown) + (Q13c2. Without Children-1 Condition + 2 Conditions + 3+ Conditions + Condition Unknown) + (Q13c2. Adults in HH With Children and Adults-1 Condition + 2 Conditions + 3+ Conditions + Conditions + Condition Unknown)) Denominator: ((Q13b2. Without Children-Total + Q13b2. Adults in HH With Children and Adults-Total + Q13c2. Without Children-Total + Q13c2. Adults in HH With Children and Adults-Total) – (Q13b2. Without Children-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused + Q13c2. Without Children-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused + Q13c2. Without Children-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused + Q13c2. Without Children-Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused))
22b	SEVERITY OF NEED/PERCENT ZERO INCOME AT ENTRY % of households with zero income at program entry	APR Q18: Client Cash Income Category – Earned/Other Income Category – by Start and Annual Assessment/Exit Status Numerator: Q18 Adults with No Income – Number of Adults at Start Denominator: (Q18. Total Adults – Number of Adults at Start) – (Q18. Number of Adults at Start – Adults with Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused Income Information)
22c	SEVERITY OF NEED/CHRONICALLY HOMELESS Percent of chronically homeless households at entry	APR Q26a Number of Households w/ at least one or more Chronically Homeless Persons Numerator: Q26a Chronically Homeless - Total Denominator: (Q26a Total) – (Q26a Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)

22.1	SEVERITY OF NEED/UNSHELTERED	APR Q15 Living Situation
22d	% of adult participants coming from unsheltered locations at entry	Numerator: (Q15 Total Place not meant for human habitation)
		<u>Denominator</u> : (Q15 Total) – (Q15 Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused)
22e	SEVERITY OF NEED/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	APR Q14a Domestic Violence History
ZZe	% of adult participants w/ History of domestic violence	Numerator: Q14a Total Yes (Domestic Violence History)
	domestic violence	<u>Denominator:</u> Q14a Total Total – Q14a Total Client Doesn't Know/Client Refused
23	HOUSING FIRST APPROACH	Agency response to Housing First Questionnaire will be reviewed to ensure adherence to Housing First tenets
24 (New)	HOUSING FIRST POLICIES	Review of Survey Submission Date
25 (New)	LIVED EXERIENCE	Review of RSF information submitted by agency
26 (New)	NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency
27 (New)	EQUITY Recent and/or Current Agency Actions to address disparities and advance equity in its provision of services	Review of RSF submitted by agency
28	COC MEETINGS CoC Meeting Attendance	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency, meeting sign in records, and online survey attendance submissions
29a	REGIONAL HOMELSS ADVISORY BOARD (RHAB) MEETINGS Participation in RHAB meetings	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency, sign in records submission from RHAB meetings, and documentation from RHAB chairs
29b	COUNTY LHOT OR HOUSING COALITION MEETINGS Participation in county LHOT or Housing Coalition Meetings	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency, sign in records from LHOT meetings, and documentation from LHOT chairs
30	PARTICIPATION IN COC TRAINING EVENTS	Review of RSF documentation submitted by agency, webinar/training sign in records, and online survey attendance submissions
31 (not scored in	Coordinated Entry Participation	NOTE: This criteria will not be scored in 2023.

2023)	% of enrollments pulled from By Name List	
32 (Bonus)	BONUS: FULL HMIS PARTICIPATION WITHIN ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING COC FUNDING	Review of documentation submitted by agency in RSF and confirmation of HMIS participating projects by DCED HMIS team
33	Late Submission (Penalty) if required CoC Renewal Scoring Documents are submitted after deadline (unless provided an extension due to extenuating circumstances)	Review of Survey Submission Date

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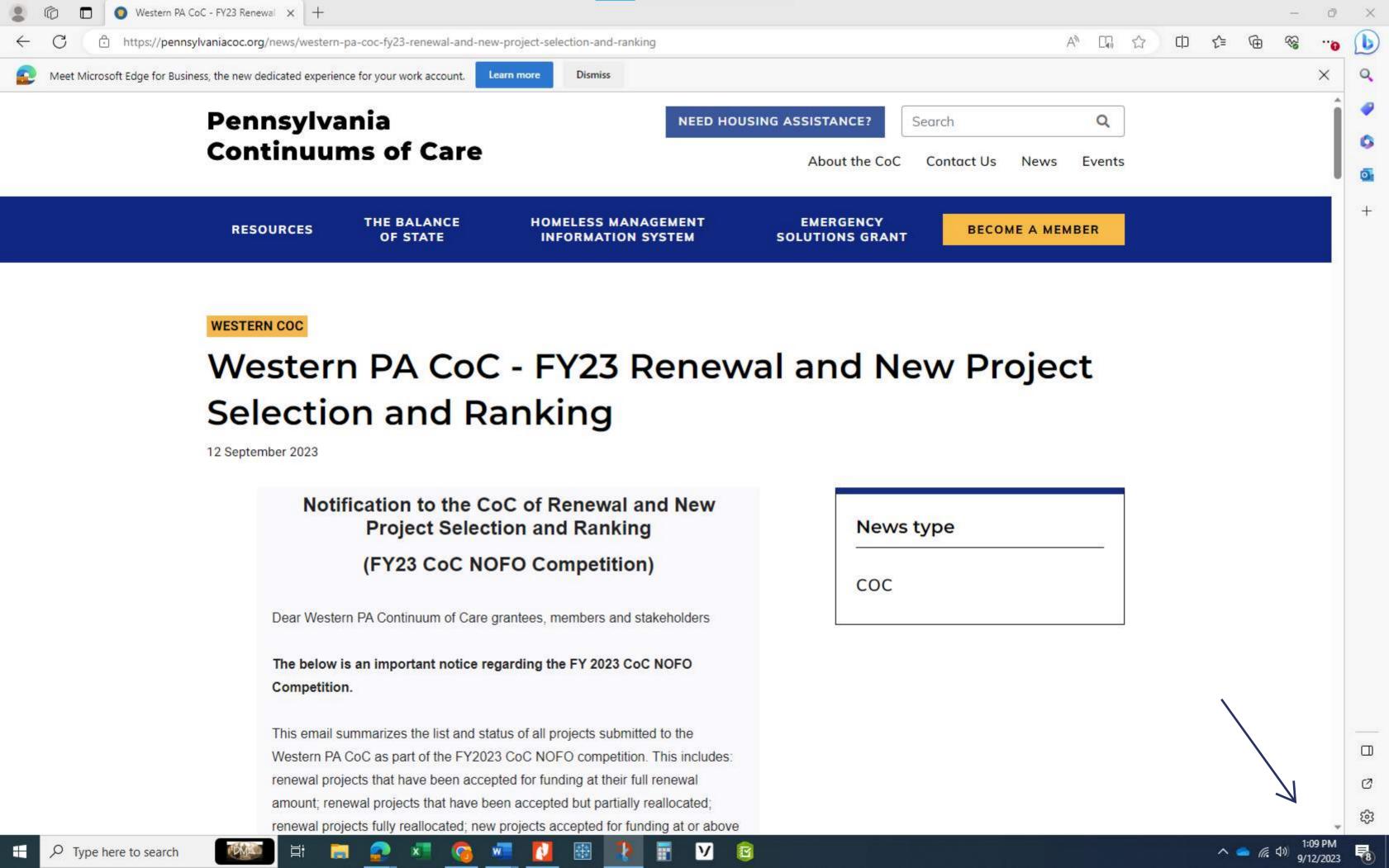
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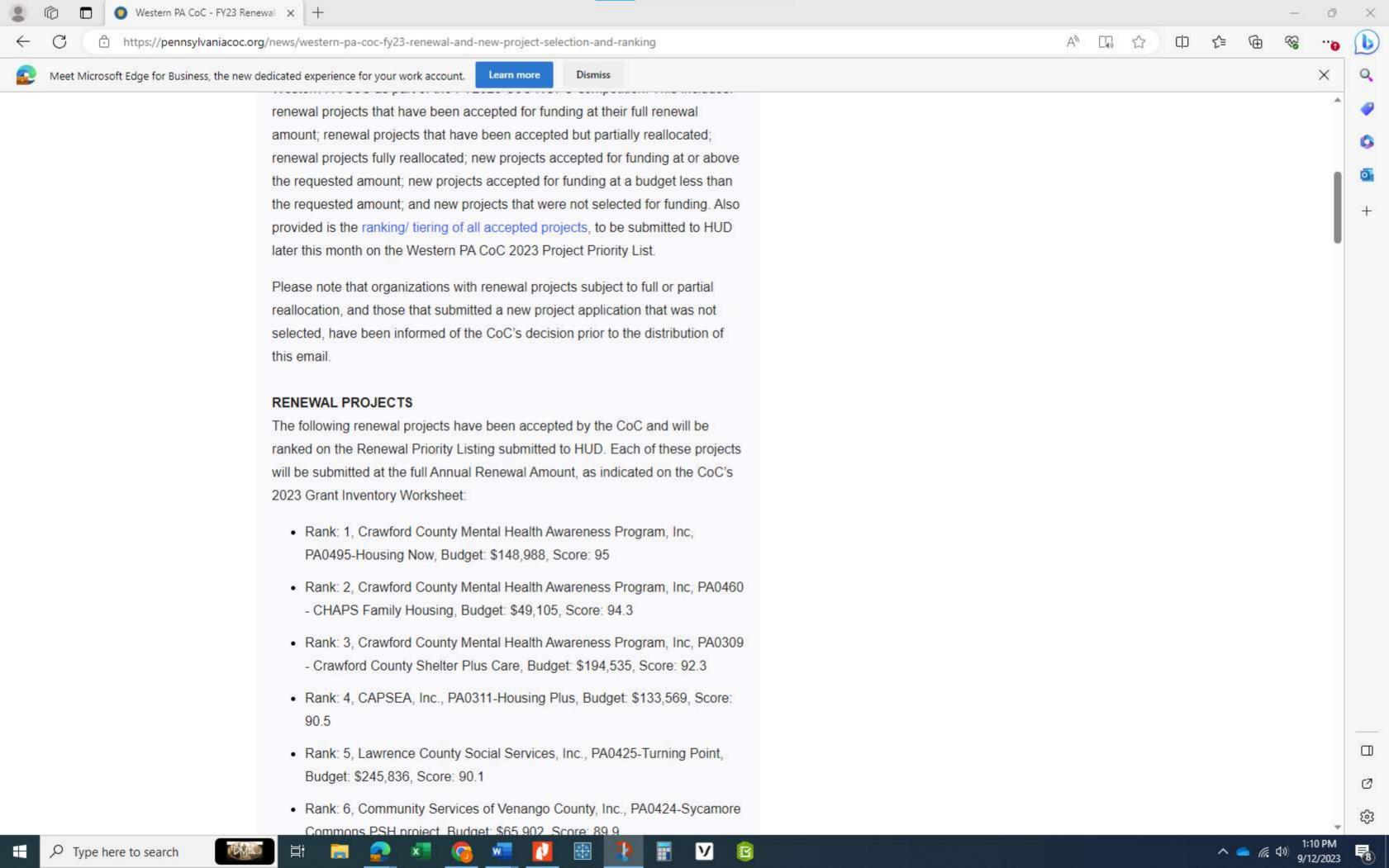
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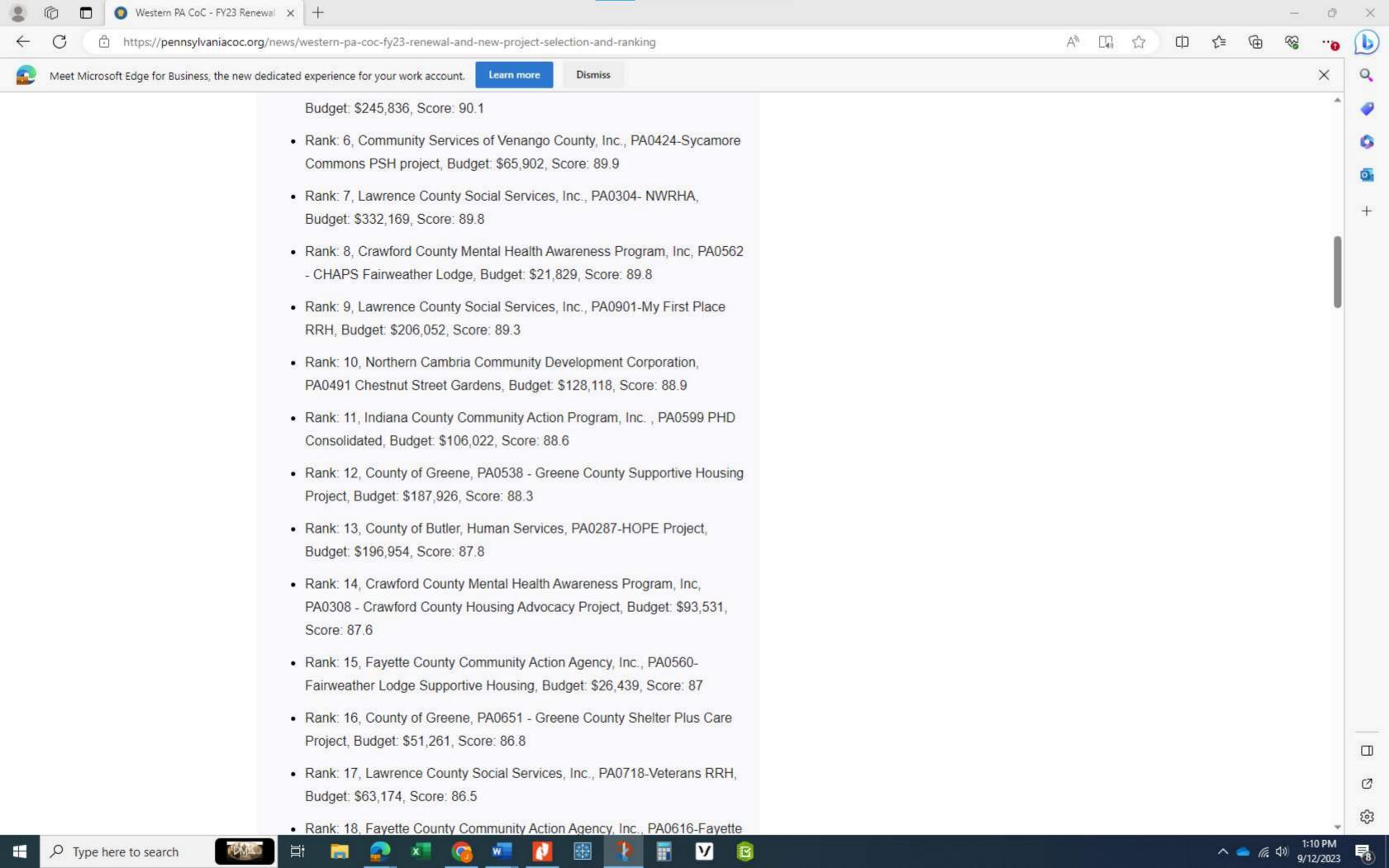
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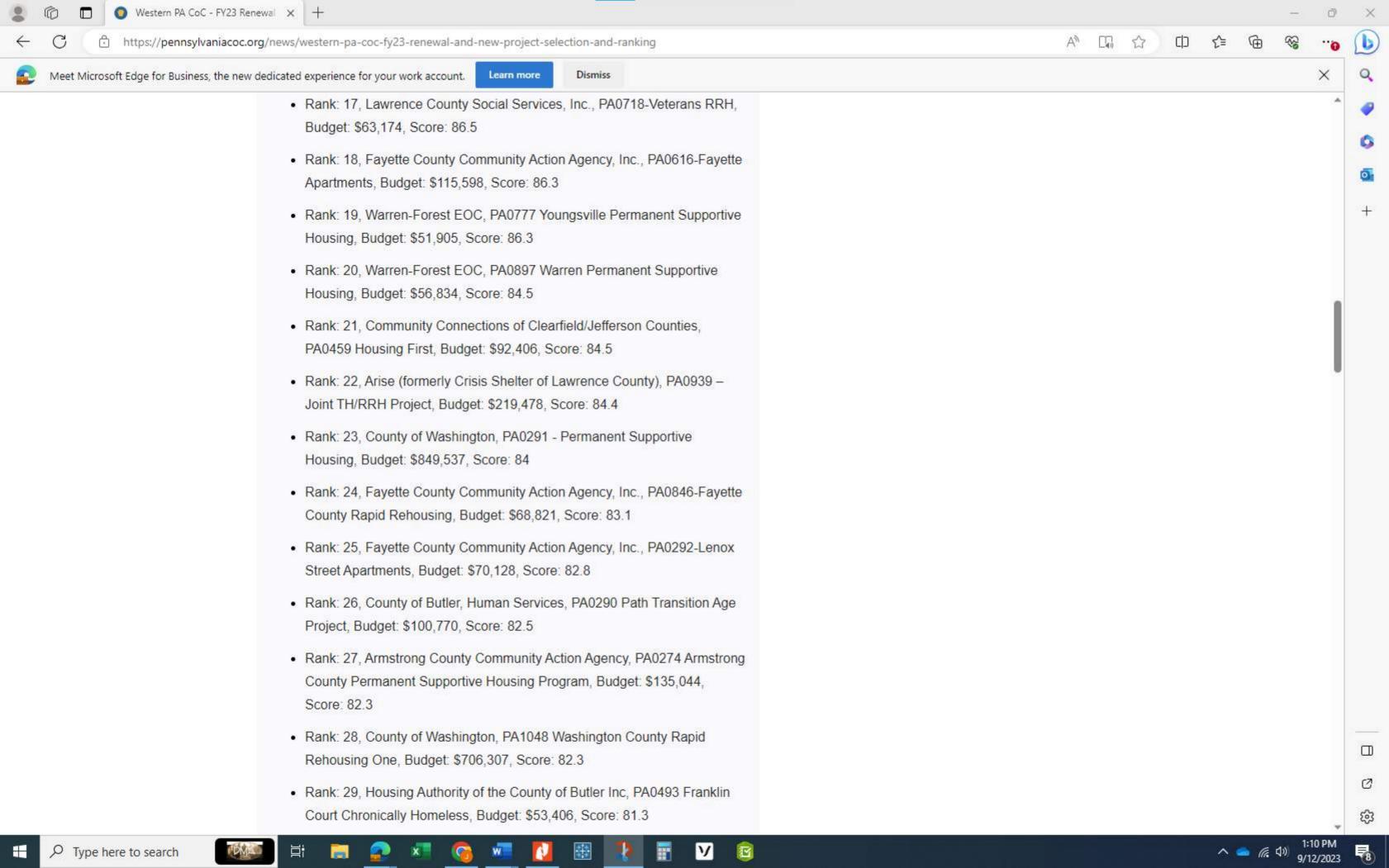
- Public posting on CoC website of projects accepted/rejected/reduced (9/12/23)
- Email to all project applicants re: projects accepted/rejected (9/12/23)
- Individual notifications:
 - Email/letter to Clarion County Housing Authority re: voluntary full reallocation (8/8/23)
 - Email/letter to Dubois Housing Authority re: voluntary partial reallocation (7/24/23)
 - Email/letter to Westmoreland Community Action re: new project rejected (8/24/23)
 - Email/letter to Warren Forest EOC re: new projects rejected (8/24/23)
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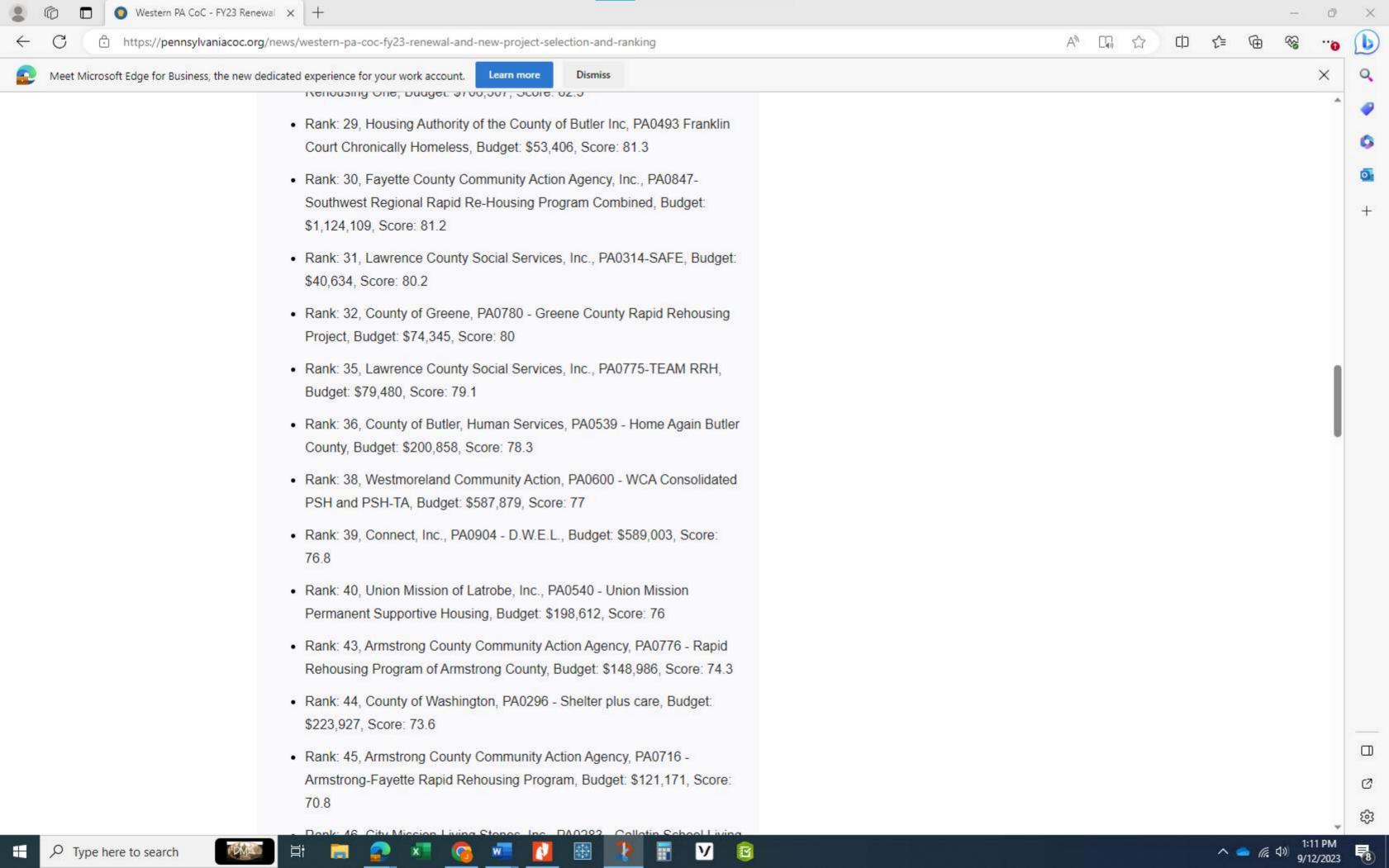


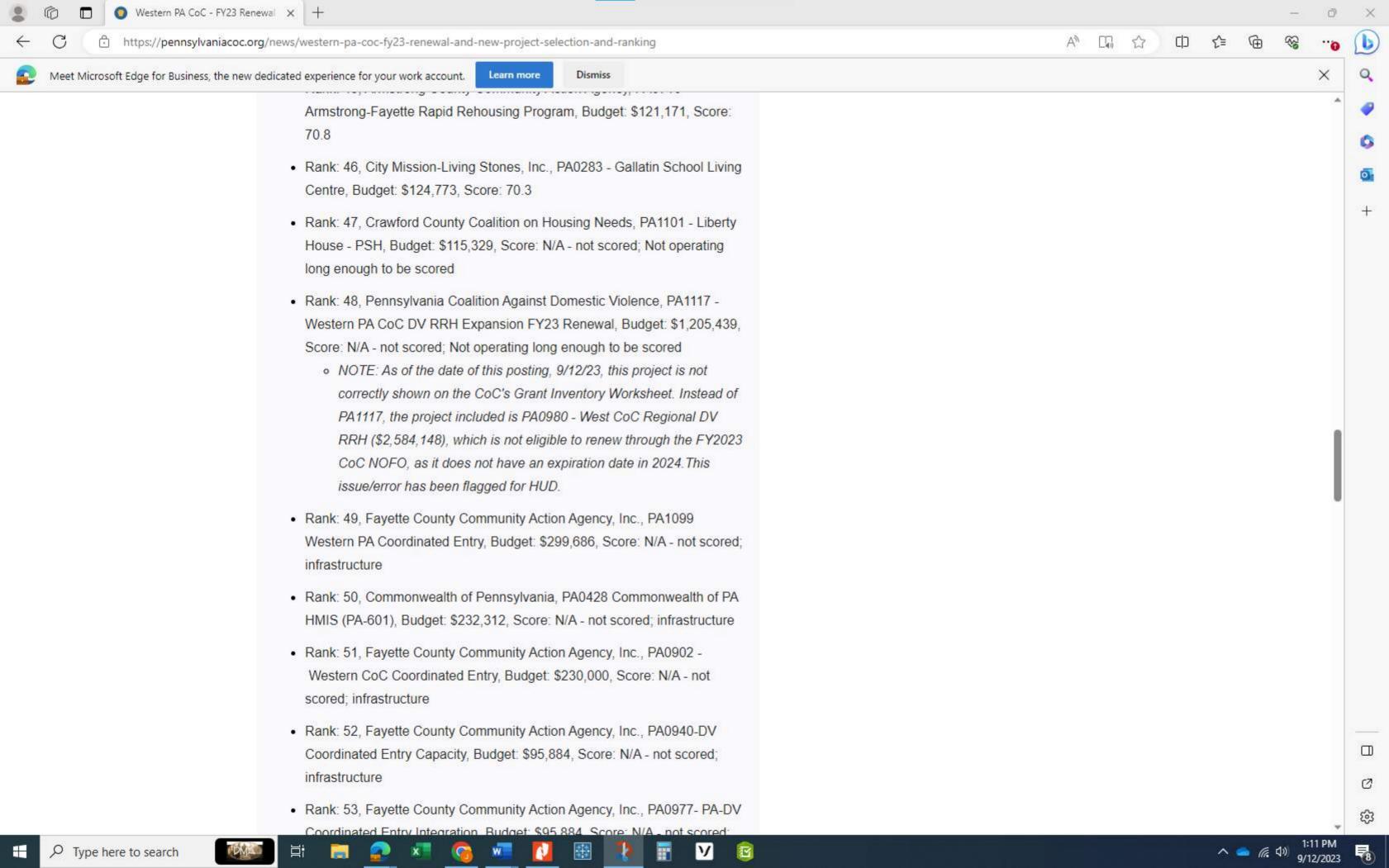


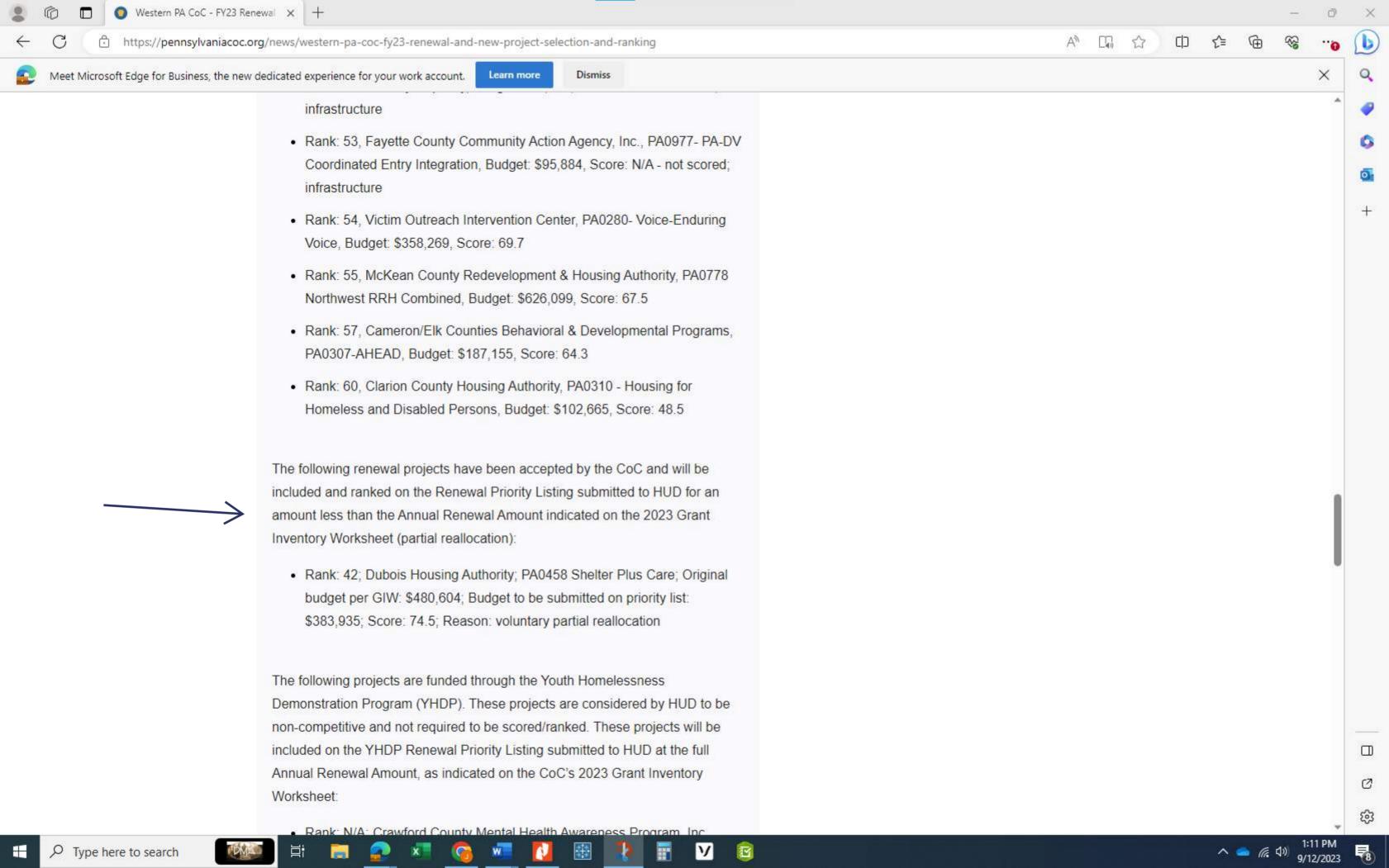


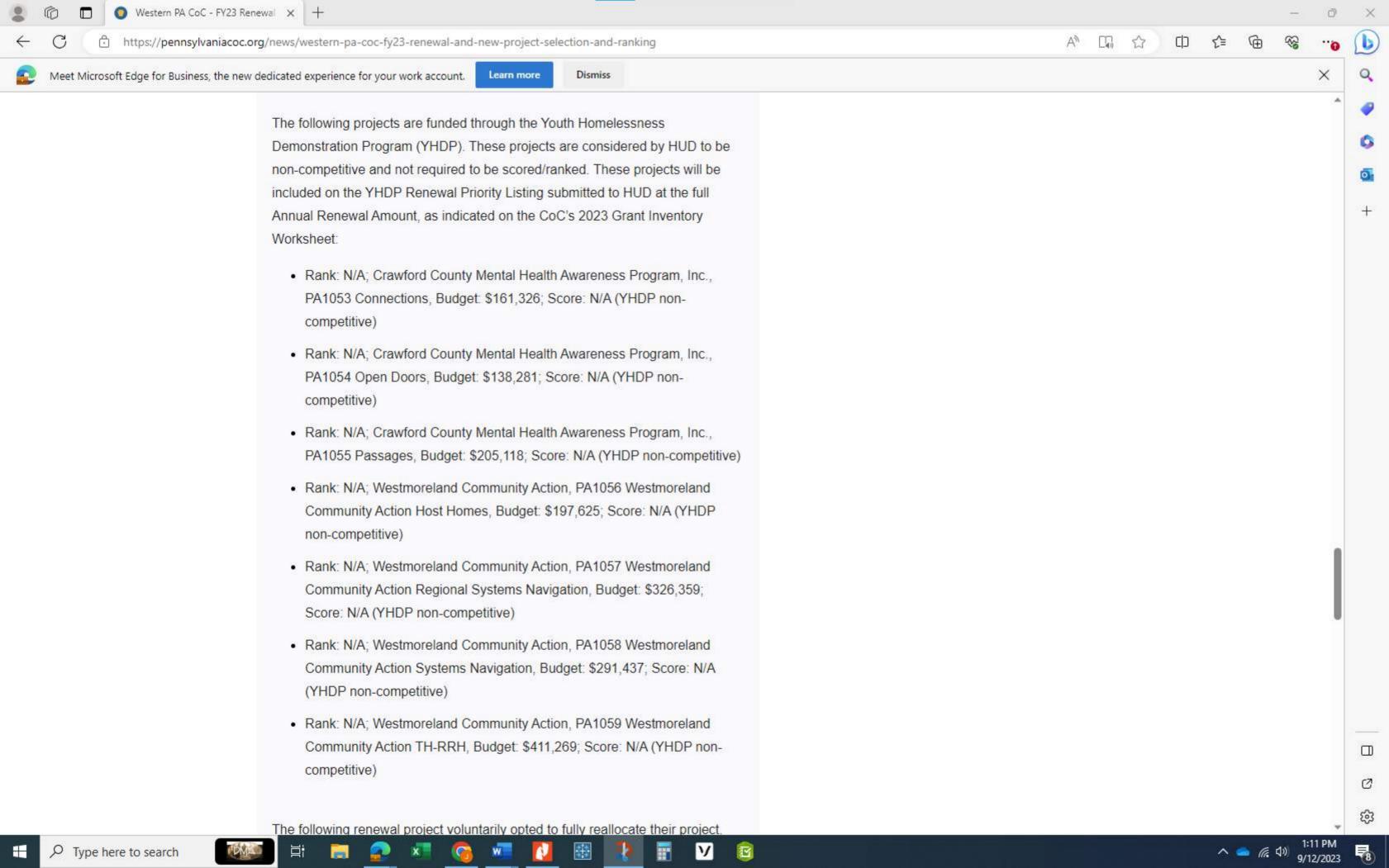


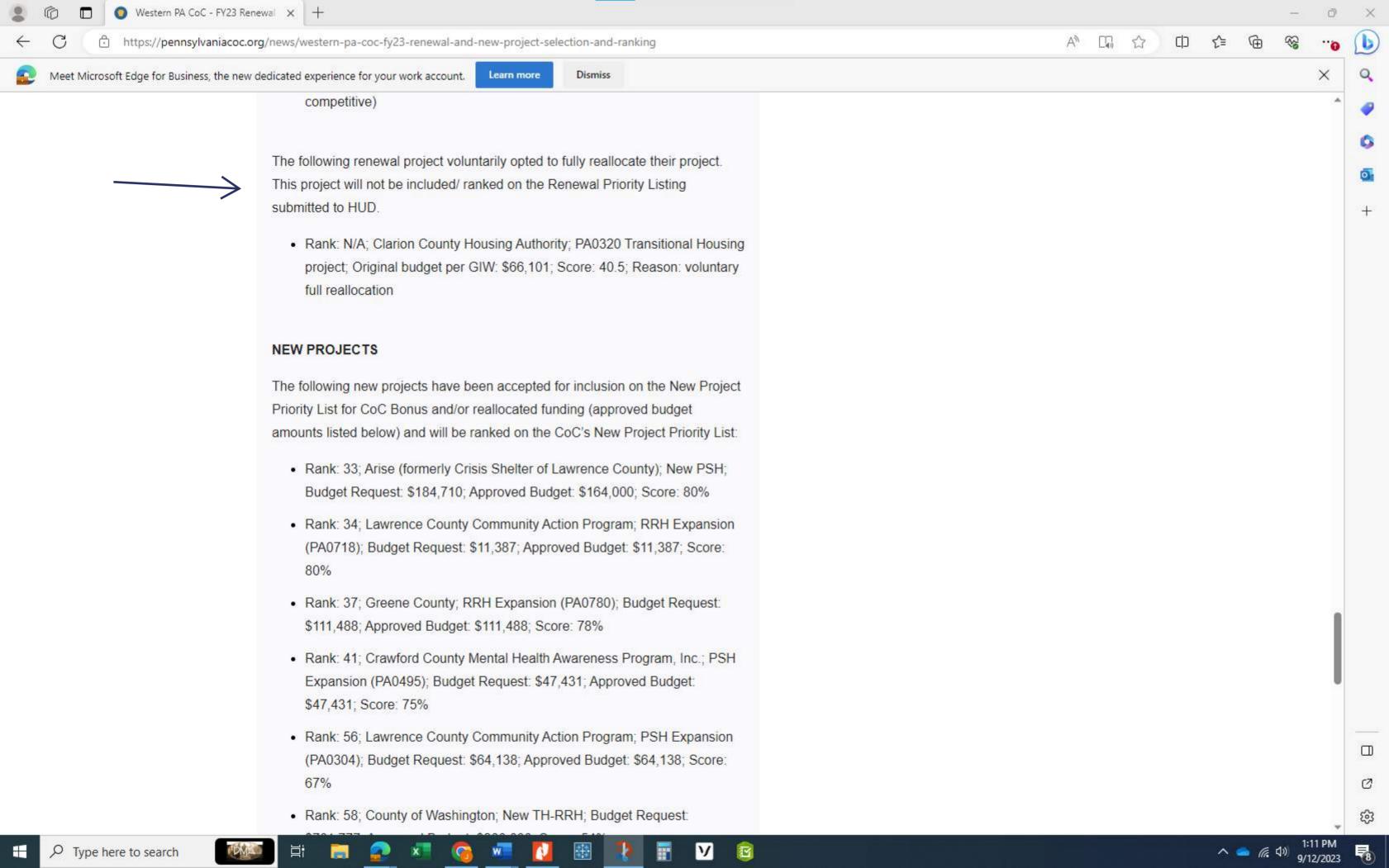


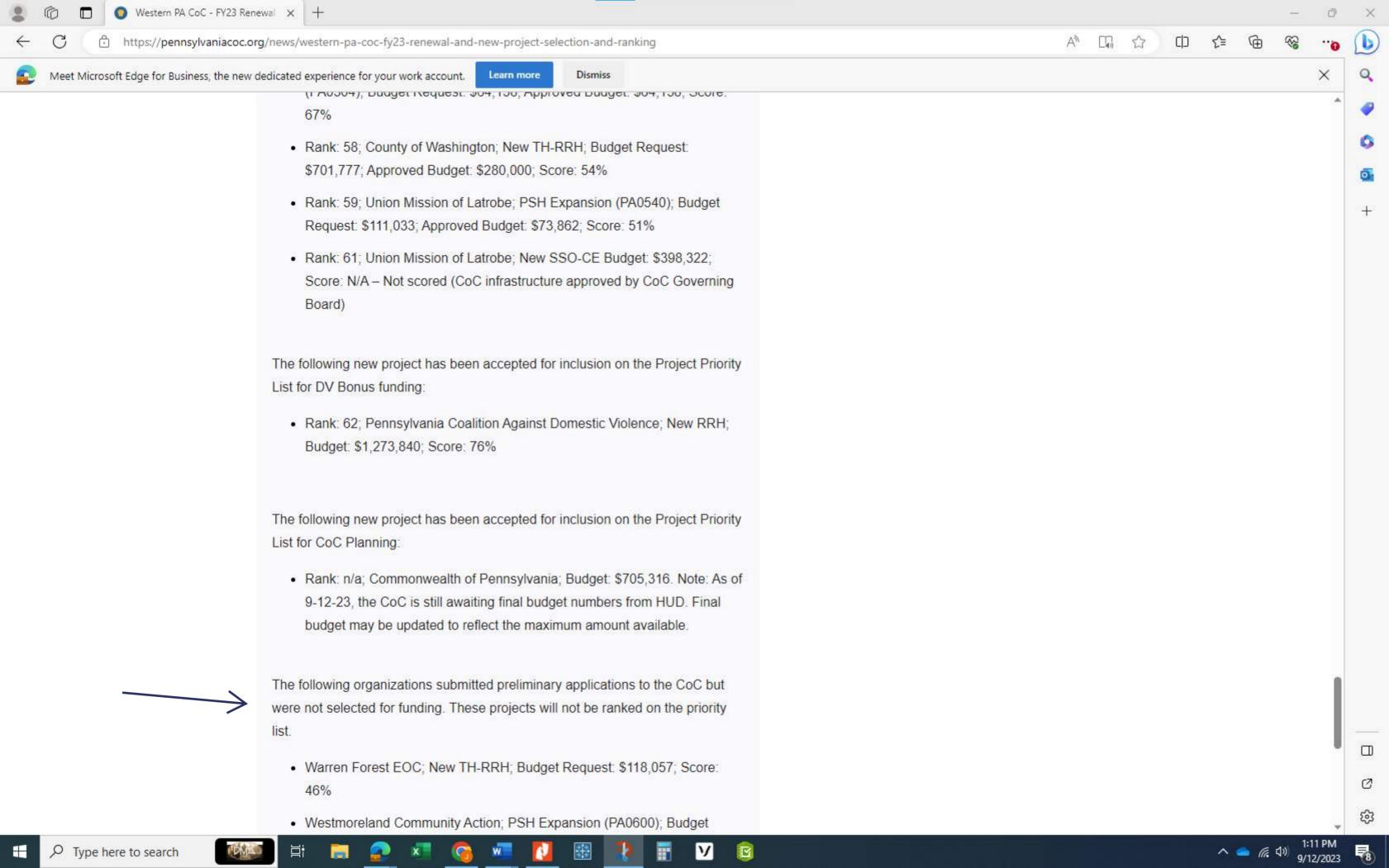


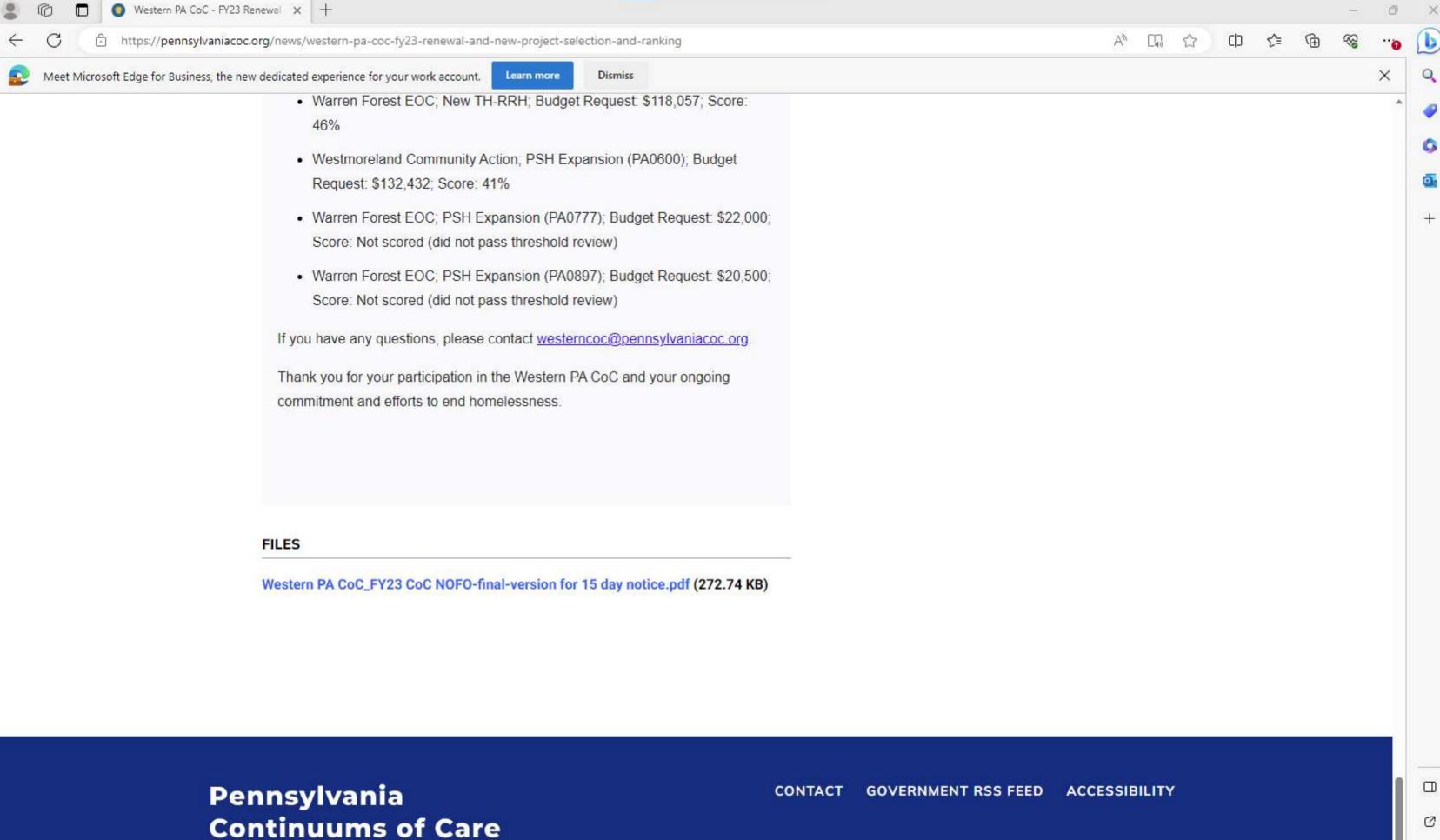






























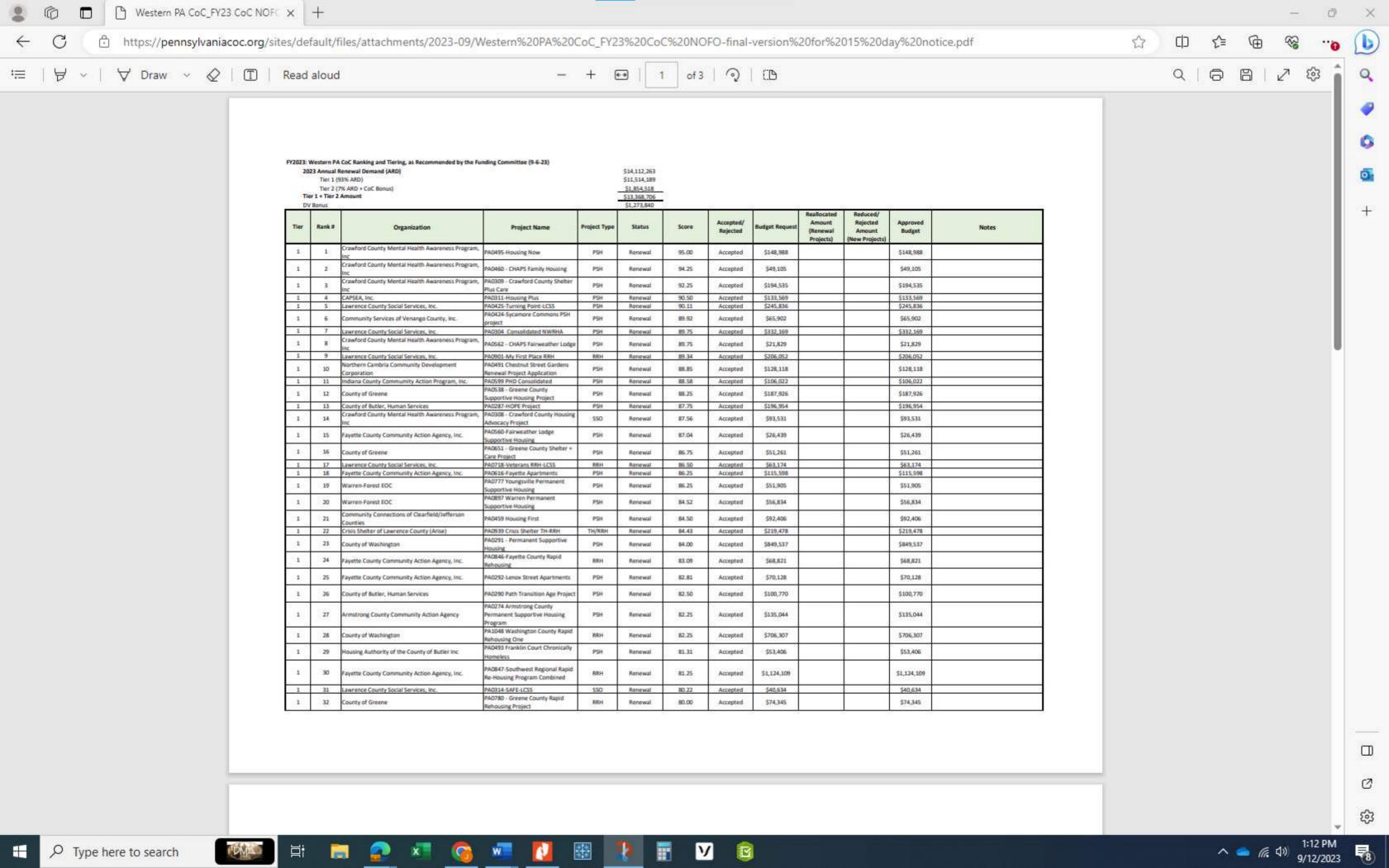


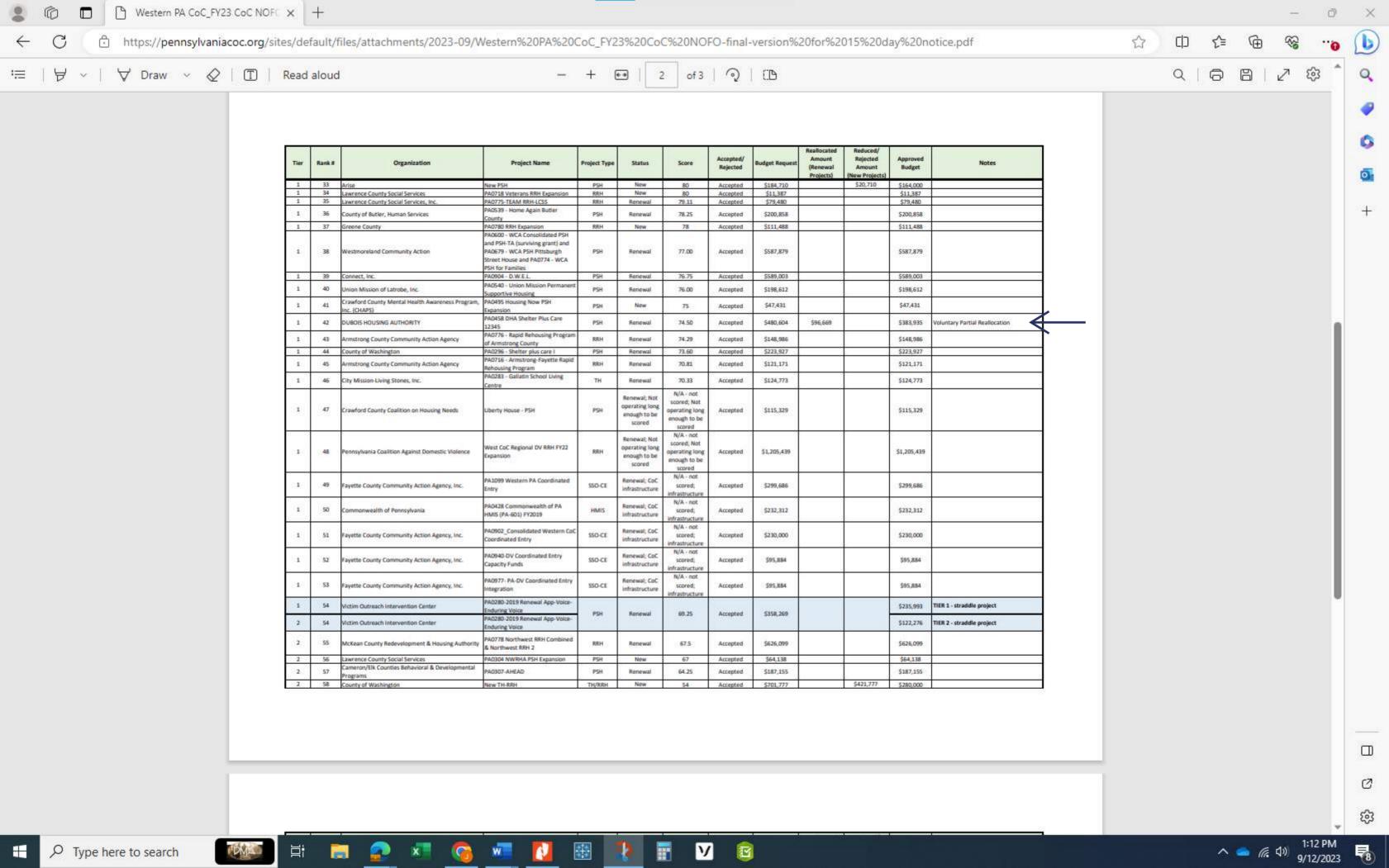


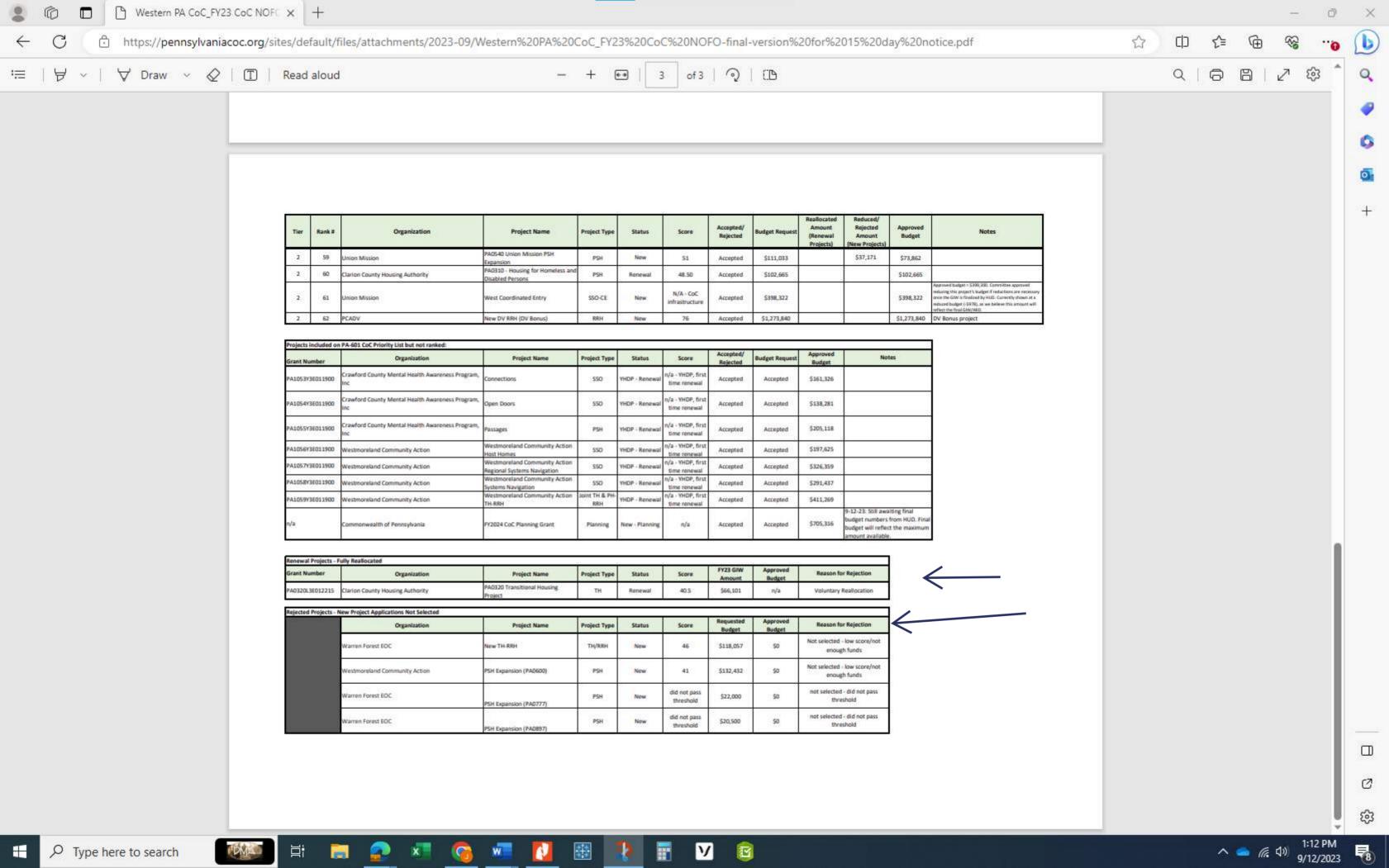














Fw: Notification to the CoC of Renewal and New Project Selection and Ranking (FY23 CoC NOFO Competition)

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Hello Western PA CoC renewal and new project applicants,

This email is being sent to all Western CoC renewal and new project applicants. Below please find notice that went out a few minutes ago via the CoC mailing list related to renewal and new project selection and ranking for the FY23 CoC NOFO Competition. At this link you can find the ranking/tiering of all accepted projects, to be submitted to HUD later this month on the Western PA CoC 2023 Project Priority List. Please note that this notification has also been publicly posted to the CoC website here:

https://pennsylvaniacoc.org/news/western-pa-coc-fy23-renewal-and-new-project-selection-and-ranking. Thank you for all of your work in putting together applications for the FY23 CoC Competition. We anticipate that HUD will release the FY23 CoC NOFO Competition award announcements sometime in spring 2024.

Thank you, DMA Team

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Notification to the CoC of Renewal and New Project Selection and Ranking (FY23 CoC NOFO Competition)

Dear Western PA Continuum of Care grantees, members and stakeholders:

The below is an important notice regarding the FY 2023 CoC NOFO Competition.

This email summarizes the list and status of all projects submitted to the Western PA CoC as part of the FY2023 CoC NOFO competition. This includes: renewal projects that have been accepted for funding at their full renewal amount; renewal projects that have been accepted but partially reallocated; renewal projects fully reallocated; new projects accepted for funding at or above the requested amount; new projects accepted for funding at a budget less than the requested amount; and new projects that were not selected for funding.

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Please note that organizations with renewal projects subject to full or partial reallocation, and those that submitted a new project application that was not selected, have been informed of the CoC's decision prior to the distribution of

RENEWAL PROJECTS

The following renewal projects have been accepted by the CoC and will be ranked on the Renewal Priority Listing submitted to HUD. Each of these projects will be submitted at the full Annual Renewal Amount, as indicated on the CoC's 2023 Grant Inventory Worksheet:

- Rank: 1, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc, PA0495-Housing Now, Budget: \$148,988, Score: 95
- Rank: 2, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc, PA0460 - CHAPS Family Housing, Budget: \$49,105, Score: 94.3
- Rank: 3, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc,
 PA0309 Crawford County Shelter Plus Care, Budget: \$194,535, Score:
 92.3
- Rank: 4, CAPSEA, Inc., PA0311-Housing Plus, Budget: \$133,569, Score: 90.5
- Rank: 5, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0425-Turning Point, Budget: \$245,836, Score: 90.1
- Rank: 6, Community Services of Venango County, Inc., PA0424-Sycamore Commons PSH project, Budget: \$65,902, Score: 89.9
- Rank: 7, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0304- NWRHA, Budget: \$332,169, Score: 89.8
- Rank: 8, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc,
 PA0562 CHAPS Fairweather Lodge, Budget: \$21,829, Score: 89.8
- Rank: 9, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0901-My First Place RRH, Budget: \$206,052, Score: 89.3
- Rank: 10, Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation, PA0491 Chestnut Street Gardens, Budget: \$128,118, Score: 88.9
- Rank: 11, Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc., PA0599 PHD Consolidated, Budget: \$106,022, Score: 88.6
- Rank: 12, County of Greene, PA0538 Greene County Supportive Housing Project, Budget: \$187,926, Score: 88.3
- Rank: 13, County of Butler, Human Services, PA0287-HOPE Project, Budget: \$196,954, Score: 87.8
- Rank: 14, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc,
 PA0308 Crawford County Housing Advocacy Project, Budget: \$93,531,
 Score: 87.6
- Rank: 15, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0560-Fairweather Lodge Supportive Housing, Budget: \$26,439, Score: 87

- Rank: 16, County of Greene, PA0651 Greene County Shelter Plus Care Project, Budget: \$51,261, Score: 86.8
- Rank: 17, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0718-Veterans RRH, Budget: \$63,174, Score: 86.5
- Rank: 18, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0616-Fayette Apartments, Budget: \$115,598, Score: 86.3
- Rank: 19, Warren-Forest EOC, PA0777 Youngsville Permanent Supportive Housing, Budget: \$51,905, Score: 86.3
- Rank: 20, Warren-Forest EOC, PA0897 Warren Permanent Supportive Housing, Budget: \$56,834, Score: 84.5
- Rank: 21, Community Connections of Clearfield/Jefferson Counties, PA0459 Housing First, Budget: \$92,406, Score: 84.5
- Rank: 22, Arise (formerly Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County), PA0939 Joint TH/RRH Project, Budget: \$219,478, Score: 84.4
- Rank: 23, County of Washington, PA0291 Permanent Supportive Housing, Budget: \$849,537, Score: 84
- Rank: 24, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0846-Fayette County Rapid Rehousing, Budget: \$68,821, Score: 83.1
- Rank: 25, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0292-Lenox Street Apartments, Budget: \$70,128, Score: 82.8
- Rank: 26, County of Butler, Human Services, PA0290 Path Transition Age Project, Budget: \$100,770, Score: 82.5
- Rank: 27, Armstrong County Community Action Agency, PA0274
 Armstrong County Permanent Supportive Housing Program, Budget: \$135,044, Score: 82.3
- Rank: 28, County of Washington, PA1048 Washington County Rapid Rehousing One, Budget: \$706,307, Score: 82.3
- Rank: 29, Housing Authority of the County of Butler Inc, PA0493 Franklin Court Chronically Homeless, Budget: \$53,406, Score: 81.3
- Rank: 30, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0847-Southwest Regional Rapid Re-Housing Program Combined, Budget: \$1,124,109, Score: 81.2
- Rank: 31, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0314-SAFE, Budget: \$40,634, Score: 80.2
- Rank: 32, County of Greene, PA0780 Greene County Rapid Rehousing Project, Budget: \$74,345, Score: 80
- Rank: 35, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0775-TEAM RRH, Budget: \$79,480, Score: 79.1
- Rank: 36, County of Butler, Human Services, PA0539 Home Again Butler County, Budget: \$200,858, Score: 78.3

- Rank: 38, Westmoreland Community Action, PA0600 WCA Consolidated PSH and PSH-TA, Budget: \$587,879, Score: 77
- Rank: 39, Connect, Inc., PA0904 D.W.E.L., Budget: \$589,003, Score:
 76.8
- Rank: 40, Union Mission of Latrobe, Inc., PA0540 Union Mission Permanent Supportive Housing, Budget: \$198,612, Score: 76
- Rank: 43, Armstrong County Community Action Agency, PA0776 Rapid Rehousing Program of Armstrong County, Budget: \$148,986, Score: 74.3
- Rank: 44, County of Washington, PA0296 Shelter plus care, Budget: \$223,927, Score: 73.6
- Rank: 45, Armstrong County Community Action Agency, PA0716 Armstrong-Fayette Rapid Rehousing Program, Budget: \$121,171, Score: 70.8
- Rank: 46, City Mission-Living Stones, Inc., PA0283 Gallatin School Living Centre, Budget: \$124,773, Score: 70.3
- Rank: 47, Crawford County Coalition on Housing Needs, PA1101 Liberty House - PSH, Budget: \$115,329, Score: N/A - not scored; Not operating long enough to be scored
- Rank: 48, Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence, PA1117 Western PA CoC DV RRH Expansion FY23 Renewal, Budget: \$1,205,439, Score: N/A - not scored; Not operating long enough to be scored
 - NOTE: As of the date of this posting, 9/12/23, this project is not correctly shown on the CoC's Grant Inventory Worksheet. Instead of PA1117, the project included is PA0980 West CoC Regional DV RRH (\$2,584,148), which is not eligible to renew through the FY2023 CoC NOFO, as it does not have an expiration date in 2024. This issue/error has been flagged for HUD.
- Rank: 49, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA1099
 Western PA Coordinated Entry, Budget: \$299,686, Score: N/A not scored; infrastructure
- Rank: 50, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, PA0428 Commonwealth of PA HMIS (PA-601), Budget: \$232,312, Score: N/A - not scored; infrastructure
- Rank: 51, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0902 -Western CoC Coordinated Entry, Budget: \$230,000, Score: N/A - not scored; infrastructure
- Rank: 52, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0940-DV Coordinated Entry Capacity, Budget: \$95,884, Score: N/A - not scored; infrastructure

- Rank: 53, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0977- PA-DV Coordinated Entry Integration, Budget: \$95,884, Score: N/A - not scored; infrastructure
- Rank: 54, Victim Outreach Intervention Center, PA0280- Voice-Enduring Voice, Budget: \$358,269, Score: 69.7
- Rank: 55, McKean County Redevelopment & Housing Authority, PA0778
 Northwest RRH Combined, Budget: \$626,099, Score: 67.5
- Rank: 57, Cameron/Elk Counties Behavioral & Developmental Programs, PA0307-AHEAD, Budget: \$187,155, Score: 64.3
- Rank: 60, Clarion County Housing Authority, PA0310 Housing for Homeless and Disabled Persons, Budget: \$102,665, Score: 48.5

The following renewal projects have been accepted by the CoC and will be included and ranked on the Renewal Priority Listing submitted to HUD for an amount less than the Annual Renewal Amount indicated on the 2023 Grant Inventory Worksheet (partial reallocation):

 Rank: 42; Dubois Housing Authority; PA0458 Shelter Plus Care; Original budget per GIW: \$480,604; Budget to be submitted on priority list: \$383,935; Score: 74.5; Reason: voluntary partial reallocation

The following projects are funded through the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP). These projects are considered by HUD to be non-competitive and not required to be scored/ranked. These projects will be included on the YHDP Renewal Priority Listing submitted to HUD at the full Annual Renewal Amount, as indicated on the CoC's 2023 Grant Inventory Worksheet:

- Rank: N/A; Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc., PA1053 Connections, Budget: \$161,326; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc., PA1054 Open Doors, Budget: \$138,281; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc., PA1055 Passages, Budget: \$205,118; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Westmoreland Community Action, PA1056 Westmoreland Community Action Host Homes, Budget: \$197,625; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)

- Rank: N/A; Westmoreland Community Action, PA1057 Westmoreland Community Action Regional Systems Navigation, Budget: \$326,359;
 Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Westmoreland Community Action, PA1058 Westmoreland Community Action Systems Navigation, Budget: \$291,437; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Westmoreland Community Action, PA1059 Westmoreland Community Action TH-RRH, Budget: \$411,269; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)

The following renewal project voluntarily opted to fully reallocate their project. This project will not be included/ ranked on the Renewal Priority Listing submitted to HUD.

 Rank: N/A; Clarion County Housing Authority; PA0320 Transitional Housing project; Original budget per GIW: \$66,101; Score: 40.5; Reason: voluntary full reallocation

NEW PROJECTS

The following new projects have been accepted for inclusion on the New Project Priority List for CoC Bonus and/or reallocated funding (approved budget amounts listed below) and will be ranked on the CoC's New Project Priority List:

- Rank: 33; Arise (formerly Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County); New PSH;
 Budget Request: \$184,710; Approved Budget: \$164,000; Score: 80%
- Rank: 34; Lawrence County Community Action Program; RRH Expansion (PA0718); Budget Request: \$11,387; Approved Budget: \$11,387; Score: 80%
- Rank: 37; Greene County; RRH Expansion (PA0780); Budget Request: \$111,488; Approved Budget: \$111,488; Score: 78%
- Rank: 41; Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc.; PSH Expansion (PA0495); Budget Request: \$47,431; Approved Budget: \$47,431; Score: 75%
- Rank: 56; Lawrence County Community Action Program; PSH Expansion (PA0304); Budget Request: \$64,138; Approved Budget: \$64,138; Score: 67%
- Rank: 58; County of Washington; New TH-RRH; Budget Request: \$701,777; Approved Budget: \$280,000; Score: 54%
- Rank: 59; Union Mission of Latrobe; PSH Expansion (PA0540); Budget
 Request: \$111,033; Approved Budget: \$73,862; Score: 51%

Rank: 61; Union Mission of Latrobe; New SSO-CE Budget: \$398,322;
 Score: N/A – Not scored (CoC infrastructure approved by CoC Governing Board)

The following new project has been accepted for inclusion on the Project Priority List for DV Bonus funding:

Rank: 62; Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence; New RRH;
 Budget: \$1,273,840; Score: 76%

The following new project has been accepted for inclusion on the Project Priority List for CoC Planning:

Rank: n/a; Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Budget: \$705,316. Note: As
of 9-12-23, the CoC is still awaiting final budget numbers from HUD. Final
budget may be updated to reflect the maximum amount available.

The following organizations submitted preliminary applications to the CoC but were not selected for funding. These projects will not be ranked on the priority list.

- Warren Forest EOC; New TH-RRH; Budget Request: \$118,057; Score:
 46%
- Westmoreland Community Action; PSH Expansion (PA0600); Budget Request: \$132,432; Score: 41%
- Warren Forest EOC; PSH Expansion (PA0777); Budget Request:
 \$22,000; Score: Not scored (did not pass threshold review)
- Warren Forest EOC; PSH Expansion (PA0897); Budget Request: \$20,500; Score: Not scored (did not pass threshold review)

If you have any questions, please contact westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org. Thank you for your participation in the Western PA CoC and your ongoing commitment and efforts to end homelessness.

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Email/letter to Clarion County Housing Authority re: voluntary reallocation of PA0320 grant (8/8/23)

Official notice of full voluntary reallocation of PA0320

Western PA CoC < westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org >

Tue 8/8/2023 7:21 AM

To:pennycampbell@clarionhousing.com < pennycampbell@clarionhousing.com > Cc:breauman@pa.gov < breauman@pa.gov >

1 attachments (206 KB)

Clarion County Housing Authority PA0320_Documentation of full reallocation_8_8_23.pdf;

Dear Penny,

The attached letter serves as official documentation that your organization has opted to fully reallocate the PA0320-Transitional Housing Project CoC renewal grant. Details are outlined in the attached letter. Thank you all for your work to serve households experiencing homelessness and your commitment to serving your community.

Sincerely, Jessica Sones, DMA

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August 8, 2023

Penny Campbell
Clarion County Housing Authority

Re: Full voluntary reallocation of PA0320-Transitional Housing Project

Dear Penny,

This letter serves as official documentation that your organization has opted to fully reallocate the PA0320-Transitional Housing Project renewal grant. You will be voluntarily reallocating the full amount (\$66,101) of your existing grant. As such, you will not need to submit a renewal in e-snaps via the 2023 CoC NOFO Competition. Please reach out to the CoC at westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sones

Jessica Sones, DMA Consultant for Western PA CoC PA-601

cc: PA Department of Community and Economic Development, CoC Collaborative Applicant

Email/letter to	o Dubois Housin eallocation of PA	g Authority re: 0458 grant (7/2	partial voluntary 24/23)

Official notice of partial reallocation of PA0458

Western PA CoC <westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org>

Mon 7/24/2023 12:33 PM

To:Steve Mehok <director@duboishousing.org>;Amy Rosman <spc@duboishousing.org>;Kimberly Stroka <accounting@duboishousing.org>

<leigh@dma-housing.com>

1 attachments (210 KB)

Dubois Housing Authority PA0458_Documentation of partial reallocation_7_24_23.pdf;

Hello Dubois Housing Authority team,

The attached letter serves as official documentation that your organization has opted to partially reallocate the PA0458 Shelter Plus Care CoC renewal grant. Details are outlined in the attached letter. Thank you all for your work to serve households experiencing homelessness and your commitment to serving your community.

Sincerely, Jessica Sones, DMA

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Re: Partial voluntary reallocation of PA0458 Shelter Plus Care CoC grant

Dear Dubois Housing Authority team,

This letter serves as official documentation that your organization has opted to partially reallocate the PAO458-SHELTER PLUS CARE CoC renewal grant. You have opted to reduce this grant from \$480,604 to \$383,935. You will be voluntarily reallocating \$96,669 of your existing grant. When you apply for your renewal in e-snaps via the 2023 CoC NOFO Competition, you will apply for the reduced amount of \$383,935. Please reach out to the CoC at westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sones

Jessica Sones, DMA
Consultant for Western PA CoC PA-601

cc: PA Department of Community and Economic Development, CoC Collaborative Applicant

Notification of Decision for CoC New Project Funding - Westmoreland Community Action

Western PA CoC <westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org>

Thu 8/24/2023 10:30 AM

To:Kathryn Simpson <ksimpson@westmorelandca.org>

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Western PA CoC - FY2023 CoC-funding Process and Policies_Approved 2_15_23.pdf; Westmoreland Community Action New Project Letter_8_24_23.pdf;

Dear Kathryn,

Attached please find formal notification of the Western PA CoC's decision related to new project funding under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP.

Thank you,

DMA staff, on behalf of the Western PA CoC Funding Committee

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Kathryn Simpson Westmoreland Community Action

RE: New project application submitted to Western PA CoC

Dear Kathryn,

Thank you for submitting an application to the Western PA CoC under the FY2023 Continuum of Care New Permanent Housing Project RFP. Westmoreland Community Action applied for an expansion of your existing PSH project (PA0600) in the amount of \$132,432. Your organization's application was reviewed by the Funding Committee.

The CoC had \$1,151,606 amount of CoC Bonus + Reallocation money available and received 10 eligible new project applications under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP totaling \$1,881,093 in requested funds. Due to limited funding available for new projects, unfortunately your application was not selected for funding. This proposed project received the lowest score of all evaluated projects (41%), based on the new project scoring rubric. The Funding Committee had concerns about the cost effectiveness of the PA0600 project if awarded the expansion. The proposed expansion would put the average cost per household of the PA0600 project significantly above the CoC average for PSH projects.

This project will not be included on the CoC's Priority Listing and will not be ranked.

The CoC's Appeal Policy is attached. Per the Appeal Policy, if you decide to appeal, you must send an email within 24 hours of receiving this notification (by Friday, August 25th at 12pm) to westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org with the subject line, "Western PA CoC: New Project Selection Appeal". The project applicant will then have an additional 48 hours to submit their official appeal (due to weekend, additional information related to appeal would be due by Tuesday, August 29th at 12pm). The official appeal should provide any relevant rationale or documentation for consideration.

Thank you for your interest and commitment to the work that you do. If you would like to request technical assistance in order to understand how your application can compete more competitively next year, please reach out to the DMA, the CoC Consultant at westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org after October 12, 2023.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sones

Jessica Sones

Email/letter to Warren-Forest EOC re: 3 new projects not selected for funding (8/24/23)

Notification of Decision for CoC New Project Funding - Warren-Forest EOC

Western PA CoC <westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org>

Thu 8/24/2023 10:30 AM

To:jfralick@wfeoc.org <jfralick@wfeoc.org>

4 attachments (2 MB)

Western PA CoC - FY2023 CoC-funding Process and Policies_Approved 2_15_23.pdf; Warren Forest EOC New Project Letter_PA0777 Expansion Request_8_24_23.pdf; Warren Forest EOC New Project Letter_PA0897 Expansion Request_8_24_23.pdf; Warren Forest EOC New Project Letter_TH-RRH_8_24_23.pdf;

Dear Jeanne,

Attached please find formal notification of the Western PA CoC's decision related to new project funding under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP. You will find three letters attached related to new project applications for:

- PA0777 PSH expansion
- PA0897 PSH expansion
- New TH-RRH

Thank you,
DMA staff, on behalf of the Western PA CoC Funding Committee

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Jeanne Fralick
Warren-Forest Counties EOC

RE: New project application submitted to Western PA CoC

Dear Jeanne,

Thank you for submitting an application to the Western PA CoC under the FY2023 Continuum of Care Annual CoC NOFO RFP.

Your organization submitted an application for an **expansion of PA0777 PSH** in the amount of \$22,000 (expand services only). As outlined in the new project RFP, HUD requires that expansion projects add units OR add beds OR add services (increase frequency or intensity of services) – *see page 5 of the new project RFP*. Your application and budget proposed increasing salaries for staff and increasing operating costs, but the application did not propose adding units or beds nor increasing **frequency/intensity** of services. Please note that this requirement was also addressed in the CoC NOFO webinar hosted on 7/26/23 (and posted on CoC website) – *see 1 hour 13 minute mark*. As such, this application would not be eligible for expansion per HUD.

Based on the information outlined in the paragraph above, this project did not meet eligibility/threshold review and will not be accepted as a new project. This project will not be included on the CoC's Priority Listing and will not be ranked.

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Sincerely,
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Jeanne Fralick
Warren-Forest Counties EOC

RE: New project application submitted to Western PA CoC

Dear Jeanne,

Thank you for submitting an application to the Western PA CoC under the FY2023 Continuum of Care Annual CoC NOFO RFP.

Your organization submitted an application for an **expansion of PA0897 PSH** in the amount of \$20,500 (expand services only). As outlined in the new project RFP, HUD requires that expansion projects add units OR add beds OR add services (increase frequency or intensity of services) – *see page 5 of the new project RFP*. Your application and budget proposed increasing salaries for staff and increasing operating costs, but the application did not propose adding units or beds nor increasing **frequency/intensity** of services. Please note that this requirement was also addressed in the CoC NOFO webinar hosted on 7/26/23 (and posted on CoC website) – *see 1 hour 13 minute mark*. As such, this application would not be eligible for expansion per HUD.

Based on the information outlined in the paragraph above, this project did not meet eligibility/threshold review and will not be accepted as a new project. This project will not be included on the CoC's Priority Listing and will not be ranked.

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Jeanne Fralick
Warren-Forest Counties EOC

RE: New project application submitted to Western PA CoC

Dear Jeanne,

Thank you for submitting an application to the Western PA CoC under the FY2023 Continuum of Care New Permanent Housing Project RFP. Warren-Forest Counties EOC applied for a new TH-RRH project in the amount of \$118,057. Your organization's application was reviewed by the Funding Committee.

The CoC had \$1,151,606 amount of CoC Bonus + Reallocation money available and received 10 eligible new project applications under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP totaling \$1,881,093 in requested funds. Due to limited funding available for new projects, unfortunately your application was not selected for funding. This proposed project received the second lowest score of all evaluated projects (46%), based on the new project scoring rubric.

This project will not be included on the CoC's Priority Listing and will not be ranked.

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Sincerely,
Jessica Sones

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Notification of Decision for CoC New Project Funding - Arise

Western PA CoC <westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org>

Thu 8/24/2023 10:30 AM

To:Nicole Amabile <namabile@ariselc.org>

② 2 attachments (511 KB)

FY23CoCNOFO_ProjectApp and Esnaps_Tips & Troubleshooting.pdf; Arise New Project Letter_8_24_23.pdf;

Dear Nicole,

Attached please find formal notification of the Western PA CoC's decision related to new project funding under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP, which includes important information on next steps. **There is a mandatory meeting on Tuesday, August 29th for selected new projects**. Please see details in the attached letter.

Also attached is an e-snaps tip sheet from DMA, which will be helpful when you are working on your new project app in e-snaps (in addition to the 8/29 mandatory meeting). Please note that many of the questions in e-snaps are identical to the new project preliminary application, so you can use your responses from that to work on the e-snaps application.

Thank you,
DMA staff, on behalf of the Eastern PA CoC Funding Committee

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Nicole Amabile Arise

RE: New project application submitted to Western PA CoC

Dear Nicole,

Thank you for submitting an application to the Western PA CoC under the FY2023 Continuum of Care Annual CoC NOFO New Project RFP. Your organization's application was reviewed by the Funding Committee. Your application received a score of 80% from the Funding Committee, based on the new project scoring rubric.

- Arise submitted an application requesting \$184,710 for a new DV-dedicated PSH program serving Lawrence County.
- Arise has been approved to apply for a new DV-dedicated PSH project in the amount of \$164,000 under a combination of CoC Bonus and Reallocation funds. This is lower than requested amount, as the Funding Committee had concerns about the cost per household of the proposed project, which would be much higher than the CoC average for other PSH projects. The Funding Committee requests that you lower your services budget and rural budget line items (and reduce admin accordingly to no greater than 10%). The Funding Committee requests that you lower your proposed project budget to \$164,000. If you need assistance re-working your budget to this reduced amount, please reach out to westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org for assistance.
- If you are not interested in applying for a project at the reduced amount, please notify the CoC no later than 12pm on Friday, August 25th.
- This project will be included on the CoC's Priority Listing at the reduced amount and will be ranked.
- When completing your new project application in e-snaps, on Screen 6A Funding Request, question 2 "What type of CoC funding is this project applying for in this CoC Competition?" please select Reallocation + CoC Bonus.

Next steps:

- Please respond by 5pm on Friday, August 25th to westerncoc@pennsyvlaniacoc.org
 with the project's official name. This must be the name that will be provided within
 your new project application to HUD.
- Please see the next page for instructions and timelines for submitting your new project application. Please review this information carefully and ensure that you meet the requested deadlines.
- DMA (CoC Consultant) will be reaching out to you within the next week or so to discuss
 the required documentation for healthcare and housing leveraging, as your application
 indicated that this project will utilize healthcare leveraging (less than 25%) and housing
 leveraging (at least 25%).

Thank you for the commitment of your organization and staff to be a partner to the Western PA CoC as we work together to reduce and end homelessness.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sones

Jessica Sones

Diana T. Myers and Associates, consultant for Western PA CoC

On behalf of the Western PA CoC Funding Committee

Notification of Decision for CoC New Project Funding - County of Washington

Western PA CoC < westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org >

Thu 8/24/2023 10:30 AM

To:Nicole.Masur@co.washington.pa.us < Nicole.Masur@co.washington.pa.us >

2 attachments (517 KB)

FY23CoCNOFO_ProjectApp and Esnaps_Tips & Troubleshooting.pdf; County of Washington New Project Letter_8_24_23.pdf;

Dear Nicole,

Attached please find formal notification of the Western PA CoC's decision related to new project funding under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP, which includes important information on next steps. **There is a mandatory meeting on Tuesday, August 29th for selected new projects**. Please see details in the attached letter.

Also attached is an e-snaps tip sheet from DMA, which will be helpful when you are working on your new project app in e-snaps (in addition to the 8/29 mandatory meeting). Please note that many of the questions in e-snaps are identical to the new project preliminary application, so you can use your responses from that to work on the e-snaps application.

Thank you,
DMA staff, on behalf of the Eastern PA CoC Funding Committee

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August 24, 2023

Nicole Masur County of Washington

RE: New project application submitted to Western PA CoC

Dear Nicole,

Thank you for submitting an application to the Western PA CoC under the FY2023 Continuum of Care Annual CoC NOFO New Project RFP. Your organization's application was reviewed by the Funding Committee. Your project received a score of 54% from the Funding Committee, based on the new project scoring rubric.

- County of Washington submitted an application requesting \$701,117 for a new TH-RRH program to serve Fayette, Washington, and Westmoreland counties.
- The CoC had \$1,151,606 amount of CoC Bonus + Reallocation money available and received 10 eligible new project applications under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP totaling \$1,881,093 in requested funds.
- County of Washington has been approved to apply for a new TH-RRH program under the CoC Bonus in the amount of \$280,000. This is lower than requested amount, due to limited funds available. The Funding Committee requests that you lower your proposed project budget to \$280,000. While the Funding Committee appreciated the intent of the project, the Committee felt that the scope and budget were too large for a new project. The Funding Committee requests that you lower your budget to approximately 3 TH units and 12 RRH units, and lower your operations, supportive services and admin budgets accordingly. If you need assistance re-working your budget to this reduced amount, please reach out to westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org for assistance.
- If you are not interested in applying for a new project at this reduced amount, please notify the CoC no later than 12pm on Friday, August 25th.
- This project will be included on the CoC's Priority Listing at the reduced amount and will be ranked.

Next steps:

- Please respond by 5pm on Friday, August 25th to westerncoc@pennsyvlaniacoc.org with the project's official name. This must be the name that will be provided within your new project application to HUD.
- Please see the next page for instructions and timelines for submitting your new project application. Please review this information carefully and ensure that you meet the requested deadlines.

Thank you for the commitment of your organization and staff to be a partner to the Western PA CoC as we work together to reduce and end homelessness.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sones

Jessica Sones

Diana T. Myers and Associates, consultant for Western PA CoC

On behalf of the Western PA CoC Funding Committee

Notification of Decision for CoC New Project Funding - Union Mission

Western PA CoC <westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org>

Thu 8/24/2023 10:30 AM

To:Dan Carney <dcarney@theunionmission.org>

3 attachments (822 KB)

FY23CoCNOFO_ProjectApp and Esnaps_Tips & Troubleshooting.pdf; Union Mission of Latrobe SSO-CE New Project Letter 8_1_23.pdf; Union New Project Letter_PA0540 PSH Expansion_8_24_23.pdf;

Dear Dan,

Attached please find formal notification of the Western PA CoC's decision related to new project funding under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP, which includes important information on next steps. You will find two letters attached related to new project applications for:

- PA0540 PSH expansion
- New SSO-CE project (letter previously sent 8/1/23; re-attaching here)

There is a mandatory meeting on Tuesday, August 29th for selected new projects. Please see details in the attached letter.

Also attached is an e-snaps tip sheet from DMA, which will be helpful when you are working on your new project app in e-snaps (in addition to the 8/29 mandatory meeting). Please note that many of the questions in e-snaps are identical to the new project preliminary application, so you can use your responses from that to work on the e-snaps application.

Thank you,

DMA staff, on behalf of the Eastern PA CoC Funding Committee

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Dan Carney Union Mission of Latrobe, Inc.

RE: New project application submitted to Western PA CoC

Dear Dan,

Thank you for submitting an application to the Western PA CoC under the FY2023 Continuum of Care Annual CoC NOFO New Project RFP. Your organization's application was reviewed by the Funding Committee. Union Mission's project received a score of 51% from the Funding Committee, based on the new project scoring rubric.

- Union Mission submitted an application requesting \$111,033 for an expansion of your existing CoC-funded PA0540 PSH program, which serves Westmoreland County.
- The CoC had \$1,151,606 amount of CoC Bonus + Reallocation money available and received 10 eligible new project applications under the Annual CoC NOFO RFP totaling \$1,881,093 in requested funds.
- Union Mission has been approved to apply for an expansion of the PA0540 project under the CoC Bonus in the amount of \$73,862. This is lower than requested amount, due to limited funds available. The Funding Committee requests that you lower your proposed project budget to \$73,862. If you need assistance re-working your budget to this reduced amount, please reach out to westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org for assistance.
- If you are not interested in applying for an expansion at the reduced amount, please notify the CoC no later than 12pm on Friday, August 25th.
- This project will be included on the CoC's Priority Listing at the reduced amount and will be ranked.
- Per HUD guidelines regarding expansion projects, the name for your new project in esnaps should be: *PA0540 Union Mission Permanent Supportive Housing- Expansion*.

Next steps:

- In your renewal application for PA0540 Union Mission Permanent Supportive
 Housing, you will need to complete the Renewal Expansion Screen, indicating that you
 are applying for an expansion. If you have already submitted your renewal application
 in esnaps, please email westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org and we will release the
 application to you to make this update. If you have any questions about this, please
 email westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org.
- Please see the next page for instructions and timelines for submitting your new project application. Please review this information carefully and ensure that you meet the requested deadlines.

Thank you for the commitment of your organization and staff to be a partner to the Western PA CoC as we work together to reduce and end homelessness.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sones

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Diana T. Myers and Associates, consultant for Western PA CoC

On behalf of the Western PA CoC Funding Committee

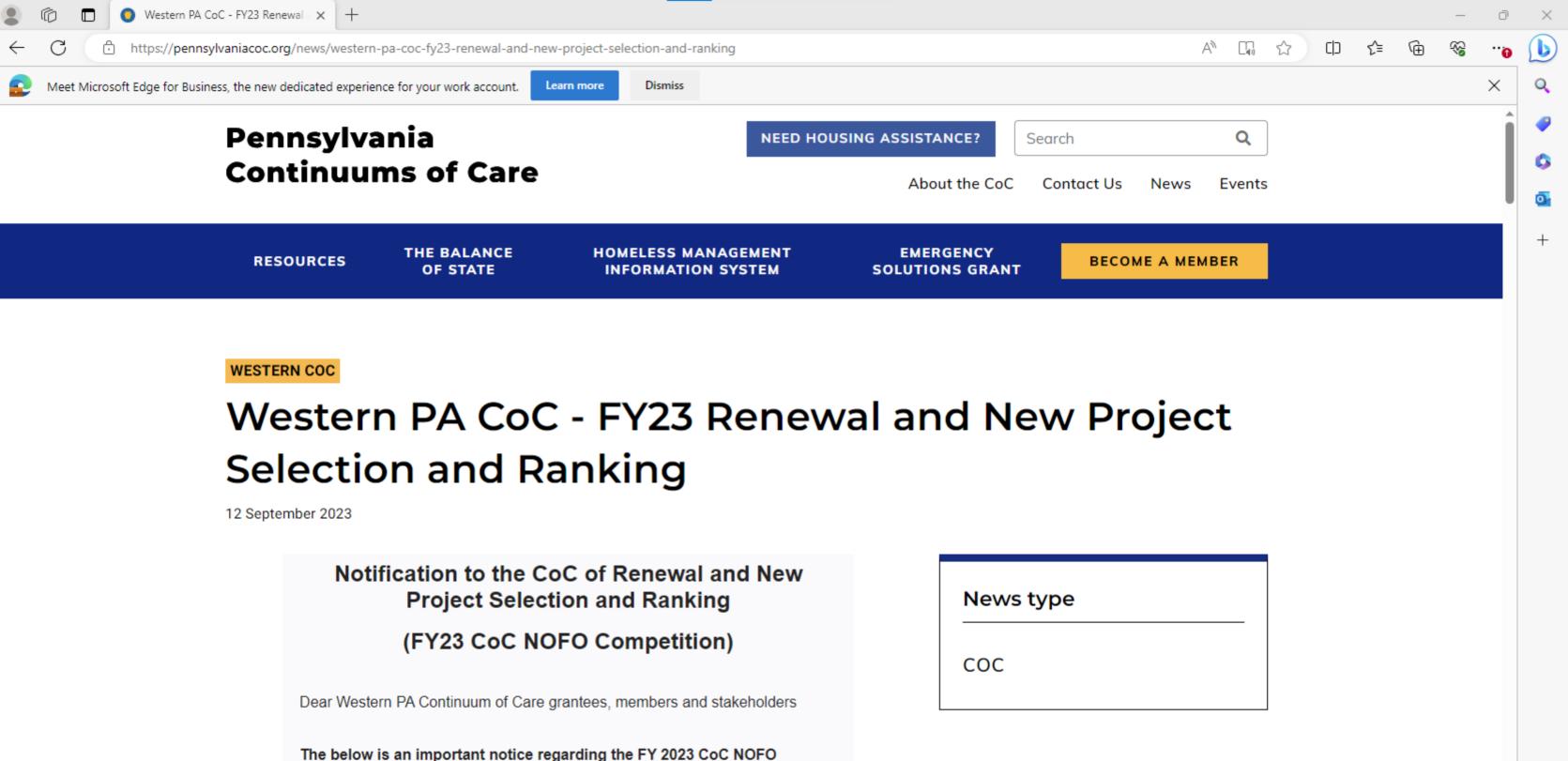
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1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted

Documents include the following:

- Public notice of projects accepted/rejected/reduced (9/12/23)
 - Public posting on CoC website
 - CoC mailing list public notice -- Forward to all CoC renewal and new project applicants

Public posting on CoC website of projects accepted/rejected/reduced (9/12/23)

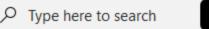


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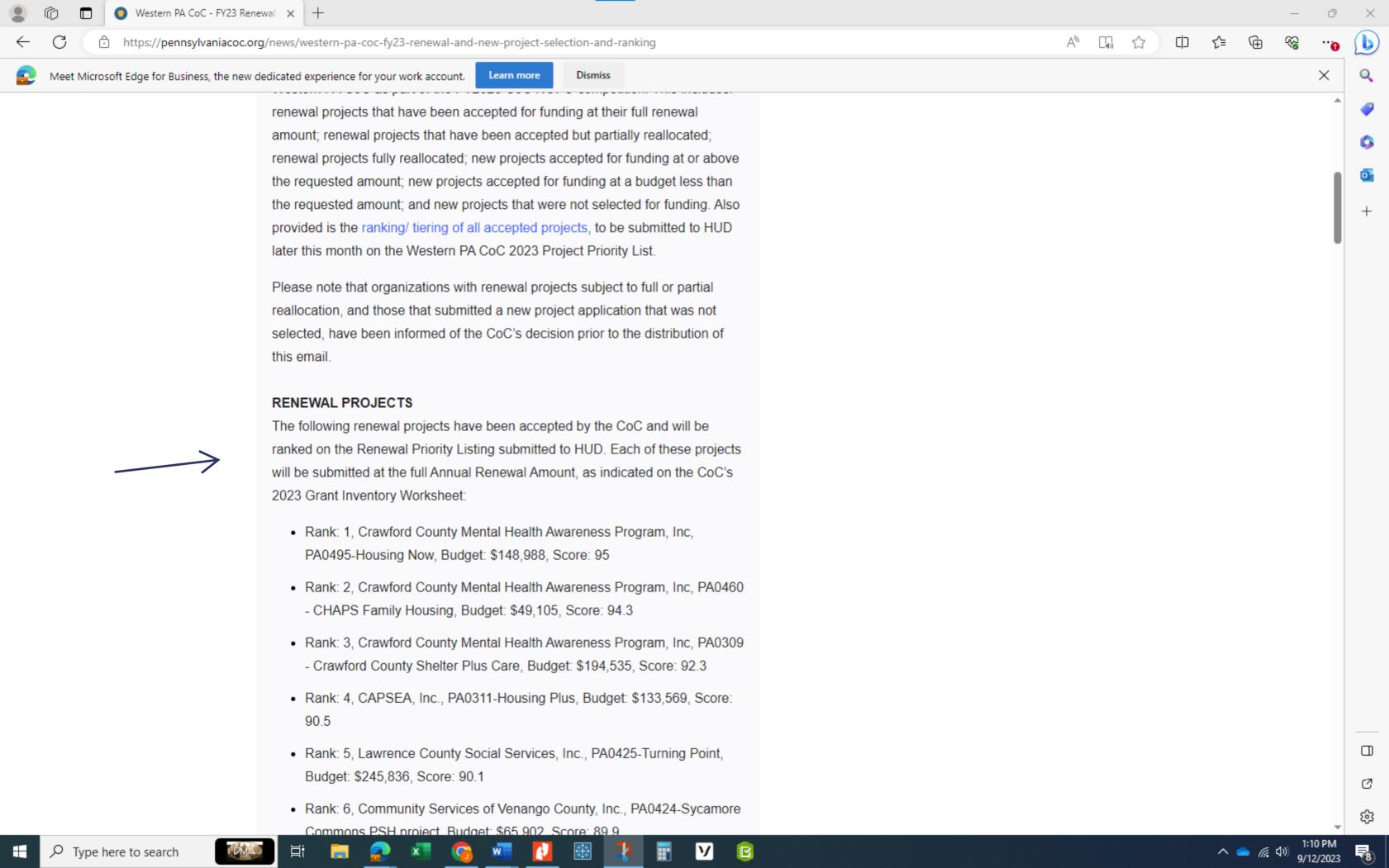


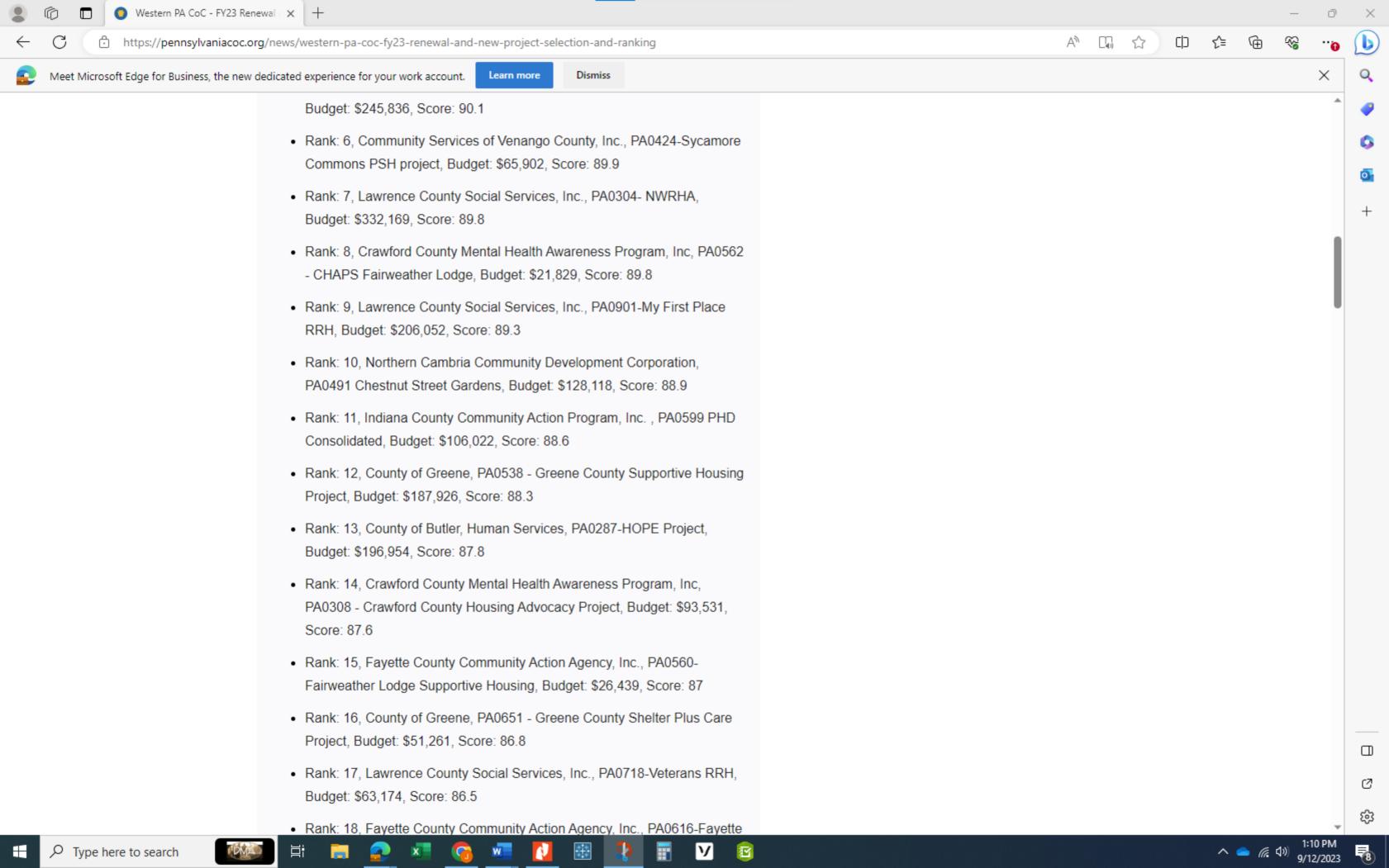


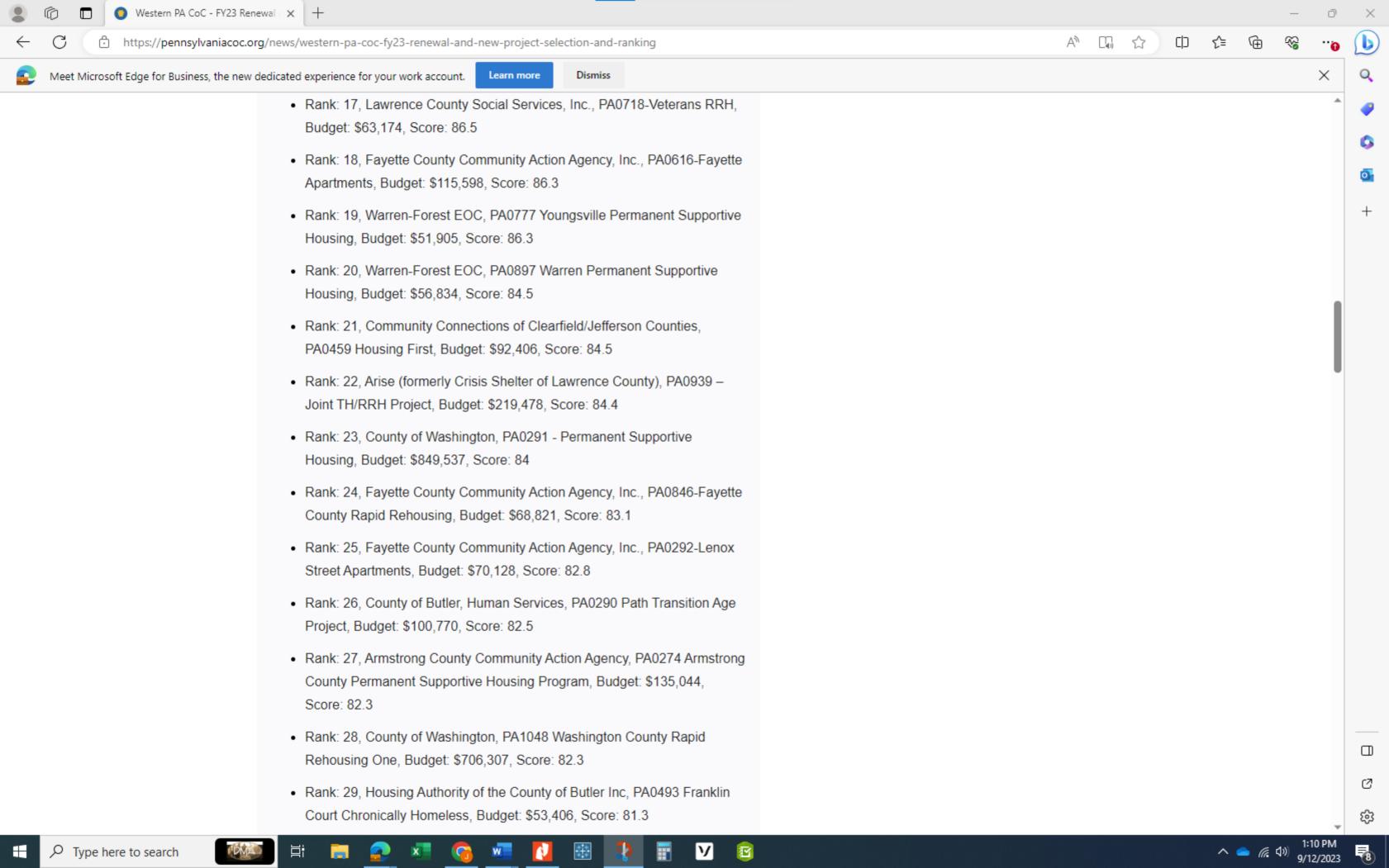


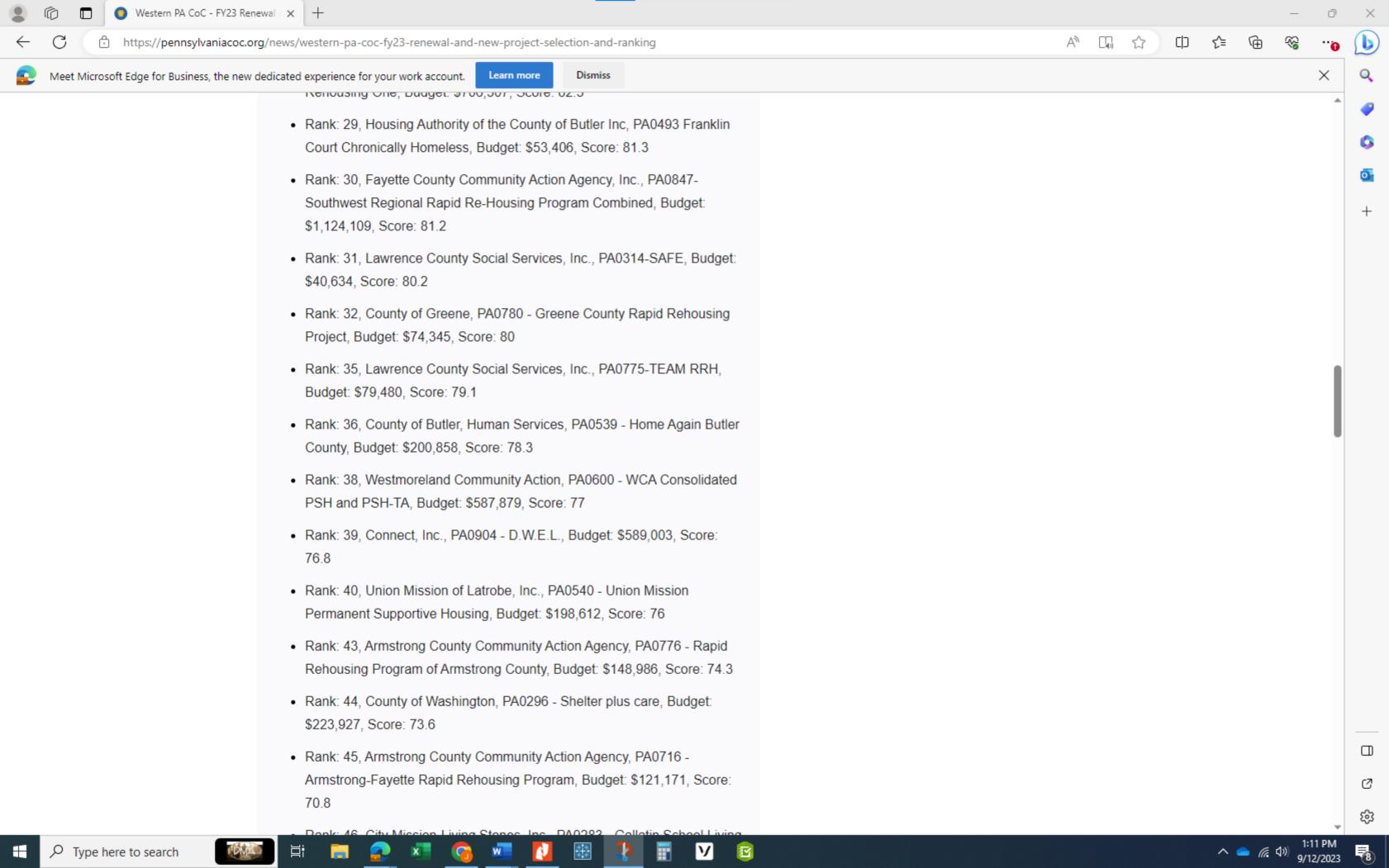


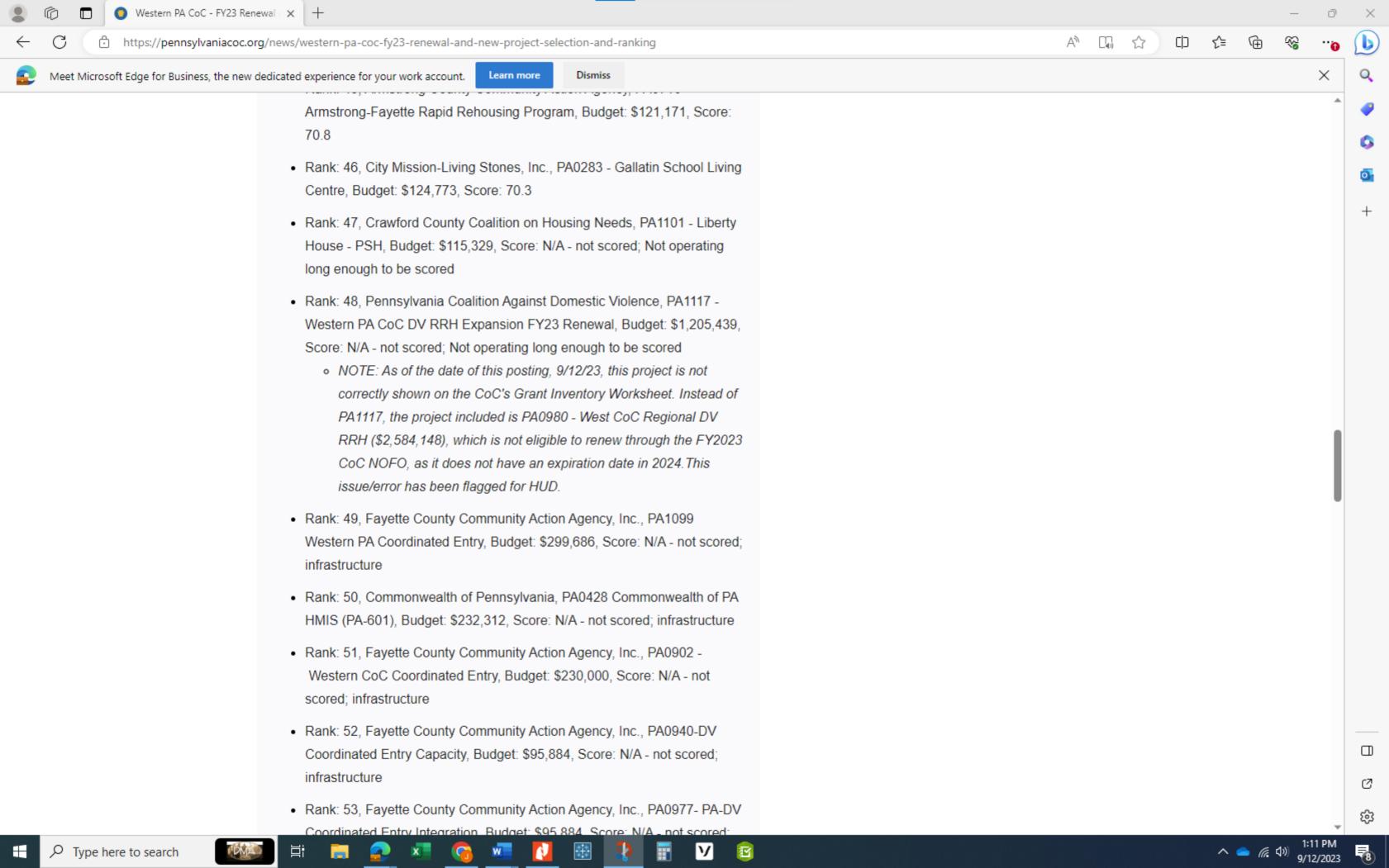


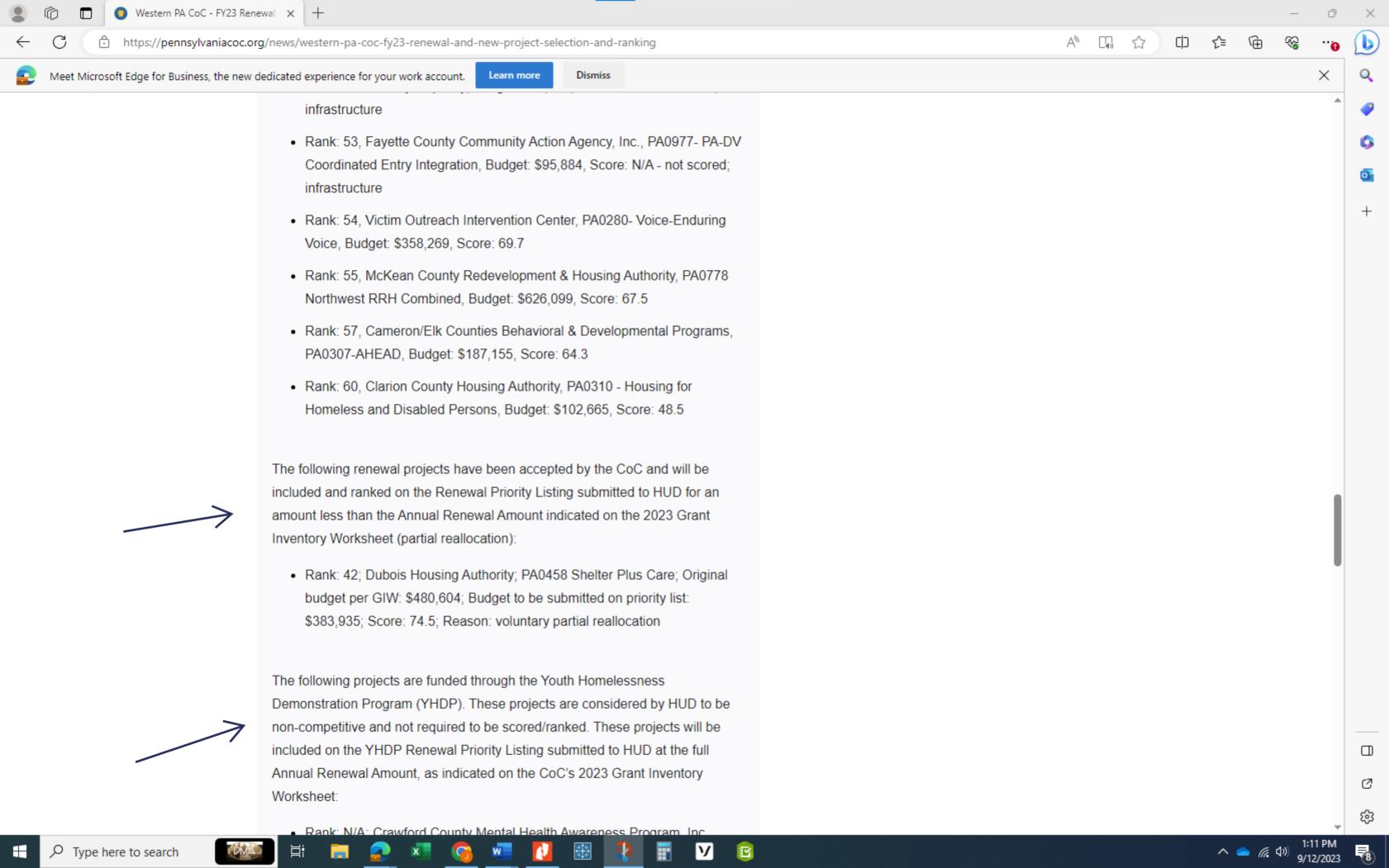


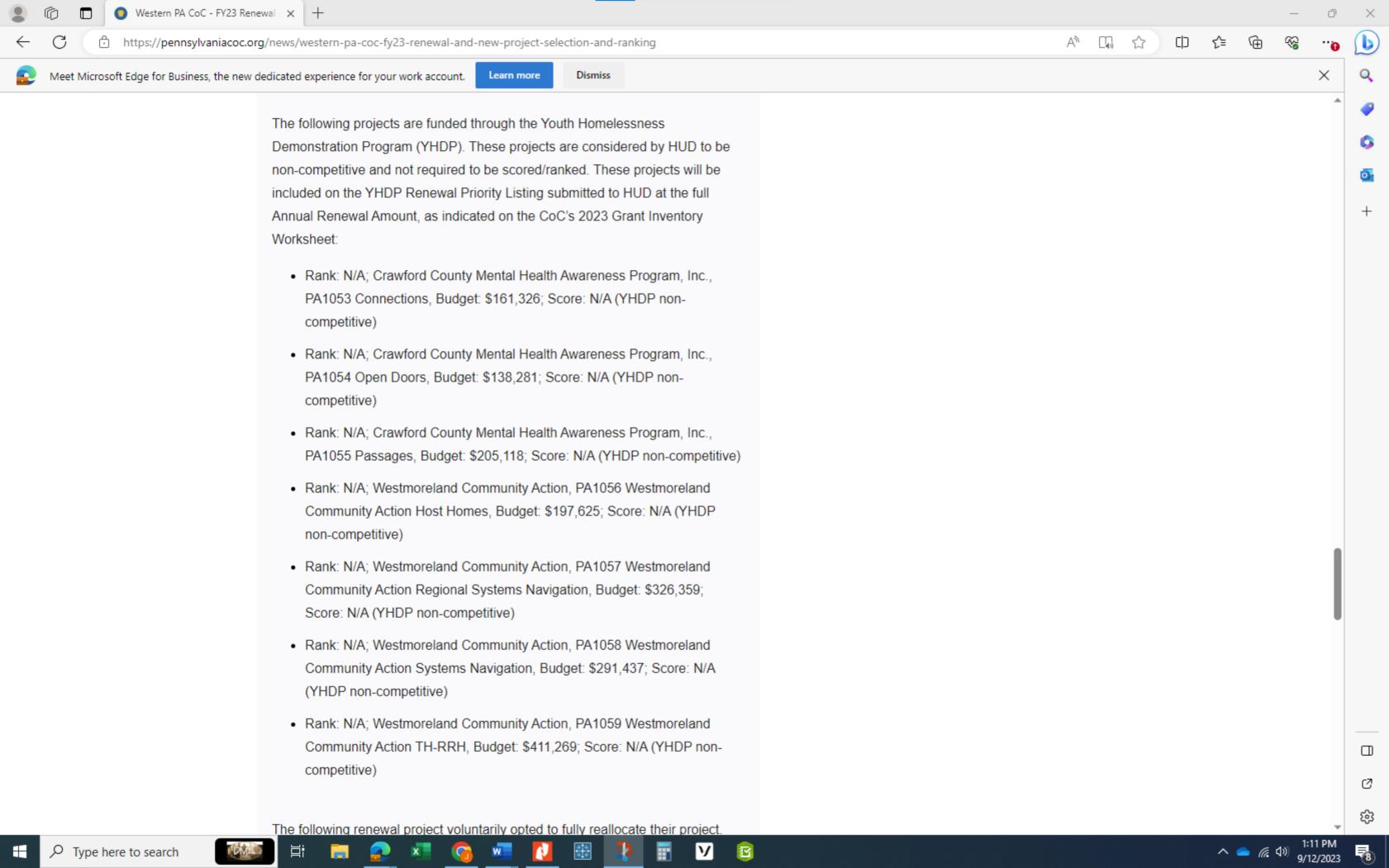


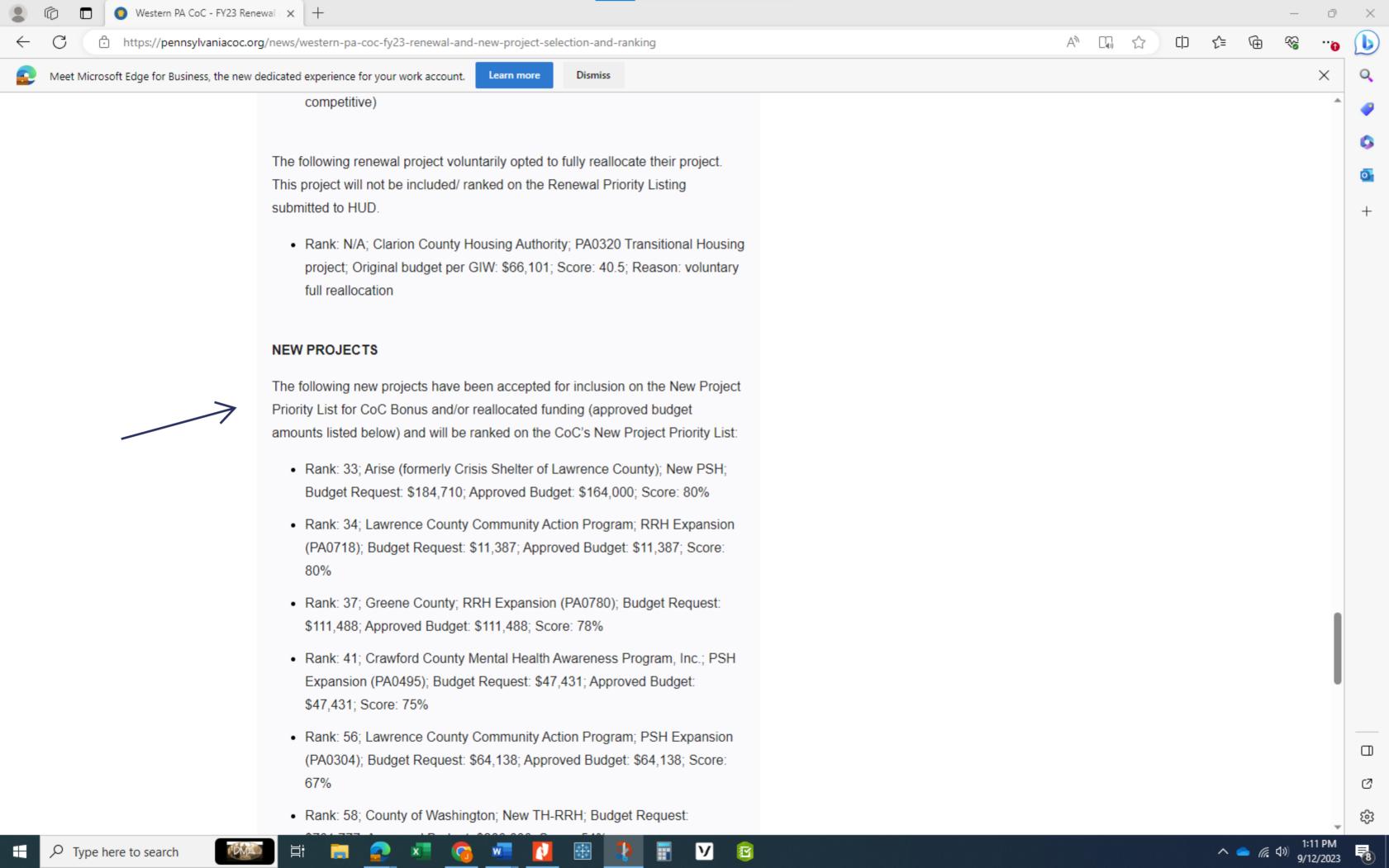


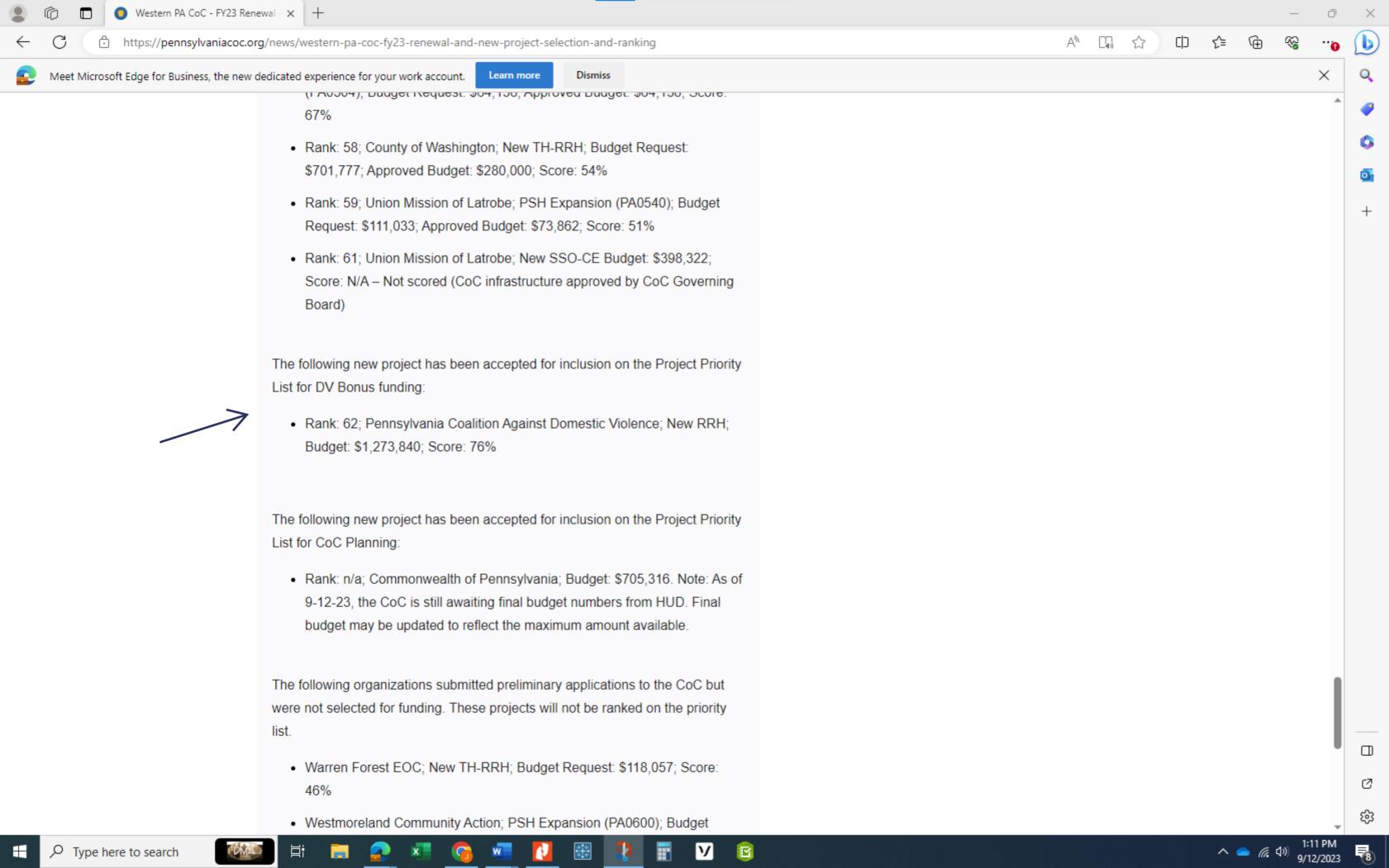


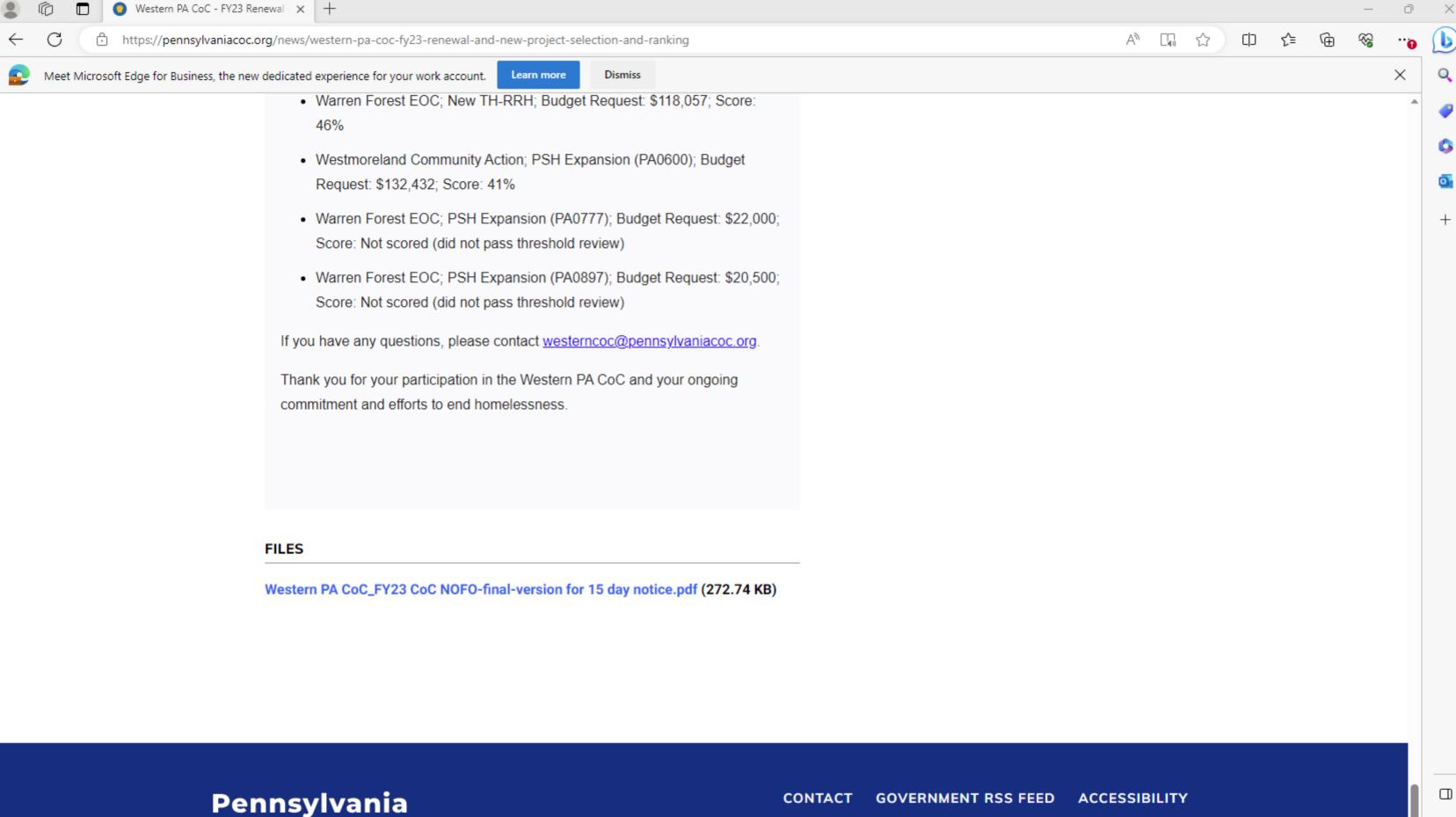




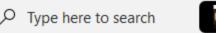


















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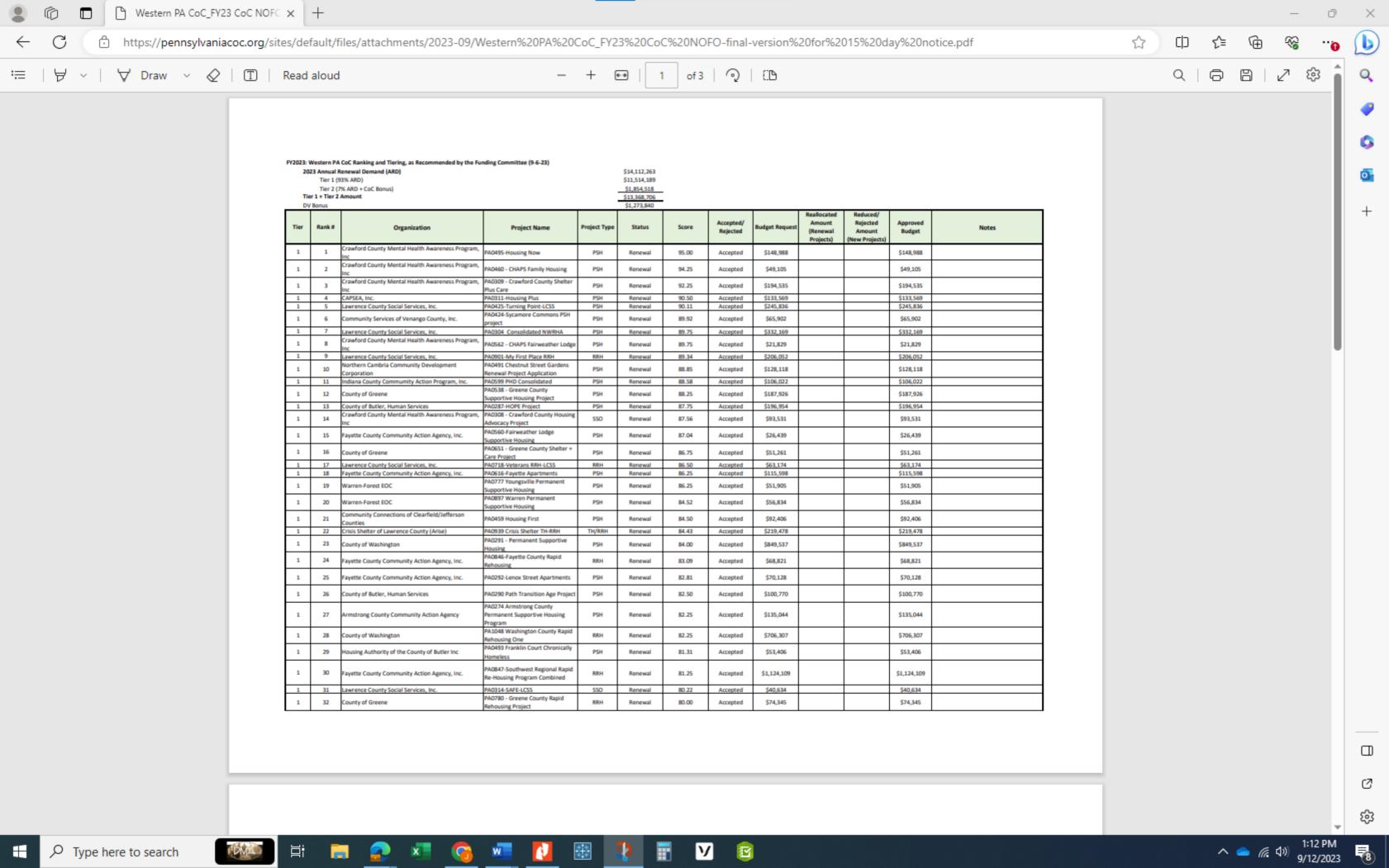


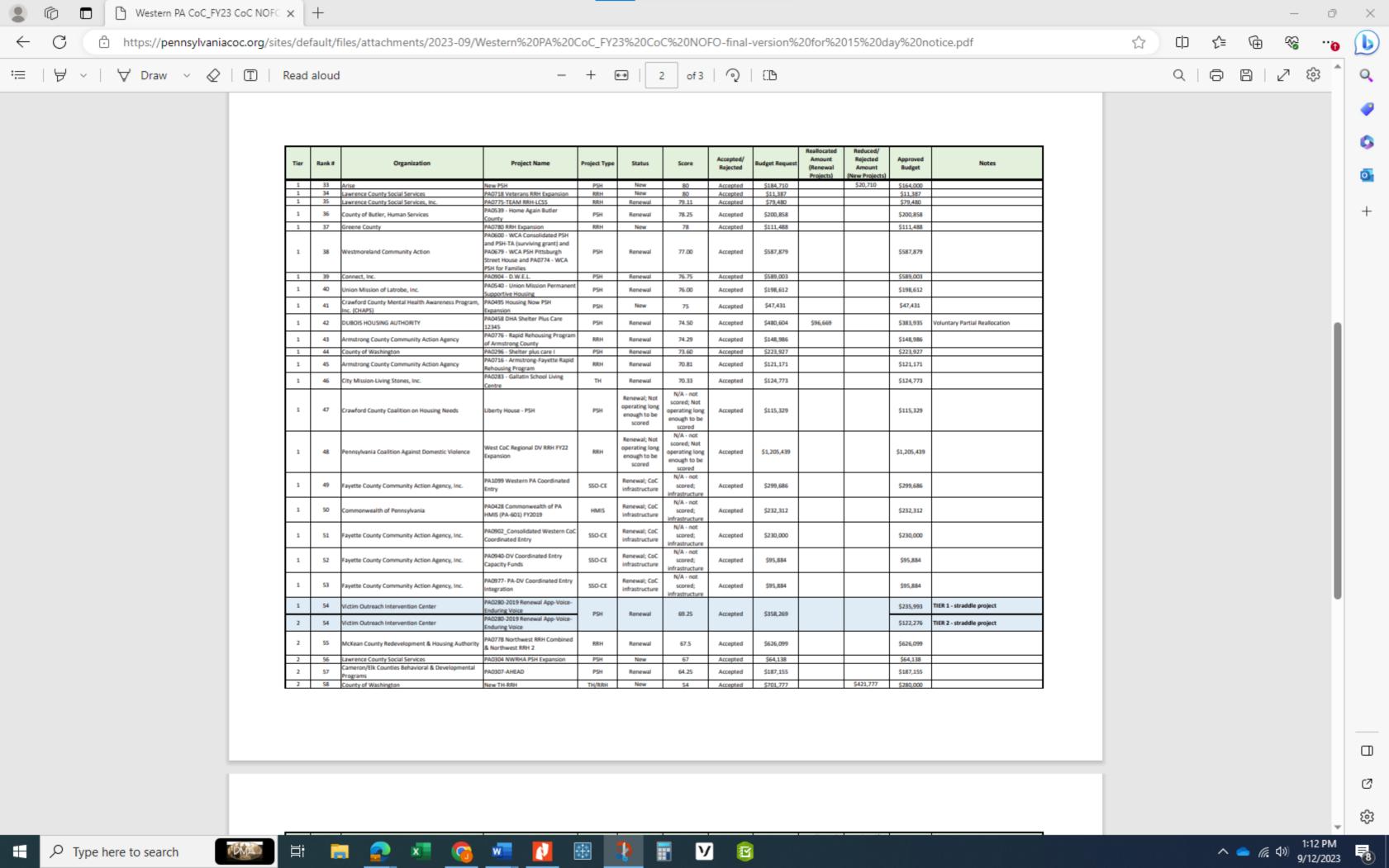


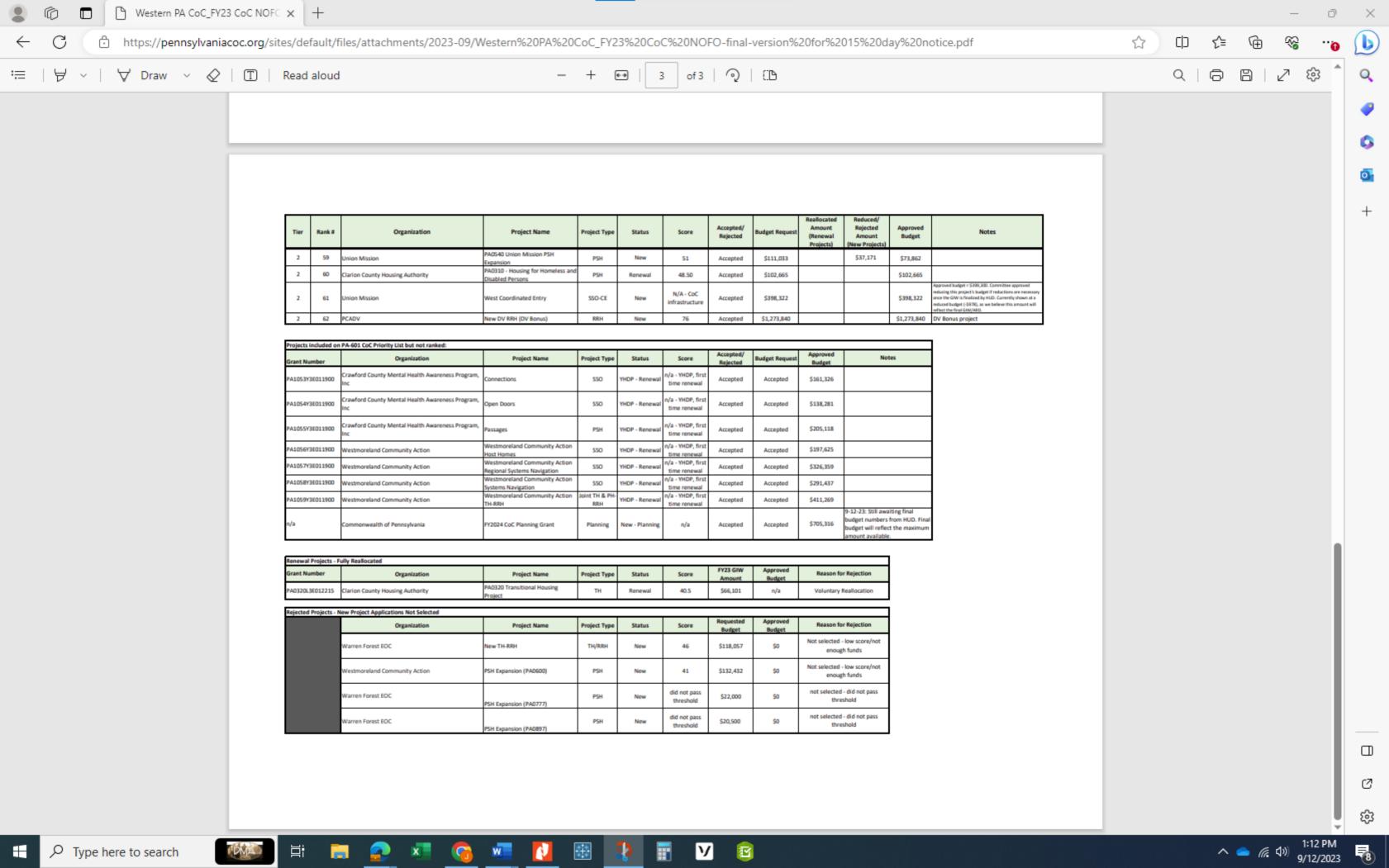












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Fw: Notification to the CoC of Renewal and New Project Selection and Ranking (FY23) **CoC NOFO Competition)**

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Hello Western PA CoC renewal and new project applicants,

This email is being sent to all Western CoC renewal and new project applicants. Below please find notice that went out a few minutes ago via the CoC mailing list related to renewal and new project selection and ranking for the FY23 CoC NOFO Competition. At this link you can find the ranking/tiering of all accepted projects, to be submitted to HUD later this month on the Western PA CoC 2023 Project Priority List. Please note that this notification has also been publicly posted to the CoC website here:

https://pennsylvaniacoc.org/news/western-pa-coc-fy23-renewal-and-new-project-selection-and-ranking. Thank you for all of your work in putting together applications for the FY23 CoC Competition. We anticipate that HUD will release the FY23 CoC NOFO Competition award announcements sometime in spring 2024.

Thank you, DMA Team

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DMA - Diana T. Myers & Associates, Inc.
CoC Consultants for the Western PA Balance of State CoC (215) 576-1558
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From: Western PA CoC < westerncoc@pennsylvaniacoc.org >

Date: Tue, Sep 12, 2023 at 1:19 PM

Subject: Notification to the CoC of Renewal and New Project Selection and Ranking (FY23 CoC NOFO

Competition)

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Notification to the CoC of Renewal and New Project Selection and Ranking (FY23 CoC NOFO Competition)

Dear Western PA Continuum of Care grantees, members and stakeholders:

The below is an important notice regarding the FY 2023 CoC NOFO Competition.

This email summarizes the list and status of all projects submitted to the Western PA CoC as part of the FY2023 CoC NOFO competition. This includes: renewal projects that have been accepted for funding at their full renewal amount; renewal projects that have been accepted but partially reallocated; renewal projects fully reallocated; new projects accepted for funding at or above the requested amount; new projects accepted for funding at a budget less than the requested amount; and new projects that were not selected for funding.

At this link you can find the ranking/tiering of all accepted projects, to be submitted to HUD later this month on the Western PA CoC 2023 Project Priority List. Please note that this notification has also been publicly posted to the CoC website here: https://pennsylvaniacoc.org/news/western-pa-coc-fy23-renewal-and-new-project-selection-and-ranking.

Please note that organizations with renewal projects subject to full or partial reallocation, and those that submitted a new project application that was not selected, have been informed of the CoC's decision prior to the distribution of

RENEWAL PROJECTS

The following renewal projects have been accepted by the CoC and will be ranked on the Renewal Priority Listing submitted to HUD. Each of these projects will be submitted at the full Annual Renewal Amount, as indicated on the CoC's 2023 Grant Inventory Worksheet:

- Rank: 1, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc, PA0495-Housing Now, Budget: \$148,988, Score: 95
- Rank: 2, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc, PA0460 - CHAPS Family Housing, Budget: \$49,105, Score: 94.3
- Rank: 3, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc,
 PA0309 Crawford County Shelter Plus Care, Budget: \$194,535, Score:
 92.3
- Rank: 4, CAPSEA, Inc., PA0311-Housing Plus, Budget: \$133,569, Score: 90.5
- Rank: 5, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0425-Turning Point, Budget: \$245,836, Score: 90.1
- Rank: 6, Community Services of Venango County, Inc., PA0424-Sycamore Commons PSH project, Budget: \$65,902, Score: 89.9
- Rank: 7, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0304- NWRHA, Budget: \$332,169, Score: 89.8
- Rank: 8, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc,
 PA0562 CHAPS Fairweather Lodge, Budget: \$21,829, Score: 89.8
- Rank: 9, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0901-My First Place RRH, Budget: \$206,052, Score: 89.3
- Rank: 10, Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation, PA0491 Chestnut Street Gardens, Budget: \$128,118, Score: 88.9
- Rank: 11, Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc., PA0599 PHD Consolidated, Budget: \$106,022, Score: 88.6
- Rank: 12, County of Greene, PA0538 Greene County Supportive Housing Project, Budget: \$187,926, Score: 88.3
- Rank: 13, County of Butler, Human Services, PA0287-HOPE Project, Budget: \$196,954, Score: 87.8
- Rank: 14, Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc,
 PA0308 Crawford County Housing Advocacy Project, Budget: \$93,531,
 Score: 87.6
- Rank: 15, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0560-Fairweather Lodge Supportive Housing, Budget: \$26,439, Score: 87

- Rank: 16, County of Greene, PA0651 Greene County Shelter Plus Care Project, Budget: \$51,261, Score: 86.8
- Rank: 17, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0718-Veterans RRH, Budget: \$63,174, Score: 86.5
- Rank: 18, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0616-Fayette Apartments, Budget: \$115,598, Score: 86.3
- Rank: 19, Warren-Forest EOC, PA0777 Youngsville Permanent Supportive Housing, Budget: \$51,905, Score: 86.3
- Rank: 20, Warren-Forest EOC, PA0897 Warren Permanent Supportive Housing, Budget: \$56,834, Score: 84.5
- Rank: 21, Community Connections of Clearfield/Jefferson Counties, PA0459 Housing First, Budget: \$92,406, Score: 84.5
- Rank: 22, Arise (formerly Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County), PA0939 Joint TH/RRH Project, Budget: \$219,478, Score: 84.4
- Rank: 23, County of Washington, PA0291 Permanent Supportive Housing, Budget: \$849,537, Score: 84
- Rank: 24, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0846-Fayette County Rapid Rehousing, Budget: \$68,821, Score: 83.1
- Rank: 25, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0292-Lenox Street Apartments, Budget: \$70,128, Score: 82.8
- Rank: 26, County of Butler, Human Services, PA0290 Path Transition Age Project, Budget: \$100,770, Score: 82.5
- Rank: 27, Armstrong County Community Action Agency, PA0274
 Armstrong County Permanent Supportive Housing Program, Budget: \$135,044, Score: 82.3
- Rank: 28, County of Washington, PA1048 Washington County Rapid Rehousing One, Budget: \$706,307, Score: 82.3
- Rank: 29, Housing Authority of the County of Butler Inc, PA0493 Franklin Court Chronically Homeless, Budget: \$53,406, Score: 81.3
- Rank: 30, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0847-Southwest Regional Rapid Re-Housing Program Combined, Budget: \$1,124,109, Score: 81.2
- Rank: 31, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0314-SAFE, Budget: \$40,634, Score: 80.2
- Rank: 32, County of Greene, PA0780 Greene County Rapid Rehousing Project, Budget: \$74,345, Score: 80
- Rank: 35, Lawrence County Social Services, Inc., PA0775-TEAM RRH, Budget: \$79,480, Score: 79.1
- Rank: 36, County of Butler, Human Services, PA0539 Home Again Butler County, Budget: \$200,858, Score: 78.3

- Rank: 38, Westmoreland Community Action, PA0600 WCA Consolidated PSH and PSH-TA, Budget: \$587,879, Score: 77
- Rank: 39, Connect, Inc., PA0904 D.W.E.L., Budget: \$589,003, Score:
 76.8
- Rank: 40, Union Mission of Latrobe, Inc., PA0540 Union Mission
 Permanent Supportive Housing, Budget: \$198,612, Score: 76
- Rank: 43, Armstrong County Community Action Agency, PA0776 Rapid Rehousing Program of Armstrong County, Budget: \$148,986, Score: 74.3
- Rank: 44, County of Washington, PA0296 Shelter plus care, Budget: \$223,927, Score: 73.6
- Rank: 45, Armstrong County Community Action Agency, PA0716 Armstrong-Fayette Rapid Rehousing Program, Budget: \$121,171, Score: 70.8
- Rank: 46, City Mission-Living Stones, Inc., PA0283 Gallatin School Living Centre, Budget: \$124,773, Score: 70.3
- Rank: 47, Crawford County Coalition on Housing Needs, PA1101 Liberty House - PSH, Budget: \$115,329, Score: N/A - not scored; Not operating long enough to be scored
- Rank: 48, Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence, PA1117 Western PA CoC DV RRH Expansion FY23 Renewal, Budget: \$1,205,439, Score: N/A - not scored; Not operating long enough to be scored
 - NOTE: As of the date of this posting, 9/12/23, this project is not correctly shown on the CoC's Grant Inventory Worksheet. Instead of PA1117, the project included is PA0980 West CoC Regional DV RRH (\$2,584,148), which is not eligible to renew through the FY2023 CoC NOFO, as it does not have an expiration date in 2024. This issue/error has been flagged for HUD.
- Rank: 49, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA1099
 Western PA Coordinated Entry, Budget: \$299,686, Score: N/A not scored; infrastructure
- Rank: 50, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, PA0428 Commonwealth of PA HMIS (PA-601), Budget: \$232,312, Score: N/A - not scored; infrastructure
- Rank: 51, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0902 -Western CoC Coordinated Entry, Budget: \$230,000, Score: N/A - not scored; infrastructure
- Rank: 52, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0940-DV Coordinated Entry Capacity, Budget: \$95,884, Score: N/A - not scored; infrastructure

- Rank: 53, Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc., PA0977- PA-DV Coordinated Entry Integration, Budget: \$95,884, Score: N/A - not scored; infrastructure
- Rank: 54, Victim Outreach Intervention Center, PA0280- Voice-Enduring Voice, Budget: \$358,269, Score: 69.7
- Rank: 55, McKean County Redevelopment & Housing Authority, PA0778
 Northwest RRH Combined, Budget: \$626,099, Score: 67.5
- Rank: 57, Cameron/Elk Counties Behavioral & Developmental Programs, PA0307-AHEAD, Budget: \$187,155, Score: 64.3
- Rank: 60, Clarion County Housing Authority, PA0310 Housing for Homeless and Disabled Persons, Budget: \$102,665, Score: 48.5

The following renewal projects have been accepted by the CoC and will be included and ranked on the Renewal Priority Listing submitted to HUD for an amount less than the Annual Renewal Amount indicated on the 2023 Grant Inventory Worksheet (partial reallocation):

 Rank: 42; Dubois Housing Authority; PA0458 Shelter Plus Care; Original budget per GIW: \$480,604; Budget to be submitted on priority list: \$383,935; Score: 74.5; Reason: voluntary partial reallocation

The following projects are funded through the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP). These projects are considered by HUD to be non-competitive and not required to be scored/ranked. These projects will be included on the YHDP Renewal Priority Listing submitted to HUD at the full Annual Renewal Amount, as indicated on the CoC's 2023 Grant Inventory Worksheet:

- Rank: N/A; Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc., PA1053 Connections, Budget: \$161,326; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc., PA1054 Open Doors, Budget: \$138,281; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc., PA1055 Passages, Budget: \$205,118; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Westmoreland Community Action, PA1056 Westmoreland Community Action Host Homes, Budget: \$197,625; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)

- Rank: N/A; Westmoreland Community Action, PA1057 Westmoreland Community Action Regional Systems Navigation, Budget: \$326,359;
 Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Westmoreland Community Action, PA1058 Westmoreland Community Action Systems Navigation, Budget: \$291,437; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)
- Rank: N/A; Westmoreland Community Action, PA1059 Westmoreland Community Action TH-RRH, Budget: \$411,269; Score: N/A (YHDP non-competitive)

The following renewal project voluntarily opted to fully reallocate their project. This project will not be included/ ranked on the Renewal Priority Listing submitted to HUD.

 Rank: N/A; Clarion County Housing Authority; PA0320 Transitional Housing project; Original budget per GIW: \$66,101; Score: 40.5; Reason: voluntary full reallocation

NEW PROJECTS

The following new projects have been accepted for inclusion on the New Project Priority List for CoC Bonus and/or reallocated funding (approved budget amounts listed below) and will be ranked on the CoC's New Project Priority List:

- Rank: 33; Arise (formerly Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County); New PSH;
 Budget Request: \$184,710; Approved Budget: \$164,000; Score: 80%
- Rank: 34; Lawrence County Community Action Program; RRH Expansion (PA0718); Budget Request: \$11,387; Approved Budget: \$11,387; Score: 80%
- Rank: 37; Greene County; RRH Expansion (PA0780); Budget Request: \$111,488; Approved Budget: \$111,488; Score: 78%
- Rank: 41; Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc.; PSH Expansion (PA0495); Budget Request: \$47,431; Approved Budget: \$47,431; Score: 75%
- Rank: 56; Lawrence County Community Action Program; PSH Expansion (PA0304); Budget Request: \$64,138; Approved Budget: \$64,138; Score: 67%
- Rank: 58; County of Washington; New TH-RRH; Budget Request: \$701,777; Approved Budget: \$280,000; Score: 54%
- Rank: 59; Union Mission of Latrobe; PSH Expansion (PA0540); Budget
 Request: \$111,033; Approved Budget: \$73,862; Score: 51%

Rank: 61; Union Mission of Latrobe; New SSO-CE Budget: \$398,322;
 Score: N/A – Not scored (CoC infrastructure approved by CoC Governing Board)

The following new project has been accepted for inclusion on the Project Priority List for DV Bonus funding:

Rank: 62; Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence; New RRH;
 Budget: \$1,273,840; Score: 76%

The following new project has been accepted for inclusion on the Project Priority List for CoC Planning:

Rank: n/a; Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Budget: \$705,316. Note: As
of 9-12-23, the CoC is still awaiting final budget numbers from HUD. Final
budget may be updated to reflect the maximum amount available.

The following organizations submitted preliminary applications to the CoC but were not selected for funding. These projects will not be ranked on the priority list.

- Warren Forest EOC; New TH-RRH; Budget Request: \$118,057; Score:
 46%
- Westmoreland Community Action; PSH Expansion (PA0600); Budget Request: \$132,432; Score: 41%
- Warren Forest EOC; PSH Expansion (PA0777); Budget Request:
 \$22,000; Score: Not scored (did not pass threshold review)
- Warren Forest EOC; PSH Expansion (PA0897); Budget Request: \$20,500; Score: Not scored (did not pass threshold review)

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1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results

Documents include the following:

- Final Project Scores for All Projects, including:
 - Project Names
 - Project Scores
 - Projects Accepted or Rejected Status
 - Project Rank (if accepted)
 - Requested Funding Amounts
 - Reallocated Funds

FY2023: Western PA CoC Ranking and Tiering for submission to HUD - FINAL

2023 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)

Tier 1 (93% ARD)

Tier 2 (7% ARD + CoC Bonus)

Tier 1 + Tier 2 Amount

DV Bonus

\$14,112,263 \$11,514,189 \$1,854,518 \$13,368,706 \$1,273,840

Tier	Rank#	Organization	Project Name	Project Type	Status	Score	Accepted/ Rejected	Budget Request	Reallocated Amount (Renewal Projects)	Reduced/ Rejected Amount (New Projects)	Approved Budget	Notes
1	1	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc	PA0495-Housing Now	PSH	Renewal	95.00	Accepted	\$148,988			\$148,988	
1	2	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc	PA0460 - CHAPS Family Housing	PSH	Renewal	94.25	Accepted	\$49,105			\$49,105	
1	3	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc	PA0309 - Crawford County Shelter Plus Care	PSH	Renewal	92.25	Accepted	\$194,535			\$194,535	
1	4	CAPSEA, Inc.	PA0311-Housing Plus	PSH	Renewal	90.50	Accepted	\$133,569			\$133,569	
1	5	Lawrence County Social Services, Inc.	PA0425-Turning Point-LCSS	PSH	Renewal	90.11	Accepted	\$245,836			\$245,836	
1	6	Community Services of Venango County, Inc.	PA0424-Sycamore Commons PSH project	PSH	Renewal	89.92	Accepted	\$65,902			\$65,902	
1	7	Lawrence County Social Services, Inc.	PA0304_Consolidated NWRHA	PSH	Renewal	89.75	Accepted	\$332,169			\$332,169	
1	8	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc	PA0562 - CHAPS Fairweather Lodge	PSH	Renewal	89.75	Accepted	\$21,829			\$21,829	
1	9	Lawrence County Social Services, Inc.	PA0901-My First Place RRH	RRH	Renewal	89.34	Accepted	\$206,052			\$206,052	
1	10	Northern Cambria Community Development Corporation	PA0491 Chestnut Street Gardens Renewal Project Application	PSH	Renewal	88.85	Accepted	\$128,118			\$128,118	
1	11	Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc.	PA0599 PHD Consolidated	PSH	Renewal	88.58	Accepted	\$106,022			\$106,022	
1	12	County of Greene	PA0538 - Greene County Supportive Housing Project	PSH	Renewal	88.25	Accepted	\$187,926			\$187,926	
1	13	County of Butler, Human Services	PA0287-HOPE Project	PSH	Renewal	87.75	Accepted	\$196,954			\$196,954	
1	14	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc	PA0308 - Crawford County Housing Advocacy Project	SSO	Renewal	87.56	Accepted	\$93,531			\$93,531	
1	15	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA0560-Fairweather Lodge Supportive Housing	PSH	Renewal	87.04	Accepted	\$26,439			\$26,439	
1	16	County of Greene	PA0651 - Greene County Shelter + Care Project	PSH	Renewal	86.75	Accepted	\$51,261			\$51,261	
1	17	Lawrence County Social Services, Inc.	PA0718-Veterans RRH-LCSS	RRH	Renewal	86.50	Accepted	\$63,174			\$63,174	
1	18	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA0616-Fayette Apartments	PSH	Renewal	86.25	Accepted	\$115,598			\$115,598	
1	19	Warren-Forest EOC	PA0777 Youngsville Permanent Supportive Housing	PSH	Renewal	86.25	Accepted	\$51,905			\$51,905	
1	20	Warren-Forest EOC	PA0897 Warren Permanent Supportive Housing	PSH	Renewal	84.52	Accepted	\$56,834			\$56,834	
1	21	Community Connections of Clearfield/Jefferson Counties	PA0459 Housing First	PSH	Renewal	84.50	Accepted	\$92,406			\$92,406	
1	22	Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County (Arise)	PA0939 Crisis Shelter TH-RRH	TH/RRH	Renewal	84.43	Accepted	\$219,478			\$219,478	
1	23	County of Washington	PA0291 - Permanent Supportive Housing	PSH	Renewal	84.00	Accepted	\$849,537			\$849,537	
1	24	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA0846-Fayette County Rapid Rehousing	RRH	Renewal	83.09	Accepted	\$68,821			\$68,821	
1	25	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA0292-Lenox Street Apartments	PSH	Renewal	82.81	Accepted	\$70,128			\$70,128	
1	26	County of Butler, Human Services	PA0290 Path Transition Age Project	PSH	Renewal	82.50	Accepted	\$100,770			\$100,770	
1	27	Armstrong County Community Action Agency	PA0274 Armstrong County Permanent Supportive Housing Program	PSH	Renewal	82.25	Accepted	\$135,044			\$135,044	
1	28	County of Washington	PA1048 Washington County Rapid Rehousing One	RRH	Renewal	82.25	Accepted	\$706,307			\$706,307	
1	29	Housing Authority of the County of Butler Inc	PA0493 Franklin Court Chronically Homeless	PSH	Renewal	81.31	Accepted	\$53,406			\$53,406	
1	30	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA0847-Southwest Regional Rapid Re-Housing Program Combined	RRH	Renewal	81.25	Accepted	\$1,124,109			\$1,124,109	

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1	31	Lawrence County Social Services, Inc.	PA0314-SAFE-LCSS	SSO	Renewal	80.22	Accepted	\$40,634			\$40,634	
1	32	County of Greene	PA0780 - Greene County Rapid Rehousing Project	RRH	Renewal	80.00	Accepted	\$74,345			\$74,345	
1	33	Arise	New PSH	PSH	New	80	Accepted	\$184,710		\$20,710	\$164,000	
1	34	Lawrence County Social Services	PA0718 Veterans RRH Expansion	RRH	New	80	Accepted	\$11,387			\$11,387	
1	35	Lawrence County Social Services, Inc.	PA0775-TEAM RRH-LCSS	RRH	Renewal	79.11	Accepted	\$79,480			\$79,480	
1	36	County of Butler, Human Services	PA0539 - Home Again Butler County	PSH	Renewal	78.25	Accepted	\$200,858			\$200,858	
1	37	Greene County	PA0780 RRH Expansion	RRH	New	78	Accepted	\$111,488			\$111,488	
1	38	Westmoreland Community Action	PA0600 - WCA Consolidated PSH and PSH-TA (surviving grant) and PA0679 - WCA PSH Pittsburgh Street House and PA0774 - WCA PSH for Families	PSH	Renewal	77.00	Accepted	\$587,879			\$587,879	
1	39	Connect, Inc.	PA0904 - D.W.E.L.	PSH	Renewal	76.75	Accepted	\$589,003			\$589,003	
1	40	Union Mission of Latrobe, Inc.	PA0540 - Union Mission Permanent Supportive Housing	PSH	Renewal	76.00	Accepted	\$198,612			\$198,612	
1	41	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc. (CHAPS)	PA0495 Housing Now PSH Expansion	PSH	New	75	Accepted	\$47,431			\$47,431	
1	42	DUBOIS HOUSING AUTHORITY	PA0458 DHA Shelter Plus Care 12345	PSH	Renewal	74.50	Accepted	\$480,604	\$96,669		\$383,935	Voluntary Partial Reallocation
1	43	Armstrong County Community Action Agency	PA0776 - Rapid Rehousing Program of Armstrong County	RRH	Renewal	74.29	Accepted	\$148,986			\$148,986	
1	44	County of Washington	PA0296 - Shelter plus care I	PSH	Renewal	73.60	Accepted	\$223,927			\$223,927	
1	45	Armstrong County Community Action Agency	PA0716 - Armstrong-Fayette Rapid Rehousing Program	RRH	Renewal	70.81	Accepted	\$121,171			\$121,171	
1	46	City Mission-Living Stones, Inc.	PA0283 - Gallatin School Living Centre	TH	Renewal	70.33	Accepted	\$124,773			\$124,773	
1	47	Crawford County Coalition on Housing Needs	Liberty House - PSH	PSH	Renewal; Not operating long enough to be scored	N/A - not scored; Not operating long enough to be scored	Accepted	\$115,329			\$115,329	
1	48	Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence	West CoC Regional DV RRH FY22 Expansion	RRH	Renewal; Not operating long enough to be scored	N/A - not scored; Not operating long enough to be scored	Accepted	\$1,205,439			\$1,205,439	
1	49	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA1099 Western PA Coordinated Entry	SSO-CE	Renewal; CoC infrastructure	N/A - not scored; infrastructure	Accepted	\$299,686			\$299,686	
1	50	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	PA0428 Commonwealth of PA HMIS (PA-601) FY2019	HMIS	Renewal; CoC infrastructure	N/A - not scored; infrastructure	Accepted	\$232,312			\$232,312	
1	51	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA0902_Consolidated Western CoC Coordinated Entry	SSO-CE	Renewal; CoC infrastructure	N/A - not scored; infrastructure	Accepted	\$230,000			\$230,000	
1	52	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA0940-DV Coordinated Entry Capacity Funds	SSO-CE	Renewal; CoC infrastructure	N/A - not scored; infrastructure	Accepted	\$95,884			\$95,884	
1	53	Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.	PA0977- PA-DV Coordinated Entry Integration	SSO-CE	Renewal; CoC infrastructure	N/A - not scored; infrastructure	Accepted	\$95,884			\$95,884	
1	54	Victim Outreach Intervention Center	PA0280-2019 Renewal App-Voice- Enduring Voice	PSH	Renewal	69.25	Accepted	\$358,269			\$235,993	TIER 1 - straddle project
2	54	Victim Outreach Intervention Center	PA0280-2019 Renewal App-Voice- Enduring Voice	гэп	nellewal	05.25	Accepted	\$336,209			\$122,276	TIER 2 - straddle project
2	55	McKean County Redevelopment & Housing Authority	PA0778 Northwest RRH Combined & Northwest RRH 2	RRH	Renewal	67.5	Accepted	\$626,099			\$626,099	

Tier	Rank #	Organization	Project Name	Project Type	Status	Score	Accepted/ Rejected	Budget Request	Reallocated Amount (Renewal Projects)	Reduced/ Rejected Amount (New Projects)	Approved Budget	Notes
2	56	Lawrence County Social Services	PA0304 NWRHA PSH Expansion	PSH	New	67	Accepted	\$64,138			\$64,138	
2	57	Cameron/Elk Counties Behavioral & Developmental Programs	PA0307-AHEAD	PSH	Renewal	64.25	Accepted	\$187,155			\$187,155	
2	58	County of Washington	New TH-RRH	TH/RRH	New	54	Accepted	\$701,777		\$421,777	\$280,000	
2	59	Union Mission	PA0540 Union Mission PSH Expansion	PSH	New	51	Accepted	\$111,033		\$37,171	\$73,862	
2	60	Clarion County Housing Authority	PA0310 - Housing for Homeless and Disabled Persons	PSH	Renewal	48.50	Accepted	\$102,665			\$102,665	
2	61	Union Mission	West Coordinated Entry	SSO-CE	New	N/A - CoC infrastructure	Accepted	\$398,322			\$398,322	
2	62	PCADV	New DV RRH (DV Bonus)	RRH	New	76	Accepted	\$1,273,840			\$1,273,840	DV Bonus project

Projects included on	PA-601 CoC Priority List but not ranked:									
Grant Number	Organization	Project Name	Project Type	Status	Score	Accepted/ Rejected	Budget Request	Reallocated Amount	Approved Budget	Notes
PA1053Y3E011900	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc	Connections	SSO	YHDP - Renewal	n/a - YHDP, first time renewal	Accepted	\$161,326		\$161,326	
PA1054Y3E011900	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc	Open Doors	SSO	YHDP - Renewal	n/a - YHDP, first time renewal	Accepted	\$138,281		\$138,281	
PA1055Y3E011900	Crawford County Mental Health Awareness Program, Inc	Passages	PSH	YHDP - Renewal	n/a - YHDP, first time renewal	Accepted	\$205,118		\$205,118	
PA1056Y3E011900	Westmoreland Community Action	Westmoreland Community Action Host Homes	SSO	YHDP - Renewal	n/a - YHDP, first time renewal	Accepted	\$197,625		\$197,625	
PA1057Y3E011900	Westmoreland Community Action	Westmoreland Community Action Regional Systems Navigation	sso	YHDP - Renewal	n/a - YHDP, first time renewal	Accepted	\$326,359		\$326,359	
PA1058Y3E011900	Westmoreland Community Action	Westmoreland Community Action Systems Navigation	sso	YHDP - Renewal	n/a - YHDP, first time renewal	Accepted	\$291,437		\$291,437	
PA1059Y3E011900	Westmoreland Community Action	Westmoreland Community Action TH-RRH	Joint TH & PH- RRH	YHDP - Renewal	n/a - YHDP, first time renewal	Accepted	\$411,269		\$411,269	
n/a	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	FY2024 CoC Planning Grant	Planning	New - Planning	n/a	Accepted	\$705,316		\$705,316	

Renewal Projects - F	Renewal Projects - Fully Reallocated										
Grant Number	Organization	Project Name	Project Type	Status	Score	Accepted/ Rejected	FY23 GIW Amount	Reallocated Amount	Approved Budget	Reason for Rejection	
PA0320L3E012215	Clarion County Housing Authority	PA0320 Transitional Housing Project	тн	Renewal	40.5	Rejected	\$66,101	\$66,101	n/a	Voluntary Reallocation	

Rejected Projects - N	ew Project Applications Not Selected								
	Organization	Project Name	Project Type	Status	Score	Accepted/ Rejected	Requested Budget	Approved Budget	Reason for Rejection
	Warren Forest EOC	New TH-RRH	TH/RRH	New	46	Rejected	\$118,057	\$0	Not selected - low score/not enough funds
	Westmoreland Community Action	PSH Expansion (PA0600)	PSH	New	41	Rejected	\$132,432	\$0	Not selected - low score/not enough funds
	Warren Forest EOC	PSH Expansion (PA0777)	PSH	New	did not pass threshold	Rejected	\$22,000	\$0	not selected - did not pass threshold
	Warren Forest EOC	PSH Expansion (PA0897)	PSH	New	did not pass threshold	Rejected	\$20,500	\$0	not selected - did not pass threshold

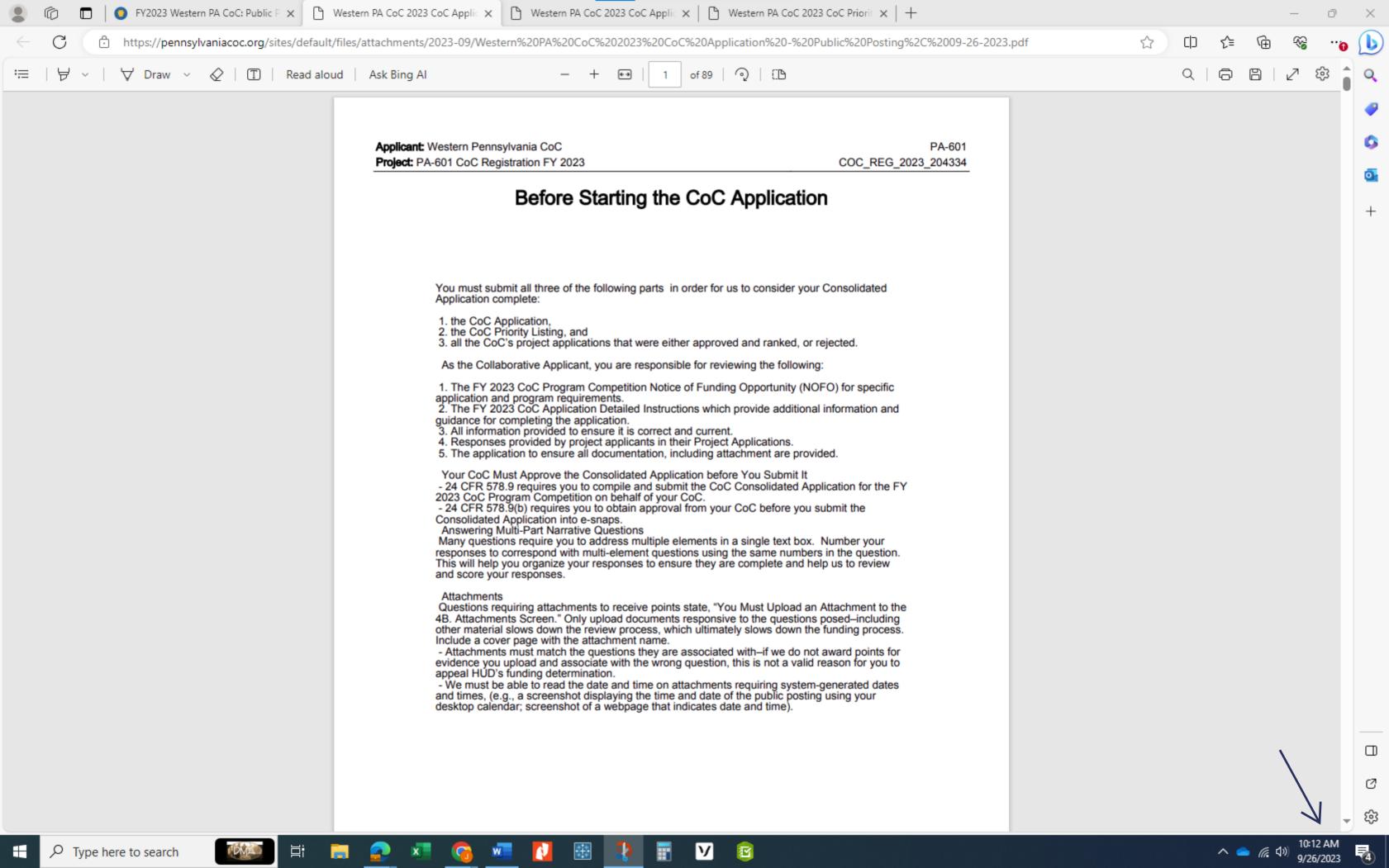
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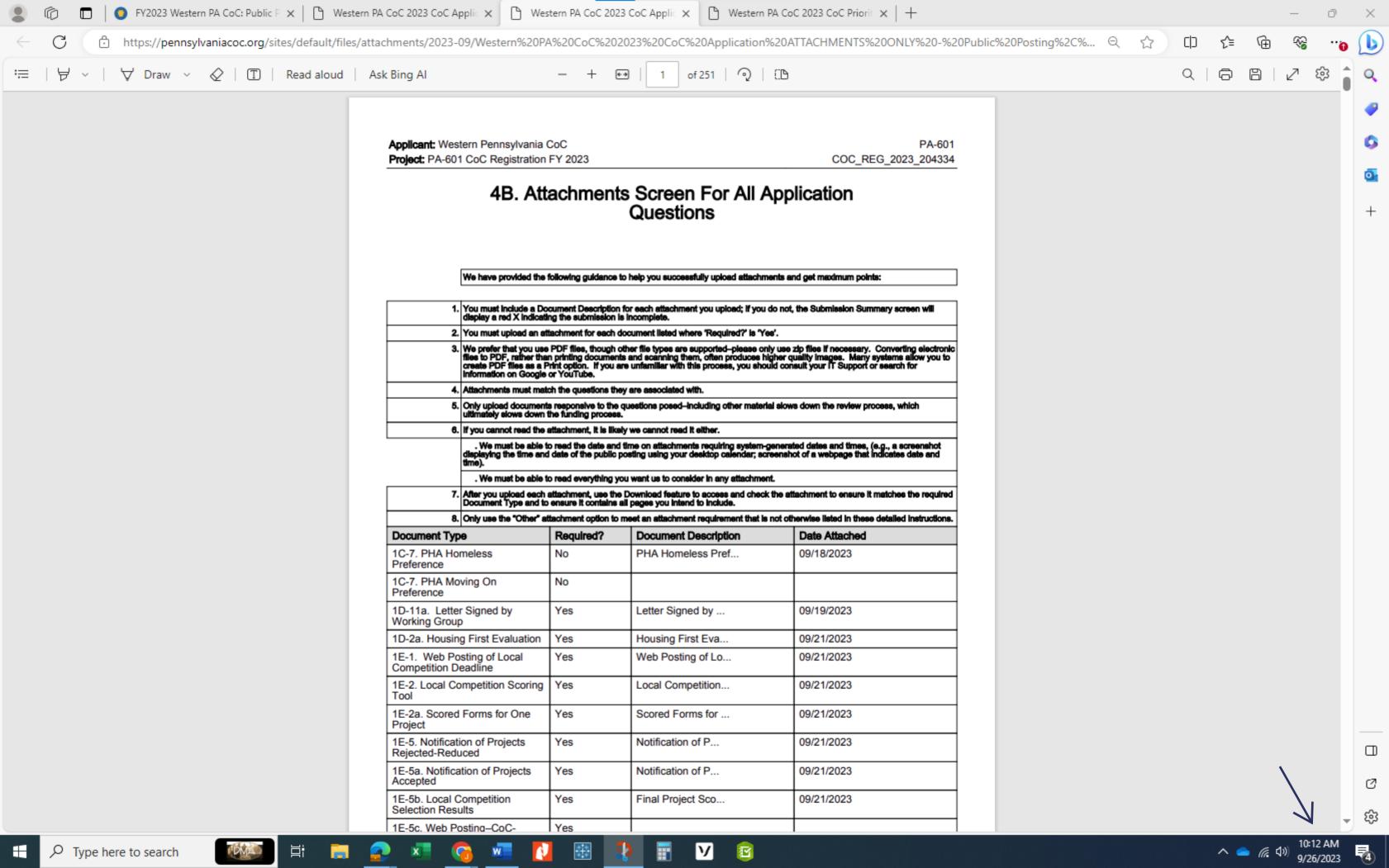
1E-5c. Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application

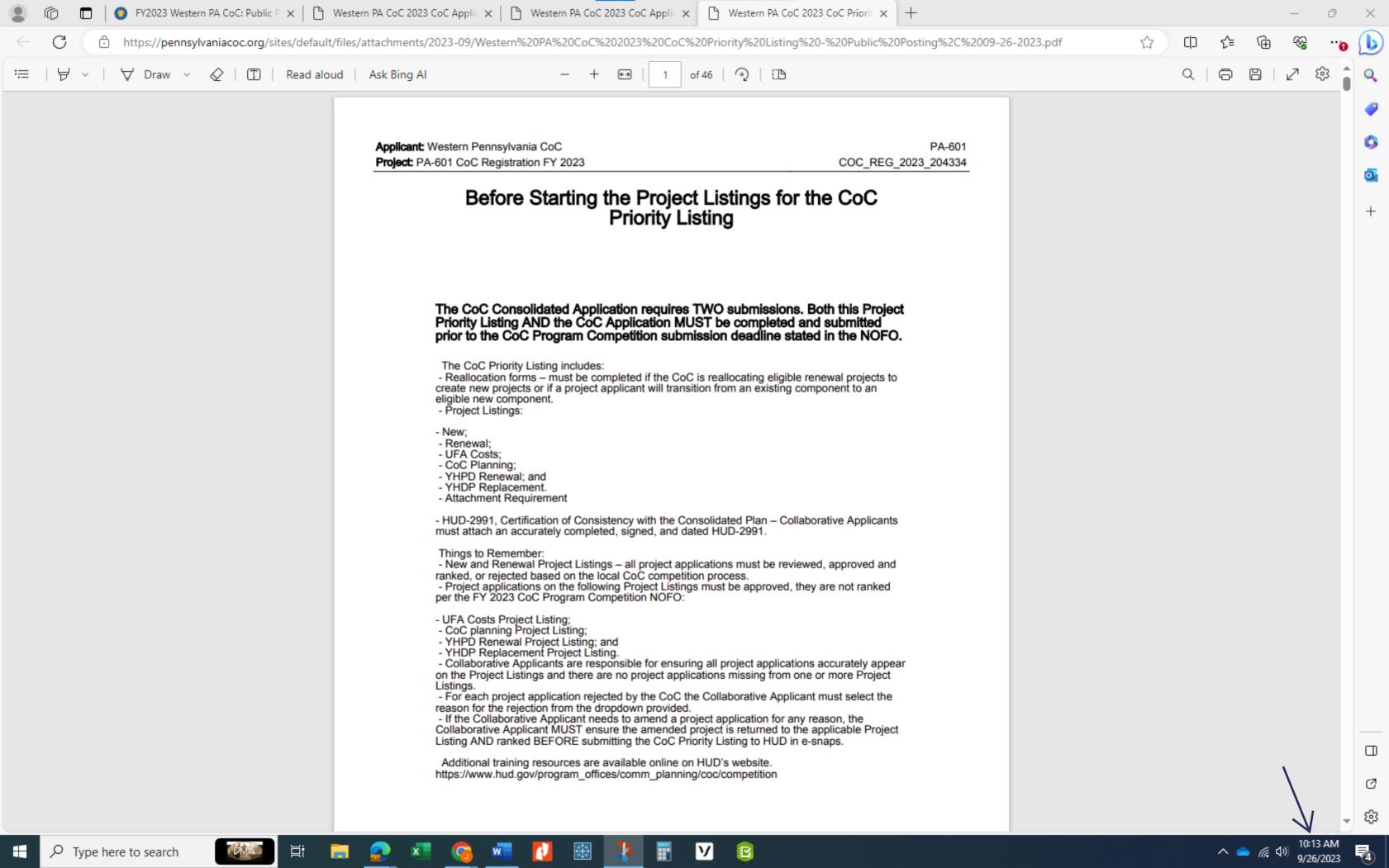
Documents include the following:

- Web posting 9/26/23 of all parts of CoC-approved Consolidated Application
 - Screenshot of main webpage posting
 - Screenshot of CoC application posting
 - Screenshot of CoC attachments posting
 - Screenshot of CoC priority list posting









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1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application

Documents include the following:

- Email notice to CoC listserv of public posting of CoCapproved Consolidated Application (9/26/23)
- Mailchimp confirmation that email was sent to CoC listserv
 508 recipients (9/26/23)
- Mailchimp list of 508 recipients for 9/26/23 listserv email
- Email notice to renewal and new project applicants of public posting of CoC-approved Consolidated Application (9/26/23)

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The Western PA CoC's FY2023 CoC Application, Attachments and Priority Listing have been Publicly Posted

Good evening Western PA CoC members and stakeholders,

I am writing to you to with an important NOFO update to inform you that all parts of the CoC-Approved PA-601 Western PA CoC Application have been posted to the CoC's website in consideration of the following HUD requirement:

The CoC must have in place a process to post on their website, at least 2 days before the FY2023 CoC Program Competition application submission deadline, all parts of the CoC Consolidated Application, including the CoC Application attachments and the Priority Listing, and notify community members and key stakeholders that the CoC Consolidated Application is available.

The following items have been posted to the CoC website on 9/26/2023 at this link: https://pennsylvaniacoc.org/news/fy2023-western-pa-coc-public-posting-all-parts-coc-application

- CoC Consolidated Application
- Attachments to the CoC Consolidated Application
- Priority listing with all project applications that were accepted and ranked

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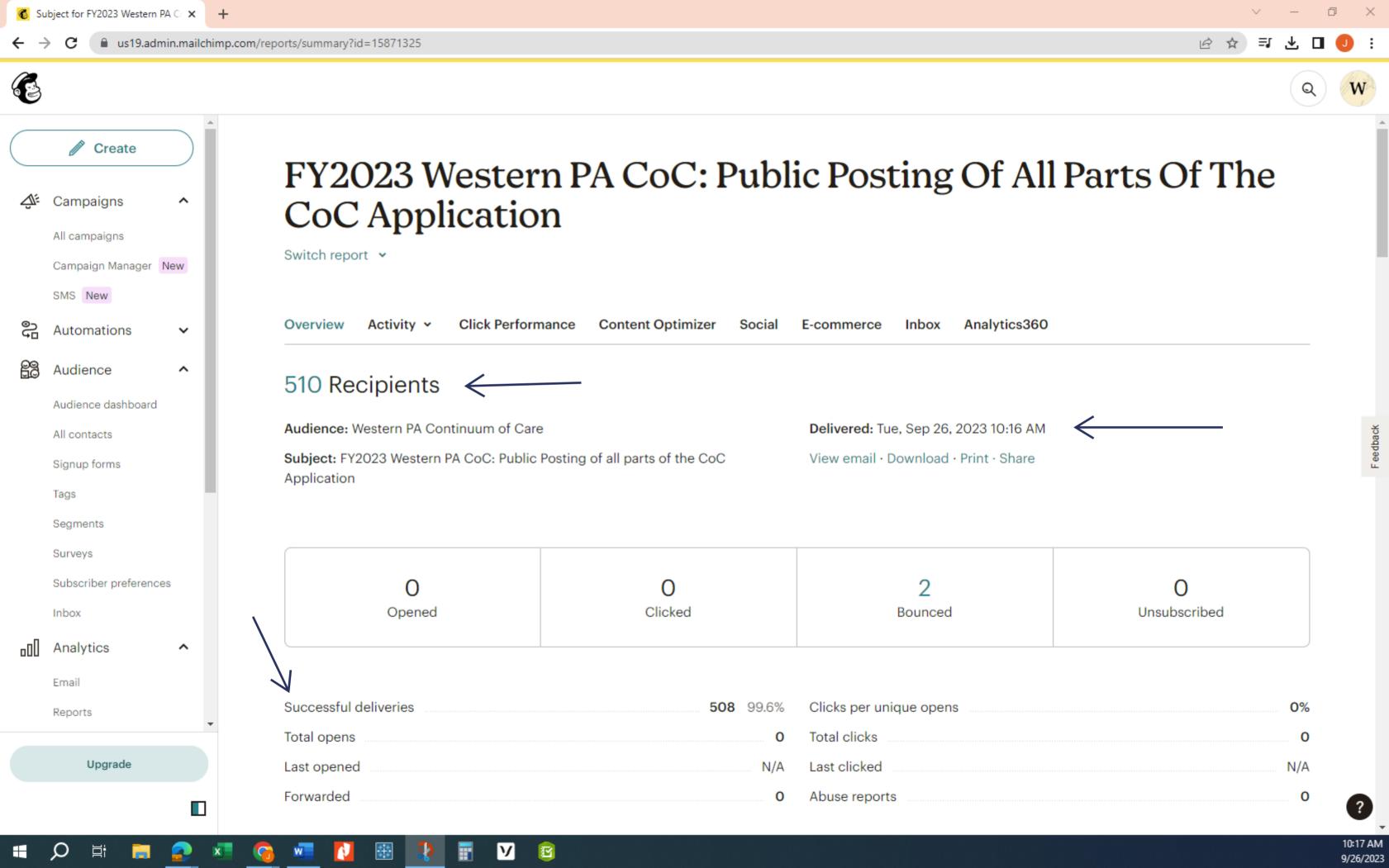
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Hello CoC renewal and new project applicants,

The CoC has publicly posted the CoC-Approved CoC Consolidated Application today 9/26/23. Please see email below that was sent to the full CoC mailing list. The public posting materials can be found at: https://pennsylvaniacoc.org/news/fy2023-western-pa-coc-public-posting-all-parts-coc-application.

Thank you! DMA Team

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The Western PA CoC's FY2023 CoC Application, Attachments and Priority Listing have been

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Good evening Western PA CoC members and stakeholders,

I am writing to you to with an important NOFO update to inform you that all parts of the CoC-Approved PA-601 Western PA CoC Application have been posted to the CoC's website in consideration of the following HUD requirement:

The CoC must have in place a process to post on their website, at least 2 days before the FY2023 CoC Program Competition application submission deadline, all parts of the CoC Consolidated Application, including the CoC Application attachments and the Priority Listing, and notify community members and key stakeholders that the CoC Consolidated Application is available.

The following items have been posted to the CoC website on 9/26/2023 at this link: https://pennsylvaniacoc.org/news/fy2023-western-pa-coc-public-posting-all-parts-coc-application

- CoC Consolidated Application
- Attachments to the CoC Consolidated Application
- Priority listing with all project applications that were accepted and ranked

Please note that the final CoC Consolidated Application has been approved by the CoC Governing Board.

Thank you,
The DMA Team

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2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report

Documents include the following:

 PA-601 - Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report

PIT Count Data for PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

Total Population PIT Count Data

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	754	603	761	730
Emergency Shelter Total	509	405	558	490
Safe Haven Total	0	0	0	0
Transitional Housing Total	184	172	177	191
Total Sheltered Count	693	577	735	681
Total Unsheltered Count	61	26	26	49

Chronically Homeless PIT Counts

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	24	11	73	110
Sheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	16	11	73	104
Unsheltered Count of Chronically Homeless Persons	8	0	0	6

PIT Count Data for PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

Homeless Households with Children PIT Counts

	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of the Number of Homeless Households with Children	85	79	96	84
Sheltered Count of Homeless Households with Children	84	79	96	82
Unsheltered Count of Homeless Households with Children	1	0	0	2

Homeless Veteran PIT Counts

	2011 PIT	2020 PIT	2021 PIT *	2022 PIT	2023 PIT
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count of the Number of Homeless Veterans	114	110	60	76	75
Sheltered Count of Homeless Veterans	113	107	60	76	75
Unsheltered Count of Homeless Veterans	1	3	0	0	0

^{*}For CoCs that did not conduct an unsheltered count in 2021, 2020 data were used.

HIC Data for PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

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Project Type	Total Year- Round, Current Beds	Total Current, Year-Round, HMIS Beds	Total Year- Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds*	HMIS Bed Coverage Rate for Year- Round Beds	Total Year- Round, Current VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database	Total Year- Round, Current, VSP Beds**	HMIS Comparable Bed Coverage Rate for VSP Beds	Total Current, Year-Round, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
ES Beds	763	187	583	32.08%	180	180	100.00%	367	48.10%
SH Beds	0	0	0	NA	0	0	NA	0	NA
TH Beds	310	234	292	80.14%	18	18	100.00%	252	81.29%
RRH Beds	579	436	436	100.00%	143	143	100.00%	579	100.00%
PSH Beds	1,228	1,004	1,148	87.46%	80	80	100.00%	1,084	88.27%
OPH Beds	52	20	52	38.46%	0	0	NA	20	38.46%
Total Beds	2,932	1,881	2,511	74.91%	421	421	100.00%	2,302	78.51%

2023 HDX Competition Report HIC Data for PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

HIC Data for PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

Notes

In the HIC, "Year-Round Beds" is the sum of "Beds HH w/o Children", "Beds HH w/ Children", and "Beds HH w/ only Children". This does not include Overflow ("O/V Beds") or Seasonal Beds ("Total Seasonal Beds").

In the HIC, Current beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").

PSH Beds Dedicated to Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness

Chronically Homeless Bed Counts	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
Number of CoC Program and non-CoC Program funded PSH beds dedicated for use by chronically homeless persons identified on the HIC	952	983	945	905

Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Units Dedicated to Persons in Household with Children

Households with Children	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
RRH units available to serve families on the HIC	147	142	192	97

Rapid Rehousing Beds Dedicated to All Persons

All Household Types	2020 HIC	2021 HIC	2022 HIC	2023 HIC
RRH beds available to serve all populations on the HIC	715	734	981	579

^{*}For OPH Beds, this does NOT include any beds that are Current, Non-VSP, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.

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2023 HDX Competition Report HIC Data for PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

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Summary Report for PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

Measure 1: Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless

This measures the number of clients active in the report date range across ES, SH (Metric 1.1) and then ES, SH and TH (Metric 1.2) along with their average and median length of time homeless. This includes time homeless during the report date range as well as prior to the report start date, going back no further than October, 1, 2012.

Metric 1.1: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES and SH projects. Metric 1.2: Change in the average and median length of time persons are homeless in ES, SH, and TH projects.

a. This measure is of the client's entry, exit, and bed night dates strictly as entered in the HMIS system.

	_	erse sons)	Average LOT Homeless Median LOT Homele (bed nights) (bed nights)					
	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
1.1 Persons in ES and SH	1425	1647	38	37	-1	24	28	4
1.2 Persons in ES, SH, and TH	1685	1921	76	69	-7	33	34	1

b. Due to changes in DS Element 3.17, metrics for measure (b) will not be reported in 2016.

This measure includes data from each client's "Length of Time on Street, in an Emergency Shelter, or Safe Haven" (Data Standards element 3.17) response and prepends this answer to the client's entry date effectively extending the client's entry date backward in time. This "adjusted entry date" is then used in the calculations just as if it were the client's actual entry date.

NOTE: Due to the data collection period for this year's submission, the calculations for this metric are based on the data element 3.17 that was active in HMIS from 10/1/2015 to 9/30/2016. This measure and the calculation in the SPM specifications will be updated to reflect data element 3.917 in time for next year's submission.

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	Universe (Persons)			Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)			Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)		
	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference	
1.1 Persons in ES, SH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	2156	2241	112	113	1	51	51	0	
1.2 Persons in ES, SH, TH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	2410	2514	136	131	-5	58	59	1	

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Measure 2: The Extent to which Persons who Exit Homelessness to Permanent Housing Destinations Return to Homelessness

This measures clients who exited SO, ES, TH, SH or PH to a permanent housing destination in the date range two years prior to the report date range. Of those clients, the measure reports on how many of them returned to homelessness as indicated in the HMIS for up to two years after their initial exit.

	Total # of Persons who Exited to a Permanent Housing	Returns to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months				Returns to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months			of Returns Years
	Destination (2 Years Prior)	FY 2022	% of Returns	FY 2022	% of Returns	FY 2022	% of Returns	FY 2022	% of Returns
Exit was from SO	29	1	3%	1	3%	1	3%	3	10%
Exit was from ES	491	26	5%	27	5%	17	3%	70	14%
Exit was from TH	153	2	1%	3	2%	6	4%	11	7%
Exit was from SH	0	0		0		0		0	
Exit was from PH	1056	35	3%	19	2%	31	3%	85	8%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	1729	64	4%	50	3%	55	3%	169	10%

Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Metric 3.1 – Change in PIT Counts

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This measures the change in PIT counts of sheltered and unsheltered homeless person as reported on the PIT (not from HMIS).

	January 2021 PIT Count	January 2022 PIT Count	Difference
Universe: Total PIT Count of sheltered and unsheltered persons	603	735	132
Emergency Shelter Total	405	558	153
Safe Haven Total	0	0	0
Transitional Housing Total	172	177	5
Total Sheltered Count	577	735	158
Unsheltered Count	26	0	-26

Metric 3.2 - Change in Annual Counts

This measures the change in annual counts of sheltered homeless persons in HMIS.

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Unduplicated Total sheltered homeless persons	1725	1967	242
Emergency Shelter Total	1466	1692	226
Safe Haven Total	0	0	0
Transitional Housing Total	307	324	17

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Measure 4: Employment and Income Growth for Homeless Persons in CoC Program-funded Projects

Metric 4.1 – Change in earned income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	460	424	-36
Number of adults with increased earned income	65	59	-6
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	14%	14%	0%

Metric 4.2 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	460	424	-36
Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	177	129	-48
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	38%	30%	-8%

Metric 4.3 – Change in total income for adult system stayers during the reporting period

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	460	424	-36
Number of adults with increased total income	217	170	-47
Percentage of adults who increased total income	47%	40%	-7%

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Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	507	423	-84
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	136	132	-4
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	27%	31%	4%

Metric 4.5 – Change in non-employment cash income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	507	423	-84
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	178	110	-68
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	35%	26%	-9%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	507	423	-84
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	278	216	-62
Percentage of adults who increased total income	55%	51%	-4%

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Measure 5: Number of persons who become homeless for the 1st time

Metric 5.1 – Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, and TH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH or TH during the reporting period.	1508	1719	211
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	168	195	27
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time)	1340	1524	184

Metric 5.2 - Change in the number of persons entering ES, SH, TH, and PH projects with no prior enrollments in HMIS

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH, TH or PH during the reporting period.	2491	2532	41
Of persons above, count those who were in ES, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	260	283	23
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time.)	2231	2249	18

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Measure 6: Homeless Prevention and Housing Placement of Persons defined by category 3 of HUD's Homeless Definition in CoC Program-funded Projects

This Measure is not applicable to CoCs in FY2022 (Oct 1, 2021 - Sept 30, 2022) reporting period.

Measure 7: Successful Placement from Street Outreach and Successful Placement in or Retention of Permanent Housing

Metric 7a.1 – Change in exits to permanent housing destinations

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons who exit Street Outreach	72	61	-11
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	7	3	-4
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	42	54	12
% Successful exits	68%	93%	25%

Metric 7b.1 – Change in exits to permanent housing destinations

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	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons in ES, SH, TH and PH-RRH who exited, plus persons in other PH projects who exited without moving into housing	1910	2462	552
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	1241	1674	433
% Successful exits	65%	68%	3%

Metric 7b.2 – Change in exit to or retention of permanent housing

	Submitted FY 2021	FY 2022	Difference
Universe: Persons in all PH projects except PH-RRH	1146	1094	-52
Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	1112	1071	-41
% Successful exits/retention	97%	98%	1%

FY2022 - SysPM Data Quality

PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

	All ES, SH			All TH			All PSH, OPH			All RRH			All Street Outreach		
	Submitted FY2020	Submitted FY2021	FY2022												
1. Number of non- DV Beds on HIC	533	431	511	256	243	249	1303	1306	1227	645	673	826			
2. Number of HMIS Beds	200	155	204	219	206	215	1073	1100	1019	645	673	826			
3. HMIS Participation Rate from HIC (%)	37.52	35.96	39.92	85.55	84.77	86.35	82.35	84.23	83.05	100.00	100.00	100.00			
4. Unduplicated Persons Served (HMIS)	1139	1476	1706	300	358	349	1235	1279	1221	1648	1811	1687	50	85	51
5. Total Leavers (HMIS)	962	1300	1587	169	217	243	284	346	304	924	971	1194	30	69	46
6. Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	64	205	152	9	9	8	13	0	7	12	30	6	6	7	3
7. Destination Error Rate (%)	6.65	15.77	9.58	5.33	4.15	3.29	4.58	0.00	2.30	1.30	3.09	0.50	20.00	10.14	6.52

FY2022 - SysPM Data Quality

2023 HDX Competition Report Submission and Count Dates for PA-601 - Western Pennsylvania CoC

Date of PIT Count

	Date	Received HUD Waiver
Date CoC Conducted 2023 PIT Count	1/25/2023	

Report Submission Date in HDX

	Submitted On	Met Deadline
2023 PIT Count Submittal Date	4/11/2023	Yes
2023 HIC Count Submittal Date	4/11/2023	Yes
2022 System PM Submittal Date	2/24/2023	Yes

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PA-601 - WESTERN PA COC Continuum of Care

3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments

Documents include the following:

- Housing Leveraging Commitment for Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County - Arise DV PSH Project (new PSH project)
 - NOTE: Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County has officially changed their name to Arise. They are in the process of changing their name in HUD systems to Arise (working with Field Office). The attached leveraging commitment includes the new organization name of Arise.
 - Total Commitment: 3 units leveraged
 - CoC-funded units: 7 units
 - 3 out of 10 units will be leveraged

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August 30, 2023

Nicole Amabile, Executive Director Arise Lawrence County 1218 W. State Street New Castle, PA 16101

Dear Nicole:

This letter serves as commitment on behalf of Lawrence County Mental Health & Developmental Services to provide housing leveraging to Arise Lawrence County's proposed new project, named "Arise DV PSH Project."

Lawrence County Mental Health & Developmental Services agrees to pay Arise Lawrence County \$23,880.00 to fund 3 units of housing based on FY2022 Fair Market Rent values (one-bedroom - \$600 x 12 months x 2 units and two-bedroom \$790 x 12 months x 1 unit). These funds will be paid by Human Services Block Grant. If awarded by HUD through the CoC Competition, Arise will have 7 units of PSH funded through CoC funds, with an additional 3 units funded through this leveraging, for a total of 10 units.

The leveraged funds will be available for an anticipated start date of May 1, 2024.

Thank You,

Scott Baldwin, Director

Lawrence County Mental Health & Developmental Services

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PA-601 - WESTERN PA COC Continuum of Care

3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements

Documents include the following:

- Healthcare Formal Agreement for Lawrence County Social Services PA0178
 Veterans RRH Expansion (RRH expansion project). Total Commitment:
 \$2,912
- Healthcare Formal Agreement for Greene County Human Services PA0780 Greene County Rapid Rehousing Project – Expansion (RRH expansion project). Total Commitment: \$27,872
 - NOTE: Connect, Inc. is a named subrecipient for this project, as indicated in the MOU.
 - o Care, Inc. (SPHS Care Center) Service Fee schedule also attached.
- Healthcare Formal Agreement for Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County Arise
 DV PSH Project (new PSH project). Total Commitment: \$1,500
 - NOTE: Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County has officially changed their name to Arise. They are in the process of changing their name in HUD systems to Arise (working with Field Office). The attached leveraging commitment includes the new organization name of Arise.

Healthcare Formal Agreement for Lawrence County Social Services – PA0178 Veterans RRH – Expansion (RRH expansion project). Total Commitment: \$2,912



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Lawrence County Social Services, Inc.

September 6, 2023

Dear Western COC Board:

Lawrence County Social Services (LCSS) is applying to expand its existing Veterans Rapid Rehousing project. The new project is being submitted to HUD as part of the FY23 CoC Competition under the name "PA0718-Veterans RRH - Expansion and will provide additional supportive services to assist households who are experiencing homelessness with obtaining and remaining in permanent housing.

Through its Supportive Services for Veteran Families program, LCSS will leverage health care navigation services for participants. SSVF Health Care Navigators will work with Veterans on a variety of issues to assist them in identifying and overcoming challenges to accessing the health care system or adhering to recommended health care plans.

SSVF Health Care Navigation services will assist with:

- * Gaining Access to Health Care -including working with the VAMC to facilitate enrollment, gathering documentation, and completing paperwork for enrollment, following up on progress, helping scheduling appointments, & working collaboratively with health care teams
- * Supporting Health care plans by identify barriers to care
- * Providing education on wellness related topics-providing pamphlets & literature, inviting guest speakers on health-related issues, linking Veterans to support groups

LCSS will leverage 52 hours of health care navigation at \$56/hour for a total value of \$2912. In-kind resources are valued at local rates consistent with the amount paid for services not supported by the proposed project. Eligibility for program participants in the new project will be based on CoC Program fair housing requirements and will not be restricted by the health care service provider.

These services will be available to participants in the Veterans RRH Expansion program beginning October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024or as determined by the grant agreement for the Continuum of Care program.

Sincerely,

—Docusigned by:

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Thomas Scott

Chief Executive Officer



Healthcare Formal Agreement for Greene County Human Services – PA0780 Greene County Rapid Rehousing Project – Expansion (RRH expansion project). Total Commitment: \$27,872

Care, Inc. & Connect, Inc. PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Health Care Services

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU" or "Agreement") is entered into between Care, Inc. and Connect, Inc., a named subrecipient of Greene County for this project, on September 6, 2023. Each signatory to this MOU may be referred to as a "party" and collectively as "Parties."

WHEREAS, Care, Inc., a nonprofit, is a Healthcare organization providing behavioral health and substance abuse treatment in Greene County, Pennsylvania, and

WHEREAS, in the interest of collaborating for more effective treatment, Care, Inc. and Connect, Inc. will work together to provide behavioral health treatment and substance abuse treatment to patients whom they believe may have behavioral health conditions and/or substance abuse-related conditions for which the patient chooses to seek treatment. Such services will be offered to all project participants in the Organization's proposed new project, named "PA0780-Greene County Rapid Rehousing Project-Expansion" (hereafter referred to as "the project"), to be submitted on the Western PA CoC's FY23 CoC Priority List. If funded, the project will serve three (3) households and eight (8) participants at a single point in time. Any participant in the project wishing to use such behavioral health and/or substance abuse treatment services will be able to access them from Care, Inc. provided that they meet diagnostic criteria for such services.

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into an agreement that clearly identifies the roles and responsibilities of each party with respect to the development and implementation of an integrated health care services partnership.

TERM AND TERMINATION

The initial term of this MOU shall be from the start of the project's contract, estimated to be October 1, 2024, and will run for one year from the beginning of the project's contract term (official start date will be contingent upon HUD's contracting term). Upon expiration of the initial term, this MOU shall be automatically renewed for successive one-year terms, each commencing on the first day following the date on which the preceding initial term or renewal term shall have expired. Each party reserves the right not to elect to renew the MOU.

Notwithstanding any provisions in this MOU, either party may terminate this MOU, with or without cause and with or without providing reasons for termination, upon giving the other Party thirty (30) days' prior written notice.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsibilities of Care, Inc.:

- Commit to providing \$27,872 in services to the 8 participants enrolled in "PA0780-Greene County
 Rapid Rehousing Project- Expansion" project. This total amount is based on the published Fee
 Schedule for behavioral health and substance abuse-related treatment services provided by
 Care, Inc (see attached fee schedule). This figure is within the range of total services provided by
 Care, Inc. to participants in the Greene County Rapid Rehousing Project during previous funding
 periods.
- Services will be provided to any and all project participants who voluntarily elect to receive services from Care, Inc. and who qualify for those services.
- Project eligibility for program participants in the Greene County Rapid Rehousing Expansion
 Project will be based on CoC Program Fair Housing Requirements and will not be restricted by the health care service provider.
- Work with case management staff to assist program participants to obtain medical insurance to address healthcare needs.
- Support a health and housing care coordination process that synchronizes housing and healthcare targeted for individuals with co-occurring disorders which may include: 1) behavioral health treatment and 2) substance abuse treatment
- Coordination of data sharing to retain consistent, mainstream care.
- Participate in CoC strategy sessions on funding solutions informed by gaps analysis on services to the target population.
- Enhance outreach capacity to people with substance use disorders, using multiple teams and access points.
- Ensure that clients are able to access the full range of assistance they need, no matter where they enter the system.

Responsibilities of Connect, Inc.:

- Provide housing resources to help the participants of the project, meeting HUD's definition of chronically homeless, and assist them in utilizing healthcare resources.
- Provide intensive case management services to the participants enrolled in the project to assist in creating linkages to community supports for the duration of their transition from homelessness into housing with semi-annual follow up contact.
- Provide SOAR enrollment assistance strategies for the participants of the project.
- Facilitate community-based agency capacity to bill Medicaid for services.

Collectively both parties will:

- Use data to inform efforts for policy and system change to improve care and outcomes for vulnerable populations.
- Strengthen communication and coordination between the housing and healthcare systems to support integrated planning and care provisions.
- Ensure that associated programming offered under this MOU complies its HUD CoC Program
 and fair housing requirements. Project eligibility for program participants in this project will be

based on CoC Program fair housing requirements and will not be restricted by the health care service provider.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND SIGNATURES

The parties to this MOU through their duly authorized representatives have executed and certify that they have read, understood, and agree to the terms and conditions as set forth herein.

Care,	lnc.
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Signature:___

NAME, TITLE

9.18.23

Date

Connect, inc.

Signature: Sell Culler
NAME, TITLE Cheryld Emala COO

Date

Care, Inc. (SPHS Care Center) Service Fee Schedule
-Healthcare Formal Agreement for Greene County Human Services –
PA0780 Greene County Rapid Rehousing Project – Expansion (RRH expansion project).

SPHS CARE CENTER OUTPATIENT (D/A & MH) TREATMENT

SERVICE FEES FY 2023/2024

Evaluation (Diagnostic Interview) \$109.00/per 30 Min.
DUI Assessment
Physician/Psychiatrist Evaluation \$385.00/Evaluation
30 minutes \$ 75.00 45 minutes \$ 137.00 60 minutes \$ 171.00
Group Therapy \$ 54.00/Hr. Per Person
Family Therapy
Medication Checks (Nurse)
Medication Checks (Physician) \$ 121.00, \$137.00, \$197.00, \$262.00 per Visit
MH IOP\$41.00 per hr.
D/A Intensive Outpatient \$ 60.00/Hr. Per Person
D/A Partial/Group \$ 42.00/Hr. Per Person
Medication Injections
On Site Urine Drug Screen (12 panel) \$10.00 (Active Client) On Site Urine Drug Screen (12 panel) \$25.00 (Walk-In)

CRS\$:	126.00	/Hour
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SPHS CARE CENTER UNDERAGE DRINKING PROGRAM

SERVICE FEES FY 2023/2024

Underage Drinking Program Intake/Evaluation Underage Drinking Education	·
SPHS CARE CENTER MH CASE MANAGEMENT	
Blended Case Management	\$140.00/Hour
PSYCH REHAB	
Psych Rehab Site	\$31.00/ Hour
Psych Rehab Mobile	\$112.00/ Hour
CRISIS	
Telephone	\$11.00/Unit
Mobile	\$33.00/Unit
Walk In	\$22.00/Unit

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Residential	\$244.80/Unit
	PEER SERVICES
Peer Support/Telephone	\$68.00/Hour
Peer Group	\$34.00/Hou
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ACT/CTT SERVICE	ACT/CTT \$57.00/ per 15 Minutes

SPHS CARE CENTER PACE PROGRAM

SERVICE FEES FY 2023/2024

PACE Individual, Partner, or Family \$90.00 per session

PACE Group \$74.00 per session per person

Revised: 07-17-2023

Healthcare Formal Agreement for Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County - Arise DV PSH Project (new PSH project). Total Commitment: \$1,500

-NOTE: Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County has officially changed their name to Arise. They are in the process of changing their name in HUD systems to Arise (working with Field Office). The attached leveraging commitment includes the new organization name of Arise.

ADAGIO HEALTH & ARISE LAWRENCE COUNTY PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Health Care Services

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into between Adagio Health and Arise Lawrence County on August 30, 2023. Each signatory to this MOU may be referred to as a "party" and collectively as "Parties."

WHEREAS, Adagio Health, a nonprofit corporation, is a Healthcare organization providing primary care in New Castle, PA, and

WHEREAS, in the interest of collaborating for more effective treatment, Adagio Health and Arise Lawrence County will work together to serve program participants whom they believe may have health and wellness needs for which the program participant chooses to seek treatment. Such services will be offered to all program participants in Arise Lawrence County's proposed new project, named "Arise DV PSH Project" (hereafter referred to as "the project"), to be submitted on the Western PA CoC's FY23 CoC Priority List. If funded, the project will serve 10 households at a single point in time. Any participant in the project wishing to use such services will be able to access them from Adagio Health.

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into an agreement that clearly identifies the roles and responsibilities of each party with respect to the development and implementation of an integrated health care services partnership.

TERM AND TERMINATION

The initial term of this MOU shall be from the start of the project's contract, estimated to be May 1, 2024, and will run for one year from the beginning of the project's contract term. Upon expiration of the initial term, this MOU shall be automatically renewed for successive one-year terms, each commencing on the first day following the date on which the preceding initial term or renewal term shall have expired. Each party reserves the right not to elect to renew the MOU.

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RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsibilities of Adagio Health:

- Commit to providing \$1,500 in services to 10 participants enrolled in Arise DV PSH Project. This
 total amount is based on a billing rate of \$100 per office visit for a total of 15 anticipated office
 visits.
- Work with case management staff to assist program participants to obtain necessary appointments to address healthcare needs.
- Coordination of data sharing to retain consistent, mainstream care.
- Participate in CoC strategy sessions on funding solutions informed by gaps analysis on services to the target population.
- Enhance outreach capacity to chronically homeless individuals with domestic violence victimization, using multiple teams and access points.
- Ensure that program participants are able to access the full range of assistance they need, no matter where they enter the system.

Responsibilities of Arise Lawrence County:

- Provide housing resources to help the participants of the project, meeting HUD's definition of chronically homeless, and assist them in utilizing health and wellness resources.
- Provide intensive case management services to the participants enrolled in the project to assist
 in creating linkages to community supports for the duration of their transition from
 homelessness into housing with semi-annual follow up contact.
- Provide SOAR enrollment assistance strategies for the participants of the project.

Collectively both parties will:

- Use data to inform efforts for policy and system change to improve care and outcomes for chronically homeless domestic violence victims.
- Strengthen communication and coordination between the housing and healthcare systems to support integrated planning and care provisions.
- Ensure that associated programming offered under this MOU complies its HUD CoC Program
 and fair housing requirements. Project eligibility for program participants in this project will be
 based on CoC Program fair housing requirements and will not be restricted by the health care
 service provider.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND SIGNATURES

The parties to this MOU through their duly authorized representatives have executed and certify that they have read, understood, and agree to the terms and conditions as set forth herein.

Adagio Health
Signature: William Gedman Bill Gedman, Chief Financial and Operations Officer
Date: 09/05/2023
Arise Lawrence County
Signature: Museumalile
Nicole Amabile, Executive Director
Date: 9-5-2013