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NY-518 HUD CONTINUUM OF CARE PROJECT PROPOSAL
REVIEW AND RANKING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

**Updated in July/August 2017 to reflect new or updated HUD Project Acceptance and Project Evaluation,
Scoring and Ranking and Policies for New Projects**

NOTE: All *italicized* text below is taken directly from the HUD NOFA

Why is Project Ranking Necessary and Important?

1. HUD requires our CoC to rank (by number) all applications for CoC funding (except CoC Planning Projects)
2. Higher ranked projects have a better chance of receiving CoC funding than the lowest ranked projects.
3. In past year's our CoC's annual cost to fully fund all renewal applications exceeds the total amount of funds available from HUD due to Congressional funding cuts. For FY 2016 HUD has stated that ***The available amount of funding may not be sufficient to fund anticipated eligible renewal projects in FY 2017,***
4. HUD will continue to require Collaborative Applicants to rank all projects, except CoC planning and UFA Costs, in two tiers. ***Tier 1 is equal to 94 percent of the CoC's FY 2015 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) approved by HUD on the final HUD-approved Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW). Tier 2 is the difference between Tier 1 and the CoC's ARD plus any amount available for the permanent housing bonus as described in Section II.B.4. of this NOFA. [NOTE: Renewal projects in Tier 2 this year must be approximately \$181K (or more) to meet the Tier 2 seven percent (6%) minimum.] See www.mvhomeless.org for additional details.***
5. For FY 2017 HUD is making up to 6% of a CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) available (approximately \$181,000 for our CoC – NY-518) in what is called a "bonus" new project funding category for two supportive housing project types only: 1.) New Rapid Re-housing projects that serve homeless families and individuals coming directly from the streets or emergency shelters (including domestic violence victims who are fleeing a DV situation). 2.) PSH for 100% chronically homeless persons. (3) CoCs may create new Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects as defined in Section III.A.3.h. of the HUD NOFA to better serve homeless individuals and families, including individuals or families fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence. Also eligible for "bonus" new project funding in FY2017 CoCs may create a new dedicated Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) project for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(2) that can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead and CoCs may create a new supportive services only project to develop or operate a new centralized or coordinated assessment system.

Section I D. FY 2017 CoC Program Competition NOFA. CoCs and applicants should read the FY 2017 CoC Program Competition NOFA in its entirety in conjunction with the CoC Program interim rule (24 CFR part 578) in order to ensure a comprehensive understanding of and compliance with all CoC Program requirements. CoCs should consider the policy priorities established in this NOFA in conjunction with local priorities to determine the ranking of new and renewal projects requests.

Guiding Principles for Setting Priorities and Selecting and Ranking CoC Projects:

Our CoC is guided by principles developed and promoted by HUD and shaped by our local understanding of how to best prevent and end homelessness in our region of Central Upstate New York. We practice what we believe in, and we believe in:

- Engaging and involving a wide, representative cross section of our community, including currently and formerly homeless persons, in homeless needs assessment, program planning, public education and advocacy, and funding decisions.
- Using current research on the most effective long-term solutions to homelessness including the Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness (*Opening Doors* available from the US Interagency Council on Homelessness at http://usich.gov/index.php/opening_doors/) and reflected in HUD's annual Notice of Funding Availability for homeless assistance programs.
- Prioritizing our most vulnerable populations for homeless assistance services when funds are limited and promoting racial and gender justice by ensuring that our programs and services are available to and effectively serving all people, regardless of race, gender, and sexual orientation.
- The importance of designing and supporting a homeless assistance continuum of care that includes housing and support services that effectively address all populations experiencing homelessness in our area.
- The reality that many homeless persons and families need more than a housing unit to achieve long term housing stability. A wide range for support services (employment readiness, health care, life skill training, benefits counseling and advocacy, transportation, child care support, etc.) tailored to the individual needs of homeless persons and families is critical for ending homelessness and preventing future homeless episodes.

HUD Guidelines for CoC Project Review and Ranking Introduction:

HUD Guidelines for our CoC's management of federal resources are clearly stated in the FY2017 CoC Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and are excerpted below from page 46:

*Project Ranking, Review, and Capacity. HUD will award up to **29 points** to CoCs that demonstrate the existence of a coordinated, inclusive, and outcome-oriented community process for the solicitation, objective review, ranking, and selection of project applications, and a process by which renewal projects are reviewed for performance and compliance with 24 CFR part 578;*

- *a. Objective Criteria and Past Performance. Up to **18 points** to CoCs for the extent to which they demonstrate the use of established objective criteria and, where available, past performance data to review project applications requesting CoC Program funding;*
- *b. Severity of Needs and Performance. Up to **4 points** for the extent to which CoCs consider the severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants in their project ranking and selection process;*
- *c. Reallocating Projects. Up to **4 points** to CoCs that demonstrate the ability to reallocate lower performing projects to create new higher performing projects;*
- *d. Ranking and Selection Process. Up to **3 points** to CoCs that demonstrate the use of an objective ranking and selection process for project applications that is publicly announced by the CoC*

To more effectively meet HUD's updated 2017 standards for using objective criteria and past performance to evaluate renewal project applications, **our CoC has updated and revised the performance metrics** that were used for the FY2013-FY2016 ranking and review assessment.

CoC NY-518 Evaluation and Ranking of Renewal Project Applications;

The evaluation of CoC renewal project proposals is based on a combination of HUD-guided project performance measures, locally-guided project quality and performance measures, and Continuum strategic housing priorities.

For FY 2017, our CoC will follow HUD priorities we adopted in previous years as a guide to ranking projects. The CoC Performance Review and Ranking Committee will;

- Review all renewal project applications to ensure they meet threshold requirements as outlined in the FY2017 HUD CoC NOFA, Section V.G.d.(1-2).
- Ensure any past deficiencies have been addressed by the applicant
- Rank applications by program category and type, based off the Tier I and Tier II priorities listed below
- Rank applications, in priority category order, according to the score of the application based off the Performance Assessment Tool.

CoC Renewal Project category/type priorities are as follows, in rank, from highest to lowest:

Tier I Priorities of Ranking for the FY 2017 CoC Application

1. Renewal permanent supportive housing projects (PSH) dedicated exclusively to chronically homeless persons or families;
2. Renewal Rapid Re-housing projects serving individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth and DV victims;
3. New TH/RRH Projects that exclusively serve DV victims or homeless youth created by the reallocation of existing CoC funding and recommended by the CoC Board for inclusion in Tier I.
4. Renewal permanent supportive housing (PSH) projects serving homeless persons with disabilities that prioritize all their turnover beds for the chronically homeless;
5. Renewal permanent supportive housing (PSH) projects serving homeless persons with disabilities that prioritize fewer than all their turnover beds for the chronically homeless;
6. Renewal and any New HMIS Projects essential to compliance with the HEARTH Act and to maintaining CoC operations and eligibility for HUD homeless assistance funding;

Note: CoC Planning Projects are not ranked per HUD guidelines.

Tier II Priorities and Ranking: All other renewal and new project proposals will be assigned to Tier II in order of HUD's Tier II funding priorities in combination with the CoC Tier II funding priorities. In the unlikely event that there are multiple applications for a single program type for Tier II, the CoC Board will decide how best to rank these applications based on provider capacity, geographical needs, and the overall strength of the proposal.

Tier II Funding Priorities for the FY 2017 CoC Application: [NOTE: Tier II projects will only be funded by HUD to the extent HUD has available funds and that our CoC Application receives a high enough score to qualify for funding available for Tier II projects:

1. Renewal PSH Projects that did not rank high enough to be included in Tier I;
2. Renewal transitional housing for homeless youth not ranking in Tier I;
3. New rapid re-housing projects serving homeless households with children exclusively;
4. New rapid re-housing projects serving both homeless households with children and homeless individuals;
5. Supportive services only projects for centralized or coordinated assessment;
6. New PSH projects for 100 percent chronically homeless.

Renewal Project Performance Metrics for Project Ranking:

1. **Serving Chronically Homeless Persons** and **Serving Those with the Most Severe Service Needs;**
2. **Housing Stability:** Remaining in Permanent Supportive Housing or exiting to Permanent Housing Destinations from Permanent Supportive Housing and Transitional Housing projects;
3. **Jobs and Income Growth:** Increasing income from employment and other sources from program entry date to exit;
4. **Mainstream Benefits:** Obtaining food stamps, Medicaid and other mainstream benefits from program entry date to exit;
5. **HMIS Participation and Data Quality;**
6. **Effective Use of HUD Resources:** Effectively using all HUD project funds and Average Daily Bed Utilization Rate;
7. **Reducing Barriers to Housing and Housing First:** Removing barriers to project entry, such as too little income or active history of substance abuse, and following a Housing First Model.

Time Period for all Performance Domains and Metrics:

- **Performance Domain #1-#5:** The most recent 12-month period ending within 90 days of the NOFA release (April 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017)
- **Performance Domain #6 Measure #1:** The most recent completed project year
- **Performance Domain #6 Measure #2:** 2017 Housing Inventory Chart (HIC)
- **Performance Domain #7:** The FY 2017 Renewal Application

Project applications will be assessed by the Performance Review and Ranking Committee, using the point system outlined below. Projects will be ranked in descending order according to the overall score. The Committee will also consider past performance and policy priorities when determining the initial ranking. The CoC Board has the discretion to determine the final ranking for all renewal project applications.

Calculating Scores for Different Renewal Project Types: Based on Scoring Metrics in the “FY 2017 CoC Renewal Project Performance Assessment Tool” (updated 8/30/2017) (See Appendix A. for this complete document.)

Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Support Service Only (SSO) Performance Objectives/Domains	Total Maximum Points
1. Prioritizing Chronic and Severe Service Need Homeless Persons	20
2. Housing Stability	10
3. Jobs and Income Growth	10
4. Mainstream Benefits	5
5. HMIS Participation and Data Quality	20
6. Effective Use of HUD Funding and Program Capacity	10
7. Reducing Barriers to Housing and Housing First	10
TOTAL	85

Transitional Housing (TH), Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) and Transitional/Rapid Re-Housing (TH/RRH) Performance Objectives/Domains	Total Maximum Points
1. Prioritizing Severe Service Need Homeless Persons	10
2. Housing Stability	10
3. Jobs and Income Growth	10
4. Mainstream Benefits	5
5. HMIS Participation and Data Quality	20
6. Effective Use of HUD Funding and Program Capacity	10
7. Reducing Barriers to Housing and Housing First	10
TOTAL	75

FY 2017 HUD CoC Application Review and Ranking Schedule:

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
CoC Application Details and Funds Available to our CoC Announced and posted on the CoC website www.mvhomeless.org	July 28, 2017	
CoC Renewal and New Project Applications Due to CoC Chair	August 29	5:00 PM
CoC Performance Management and Ranking Committee meeting to review and rank CoC applications.	September 12	1:30-4:30 PM
CoC Performance Management and Ranking Committee forwards project acceptance and/or rejection and project ranking recommendations to CoC Board members via email	September 13	By 10:00 AM
Decisions about acceptance or rejection of new and renewal project applications communicated to CoC Project Applicants, announced by CoC Chair/Board via email, and posted on CoC website	September 14	By 5:00 PM
CoC Board reviews Ranking Committee recommendations and decides the final ranking order for CoC renewal and new project applications	September 21	1:15-3:15 PM
CoC Application along with all Project Applications Submitted to HUD	September 27	By 5:00 PM

APPENDIX A. FY 2017 CoC Renewal Project Performance Assessment Tool
(Updated August 25th, 2017)

Performance Domain #1: Serving Chronic Homeless Persons and Most Severe Service Needs:

Measure #1: Serving Chronic Homeless Persons

Applies To:

- PSH Projects

Data Source: APR Data Q5a

Measure: PSH projects are scored on the percentage of persons served during the time period who were identified as chronically homeless. This includes new clients entering during the time period and clients who entered prior to the time period but were still receiving services during the time period. Percentage is calculated by dividing the total number of chronically homeless persons served by the total number of persons served.

Percentage of Persons Served in the Program Who Are Chronically Homeless	Points
Greater than 75%	10
50% to 75%	9
25% to 49%	7
10% to 24%	5
5% to 9%	3
1% to 4%	2
Less than 1%	0

Measure #2a: Prioritizing Most Severe Service Need: Number of Conditions at Entry

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: APR Data Q13a2

Measure: PSH projects are scored on the percentage of adults with a known number of physical and mental health conditions at entry. Percentage is calculated by dividing the total number of adults with a known number of physical or mental conditions at entry (APR data Q13a2) by the total number of heads of household adults (APR data Q5a). Points for this measure are cumulative.

Percentage of Adults with a Known Number of Physical or Mental Conditions at Entry	Points
100% with 1 or more Condition	1
75% with 2 or more Conditions	1
50% with 3 or more Conditions	1
75% with 3 or more Conditions	2

Measure #2b: Prioritizing Most Severe Service Needs: Fleeing Domestic Violence at Program Entry

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: APR Data Q14b

Measure: PSH projects are scored on the percentage of adults at program entry who are known to be fleeing a domestic violence situation.

Percentage of Adults Entering the Program Who Are Fleeing Domestic Violence or Who Have a Recent (past 12 month) History of Experiencing Domestic Violence	Points
100%	5
75-99%	4
50-74%	3
25-49%	2
10-24%	1
Less than 10%	0

Performance Domain #2: Housing Stability

Measure #1a: Permanent Supportive Housing Stability:

Applies To:

- PSH Projects

Data Source: APR Data Q23a, Q23b, and Q5a

Measure: Housing stability is now defined by HUD as PSH residents (adults and children) who remained in PSH projects or who exited a PSH project to a Permanent Housing situation. This measure is calculated by adding the number of adults and children who remained in PSH projects (Q5a-Stayers) or exited a PSH project to a Permanent Housing situation (Q23a + Q23b), then dividing by the total number of participants served during the time period.

Ex: $\frac{Q5a \text{ (Stayers)} + Q23a \text{ (Total w/pos. housing dest.)} + Q23b \text{ (Total w/ pos. housing dest.)}}{Q5a \text{ (Total number of persons served)}}$

NOTE: The HUD goal for this domain is 80%

Percentage of PSH Residents with Housing Stability	Points
Greater than 90%	10
85-89%	8
80-84%	5
75-79%	3
Less than 75%	0

Measure #1b: Housing Stability:

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: APR Data Q23a, Q23b, and Q5a

Measure: Housing stability is for TH Projects is defined by the percentage of TH persons leaving the program who exited to a Permanent Housing situation during the time period.

Ex: $\frac{Q23a \text{ (Total w/pos. housing dest.)} + Q23b \text{ (Total w/positive housing dest.)}}{Q5a \text{ (Total number of persons served)}}$

Percentage of TH Residents with Housing Stability	Points
Greater than 90%	10
80-89%	8
70-79%	5
60-69%	3
Less than 60%	0

Performance Domain #3: Jobs and Income Growth

Measure #1: Percentage of Adults with Increased Income from Employment:

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: APR Data Q19a3 (Top 2 data rows)

Measure(s): Adults only with increased earned income from employment at the end of the time period or at program exit; calculated by the total number of adults who had increased income from employment divided by the total number of adults served during the time period.

NOTE: The HUD goal for this Measure is:

- 20% of adults increased earned income from program entry to exit; our CoC has not met the earned income target of 20% in past years.

Percentage of Residents with Increased Income from Employment	Points
Greater than 20%	5
15-19%	3
10-14%	2
5-9%	1
Less than 5%	0

Measure #2: Percentage of Adults with Increased Income from All Sources:

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: APR Data Q19a3 (Bottom 2 data rows)

Measure(s): Adults only with increased total income from all sources at the end of the time period or at program exit; calculated by the total number of adults with an increase in income from all sources divided by the total number of adults served during the time period.

NOTE: The HUD goal for this Measure is:

- 54% of adults increased their income from other sources from program entry to exit

Percentage of Residents with Increased Income Sources Other than Employment	Points
Greater than 54%	5
50-54%	3
45-49%	2
35-44%	1
Less than 35%	0

Performance Domain #4: Mainstream Benefits

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: APR data Q20b, APR data Q5a

Measure(s): Percentage of persons that are participating in one or more mainstream benefit upon exiting the program. Percentage is calculated by the number of leavers participating in one of more mainstream benefit (Q20b) divided by the total number of program leavers (Q5a).

NOTE: The HUD goal for this domain is 56%. Our CoC Programs together have performing way above this goal in past years (in the 90% range).

Percentage of Residents Participating in Mainstream Programs: Percent with one or more source	Points
100%	5
90-99%	4
80-89%	3
70-79%	2
60-69%	1
Less than 60%	0

Performance Domain 5: HMIS Participation and Data Quality

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: HMIS Data

HMIS Participation and Data Quality Sub-Component	Points
All Case Managers are entering HMIS within 30 days. Max of 5 points – minus 1 pt. for every worker/HMIS user exceeding the 30 days.	5
All required data for program entry and exit is entered into the HMIS within the 7-day period required by HUD. If entered within 15 days- only 3 points. If more than 15 days- 0 points	5
At least 97% of the Universal Data Elements (UDEs) in HMIS are complete (average of all UDEs).	4
Completion of the Self-Sufficiency Matrix for at least 90% of all clients entering into the program. MV-HHC encourages all programs complete the SSM for all clients using minimally the following domains: Income, Housing, and Employment. Applies to: Renewal Projects.	3
Attendance at 75% or more of HMIS Data meetings during the past 12 months.	3
Total Points Possible	20

Performance Domain 6: Effective Use of HUD Resources

Measure #1: Effectively Using Financial Resources from HUD

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: Most recent complete Program Year APR financial data

Percentage of HUD Budget NOT SPENT and recaptured by HUD at the end of the program year.	Points
Less than 5% of the project budget	5
6-10% of project budget	3
11-15% of project budget	1
More than 15% of project budget	0

Measure #2: Effectively Using Housing Resources from HUD

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: 2017 Housing Inventory Chart (HIC) Uploaded into HUD HDX

Utilization of Housing Resources from HUD: Average Daily Bed Utilization	Points
Greater than 100%	5
95-99%	4
90-94%	3
85-89%	2
80-84%	1
Less than 80%	0

Performance Domain 7: Reducing Barriers to Housing and Housing First

Measure #1: Reducing Barriers to Housing

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: FY 2017 Renewal Project Applications submitted to CoC

Project has no barriers to entry for people with the following conditions	Points
Too little income	1
Active history of substance abuse	1
Criminal record (with exceptions for sex offenders)	1
Fleeing Domestic violence	1
Meets all four conditions above	1
Total Number of Points = Score for this domain	5 max.

Measure #2: Housing First

Applies To:

- PSH, RRH, TH/RRH and TH Projects

Data Source: FY 2017 Renewal Project Applications submitted to CoC.

Project uses the Housing First Approach	Points
Yes	5
No	0

Calculating Scores for Different Renewal Project Types

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2. Housing Stability	10
3. Jobs and Income Growth	10
4. Mainstream Benefits	5
5. HMIS Participation and Data Quality	20
6. Effective Use of HUD Funding and Program Capacity	10
7. Reducing Barriers to Housing and Housing First	10
TOTAL	85

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3. Jobs and Income Growth	10
4. Mainstream Benefits	5
5. HMIS Participation and Data Quality	20
6. Effective Use of HUD Funding and Program Capacity	10
7. Reducing Barriers to Housing and Housing First	10
TOTAL	75

NOTE: The CoC Board has the discretion to determine the final ranking number for all renewal and new projects.

CoC NY-518 Evaluation and Ranking of New Project Applications;

Our CoC Evaluation of CoC New Project Proposals is based on a combination of HUD project applicant and project quality, and project priority measures and our local CoC Applicant and project quality measures.

Project applications will be assessed by the CoC’s Performance Management and Ranking Committee using a point system as outlined below. New projects with a higher point total will be ranked higher than projects with a lower point total.

NEW PROJECT PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR FY2017 COC APPLICATIONS

	Points	Applic. Item Number
1. HUD Threshold Requirements for New Project Applications		
a. Does the type, scale, and location of the housing fit the needs of the program participants?	5	3B-1
b. Does the type and scale of the supportive services fit the needs of the program participants–this includes all supportive services, regardless of funding source?	5	4A-4
c. Does the specific plan for ensuring program participants will be individually assisted to obtain the benefits of the mainstream health, social, and employment programs for which they are eligible to apply meets the needs of the program participants?	5	4A-5a,b,c
d. Is there a good plan to ensure that program participants are assisted to obtain and remain in permanent housing in a manner that fits their needs?	5	4A-2
e.-1 Will at least 75 percent of the proposed PSH program participants come from the street or other locations not meant for human habitation, emergency shelters, safe havens, or fleeing domestic violence?	5	5C-1
e.-2 Will 100% percent of the proposed Rapid Re-housing program participants come from the street or other locations not meant for human habitation, emergency shelters, safe havens, or fleeing domestic violence?	5	5C-1
MAXIMUM FOR THRESHOLD REQUIREMENT (HUD Minimum is 15 points)	25	
2. HOUSING FIRST AND LOW BARRIER PROJECT DESIGN		
1. Will the project <u>quickly</u> move participants into permanent housing?	1	3B - 5a
Which of the following barriers to accessing housing and services will this project remove?		
a. Having too little or little income	1	3B - 5b
b. Active or history of substance abuse or mental health disability	1	3B - 5b
c. Having a criminal record - with exceptions for state-mandated restrictions (e.g. sex offenders).	1	3B - 5b
d. Fleeing domestic violence	1	3B - 5b
<i>Will the project remove the following reasons for termination?</i>		
a. Failure to participate in support services	1	3B - 5c
b. Failure to make progress on a service plan	1	3B - 5c

c. Loss of income or failure to make improve income	1	3B - 5c
d. Fleeing domestic violence	1	3B - 5c
e. Any other activity not covered in a lease agreement typically found in the project's geographic area.	1	3B - 5c
TOTAL HOUSING FIRST/LOW BARRIER POINTS	10	
3. EXPERIENCE OF APPLICANT		
a. Effectively utilizing federal OR state funds	5	2B-1
b. Leveraging other federal, state, local, and private sector funds	5	2B-2
c. Management structure and adequate financial accounting system	5	2B-3
d. No unresolved monitoring or audit findings for any HUD or ESG grants.	5	2B-4
TOTAL APPLICANT EXPERIENCE POINTS	20	
4. SERVICES FOR PARTICIPANTS RELATED TO INCOME AND EMPLOYMENT		
Is there a good plan for assisting participants to increase their employment and/or income and to maximize their ability to live independently:	10	4A-3
TOTAL HOUSING AND SERVICES PLAN	10	
5. MEETS ONE OR MORE OF HUD'S HOMELESS POLICY AND PROGRAM PRIORITIES (See NOFA)		
a. Ending chronic homelessness: All units are dedicated to chronically homeless persons	5	4B-3
c. Ending veteran homelessness; ending youth homelessness; or ending homelessness for DV victims	5	
d. Using a Housing First approach: If score for Housing First/Low Barrier above is 10:	5	
e. Increases the CoC's rapid rehousing units for households with children	5	
f. Addresses a policy priority gap not currently addressed with existing CoC funding	5	
TOTAL HUD POLICY AND PROGRAM PRIORITY POINTS	25	
6. MEETS HUD AND COC CRITERIA FOR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE CONTINUUM OF CARE		
Actively participated in CoC meetings in the past 2 years	5	
Agency is a local advocate for homeless persons in the community at large	5	
Agency has a strong history of collaborative work with other CoC partners	5	
Agency is currently using the CoC's HMIS system or is currently engaged in bringing one or more of its programs into the HMIS.	5	
TOTAL CoC PARTNERSHIP POINTS	20	
TOTAL POINTS	110	