

DISCLAIMER

This presentation reflects the 2024 NOFO competition process. While the **2025 NOFO has not yet been released**, we anticipate changes in CoC funding policies and priorities. We are sharing this information for reference, with the understanding that the process for this year may differ.

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Contra Costa Continuum of Care (CoC) NOFO 101

May 30, 2024

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Today's Agenda

- Introductions
- What is HUD CoC Program funding?
- How do I apply for funding?
- What can I use the funding for?
- Next steps

Introductions



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Mentimeter Activity: Who's in the room?

Has your agency applied for CoC NOFO funding before?

How familiar are you with the HUD CoC competition?

Where do you spend most of your time?

What is your race/ethnicity?

Do you have current or past experience being unhoused?

What questions do you have about CoC funding?

What is HUD CoC Program Funding?

National Players

- **HUD** – U.S. Department of **H**ousing and **U**rban **D**evelopment. Federal Government agency that releases money and sets program rules.
- **CoC** - **C**ontinuum **o**f **C**are. Funding stream for permanent housing with services for people experiencing homelessness. Also used to broadly refer to the group of community stakeholders.
- **NOFO** – **N**otice **o**f **F**unding **O**pportunity. Term used for many different funding programs, but today we mean specifically the notice for HUD CoC funding.

Local Players

Neutral facilitators

- Homebase

Collaborative Applicant

- Contra Costa Health Services (H3)

Providers/Applicants/"Project Applicants"

- Satellite Affordable Housing Associates
- Contra Costa Health Services
- Resources for Community Development
- Housing Authority of Contra Costa County
- SHELTER, Inc
- Hope Solutions
- ****New Project Applicants****

CoC Program Funding

Administered
by HUD

One-year
grants

Annual
competition

Federal funding to end
homelessness

CoC Program Funding

HUD releases an annual Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)



Each CoC submits a Consolidated Application to HUD



HUD awards grants directly to individual applicants (the CoC is not a pass-through)

How much funding is available?

- FY 2023 awards in Contra Costa totaled **\$19.3 million**
 - [2023 CoC Program Competition Project Awards](#)
- FY 2024 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), to be released
 - National funding competition shared among more than 450 CoCs

How Do I Apply for Funding?

Project Applicants

Renewal Projects

- Awarded 1 year of funding last year
- Asking to renew that funding for another year

New Projects

- Don't exist yet
- Asking for 1 year of funding to start operating

Two-Part Selection Process

Part 1: Local Competition

- a. The CoC creates a local process
- b. Agencies submit local applications
- c. Local applications are “reviewed & ranked” by a scoring panel

Part 2: National Competition

- a. The CoC submits the Collaborative Application to HUD
- b. HUD decides what to fund
- c. **The CoC’s Priority Listing is key!**

Two-Part Application: Local Application

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- Essays, short answers, attachments
- Details on what kind of funding you want and how you plan to spend it
 - # to be served, detailed budget, site addresses for project
- Used to evaluate, score, and rank

Two-Part Application: HUD Project Application

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- Formal request for funding
- Submitted in HUD's e-snaps system
- Essays, short answers, attachments
- TA process for new projects to ensure compliance with HUD rules

The Local Process

Each spring, community discusses & revises scoring criteria

Renewal Project
Scoring Tool

New Project
Scoring Tool

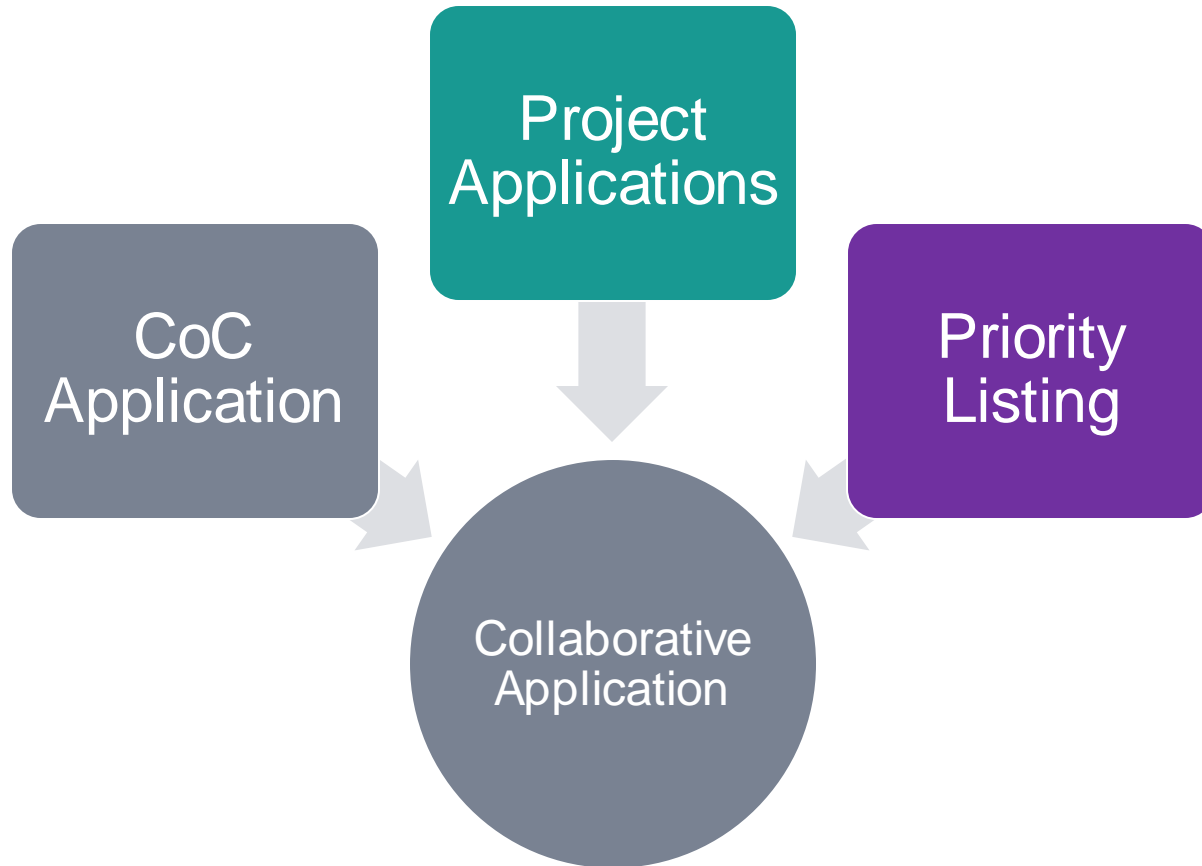
Written CoC
Application Process



After the NOFO is released, the Review & Rank panel applies the scoring criteria to local applications

Priority Listing!

Collaborative Application



Before You Submit an Application!

- Be a non-profit or local government
- Have an active SAM.gov registration
- Have a SAM.gov Unique Entity Identifier
- Have an Applicant Profile for your organization in e-snaps
- Have a compliant Code of Conduct
- Get documentation of Match commitment(s)