

## FL515 Project Review and Selection Process for FY2023

### CoC Competition

This document outlines the review and selection process for local applications for the consolidated application for the FY2021 CoC Program Competition. As the Collaborative Applicant for The Northwest Florida Continuum of Care (Panama City/Bay, Jackson Co. CoC), Doorways of NWFL implements a community process that is coordinated, inclusive, and outcome-oriented for the solicitation, objective review, ranking, and selection of project applications. Renewal projects are also reviewed for performance and compliance with 24 CFR 578.

Active members of the CoC are eligible to submit project proposals for the FY2021 HUD CoC NOFO through the Collaborative Applicant (Doorways of NWFL). The CoC's Review and Ranking Committee will prioritize eligible proposals for inclusion in the CoC's consolidated application. The HMIS Renewal is automatically ranked as number one on the Priority Listing by the Review and Ranking Committee for inclusion in order to meet HUD HMIS requirements. The deadline for providers to submit their proposals in eSnaps is **August 18, 2023**.

The Review and Ranking Committee will score submitted proposals according to objective criteria provided as part of the application process and will rank proposals in order according to scores. The committee will then consider overall HUD and CoC priorities and strategy to determine a final list of projects to be submitted to HUD, and the amounts of funding to be requested for each project. Those submitting proposals will be notified in writing no later than **September 11, 2023** of whether or not their applications will be included in the consolidated application, and the amount to be allocated for each project. Local competition results will also be posted on Doorways of NWFL's website, [doorwaysnwfl.org](http://doorwaysnwfl.org), on that date.

In order to be considered for review and ranking, all proposals must meet the following threshold requirements (applications not meeting one or more of the following will not be scored). All applicants must:

- Submit proposals into esnaps by the deadline stated above;
- Provide a valid DUNS number;
- Not have outstanding or delinquent federal debt;
- Be an eligible applicant as defined in the McKinney-Vento Act, 24 CFR 578.15, 24 CFR 5.100, and include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes and TDHE (as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 – 25 U.S.C. 4103), and public housing agencies;
- Include all required attachments;
- Be an active member of the CoC;

- Meet all statutory and regulatory requirements of subtitle C of Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and the CoC Program Rule found in 24 CFR part 578;
- The proposal must include the following documents:
  - Most recent audit report or 1990
  - IRS 501(c)(3) designation letter
  - Current board roster
  - Match letter
  - The following agency policies attached to the Agency's Applicant Profile in esnaps:
    - Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest
    - Drug-Free Workplace
    - Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing
    - Reasonable Accommodation and Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities
    - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment
    - Confidentiality

All complete, timely, and eligible applications will be scored by the CoC Review and Ranking Committee, using the attached scoring rubrics. Please use the appropriate scoring tool as they vary depending on project type. The scoring rubric evaluates past performance (of renewal applicants) and promotes best practices and practices that will improve our local homeless system performance and align with HUD's Homeless Policy Priorities.

These include:

- Ending homelessness for all persons;
- Use a Housing First approach;
- Reducing unsheltered homelessness;
- Improving system performance;
- Partnering with Housing, Health, and Service Agencies;
- Addressing Racial Equity;
- Including people with lived experience in the local planning processes;

Applicants not selected for inclusion in the consolidated application may appeal the decision following the appeal process stipulated in the Notice of Funding Opportunity.

**Critical Dates:**

8/18 Project application deadline

8/22 Doorways completes technical review of project applications in esnaps.

8/23 Send project applications to ranking/review committee.

9/11 Ranking/review committee meets to discuss and agree on final scores.

9/11 Notification of projects rejected or reduced

9/11 Public notification of all ranked/accepted projects

9/26 Doorways submit Collaborative Application in eSnaps

9/28 Deadline to submit

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