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 2026 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2026 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 2026 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.

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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- Frequently Asked Questions

1A-1. CoC Name and Number: FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: Homeless & Hunger Coalition of Northwest Florida Inc. DBA Doorways

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Homeless & Hunger Coalition of Northwest Florida I

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Accountable Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Accountable Structure and Participation.	

	In the chart below for the period from June 1, 2025 to May 31, 2026:
1.	select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below if the entity listed participated in CoC meetings or select 'Nonexistent' if the entity does not exist in your CoC's geographic area, and
2.	enter the number of persons on the board for each category where you answered 'Yes' in the Participated in CoC Meetings column.

You must click Save at the bottom of the form before entering the number of persons for each category where you answered 'Yes'.

	Entity	Participated in CoC Meetings	Number of Board Members
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	1
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction(s)	Yes	0
3.	Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC)	No	
4.	Community Mental Health Center (CMHC)	Yes	1
5.	Disability Advocate(s)	Yes	0
6.	Disability Service Organization(s)	Yes	1
7.	Emergency Medical Services (EMS)/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	0
8.	Employment Assistance Program(s) (e.g., Local Workforce Development, American Job Center)	Yes	1
9.	Faith-based Organzation(s)	Yes	1
10.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Person(s)	Yes	1
11.	Hospital(s)	No	
12.	Other Primary Healthcare Provider(s) (e.g., Federally Qualified Health Center, Healthcare for the Homeless)	Yes	2
13.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent	
14.	Law Enforcement	Yes	1
15.	Local Court Systems, Including Specialty Courts (e.g., Mental Health Court, Drug Court, Care Court)	Yes	1
16.	Local Government Staff/Official(s)	Yes	1

17.	State Government Staff/Official(s)	No	
18.	State or Local Elected Public Official(s)	Yes	1
19.	Local Jail(s)	No	
20.	Mental Health Service Organization(s)	Yes	0
21.	Mental Illness Advocate(s)	Yes	0
22.	Organization(s) led by and serving people with disabilities	No	
23.	Other homeless subpopulation advocate(s)	Yes	0
24.	Other nonprofit homeless assistance provider(s)	Yes	0
25.	Other social service provider(s)	Yes	2
26.	Public Housing Agencies	Yes	1
27.	Recovery Housing or Sober Living Provider(s)	Yes	0
28.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaison(s)	Yes	0
29.	School District(s)	Yes	1
30.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	0
31.	Substance Abuse Advocate(s)	Yes	0
32.	Substance Abuse Service Organization(s)	Yes	0
33.	Universities	Yes	0
34.	Veteran Serving Organization(s)	Yes	1
35.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	0
36.	Victim Service Provider(s)	Yes	1
37.	Domestic Violence Advocate(s)	Yes	0
38.	Other Victim Service Organization(s)	Yes	0
39.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	Yes	0
40.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	No	
41.	Youth Advocate(s)	Yes	0
42.	Youth Homeless Organization(s)	Yes	0
43.	Youth Service Provider(s)	Yes	0
44.	Other Homeless Assistance Provider(s)	Yes	0
45.	Local Business or Chamber of Commerce or a Member of a Business Improvement District	Yes	1
	Other: (limit 50 characters)		
46.	FL Dept of Health-Bay County	Yes	0
47.			

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	

Describe your CoC's transparent process (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to invite new members to join the CoC at least annually.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 maintains an open membership process for organizations and individuals interested in participating in the Continuum of Care. As the CoC Lead Agency and Collaborative Applicant, Doorways of Northwest Florida hosts monthly FL-515 Continuum of Care meetings that are open to the public. Membership is encouraged throughout the year, and Doorways conducts annual outreach to invite new members and broaden community participation.

Membership is open to stakeholders throughout the CoC's six-county service area, including nonprofit homeless assistance providers, victim service providers, faith-based organizations, local governments, public housing agencies, healthcare and behavioral health providers, businesses, advocates, people with lived experience of homelessness, and other community partners.

FL-515 publicly invites new members through the Doorways of Northwest Florida website. The website includes a dedicated "Join the FL-515 Continuum of Care" page explaining who may participate, ways members can become involved, and an online form for individuals and organizations interested in joining or participating in the CoC. Monthly CoC meetings are also posted on the Doorways website.

Doorways maintains an extensive six-county email distribution list through Constant Contact that is used to broadcast information about upcoming CoC meetings. Doorways also participates in Chambers of Commerce throughout the six-county area to reach beyond traditional homeless service providers and engage other community stakeholders interested in homelessness prevention and the regional response to homelessness. Board members representing various sectors of their communities are encouraged to use their affiliations and speaking opportunities to promote awareness, participation, support, and membership in FL-515.

The membership page also identifies opportunities to participate in CoC meetings, committees and workgroups, community planning, Coordinated Entry collaboration, and other activities supporting the regional homelessness response system.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit and Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	

Describe your CoC's transparent process (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit and consider opinions regarding the CoC's general performance, strategies, and priority setting process from a broad array of individuals and organizations that have knowledge of homelessness or an interest in preventing or ending homelessness in the CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 solicits and considers input from individuals and organizations across Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, and Washington Counties when reviewing its performance, strategies, and priorities. Its monthly general CoC meetings are open to the public and provide a regular opportunity for providers, community members, advocates, and people with lived experience of homelessness to identify needs, discuss barriers, and propose solutions. Doorways of Northwest Florida, the CoC Lead Agency, shares meeting information through its website and six-county email distribution list.

FL-515 also seeks perspectives beyond its meetings. CoC representatives participate in community forums such as Kiwanis and Rotary clubs, Chambers of Commerce, law enforcement Crisis Intervention Training, and town halls. They engage local officials, the press, and participants in legislative, tourism, and economic development discussions to hear how homelessness affects communities and to share information about the CoC's work. Doorways visits providers across the six-county area, including rural communities, for direct discussion of service gaps and local priorities.

People can provide input in person, by phone or email, and through the CoC's online channels. Meeting venues are accessible, and remote participation offers another way to take part. The CoC seeks to include people with disabilities and those who may face barriers to attending in person.

Doorways brings the concerns and ideas gathered through these channels to CoC meetings, committees, and the Leadership Council. Their input is considered alongside HMIS data, system performance measures, and identified service gaps when developing policies, planning activities, and setting priorities. For example, rural providers raised concerns that funding was concentrated in urban areas. The CoC considered that feedback and directed state funding toward underserved rural communities. This process gives stakeholders a way to shape decisions and see their concerns reflected in the regional response to homelessness.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.	

Describe your CoC's transparent process to accept and consider proposals from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding including faith-based organizations.

(limit 2,500 characters)

A. FL-515 maintains an open process so organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding, including faith-based organizations, can learn about, apply for, and be considered for funding. Doorways of Northwest Florida, the Collaborative Applicant, posts the local competition notice, RFP, application instructions, and deadlines on its website. The FY 2026 RFP invited both renewal and new project proposals and was open to all eligible applicants.

For the past two years, Doorways has conducted Grant Camp for organizations throughout the six-county CoC. Many regional service providers are newly formed or have limited grant funding or grant-writing experience. Grant Camp was developed to reduce these barriers by explaining available funding opportunities and the requirements of applying for public funds. Participation is open to interested organizations, including faith-based organizations and those without prior CoC Program funding.

In preparation for the FY 2026 funding cycle, Grant Camp was held in April and included two sessions: one focused on state funding and the other on HUD CoC Program funding. Participants received information on identifying community needs and service gaps, developing eligible projects, determining allowable expenses, creating budgets, and understanding legal, financial, and administrative grant requirements.

Doorways also distributes funding announcements and application information through its Constant Contact list, which reaches beyond formal CoC membership. Funding opportunities, deadlines, and application processes are announced during public CoC meetings. The FY 2026 local competition also included an informational meeting and applicant technical assistance. These channels give organizations multiple ways to learn about opportunities regardless of funding history or membership status.

B. In FY 2026, FL-515 received proposals from first-time CoC applicants, including a faith-based organization. This process gives new and faith-based organizations meaningful access to funding. Organizations proposing new projects can submit applications during the published local competition period and are considered through the established Rank and Review process. Applications are evaluated under the published requirements and criteria for the project type, and conflict-of-interest and recusal procedures protect the integrity of the review. Prior CoC Program funding is not required for consideration.

1B-5	Plan for Comprehensive Strategies for Reducing Homelessness.

Describe how your CoC will incorporate comprehensive strategies for reducing homelessness, including interventions in 42 U.S.C. 11386b(d) and other targeted projects for specific subpopulations, by providing a plan to address a gap in the CoC's current homelessness system.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 has identified the need for a comprehensive, data-informed assessment of its homelessness response system & a strategic framework to address gaps across its six-county service area. This need is particularly important following Hurricane Michael & COVID-19, which affected housing availability, affordability, community resources & the needs of households experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

Using HUD CoC Planning funds, Doorways of Northwest Florida contracted with the Florida Housing Coalition (FHC) to conduct a comprehensive gaps & needs assessment & assist with strategic planning. The assessment uses system data & stakeholder feedback to identify resources, barriers, unmet needs & gaps affecting relevant subpopulations. The assessment will be completed by March 31, 2027, followed by a comprehensive strategic plan by June 30, 2027.

FL-515 is also addressing known gaps while the assessment is underway. One identified gap is limited dedicated housing navigation capacity. The CoC established a Housing Access & Navigation Coordinator to develop landlord relationships, identify housing opportunities, address barriers to housing placement & strengthen connections between Coordinated Entry & permanent housing. Other strategies include weekly CE case conferencing, Street Outreach coordination & targeted Rapid Re-Housing for families with minor children.

The assessment & strategic plan will address individuals, families with children, persons experiencing chronic homelessness, veterans, youth, survivors of domestic violence, persons with disabilities, rural households & other identified populations. Strategies under 42 U.S.C. 11386b(d) assess PSH & pair family RRH with flexible aid, supportive services, employment/income supports, TANF, child welfare & mainstream benefits.

The plan will establish baseline data & quantifiable targets for reducing homelessness, increasing permanent housing exits & income, reducing returns to homelessness & improving access to housing interventions. Progress will be measured through HMIS, CE/By-Name List data, PIT data & System Performance Measures.

Implementation of priority strategies will begin July 1, 2027, with progress reviewed quarterly. Doorways will implement strategies with CoC Leadership Council oversight & provider/community partner participation. Strategies will leverage HUD CoC & ESG, Florida Challenge & TANF, & other federal, state, local & philanthropic resources.

1B-5a	Confirmation of Plan Coverage.

Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether your narrative in question 1B-5 addresses the following aspects of your plan to address a gap in the CoC's current homelessness system.	
1. Identifies the gap, using data or stakeholder feedback	Yes
2. The strategy to address the needs of all relevant subpopulations	Yes

3. Sets quantifiable performance measures	Yes
4. Identifies timelines for the completion of specific tasks	Yes
5. Identifies specific funding sources for planned activities	Yes
6. An individual or body responsible for overseeing implementation of specific strategies	Yes

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	**Treatment and Recovery Services—On-site Substance Use Treatment Availability.**	
	You must upload the List of TH/RRH/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	What percent of your TH/RRH/PSH projects have substance use treatment available on site?	0%

If you are a rural CoC, describe what substance use treatment is available in your CoC and how people you serve access those services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 is a rural CoC serving a geographically dispersed six-county area. A continuum of substance use disorder (SUD) & opioid use disorder (OUD) treatment is available through community-based providers, including Florida Springs, Chemical Addictions Recovery Effort (CARE), and Pancare's Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP).
Available services include medical detoxification, residential treatment, outpatient treatment and counseling, intensive outpatient services, medication-assisted treatment, medication management, care coordination, case management, peer recovery coaching, prevention, recovery support, and aftercare. CARE provides 24-hour detox services and outpatient assessment and treatment for adults & adolescents, with outpatient access across multiple counties. Florida Springs provides a continuum ranging from medical detox and residential treatment to outpatient counseling, intensive outpatient services, and aftercare.
Pancare's RCORP provides an additional rural access point for SUD/OUD services, including counseling, medication management, medication-assisted treatment, individualized treatment, case management, peer recovery coaching, care navigation, recovery support, & connections to treatment. RCORP specifically addresses rural barriers i.e. transportation, stigma, and limited resources. Pancare provides services through its mobile clinic and community health centers.
People experiencing homelessness access treatment through Coordinated Entry, homeless service providers, street outreach, healthcare and behavioral health providers, and direct referrals. CoC staff are trained on available SUD resources and assist participants with identifying appropriate treatment based on their needs, eligibility, treatment goals, and provider availability. Staff facilitate warm referrals and, when needed, help address transportation, scheduling, insurance/benefits, and other barriers to treatment.
FL-515 emphasizes coordination between housing, treatment, healthcare, behavioral health, and recovery providers so participants can engage in treatment while receiving housing and supportive services. This coordinated approach is particularly important in a rural CoC, where distance, transportation, and limited resources can create barriers to accessing treatment. Through Florida Springs, CARE, Pancare RCORP, and other community partners, the CoC provides multiple pathways from crisis and detox through treatment, recovery, and housing stability.

1C-1a. Treatment and Recovery Services—Outpatient Treatment for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders.

Describe how your CoC partners with, or has projects that provide, outpatient treatment for mental health and substance use disorders with a range of appropriate levels of care, psychosocial interventions, medication management, suicide prevention, and recovery supports.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 partners with Life Management Center and PanCare Behavioral Health, along with hospitals, primary care providers, housing programs, and peer-led organizations, to connect people experiencing homelessness with timely outpatient mental health and substance use treatment. Through Coordinated Entry, outreach, case conferencing, and warm handoffs, CoC projects screen for behavioral health needs, help participants obtain benefits, schedule appointments, address transportation barriers, and follow up on referrals.

Life Management Center provides outpatient assessment, counseling, psychiatric services, medication management, crisis intervention and stabilization, mobile response, and intensive community-based support for people with serious mental illness or co-occurring conditions. PanCare Behavioral Health expands access through integrated primary and behavioral healthcare, individual and family therapy, psychiatric medication management, and services addressing substance use and opioid use disorders, including medication-assisted treatment, case management, and peer recovery coaching. Both agencies provide services across all six CoC counties. PanCare also operates RCORP in several rural counties and extends access through regional clinics and mobile services.

Together, these partners offer or coordinate routine outpatient care, intensive outpatient services, crisis stabilization, and referrals to withdrawal management, residential, or inpatient treatment when a higher level of care is indicated. Psychosocial interventions include individual, group, and family counseling; motivational interviewing; cognitive behavioral and other evidence-informed therapies; skills development; relapse-prevention planning; and coordinated treatment for co-occurring disorders.

Suicide prevention is integrated across the system through standardized screening and risk assessment, collaborative safety planning, and connections to Life Management Center’s crisis services, mobile response, crisis stabilization, emergency care, and the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline. Following a crisis or discharge, housing and behavioral health teams coordinate follow-up and transition planning. Recovery supports, including certified peer specialists and recovery coaches, are available through a variety of local agencies.

1C-1b. Treatment and Recovery Services—Peer Support and Recovery Navigation.

Describe how your CoC partners with, or has projects that provide access to, peer recovery specialists or other forms of peer support and recovery navigation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 partners with community-based behavioral health, substance use treatment, healthcare, recovery, and law-enforcement organizations to ensure that people experiencing homelessness can access peer recovery specialists and other recovery-navigation supports. Through Coordinated Entry, outreach, case conferencing, and direct referral pathways, CoC providers connect participants to Florida Springs Wellness and Recovery Center, CHROME, PanCare of Florida, CARE, and Life Management Center of Northwest Florida.

These partnerships provide access to certified peer support, recovery coaching, behavioral health and substance use assessments, treatment planning, crisis services, medication-assisted treatment when appropriate, and ongoing care coordination. Florida Springs provides a continuum of substance use treatment supported by certified peer support specialists. PanCare expands access through integrated medical and behavioral health services, mobile outreach, case management, peer recovery coaching, and opioid-response programming. Life Management Center provides community-based mental health and substance use services, crisis response, case management, recovery-oriented supports, and peer support through programs including its Family Intensive Treatment (FIT) team. CHROME strengthens the local recovery network by helping participants engage in peer-led support and navigate treatment and community resources.

Law-enforcement partnerships further expand access. The Jackson County Sheriff's Office connects individuals with PanCare, CARE, and Life Management Center; the Bay County Sheriff's Office has three certified peer specialists on staff; and the Gulf County Sheriff's Office connects individuals with CHROME for peer support and recovery navigation.

CoC providers and partners use warm handoffs and follow-up contacts instead of relying only on passive referrals. They coordinate participant choice, confidentiality, transportation and other access barriers, and continuity of care. This approach allows individuals to receive support from people with lived recovery experience, build trust in services, and remain connected as they move from homelessness and crisis toward treatment, housing stability, and long-term recovery.

1C-1c. Treatment and Recovery Services—Connecting Individuals Experiencing Serious Mental Illness with the Services Necessary to Promote Stability.

Describe how your CoC identifies individuals experiencing Serious Mental Illness and connects them with the services necessary to promote stability, such as Assertive Community Treatment teams and other models that combine intensive care coordination and assertive outreach with comprehensive treatment.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 identifies people who may be experiencing serious mental illness (SMI) through street outreach, Coordinated Entry (CE), housing programs, hospitals, crisis services, law enforcement, and community referrals. CE and homeless-service staff do not diagnose SMI; they identify self-reported diagnoses, treatment history, functional barriers, symptoms, repeated crises or hospitalizations, and other indicators that assessment may be needed. Using person-centered, trauma-informed engagement, staff assess needs, discuss participant preferences, and obtain consent for referrals.

When behavioral health needs are identified, staff make warm handoffs to Life Management Center of Northwest Florida (LMC), PanCare Behavioral Health, or another appropriate provider. Staff help schedule appointments, address transportation, obtain benefits or coverage, share permitted information, and follow up to confirm connection. Services include clinical assessment, counseling, psychiatric care, medication management, substance use treatment, primary healthcare, crisis intervention, and intensive case management. For an immediate crisis, staff connect the person with LMC's 24/7 Mobile Response Team, crisis assessment and stabilization services, 988, or emergency care as appropriate.
LMC operates Florida Assertive Community Treatment (FACT), an evidence-based model for adults with severe and persistent mental illness who have not responded well to traditional treatment. FACT combines assertive outreach with intensive, multidisciplinary, community-based treatment, rehabilitation, and support. Services may be delivered in homes, hospitals, jails, workplaces, or other community settings and support medication management, daily functioning, independent living, recovery goals, and reduced hospitalization or incarceration. CoC staff refer potentially eligible individuals to LMC for clinical assessment and FACT eligibility determination.

Weekly CE case conferencing and outreach help coordinate housing navigation and behavioral health services for people with complex needs, including those living unsheltered or having difficulty engaging in traditional care. With consent and in accordance with privacy requirements, providers coordinate follow-up, verify connections, and re-engage individuals when services are interrupted. This approach links identification, assertive engagement, comprehensive treatment, and housing-focused support to promote stability.

1C-1d. Treatment and Recovery Services—Coordination with Providers in Connection with Drug or Other Specialty Courts.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with a provider or entity providing services in connection with Drug Courts and other specialty courts serving individuals with mental and substance use disorders, Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) programs, and inpatient civil commitment.

(limit 500 characters)

FL-515 partners with Life Management Center, CARE, and Emerald Coast Behavioral Hospital. LMC and CARE serve people involved with Fourteenth Judicial Circuit specialty courts, including Bay and Jackson Adult Drug Courts and Bay Therapeutic Justice Court. LMC provides community mental health services relevant to AOT. LMC and Emerald Coast are DCF-designated Baker Act receiving facilities for crisis stabilization and inpatient civil commitment.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with the provider or entity identified above to support housing stability and movement towards independence, including by leveraging court orders.

(limit 2,500 characters)

L-515 coordinates through the partners identified above—Life Management Center (LMC), CARE, and Emerald Coast Behavioral Hospital—and through law enforcement, the Florida Department of Corrections, and homeless service providers. LMC and CARE provide behavioral health and substance use services to individuals involved with the Bay and Jackson Adult Drug Courts and Bay County Therapeutic Justice Court. LMC and Emerald Coast are DCF-designated Baker Act receiving facilities that provide crisis stabilization services. FL-515 does not operate the courts or direct court-ordered treatment.

When a court-involved individual is referred to a CoC provider, staff assess the person's housing needs and make warm handoffs to Coordinated Entry, outreach, shelter, housing navigation, Rapid Re-Housing, and other available housing resources as early as possible. A Florida Department of Corrections representative assists people returning from prison with housing connections and reentry planning. Law enforcement partners refer individuals experiencing homelessness or behavioral health needs to available community services.

When a participant shares a court order or its requirements, the case manager can use that information to coordinate housing and supportive services around required treatment, appointments, court dates, or release and discharge plans. The order provides a documented framework for the participant's responsibilities; the housing provider helps address barriers that could interfere with meeting them. The housing plan remains voluntary and person-centered. Assistance may include identification documents, transportation, appointment coordination, benefits enrollment, employment and income supports, landlord connections, tenancy education, peer support, crisis contacts, and referrals for behavioral health or recovery services. CoC providers do not enforce or modify court orders.

With participant consent and consistent with privacy requirements, CoC providers coordinate only the information necessary to complete referrals and connect the participant with requested services. Weekly CE case conferencing supports follow-up on housing referrals and helps identify unresolved barriers. This housing-focused approach supports successful reentry, treatment engagement, community safety, housing stability, and movement toward self-sufficiency and independence.

1C-1e. Treatment and Recovery Services—Partnership with Local Crisis System of Care.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with the local crisis system of care including 988 and crisis contact centers, mobile crisis and outreach services, and crisis stabilization services.

(limit 500 characters)

FL-515 partners with Life Management Center (LMC) and Emerald Coast Behavioral Hospital to connect people experiencing homelessness with the local crisis continuum. Participants can access help through 988, crisis contact services, LMC's 24/7 Mobile Response Team, and its Crisis Stabilization Unit. The Mobile Response Team provides community-based crisis intervention and outreach. LMC and Emerald Coast are DCF-designated Baker Act receiving facilities providing assessment and stabilization.

1C-1f.	Treatment and Recovery Services—Availability of Units for Persons Reporting Chronic Substance Use.	
	You must upload the List of CoC Program Projects and the Number of Units that require Substance Abuse Treatment attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	

Identify the number of CoC Program-funded units that require program participant engagement in substance abuse treatment services as a condition of continued participation in the program in accordance with 24 CFR 578.75.	0

1C-1g.	Treatment and Recovery Services—24/7 Access to Detox, Residential, or Inpatient Treatment.	

Is there 24/7 access to detox, residential, and inpatient behavioral health treatment within the geographic area of your CoC?	Yes

1C-1h. Treatment and Recovery Services—Formal Partnership with Behavioral and Mental Health Facilities.

Identify at least one formal partnership the CoC has with a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), Community Mental Health Center (CMHC), SAMHSA Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) provider, Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals (GBHI) provider, or a similar facility if none of the above are located in the geographic area.

(limit 500 characters)

Life Management Center of Northwest Florida, a Community Mental Health Center

1C-1i. Treatment and Recovery Services—Sober Housing Availability.

Identify at least one new or existing CoC Program-funded project that operates sober housing in accordance with 24 CFR 578.93(b)(5).

(limit 500 characters)

FL-515 does not have a COC-HUD funded project that operates sober housing. However, FL-515 has a network of community-based sober and recovery-oriented housing resources that help individuals experiencing homelessness move into safe, stable housing while maintaining recovery. Key partners include CHROME, Evers House, Oxford House, and the Rescue Mission. These programs receive funding via FL-515 from the Florida Challenge Grant. All of these providers are members of the FL-515 COC.

1C-1j. Treatment and Recovery Services—Warm Hand-Offs to Stable Housing Providers.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with the programs named in questions 1C-1a through 1C-1i to facilitate warm hand-offs to stable housing providers and prevent entry into homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 uses coordinated, person-centered warm handoffs—not passive referrals—to connect people experiencing or at risk of homelessness with stable housing. The CoC coordinates with Life Management Center, PanCare, CARE, Florida Springs, CHROME, Emerald Coast Behavioral Hospital, & other treatment, crisis, and recovery partners through Coordinated Entry (CE), street outreach, provider referrals, discharge planning, & weekly CE case conferencing.
When a participant needs housing assistance, the warm-handoff process includes obtaining the participant's consent and directly connecting the participant with Doorways or an appropriate housing provider. Staff share only the information needed to explain the housing situation, eligibility, accessibility needs, anticipated discharge date, and requested services. Whenever possible, staff help arrange an intake appointment, housing-provider contact, or other next step before the participant leaves detoxification, residential or inpatient treatment, crisis stabilization, or another crisis setting.

CE staff assess the household's needs & preferences and connect the participant to available prevention, diversion, family or support-network reunification, emergency shelter, Rapid Re-Housing, public housing, Housing Choice Vouchers, affordable rentals, or other appropriate resources. Doorways' Housing Access & Navigation Coordinator helps identify units, communicate with landlords, and address placement barriers. CoC and partner staff assist with identification documents, housing applications, benefits, transportation, appointment scheduling, and employment and income supports.

Housing referrals and unresolved barriers may be reviewed during weekly CE case conferencing and through the By-Name List so providers can coordinate next steps and reduce missed or duplicated referrals. If permanent housing is not immediately available, partners help the participant identify the safest available interim option while maintaining the connection to housing assistance.

Warm handoffs remain trauma-informed and based on participant choice. Housing assistance is not conditioned on accepting behavioral health or substance use treatment unless permitted by law and applicable program requirements. After placement, providers coordinate access to outpatient treatment, medication management, peer recovery support, crisis services, and other voluntary supports that promote recovery, safety, housing stability, & greater self-sufficiency.

1C-2.	Supportive Services Investment.	

	Number
1. Enter your CoC's FY 2026 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD).	$34,693
2. Of projects your CoC proposed to be funded in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition, enter the total amount of funding for the supportive services budget line items.	$448,947
3. Percent of your CoC's FY 2026 ARD (from element 1 above) that is supportive services funding (from element 2 above).	1,294%
4. Enter the amount of funding, leverage, match, and funding commitment from other formal partnerships in supportive services for the projects included in your CoC's FY 2026 ARD.	$160,962

5. Percent of your CoC's FY 2026 ARD (from element 1 above) that is the supportive services funding in proposed projects (from element 2 above) plus the amount of funding, leverage, match, and funding commitment from other formal partnerships in supportive services (from element 4 above).	1,758%

1C-3.	**Participation Requirements for Supportive Services.**
	You must upload the Language from Project Supportive Service Agreements attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.

What percent of your housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH, and Joint projects) require program participants to take part in supportive services (e.g. case management, employment training, substance use disorder treatment) in line with 24 CFR 578.75(h)?	100.00%

1C-4. Consulting with ESG Recipients.

Describe how your CoC has and will continue to consult with ESG recipients in the planning and allocation of ESG funds.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515, through its Lead Agency, Doorways of Northwest Florida, maintains consultation with the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), the State ESG recipient. DCF contracts with Doorways to administer ESG funding within FL-515's six-county area, creating a direct process for consultation regarding planning, allocation, implementation, and oversight.
DCF communicates funding levels, State priorities, eligible activities, requirements, and deadlines. Doorways communicates local needs, provider capacity, service gaps, expenditures, and implementation challenges.
Doorways submits a funding request and component allocations request to DCF identifying the proposed distribution of ESG resources among eligible components. Doorways consults with its DCF contract manager regarding allowable uses, technical assistance, requested changes, and other matters affecting ESG funds.
FL-515 informs its funding and component allocation requests by reviewing HMIS and Coordinated Entry data, PIT Count results, expenditures, subrecipient reports, and stakeholder feedback. CE case conferencing, Street Outreach coordination, CoC meetings, and provider contacts identify changes in demand, housing barriers, and emerging needs. Particular attention is given to the five outer rural counties, where distance, transportation, and limited provider capacity affect access.
Doorways uses an open process to solicit ESG applications. Grant Camp provides applicant education, followed by a published funding opportunity, technical assistance, and review by a Rank and Review Committee using established criteria and conflict-of-interest procedures. Provider proposals and review results help FL-515 determine how resources can best address prevention, Rapid Re-Housing, shelter, outreach, and supportive-service needs. Allocations remain within DCF-established funding levels, eligible activities, and requirements.
ESG subrecipients submit expenditure, performance, and deliverable reports; participate in CE and HMIS; and identify operational barriers and service gaps. Their input informs ESG Written Standards, policies, training, monitoring, and funding adjustments. Doorways monitors compliance, data quality, performance, and spending; reports to DCF; and consults with DCF when guidance, approval, or corrective action is needed.
FL-515 will continue this consultation cycle so ESG resources support housing stability, safety, equitable rural access, and increased self-sufficiency.

1C-4a. Coordination with Emergency Shelter Providers.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with shelter providers to connect individuals and families with CoC assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 does not currently have a traditional year-round congregate emergency shelter serving the general homeless population. The Salvation Army operates a 20-bed emergency shelter for survivors of domestic violence. During winter cold-weather events, a temporary shelter provides overnight accommodations when activated. FL-515 also uses ESG and Florida Challenge Grant emergency shelter funding for short-term hotel/motel placements when individuals and families have no safe shelter option. During these placements, providers connect households with Coordinated Entry (CE), housing navigation, benefits, and other services while working toward safe, stable housing.
FL-515 supports restoration of year-round emergency-shelter capacity. The faith-based Panama City Rescue Mission (PCRM) operated an emergency shelter before Hurricane Michael destroyed the facility in 2018. Doorways, on behalf of FL-515, provided a letter supporting PCRM's request for State rebuilding funds. In June 2026, PCRM was notified that $2.5 million had been secured toward the project, with completion anticipated in fall 2027.
The six-county area also has transitional and recovery housing providers, including PCRM, Bethel Village, Barnabas House, The Ark, The Evers House, CHROME, Humble House, and Armstrong House. FL-515 coordinates with these providers through CE, CoC meetings, weekly CE case conferencing, Street Outreach coordination, and communication.
Shelter and housing providers help individuals and families complete or update CE assessments and make direct referrals to Doorways. Doorways' Housing Access & Navigation Coordinator maintains the By-Name List, helps identify housing opportunities, and connects households to available prevention, diversion, family reunification, Rapid Re-Housing, public housing, Housing Choice Vouchers, affordable rentals, case management, employment and income supports, behavioral healthcare, and mainstream benefits.
With participant consent and consistent with privacy and victim-service confidentiality requirements, providers share only the information needed to coordinate assistance and prevent duplicate referrals. Housing barriers and households with complex needs are discussed during weekly case conferencing so partners can clarify responsibilities and next steps. This process provides warm handoffs from emergency or temporary shelter to housing assistance and supportive services that promote safety, housing stability, and self-sufficiency.

1C-5. Data Sharing to Inform the Homelessness Response System.

Describe how your CoC has or will share PIT, HIC, HMIS, and System Performance data with state and local government as permitted by law in order to inform the homelessness response system.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 shares PIT, HIC, HMIS, and System Performance Measure data with state and local governments to inform planning, resource allocation, and evaluation of the homelessness response system. Data are shared in aggregate or de-identified form unless participant-level disclosure is authorized by consent, a lawful data-sharing agreement, or another legal basis.
At the state level, Doorways provides the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), the State ESG recipient, with required aggregate client, expenditure, performance, and grant reports. FL-515 uses data findings when communicating community needs, provider capacity, service gaps, and proposed component allocations to DCF. These data inform State funding administration, oversight, technical assistance, and planning.
Locally, FL-515 shares aggregate results with county and municipal officials and staff, commissions, housing authorities, and emergency-management partners across its six counties. Information is communicated through reports, email, presentations, public meetings, monthly CoC meetings, and the CoC's Constant Contact network. FL-515 will continue expanding distribution of PIT, HIC, and System Performance results to local governments.
PIT data show the number, characteristics, and geographic distribution of sheltered and unsheltered homelessness. HIC data identify available shelter, transitional housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and other housing resources and reveal capacity gaps. HMIS aggregate data show service utilization, demographics, inflow, housing placements, and returns to homelessness. System Performance Measures show trends in first-time homelessness, length of time homeless, permanent housing outcomes, income, and returns to homelessness.
FL-515 uses these findings with government partners to identify underserved rural areas, improve outreach coverage, support emergency and severe-weather planning, strengthen homelessness prevention and housing navigation, establish funding priorities, & address shelter and housing gaps. Findings also inform strategic planning & performance-improvement strategies.
All sharing follows the HMIS Privacy Notice, CoC privacy and security policies, consent requirements, and applicable confidentiality laws. Victim service provider information is protected through a comparable database and is not disclosed through HMIS. This provides government partners actionable information while protecting participant privacy, safety, and confidentiality.

1C-5a. Using Other Data Sources Alongside HMIS to Improve Care.

Describe how your CoC utilizes other data sources alongside HMIS to improve care (e.g., health care utilization and claims data, electronic health care record data; admission, discharge, and transfer data; and law enforcement and corrections system data).

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 uses HMIS as its primary source for understanding homelessness and supplements HMIS with healthcare, socioeconomic, corrections/reentry, and information from community partners to identify needs that HMIS alone cannot capture. The CoC uses these sources to inform system planning, strengthen referrals and discharge coordination, identify service gaps, and improve connections to housing and supportive services.

FL-515 reviews Florida Department of Health CHARTS and Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) data alongside HMIS trends. This review identified elevated emergency department utilization across all six FL-515 counties compared with the statewide rate, highlighting healthcare settings as important points for strengthening referral and discharge coordination. County-level poverty data also demonstrates greater economic vulnerability in much of FL-515's rural geography. The CoC uses these findings with HMIS and Coordinated Entry data to inform homelessness-prevention strategies, outreach, healthcare partnerships, and expansion of access in underserved areas.

FL-515 also uses HRSA health-resource information to examine healthcare access and Florida Department of Corrections data and its Re-Entry Resource Directory to evaluate reentry resources and opportunities for coordination with correctional systems. FL-515's six counties align with Florida's 14th Judicial Circuit, allowing corrections and reentry information to be considered alongside HMIS trends when evaluating cross-system needs.

At the client level, information appropriately provided through Coordinated Entry, outreach, healthcare and behavioral-health providers, law enforcement, corrections, schools, veteran-serving organizations, and other partners may be considered with HMIS information to coordinate referrals, housing planning, and supportive services.

Doorways of Northwest Florida, as HMIS Lead, maintains HMIS privacy and security requirements. External information is used or shared only as permitted by applicable law, client consent requirements, HMIS privacy requirements, and applicable data-sharing agreements. FL-515 will continue using cross-system data to strengthen partnerships, identify gaps, reduce duplication, and improve connections to housing and services.

1C-6. Employment and Workforce Development Partnership.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with employment and workforce development programs and organizations such as the Local Workforce Development Board, State Workforce Agency, American Job Center (also known as One-Stop Career Centers), registered apprenticeship program, community and technical college, union training program, adult education provider, or State Vocational Rehabilitation agency.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 has FI Career Source locations throughout the six-county geographical area. Bay County has two Career Source locations, both of which are conveniently located on the trolley routes. Calhoun, Holmes, Jackson & Washington Counties use the Chipola Career Source in Marianna, and Gulf County has a Career Source location in Port St Joe. CareerSource Gulf Coast is represented in CoC governance and planning through staff participation on the FL-515 Leadership Council and CoC committees. The partnership includes documented referrals, presentations regarding the homelessness response system, cross-training, and ongoing coordination between the organizations.

Florida Panhandle Technical College and Tom P Haney Technical College serve as regional technical and vocational education centers for our six-county area. Gulf Coast Sate College has locations in Bay County as well as a campus located in Gulf County and Chipola College is located in Jackson County. All six counties have adult education opportunities. Disability Resource Center, Inc serves the six-county area and provides employment related support and training.

The CoC partners with each of these providers to connect individuals and families experiencing homelessness with employment, workforce development, education, and training opportunities. CoC shelter, outreach, coordinated entry, and housing program staff identify participants who are seeking employment or need assistance increasing their earned income and refer them to the appropriate provider, based on individual goals and locations. Participants can access employment counseling, job-search assistance, resume development, career assessments, job referrals, workforce training, and other employment-related services.

Career Source Gulf Coast works with participants to identify employment goals, address barriers to employment, and connect individuals with appropriate employers, training opportunities, and supportive resources. CoC providers coordinate with Career Source Gulf Coast, as appropriate and with participant consent, to incorporate employment goals into individualized housing and service plans. This partnership helps participants pursue employment and increased income while receiving housing assistance and supportive services, supporting greater economic stability and long-term housing stability.

1C-7. Street Outreach–Cooperation with First Responders and Law Enforcement.

Describe in the field below how your CoC's street outreach projects (including co-response) cooperate with first responders and law enforcement to increase positive interactions in order to increase housing and service engagement and promote use of CoC services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515's three street outreach organizations—Anchorage Children's Home, CHROME Ministries, and the L.E.A.D. Coalition—work collaboratively with law enforcement, emergency medical personnel, and other first responders to make encounters with individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness opportunities for voluntary connection to housing and services.

FL-515 conducts weekly Street Outreach coordination meetings to strengthen communication among outreach providers, law enforcement, and community partners. Representatives from three Sheriff's Offices have participated, and FL-515 is expanding participation by inviting appropriate law-enforcement representatives throughout the six-county CoC. Representatives from the Bay and Jackson County Sheriff's Offices also actively participate in CoC meetings, connecting law enforcement to the broader homelessness response system.

Weekly outreach meetings provide a consistent forum to coordinate outreach, identify service barriers, discuss community and outreach safety concerns, share available resources, and strengthen relationships between first responders and outreach professionals. This coordination supports responses that prioritize safety while promoting positive, voluntary engagement with housing and services.

When law enforcement or first responders encounter someone experiencing homelessness, they can connect or refer the individual to a street outreach provider. Outreach staff engage the individual, assess immediate needs, build trust, explain available resources, and connect the individual to Coordinated Entry, shelter, housing assistance, healthcare, behavioral health, benefits, transportation, and other appropriate services.

Outreach staff continue engagement when an individual is not initially ready to accept services, helping address barriers and building trust over time. Through weekly coordination, direct referrals, continued outreach, and law-enforcement participation in CoC planning, FL-515 is building a consistent six-county approach in which first-responder encounters can lead to positive engagement, increased use of CoC services, and pathways toward permanent housing.

1C-8. Family or Support Network Reunification.

Describe how your CoC, or your recipients, assist with family or support-network reunification efforts for individuals experiencing homelessness or living in CoC Program-funded housing (e.g., case management, travel costs, arrangement of assistance in another geographic area).

(limit 2,500 characters)

The FL-515 Continuum of Care (CoC) supports family and support-network reunification as one strategy for helping individuals experiencing homelessness achieve safe and stable housing. Doorways of Northwest Florida, the CoC Lead Agency, uses State funding to assist individuals who voluntarily choose to relocate to another geographic area where they have family, friends, or other natural supports available to receive them.

Before travel assistance is provided, case managers work directly with the individual to develop a reunification plan. Case managers contact the identified family member or friend to verify that the individual is expected, that the receiving party is willing to provide support, and that the individual will have a place to live upon arrival. Case managers also discuss plans for continued stability after relocation, including employment, healthcare, benefits, and other services or supports that may be needed in the receiving community. When appropriate, staff help identify or connect the individual with resources available at the destination.

When reunification is determined to be a safe and appropriate option and the individual chooses to proceed, State funding may be used to purchase a Greyhound bus ticket to the destination community. Case managers coordinate travel arrangements and ensure the individual has the information necessary to complete the trip.

Following departure, case managers conduct follow-up to confirm that the individual arrived safely and successfully connected with the family member or support network. This process provides more than transportation outside the CoC's geographic area; it helps ensure that reunification is planned, voluntary, and connected to an identified housing and support arrangement intended to promote continued stability.

1C-9	**Partnering with Public Housing Agencies—Agreement to Enable Transition to HUD Assisted Housing.**		
	Does your CoC have an agreement with at least one public housing agency to enable participants to transition from Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Permanent Supportive Housing to HUD assisted housing?	Yes	

1C-10. Protecting Public Safety—Cooperation with Law Enforcement.

You must upload the Evidence of Coordination and Non-Interference with Local Efforts to Advance Protecting Public Safety attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.

Describe how your CoC cooperates and does not interfere with or impede local efforts to advance the objectives below, and assists first responders in providing services to homeless individuals.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 recognizes that addressing unsheltered homelessness requires coordination among the homelessness response system, local governments, law enforcement, first responders, emergency medical services, behavioral health providers, and other community partners. The CoC cooperates with lawful local efforts addressing public health, safety, sanitation, environmental, and public-access concerns and does not interfere with or impede law enforcement, emergency response, or lawful management of public property.

FL-515's three street outreach organizations—Anchorage Children's Home, CHROME Ministries, and the L.E.A.D. Coalition—provide outreach across the six-county service area and coordinate with law enforcement and first responders to connect individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness with services. FL-515 conducts weekly Street Outreach coordination meetings, with representatives from three Sheriff's Offices participating. Representatives from the Bay and Jackson County Sheriff's Offices also actively participate in CoC meetings. FL-515 is expanding participation by inviting appropriate law-enforcement representatives throughout the six-county CoC.

This coordination gives first responders a pathway to connect individuals experiencing homelessness with trained outreach professionals and the broader homelessness response system. Through outreach and Coordinated Entry, individuals may be connected to shelter, housing assistance, case management, transportation, identification and benefits assistance, behavioral health and substance-use services, healthcare, employment resources, and other appropriate supports. Outreach teams continue voluntary engagement with individuals who are not immediately ready or able to accept services.

When an individual presents an immediate danger to self or others or requires emergency intervention, providers follow emergency procedures and contact 911, law enforcement, EMS, or appropriate crisis-response resources. When no immediate emergency exists, providers prioritize voluntary, person-centered engagement and appropriate service connections.

Through ongoing outreach, weekly coordination, referrals, and law-enforcement participation in CoC planning, FL-515 supports local public-safety responsibilities while helping first responders connect individuals experiencing homelessness to appropriate services and pathways toward permanent housing.

1C-10a. Protecting Public Safety—Plan to Quickly Clear Tents and Encampments.

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to quickly clear tents and encampments on public property and connect individuals who are camping in public with appropriate services and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 balances public health and safety, compliance with applicable laws, and the need to connect individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness with housing and services. Florida Statute §125.0231 generally prohibits counties and municipalities from authorizing or allowing regular public camping or sleeping on public property. Local governments also enforce codes and ordinances addressing health, safety, sanitation, environmental conditions, and public access. FL-515 is not aware of a designated public camping site within its six-county geography.

These requirements support safe and accessible public spaces and the timely resolution of tents and encampments but can create challenges when individuals have limited immediate shelter or housing options. Encampment clearing may result in individuals relocating to less visible wooded, rural, or other locations rather than resolving their homelessness, making continued outreach and service engagement more difficult.

FL-515 addresses these challenges through coordination among local governments, law enforcement, first responders, Coordinated Entry, and its three street outreach providers—Anchorage Children's Home, CHROME Ministries, and the L.E.A.D. Coalition. Weekly Street Outreach coordination meetings include outreach providers, law enforcement, and community partners. Representatives from three Sheriff's Offices have participated, and FL-515 is expanding law-enforcement participation throughout the six-county CoC.

When individuals camping on public property are identified or referred, outreach teams provide voluntary, housing-focused engagement and connections to Coordinated Entry, available shelter and housing assistance, transportation, documentation and benefits assistance, healthcare, behavioral health and substance-use services, employment resources, and other supports. Outreach continues when individuals cannot immediately access or choose not to accept available services.

FL-515 will leverage practices emphasizing communication, coordinated outreach, and service connection while mitigating restrictive effects through early and repeated engagement, assistance overcoming barriers, and stronger referral pathways. This approach supports lawful and timely management of public property while reducing loss of contact following displacement and creating opportunities to move from encampments toward shelter, services, and permanent housing.

1C-10b. Protecting Public Safety—Current Status of Tents and Encampments.

Describe the current status of tents and encampments in the CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

As of September 2026, tents and informal encampments remain present within FL-515's six-county area. The CoC does not maintain a continuously updated, comprehensive inventory of active encampments. Known sites vary in size and location, and people may move among tents, wooded and river areas, vehicles, and places not intended for habitation.
Information verified by appropriate county officials indicates that Jackson County decreased from five known encampments last year to four currently, a reduction of one. A verified count of people residing in those encampments was not provided. In Calhoun County, approximately five individuals live in tents or similar temporary arrangements. Short-term sites also appear near the river, including among people passing through the area. Comparable current information is unavailable for the other four counties, and FL-515 does not extrapolate the Jackson and Calhoun figures CoC-wide.
In Bay County, public reporting documents the August 2025 closure of a transient camp on Chip Seal Parkway near Walsingham Academy following trespassing complaints, disturbances, and accumulated debris. This demonstrates the fluid nature of encampments but does not represent a current countywide count.
Locations can change in response to private-property complaints, code-enforcement issues, sanitation concerns, and public-safety actions. Clearing a site does not necessarily mean its residents have entered shelter or housing; some relocate to less visible wooded or rural areas, making continued engagement more difficult.
Florida Statute 125.0231 provides that, except for qualifying designated property certified by the Florida Department of Children and Families, a county or municipality may not authorize or otherwise allow regular public camping or sleeping on public property. FL-515 is not aware of any DCF-certified designated property within its area.
Street outreach providers coordinate with local governments, law enforcement, first responders, and community partners to identify and engage people in encampments and other unsheltered locations. Representatives of three Sheriff's Offices participate in weekly Street Outreach coordination meetings. Providers connect people to Coordinated Entry and offer available shelter and housing referrals, transportation, documentation and benefits assistance, healthcare, and other supports. When people relocate or initially decline assistance, providers continue efforts to locate and engage them.

1C-10c. Protecting Public Safety—Plan to Decrease the Public Use of Illicit Drugs.

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to decrease the public use of illicit drugs and quickly connect individuals who are using illicit drug in public with appropriate services and/or law enforcement and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Florida Chapter 893 prohibits unauthorized possession, sale, delivery, and other activities involving controlled substances, providing law enforcement with a framework for responding to illicit drug activity in public spaces. Florida law also provides specified protections for individuals experiencing an overdose and persons seeking medical assistance for an overdose, supporting rapid access to emergency care.

FL-515 will leverage these policies and existing community practices by strengthening pathways between law-enforcement and first-responder encounters and the homelessness and treatment systems. Weekly Street Outreach coordination meetings, including law-enforcement participation, provide a forum to clarify roles, communicate available resources, strengthen referral pathways, and connect individuals encountered using illicit drugs in public with outreach and appropriate services.

When emergency intervention is needed, providers contact 911, EMS, law enforcement, or appropriate crisis-response resources. When no immediate emergency exists, outreach providers prioritize voluntary engagement and connection to behavioral-health and substance-use treatment, healthcare, Coordinated Entry, shelter, housing assistance, transportation, benefits, and other appropriate supports.

FL-515 recognizes that enforcement alone may address immediate unlawful activity without resolving the substance-use, homelessness, or other needs contributing to continued public drug use. Limited behavioral-health and substance-use treatment capacity, transportation challenges across the six-county geography, and limited shelter and housing options can also hinder rapid connection to appropriate services.

FL-515 will mitigate these effects through coordination between law enforcement and outreach providers, repeated voluntary engagement, transportation assistance when available, case conferencing, stronger treatment and service referral pathways, improved communication among partner agencies, and identification of additional treatment and community resources. These practices allow FL-515 to leverage lawful public-safety policies while reducing loss of contact following enforcement encounters and increasing opportunities for individuals to access treatment, housing, and supportive services.

1C-10d. Protecting Public Safety—Current Status of Overdoses and Illicit Drug Use in Public Spaces.

Describe the current status of overdoses and illicit drug use in public spaces in the CoC’s geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Substance use and overdose remain concerns throughout FL-515's six-county geographic area, although available data show recent improvement in overdose mortality. Florida Department of Health data report 66 drug-poisoning deaths across FL-515 in 2024: 44 in Bay County, 11 in Jackson County, four each in Gulf and Holmes Counties, three in Washington County, and none reported in Calhoun County. Bay County, the CoC's most populous county, decreased from 84 drug-poisoning deaths in 2021 to 63 in 2022, 59 in 2023, and 44 in 2024.

Available overdose data do not identify whether an overdose occurred in a public space or whether the individual was experiencing homelessness. FL-515 therefore does not use these data as a measure of public illicit drug use or drug use among people experiencing homelessness.

Information from street outreach providers, law enforcement, first responders, and other community partners indicates that substance use is encountered among some individuals living unsheltered and in locations not intended for habitation. FL-515 does not have a comprehensive count of illicit drug-use incidents occurring specifically in public spaces. Unsheltered locations throughout the six-county area are generally dispersed and can change frequently, particularly in rural and wooded areas, making the frequency and location of public substance use difficult to quantify.

Street outreach providers encounter and engage individuals in unsheltered locations and coordinate with law enforcement, first responders, behavioral-health and substance-use providers, and other community partners when substance-use concerns are identified. Weekly Street Outreach coordination meetings provide an additional source of current information regarding emerging concerns, service needs, and available resources.

FL-515 will continue reviewing public-health data and information from outreach providers, law enforcement, first responders, and community partners to monitor overdose and public substance-use trends throughout the CoC's geographic area.

1C-10e. Protecting Public Safety—Standards to Address Danger to Self or Others.

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to utilize standards that address homeless individuals who are a danger to themselves or others (e.g., involuntary commitment) and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Florida provides established standards for responding when an individual presents a danger to self or others. The Baker Act, including Fla. Stat. §394.463, provides for involuntary examination when statutory criteria related to mental illness are met, including circumstances involving serious risk of harm to self or others. The Marchman Act provides standards for involuntary intervention related to substance-use impairment, including circumstances involving threatened or likely physical harm to self or others or dangerous self-neglect.

These standards are actively utilized within FL-515's geographic area. Florida Department of Health data report 1,835 Baker Act involuntary examinations among residents of FL-515's six counties in 2024: 1,110 in Bay, 137 in Calhoun, 60 in Gulf, 129 in Holmes, 280 in Jackson, and 119 in Washington. These data are not specific to individuals experiencing homelessness.

FL-515 will leverage these standards through coordination among homeless-service providers, law enforcement, EMS, behavioral-health and substance-use providers, hospitals, and crisis-response resources. When an individual appears to present an immediate danger to self or others, providers follow emergency procedures and contact 911, law enforcement, EMS, or appropriate crisis resources so qualified professionals can assess the situation and determine the appropriate intervention.

The statutory standards protect individual rights by limiting involuntary intervention to circumstances meeting established criteria. However, individuals may have significant behavioral-health or substance-use needs without meeting those thresholds. Additional barriers include limited treatment capacity, transportation challenges across the six-county geography, and difficulty maintaining continuity of care following crisis stabilization or discharge.

FL-515 will mitigate these barriers through voluntary treatment connections when involuntary intervention is not warranted, repeated outreach and engagement, stronger coordination with crisis-response systems, transportation assistance when available, and reconnection to Coordinated Entry, housing, and supportive services following hospitalization or crisis intervention.

This approach leverages established standards to address danger to self or others while maintaining pathways to voluntary treatment, housing, and supportive services.

1C-10f. Protecting Public Safety—Share Information in Accordance with SORNA.

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to comprehensively share information, including location information, in accordance with the Sex Offender Registry and Notification Act (SORNA) and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Florida Statutes §§775.21 and 943.0435 establish registration and reporting requirements for sexual predators and sexual offenders, including permanent, temporary, and transient residences. Florida law recognizes that a transient residence may include a place where an individual sleeps or seeks shelter without a specific street address, providing a framework for reporting locations of individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness.

Recent enforcement demonstrates active use of this framework within FL-515. In September 2026, FDLE and partner agencies conducted compliance checks involving 101 registrants in Jackson County, including verification of registration information. The operation identified violations involving unreported changes of residence and individuals who had absconded from registered addresses.

FL-515 will leverage Florida's registration framework through cooperation among law enforcement, street outreach, and homeless-service providers. When requested by law enforcement and legally authorized, providers will assist with identifying, mapping, or checking known locations of individuals experiencing homelessness who are subject to registration requirements and connect individuals with the appropriate sheriff's office to fulfill reporting requirements. Information will be shared consistent with SORNA, Florida law, HUD and HMIS requirements, and applicable privacy and confidentiality protections.

Homelessness can hinder accurate location reporting because individuals may move among shelters, temporary arrangements, unsheltered locations, and wooded or rural areas. Applicable residency restrictions may also limit lawful housing options. Privacy requirements appropriately restrict disclosure when information sharing is not legally authorized.

FL-515 will mitigate these barriers through coordination with law enforcement and outreach; education regarding registration requirements; referrals to the appropriate sheriff's office; continued outreach when locations change; and assistance identifying legally permissible housing. When privacy requirements limit disclosure, providers will support individual compliance and coordinate with law enforcement through legally authorized pathways.

This approach supports accurate location information, lawful information sharing, public safety, and continued access to housing and services.

1C-11. Outreach Strategy.

Describe your CoC's strategy to outreach to all individuals and families experiencing homelessness across your geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 serves Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, and Washington Counties, a large area containing urban and rural communities. Although Panama City is the region's primary urban center, significant portions of Bay County and the surrounding counties are rural. Distance, transportation barriers, limited services, wooded and isolated locations, and geographic dispersion create challenges in identifying and engaging individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

FL-515 has expanded street outreach capacity across the six-county region through Anchorage Children's Home, CHROME Ministries, and the L.E.A.D. Coalition, increasing geographic coverage and the CoC's ability to identify individuals & families who are unsheltered or otherwise disconnected from homeless services. Weekly Street Outreach coordination meetings allow providers to share information about areas of need, coordinate coverage, reduce duplication, address barriers, and connect households to Coordinated Entry (CE) and available resources. Outreach emphasizes persistent, voluntary, relationship-based engagement, including continued engagement when individuals are not initially ready or able to accept services.

Because street outreach alone cannot cover the CoC's large geography, FL-515 is strengthening relationships with community partners likely to encounter people experiencing homelessness, including law enforcement, schools, faith-based organizations, libraries, healthcare providers, local governments, & community organizations. Representatives from three Sheriff's Offices have participated in weekly Street Outreach meetings, and FL-515 is expanding law-enforcement participation throughout the six counties. Doorways also participates in city & county meetings, interagency groups, Community Health Improvement Plan meetings, Chambers of Commerce, and other community forums to strengthen local referral pathways.

FL-515 is also improving technology-based access. Doorways is enhancing its website to provide information about accessing homeless services throughout the six counties and is exploring a telephone system that could provide information 24/7, particularly benefiting rural communities with limited nearby services.

Through coordinated street outreach, community-based identification, CE, partnerships, & technology, FL-515 is creating multiple access points to identify, engage, assess, prioritize, & connect individuals and families throughout its geography to housing & services.

1C-12.	**Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–Written Agreements with Early Childhood Services Providers.**	

Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC or HUD-funded projects in the CoC have written agreements with the listed providers of educational supports and services for children ages 0-5:

		Written Agreement
1.	Child Care (including Child Care and Development Fund)	Yes
2.	Early Childhood Providers	Yes
3.	Early Head Start	Yes
4.	Home Visiting Program (including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	Yes
5.	Head Start	Yes

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

1C-12a.	Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–Formal Partnerships with Schools and Youth Education Providers.	

Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate the youth education providers your CoC has a formal partnership with:

1.	McKinney-Vento Liaison(s) (including State Education Agency (SEA) or Local Education Agency (LEA))	No
2.	School District(s)	No
3.	General Education Development (GED) Program(s)	No
4.	Community College(s)	No
5.	Technical College(s)	No
6.	Other Post-Secondary Education Provider(s)	No

1C-12b.Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Informing Individuals and Families who Become Homeless about Eligibility for Educational Services.

Describe your CoC's written policies and procedures to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515's CoC Written Standards establish procedures to ensure individuals and families who become homeless are informed of their eligibility for educational services. These procedures apply throughout the homeless response system, including Coordinated Entry and programs receiving ESG, State Challenge, and other CoC-administered funding.

During intake and assessment, participating providers identify households with school-age children and unaccompanied youth. Case managers inform parents/guardians and unaccompanied youth of their eligibility for educational services and their rights related to school enrollment and continued educational access while experiencing homelessness. This information is provided directly to the household and is incorporated into the case management process so that educational needs and barriers can be identified and addressed.

For ESG and State Challenge-funded subcontractors, existing contractual requirements further support implementation of this procedure. Case managers complete a release of information for the respective school or school district, with appropriate consent, to allow coordination with the school system. Case managers use this coordination to help connect families and youth with the appropriate school district personnel and address barriers affecting educational access.

The CoC's written procedures require providers to ensure that families and youth are not only referred for assistance but are specifically informed that educational rights and services are available to them while experiencing homelessness. Providers assist households with connections to the appropriate school or school district when additional support is needed.

1C-12c. Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Coordination with Foster Care or Child Welfare Services.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with foster care or child welfare services to assist youth transitioning from public systems of care.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 coordinates with foster care and child welfare partners, including Anchorage Children's Home, Twin Oaks Juvenile Development, and Guardian ad Litem, to assist youth who may face homelessness while transitioning from public systems of care. Anchorage provides a particularly direct connection to the child welfare system: it has a separate contract with Northwest Florida Health Network, the local Community Based Care organization, for in-person dependency case management in Washington, Jackson, Calhoun, and Holmes counties. Anchorage also provides Hidle House emergency shelter for youth removed from their guardians because of abuse or neglect.

Through Anchorage's participation in the CoC and its State ESG and State Challenge subcontract with Doorways, youth with housing needs can be connected to Coordinated Entry for assessment, housing navigation, and appropriate referrals. Anchorage serves as a Coordinated Entry access point and accepts referrals. Its street outreach team serves all six counties and can transport youth from rural areas to shelter or transitional housing when appropriate. CoC providers and child welfare partners communicate about housing barriers and available resources so youth can be connected to support before or during a transition from care.

Depending on the youth's circumstances and eligibility, connections may include Hidle House, Anchorage's transitional living programs, other housing options, and education, employment, behavioral health, and transportation supports. This coordination helps youth pursue safe and stable housing rather than exit care into homelessness.

1C-12d. Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Coordination with Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)-funded Providers.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with RHY-funded providers including Street Outreach Programs, Basic Center Programs, Transitional Living Programs, and Maternity Group Homes where such providers exist.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 coordinates with Anchorage Children's Home, an HHS Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)-funded provider serving youth across Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, and Washington counties. Its RHY programs include SOAR Street Outreach, Hidle House Basic Center emergency shelter, The Bridge Transitional Living Program, and Hannah's House Maternity Group Home.

Anchorage participates in the CoC's weekly street outreach meetings, bringing a specific focus on youth. Outreach providers coordinate locations, service needs, shelter options, and referrals. Doorways of Northwest Florida, the CoC Lead Agency, works with Anchorage to identify rural providers who can help SOAR locate and engage youth who may be staying or gathering in areas otherwise difficult to reach. SOAR conducts in-person outreach and regular routes across the six counties. Staff can connect youth encountered through outreach to Hidle House for emergency shelter, The Bridge for transitional living, Hannah's House for pregnant or parenting youth, or other appropriate services, based on each youth's needs and eligibility. SOAR can also provide transportation from rural counties to shelter or transitional housing in Bay County.

Anchorage participates in monthly CoC meetings to learn about available housing and services and coordinate with community providers. Its State ESG and State Challenge subcontract with Doorways further connects Anchorage to the CoC's Coordinated Entry process: Anchorage serves as an access point, assesses and refers eligible youth, accepts referrals, and coordinates with other providers when a youth needs services outside its programs. Anchorage's trained SOAR staff also coordinate RHY-HMIS data collection efforts with Doorways. These regular meetings, outreach partnerships, referral pathways, and data coordination connect all four RHY program types to the broader CoC homelessness response.

1C-13. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—TH or RRH Project Dedicated to Serving Families with Children.

Identify at least one Rapid Rehousing (RRH) or Transitional Housing (TH) project in the CoC that primarily or exclusively serves families with children experiencing homelessness in accordance with 24 CFR 578.93(b).

(limit 500 characters)

Doorways of Northwest Florida's Family Independence and Supportive Housing (FISH) Rapid Rehousing project is dedicated to families with minor children experiencing homelessness. FISH combines rental assistance with intensive housing-focused case management and monthly educational workshops, addressing families' immediate housing needs while building the skills, resources, and independence needed for long-term housing stability.

1C-13a. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Supportive Services to Improve Income to Pay Rent.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 provides supportive services focused on improving incomes to pay rent, such as workforce development, job training, or registered apprenticeship programs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Doorways of Northwest Florida's FISH (Family Independence and Supportive Housing) Rapid Rehousing project combines rental assistance with intensive, housing-focused case management specifically designed to help families increase income and develop the financial capacity to maintain rent after assistance ends.

At enrollment, each family works with its case manager to assess current income, employment, household expenses, and barriers that may prevent the parent or caregiver from obtaining or maintaining employment. These needs are incorporated into an individualized Housing Stabilization and Family Thriving Plan with specific income and employment goals and action steps. Case managers regularly review progress with the family and adjust strategies as circumstances change.

FISH case managers actively connect participants to workforce development programs, job training and educational opportunities, registered apprenticeship opportunities where available and appropriate, employment resources, and local employers. Services are individualized and may include assistance with job searches, resume development, applications, interview preparation, employment readiness, and identifying training or education that can improve earning potential. Case managers also help families identify and address practical barriers that interfere with employment.

FISH further supports income growth through monthly educational workshops. Workshops include financial literacy, budgeting, resume and interview skills, employment preparation, and other practical skills that help families increase earnings and effectively manage household income.

Income growth is directly connected to housing stability throughout the program. Case managers routinely review income and household budgets with participants so families understand the income needed to sustain rent and other housing expenses. Progress toward employment, increased income, and the ability to assume housing costs is monitored throughout participation.

By pairing temporary rental assistance with individualized employment planning, workforce connections, skill development, and ongoing financial coaching, FISH uses the RRH period as an opportunity to help families move from housing crisis toward increased income, self-sufficiency, and the ability to maintain permanent housing without continued rental assistance.

1C-13b. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Leveraging Funding from Mainstream Family Service Systems.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 leverages funding from mainstream family service systems, such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

(limit 2,500 characters)

Doorways of Northwest Florida's FISH (Family Independence and Supportive Housing) Rapid Rehousing project leverages mainstream family service systems and other funding sources to supplement CoC Program assistance and strengthen families' long-term housing stability.

Doorways administers limited Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funding within the CoC through a subrecipient. TANF requires a minor child in the household, aligning with FISH eligibility, which requires at least one minor child. When appropriate and eligible, FISH families can be referred to the TANF-funded subrecipient for available homelessness prevention assistance. Because TANF resources are limited, FISH incorporates TANF into a broader network of resources rather than relying on it as a primary funding source.

FISH also leverages State of Florida Challenge Grant funding to provide eligible housing assistance to participating families. In addition, Doorways has secured local foundation funding that can help meet household needs not covered by housing assistance, including beds for families moving into housing. Combining these resources allows FISH to address both the immediate cost of obtaining and maintaining housing and practical needs associated with establishing a stable home.

As part of each family's individualized Housing Stabilization and Family Thriving Plan, case managers assess income, benefits, available resources, and unmet needs; screen for potential eligibility for mainstream programs; and connect families to appropriate assistance. Funding sources are coordinated based on eligibility and allowable costs to avoid duplication while maximizing the resources available to each household.

Through this approach, CoC Program RRH funding functions as one component of a broader family stabilization strategy. FISH coordinates CoC Program RRH assistance with TANF-funded prevention referrals when families are eligible, State Challenge housing assistance, local philanthropic support, and connections to other mainstream resources to help families obtain and maintain stable housing.

1C-13c. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Combining Housing Assistance with Parental Support.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 combines housing assistance with childcare, parenting support, pregnancy-related and child healthcare, and education.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Doorways of Northwest Florida's FISH (Family Independence and Supportive Housing) Rapid Rehousing project combines housing assistance with family-centered supportive services addressing the needs of both parents and children. FISH recognizes that long-term housing stability depends not only on paying rent, but also on addressing barriers affecting the family's overall stability and ability to thrive.

Each family develops an individualized Housing Stabilization and Family Thriving Plan with its case manager. In addition to housing and income goals, the plan identifies needs related to childcare, parenting, healthcare, education, and other factors affecting housing stability.

Childcare and early education needs are addressed through established community partnerships. Doorways has a referral process with the Early Learning Coalition to connect families to available childcare resources and an MOU with Early Education and Care/Head Start to strengthen connections to early childhood education and family services. These resources are especially important when childcare is a barrier to a parent's employment, job training, or education.

Parenting and family support are reinforced through individualized case management and FISH's monthly educational workshops. Workshops provide practical education and resources that strengthen parenting skills, household management, financial stability, and family self-sufficiency.

Case managers identify pregnancy-related and child healthcare needs and connect families to available prenatal, pediatric, primary care, behavioral health, and other appropriate healthcare resources. Families are also assisted with identifying health coverage and mainstream benefits when needed. Educational needs are addressed for parents and children. Case managers connect parents to educational, vocational, and employment-related opportunities that can increase earning potential while helping families address school enrollment, early childhood education, and other educational needs of their children.

By integrating rental assistance with intensive case management, established childcare and early education connections, parenting support, healthcare access, and educational resources, FISH addresses the needs of the whole family while strengthening the supports necessary for long-term housing stability and independence.

1C-14. Collaboration with Veteran Serving Organizations—Partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or Veteran Serving Organization.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with the Department of Veterans Affairs or other Veteran Serving Organizations.

(limit 500 characters)

FL-515 partners with VA Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System through monthly Veterans By-Name List meetings to identify Veterans experiencing homelessness and coordinate housing and services. Doorways also works with CareerSource Gulf Coast on employment connections for people it serves; CareerSource has a Local Veterans' Employment Representative. CoC partners, including the Bay County Vet Center and local Veterans organizations, collaborate through events such as the Veterans Stand Down.

1C-14a	Collaboration with Veteran Serving Organizations.	
	Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether the partnership(s) identified in 1C-14 does the following:	

1.	Refers veterans identified by the CoC to VA or other Veteran Serving Organizations for assistance?	Yes
2.	Coordinates the provision of emergency shelter, supportive services, and housing for veterans?	Yes
3.	Ensures access to a full spectrum of employment and career pathway opportunities?	Yes
4.	Shares data with the Department of Veterans Affairs as appropriate?	Yes
5.	Identifies service gaps for veterans?	Yes
6.	Fills service gaps for veterans?	Yes

1C-15. Collaboration with Organizations who Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.

Identify at least one partnership your CoC has with victim service providers, state domestic violence coalitions, state sexual assault coalitions, anti-trafficking service providers or other organizations who help provide shelter, housing, and services to individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

(limit 500 characters)

FL 515 COC partners: Salvation Army-DV, Gulf Coast Sexual Assault, The Freedom Collective & FL Dept of Children & Families Human Trafficking, the leading victim service providers in our six-county COC area. VSP are regularly scheduled to present at the COC member meetings. The Director of the local Salvation Army Domestic Violence Program is a board member of the Fl Statewide DV Coalition(FPEDV) & consults with the COC to ensure policies & procedures align with statewide DV coalition.

1C-16. Collaboration with Justice System Re-entry Partners.

Identify at least one partnership your CoC has to prevent homelessness among people transitioning from prisons, jails, or court-ordered programs.

(limit 500 characters)

FL-515 partners with probation representatives serving Florida's 14th Judicial Circuit to prevent homelessness during reentry from jail, prison, and court-ordered programs, including Adult Drug Court. A probation officer attends monthly CoC meetings and serves as Vice Chair of the CoC Governance Board. This connection helps link people to Coordinated Entry, housing referrals, landlords, employment opportunities, and treatment resources as they return to the community.

1C-17. Collaboration with Partners to Address High Utilizers of Healthcare Systems.

Identify at least one partnership or project your CoC has to provide specialized supportive services for homeless individuals with a high level of medical needs.

(limit 500 characters)

Fl-515 partners with Pancare of Florida to connect homeless people with medical services. Pancare has offices in all of the six county CoC, as well as numerous mobile medical, dental and optometry units which frequent outer counties. Pancare is an FQHC, serving the low-income population, with a sliding fee for those without insurance. Through Bay Cares, a program of Pancare, patients with high levels of medical needs can be referred to medical specialists at low to no cost.

1C-18. Collaboration with Partners to Address the Needs of Aging and Elderly Individuals Experiencing Homelessness.

Identify at least one partnership or project your CoC has to serve aging and elderly individuals experiencing homelessness, such as with a provider of residential care, assisted living, or medical respite services.

(limit 500 characters)

FL-515 participates in monthly Community Adult Protective Task Force (CAPT) meetings with Florida DCF Adult Protective Services, the Council on Aging, the Disability Resource Center, healthcare providers, faith-based organizations, and homeless service providers. Through anonymized case conferencing and resource sharing, partners identify housing and care needs of older adults experiencing homelessness and connect them with available aging, healthcare, benefits, and housing services.

1C-19. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Project that Prioritizes Individuals Experiencing Chronic Homelessness.

Identify at least one Rapid Rehousing (RRH) or Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project that prioritizes individuals experiencing chronic homelessness.

(limit 500 characters)

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida operates an ESG-funded Rapid Rehousing (RRH) project within FL-515 and participates in the CoC's Coordinated Entry System. Consistent with CoC prioritization requirements, individuals experiencing chronic homelessness are among the priority subpopulations considered for available housing assistance.

1C-19a. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—On-site Behavioral Healthcare.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 provides on-site behavioral healthcare.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida's ESG-funded Rapid Rehousing project does not currently provide behavioral healthcare on-site. FL-515 serves a six-county geographic area that includes extensive rural communities where behavioral healthcare resources are limited and services are generally provided through community-based providers rather than co-located within housing programs.

Catholic Charities addresses behavioral health needs through individualized case management and referral to appropriate behavioral healthcare providers. Case managers work with participants to identify behavioral health needs and connect them with available community-based assessment, treatment, and supportive services. Case management continues while participants are receiving Rapid Rehousing assistance to support housing stability and address barriers that could jeopardize successful housing outcomes.

Although behavioral healthcare is not provided on-site, the project incorporates behavioral health needs into its broader housing stabilization and service-coordination approach and connects participants to appropriate resources within the communities in which they live.

1C-19b. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Assesses Need for Higher Level of Care.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 has a policy for assessing program participant need for higher level of care (i.e., assisted living, residential treatment).

(limit 2,500 characters)

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida's ESG-funded Rapid Rehousing (RRH) project is subject to the FL-515 CoC Written Standards for assessing participant need for a higher level of care. The policy requires RRH providers to assess participants on an ongoing basis for changes in needs that may indicate the need for additional services or a higher level of care.

Through regular case management contacts, providers are required to consider changes in a participant's physical health, behavioral health, functional abilities, safety, ability to maintain housing independently, and other circumstances affecting housing stability. When concerns indicate that a participant may require services beyond those available through RRH, the provider must work with the participant to identify appropriate resources and facilitate further assessment, referral, and coordination with qualified community providers.

Depending on individual need, this may include medical or behavioral healthcare, substance use treatment, residential treatment, assisted living, or other appropriate supportive settings or services. When a higher level of care is indicated, the policy requires providers to coordinate appropriate referrals and transition planning while seeking to maintain housing stability. Assessments, referrals, service coordination, and transition planning must be documented in the participant record.

1C-19c. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Assesses Readiness for Moving On.

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 has a policy for assessing program participant readiness for moving on to unsubsidized or other permanent housing.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida's ESG-funded Rapid Rehousing (RRH) project is subject to the FL-515 CoC Written Standards for determining participant readiness to transition from program assistance to unsubsidized or other permanent housing.

The CoC policy requires planning for long-term housing stability to begin at intake and continue throughout program participation. Through ongoing case management and review of the participant's individualized housing stability plan, providers consider housing stability, household income and financial resources, ability to meet rent, utilities, and other ongoing housing expenses, connection to mainstream benefits and community supports, current service needs, landlord relationship, and other factors affecting the household's ability to maintain permanent housing after program assistance ends.

Providers are required to identify and address barriers to housing stability and use progressive engagement to determine the level of assistance and support needed for the household to successfully maintain its current or other permanent housing.

This process is particularly important for Catholic Charities' RRH project because financial assistance is generally short-term, typically consisting of a security deposit and first month's rent, with limited additional rental assistance available when warranted by special circumstances. The participant's plan for maintaining permanent housing after RRH assistance ends is established at intake and reviewed throughout program participation as circumstances change.

As the participant transitions from program assistance, the provider updates the individualized housing stability plan as needed and finalizes it to support continued permanent housing and reduce the risk of a return to homelessness. Housing stability planning and significant changes are documented in the participant record.

1D. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

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) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question along with the required attachment as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	

You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.
Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate how your CoC reviewed, rated, and ranked project applications during your local competition:

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 50 percent of the total available points were based on objective criteria to review, rate, and rank project applications.	Yes
3.	At least 25 percent of the total available points were based on system performance measures to review, select and rate project applications.	Yes
4.	Considered returns to homelessness in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).	Yes
5.	Considered employment income in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).	Yes
6.	Considered supportive service participation requirements in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).	Yes

1D-2.	New Proposals.	
	Does your CoC invite new proposals from entities that have not previously received funding, if such eligible entities exist?	Yes

1D-2a.	Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application Before the CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline.	

	Enter the date your CoC posted all parts of the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC's website or partner's website–which included: 1. the CoC Application, and 2. Project Priority Listings.	09/30/2026

1D-2b.	Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders by Email that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on the Website.	

	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.	09/30/2026

1D-2c.	Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names, 2. Project Scores, 3. Project Rank, 4. Project Status–Accepted, Rejected, Reduced Reallocated, Fully Reallocated, 5. Amount Requested from HUD, and 6. Reallocated Funds +/-.	Yes

1D-2d.	Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	

1.	Did your CoC reject or reduce any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No

1D-2e.	Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps.	09/21/2026

1D-3.	Reallocation–Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	

	Describe:
1.	your CoC's reallocation process to reallocate from lower performing projects to create new high performing projects, 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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Response:

1. FL-515 reviews renewal projects annually through its local competition and rating and ranking process. Renewal applications are evaluated using the applicable project rating tool and available performance and compliance information. The review considers project outcomes, expenditure and drawdown performance, timely reporting, financial and management capacity, monitoring findings, audit results, compliance with HUD requirements, continued community need, and the project's contribution to CoC system performance. A project may be considered for full or partial reallocation when it is low performing, has unresolved compliance or financial concerns, does not fully expend its grant, has reduced utilization, is no longer responsive to an identified community need, or when the funds could create a higher-performing project that better addresses CoC priorities. The Ranking and Review Committee evaluates applications and makes funding and ranking recommendations in accordance with the CoC's governance and conflict-of-interest requirements.

2.FL-515 did not identify any renewal project as low performing or less needed during the FY2026 local competition. The CoC's only renewal project was its HMIS project. The review found a continuing need for the project to support HMIS administration, data quality, participating agencies, Coordinated Entry, HUD reporting, privacy and security compliance, training, and system-performance evaluation throughout the six-county CoC.

3.FL-515 did not reallocate funds from a low-performing or less-needed renewal project during the FY2026 local competition.

4.FL-515 did not reallocate renewal funding because the review did not identify a low-performing or less-needed project. The HMIS renewal remains necessary to maintain the CoC's data infrastructure and fulfill federal HMIS and reporting responsibilities. Eliminating or reducing the project would have weakened HMIS operations, Coordinated Entry support, data quality, and the CoC's ability to evaluate system performance. Therefore, the CoC retained the renewal project and considered new projects using other funding opportunities available in the FY2026 competition.

1D-3a.	**Reallocation Between FY 2021 and FY 2026.**	

	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2021 and FY 2026?	No

2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and System Performance

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) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.(limit 75 characters)	Wellsky

2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Multiple CoCs

2A-3.	PIT Count–Methodology Change.	

	Describe:
1.	any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2025 and 2026, if applicable, and
2.	how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results.

(limit 2,500 characters)

There were no changes made to the unsheltered PIY count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2025 and 2026.

2A-4. Reduce Encampments—Actions to Reduce Encampments.

Describe in the field below the actions your CoC took to reduce the number of encampments or the number of people residing in encampments during your evaluation period.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Evaluation period: January 1 through December 31, 2025.

During the evaluation period, FL-515 street outreach providers engaged people living in encampments and unsheltered locations. Providers communicated, shared information, and made referrals based on individual needs and available resources. This collaboration occurred through established relationships and case-specific communication rather than formal, recurring CoC-wide Street Outreach coordination meetings.

Providers visited known locations, made contact, assessed immediate needs, and connected people with Coordinated Entry and community resources. Assistance included referrals to emergency shelter, rapid rehousing, case management, transportation, healthcare, behavioral health, substance-use, employment, and mainstream benefits resources. Providers also helped address barriers to leaving unsheltered locations by assisting with identification and documentation, benefits, transportation, and communication with housing and service providers.

Providers maintained working relationships with law enforcement, first responders, county officials, and community organizations. People encountered by these partners could be referred to outreach for engagement and follow-up. Providers assisted one another when a person's location or needs crossed service areas and made additional contact attempts when individuals declined assistance or relocated. This communication was not yet organized through a consistent weekly CoC-wide meeting and shared follow-up process.

Florida Statute 125.0231 shaped local encampment response during the evaluation period. Except for qualifying designated property certified by the Florida Department of Children and Families, the statute provides that a county or municipality may not authorize or otherwise allow regular public camping or sleeping on public property. Within this framework, the Bay County Sheriff's Office closed a transient camp on Chip Seal Parkway following trespassing complaints, disturbances, and accumulated debris.

County-verified information indicates that Jackson County had five known encampments at the beginning of the evaluation period and four at the end, a reduction of one. No verified count of people residing in the Jackson County encampments was available, and FL-515 does not extrapolate this county-level reduction to counties without comparable data.

2A-4a.	**Reduce Encampments—Number of Encampments.**	

1. Enter the estimated number of encampments in the beginning of your evaluation period.	20
2. Enter the reduction in the number of encampments during your evaluation period.	2

2A-4b.	**Reduce Encampments—Number of People in Encampments.**	

1. Enter the estimated number of people in encampments in the beginning of your evaluation period.	240

2. Enter the reduction in the number of people in encampments during your evaluation period.	24

2A-4c.	Reduce Encampments—Plans to Reduce Encampments.

If there has been no reduction in encampments or persons in encampments in your CoC, describe the plans your CoC has to participate in efforts to reduce these numbers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Not applicable

2A-5. Reducing the Number of First Time Homeless–CoC's Plan.

Describe your CoC's plan to decrease the number of individuals and families becoming homeless for the first time.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515's plan to reduce first-time homelessness focuses on identifying housing crises early, expanding access to homelessness prevention (HP), and connecting households to assistance before they lose housing.

Doorways of Northwest Florida, the CoC Lead Agency, administers State ESG and Challenge funding for HP through subcontractors. Because five of the CoC's six counties are largely rural, subcontractors must be able to serve households throughout the geography, with in-person HP access in each rural county. This reduces transportation and geographic barriers that can prevent households from receiving help before a housing crisis becomes homelessness.

As FL-515 improves Coordinated Entry (CE), staff and partner access points will screen households facing housing loss for prevention and diversion opportunities and make timely connections to HP providers. Based on eligibility and available resources, assistance may include eligible rent or utility assistance, landlord problem-solving, connections to family or other safe support networks, mainstream benefits, employment resources, and referrals to other community supports. Coordination between CE and HP providers will help households obtain the right assistance before an initial shelter stay or episode of unsheltered homelessness.

The CoC is also expanding referral relationships beyond homeless-service providers. Doorways and partners engage with city and county officials, interagency groups, community health partners, schools, law enforcement, faith organizations, and business groups. These partners may encounter households facing housing instability before those households contact the homeless response system. FL-515 will strengthen referral pathways so they know how to connect people with HP or CE, especially in rural communities where services are dispersed.

FL-515 will review HMIS data and System Performance Measure 5.2 to monitor entries into homelessness for the first time, identify geographic and household trends, and assess whether prevention referrals are reaching people early enough. The CoC will use these findings to target outreach, improve coordination and access, and adjust its prevention strategy across all six counties.

2A-6. Reducing Length of Time Homeless–CoC's Plan.

Describe your CoC's plan to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515's plan to reduce the length of time people remain homeless focuses on finding households sooner and shortening the time from outreach and assessment to housing placement.

The CoC has expanded street outreach across its six-county area, including rural communities where unsheltered people can be difficult to locate and transportation is limited. Outreach providers coordinate with local law enforcement and other community partners who may know where people are staying and can connect them with outreach and Coordinated Entry (CE). Earlier engagement allows staff to identify housing needs and begin referrals sooner.

Weekly CE case conferencing and Street Outreach meetings bring providers together to discuss people awaiting housing, assign follow-up steps, and address stalled referrals. FL-515's Housing Access & Navigation Coordinator maintains the CE By-Name List and coordinates assessments, prioritization, and referrals so households do not remain on the list without a next step. The coordinator also helps identify available units, connect with landlords and property managers, and resolve barriers to placement. These activities reduce duplication and help move households from referral to a housing opportunity more quickly.

Housing-focused case managers work with participants on identification and other required documents, income and benefits, budgeting, transportation to appointments or viewings, and other barriers that can delay a lease. Through CE, the CoC connects eligible households to available Rapid Re-Housing and other permanent housing resources. Providers use progressive engagement and coordinate with landlords and service partners to help households obtain housing and sustain it.

FL-515 will review HMIS data and System Performance Measure 1.2 to track length of time homeless and identify where delays occur: initial engagement, assessment, referral, document collection, housing search, or move-in. Case conferencing and data review will guide changes to outreach coverage, referral follow-up, and housing navigation so fewer days pass between a household's first contact and permanent housing placement.

2A-7.	Successful Permanent Housing Placement–Exits to Unsubsidized Housing.	

Based on HMIS data, what percent of program participants exited from TH/RRH/PSH collectively to unsubsidized housing?	51.20%

Describe how you calculated the data for this response.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Based on HMIS data for the reporting period October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, 51.2% of program participants who exited from Transitional Housing (TH), Rapid Re-Housing (RRH), and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) collectively exited to unsubsidized permanent housing.

The calculation included 758 total participants who exited TH, RRH, or PSH during the reporting period. Of those participants, 388 exited to unsubsidized permanent housing. The 388 exits consisted of 353 participants who exited to rental housing by the client with no ongoing housing subsidy, 17 who exited to staying or living with family with permanent tenure, 6 who exited to staying or living with friends with permanent tenure, and 12 who exited to housing owned by the client with no ongoing housing subsidy.

Calculation: 388 ÷ 758 × 100 = 51.2%.

2A-8.	**Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Date.**	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2026 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) count.	01/28/2026

2A-8a.	**HIC and PIT Count Data–HDX 2.0 Submission Date.**	

	Did your CoC submit its 2026 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) count data in HDX 2.0 by April 30, 2026, 8:00 p.m. EDT?	Yes

2A-8b.	**Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Data–HDX 2.0 Submission Date.**	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2026 HDX Competition Report to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	

	Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by January 16, 2026, 11:59 p.m. EST?	Yes

2A-8c.	**System Performance Measures (SPM) Data–HDX 2.0 Submission Date.**	

	Did your CoC submit its FY 2025 System Performance Measures data in HDX 2.0 by March 4, 2026, 8:00 p.m. EDT?	Yes

2A-9.	**HMIS and Comparable Database Participation—Bed Coverage Rate.**	

Using the FY 2026 HDX Competition Report we issued your CoC, enter data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current Non-VSP Beds	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	24	0	24	100.00%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	0.00%
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	284	25	229	74.11%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	45	0	45	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	70	0	0	0.00%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	12	0	12	100.00%

2A-9a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates of 84.99 Percent or Lower for Any Project Type in Question 2A-9.	

	For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is 84.99 percent or lower in question 2A-9, 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.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-515 will take targeted steps over the next 12 months to increase HMIS bed coverage to at least 85% for Transitional Housing (TH) and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), the project types identified in Question 2A-9 with coverage rates below 85%.

For PSH, the primary coverage gap is approximately 70 HUD-VASH beds. HUD-VASH participant data are maintained in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs HOMES system and are not currently represented in FL-515's HMIS. Over the next 12 months, FL-515, as HMIS Lead, will work with One Roof, its HMIS administration vendor, to pursue incorporation of HUD-VASH/HOMES data into PromisSE. Doorways' HMIS System Administrator will coordinate with One Roof, monitor progress, and review PSH bed coverage as data become available.

For TH, FL-515 will engage the provider(s) whose beds are not currently represented in HMIS to identify barriers to participation and increase HMIS coverage. Doorways' HMIS System Administrator, with technical assistance from One Roof, will provide HMIS onboarding, training, technical assistance, and data-quality support as needed. The CoC will follow up with the provider(s) and monitor TH bed participation to determine whether additional action is necessary to achieve at least 85% coverage.

Throughout the 12-month period, FL-515 will regularly review HMIS bed coverage for both project types, track progress toward the 85% threshold, and address identified participation or data-reporting barriers with the applicable providers and One Roof.

3A. Policy Initiatives

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) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- Frequently Asked Questions

3A-1.	**Supporting Activities within an Opportunity Zone.**	
	You must upload the HUD-2996 Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	

1.	**Will the proposed activities/projects occur within Opportunity Zone Census Tracts?**	Yes
2.	**Do you expect to use at least 50% of the proposed activities/projects in Opportunity Zones Census Tracts?**	Yes

3A-2	**Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.**

Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No

4A. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

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) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

We have provided the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:

1.	You must include a Document Description for each attachment you upload; if you do not, the Submission Summary screen will display a red X indicating the submission is incomplete.
2.	You must upload an attachment for each document listed where 'Required?' is 'Yes'.
3.	We prefer that you use PDF files, though other file types are supported–please only use zip files if necessary. Converting electronic files to PDF, rather than printing documents and scanning them, often produces higher quality images. Many systems allow you to create PDF files as a Print option. If you are unfamiliar with this process, you should consult your IT Support or search for information on Google or YouTube.
4.	Attachments must match the questions they are associated with.
5.	Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed–including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process.
6.	If you cannot read the attachment, it is likely we cannot read it either.
	. 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).
	. We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment.
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8.	Only use the 'Other' attachment option to meet an attachment requirement that is not otherwise listed in these detailed instructions.

Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
01. 1C-1. List of TH/RRH/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment	Yes	List of Projects ...	09/30/2026
02. 1C-1f. List of CoC Program Projects and Number of Units that require Substance Abuse Treatment	Yes	List of COC Progr...	09/30/2026
03. 1C-3. Language from Project Supportive Service Agreements	Yes	Language from Sup...	09/30/2026
04. 1C-10. Evidence of Coordination and Non-Interference with Local Efforts to Advance Public Safety	Yes	1C-10 Evidence Co...	09/30/2026
05. 1D-1. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	09/30/2026

06. 1D-2c. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Local Competition...	09/29/2026
07. 2A-8b. FY 2026 HDX Competition Report	Yes	FY26 HDX Competit...	09/29/2026
08. 3A-1. HUD-2996 Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points	No	HUD 2996 Opp Zone	09/30/2026
09. 3A-2a. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
10. 3A-DP. Your CoC's Policy or Statement to Advance Recovery	No	FL-515 COC Policy...	09/29/2026
11. Other	No		

Attachment Details

Document Description: List of Projects On-Site TX

Attachment Details

Document Description: List of COC Programs Number of Units

Attachment Details

Document Description: Language from Supportive Service Agreements

Attachment Details

Document Description: 1C-10 Evidence Coordination Local Law Enforcement

Attachment Details

Document Description: Local Competition Scoring tool

Attachment Details

Document Description: Local Competition Selection Results

Attachment Details

Document Description: FY26 HDX Competition Report

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Document Description: HUD 2996 Opp Zone

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Document Description: FL-515 COC Policy to Advance Recovery

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Submission Summary

Ensure that the Project Priority List is complete prior to submitting.

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4A. Attachments Screen	09/30/2026
Submission Summary	No Input Required

01. 1C-1 List of TH/RRh/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment

There are no HUD funded projects in our FL-515 COC.

The following State Funded Projects have On-Site Substance Use Treatment that is required:

CHROME	4144 South St, Building 5, Marianna, FL 32448
Evers House	PO Box 326 Panama City, FL 32402

02. 1C-1f List of CoC Program Projects and Number of Units that require Substance Abuse Treatment

There are no HUD funded projects in our FL-515 COC.

The following State Funded Projects have On-Site Substance Use Treatment that is required:

CHROME	4144 South St, Building 5, Marianna, FL 32448
	201 beds, men & women
Evers House	PO Box 326 Panama City, FL 32402
	31 beds, men & women

FL-515 Continuum of Care

FY 2026 Collaborative Application
Question 1C-3 Language from Project Supportive Service Agreements

The attached FISH Client Program Introduction and Participation Agreement contains the direct language requiring participation in supportive services. The locations below use the page numbers printed in the agreement.

Your Commitment to the Program | Agreement page 1

This section establishes the supportive service participation requirement and identifies the required activities:

By participating in FISH, I agree to:

☐ Participate in housing-focused case management and work with my case manager to develop, review, and update my Housing Stabilization and Family Thriving Plan. I understand that participation in these FISH-provided, non-disability-related supportive services is a condition of continued program participation. Disability-related treatment or services are not required.

☐ Attend and participate in scheduled meetings, home visits, workshops, and other agreed-upon program activities.

☐ Complete reasonable action steps within the agreed timeframes and communicate promptly if I need help or an adjustment.

Communication and Appointments | Agreement page 2

These provisions address barriers, good-cause exceptions, reasonable adjustments, and Doorways' response to missed appointments:

☐ Tell my case manager about barriers such as illness, employment, childcare, transportation, disability-related needs, or family emergencies so that good-cause exceptions or reasonable adjustments can be considered.

Repeated missed appointments or loss of contact without explanation may affect continued participation or assistance. Doorways will attempt to contact me and understand any barriers before making a decision whenever reasonably possible.

When Participation or Assistance May End | Agreement page 3-4

These provisions address failure to participate without good cause and the steps preceding termination:

Participation or financial assistance may end when:

☐ The participant repeatedly fails to communicate, participate, or complete required program activities without good cause

Except when immediate action is necessary, Doorways will attempt to identify barriers, discuss concerns, and provide a reasonable opportunity to correct the issue before terminating participation. When required, the participant will receive notice of the decision and information about any available review, grievance, or appeal process.

See attached: FISH Client Program Introduction and Participation Agree

FISH Client Program Introduction and Participation Agreement

Family Independence and Supportive Housing

Supporting Families Today Empowering Them for Tomorrow
Helping Families Thrive Not Just Survive

Participant name _____	HMIS # _____
Case manager _____	Enrollment date _____

Welcome to FISH

FISH helps eligible families obtain or maintain safe housing while building the skills, income, resources, and connections needed for long-term stability and self-sufficiency. Depending on eligibility and available funding, assistance may include Rapid Re-Housing or Homelessness Prevention services.

FISH is a partnership. Doorways will provide support, guidance, and eligible assistance. You agree to communicate honestly, participate actively, and complete reasonable steps toward the goals developed with your case manager. Please read this agreement carefully and ask questions before signing.

What FISH May Provide

- Housing search, application, and landlord communication assistance
- Eligible security deposit, rental, arrears, or other housing assistance based on need, funding rules, and availability
- Regular housing-focused case management and home visits
- A Housing Stabilization and Family Thriving Plan developed with you
- Budgeting, credit, savings, employment, education, and benefits connections
- Referrals for childcare, transportation, healthcare, parenting, and children's needs
- Tenant education, life-skills workshops, and connections to community resources
- Transition planning and follow-up support when available

Important: Enrollment does not guarantee payment of any particular expense, amount, or length of assistance. All assistance depends on continued eligibility, documented need, funding requirements, program limits, landlord participation when applicable, and available funds.

Participant initials: _____

Your Commitment to the Program

By participating in FISH, I agree to:

☐ Participate in housing-focused case management and work with my case manager to develop, review, and update my Housing Stabilization and Family Thriving Plan. I understand that participation in these FISH-provided, non-disability-related supportive services is a condition of continued program participation. Disability-related treatment or services are not required.

☐ Attend and participate in scheduled meetings, home visits, workshops, and other agreed-upon program activities.

☐ Complete reasonable action steps within the agreed timeframes and communicate promptly if I need help or an adjustment.

☐ Work toward stable income and greater self-sufficiency through employment, education, eligible benefits, or other appropriate resources based on my circumstances and abilities.

☐ Develop and follow a realistic household budget and contribute toward housing expenses according to my individualized assistance plan.

☐ Take reasonable care of my home, follow my lease, avoid preventable lease violations, and communicate appropriately with my landlord or property manager.

☐ Treat Doorways staff, landlords, service providers, neighbors, and other participants respectfully and refrain from threats, violence, harassment, or intentionally disruptive behavior.

☐ Use program assistance only for its approved purpose and not request or accept duplicate assistance for the same expense unless it is disclosed and permitted.

☐ Plan with my case manager for the end or reduction of financial assistance and for future housing or financial emergencies.

Participant initials: _____

Communication and Appointments

I understand that regular communication is essential. I agree to:

☐ Provide current and reliable contact information and notify my case manager when my phone number, email address, mailing address, or living situation changes.

☐ Respond to reasonable calls, messages, and written requests from FISH staff within the timeframe provided.

☐ Notify my case manager as soon as possible if I cannot attend an appointment or complete an agreed action step.

☐ Allow scheduled home visits when required for case management, housing-stability monitoring, or funding compliance.

☐ Tell my case manager about barriers such as illness, employment, childcare, transportation, disability-related needs, or family emergencies so that good-cause exceptions or reasonable adjustments can be considered.

Repeated missed appointments or loss of contact without explanation may affect continued participation or assistance. Doorways will attempt to contact me and understand any barriers before making a decision whenever reasonably possible.

Participant initials: _____

Honesty and Required Information

I agree to provide complete, accurate, and timely information. This includes information about:

- The identity and composition of my household
- Where my household is staying and any change in housing status
- Income, employment, benefits, assets, and household expenses
- Rental assistance or financial help received or requested from another source

- Changes that may affect eligibility or the amount of assistance
- Eviction notices, landlord concerns, lease violations, utility notices, or other threats to housing stability

I understand that Doorways may request reasonable documentation and verify information when required. Intentionally false, incomplete, altered, or withheld information may result in denial or termination of assistance and may require repayment when required by law, contract, or funding rules.

Participant initials: _____

Financial Assistance and Housing Responsibility

☐ Financial assistance is temporary and based on an individualized assessment; it is not an entitlement.

☐ My assistance amount may increase, decrease, or end after reassessment of my income, expenses, needs, progress, eligibility, or available funding.

☐ Payments will generally be made directly to an eligible landlord, property owner, utility provider, or other approved vendor rather than to me.

☐ I remain responsible for charges not approved or paid by FISH, including any participant portion identified in my assistance plan.

☐ I will not make an unapproved side payment or agreement with a landlord that changes the rent, lease terms, household members, or amount reported to Doorways.

☐ I will notify my case manager immediately if I receive a notice affecting my housing, cannot pay my required portion, or believe I may lose my housing.

Participant initials: _____

Privacy and Information Sharing

Doorways will handle personal information according to applicable privacy requirements and agency policies. Information may be entered into the Homeless Management Information System and shared with authorized partners when permitted and necessary to coordinate services, verify eligibility, issue assistance, or meet reporting requirements. Any separate privacy notice, consent, release, or HMIS form required for these activities will be explained and completed separately.

I may ask questions about how my information is collected, used, stored, or shared.

Participant initials: _____

Safety and Respect

Doorways is committed to a safe and respectful environment. Threats, violence, harassment, fraud, deliberate property damage, or conduct that creates an immediate safety risk may lead to restrictions, an alternative method of service, or termination from the program. Emergency action may be taken when necessary to protect participants, staff, landlords, or the public.

Doorways will provide services without unlawful discrimination and will consider reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities. A participant may ask for an accommodation or communication assistance at any time.

Participant initials: _____

When Participation or Assistance May End

Participation or financial assistance may end when:

- Program goals have been achieved or assistance is no longer needed
- The approved period or maximum amount of assistance has been reached
- Funding is no longer available or the funding source no longer permits assistance
- The household no longer meets eligibility requirements
- The participant voluntarily withdraws
- The household moves outside the approved service area or abandons the assisted unit
- The participant repeatedly fails to communicate, participate, or complete required program activities without good cause
- The participant provides materially false information, misuses assistance, or receives prohibited duplicate assistance
- A serious safety, fraud, or program-integrity concern requires termination

Except when immediate action is necessary, Doorways will attempt to identify barriers, discuss concerns, and provide a reasonable opportunity to correct the issue before terminating participation. When required, the participant will receive notice of the decision and information about any available review, grievance, or appeal process.

Participant initials: _____

Your Rights

As a FISH participant, I have the right to:

- Be treated with dignity and respect
- Receive a clear explanation of program expectations and decisions
- Participate in developing my goals and service plan
- Ask questions and receive information in a form I can understand
- Request a reasonable accommodation or communication assistance
- Have personal information handled according to applicable privacy requirements
- Raise a concern or use the available grievance or review process without retaliation
- Decline a service or referral, understanding that declining a required program activity may affect assistance after discussion of the circumstances and any good cause

Acknowledgment and Agreement

By signing below, I confirm that:

☐ I have read this agreement, or it has been read and explained to me.

☐ I had an opportunity to ask questions and received answers I understand.

☐ I understand what FISH may provide and what is expected of me.

☐ I understand that assistance is temporary, individualized, and subject to eligibility, funding rules, program limits, and available funds.

☐ I agree to follow the responsibilities described in this agreement and in my Housing Stabilization and Family Thriving Plan.

☐ I understand that this agreement does not create a guarantee of housing, payment, or continued assistance.

DOORWAYS
OF NW FLORIDA

_____ _____
Participant signature Date

_____ _____
Printed name

_____ _____
Doorways representative signature Date

_____ _____
Printed name and title

Participant questions or requested accommodations:

_____

_____

Doorways contact information: _____

Agenda
Street Outreach
Meeting
(Hunger and Housing Coalition of Northwest Florida dba)
Doorways of Northwest Florida
September 24, 2026

1. Introductions
    a. *Who's who/ new in the zoo*

2. Meeting Expectations
    a. Attendance
    b. Objective / Purpose

3. Sheriff Outreach Coordinators
    a. Bay
    b. Calhoun
    c. Gulf
    d. Holmes
    e. Jackson
    f. Washington

4. HMIS
    a. Processes / Procedures

5. Case Conferencing

6. Alibis (*Ad Hoc*)

7. Closing

Doorways of NW FL Street Outreach Meeting
Includes Calhoun, Jackson, and Bay Sheriff Coordinators and Liaisons

1. Summary

Meeting title	Doorways of NW FL Street Outreach Meeting
Attended participants	8
Start time	9/24/26, 2:24:19 PM
End time	9/24/26, 2:59:07 PM
Meeting duration	34m 48s
Average attendance time	33m 16s

2. Participants

Name	First Join	Last Leave	In-Meeting	Email	Participant ID (UPN)	Role
Andy Cornett	9/24/26, 2:24:28 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:07 PM	34m 38s	acornett@doorwaysnwfl.org	acornett@doorwaysnwfl.org	Organizer
Derrick Honore	9/24/26, 2:24:31 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:06 PM	34m 34s	dhonore@doorwaysnwfl.org	dhonore@doorwaysnwfl.org	Presenter
Casite Ramos	9/24/26, 2:24:33 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:07 PM	34m 33s	cramos@calhoun-countyflsheriff.gov	cramos@calhoun-countyflsheriff.gov	Presenter
Brittney Ford	9/24/26, 2:24:39 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:01 PM	34m 21s	bford@doorwaysnwfl.org	bford@doorwaysnwfl.org	Presenter
Alaina Whitney (External)	9/24/26, 2:24:55 PM	9/24/26, 2:58:10 PM	33m 14s	alaina.whitney@bayso.org	alaina.whitney@bayso.org	Presenter
Reneki Reddice	9/24/26, 2:25:40 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:06 PM	33m 26s	rreddice@anchoragechildrenshome.org	rreddice@anchoragechildrenshome.org	Presenter
Ashley Sellers (External)	9/24/26, 2:27:33 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:06 PM	31m 32s	Ashley.Sellers@jacksonso.com	ASellers@jacksonso.com	Presenter
John Jenkins	9/24/26, 2:29:09 PM	9/24/26, 2:58:59 PM	29m 49s			Presenter

3. In-Meeting Activities

Name	Join Time	Leave Time	Duration	Email	Role
Andy Cornett	9/24/26, 2:24:28 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:07 PM	34m 38s	acornett@doorwaysnwfl.org	Organizer
Derrick Honore	9/24/26, 2:24:31 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:06 PM	34m 34s	dhonore@doorwaysnwfl.org	Presenter
Casite Ramos	9/24/26, 2:24:33 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:07 PM	34m 33s		Presenter
Brittney Ford	9/24/26, 2:24:39 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:01 PM	34m 21s	bford@doorwaysnwfl.org	Presenter
Alaina Whitney (External)	9/24/26, 2:24:55 PM	9/24/26, 2:58:10 PM	33m 14s	alaina.whitney@bayso.org	Presenter
Reneki Reddice	9/24/26, 2:25:40 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:06 PM	33m 26s	rreddice@anchoragechildrenshome.org	Presenter
Ashley Sellers (External)	9/24/26, 2:27:33 PM	9/24/26, 2:59:06 PM	31m 32s	Ashley.Sellers@jacksonso.com	Presenter
John Jenkins	9/24/26, 2:29:09 PM	9/24/26, 2:58:59 PM	29m 49s		Presenter

Doorways FL515 FY 2026 New Rapid Re-Housing Rating Tool

PROJECT NAME:
ORGANIZATION NAME:
COMPONENT:

APPLICANT EXPERIENCE (20 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-recipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing Rapid Rehousing or other projects that have successfully helped individuals and families exit homelessness.		5
B	Describe experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.		15
	TOTAL	0	20

DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE PLAN OF HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (90 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The provision of tenant-based rental assistance will help individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency within 24 months. [NOFO V.A.4.c(4)(e) criterion 1]		20
B	The type of supportive services and assistance offered (e.g., case management, substance use treatment, mental health treatment, employment assistance) will ensure the participant is able to obtain self-sufficiency and exit homelessness. [NOFO V.A.4.c(4)(e) criterion 2 — 2 federal pts]		25
C	The applicant has previously/currently operated a homelessness project where at least 50% of participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months AND at least 50% exit with employment income, or has a plan to ensure this. [NOFO V.A.4.c(4)(e) criterion 3]		20
D	The average cost per household served for the project is reasonable (2 CFR 200.404). [NOFO V.A.4.c(4)(e) criterion 4]		15
E	The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources (e.g., Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, SNAP). [NOFO V.A.4.c(4)(e) criterion 5]		10
	TOTAL	0	90

PROJECT EFFECTIVENESS (40 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	100% of program participants will be referred from Coordinated Entry (Yes = 10 points, No = 0 points)		10
B	Establish performance measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable, and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.		30
	TOTAL	0	40

TIMELINESS (10 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points

A	Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing and providing services to the first program participants. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.		10
	TOTAL	0	10

FINANCIAL (20 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Project is cost-effective - comparing projected cost per person served to CoC average within project type		5
B	Audit/Financial Statements: Audit findings/financial statement review indicates standard practices, is low risk, and indicates capacity to operate the project.		5
C	Documented match amount.		5
D	Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.		5
	TOTAL	0	20

AGENCY GOVERNANCE (10 Points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Agency has a process for receiving and incorporating feedback.		5
B	Agency maintains internal human resources, financial, and program policies and procedures.		5
	TOTAL	0	10

OTHER AND LOCAL CRITERIA (10 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	100% of program participants will meet the HUD definition of homeless (Yes = 10 points, No = 0 points)		10
	TOTAL	0	10
	TOTAL APPLICATION SCORE	0	200

BONUS CRITERIA (35 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Percentage of New Project Reallocated from PH (100% = 10 points, 50% to 99% = 5 points, under 50% = 0 points)		10
B	Renewal Score - for a new project created by transitioning or reallocating an existing renewal, award 15% of that		15
C	Project has on-site substance use treatment services		5
D	30% or more of the project's budget request is for supportive services		5
	TOTAL	0	35
	TOTAL APPLICATION SCORE PLUS BONUS	0	235

PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	CoC Funding Requested
	Amount of other public funding

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Amount of Private Funding	
TOTAL PROJECT COST	

NOFO SCORING REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

Part	Description	Point Value	pplication Percentag	plication Plus Bonus Percentage
A	Objective criteria (cost-effectiveness, projected performance/design, population served) account for at least 50% of total available points. New RRH projects have no performance history; performance is assessed through the project plan and design.	125	62.50%	53.19%
B	System performance measures account for at least 25% of total available points. For new RRH projects these are evaluated through projected/design-based measures: returns to homelessness, employment income, and service participation requirements.	70	35.00%	29.79%
C	Housing projects (TH/PH-PSH/PH-RRH): the tool considered returns to homelessness, employment income, AND	Yes		

New SSO Standalone Project Rating Tool

PROJECT NAME:
ORGANIZATION NAME:
COMPONENT:

APPLICANT EXPERIENCE (20 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-recipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing supportive services projects that have successfully helped individuals and families exit homelessness and increase self-sufficiency.		5
B	Describe experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.		15
	TOTAL	0	20

DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE PLAN OF HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (90 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The SSO Standalone project is necessary to assist people in exiting homelessness and increasing self-sufficiency, and the project will conduct and annual assessment of the service needs of the program participants.		30
B	The proposed projects has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services.		30
C	The project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources that may include meainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.		30
	TOTAL	0	90

PROJECT EFFECTIVENESS (40 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	100% of program participants will be referred from Coordinated Entry (Yes = 10 points, No = 0 points)		10
B	Establish performance measures for supportive services (increase in income, substance use treatment and case management participation) that are objective, measurable, trackable, and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.		30
	TOTAL	0	40

TIMELINESS (10 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points

A	Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program documenting how the project will be ready to begin providing services to the first program participants. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.		10
	TOTAL	0	10

FINANCIAL (20 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Project is cost-effective - comparing projected cost per person served to CoC average within project type		5
B	Audit/Financial Statements: Audit findings/financial statement review indicates standard practices, is low risk, and indicates capacity to operate the project.		5
C	Documented match amount.		5
D	Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.		5
	TOTAL	0	20

AGENCY GOVERNANCE (10 Points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Agency has a process for receiving and incorporating feedback.		5
B	Agency maintains internal human resources, financial, and program policies and procedures.		5
	TOTAL	0	10

OTHER AND LOCAL CRITERIA (10 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	100% of program participants will meet the HUD definition of homeless (Yes = 10 points, No = 0 points)		10
	TOTAL	0	10
	TOTAL APPLICATION SCORE	0	200

BONUS CRITERIA (10 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Project has on-site substance use treatment services		5
B	85% of the project's budget request is for supportive services		5
	TOTAL	0	10
	TOTAL APPLICATION SCORE PLUS BONUS	0	210

PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CoC Funding Requested	
Amount of other public funding	
Amount of Private Funding	
TOTAL PROJECT COST	

NOFO SCORING REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

Part	Description	Point Value	pplication Percentage	pplication Plus Bonus Percentage
A	Cost effectiveness, performance data, population served equals 50% of total available points.	125	62.50%	59.52%
B	Returns to homelessness, employment income, and service participation requirements equal 25% of total available	70	35.00%	33.33%

New Transitional Housing Project Ranking Tool

PROJECT NAME:	
ORGANIZATION NAME:	
COMPONENT:	

APPLICANT EXPERIENCE (20 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Describe the experience of the applicant and sub-recipients (if any) in working with the proposed population and in providing Transitional Housing or other projects that have successfully helped individuals and families exit homelessness within 24 months		5
B	Describe experience in effectively utilizing federal funds including HUD grants and other public funding, including satisfactory drawdowns and performance for existing grants as evidenced by timely reimbursement of subrecipients (if applicable), regular drawdowns, timely resolution of monitoring findings, and timely submission of required reporting on existing grants.		15
	TOTAL	0	20

DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE PLAN OF HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (90 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Project demonstrates that it will provide and/or partner with other organizations to provide eligible supportive services that are necessary to assist program participants to obtain and maintain housing.		5
B	Applicant's plan to help homeless individuals and families exit homelessness within 24 months as reflected in HMIS (or comparable DV database).		5
C	Applicant's plan to ensure that at least 50% of participants exit to a positive destination within 24 months and at least 50% exit with employment income, as reflected in HMIS (or comparable DV database).		5
D	Applicants describes how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources (mainstream health, social, and employment programs like Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP.)		5
E	Demonstrate that the proposed project will require program participants to take part in supportive services (e.g. case management, employment training, substance use treatment, etc) in line with 24 CFR 578.75(h) by attaching a supportive service agreement (contract, occupancy agreement, lease, or equivalent).		25
F	Demonstrate that the proposed project will provide individualized services resulting in at least 20 hours per week of engagement in services, activities, or employment for each participant, except a participant over age 62 or with a disability under 24 CFR 8.3 or a developmental disability under 24 CFR 578.3. Employment may count toward the 20 hours (e.g., case management, counseling, treatment, education, job training, volunteering, work therapy).		25
G	Applicant's plan to prevent program participants from returning to homelessness.		20
	TOTAL	0	90

PROJECT EFFECTIVENESS (40 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	100% of program participants will be referred from Coordinated Entry (Yes = 10 points, No = 0 points)		10
B	Establish performance measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable, and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks.		30
	TOTAL	0	40

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TIMELINESS (10 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Describe plan for rapid implementation of the program documenting how the project will be ready to begin housing and providing services to the first program participants. Provide a detailed schedule of proposed activities for 60 days, 120 days, and 180 days after grant award.		10
	TOTAL	0	10

FINANCIAL (20 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Project is cost-effective - comparing projected cost per person served to CoC average within project type		5
B	Audit/Financial Statements: Audit findings/financial statement review indicates standard practices, is low risk, and indicates capacity to operate the project.		5
C	Documented match amount.		5
D	Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable, and allowable.		5
	TOTAL	0	20

AGENCY GOVERNANCE (10 Points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Agency has a process for receiving and incorporating feedback.		5
B	Agency maintains internal human resources, financial, and program policies and procedures.		5
	TOTAL	0	10

OTHER AND LOCAL CRITERIA (10 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	100% of program participants will meet the HUD definition of homeless (Yes = 10 points, No = 0 points)		10
	TOTAL	0	10
	TOTAL APPLICATION SCORE	0	200

BONUS CRITERIA (35 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	Percentage of New Project Reallocated from PH (100% = 10 points, 50% to 99% = 5 points, under 50% = 0 points)		10
B	Renewal Score - for a new project created by transitioning or reallocating an existing renewal, award 15% of that		15
C	Project has on-site substance use treatment services		5
D	30% or more of the project's budget request is for supportive services		5
	TOTAL	0	35
	TOTAL APPLICATION SCORE PLUS BONUS	0	235

PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CoC Funding Requested	
Amount of other public funding	
Amount of Private Funding	
TOTAL PROJECT COST	

NOFO SCORING REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

Part	Description	Point Value	pplication Percentage	pplication Plus Bonus Percentage
A	Objective criteria (cost-effectiveness, projected performance/design, population served) account for at least 50% of	125	62.50%	53.19%
B	System performance measures account for at least 25% of total available points. For new TH projects these are	70	35.00%	29.79%
C	Housing projects (TH/PH-PSH/PH-RRH): the tool considered returns to homelessness, employment income, AND	Yes		

FY 2026 HMIS Expansion/Renewal Threshold Requirements

THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS — ALL ITEMS MUST BE SATISFIED		
Part	**Description**	**Yes or No**
A	The application was received by the local deadline and is complete enough to review.	
B	The applicant has an active SAM.gov registration and a valid Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).	
C	The applicant and any proposed subrecipient are eligible recipients under the CoC Program.	
D	The project is an eligible HMIS renewal project and the request does not exceed the amount permitted by the approved Grant Inventory Worksheet or local reallocation decision.	
E	The applicant demonstrated the legal, financial, and managerial capacity to administer the project.	
F	The required 25% match is documented and secured, excluding any budget line item exempt from match.	
G	The proposed budget is financially feasible and contains eligible, reasonable, allocable, and allowable HMIS costs.	
H	The HMIS is programmed to collect all Universal Data Elements required by the current HUD HMIS Data Standards.	
I	The applicant addressed responsibility for HMIS privacy and security compliance.	
J	The applicant answered Yes to all required certifications and signed the application.	

K	The applicant agrees to complete the required federal forms and submit the approved project application in e-snaps.	

OVERALL THRESHOLD RESULT	**INCOMPLETE**

FY 2026 HMIS Expansion Project Rating Tool

PROJECT NAME:	
ORGANIZATION NAME:	
REVIEWER NAME:	
COMPONENT:	HMIS Expansion

PROJECT OVERVIEW AND SYSTEM PERFORMANCE (25 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The project description clearly identifies the HMIS expansion project, its purpose, core activities, and role within FL-515.		5
B	The applicant clearly explains how the HMIS project will strengthen data quality, HMIS participation and coverage, HUD-required reporting, Coordinated Entry, identification of service gaps, and system outcomes.		20
	SECTION TOTAL	0	25

APPLICANT EXPERIENCE AND FEDERAL GRANT PERFORMANCE (30 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The applicant demonstrates relevant experience administering and supporting HMIS, including system administration, user training, technical assistance, data quality monitoring, privacy and security compliance, HUD reporting, and collaboration with participating agencies and the CoC.		20
B	The applicant demonstrates effective use of federal funds, including regular drawdowns, timely reimbursement of subrecipients when applicable, timely reporting, and timely resolution of monitoring findings.		10
	SECTION TOTAL	0	30

HMIS PROJECT DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT PLAN (60 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points

A	The proposed scope thoroughly addresses the HMIS platform and implementation structure, geographic and provider coverage, staffing and technical support, data quality, training, reporting, Coordinated Entry, system administration, and use of grant funds.		25
B	The application provides a realistic schedule, clear management plan, qualified responsible staff or contractors, appropriate oversight, and a credible method for ensuring effective and timely completion of all work.		15
C	The applicant clearly explains how the requested HMIS funds will improve or maintain the CoC's ability to evaluate CoC- and ESG-funded project outcomes and strengthen overall system performance.		20
	SECTION TOTAL	0	60

HMIS EFFECTIVENESS, DATA STANDARDS, PRIVACY, AND SECURITY (30 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The HMIS is programmed to collect all Universal Data Elements required by the current HUD HMIS Data Standards. (Yes = 10 points; No = 0 points)		10
B	The application clearly identifies responsibility for compliance with HUD and federal privacy and security standards and explains the roles of the HMIS Lead, System Administrator, Agency Administrators, and Agency Security Officers, as applicable.		20
	SECTION TOTAL	0	30

AGENCY GOVERNANCE AND PROGRAM APPROACH (20 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The agency has a meaningful process for receiving, reviewing, and incorporating feedback from project participants and other HMIS stakeholders.		10
B	The agency maintains appropriate human resources, financial, program, HMIS, privacy, security, and data quality policies and procedures.		10
	SECTION TOTAL	0	20

FINANCIAL CAPACITY AND BUDGET (25 points)			
Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The required match is documented, sufficient, and supported by an identifiable cash and/or in-kind source.		10
B	The requested budget is reasonable, necessary, allocable, allowable, financially feasible, and consistent with the HMIS expansion scope.		15
	SECTION TOTAL	0	25

APPLICATION COMPLETENESS AND CERTIFICATIONS (10 points)			
Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The application is complete, internally consistent, signed, and includes all required information and attachments.		5
B	The applicant answered Yes to all required certifications and acknowledged completion of the required federal forms in e-snaps.		5
	SECTION TOTAL	0	10

TOTAL APPLICATION SCORE	0	200
APPLICATION SCORE PERCENTAGE	0.0%	Maximum: 100%

PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION	
CoC funding requested	
Required match amount	
Other public funding	
Private funding	
TOTAL PROJECT RESOURCES	$0

HMIS expansion
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FY 2026 HMIS Renewal Project Rating Tool

PROJECT NAME:	
ORGANIZATION NAME:	
REVIEWER NAME:	
COMPONENT:	HMIS Renewal

PROJECT OVERVIEW AND SYSTEM PERFORMANCE (25 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The project description clearly identifies the HMIS renewal project, its purpose, core activities, and role within FL-515.		5
B	The applicant clearly explains how the HMIS project will strengthen data quality, HMIS participation and coverage, HUD-required reporting, Coordinated Entry, identification of service gaps, and system outcomes.		20
	SECTION TOTAL	0	25

APPLICANT EXPERIENCE AND FEDERAL GRANT PERFORMANCE (30 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The applicant demonstrates relevant experience administering and supporting HMIS, including system administration, user training, technical assistance, data quality monitoring, privacy and security compliance, HUD reporting, and collaboration with participating agencies and the CoC.		20
B	The applicant demonstrates effective use of federal funds, including regular drawdowns, timely reimbursement of subrecipients when applicable, timely reporting, and timely resolution of monitoring findings.		10
	SECTION TOTAL	0	30

HMIS PROJECT DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT PLAN (60 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points

A	The proposed scope thoroughly addresses the HMIS platform and implementation structure, geographic and provider coverage, staffing and technical support, data quality, training, reporting, Coordinated Entry, system administration, and use of grant funds.		25
B	The application provides a realistic schedule, clear management plan, qualified responsible staff or contractors, appropriate oversight, and a credible method for ensuring effective and timely completion of all work.		15
C	The applicant clearly explains how the requested HMIS funds will improve or maintain the CoC's ability to evaluate CoC- and ESG-funded project outcomes and strengthen overall system performance.		20
	SECTION TOTAL	0	60

HMIS EFFECTIVENESS, DATA STANDARDS, PRIVACY, AND SECURITY (30 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The HMIS is programmed to collect all Universal Data Elements required by the current HUD HMIS Data Standards. (Yes = 10 points; No = 0 points)		10
B	The application clearly identifies responsibility for compliance with HUD and federal privacy and security standards and explains the roles of the HMIS Lead, System Administrator, Agency Administrators, and Agency Security Officers, as applicable.		20
	SECTION TOTAL	0	30

AGENCY GOVERNANCE AND PROGRAM APPROACH (20 points)

Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The agency has a meaningful process for receiving, reviewing, and incorporating feedback from project participants and other HMIS stakeholders.		10
B	The agency maintains appropriate human resources, financial, program, HMIS, privacy, security, and data quality policies and procedures.		10
	SECTION TOTAL	0	20

FINANCIAL CAPACITY AND BUDGET (25 points)			
Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The required match is documented, sufficient, and supported by an identifiable cash and/or in-kind source.		10
B	The requested budget is reasonable, necessary, allocable, allowable, financially feasible, and consistent with the HMIS renewal scope.		15
	SECTION TOTAL	0	25

APPLICATION COMPLETENESS AND CERTIFICATIONS (10 points)			
Part	Description	Points Received	Maximum Points
A	The application is complete, internally consistent, signed, and includes all required information and attachments.		5
B	The applicant answered Yes to all required certifications and acknowledged completion of the required federal forms in e-snaps.		5
	SECTION TOTAL	0	10

TOTAL APPLICATION SCORE	0	200
APPLICATION SCORE PERCENTAGE	0.0%	Maximum: 100%

PROJECT FINANCIAL INFORMATION	
CoC funding requested	
Required match amount	
Other public funding	
Private funding	
TOTAL PROJECT RESOURCES	$0

	FL-515					
	Local Competition Select Results					
	FY26 1D-2c					
	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT SCORE	PROJECT RANK	PROJECT STATUS	AMOUNT REQUESTED	REALLOCATED FUNDS
1	FL515 HMIS RENEWAL FY26	585	1	ACCEPTED	$34,693	$0.00
2	FL515 HMIS EXPANSION FY 2026	578	2	ACCEPTED	$65,307	$0.00
3	FL515 COORDINATED ENTRY FY 26	570	3	ACCEPTED	$120,850	$0.00
4	Family independence & Supportive Housing FY26	595	4	ACCEPTED	$200,000	$0.00
5	FY 26 EDEN SHORES RECOVERY	579	5	ACCEPTED BUT WITHDRAWN BY AGENCY	$765,471	$0.00
6	FY26 PAWS TO RESILIENCE	566	6	ACCEPTED BUT WITHDRAWN BY AGENCY	$52,000	$0.00
7	SHARE THE CLOSET	553.5	7	ACCEPTED	$175,000	$0.00
8	STITCHING STABILITY	546	8	ACCEPTED	$150,000	$0.00

2026 HDX Competition Report

This workbook contains summary information about your CoC's data as it was entered into the HDX for your use as part of the 2026 Competition.

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2025 HDX Competition Report

2026 Competition Report - Summary

FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

HDX Data Submission Participation Information

Government FY and HDX Module Abbreviation	Met Module Deadline*	Data From	Data Collection Period in HDX
2025 LSA	Yes	Government FY 2025 (10/1/24 - 9/30/25).	November 2025 to January 2026
2025 SPM	Yes	Government FY 2025 (10/1/24 - 9/30/25).**	February 2026 to March 2026
2026 HIC	Yes	Government FY 2026. Exact HIC and PIT dates vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it was within the last 10 days of January, 2026.	March 2026 to April 2026
2026 PIT	Yes	Government FY 2026. Exact HIC and PIT dates vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it was within the last 10 days of January, 2026.	March 2026 to April 2026

1) FY = Fiscal Year
2) *This considers all extensions where they were provided.
3) **"Met Deadline" in this context refers to FY25 SPM submissions. Resubmissions from FY24 (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024) were also accepted during the data collection period, but the previous year's submission is voluntary.

2026 Competition Report - LSA Summary & Usability Status

FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

FY 2025 Reporting Year: 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

LSA Usability Status 2025

Category	EST AO	EST AC	EST CO	RRH AO	RRH AC	RRH CO	PSH AO	PSH AC*	PSH CO
Fully Usable	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	N/A	☑
Partially Usable								N/A	
Not Usable								N/A	

Glossary: EST = Emergency Shelter, Save Haven, & Transitional Housing; RRH = Rapid Re-housing; PSH = Permanent Supportive Housing; AO = Persons in Households without Children; AC = Persons in Households with at least one Adult and one Child; CO=Persons in Households with only Children

*Usability was not determined for PSH-AC due to built-in conflicts between HOMES and HMIS. As

2026 Competition Report - SPM Data

FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

FY 2025 Reporting Year: 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

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 the look back stop date or client's date of birth, whichever is later.

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.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, and SH	188	9.6	7.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and TH	554	136.6	75.0

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FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

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b. This measure is based on data element 3.917

This measure includes data from each client's Living Situation (Data Standards element 3.917) response as well as time spent in permanent housing projects between Project Start and Housing Move-In. This information is added 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.

Metric	Universe (Persons)	Average LOT Homeless (bed nights)	Median LOT Homeless (bed nights)
1.1 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	455	266.6	58.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH, and PH (prior to "housing move in")	813	279.6	135.0

2026 Competition Report - SPM Data

FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

FY 2025 Reporting Year: 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

Measure 2: Returns to Homelessness for Persons who Exit to Permanent Housing (PH) Destinations

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 Exited to a PH Destination (2 Yrs Prior)	Returns to Homelessness in Less than 6 Months (0 - 180 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 6 to 12 Months (181 - 365 days)		Returns to Homelessness from 13 to 24 Months (366 - 730 days)		Number of Returns in 2 Years	
Metric	**Count**	**Count**	**% of Returns**	**Count**	**% of Returns**	**Count**	**% of Returns**	**Count**	**% of Returns**
Exit was from SO	40	1	2.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	2.5%
Exit was from ES	85	14	16.5%	2	2.4%	2	2.4%	18	21.2%
Exit was from TH	7	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	14.3%	1	14.3%
Exit was from SH	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Exit was from PH	240	5	2.1%	10	4.2%	8	3.3%	23	9.6%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	372	20	5.4%	12	3.2%	11	3.0%	43	11.6%

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FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

FY 2025 Reporting Year: 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

Measure 3: Number of Homeless Persons

Metric 3.1 – Change in PIT Counts

Please refer to PIT section for relevant data.

Metric 3.2 – Change in Annual Counts

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Unduplicated Total sheltered homeless persons	555
Emergency Shelter Total	188
Safe Haven Total	0
Transitional Housing Total	473

2026 Competition Report - SPM Data

FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

FY 2025 Reporting Year: 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

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

This measure is divided into six tables capturing employment and non-employment income changes for system leavers and stayers. The project types reported in these metrics are the same for each metric, but the type of income and universe of clients differs. In addition, the projects reported within these tables are limited to CoC-funded projects.

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	0
Number of adults with increased earned income	0
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	0.0%

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FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

FY 2025 Reporting Year: 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	0
Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	0
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	0.0%

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	0
Number of adults with increased total income	0
Percentage of adults who increased total income	0.0%

Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	0
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	0
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	0.0%

2026 Competition Report - SPM Data

FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

FY 2025 Reporting Year: 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	0
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	0
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	0.0%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	0
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	0
Percentage of adults who increased total income	0.0%

2026 Competition Report - SPM Data

FL-515 - Panama City/Bay, Jackson Counties CoC

FY 2025 Reporting Year: 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2025

Measure 5: Number of Persons who Become Homeless for the First Time

This measures the number of people entering the homeless system through ES, SH, or TH (Metric 5.1) or ES, SH, TH, or PH (Metric 5.2) and determines whether they have any prior enrollments in the HMIS over the past two years. Those with no prior enrollments are considered to be experiencing homelessness for the first time.

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH or TH during the reporting period.	469
Of persons above, count those who were in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or any PH within 24 months prior to their entry during the reporting year.	24
Of persons above, count those who did not have entries in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH or PH in the previous 24 months. (i.e. Number of persons experiencing homelessness for the first time)	445

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Person with entries into ES, SH, TH or PH during the reporting period.	865
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.	46
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.)	819

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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

Measure 6 is not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.

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

This measures positive movement out of the homeless system and is divided into three tables: movement off the streets from Street Outreach (Metric 7a.1); movement into permanent housing situations from ES, SH, TH, and RRH (Metric 7b.1); and retention or exits to permanent housing situations from PH (other than PH-RRH).

Metric 7a.1 – Change in SO exits to temp. destinations, some institutional destinations, and permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons who exit Street Outreach	33
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	6
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	1
% Successful exits	21.2%

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Metric 7b.1 – Change in ES, SH, TH, and PH-RRH exits to permanent housing destinations

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH and PH-RRH who exited, plus persons in other PH projects who exited without moving into housing	832
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	460
% Successful exits	55.3%

Metric 7b.2 – Change in PH exits to permanent housing destinations or retention of permanent housing

Metric	Value
Universe: Persons in all PH projects except PH-RRH who exited after moving into housing, or who moved into housing and remained in the PH project	10
Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	10
% Successful exits/retention	100.0%

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System Performance Measures Data Quality

Data coverage and quality will allow HUD to better interpret your SPM submissions.

Metric	All ES, SH	All TH	All PSH, OPH	All RRH	All Street Outreach
Unduplicated Persons Served (HMIS)	203	474	10	528	41
Total Leavers (HMIS)	201	301	1	472	10
Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	0	0	0	0	0
Destination Error Rate (Calculated)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

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Notes For Each SPM Measure

Measure	Notes
Measure 1	Increase in amount of funding/programs for TH during year.
Measure 2	No notes.
Measure 3	Again, change in total due mostly due to increase in programs
Measure 4	No notes.
Measure 5	No notes.
Measure 6	No Notes. Measure 6 was not applicable to CoCs in this reporting period.
Measure 7	No notes.
Data Quality	No notes.

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HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current Non-VSP Beds in HMIS or Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV† Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster*	Adjusted*** Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP Beds	Adjusted*** HMIS Bed Coverage Rate for Year-Round, Current Beds
ES	24	24	24	0	24	100.0%
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	309	204	284	0	284	71.8%
RRH	45	45	45	0	45	100.0%
PSH	70	0	70	0	70	0.0%
OPH	12	12	12	0	12	100.0%
Total	**460**	**285**	**435**	**0**	**435**	**65.5%**

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HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Total Year-Round, Current, VSP Beds	Removed From Denominator: OPH EHV† Beds or Beds Affected by Natural Disaster**	Adjusted*** Total Year-Round Current, VSP Beds	HMIS Comparable Bed Coverage Rate for VSP Beds
ES	24	0	0	0	0	NA
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	309	25	25	0	25	100.00%
RRH	45	0	0	0	0	NA
PSH	70	0	0	0	0	NA
OPH	12	0	0	0	0	NA
Total	**460**	**25**	**25**	**0**	**25**	**100.00%**

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For HIC conducted in January/

HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS-Comparable Database	Adjusted*** Total Year-Round, Current, Non-VSP and VSP Beds	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate
ES	24	24	24	100.00%
SH	0	0	0	NA
TH	309	229	309	74.11%
RRH	45	45	45	100.00%
PSH	70	0	70	0.00%
OPH	12	12	12	100.00%
Total	**460**	**310**	**460**	**67.39%**

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1) † EHV = Emergency Housing Voucher
2) *This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds not associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.
3) **This column includes Current, Year-Round, Natural Disaster beds associated with a VSP that are not HMIS-participating or HMIS-comparable database participating. For OPH Beds, this includes beds that are Current, VSP, Non-HMIS, and EHV-funded.
4) ***Adjusted bed counts exclude non-HMIS participating OPH EHV Beds and Beds Affected by Natural Disaster
5) Data included in these tables reflect what was entered into HDX 2.0.
6) 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").
7) In the HIC, "Current" beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").
8) For historical data: Aggregated data from CoCs that merged are not displayed if HIC data were created separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

2026 Competition Report - PIT Summary

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For PIT conducted in January/February of 2026

Submission Information

Date of PIT Count	Received HUD Waiver
1/28/2026	Not Applicable

Total Population PIT Count Data

Category	2024	2025	2026
PIT Count Type	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count
Emergency Shelter Total	67	23	22
Safe Haven Total	0	0	0
Transitional Housing Total	59	199	290
Total Sheltered Count	126	222	312
Total Unsheltered Count	373	193	80
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count*	499	415	392

1) *Data included in this table reflect what was entered into HDX 2.0. This may differ from what was included in federal repo rts if the PIT count type was sheltered only.

2) Aggregated data from CoCs that merged is not displayed if PIT data were entered separately - that is, only data from the CoC into which the merge occurred are displayed. Additional reports can be requested via AAQ for any CoCs that have been subsumed into other CoCs.

Total People Experiencing Chronic Homelessness

Category	2024	2025	2026
PIT Count Type	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count
Total Sheltered Count	2	0	0
Total Unsheltered Count	57	19	18
Total	59	19	18

Certification for Opportunity Zones Preference Points

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

OMB Number. 2501-0044
Expiration Date: 2/28/2027

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Applicant Organization: Homeless & Hunger Coalition of NW Florida, Inc. DBA Doorways

Assistance Listing number and Federal Program name to which the Applicant is applying:
Include the funding opportunity number and name exactly as it appears in the applicable funding opportunity announcement (example: 14.896, Family Self-Sufficiency Program).

14.267 — Continuum of Care Program; CPD-2600-DC-0025 — FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants NOFO

Opportunity Zone Census Tract(s), which the proposed activities/projects will benefit:
Include below the full 11-digit census tract number (example: 06067001101). Designated Opportunity Zone Census Tracts can be found at: https://opportunityzones.hud.gov/resources. Select the "CDFI Fund Opportunity Zones Resources" link and then select the "List of designated Qualified Opportunity Zones."

12005002000 — Census Tract 20, Bay County, Florida

The application meets which of the following criteria (please select one):
☐ The proposed activities/projects will occur solely within the Opportunity Zone Census Tract(s) listed above.
☑ The proposed activities/projects will occur within the Opportunity Zone Census Tract(s) listed above and other communities.
☐ The proposed activities/projects will occur outside Opportunity Zone Census Tracts, but substantial and direct benefits will accrue within the Opportunity Zone Census Tracts listed above.

Note: Projects which substantially and directly benefit Opportunity Zone Census Tracts, but which do not consist of activities delivered within Opportunity Zone Census Tracts may be considered for competitive preference. If applicable, the respective Federal Agency will clearly define "substantially and directly" in the relevant funding announcement.

Estimated Funding Allocations
Estimate a percentage of the total dollar amount of federal funding awarded that would result in a direct benefit within the Opportunity Zone Census Tracts listed above:
☐ 76% - 100%
☑ 51% - 75%
☐ 26% - 50%
☐ 11% - 25%
☐ 1%- 10%

Provide a narrative explaining and/or reference the section in the application that explains how the project will support public and private investment in urban and economically distressed areas, specifically qualified Opportunity Zones (300-word limit):
Example: "The Main Street project described in this application will stimulate economic opportunity and mobility, encourage entrepreneurship, expand quality educational opportunities, and promote workforce development for those families residing within the XYZ Opportunity Zone."

Doorways of Northwest Florida, the Collaborative Applicant for FL-515, operates from 24 W. 8th Street in Panama City, within designated Opportunity Zone Census Tract 12005002000. This location provides an accessible point of connection to coordinated entry, housing navigation, and supportive services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.The proposed Coordinated Entry and FISH Rapid Re-Housing projects will connect people accessing this location with housing resources, individualized case management, employment assistance, financial literacy, and community supports. These activities will help participants overcome barriers to stable housing, increase income, and strengthen their ability to participate in the local economy. HMIS funding will support service coordination, accurate documentation, and analysis of needs and outcomes to inform decisions about public and private resources.Together, these activities will support investment in this economically distressed area by strengthening the service infrastructure needed for residents and businesses to thrive. Coordination with housing providers, employers, workforce organizations, and community partners will connect homelessness assistance with existing public and private resources, helping those resources reach people facing significant barriers to economic opportunity.Although FL-515 serves six counties, Doorways' location within this Opportunity Zone creates a direct service access point where grant-funded activities can support housing stability, family well-being, and economic mobility.

Check the following boxes that accurately reflect the nature or purpose of the proposed project:

- ☐ Access to Capital
- ☐ Asset Building
- ☐ Business Assistance
- ☑ Community Capacity Building
- ☐ Economic Development
- ☑ Education
- ☐ Healthy Food Access
- ☐ Health
- ☑ Housing
- ☑ Human Services and Family Support
- ☐ Community Infrastructure
- ☐ Public Safety
- ☑ Workforce Development
- ☐ Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) or other rent restricted housing
- ☐ Market rate housing
- ☐ Industrial development
- ☐ Commercial or retail development
- ☐ Other business development
- ☐ "Above ground" infrastructure — streets, sidewalks, lighting
- ☐ "Below ground" infrastructure — water, sewer, gas, electric
- ☐ Schools or other educational facilities
- ☐ Hospitals or other health care facilities

Certification of Authorized Representative for the Applicant:
**Under penalty of perjury, I certify on behalf of the Applicant that
(1) all information provided on this form is true, complete, and accurate, and
(2) the Applicant will notify the Agency immediately upon learning of any change in the information provided on this form, and
(3) I am authorized to speak for the Applicant regarding all information provided on this form.

Prefix: Mrs. First Name: Tracy Middle Initial: B Last Name: Peters Suffix:

Title: Executive Director Organization: Homeless & Hunger Coalition of NW Florida, Inc. DBA Doorways

Signature: Tracy B Peters Date: 9/30/26

4A Attachments

10. 3A-DP. Your CoC's Policy or Statement to Advance Recovery

FL-515 Continuum of Care Policy Statement to Advance Recovery

Adopted by: FL-515 Continuum of Care Leadership Council
Effective date: September 28, 2026
Applies to: CoC Program-funded housing projects operating within FL-515

1. Purpose

The FL-515 Continuum of Care supports access to substance use disorder treatment, recovery services, and appropriate housing across Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, and Washington Counties. CoC-funded housing providers will help participants connect with available services that support recovery, housing stability, and movement toward independence.

2. Prohibited activities

CoC-funded housing projects shall not:

1. Operate a drug injection site or "safe consumption site";
2. Knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia on or off property under their control;
3. Knowingly permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs on property under their control; or
4. Conduct, permit, encourage, or allow any of these activities under the pretext of "harm reduction."

Recipients and subrecipients shall communicate these prohibitions to staff and any partners carrying out activities on property under the project's control.

3. Response to project violations

Doorways of Northwest Florida, as Collaborative Applicant, will receive and document reports of potential violations and refer them for review through the CoC's monitoring and governance processes. The project will have an opportunity to respond. If the CoC determines that a violation occurred, it will require an appropriate corrective action plan with deadlines and verify completion.

Depending on the nature, severity, and recurrence of the violation, remedies may include additional training, revised procedures, increased monitoring, consideration of the finding in local project review and ranking, referral to HUD or another responsible authority when required, and other action available under the grant agreement and applicable law. An unresolved or repeated violation may affect the CoC's decision to recommend the project for future funding.

4. Treatment and recovery connections

The CoC encourages recipients and subrecipients to establish working relationships with substance use treatment providers, behavioral health providers, peer recovery supports, and recovery housing providers within or outside the six-county area. Through outreach, Coordinated Entry, housing navigation, and case management, providers should help interested participants identify appropriate services, make referrals, coordinate a warm handoff when feasible, and address practical barriers to accessing care. Providers shall accurately describe which services they offer directly and which are available through referral.

The CoC also encourages development of eligible recovery housing and treatment partnerships when they meet an identified community need and applicable CoC Program requirements.

5. Lawful project requirements and participant response

This policy does not prohibit an otherwise eligible CoC-funded housing project from operating sober housing or from establishing lawful participant requirements consistent with **24 CFR 578.93(b)(5)** and **24 CFR 578.75(h)**. Each project must state any such requirements in its own written agreements and apply them consistently with its grant terms and applicable law. Those regulations address sober housing occupancy agreements and the circumstances in which participation in supportive services, including substance use treatment, may be required.

This CoC policy does not impose a universal sobriety or treatment condition on all CoC-funded housing participants. When a participant violates a project rule, the provider will respond under its applicable written policies, lease or occupancy agreement, and law, considering the circumstances and available steps to preserve housing stability.

6. Implementation

Doorways will distribute this statement to CoC-funded housing recipients and subrecipients, incorporate it into applicable monitoring, and review it when HUD requirements or CoC policies change. Recipients and subrecipients are responsible for implementing the provisions that apply to their projects.