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Priorities	Criteria	Maximum Points
<p>See question C.2. The severity of Needs/Barriers experienced by program participants in order to serve those with the highest needs.</p>	<p>Project serves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronically homeless • LGBTQ+ persons • Youth • Veterans • Low or no income • Current substance abuse, significant health or behavioral health challenges, or functional impairments • Coming from the streets • Criminal history • Abuse/victimization or a history of victimization/abuse, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Childhood Abuse, sex trafficking • High utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs • Length of time homeless • Risk of continued homelessness • Risk of illness or death • Only project of its kind in the CoC geography 	<p style="text-align: center;">10 <i>(1 point for each population served up to 10 pts maximum)</i></p>
<p>See question C.3. Project has committed to utilizing a Housing First/Low Barrier approach.</p>	<p>Project meets all HUD criteria, including persons are not terminated for: a) failure to participate in support services, b) failure to make progress on a service plan, c) loss of or no income, d) being a victim of domestic violence, or e) any other activity not included in a typical lease agreement.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5 <i>(1 point for each criteria met)</i></p>
<p>See question C.4. Organization demonstrates understanding and implementation of Housing First/Low Barrier approach. <i>NAEH Housing First Self-Assessment Tool added to the Reference Library</i></p>	<p>Applicant provides general explanation of their Housing First approach, lowering barriers, and address housing for persons hardest to serve, including those with justice involved history.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Up to 3 points</p>

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<p>See question C.5. Ensures that the project assists participants to the maximum extent in obtaining mainstream benefits.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project provides transportation assistance to appointments • Use of a single application form for 4 or more benefits • Annual follow-ups to ensure benefits are received and renewed • Helps participants applying for SSI/SSDI and get the technical assistance they need • Has a staff person who has completed SOAR training 	<p>5 1 point for each criteria met (up to 5 points possible)</p>
<p>See question C.6. Monitor the capacity of the project to operate with full unit utilization.</p>	<p>Give the project's average unit occupancy rate over the past operating year.</p>	<p>5 5 points if unit occupancy was 95% or over 4 points if unit occupancy was between 90 – 94% 3 points if unit occupancy was between 80 – 89% 0 points if unit occupancy was less than 79%</p>
<p>See questions C.7. & C.8. Meets CoC System Performance goals of housing stability and income.</p>	<p>a) Measurable outcomes of the project meet these HUD housing stability goals: 80% of participants remaining in Permanent Supportive Housing or exiting to another permanent housing destination or exiting transitional housing to a permanent housing destination: FOR RENEWALS ONLY (10 points)</p> <p>b) Measurable outcomes of the project meet these HUD income goals: 50% of participants (leavers and stayers) meeting employment income OR total income measures: FOR RENEWALS ONLY (10 points)</p>	<p>20 a) 10 points if at least 80%, 5 points if at least 65%, 0 points if below 65% b) 10 points if at least 50%, 5 points if at least 25%, 0 points if under 25%</p>



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<p>See Question C.9. Timely draw down of funds. At minimum funds must be drawn on a quarterly basis.</p>	<p>4 points = demonstrates draw down of funds on at least a quarterly basis</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>See question D.1. Monitor the amount of funds unspent from each renewal project for possible reallocation to new beds in order to utilize all CoC funds most effectively.</p>	<p>Indicate the percentage and amount of funds that were unspent. 5 points if 0 – 5% are unspent 4 points if 5.1 – 10 % are unspent 2 points if 10.1 – 15% are unspent 0 points if 15.1% or more are unspent</p>	<p>Up to 5 points</p>
<p>See question D.2. Monitor the capacity of the project to meet HUD reporting requirements.</p>	<p>Timely submission of the project Annual Progress Report (APR) for the last operating year in Sage on or before the due date. 5 pts no APR 0 pts.</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>See question D.3. Applicant follows McKinney-Vento laws regarding education of homeless students.</p>	<p>1 point = Agency has a dedicated staff person to coordinate linkages to services for homeless students. 1 point = Agency has developed policies and procedures. 1 point = Agency has adopted policies and procedures through Board Action. 1 point = Agency has written agreement(s) with agencies serving infants, toddlers and preschool children (i.e. MOU w/Head Start program)</p>	<p>4 (1 point for each criteria met)</p>
<p>See question D.4. and UPLOADED COST FORMS. Funding request is appropriate to scope/size of proposed project.</p> <p>See information below and review UPLOADED COST FORMS. Applicant organization demonstrates it has funding request appropriate to scope and size of the proposed project and has identified sources of non-federal 25% cash match.</p>	<p>5 points = Includes an acceptable budget in sufficient detail, costs are adequately tied to project activities, all costs are justified and reasonable</p> <p>1 point = Meet minimum requirement of having 25% match with identified sources of non-federal cash match in appropriate amount/s.</p>	<p>Up to 6 points</p>

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<p>See question D.5. Made program modifications when appropriate, to best serve its participants.</p>	<p>Agency adequately describes qualitative and quantitative evidence which demonstrated either the strength of the existing program or the need for improvements, change, or no changes.</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>See question D.6. New Projects. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25% of units for PSH or participants for RRH that are not funded by the CoC or ESG – (5 pts) • 25% of total request in leveraging from a healthcare provider OR 100% access to substance abuse treatment service for project participants – (5 pts) • Specific action steps are listed to achieve project goals; demonstrates staffing is available and realistic (5 pts) 	<p>Up to 15 points</p>
<p>See questions D.7. – D.9. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Proposed project ensures that persons of all races, ethnicities, gender identities, sexual orientations, and abilities have equal opportunity and access to the project.</p> <p>HUD Final Rule on Equal Access added to the Reference Library.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated process used to ensure persons of persons of all races, ethnicities, gender identities, sexual orientations, and abilities have equal opportunity and access to the project. (1 pt) • Degree to which the project has taken steps taken to identify and resolve racial barriers. Improve racial equity in the provision and outcome of services. (1 pt) • Provided appropriate explanation of changes made to improve service delivery to culturally diverse populations. (1 pt) • Provided Cultural Competency Training or educational instruction to agency leadership, staff or board to build awareness, knowledge and skills related to cultural difference. (1 pt) • How do you involve individuals with lived experience in 1) service delivery and 2) decision making processes? (2 pts) 	<p>6 (Up to 6 pts maximum)</p>
<p>See Questions E.1. and E.2. - Applicant has demonstrated capacity to achieve proposed project goals and verified use of best practices through a third party review.</p>	<p>2 points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process • Financial and organizational review OR program review • End result is funding, licensure, 	<p>5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>

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	<p>certification, or accreditation for a specific time period.</p> <p>3 points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process • Financial and organizational review, site visit, program review – (Has 2 of these 3 items) • End result is funding, licensure, certification, or accreditation for a specific time period <p>5 points (MUST include all 4 items)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process • Financial and organizational review, site visit • Program review • End result is funding, licensure, certification, or accreditation for a specific time period 	
<p>See Question E.3.a - Applicant organization has demonstrated a level of participation in the DuPage County Continuum of Care</p> <p>CONTINUUM COMMITTEE CHAIRS WILL PROVIDE THIS SCORE.</p>	<p>Active and regular participation in Continuum committee meetings:</p> <p><u>1</u> point = Active in one committee <u>2</u> points = Active in two committees <u>3</u> points = Active in three or more committees</p> <p>And / Or:</p> <p>2 points = Agency has employed a Committee Chairperson in the past twelve months with regular and active participation and/or a staff member with active participation in special CoC projects, subcommittees, task forces, etc. with chairperson recommendation.</p>	<p>5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>
<p>See Question E.3.b - Applicant HMIS Participation.</p> <p>HMIS LEAD WILL PROVIDE THIS SCORE.</p>	<p>5 points = Contributes consistent and quality data containing the Minimum Data Elements and Program specific data elements for all clients served. At least 50% of agency end users have been certified. Agency has addressed any issues identified at last security</p>	<p>5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>

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	<p>monitoring visit. Agency Data Administrator attends all mandatory training sessions and meetings.</p> <p>3 points = Contributes consistent and high-quality data containing the Minimum Data Elements and Program specific data elements for all clients served or domestic violence service provider that has demonstrated utilization of comparable data base.</p> <p>1 point = Contributes data but is not of sufficient quality to meet standards.</p> <p>0 points = Domestic violence service provider that cannot demonstrate utilization of comparable data base.</p>	
<p>See Questions E.3.c - Applicant participates in CoC Street Count planning and implementation during years when CoC Biennial Point in Time Street Count activity takes place.</p> <p>CONTINUUM STREET COUNT COMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE THIS SCORE.</p>	<p>5 points = One decision maker staff or their delegate staff participates in each planning meeting. Agency provides a minimum of one team (2+ persons) to participate on the night of the count.</p> <p>Two meetings (Nov/Dec) One training (Jan) Night of the Count (Jan)</p>	<p>5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>
<p>See Question F.1. Applicant has demonstrated the need for this project targeted to survivors of domestic violence who meet the definition of homeless. Need must use data from HMIS or a comparable database that meets HMIS standards.</p> <p>THIS IS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROJECTS ONLY.</p>	<p><u>2</u> points = Agency has data to quantify the need for this project within the CoC from a database comparable to or using HMIS.</p> <p><u>3</u> points = Agency has demonstrated the extent of need for this project within the CoC, identified gaps within the system, and how this project will fill this gap.</p>	<p>5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>
<p>See Question F.2. Project involves survivors with a range of lived expertise in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.</p> <p>THIS IS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROJECTS ONLY.</p>	<p>5 points – Agency adequately describes how the project involves survivors with a range of lived expertise in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.</p>	<p>5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>



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	<p>Total Score Max Available - Renewal Projects 100</p> <p>Total Score Max Available - New Projects 69</p> <p>Total Score Max Available - Renewal DV Projects 79</p> <p>Total Score Max Available - New DV Projects 110</p>	
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