

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 2024 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2024 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 2024 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.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with—if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.

- 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).

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: IL-514 - DuPage County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: Du Page, County Of

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Du Page, County Of

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.1.a.(1), V.B.1.e., V.B.1f., and V.B.1.p.	
	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024:	
	1. select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC’s coordinated entry system; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC’s geographic area:	

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC’s Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	No
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	Yes
3.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	No
4.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
5.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	Yes	No
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	No	No
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	Yes	No	Yes
10.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
11.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
12.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	Yes
13.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	No	No
14.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	No	No
16.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes	Yes	Yes

17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
18.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	Yes	No
19.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
20.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes
21.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	No
22.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	No
24.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
25.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	Yes	No
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	No
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	No
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	No	No	No
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	No	No	No
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	No
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.	Organization led by & serving Veterans	Yes	Yes	Yes
35.	Organization led by & serving 65+ older persons	Yes	Yes	No

1B-1a.	Experience Promoting Racial Equity.	
	NOFO Section III.B.3.c.	

Describe in the field below your CoC's experience in effectively addressing the needs of underserved communities, particularly Black and Brown communities, who are substantially overrepresented in the homeless population.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The DuPage CoC’s experience in effectively addressing the needs of underserved communities, particularly Black and Brown communities, has developed from partnerships with several organizations which are led by and serve Black, Brown, and other People of Color. These include Hope’s Front Door, the DuPage Housing Authority, and 360 Youth Services.

1) The CoC collaborates with all agencies to assist in either designing or operating programs that are inclusive of people of color, and others who have been historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected by poverty and inequality. This includes seeking to remove any barriers that limit full and equal participation for underserved individuals seeking to access housing and supports. This is accomplished through conversations and actions taken during the CoC Gaps & Needs Committee (Hope’s Front Door); HCV, EHV, or Moving On client participation (DuPage Housing Authority); and annual CoC Business Plan review (360 Youth Services). Actions taken include reviewing updated racial equity analysis data using the HUD CoC Analysis Tool: Race and Ethnicity, and CoC discussions using Stella Performance and the Longitudinal Systems Analysis Data.

2) Examples of how the CoC’s experience successfully advanced racial equity in other ways include new racial equity trainings made available to our housing and service providers through our Learning Management System (LMS), tracking demographics of referrals and placements in the CoC Coordinated Entry System and sharing this information monthly, and updating our public facing resource flyer to include language regarding the rights of protected classes (race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, sexual orientation, and gender identity).

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(2)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
	1. communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC’s website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;	
	2. ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and	
	3. invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in your CoC’s geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC conducts and communicates an annual, transparent process with an open invitation posted on its website <https://dupagehomeless.org/>. Under "Helping the Homeless" in the section "Continuum Overview" there are tabs "To Join the Continuum," "Membership Process," and "Membership." CoC membership consists of both Individual and Organizational memberships. Members may choose to be a part of the CoC General membership or be active on one or more of the CoC's eight standing committees or subcommittees. Application for membership is inclusive and open year-round. New members are encouraged to complete a CoC interest form and return it by mail, email, or fax. A phone number is provided in the "Contact Us" section of the CoC website if prospective members have further questions. An annual CoC meeting calendar is publicly posted on the website and also distributed to all members. Invitations to attend the bi-annual Full Continuum meetings are sent CoC-wide through accessible electronic communication and a notice is published under the CoC Membership Process that anyone may attend.

2) The CoC ensures effective communication with individuals with disabilities to join the CoC by including the availability and use of fillable PDF interest forms, virtual/remote committee meeting access with closed caption as needed, and in person meetings of Full Continuum members in facilities which are fully ADA compliant. If there is difficulty accessing, completing, or submitting the CoC membership application, additional language on the website encourages prospective members to contact a member of the CoC for assistance.

3) The CoC invites organizations leading and serving culturally specific communities to address equity, which include Black, Latino (360 Youth Services, People's Resource Center, WeGo Together for Kids West Chicago), Asian (Hamdard, Islamic Circle of North America), LGBTQ+ (360 Youth Services, Youth Outlook), and persons with disabilities (Ray Graham, Seguin).

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(3)	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;	
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information;	
3.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and	
4.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC also solicits and considers opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals with knowledge of homelessness through the hosting of regularly scheduled public meetings of eight CoC directed committees focused on the intent to prevent and end homelessness within the community. Included in this broad cohort of community stakeholders are representatives from Street Outreach/Emergency Shelter, Homelessness Prevention, Veterans, Behavioral Health, Victim Service Providers, Senior Services, and organizations dedicated to Human Trafficking, Homeless Youth and LGBTQ+ members. Both CoC Leadership and the Coordinated Entry System Oversight Committees include individuals with former lived experience of homelessness who demonstrate active participation and voting at each meeting. Opinion and input are also considered from individual CoC members and organizations, including law enforcement, healthcare, school districts, and the DuPage Housing Authority. Additionally, the CoC solicited and considered opinion and feedback from persons with experience of homelessness through a series of focus groups held at different times throughout the year. Responses were used to identify gaps within our current homeless response system and how to address these needs.

2) The CoC communicated information during public meetings or other forums to solicit public information through both virtual and in person meetings, as well as through email communications and website postings. Responses were collected via direct email, through the website, and with the inclusion of a direct phone number if feedback was requested through verbal communication.

3) The CoC ensures effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats through virtual meeting access with closed caption as needed, with in person solicitation for public input available at the CoC Full Continuum meetings, and through accessible electronic communication.

4) The CoC took into consideration information gathered during public meetings and focus groups to address new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness (i.e., the formation of a CoC Lived Experience Council for persons experiencing homelessness, length of time homeless reviews, and developing an improved assessment tool, analyzing questions to identify whether any have significant racial bias).

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.	
NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(4)		
Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:		
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;	
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications—the process;	
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and	
4.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The CoC notified the public with an open proposal announcement to the community through a posting on the CoC’s website and through a CoC-wide electronic communication that the CoC is considering applications from organizations that had not previously received CoC program funding. Also made public was an informational document with instructions and a link to the internet-based, online application.

- 2) The CoC notified the public through a posting on the CoC’s website and through a CoC-wide electronic communication that all applicants must submit a project eligibility pre-application for review and approval before the internet-based business plan project application and cost forms could be completed for consideration. Deadline dates, renewal and new project information with eligible program components and eligible funded activities meeting HUD eligibility criteria were provided along with contact information for local technical assistance.

- 3) The CoC used a scoring process based on objective criteria and system performance measures to determine whether a project will be included in the FY2024 CoC Program Competition process. This scoring process included alignment with HUD priorities, local priorities, community gaps and needs, and for renewal projects, HUD compliance thresholds. All projects are initially evaluated by the CoC Gaps & Needs Committee, and later by the Rank & Review Committee, who then makes recommendations to the Leadership Committee. Minimum requirements and threshold considerations were made available during both in person meeting and website posting. This allows for fair and equitable consideration of each project. Additional information regarding applications focused on subpopulations was also addressed, both via in person meetings and website postings. A member with former lived experience of homelessness takes part in this process as a member of the Leadership Committee.

- 4) The CoC ensures effective communication with individuals with disabilities who have not previously applied wherever possible, including through virtual and in person meetings, the provisions of clear and direct instruction in the use of an online posting of the application process, the use of electronic formats through virtual meeting access with closed caption as needed, and through accessible electronic communication.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	
	In the chart below:	
	1. select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.	

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Yes
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	Nonexistent
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Nonexistent
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Nonexistent
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	
18.		

1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	

In the chart below select yes or no to indicate whether your CoC:

1.	Consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG Program funds?	Yes
2.	Provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area?	Yes
3.	Ensured local homelessness information is communicated and addressed in the Consolidated Plan updates?	Yes
4.	Coordinated with ESG recipients in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients?	Yes

1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.c.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity:

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated?	No
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure family members are not separated?	Yes
3.	Worked with CoC and ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients?	Yes
4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance?	No
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers?	No

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	Yes
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has established a formal partnership with the county-level Local Education Agency (LEA), the DuPage County Regional Office of Education (ROE). This partnership addresses the entire Continuum of Care and all definitions of homelessness. It is the goal of this collaborative partnership to provide services for eligible children that will assist in removing barriers to identification, enrollment, and ultimately the success of students. As part of this collaboration, the ROE Homeless Student Advocate is an active member of the CoC Leadership Board (Governance) and represents the homeless student liaisons within the DuPage County school districts as identified in the CoC Governance Charter.

An MOU is executed annually between the CoC and the ROE. The ROE agrees to be an active member of the CoC with appropriate committee participation, to refer families experiencing homelessness to the CoC Coordinated Entry System for housing information and services to assist them in finding fixed, regular and adequate housing, and to provide training to assist CoC agencies to understand the educational rights of eligible students.

The CoC agrees to collaborate with the ROE and school district homeless liaisons to assist in the identification of families that lack a fixed, regular and adequate housing, inform their clients of the educational rights of their children and refer them to the Homeless Student Advocate if they need assistance removing barriers at their schools, and encourage CoC agencies to participate in ROE trainings to inform the LEAs of available community resources and inform LEA staff of the challenges homeless students experience. It is mutually agreed that each party will distribute the others' information about programs and services that apply to their respective clients.

The CoC collaborates with local school district homeless student liaisons by conducting a quarterly Community Partners for Homeless Students Roundtable. This event invites school districts and homeless housing partners together to discuss housing and homeless resources to assist students and families in need. The CoC Planner also participates in the DuPage Early Childhood Collaboration (DECC), a county wide collaboration which helps eliminate disparities and barriers that can hinder access to early childhood education and care.

1C-4b.	Informing Individuals and Families Who Have Recently Begun Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.	
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NOFO Section V.B.1.d.

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC uses to inform individuals and families who have recently begun experiencing homelessness of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The DuPage CoC adopted a policy on October 13, 2010 requiring all CoC and ESG providers serving homeless families with children to submit a written, board approved policy that follows all provisions of the McKinney-Vento education laws. This policy is part of the annual project Ranking Criteria scoring. Included in this policy: Assist in the identification of homeless families for local liaisons; distribute information and inform homeless families and youth of their eligibility for early childhood and education services; consider the educational needs of children when families are placed in emergency or transitional shelter, place families with children as close as possible to their school of origin; conduct training for staff regarding the student rights of students; coordinate closely with local school homeless advocates and early childhood providers; and identify a staff person whose responsibility it is to ensure that homeless children are enrolled in school or preschool and connected to appropriate services within the community.

The policy also requires that emergency shelters, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) providers within the CoC do not deny admission to or separate any family members from other members of their family based on age, sex, or gender when entering shelter or housing. All front-line case management staff are trained and aware of homeless student rights regarding education. This training takes place annually and training materials are made available to participants. At intake, providers give full information about education rights, including the right for education at all levels to continue to attend the prior school they had been attending, with transportation provided by the school district or to enroll in the local school. The provider ensures that preschool and school-aged children are referred to the local liaison immediately so that as little time as possible lapses in their school attendance. The children's educational needs are included as part of each case record.

1C-4c.	Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

		MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years	Yes	No
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	No	No
3.	Early Childhood Providers	Yes	Yes
4.	Early Head Start	Yes	Yes
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	Yes	No
6.	Head Start	Yes	Yes
7.	Healthy Start	Yes	No
8.	Public Pre-K	No	Yes
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.	CoC MOU with DuPage Early Childhood Collaborative 5/2022 – 5/2027	Yes	No

1C-5.	Addressing Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking–Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers. NOFO Section V.B.1.e.
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In the chart below select yes or no for the organizations your CoC collaborates with:

	Organizations	
1.	State Domestic Violence Coalitions	Yes
2.	State Sexual Assault Coalitions	No
3.	Anti-trafficking Service Providers	Yes
Other Organizations that Help this Population (limit 500 characters)		
4.	Organizations which provide state supported and privately funded housing and services which specifically assist this population.	Yes

1C-5a.	Collaborating with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers to Address Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking. NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
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Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations that you selected yes to in Question 1C-5 to:

1.	update CoC-wide policies; and
2.	ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Following updates made in 2023 to the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization Act of 2022, the CoC regularly collaborated with both its local victim services provider, Metropolitan Services/Family Shelter Service DuPage (Family Shelter) and its largest ESG and CoC Domestic Violence (DV) funded Rapid Rehousing provider, DuPagePads, to update CoC-wide policies regarding housing protections for survivors of domestic abuse, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Family Shelter is a coalition member of the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV). The IACDV is the Statewide Domestic Violence Coalition, providing advocacy, training, technical assistance, best practices, and federal pass-through funding from the Office for Victims of Crime (Victim of Crime Act/VOCA) through the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA). CoC and ESG-wide policies were updated to identify the protections and rights outlined in the rule including protections from refusal of assistance, termination of assistance, or eviction based on being a survivor. VAWA protections are available to all individuals regardless of sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation and include housing in both CoC and ESG projects. A survivor has the right to an emergency transfer when there is a safe and available unit and the option to bifurcate a lease to help keep the survivor safely housed. An Emergency Transfer Plan was developed in collaboration with the CoC victim services provider partner, approved and adopted by CoC Leadership, and a VAWA addendum for rental units was incorporated into lease agreements.

2) The CoC ensures that all housing and services provided in the CoC and ESG programs adhere to trauma-informed best practices by acknowledging the need to understand a survivor’s life experiences in order to provide effective care. This is done by educating all members of the CoC through training by the victim service provider of the guiding principles of trauma-informed care: safety, choice, collaboration, trustworthiness, empowerment and cultural, historical and gender issues. These are reviewed during training and education, case conferencing discussions, during partner conversations between staff providing housing services and our victim services provider offering services and supports, and through client choice as we expand to meet the housing needs of survivors through a domestic violence rapid rehousing response.

1C-5b.	Implemented Safety Planning, Confidentiality Protocols in Your CoC’s Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC’s coordinated entry addresses the needs of DV survivors by including:	
1.	safety planning protocols; and	
2.	confidentiality protocols.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC Coordinated Entry (CE) process has protocols in place to prioritize the safety of individuals seeking assistance. Metropolitan Family Services/Family Shelter Services DuPage (Family Shelter) is an access point in the Coordinated Entry System for persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence. Access to Coordinated Entry is available to survivors via consumer choice through a referral process where the client may choose to remain anonymous within HMIS. These protocols ensure that people experiencing domestic violence have confidential access to the coordinated entry process which incorporates victim-centered services and addresses their trauma-informed care needs. CE staff are trained on the dynamics and the impact of interpersonal violence, as well as the need for safety and privacy. The CoC CES has planning protocols in place to address the unique housing and service needs of survivors of domestic violence through its partnership with housing providers Catholic Charities, DuPagePads, and 360 youth Services. Those needs may include services that take into account physical health, mental health, and safety concerns resulting from abuse by an intimate partner, a safe connection to permanent housing, assistance regaining economic independence and maintaining housing while fleeing, and increased confidentiality and information sharing protections. As the primary access point, the victim service provider makes the housing referral, typically to Catholic Charities, for a confidential housing assessment. The housing assessment and planning process is aligned with a trauma-informed care approach and seeks to actively resist re-traumatization.

2) The confidentiality and privacy of domestic violence clients is ensured with written confidentiality protocols within Coordinated Entry and ESG policies through an alternate database. An agency cannot require a survivor to provide a release of information in order to receive services. Coordinated housing and homeless services require written releases of information authorizations and informed consent by the client. Care is taken that the assessment tool and process does not retraumatize the individual or family and informs the person up-front about how the information will be used and allows the option to refuse to answer questions or choose not to disclose personal information.

1C-5c.	Coordinated Annual Training on Best Practices to Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

In the chart below, indicate how your CoC facilitates training for project staff and coordinated entry staff that addresses best practices on safety planning and confidentiality protocols:

		Project Staff	Coordinated Entry Staff
1.	Training Occurs at least annually?	Yes	Yes
2.	Incorporates Trauma Informed best practices?	Yes	Yes
3.	Incorporates Survivor-Centered best practices?	Yes	Yes
4.	Identifies and assesses survivors' individual safety needs?	Yes	Yes
5.	Enhances and supports collaboration with DV organizations?	Yes	Yes
6.	Ensures survivors' rights, voices, and perspectives are incorporated?	Yes	Yes

Other? (limit 500 characters)			
7.	The CoC facilitates training for project and coordinated entry staff with our local victim service provider, Metropolitan Services/Family Shelter Service DuPage (MFS/FSS DuPage), to include training not mentioned above related to the effects of DV on children, survivor behavior, advocacy, social justice, DV and cultural competency, teen dating violence, and LGBTQ+ issues.	Yes	Yes

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1C-5d.	Implemented VAWA-Required Written Emergency Transfer Plan Policies and Procedures for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking. NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
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Describe in the field below:

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| 1. | whether your CoC's written policies and procedures include an emergency transfer plan; |
| 2. | how your CoC informs all households seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance about their rights to an emergency transfer; |
| 3. | what your CoC requires households to do to request emergency transfers; and |
| 4. | what your CoC does in response to households requesting emergency transfers. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC’s written policies and procedures include an emergency transfer plan, developed in cooperation with DuPage County Community Development Commission and updated and approved by the DuPage HOME Advisory Group on 11/07/2023. Any additional changes will be made following HUD in its rulemaking, implementing the VAWA Reauthorization Act of 2022.

2) The CoC informs all households seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance about their rights to an emergency transfer, regardless of known survivor status. Information is provided to each individual or family applying for housing and each housed CoC program participant during the following times:
 a) When an individual or family is denied permanent housing or transitional housing, b) When a CoC program participant is admitted to permanent housing or transitional housing c) When a CoC program participant receives notification of eviction; d) When a CoC program participant is notified of termination of assistance, e) With any of termination of rental assistance; and f) Immediately, for any existing tenant either during annual recertification or lease renewal, whichever is applicable; or, if there will be no recertification or lease renewal for a tenant.

3) The process for an individual or family to request an emergency transfer is to notify their case manager. If the household qualifies for an emergency transfer and wishes to make a request for an external emergency transfer, they shall have priority over all other applicants for rental assistance, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing projects funded with CoC resources provided that the individual or family meets all eligibility criteria required by Federal law or regulation or HUD NOFO. The individual or family shall not be required to meet any other eligibility criteria or preferences for the project. The individual or family shall retain their original homeless or chronically homeless status for the purposes of the transfer.

4) Following the request for the emergency transfer, transfers due to fleeing and/or experiencing violence are prioritized above all other transfers and will have the fastest resolution possible. Housing providers have the autonomy to make internal transfers between projects at the same agency within the same program model type, as well as between TH, RRH, and PSH models at the same agency. External emergency transfers are given a “Priority 1” Transfer Priority Level and a 48 hour or less approval time.

1C-5e.	Facilitating Safe Access to Housing and Services for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures households experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all of the housing and services available within your CoC’s geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC ensures that survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all housing and services available within the CoC’s geographic area, as provided to all other populations experiencing homelessness. Safe access is identified as addressing program participants’ physical, emotional, safety, privacy, and confidentiality needs. This is accomplished through trauma-informed, client centered, housing solution strategies and clear referral policies and procedures.

As the primary provider of DV services and supports, Metropolitan Family Services/Family Shelter Services DuPage (MFS/FSS DuPage) is considered an access point within our Coordinated Entry System for this population, yet safe access related to housing and supports is not limited to MFS/FSS DuPage. Housing supports and services for survivors of domestic violence are also available through collaboration with CoC partners Catholic Charities, DuPagePads, and 360 Youth Services for shelter, transitional housing, rapid rehousing, and permanent supportive housing.

Regardless of where an individual or family presents for assistance, they are able to access safe housing and services tailored to their unique circumstances and needs. Our CoC system can refer households from one housing provider to another housing provider in order to provide safe access to all housing and services available within the CoC geography. The same can be accomplished with our victim service provider to a housing provider across the CoC system. This ensures equitable, safe access and housing resources for domestic violence survivors in need of access to safe, stable housing assistance.

1C-5f.	Identifying and Removing Barriers for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures survivors receive safe housing and services by:	
1.	identifying barriers specific to survivors; and	
2.	working to remove those barriers.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1)The CoC recognizes there are multiple barriers specific to survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking. In the DuPage CoC these include safe housing availability and affordability, access to mental health services to address issues of Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression and anxiety, and financial concerns made worse as survivors may not have had access to finances, may have been prohibited from working, or may have had their credit scores destroyed by an abusive partner.

2)The CoC works to remove these barriers through coordination, collaboration, and communication. Solutions for survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking encompasses a range of options such as emergency shelter, transitional housing and permanent housing options (including housing vouchers), and federally subsidized housing. Survivors also need living-wage jobs, access to healthcare and benefits, and access to childcare, as well as economic literacy, financial education, and job training. The CoC coordinates safe and affordable housing opportunities through it's housing partnerships with state and federally funded housing agencies. The CoC has added and increased the number of Rapid Rehousing units specifically for survivors of DV and has worked with survivors to apply for additional permanent housing through Permanent Supportive Housing options (if eligible) and Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) support. The CoC has also communicated education and information to property owners, rental management companies, and the landlord community regarding VAWA and Emergency Transfer Plans. The CoC's assists survivors with connections and access to mental health services through counseling and therapy support with our largest nonprofit, Metropolitan Family Services (MFS). MFS empowers families to learn, earn, heal, and thrive. This collaboration, along with others which are focused on survivors, provides financial education and economic literacy, along with childcare resources. The CoC also works to ensure enrollment in mainstream benefit programs and collaborates with our Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) partner, workNet DuPage, to assist survivors seeking employment through job training and connections to employers.

1C-6.	Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+--Anti-Discrimination Policy and Equal Access Trainings.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

	1. Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination?	Yes
	2. Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
	3. Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	No

1C-6a.	Anti-Discrimination Policy--Updating Policies--Assisting Providers--Evaluating Compliance--Addressing Noncompliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ and other organizations to update its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary to ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families;
2.	how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy;
3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
4.	your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC collaborates with members of the LGBTQ+ community and agencies serving the LGBTQ+ population when updating its anti-discrimination policies to ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families. This takes place through discussions within its Leadership Committee which meets six times each year.

2) All CoC and ESG funded agencies have anti-discrimination policies in place, which include the Fair Housing Act and those under HUD's Equal Access to Housing Rule and Gender Identity Final Rule. This is consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination. Agencies have refined policies and procedures to ensure equal access to HUD housing programs for all eligible households regardless of their actual or perceived sexual orientation and gender identity. The HUD Equal Access to Housing Rule and Gender Identity Final Rule is contained in the updated ESG program plan and written standards. Housing and supportive services are offered to eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex (including sexual orientation or gender identity), age, familial status, or disability; program applicants and participants are provided with information of their rights under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws.

3) The process for evaluating compliance with the CoC's anti-discrimination policies includes an annual evaluation of each agency's anti-discrimination policies. Each agency is required to provide, in writing, their policy which addresses affirmatively furthering fair housing, anti-discrimination, and equal access in accordance with an individual's gender identity.

4) The CoC process for addressing noncompliance with CoC anti-discrimination policies begins with an annual evaluation of an agency's anti-discrimination policies and practices. Any agency anti-discrimination policy which does not align with CoC anti-discrimination policy is required to verbally present before the CoC why the policy is noncompliant and be given the opportunity for compliance. If the agency chooses not to affirm a commitment to serving all eligible clients by adhering to the CoC anti-discrimination policies and procedures, the CoC will bring the non-compliance to the CoC Leadership Board for future funding determination.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area--New Admissions--General/Limited Preference--Moving On Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the current CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with--if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing or Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2023 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
DuPage Housing Authority	5%	Yes-HCV	Yes

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

Describe in the field below:

1. steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference--if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or
2. state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The DuPage CoC has a working relationship with the DuPage Housing Authority (its only PHA within its jurisdiction) and DuPage County has appointed a DuPage County Board Member to serve as a Commissioner on the DuPage Housing Authority Board. The DHA has adopted a homeless preference that has been in effect for several years. The DuPage Housing Authority and the DuPage CoC meet to discuss and evaluate the effectiveness of referrals received, vouchers issued, units leased, homeless persons housed, transitions made, services provided, and overall utilization of vouchers using the homeless preference or residents who previously had leased up units using the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV). The DuPage Housing Authority uses a two tiered single waiting list system. The system gives applicants that qualify for a preference the chance to receive a Housing Choice Voucher ahead of applicants that do not have a qualifying preference.

Preferences give the DuPage Housing Authority a way to address local housing issues, including that of homelessness. Qualifying for an immediate preference when vouchers are available, are participants in any HUD funded DuPage CoC housing program that, as a component of their service provision, has an MOU with the DuPage Housing Authority. Qualifying under General preferences (1 point each) are: Category 1 – DuPage County Resident/Employed in DuPage Service Area; Category 2 – Family; Category 3 – Veteran; Category 4 – Domestic Violence under VAWA; Category 5 – HUD Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) program; Category 6 - Involuntary Displacement and Category 7 - Homeless household admission (i.e., transitioning from an ES,TH, PSH, etc.)

2) Not Applicable. The DuPage Housing Authority has adopted a homeless admission preference.

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:

1.	Multifamily assisted housing owners	No
2.	PHA	Yes
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	Yes
4.	Local low-income housing programs	Yes
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
5.	Market rent apartments with landlords that accept Housing Choice Vouchers. Includes landlords with 1-2 units and large apartment complexes.	Yes

1C-7c.	Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process:

1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	Yes
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	No
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	No
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	Yes
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No
7.	Public Housing	No
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	

1C-7d.	Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessness. NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
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1.	Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)?	No
		Program Funding Source
2.	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	N/A

1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV). NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	
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	Did your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	Yes
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1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

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;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Preventing People Transitioning from Public Systems from Experiencing Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.h.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the public systems listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.

1.	Prisons/Jails?	Yes
2.	Health Care Facilities?	Yes
3.	Residential Care Facilities?	Yes
4.	Foster Care?	Yes

1D-2.	Housing First—Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2024 CoC Program Competition.	16
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2024 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	16
3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

You must upload the Housing First Evaluation attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
 Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC evaluates every project—where the applicant checks Housing First on their project application—to determine if they are using a Housing First approach;
2.	the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation;
3.	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach; and
4.	what your CoC has done to improve fidelity to Housing First.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC evaluates each project applicant that checks “Housing First” on their Project Application through annual review and scoring of CoC Business Plans to ensure a commitment to Housing First that does not exclude individuals with little or no income, criminal record, active or history of substance abuse, domestic violence, or any other qualification not covered in a typical lease agreement. Each applicant must describe in a narrative response how their program uses a Housing First model, how these practices are reinforced and how any barriers to Housing First are addressed.

2) The list of factors and performance indicators used by the CoC during evaluation include: participants must enter without preconditions or service participation requirements in order to receive agency assistance, may not be terminated for failure to participate in support services or make progress on a service plan, loss of income, domestic violence, or any other activity not found in a typical lease agreement. Services are directed toward improving self-sufficiency, quality of life, and obtaining and maintaining permanent housing. Consideration is given to projects that address severe barriers to housing including high utilization of emergency services, including but not limited to emergency rooms, jails, and psychiatric facilities, history of victimization/abuse, length of time homeless, only project of its kind in the CoC’s geographic area serving a special homeless population or a population that has significant challenges or functional impairments, including physical, mental, developmental or behavioral health disabilities; and vulnerability to illness and death.

3) Projects are regularly evaluated outside of our local CoC competition through the Coordinated Entry referral process to ensure projects are using a committed Housing First approach. The monthly Coordinated Entry System Oversight Committee routinely monitors outcomes of referrals made through the CES each month. Referrals which are repeatedly returned to the prioritization list are reviewed to confirm all Housing First principles were followed at the time the referral was returned.

4) The CoC has shared Housing First training, education, and best practices with participating agencies within the CoC to ensure fidelity to Housing First. During monthly case coordination meetings, any barriers to placement in accordance with Housing First principles are reviewed and suggestions made for compliance.

1D-3.	Street Outreach—Data—Reaching People Least Likely to Request Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.j.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC tailored its street outreach to people experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC’s street outreach efforts are tailored to address the needs of people experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance. These special outreach efforts are focused on those with high barriers and who are least likely to request assistance by applying consistent and repeated attempts at engagement, establishing trust, and attempting to overcome negative relationships or perceptions that may exist between the public and the unsheltered population. This is coordinated among a variety of stakeholders (persons with lived experience, faith based organizations, law enforcement, healthcare systems, library staff, Veterans organizations, and landlords) and is centered in collaboration with the DuPagePads Street Outreach team.

Methods used to ensure that all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness are quickly identified and engaged include ongoing, consistent relationship building with goals of helping unsheltered persons access supports needed to move from unsheltered homelessness off the streets and into shelter and housing quickly. Street outreach efforts are connected to the Coordinated Entry process and persons are assessed and prioritized for assistance. Street Outreach staff target areas known to be frequented by persons experiencing homelessness and are available to provide outreach to unsheltered persons seven days each week at all different times of day and nighttime hours.

Unsheltered persons are also identified through a well-publicized 24-hour Street Outreach Hotline which can be accessed by members of the community to notify the Street Outreach Team of persons who might need assistance or for persons needing assistance themselves. Additional information is publicized on the DuPage Homeless website, in 211 DuPage communications, at libraries with TTY relay service access, police departments, health departments, and throughout the faith-based community. This includes information on how to access services, how to qualify, and the availability of multiple language translation services, including sign language. Those with cognitive or physical disabilities are assisted using accessibility services coordinated by the Street Outreach team.

1D-4.	Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.k.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate your CoC’s strategies to prevent the criminalization of homelessness in your CoC’s geographic area:

	Your CoC’s Strategies	Engaged/Educated Legislators and Policymakers	Implemented Laws/Policies/Practices that Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness
1.	Increase utilization of co-responder responses or social services-led responses over law enforcement responses to people experiencing homelessness?	Yes	No
2.	Minimize use of law enforcement to enforce bans on public sleeping, public camping, or carrying out basic life functions in public places?	Yes	No

3.	Avoid imposing criminal sanctions, including fines, fees, and incarceration for public sleeping, public camping, and carrying out basic life functions in public places?	Yes	No
4.	Other:(limit 500 characters)		
		No	No

1D-5.	Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) or Longitudinal Data from HMIS.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

		HIC Longitudinal HMIS Data	2023	2024
	Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC or the number of households served per longitudinal HMIS data, e.g., APR.	HIC	130	150

1D-6.	Mainstream Benefits–CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

	Mainstream Benefits	CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	SSDI–Social Security Disability Insurance	Yes
4.	TANF–Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
5.	Substance Use Disorder Programs	Yes
6.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
7.	Other (limit 150 characters)	
	Monthly training on Food Stamps, SSI/SSDI, and TANF were provided through a Public Benefits Training series. SUD program and EAP training were offered through monthly Community Connections meetings.	Yes

1D-6a.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

1.	works with projects to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including those that provide substance use disorder treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services, including Medicaid; and
2.	promotes SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC is a member of the DuPage County Behavioral Health Collaborative (BHC) and works with project staff to coordinate resources and information. The BHC is a cross-sector partnership of DuPage County leaders working collaboratively to identify and implement data-driven strategies that improve access and quality of mental health and substance use disorder treatment and to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services, most of whom are low income, unstably housed, or experiencing homelessness. The CoC partners with the DuPage Health Coalition to ensure homeless individuals not eligible for Medicaid or the ACA have access to health care enrollment through locally funded safety net health programs such as Access DuPage, Silver Access, and Dispensary of Hope (prescription assistance).

2) CoC staff is a member of the Illinois SOAR Advisory Council and works to promote SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification among designated staff at each CoC funded agency. The CoC encourages project staff to utilize the SOAR Online course tools and complete the Practice Case SSI/SSDI Application Packet. The course trains case workers to assist adults (age 18+) who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and have a serious mental illness, medical impairment, and/or a co-occurring substance use disorder to apply for the Social Security Administration’s (SSA) disability programs, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI). The CoC also encourages SOAR trained staff to meet SOAR expectations of registering in Online Application Tracking (OAT) to track and report case outcomes.

ID-7.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies—Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent the Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to develop CoC-wide policies and procedures that:	
1.	respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and	
2.	prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Through a coordinated partnership with local mainstream healthcare partners which include the DuPage County Health Department (DCHD) and the DuPage Health Coalition, the CoC equipped homeless housing and service providers with education and training to respond to infectious disease outbreaks among program participants. Information is shared with CoC partners during homeless provider updates, exchanges of updated infectious disease information, formal directives for homeless service providers on increased safety measures, and dissemination of updated health advisories. This information included procedures and recommended policies on the proper use of masks and proper hand hygiene, the need for social distancing, and the importance of preventing infectious disease outbreaks among sheltered program participants, in places where persons remain unsheltered, and in the workplace.

2) The CoC facilitated communication between DuPage County Health Department (DCHD) staff and agencies providing emergency shelter, housing, and Street Outreach services to ensure that health and safety protocols designed to prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness were implemented. These included screening tools consisting of a series of simple questions to help identify persons who might need additional medical care or isolation, education on how crowded service locations which may increase risk of disease transmission; basic infection control measures, and knowledge of communicable disease transmission among agency staff, clients, and highly mobile populations. During the transition from congregate to non-congregate shelter, staff from the DuPage County Health Department Communicable Disease and Epidemiology (CDE) Service Unit advised CoC shelter providers on reporting disease outbreaks, isolation procedures, and setting up routine communication within the congregate shelter system. The CDE Service Unit provided a Safety Officer responsible for working with non-congregate shelter staff to coordinate testing and onsite vaccination clinics. The Safety Officer continues to provide information, education, supplies, 1:1 support and consultation. There remains a CDE Service Unit incident command structure for additional communicable disease outbreaks and the Safety Officer is available to provide updates and vaccination information to CoC community partners and shelter staff.

ID-7a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	effectively shared information related to public health measures and homelessness; and	
2.	facilitated communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Through a targeted collaboration with local mainstream healthcare partners which included the DuPage County Health Department (DCHD) and the DuPage Health Coalition, the CoC shared vital homeless health care information via its website, email communication, and local health alerts with service providers to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants. Public Health information was also shared during homeless provider updates, exchanges of updated information and education during community-wide meetings, formal directives for homeless service providers on increased safety measures, and dissemination of updated health advisories. This information included proper use of masks and proper hand hygiene, the need for social distancing, and the importance of preventing or limiting infectious disease outbreaks among program participants and in places where persons remained unsheltered, as well as in the workplace.

2) The CoC facilitated communication between DuPage County Health Department (DCHD) staff and agencies providing emergency shelter, housing, and Street Outreach services to ensure that health and safety protocols designed to prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness were implemented. These included screening tools consisting of a series of simple questions to help identify persons who might need additional medical care or isolation, education on how crowded service locations which may increase risk of disease transmission; basic infection control measures, and knowledge of communicable disease transmission among agency staff, clients, and highly mobile populations. During the transition from congregate to non-congregate shelter, staff from the DuPage County Health Department Communicable Disease and Epidemiology (CDE) Service Unit advised CoC shelter providers on reporting disease outbreaks, isolation procedures, and setting up routine communication within the congregate shelter system. The CDE Service Unit provided a Safety Officer responsible for working with non-congregate shelter staff to coordinate testing and onsite vaccination clinics. The Safety Officer continues to provide information, education, supplies, 1:1 support and consultation. There remains a CDE Service Unit incident command structure for additional communicable disease outbreaks and the Safety Officer is available to provide updates and vaccination information to CoC community partners and shelter staff.

1D-8.	Coordinated Entry Standard Processes. NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	can serve everybody regardless of where they are located within your CoC's geographic area;	
2.	uses a standardized assessment process to achieve fair, equitable, and equal access to housing and services within your CoC;	
3.	collects personal information in a trauma-informed way; and	
4.	is updated at least annually using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC has the capacity to serve everybody regardless of where they are located within the CoC’s geographic area. The DuPagePads Street Outreach team serves 100% of the DuPage County geography and is considered a primary access point within our Coordinated Entry System, able to conduct standardized assessments of unsheltered persons, including any encampments. DuPage County also offers 211 DuPage to persons experiencing homelessness that includes information about housing and services available in the CoC’s jurisdiction. 211 DuPage can be accessed via text or telephone and is available 24/7, 365 days a year.

2) the CoC Coordinated Entry System uses a standardized assessment process of documenting a participant’s housing needs, preferences, and vulnerability. The information the CoC currently uses to inform its assessment determination currently includes the Housing Pre-Screen Tool, the VI-SPDAT, HMIS, and case conferencing. The assessment process gathers and uses information to understand what factors contributed to the housing crisis and what types of interventions might help resolve the crisis. During the assessment process, trained staff gather only enough information to determine the severity of need and potential eligibility for housing and related services. Information disclosed is used for determining specific program eligibility, making appropriate referrals, providing a reasonable accommodation, notes associated with case-conferencing decisions, and to ensure households are prioritized in a timely manner for housing and assistance.

3) The CoC’s structured, standardized assessment process ensures clients are not subject to inordinately long, intrusive, and repeated interviews. Personal information collected prioritizes the safety of participants and minimizes the risk of re-traumatization. At each stage of engagement data collection processes are sensitive, respectful, and supportive of individuals who have experienced trauma.

4) The Coordinated Entry System is updated regularly by the Coordinated Entry Oversight Committee which meets monthly and uses feedback received from participating projects and formerly homeless households that participated in coordinated entry. Updates which are recommended by participating projects and participants to the Committee are reviewed and approved by the CoC Leadership Committee and adopted into the CoC Coordinated Entry Written Standards and Policy which is updated annually.

1D-8a.	Coordinated Entry–Program Participant-Centered Approach.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC’s coordinated entry system:
1.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;
2.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance;
3.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their needs and preferences; and
4.	takes steps to reduce burdens on people seeking assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The DuPage CoC Coordinated Entry System (CES) requires all access points have capacity to engage and serve persons who are least likely to access homeless assistance. CES and primary Coordinated Entry (CE) access points are marketed via printed materials and the CoC homeless website to all persons, including those least likely to apply for homelessness assistance in the absence of special outreach. DuPage County also provides 211 DuPage access to persons experiencing homelessness that includes information about housing and services available in the CoC’s jurisdiction. 211 DuPage can be accessed via text or telephone and is available 24/7, 365 days a year.

2) Prioritization is based on a combination of specific assessment data and the severity of need rather than a specific diagnosis or disability type and is not based on factors that would result in violation of any non-discrimination and equal opportunity requirements per 24 CFR § 5.105(a).

3) All persons seeking housing assistance start the CE process at any access point where a simple, standardized assessment and response is provided, based on the needs and strengths of the individual. The assessment tools are intended to be progressive, capturing different information in different stages. Staff gather only enough information to determine the severity of need and potential eligibility for housing and related services. Information disclosed is used for purposes of notes associated with case-conferencing decisions, determining specific program eligibility, making appropriate referrals, providing a reasonable accommodation, and to ensure households are prioritized in a timely manner for housing and assistance.

4) As part of the CES evaluation process, staff gather only enough information to determine the severity of need and potential eligibility for housing and related services. Feedback received from projects and Coordinated Entry participants resulted in steps taken to re-design the assessment and prioritization process, reducing unnecessary complexities and removing barriers to access housing. The CoC’s structured, standardized assessment process ensures clients are not subject to inordinately long, intrusive, and repeated interviews. Information collected prioritizes the safety of participants and minimizes the risk of re-traumatization. At each stage of engagement data collection processes are sensitive, respectful, and supportive of individuals who have experienced trauma.

1D-8b.	Coordinated Entry–Informing Program Participants about Their Rights and Remedies–Reporting Violations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC through its coordinated entry:

1.	affirmatively markets housing and services provided within the CoC’s geographic area and ensures it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness;
2.	informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and
3.	reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants to the jurisdiction(s) responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Through its Coordinated Entry System (CES), the CoC affirmatively markets housing and services to ensure it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness through both bilingual printed materials, its homeless website and through 211 DuPage via text or phone. On both its printed materials and the website is the statement “The Coordinated Entry process is available to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, familial status, disability, actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status” in accordance with 24 CFR 578.93(c). All eligible persons experiencing homelessness, including Veterans, families with children, youth, and survivors of domestic violence, have fair and equal access to the Coordinated Entry system.

2) Through its CES process, the CoC informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws in a document which references our partnership with the fair housing and civil rights subject matter experts at HOPE Fair Housing and the Illinois Department of Human Rights Fair Housing Division. Each participant who is assessed within the DuPage CES receives this document and is provided with contact information for both organizations.

3) Through its CES process, the CoC procedure for reporting any observed conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants is to report, in writing, any impediments or concerns to DuPage County Community Services, the jurisdiction responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.

1D-9.	Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness—Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	Yes
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	06/24/2024

1D-9a.	Using Data to Determine if Racial Disparities Exist in Your CoC’s Provision or Outcomes of CoC Program-Funded Homeless Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	the data your CoC used to analyze whether any racial disparities are present in your CoC’s provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance; and
2.	how your CoC analyzed the data to determine whether any racial disparities are present in your CoC’s provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Following the release of the updated HUD CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool 4.0 in December 2023, the CoC began its annual assessment which included an analysis to determine whether any racial disparities were present in the provision or outcomes of CoC program funded homeless assistance. This new tool included Point in Time Count data pulled from PIT 2022 and American Community Services (ACS) data are pulled from ACS 2017 to 2021 5-year estimates. The CoC also used Stella P data in its analysis to examine differences between racial groups which included how long households remained homeless in the system, what percentage exited to permanent destinations, and what percentage returned to the homeless system. The CoC also conducted focus groups and distributed surveys of both sheltered persons and persons with formed lived experience.

2) An analysis by the CoC of the data in the current HUD CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool indicates that Black individuals experienced unsheltered homelessness (42%) at a lower percentage than White individuals (58%). Black individuals experienced overall homelessness (49%) at a slightly higher percentage than White individuals (43%), with the balance being comprised of Other/Multi-Racial individuals (7%) and those identifying as Asian or Asian American (2%). Data indicate White Youth (unaccompanied under the age of 25) experiencing homelessness is higher (49%) than Black youth (37%); Mixed Race (11%); Asian/Asian American (4%), and significantly higher in White Parenting Youth (under the age of 25) at 73% than Black Parenting Youth (under the age of 25) at 27%. Within the Stella P data sets during the 10/01/2022 - 09/30/2023 time frame, of persons in ES, SH, TH the race and ethnicity of HoH and Adults was 49% White, 46% Black, 4% Multiple Races, and 1% Asian or Asian American. Within those races, 18% identified as Hispanic/Latin (a)(o)(x). The race and ethnicity of persons served in RRH was 50% White, 46% Black, 3% Multiple Races, 1% Asian or Asian American. Also, 11% identified as Hispanic/Latin (a)(o)(x). Analysis by the CoC of the percent and number of households in each race and ethnicity group that exited to permanent destinations indicate that 42% Black HHs exited to PH destinations, while 53% White HHs exited to PH destinations.

1D-9b.	Implemented Strategies to Prevent or Eliminate Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to prevent or eliminate racial disparities.

1.	Are your CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies representative of the population served in the CoC?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC identify steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC?	Yes
3.	Is your CoC expanding outreach in your CoC's geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups?	No
4.	Does your CoC have communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups?	Yes
5.	Is your CoC training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness?	Yes

6.	Is your CoC establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector?	No
7.	Does your CoC have staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness?	Yes
8.	Is your CoC educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity?	Yes
9.	Did your CoC review its coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness?	Yes
10.	Is your CoC collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system?	Yes
11.	Is your CoC conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness?	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	
12.		

1D-9c.	Plan for Ongoing Evaluation of System-level Processes, Policies, and Procedures for Racial Equity.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	

Describe in the field below your CoC’s plan for ongoing evaluation of system-level processes, policies, and procedures for racial equity.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC continues to take steps towards its plan to prevent or eliminate racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of CoC Program-funded projects by evaluating CoC-level processes, policies, and procedures both monthly and annually. CoC evaluation includes reviewing race and ethnicity data in CoC and CES data reports for monthly tracking. This data analysis seeks to determine if persons from disproportionately represented racial or ethnic groups have different entry points into the homeless system and how persons move through different pathways to permanent housing. Data on who is accessing services, entering emergency shelter or transitional housing programs and then exiting into permanent housing is being examined to determine if programs are having a disparate impact based on race and ethnicity.

Ongoing evaluation of the CoC plan includes analysis and examination of other characteristics of disproportionately represented persons including poverty, access to health care, disabling conditions, history of homelessness, and immigration status to identify improvements in outcomes for homeless assistance. The CoC continuously examines Coordinated Entry System processes, including receiving technical assistance to re-design areas around assessment and prioritization to assist in identifying any inequities. Long term racial equity planning for the CoC includes CoC involvement within the DuPage Health Equity and Access Response Team (HEART). HEART is a local, leadership driven workgroup that leverages diversity to create solutions addressing optimal community health, so no one is disadvantaged, including those who are experiencing homelessness. The workgroup focuses on social determinants of health and disparities, and consists of healthcare leadership, providers of homeless shelter and housing, and immigrant serving organizations.

1D-9d.	Plan for Using Data to Track Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	the measures your CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and	
2.	the tools your CoC plans to use to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The measures the CoC uses to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance include increased access to housing and service assistance involving the Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) community. Other measures include improved access to rental units by marginalized subpopulations based on need, and increasing the use of Housing First policies and practices to ensure households are not unfairly screened out of the process due to arrest, conviction records, evictions, or low/no credit scores. The CoC also measures the decrease in returns to homelessness over time among those disproportionately represented racial or ethnic groups.

2) The tools the CoC uses to continuously track progress on preventing or eliminating racial disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance include Stella Performance (Stella P) as a tool to look at differences between diverse race and ethnic groups and how long households experience homelessness in the system, what percentage exit to permanent destinations, and what percentage return to the homeless system. Additional tools include the HUD CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool, CoC Community Analysis Data Dashboard, HMIS and LSA data, the HUD CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool (version 4.0) and the Coordinated Entry Monthly report to identify persons who may be returned to the system.

1D-10.	Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking—CoC’s Outreach Efforts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	
	Describe in the field below your CoC’s outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decisionmaking processes.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC's outreach efforts to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decision making processes starts with the work of the DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Council, yet is inclusive of all persons with lived experience within the CoC's geography. The DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Council meets monthly and has reviewed and discussed CoC Written Standards, CoC project ranking criteria, and Coordinated Entry policies and procedures. Opportunities have been created for several different roles for persons with lived experience, including CoC committee participation where leadership and decision making, public testimony, and focus groups have also been a part of an individual's contribution. Members with lived experience serve as advisors, often through committees and workgroups, as well as having positions on our CoC Leadership Committee, the Governing board of the Continuum. Individuals with lived experience have helped to create communications tailored to the DuPage County community through our annual CoC Snapshot, a publication on homelessness within DuPage County.

One individual currently on the CoC Leadership Committee co-founded an emergency shelter and transitional housing program for local area Veterans and assists with the annual CoC Point in Time Count efforts. Another individual sits on our Coordinated Entry Assessment Workgroup and has helped to develop less traumatizing language and an improved process for our Coordinated Entry System. CoC partners actively engage persons with lived experience in leadership roles and decisions making processes through Resident Advisory Councils and Program Committees in which a person with lived experience sits on the committee and reviews policy, procedures and relevant issues at hand, providing feedback via Youth Advisory Council and Resident Council committees to the Agency Board of Directors.

1D-10a.	Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

You must upload the Lived Experience Support Letter attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the four categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1.	Routinely included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	42	32
2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	16	1
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	4	1
4.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	1	0

1D-10b.	Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC offered professional development opportunities to individuals participating in the DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Council during the annual HOME IL Summit. This event, which took place in Springfield Illinois, and offered members the opportunity to attend educational plenary sessions which included topics related to healthcare and homelessness and a racial equity roundtable on homelessness within the BIPOC community. There was opportunity for peer sharing to discuss issues centered on Reentry Housing, Policy and Advocacy, and Innovations in Shelter and Emergency Housing.

CoC member organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness through employment, internships, volunteer opportunities, and AmeriCorps Vista positions. CoC member organizations have employment staff who work with all clients towards gaining and maintaining either agency or external employment. Any client with prior lived experience can meet with an agency employment counselor for additional internal job opportunities. CoC member organizations also provide a continuum of services and workshops to create sustainable futures for individuals who are experiencing homelessness and seeking to become academically engaged and/or job-qualified through computer GED preparation programs, literacy classes, resume assistance and improved interview skills. Employment specialists assess strengths, interests, skills and experience to assist participants in obtaining a career instead of a short-term solution. Member organizations partner with more than 150 local employers to match clients with positions in their respective fields of interest and incorporate soft skills supports, financial literacy and budgetary training to promote and sustain progress. Clients are provided with access to computers, job and social coaching from volunteer field professionals, career aptitude testing and matching tools, resume assistance, interview preparation and assistance accessing appropriate attire to dress for success.

1D-10c.	Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below:

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| 1. | how your CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness; |
| 2. | how often your CoC gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness; |
| 3. | how your CoC gathers feedback from people who received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program; |
| 4. | how often your CoC gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program; and |
| 5. | steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) The CoC gathers input and feedback from persons participating in the DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Council sharing sessions and during monthly council meetings, and from persons experiencing homelessness through the use of focus groups and surveys.

- 2) The CoC gathers feedback from persons experiencing homelessness on a monthly basis from those participating in the DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Council and at different annual intervals for those who are unsheltered or participating in CoC Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing, Rapid Rehousing, or Permanent Supportive Housing. The responses are documented and shared with CoC members through its committee structure. Items of concern that are specific to a particular agency or agency policy are addressed with agency leadership; other items concerning housing and services are brought to the CoC Gaps & Needs Committee for further review and discussion.

- 3) The CoC routinely gathers input and feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC or ESG program through online satisfaction surveys which allows more options for survey completion and translation into Spanish, making it easier for clients to complete and ensures anonymity of responses and feedback. Participants are able to complete surveys by scanning a QR code, clicking on a link via email, or on paper.

- 4) The CoC gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC Program or ESG Program twice each year and upon program exit.

- 5) The CoC has taken many steps to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness. Staff are trained to address a variety of barriers clients encounter on their journey to housing stability. Many case managers are certified substance use disorder counselors and trained in the field of mental health. With those being challenged by chronic disease, several case managers have been trained on how to facilitate Chronic-Disease Self-Management workshops. CoC partners have become “trauma-responsive” organizations. Employees at all levels now have an understanding of trauma to improve services and interactions with program participants. CoC partner members also review survey results each quarter and takes steps to address any challenges that are raised by people with lived experience.

1D-11.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	
	Describe in the field below at least two steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months to engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:	
	1.	reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and
	2.	reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) Zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development: Community Development staff and CoC members attend local planning and zoning board meetings and make recommendations for affordable housing actions involving zoning changes, variations, and land use policies. Staff meet with elected officials within DuPage County to further address affordable housing issues and concerns, which are routinely addressed during County Board meetings and meetings of the DuPage County Affordable Housing Solutions Committee; and

2) Reducing regulatory barriers to housing development: DuPage County has also created an Affordable Housing Solutions Task Force, a committee which the CoC Planner attends routinely. This group addresses regulatory barriers to permit more housing development and reducing local challenges to affordable housing development by working with municipalities and local area developers. Following advocacy efforts and engagement with local and state elected officials, State of Illinois FY25 budget appropriations were made available to CoCs through the "Home Illinois" Anti-Homelessness Initiative. These funds expand affordable housing options by creating new scattered site permanent supportive housing units and rapid rehousing units statewide, including in DuPage County. The CoC has also engaged DuPage County Community Development, its county government partner that represents its CoC's geographic area, to discuss increasing its affordable housing supply through the availability of HOME ARP funds. Through the American Rescue Plan (ARP), \$6.5M in funds have been appropriated locally in funds to be administered through the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME). DuPage County Community Development requested CoC input to determine unmet housing and service needs of qualifying populations as part of the HOME ARP plan strategy. These populations included homeless and at-risk persons including those fleeing, or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; LGBTQ+, elderly, disabled, and persons with substance use disorder or mental health conditions with the provision of affordable rental housing.

1E. 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;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1E-1.	Web Posting of Advance Public Notice of Your CoC’s Local Competition Deadline, Scoring and Rating Criteria.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a. and 2.g.	

1.	Enter the date your CoC published its submission deadline and scoring and rating criteria for New Project applicants to submit their project applications for your CoC’s local competition.	08/13/2024
2.	Enter the date your CoC published its submission deadline and scoring and rating criteria for Renewal Project applicants to submit their project applications for your CoC’s local competition.	08/13/2024

1E-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC’s eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., 2.d., and 2.e.	

You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.	Yes
5.	Used data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	No

6.	Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.	Yes
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1E-2a.	Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below. NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.	
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You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:

1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	100
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	14
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-PSH

1E-2b.	Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process. NOFO Section V.B.2.d.	
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Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing;
2.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing;
3.	how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and
4.	the severe barriers your CoC considered.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) As a CoC system, data is collected and analyzed from each project’s most recent HMIS and APR data to assist in determining how successful a project was in critical performance measures such as successful exits to Permanent Housing Destinations, Bed and Unit Inventory and Utilization, and Increased Income/Non-Cash Benefits.
- 2) The CoC also analyzed APR data to identify the Length of Time between Project Start Date and Housing Move-in Date using data from Q22c to identify how long it took to house people in permanent housing within the project. Also analyzed was the Stella P data System Performance Map, targeting the Point of Housing data for persons entering into the homeless system.
- 3) The specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities are considered through the CoC application process when ranking and selecting projects. Within each Business Plan submitted for each project, the applicant specifically identifies which vulnerable populations it serves. These populations include chronically homeless, low or no income, substance use disorder, significant health or behavioral health challenges, functional impairments, persons coming from the streets, criminal record, and special populations including Domestic Violence, LGBTQ+ populations, youth, and Veterans. This criteria was applied during the scoring of the 2023 project applications and ranking process in order to encourage projects to serve persons with the highest service needs and vulnerability.
- 4) When considering severe barriers, the CoC took into account the challenges faced by persons who are unable to attain or maintain housing due to frequent utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs, significant health or behavioral health challenges, functional impairments, current or past substance use, and those coming from the streets. The DuPage CoC Ranking Criteria increased the points for the severity of barriers from 5 points to 10 points, with 1 point for each barrier presented or vulnerable population served. During the CoC ranking process consideration is given to those projects serving literally homeless youth, many who identify as LGBTQ+, often with history of childhood abuse, sexual assault, victimization as well as those providing permanent housing to persons at risk of continued illness or death as a result of their unhoused state.

1E-3.	Advancing Racial Equity through Participation of Over-Represented Populations in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.e.	
	Describe in the field below:	
	1. how your CoC used input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, to determine the rating factors used to review project applications;	
	2. how your CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population in the review, selection, and ranking process; and	
	3. how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree that proposed projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and steps the projects took or will take to eliminate the identified barriers.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC obtained input and approval from persons of different race and ethnicity (White/Non-Hispanic, Black, and Mixed Race), particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population (Black) when determining the rating factors used to review the CoC project applications. This was accomplished through both requested feedback through the Lived Experience Advisory Council (50% Black and 50% White/Non-Hispanic) as well as input through the participating CoC committee structure. Current data collected within Stella P indicates the following represented Race and Ethnicity of All Persons in Household within the CoC’s homeless system to be 52% Black, 42% White, 5% multiple races, and 1% Other.

2) The CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, during the annual CoC review, selection, and ranking process. This was accomplished by specifically involving members of the Lived Experience Advisory Council in the annual development of the CoC Ranking Criteria and rating factors involving the Business Plan project evaluation. Applicants are now required to describe efforts and racial equity strategies which broaden the inclusivity of the organization and ensure equal access to persons regardless of race, culture, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, or language.

3) The CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree to which the projects identified barriers to participation faced by persons of all races and ethnicities, yet additional analysis of racial disparities among people of color were taken under consideration. These included individual-level barriers (i.e., applicant identified economic resource issues - lack of income, or employment, health factors) and community-level barriers: applicant described issues such as limited housing options based on life histories – credit history, criminal justice system involvement, prior eviction) as barriers to participation in housing. The CoC rated and ranked projects on actions taken which identified and removed these barriers for all persons.

1E-4.	Reallocation–Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	your CoC’s reallocation process, 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)

1) The DuPage CoC annually reviews the option of reallocation of HUD funded resources for the CoC competition. Reallocation discussions and recommendations take place within different levels of the CoC committee structure, and final decisions must be approved by the CoC Leadership Committee. The reallocation process is transparent, equitable and data-driven, with an emphasis on local needs. Underperforming projects are defined as those which are found during the review process to be deficient in project capacity, financial management, performance outcomes (including system performance measures), lack of compliance with regulations, or not meeting/addressing identified local need. The DuPage CoC maintains full authority to reallocate funding to maximize services and to address underperforming projects. The CoC may choose reallocation from any CoC project to meet its responsibility to ensure the CoC Consolidated Application best aligns with HUD and local priorities and contributes to a competitive application. Each renewal project is carefully reviewed during the process of preparing an application for funds, and all decisions made in accordance with the CoC Collaborative Application Process and the CoC Governance Charter.

2) In 2024, there were no projects identified as underperforming during the local competition process by the CoC. All renewal projects underwent a thorough review process, and no renewal projects were considered to be low performing or less needed.

3) The DuPage CoC did not reallocate a project this year. The CoC followed its Reallocation Policy as outlined in its Governance Charter and found that all existing renewal projects met the CoC’s responsibility to ensure a CoC Consolidated Application which best aligned with both HUD and local priorities and contributed to a competitive application.

4) Although there were limited renewal projects in their first operating year which experienced unit or fund utilization challenges due to affordable rental home shortages, each of those projects is on track to recover in the year ahead. The CoC Rank & Review Committee and the CoC Leadership Committee does not necessarily equate challenges encountered during a project’s first year in operation with underperformance.

1E-4a.	Reallocation Between FY 2019 and FY 2024.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2019 and FY 2024?	No
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1E-5.	Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Did your CoC reject any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
2.	Did your CoC reduce funding for any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
3.	Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
4.	If you selected Yes for element 1 or element 2 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2024, 06/27/2024, and 06/28/2024, then you must enter 06/28/2024.	10/02/2024

1E-5a.	Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	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. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2024, 06/27/2024, and 06/28/2024, then you must enter 06/28/2024.	10/02/2024
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1E-5b.	Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names; 2. Project Scores; 3. Project Status–Accepted, Rejected, Reduced Reallocated, Fully Reallocated; 4. Project Rank; 5. Amount Requested from HUD; and 6. Reallocated Funds +/-.	Yes
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1E-5c.	Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application 2 Days Before CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g. and 24 CFR 578.95.	
	You must upload the Web Posting–CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC posted the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC’s website or partner’s website—which included: 1. the CoC Application; and 2. Priority Listings for Reallocation forms and all New, Renewal, and Replacement Project Listings.	10/25/2024
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1E-5d.	Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders by Email that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	

You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

	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.	10/25/2024
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

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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- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; 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.	WellSky
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2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Multiple CoCs
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2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.a.	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2024 HIC data into HDX.	04/29/2024
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2A-4.	Comparable Databases for DV Providers—CoC and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Collection and Data Submission by Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.b.	

	In the field below:	
1.	describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in HMIS comparable databases; and	
2.	state whether DV housing and service providers in your CoC are using a HUD-compliant comparable database—compliant with the FY 2024 HMIS Data Standards.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The DuPage CoC participates in the Northeast Illinois HMIS (NIL HMIS), a shared, regional HMIS managed by a single Lead Agency, the Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County. In 2022, the Alliance, working with HMIS software vendor WellSky, developed an HMIS comparable database that is compliant with federal HMIS standards. Federally funded victim service providers (VSPs) use this HMIS comparable database and participate in the Coordinated Entry process with anonymized client data, using the VSP Coordinated Entry participation protocol and workflow. DuPage CoC does not have a VSP receiving Federal Funding or participating in HMIS. The VSP partner in DuPage County is Metropolitan Family Services/Family Shelter Services (MFS/FSS). The agency offers private and state funded emergency shelter, 24 hour hotline services, counseling, court/victim advocacy (orders of protection), prevention/education services, community based groups, and a resale shop. All Illinois VSPs are mandated to use InfoNet, a web-based data collection and reporting system. InfoNet is a collaborative effort between the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA), the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA), and the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV). Illinois VSP funding is contingent upon their InfoNet participation. VSPs not receiving federal funding (i.e., MFS/FSS) are encouraged to use the available HMIS comparable database that is compliant with the HMIS data standards. The CoC and the HMIS Lead are working with MFS/FSS to engage them further into supporting clients in the comparable data base. We conduct annual Point-in-Time and Housing Inventory Count via a survey with our VSP, capturing aggregate client data. Our dedicated CoC funded project serving persons experiencing domestic violence (DV) is housed under a non VSP organization who actively participates in HMIS for several projects that are not dedicated to persons experiencing DV. Staff are trained to lock down client records where there is a safety risk for anyone in HMIS.

2) Our single CoC funded project dedicated to persons experiencing DV enters data into the CoC's HMIS that meets all HMIS requirements, including the FY24 HMIS Data Standards. To protect clients' privacy according to their preference or circumstances, their HMIS record is locked to limit the number of agencies and users that have access to it.

2A-5.	Bed Coverage Rate—Using HIC, HMIS Data—CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c. and V.B.7.	

Using the 2024 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 [Column F of HDX Report]	Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds [Column K of HDX Report]	Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database [Column M of HDX Report]	HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate [Column O of HDX Report]
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	407	41	366	100.00%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	0.00%

3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	127	0	127	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	150	0	150	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	339	0	339	100.00%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	273	0	273	100.00%

2A-5a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5. NOFO Section V.B.3.c.
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For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, 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)

Not applicable - all are above 85%.

2A-6.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0. NOFO Section V.B.3.d. You must upload your CoC's FY 2024 HDX Competition Report to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
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Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by January 24, 2024, 11:59 p.m. EST?	Yes
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2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

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

2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2024 PIT count.	01/31/2024
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2B-2.	PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2024 PIT count data in HDX.	04/30/2024
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2B-3.	PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth in Your CoC’s Most Recent Unsheltered PIT Count.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations in your CoC’s most recent PIT count planning process;	
2.	worked with unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during your CoC’s most recent PIT count planning process; and	
3.	included youth experiencing homelessness as counters during your CoC’s most recent unsheltered PIT count.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations during its most recent 2024 Point in Time (PIT) count planning process by personally engaging agency staff, agency leadership, and young adult stakeholder representation at two of the largest homeless youth serving providers within its geography. Both youth serving providers are active within the DuPage CoC, having served on the PIT Count Planning Committee representing homeless and runaway youth in DuPage County to conduct previous PIT Counts with youth and young adults experiencing homelessness and those at risk. During the PIT Count planning process over twelve (12) unaccompanied, non-parenting homeless youth ages 18-24 were represented by 360 Youth Services, a Joint Transitional and Rapid Rehousing program with specialized services for LGBTQ+ youth as well as Wheaton Youth Outreach, which serves pregnant and parenting young females.

2) Based on feedback and input provided from focus groups involving homeless youth and youth with former lived experience of homelessness within the 360 Youth Services program, known locations were identified as “hot spots” where youth and young adults experiencing homelessness were most likely to be found the night of the Count. These “hot spots” included area train stations, parking garages, and hotel parking lots. Additionally, the 360 Youth Services Transitional Housing program is listed on the National Runaway Switchboard, so calls coming in that night would also be used to identify homeless youth locations.

3) Homeless youth and young adults with former lived experience worked with the CoC in both the planning process and volunteering the night of the unsheltered PIT Count. As the result of specific outreach and youth centered engagement, approximately 10% of the volunteers for the 2024 unsheltered PIT Count were between the ages of 18 – 24, a 2% increase over the 2023 PIT Count.

2B-4.	PIT Count–Methodology Change–CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.a and V.B.7.c.	

	In the field below:	
1.	describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2023 and 2024, if applicable;	
2.	describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2023 and 2024, if applicable;	
3.	describe whether your CoC’s PIT count was affected by people displaced either from a natural disaster or seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance who recently arrived in your CoCs’ geographic; and	
4.	describe how the changes affected your CoC’s PIT count results; or	
5.	state “Not Applicable” if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2024.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) There was no change in the 2024 sheltered PIT Count implementation, neither to methodology nor data quality. The CoC continued to use HMIS reporting and provider surveys for its Domestic Violence (DV) programs, along with follow up. The CoC worked to improve its data quality through quarterly Agency Data Administrator trainings. 100% of Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing CoC funded providers contribute data to the PIT count. Client level data in HMIS was the primary data source for the sheltered PIT count for Emergency Shelter and Transitional Housing projects along with supplemental data provided by our DV partner. Data collected on survivors of domestic violence was limited to reporting on those who are currently experiencing homelessness because they were fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, as opposed to reporting on survivors who have ever experienced these circumstances in their lifetime. Follow up was conducted with individual housing providers to check the HMIS data against their records for that night and corrections in HMIS were made as necessary.

2) There were no changes in the unsheltered PIT methodology. Both the 2022 and 2023 PIT counts were a complete coverage census count. Trained volunteers conducted surveys among persons encountered. The surveys included demographics, household type, members, specific location of where persons were sleeping or staying, identifying characteristics, history of homelessness (to determine chronic homeless status), and disability. One person, the Continuum Planner, reviewed all surveys which aided in de-duplication. The CoC continued the use of GIS technology; each trained volunteer used their own mobile device to appropriately track and identify unsheltered persons via GIS technology and collect/input survey data directly for completeness and analysis.

3) N/A

4) There was increased reliability of data collected and data input into HMIS, resulting in improved timeliness, accuracy, and completeness. The newer GPS technology positively affected the unsheltered count results by reducing the potential for error which could come from using handwritten forms. Utilizing a mobile device with GIS technology allowed for data to be immediately captured and the volunteer's contact information readily available if there were questions or a need for follow up.

5) Not applicable.

2C. System Performance

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2C-1.	Reducing the Number of First Time Homeless—Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;	
2.	describe your CoC’s strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and	
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The process the CoC developed to identify risk factors used to identify persons becoming homeless for the first time involved individual assessments performed during intake at food pantries, shelter locations, initial assessment in the Coordinated Entry System process, and through engagement with mainstream and homeless prevention providers. These risk factors include households experiencing eviction or foreclosure, those undergoing severe economic crisis, and those with poor credit and/or a lack of savings. Additional risk factors include joblessness and lack of steady income, discharge from a public institution, and fleeing domestic violence.

2) Strategies the CoC has explored to address households at risk of homelessness include incorporating diversion practices, coordination with prevention partners at shelter intake, and Eviction Court referrals. The DuPage CoC has a coordinated system for distribution of state and federal homeless prevention and rehousing funds to reduce first time homelessness. Funds are available for rent assistance, security deposits, utility payments, moving costs, case management, landlord mediation and credit repair. Funds include Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), Community Shelter Block Grant (CSBG), Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), IL Dept. Human Services, discretionary funds through private donations, and IDHS CoC Shelter Diversion funding to expand shelter diversion activities. Last year 1,389 households (down 251 households from the prior year) were served with homeless prevention and rehousing funds and prevented from entering homelessness. Referrals for persons to DuPage County Eviction Mediation Court are also made if the household meets eligibility guidelines. The program seeks to avoid exposing DuPage County families to homelessness, while also helping landlords mitigate losses during the circumstances that precipitated the need for this program. This is done through mediation, rental and housing assistance, and legal assistance to help both tenant and landlord understand their rights.

3) The Chair of the CoC Service and Program Coordination Committee is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to reduce the number of households experiencing homelessness for the first time.

2C-1a.	Impact of Displaced Persons on Number of First Time Homeless.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b	

Was your CoC’s Number of First Time Homeless [metric 5.2] affected by the number of persons seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance displaced due to:

1.	natural disasters?	No
2.	having recently arrived in your CoC’s geographic area?	No

2C-2.	Reducing Length of Time Homeless—CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.c.	

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;
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2.	describe how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC's strategy to further reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless include enhancing our Coordinated Entry practices by streamlining the access, assessment, and referral processes, lowering barriers, and prioritizing vulnerable households who have been homeless the longest and have the most severe service needs. The CoC has established a Coordinated Entry process which is housing focused and Housing First oriented; people are housed without preconditions or service participation requirements, allowing for a reduction in the length of time persons and families remain homeless upon entering the system. There are established access points which utilize the same standardized process for assessment and referral and is intended to quickly identify people who need assistance and reduce the length of time they remain homeless. The CoC also identified opportunities to move persons quickly into housing using resources such as emergency rental assistance.

2) The Coordinated Entry System (CES) process identifies and prioritizes individuals and persons in families who have been homeless the longest and have the highest service needs across all housing interventions. They have first priority for housing. The Coordinated Entry team hosts formal monthly case conferencing through the Chronic Homeless Assessment Team (CHAT) and encourages informal, ongoing agency discussions to identify housing needs for those prioritized and for the dedication of PSH units to people who are chronically homeless, following the orders of priority set out in HUD's Notice CPD-16-11. For those who are reluctant to enter housing, ongoing outreach efforts are applied. The Coordinated Entry System provides direct referrals to homeless prevention services, domestic violence housing, and supportive housing for youth to reduce the length of time individuals and families experience homelessness.

3) The Chair of the Coordinated Entry Oversight Committee, working in coordination with the Chronically Homeless Assessment Team (CHAT), working in coordination with is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

2C-3.	Successful Permanent Housing Placement or Retention –CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.d.	

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;
2.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC’s strategy to successfully increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations is to review performance by project type to determine if there is an area requiring additional focus, such as improving Housing First implementation, increased case management support, improved landlord engagement, or removal of barriers to accessing stable housing. An analysis of CoC data indicates the housing needs of persons in its Coordinated Entry system remain primarily in Rapid Rehousing interventions. However, the DuPage Housing Authority (DHA) opened the Project-Based Voucher (PBV) waitlist on March 6, 2024, providing permanent housing opportunity for up to 300 applicants, many who were experiencing homelessness or were at risk of homelessness. In some instances, the PBV program was preferred to RRH program assistance for those who needed long-term rental assistance, but not intensive long-term services, and were most likely to return to homelessness or experience a high degree of housing instability when their RRH assistance ended.

2) The CoC’s strategy to increase the rate at which all persons in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations includes maintaining a Housing First approach and providing voluntary services which assist with housing stability. These include helping individuals and persons in families increase employment opportunities, address physical and behavioral health needs, assist with applying for mainstream and other benefits, and develop and maintain landlord relationships. Voluntary services and supports are offered through CoC providers and include workforce development and career support as well as budget and financial counseling. Mainstream Housing Vouchers and Housing Choice Vouchers/Project Based Vouchers were also used to target persons living in permanent supportive housing (PSH) who no longer needed intensive services and increased exits to permanent housing.

3) The Chair of the Coordinated Entry Oversight Committee, working in coordination with the Chronically Homeless Assessment Team (CHAT), is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.

2C-4.	Reducing Returns to Homelessness—CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.e.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;
2.	describe your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate that individuals and families return to homelessness; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The strategy the CoC has implemented to identify common factors of individuals and families who return to homelessness is by requesting homeless service providers conduct a 90-day follow up for all exits and assess participant needs in order to identify housing stability issues. Factors most often noted include a loss or significant decrease in income, tenant/landlord issues or domestic or partner violence, many of which contribute to a return to homelessness. Shelter and street outreach also ask universal intake questions that identify whether a household had previous episodes of homelessness, identifying if the household has returned to a state of homelessness.

2) The CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness is to assist persons to maximize employment income and mainstream benefits to build up their income support base along with budgeting and developing landlord networks that are flexible in dealing with and resolving tenant issues. Individuals who return to homelessness are captured in the HMIS system through a standard data entry workflow, as well as in the Coordinated Entry System. Using System Performance Measure reports, HMIS staff review which project interventions experience higher returns and shorter amounts of time between events. This data is presented to homeless housing and service providers and CoC Leadership with the goal to educate and aid in system planning. Other strategies to reduce returns to homelessness may include reviewing the method used to identify the housing intervention, and the level of services and supports provided during and after program participation and using available data, at what stage were there significant rates of returns.

3) The Chair of the Service and Program Coordination Committee, working in coordination with the Chair of the System Performance Measurement Committee is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income—CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to access employment cash sources;	
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income; and	
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to increase income from employment.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC’s strategy to access employment income involves developing new and maintaining existing partnerships to achieve success through workforce development services and local employer referrals. These partnerships include collaboration with the WorkNet DuPage Career Center, the local Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) agency, and DuPage County Workforce Innovation Board to increase access to employment referrals and WIOA grants for job training or certification in information technology, manufacturing, office/clerical, trucking/logistics, and accounting.

2) The CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families increase their cash income with free services offered by Worknet DuPage for employment search resources, employment fairs, computer workshops, resume writing, interviewing skills, local job postings, and assistance working with a criminal background, disability, and a specialized program for Veterans. The MyWay (Make Your Way) initiative is a program for youth ages 18-24 which provides paid incentives to complete training followed by a paid internship. Use of Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) funds for job coaching and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) offers funds to support the DuPagePads Empowerment Center which works with employment organizations including Cisco, JelSert, JD Norman, Northwestern Medicine, Embassy Suites, IBEW 701, Edward Elmhurst Health, and UPS. The CoC collaborated with PRIDE Industries as a workforce partner member to offer personalized employment coaching, training, and job placement. As a social enterprise, PRIDE Industries and their local employer partner, Ingram Micro, provide facilities operations and maintenance services, contract manufacturing, supply chain management, packaging and fulfillment services, and staffing and recruitment to private and public organizations both locally and nationwide. Their mission is to create jobs for people with employment instability, lived experienced of homelessness, disabilities, veterans, former foster youth, and trafficking survivors. This workforce collaboration offers great opportunity for local employment to assist help individuals and families increase their cash income.

3) The Chair of the CoC Gaps & Needs Committee is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to increase income growth from employment as part of the annual project evaluation process.

2C-5a.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income–CoC’s Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC’s strategy to access non-employment cash income; and	
	2. provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to increase non-employment cash income.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The CoC’s strategy is to ensure all CoC funded agencies are provided with a resource for training and education on public benefits which could increase non-employment cash income for their clients. A monthly Public Benefits Training series was offered by the Supportive Housing Providers Association, on behalf of the Office to Prevent and End Homelessness Community Education and Training Center and in partnership with Legal Aid Chicago Human Service Reform for all organizations serving DuPage County. Trainings cover essentials of state benefits, navigating Social Security and Medicare, and the essentials of Medicaid. Participants learn to understand the basic rules of eligibility for a specific benefit, how to complete applications, navigate the application process, and troubleshoot when issues arise. Also available is a video training created by Legal Aid Chicago’s pro bono project and published on the CoC’s website training resource page. The video course guides participants through the process of applying online for public benefits using the Application for Benefits Eligibility (ABE). It describes various types of public benefits, such as SNAP food assistance, Medicaid, cash assistance for families with children (TANF), and the aged, blind or disabled (AABD Cash), and who is eligible to receive them. It explains the process of applying for benefits on behalf of someone else and how to follow up with the Illinois Department of Human Services after the application has been submitted.

The CoC works to ensure that 100% of CoC projects work with participants at intake to assess their eligibility for cash benefits such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Women, Infants, Children (WIC), Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) where eligible, Social Security Income (SSI), Social Security Disability Income (SSDI), Medicaid and Medicare and provide advocacy and transportation assistance to the state benefits office. CoC agencies have SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) trained staff available to work with participants. Illinois utilizes the SOAR Online Course as its preferred training method. Case managers are expected to register in Online Application Tracking (OAT) to track outcomes.

2) The Chair of the Gaps and Needs Committee, working with the The Illinois SOAR State Team Lead, are responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to increase non-employment cash income.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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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3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
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3A-2.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes
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3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.	

If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.

Project Name	Project Type	Rank Number	Leverage Type
Hope Place Expansion	PH-PSH	15	Both

3A-3. List of Projects.

1. What is the name of the new project? Hope Place Expansion
2. Enter the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): Z9NKLMAGKD17
3. Select the new project type: PH-PSH
4. Enter the rank number of the project on your CoC's Priority Listing: 15
5. Select the type of leverage: Both

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

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;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2024 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No
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3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:

1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and
2.	HUD’s implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Not applicable.

3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

3C-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serve Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

	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
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3C-2.	Cost Effectiveness of Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:

1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Not applicable.

4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants for New DV Bonus Funding

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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- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

4A-1.	New DV Bonus Project Applicants.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.	

Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?	Yes
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4A-1a.	DV Bonus Project Types.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the type(s) of new DV Bonus project(s) your CoC included in its FY 2024 Priority Listing.

	Project Type	
1.	SSO Coordinated Entry	No
2.	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component	Yes

You must click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated Entry to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b.

4A-3.	Data Assessing Need for New DV Bonus Housing Projects in Your CoC's Geographic Area.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(c) and I.B.3.j.(3)(c)	

1.	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services:	1,309
2.	Enter the number of survivors your CoC is currently serving:	610
3.	Unmet Need:	699

4A-3a.	How Your CoC Calculated Local Need for New DV Bonus Housing Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(c)	
	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services in question 4A-3 element 1 and element 2; and	
2.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects); or	
3.	if your CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors please explain in your response all barriers to meeting those needs.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The number of survivors needing housing or services was calculated using Coordinated Entry and the internal data from CoC domestic violence partner, Metropolitan Family Services/Family Shelter Services (MFS/FSS) which will be referred to as Family Shelter. Coordinated Entry as of 7/31/24 indicates 57 households where at least one member is a survivor of domestic violence. From the Family Shelter external data source InfoNet, it was reported that 1,252 persons were turned away from DV shelter in the last fiscal year due to lack of available beds. $57 + 1,252 = 1,309$ survivors that need housing or services. The number of survivors currently being served was calculated using Family Shelter administrative data and HMIS. There were 258 households that were provided shelter by Family Shelter in FY24. HMIS identified 352 households currently being served within the CoC that have at least one household member reporting as a survivor of domestic violence. This number includes those that have been housed. $258 + 352 = 610$ households receiving services.

The DuPage CoC is unable to meet the needs of all DV survivors. There is no DV or CoC funded permanent supportive housing available for DV survivors in the DuPage CoC at this time. There is one DV Rapid Rehousing project for which an expansion is being requested. The current project is based on 17 households and the expansion adds another 7 households. There were 773 persons experiencing DV in CoC funded ES, SO, HP, and TH from 2022-2023. There is one DV emergency shelter provider, Family Shelter, that provides emergency shelter and hotel voucher shelter. In the last year, 1,252 persons experiencing DV were turned away from Family Shelter due to lack of available beds. In DuPage PADS emergency shelter, 52% of these persons with DV history were served due to inadequate DV shelter capacity. In order to provide rapid rehousing permanent housing for DV survivors, a partnership between Family Shelter and DuPagePads has been implemented. DuPagePads will provide housing and case management with Family Shelter providing expertise in safety planning and victim centered services.

2) The data source was DuPage HMIS system for non-DV projects and the InfoNet external DV database used by Metropolitan Family Services/Family Shelter Services (MFS/FSS) which will be referred to as Family Shelter. Family Shelter is mandated in the state of IL to use InfoNet.

3) The DuPage CoC has data to support unmet DV need.

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicant Requesting New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)	

Use the list feature icon to enter information on each unique project applicant applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus projects—only enter project applicant information once, regardless of how many DV Bonus projects that applicant is applying for.

Applicant Name
DuPage PADS

Project Applicants Applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH DV Bonus Projects

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicant Requesting New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)	

Enter information in the chart below on the project applicant that applied for one or more New DV Bonus housing projects included on your CoC's FY 2024 Priority Listing for New Projects:

1.	Applicant Name	DuPage PADS
2.	Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors–Percentage	24%
3.	Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors–Percentage	83%

4A-3b.1.	Applicant's Housing Placement and Retention Data Explanation.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

For the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention of DV survivors reported in question 4B-3b., describe in the field below:

1.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing placement;
2.	whether the rate for housing placement accounts for exits to safe housing destinations;
3.	how the project applicant calculated the rate of housing retention; and
4.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects).

(limit 1,500 characters)

1) The rate of housing placement was calculated by using the data from the Family Shelter (MFS/FSS) InfoNet external database indicating their destination upon leaving DV shelter. There were 258 persons/households served in DV shelter with 51 departures. Of the 51 departures, there were 12 to safe permanent housing. $12/51 = 24\%$ housing placement rate.

2) The rates are based on exits to safe housing destinations. Family Shelter had 51 departures in FY24. Of these, there were 12 to safe housing destinations of permanent housing. $12/51 = 24\%$ safe housing placement rate.

3) Rate of housing retention - The rate of housing retention was calculated by the number of safe exits (12) compared to the number who returned for further services. There were only 2 returns. $10/12=83.3\%$ safe housing retention.

4) The data source was InfoNet which is the database mandated by Illinois Domestic Violence Service providers to track client participation, services and completion so as to measure project outcomes. A summary statistical report for FY2024 for Shelter Service determined the number of Shelter Exits within FY2024; and the number of placements after shelter exit. The same data source was used to determine the number of clients who exited the program in FY2024 and returned for shelter.

4A-3c.	Applicant's Experience Housing DV Survivors.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project applicant:

1.	ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were quickly moved into safe affordable housing;
2.	prioritized survivors—you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC's emergency transfer plan;
3.	determined survivors' supportive services needs;
4.	connected survivors to supportive services; and
5.	moved survivors from assisted housing to housing they could sustain—address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.

(limit 2,500 characters)

- 1) DuPagePads encounters DV survivors in their homeless Interim Housing Center (shelter) and street outreach. When someone discloses a history of DV or fleeing DV, staff records it in their initial assessment. All staff are trained to screen for those whose safety is at imminent risk, and those households are prioritized and connected to services through the partnering DV agency of Family Shelter.
- 2) Clients identified through these sources are screened to determine homeless status, safety, and readiness for placement into Coordinated Entry. Once in shelter, locating housing quickly is a priority, as access to housing maximizes survivors' options and minimizes the risk of survivors ending up in unsafe housing. The agency will also participate in the Emergency Transfer Plan, which takes precedence to align and comply with VAWA when necessary.
- 3) Within the Haven of Hope DV RRH, DuPagePads has an additional services assessment around safety, counseling and specialized DV services. These are available through the partnership with Family Shelter, the key community provider of domestic violence services and with whom DuPagePads is collaborating.
- 4) While in shelter, clients receive extensive supportive services including legal support, employment support, financial education, and rental and utility assistance to reduce barriers to permanent housing.
- 5) To ensure a quick move into housing options, DuPagePads will utilize the current Rapid Rehousing Navigator to find units with the same proven process that we use with Rapid Rehousing and Tenant Based Rent Assistance. The goal is to move them into housing they can sustain when their assistance ends. Potential candidates meet with the housing navigator regarding their housing needs (with particular attention to both geographic needs for the safety of the client with regard to distance from the abuse, and also with regard to children's school needs), and staff will search for units with them. DuPagePads already has partnerships with landlords who are willing to take this population, which assists with the process. Specifically to support the housing needs of those fleeing domestic violence, DuPagePads case managers work together with Family Shelter, which has served individuals fleeing violence in our area since 1976. There is a collaboration in which Family Shelter Services (MFS/FSS) leads safety planning while DuPagePads provide housing and case management.

4A-3d.	Applicant's Experience in Ensuring DV Survivors' Safety. NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety and confidentiality of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:	
1.	taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during the intake and interview process to minimize potential coercion of survivors;	
2.	making determinations and placements into safe housing;	
3.	keeping survivors' information and locations confidential;	
4.	training staff on safety and confidentiality policies and practices; and	
5.	taking security measures for units (congregate or scattered site), that support survivors' physical safety and location confidentiality.	
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(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The intake space is a private room with closed doors and a noise machine to ensure private conversation. This may be a staff office, onsite at Family Shelter, or a separate hotel room. All Family Shelter office locations are located behind a locked door where persons must check-in and access is monitored. Each member of the couple would be interviewed separately in different spaces.

2) When developing safety plans for apartment searches, DuPagePads staff goes over client preferences in a checklist by offering rent assistance in scattered site or single site housing, taking into account the resources available. This checklist will include safety-related needs. Safety planning protocols include not publicizing housing addresses, giving clients choice of location and assistance with obtaining Orders of Protection and court advocacy. Staff regularly connect with survivors to revisit their safety and action plans as appropriate, especially when moving. Staff may not disclose where a DV survivor is living and strongly encourage the DV survivor to not disclose their location. The goal will be to separate them from the abuser but make accommodations around work and school as needed.

3) At intake, staff give instructions on not disclosing location and check where the abuser is to ensure there is distance. Staff get as much info about the abuser as possible including the name of the abuser. There is a safety plan put in place. Staff assess the risk for the abuser seeking the survivor out. Staff check if there is a current order of protection or restraining order, and check if the survivor needs help to get one.

4) All staff in this project will be 40-hour trained in DV by Metropolitan Family Services/Family Shelter. Service. This training includes initial safety planning and confidentiality as part of client services. DuPagePads staff will be trained on best practices to ensure safety such as trauma-informed care, recognizing the signs of substance use/abuse, de-escalation techniques, active shooter protocols, and mandated reporting. DuPagePads has a strict confidentiality policy that follows all state and federal laws in the Personnel Policy manual and staff must sign a statement of adherence to the policy upon employment.

5) A safety/security checklist will be used to ensure the unit is safe. Measures such as installing additional locks and ensuring the landlord keeps all lights updated in hallways will be taken.

4A-3d.1.	Applicant's Experience in Evaluating Its Ability to Ensure DV Survivors' Safety.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served in the project, including any areas identified for improvement throughout the project's operation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The project will measure its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors through quarterly program evaluation which will evaluate all incident reports, prepare quarterly risk management reports, recommend additional actions to improve safety, and coordinate additional educational programs for clients and staff. DuPagePads will keep performance indicators for program success both around client safety and also the number of days in stable housing. A client outcomes survey is used to determine the client’s overall feeling of safety after receiving services with the % of clients who report feeling safer and having more resources in order to remain safe.

As DuPagePads began the implementation of Haven of Hope, an area of evaluation was to have all staff complete the 40-hour domestic violence certification from a local victim service provider (Family Shelter) and recognized by the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence. In the first year, DuPage Pads had 15 staff complete the 40-hour certification, representing each department across the agency. In the second year an additional 18 staff completed the training. In total there are now 28 staff trained and still with the agency that have completed the training. A current supervisor of the Haven of Hope program has begun the 200 hour program to become a CDVP (Certified Domestic Violence Professional) in the state of Illinois. There is also a team member who is a Certified Domestic Violence Professional (CDVP) in the state of Illinois. This person with their CDVP was a former 40-hour training program manager and has 15+ years of professional experience in the field working with survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

Staff and colleagues with 40-hour DV certification and CDVP credentials are engaged in the development of policies and procedures, staffing unique client needs, and informing various aspects of this program. Another area for evaluation is becoming more sophisticated and informed regarding safety needs for clients and what is allowable when working with a private landlord. Examples of this are requests to private landlord regarding lighting, security measures within the property, ring doorbells, etc

4A-3e.	Applicant’s Experience in Placing and Stabilizing Survivors in Permanent Housing Using Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below the project applicant's experience in:	
1.	prioritizing placement and stabilization of survivors;
2.	placing survivors in permanent housing;
3.	placing and stabilizing survivors consistent with their preferences; and
4.	placing and stabilizing survivors consistent with their stated needs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) DuPagePads has operated the Haven of Hope DV Rapid Rehousing project since 2021. An expansion was funded in 2022. Currently the project provides rapid rehousing to a minimum of 17 DV households annually. The project has successfully expended its funds and rehoused survivors consistent with their stated preferences and needs. In the last operating year, the APR report shows 17 households served with a total of 54 people. There were 13 exits from the program- all to permanent destinations- 4 to rental with no subsidy, 9 to rental with subsidy. This Expansion of the Haven of Hope Rapid Rehousing for DV will provide rent assistance and supportive services to a minimum amount of 15 additional DV survivor households.

2) Using a trauma informed, survivor-centered approach, DuPagePads will present survivors with information, education and resources to make informed decisions on the permanent housing options that are available to them. It will address the gap that exists in specialized permanent housing opportunities for domestic violence survivors. Haven of Hope RRH is the only Rapid Rehousing project in DuPage County to focus on securing permanent housing and providing targeted support services for DV survivors. Access to safe housing decreases the occurrence of returning to the abuser or to shelter due to unmet housing needs. DuPagePads partners with Family Shelter Service (a specialized DV provider of shelter and services since 1976) to use their expertise in safety planning, trauma informed and victim centered approaches. DuPagePads will collaborate providing their expertise in homeless housing, case management, housing navigation, and landlord relations to ensure success in maintaining permanent housing.

3 & 4) Preferences and Needs - DuPagePads has a history of prioritizing participant preferences and needs with rapid placement and stabilization within the current Rapid Rehousing Program model. The approach is to institute a rapid rehousing model that supports and empowers recovery as a survivor. The survivors meet with case managers to identify factors that are important in choosing housing. These can include proximity to the abuser, children's schools, employment opportunities and near a support network. The Housing Navigator sets up meetings with landlords/property managers to look at potential available units. The DV survivor chooses from the available units.

4A-3f.	Applicant's Experience in Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	
	Describe in the field below examples of the project applicant's experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:	
1.	establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures survivors and staff interactions are based on equality, and minimize power differentials;	
2.	providing survivors access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing survivors with information on the effects of trauma;	
3.	emphasizing survivors' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;	
4.	centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;	
5.	providing a variety of opportunities for survivors' connections, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and	
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	6. offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.
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(limit 5,000 characters)

1) DuPagePads established a Philosophy of Care over 10 years ago that stresses maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect and utilizes a resident council to ensure that clients feel empowered. The agency established an Equity Committee in 2020 that works toward minimizing power differentials. DuPagePads staff, volunteers and clients are required to create a safe, supportive, and inclusive environment. Participants can provide feedback regarding their experience and service delivery. Best practices include avoiding language which reduces an individual to a single defining attribute and fails to respect the entire individual.

2) DuPagePads has used trauma-informed practices at intake for all participants who are welcomed into their programs since 2017. This practice is named in the agency Philosophy of Care, which is reviewed with all staff and board, and in the Policy for a Trauma-Informed Approach (Policy AP-03). All employees and volunteers are trained in the impact of trauma and respond by offering information to participants in services that support healing, increase resilience, and reduce re-traumatization.

3) DuPagePads has an inventory of intake and assessment and case plan formats that use a strength-based approach to care. Program practices include screening for trauma exposure or traumatic events at program intake. Screening results that indicate risk of traumatic stress can be used to inform goal setting, planning and service delivery necessary to meet participants needs.

4) DuPagePads complies with HUD's Fair Housing and Equal Access Rule. Staff are trained on the principles of both rules to ensure understanding and proper implementation. In addition, clients review and sign an acknowledgment of policies to document communication of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity as well as Equal Access. DuPagePads provides Cultural Competence training to enhance staff understanding of racial, ethnic, gender identity and sexual orientation at time of hire and at least once per year through its Relias Computerized Training Program. The Linguistic and Cultural Competency Plan was initially adopted by the Board of Directors on 6/22/2012 and is updated annually. An Equity Committee was created at DuPagePads in 2020. Self-advocacy Training is also being conducted to assist clients and staff in expression of equity issues; the last training was in May 2023.

5) DuPagePads has Family Shelter conduct a group once per month due to the number of DV survivors in their shelter. Program participants are always encouraged to support and learn from one another. DuPagePads has offered group counseling for many years that offer opportunities for connection and peer-to-peer support. Family Shelter also has provided counselor and advocate led groups where survivors and their children can share experiences, find support, and break the isolation that many undergo when experiencing domestic violence for many years.

6) For parental supports, DuPagePads currently has a partnership with the YWCA to refer clients to its Strong Families program, which is a home-based parenting education program. Family Shelter offers a variety of education services and group supports for parents. These trauma-informed and evidence-based services include parenting fundamentals, economic stability, emotional wellness, linkages to legal, financial aid and food pantries, and family counseling services for both adults and children.

4A-3g.	Applicant's Experience Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of supportive services the project provided to domestic violence survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs.

(limit 5,000 characters)

Households are moved from the streets and shelters to stable housing that meets their specific needs for safety and includes trauma informed and victim centered case management approaches. Supportive services include coordinating medical and behavioral health care; building the income base with cash and non-cash resources; helping to problem-solve relationships with landlords and neighbors; and connecting people to community resources. Appropriate units that meet the DV survivor housing needs will be located within the agency's network of cooperating landlords. Staff is trained in harm reduction, trauma informed and victim centered approaches; housing first, financial management and safety planning to ensure tenants remain in permanent housing.

To meet the legal needs of survivors, DuPagePads connects clients with Prairie State legal services regarding child custody. For clients struggling with a criminal history, we refer to the DuPage Legal Bar Association. Prairie State does expungement clinics. HOME DuPage has collaborated with the agency to provide budgeting and credit workshops for survivors with bad credit history and provides free one-on-one financial coaching. These services increase the success of survivors' housing applications. With client authorization, staff work directly with potential and current landlords on housing search, educating them on the myths and realities of DV. Crisis DV services are provided by the DuPagePads Central Intake department. For those fleeing domestic violence, intake staff facilitate an immediate connection to the local DV Family shelter to ensure safety. The survivor contact includes a lethality assessment and safety plan, and as the domestic violence shelter is routinely at capacity, the safety plan is useful in admitting the client into the DuPagePads emergency shelter program. In FY23, The number of survivors gaining safety from abuse/violence was 95 out of 405 total persons served in shelter.

Long term housing stability safety planning is done utilizing the Family Shelter safety planning document. Staff regularly connect with survivors to revisit their safety and action plans as appropriate, especially when moving. The goal is to make accommodations around work and school as needed to ensure safety. To overcome economic abuse and ensure financial sustainability of safe permanent housing, DuPagePads provides transportation to educational, employment and job training opportunities. They provide participants with application and security deposits so that a lack of savings/assets at the beginning of the program will not prevent survivors from being able to access housing. Case managers provide linkage to employment and education services to build up the income support base and will meet with participants at least monthly to focus on eviction prevention planning, community resource connections, and positive community integration.

Participants can obtain part time or full time employment. DuPagePads Employment Counselor offers comprehensive Career/Employment Services. This includes individual assessments, employment readiness services, job seeking and job retention strategies, and computer resources for job searches. Career goals are established in collaboration with participants and their respective case manager. There is on-going support to retain employment as well as soft skills mentoring including workplace behavior, communication, and problem solving. Partnerships with Worknet DuPage, the Department of Rehabilitation Services, and National Able 55+, are in place to assist clients with vocational training and additional employment opportunities. Career/Employment Solutions staff network with businesses to develop

partnerships. As a result, DuPagePads currently has relationships with over 100 businesses. Educational opportunities for GED and higher education are available through College of DuPage and Peoples Resource Center. Education for children is coordinated by the DuPagePads McKinney Vento liaison.

Community partnerships are established with all mainstream benefit providers to facilitate enrollment. DuPagePads assists all participants in obtaining all entitled benefits including Medicaid, Food Stamps, TANF, LIHEAP, Unemployment and or Workman’s Compensation. Last year 64 persons obtained a new benefit. There is a health care navigator staff position at DuPagePads. Community partnerships are established that provide access to needed healthcare, dental and vision services, medication management, and behavioral health services. Partnerships Include Healthcare Alternative Systems, DuPage County Health Dept, Visiting Nurse Associations, and Hamdard FHQ Health Care Center. For childcare needs, YWCA childcare subsidy program is used.

All of these services are via a victim-centered approach that encourages the survivor to work with the advocate to best plan for their safety and maintain confidentiality, minimizing risk to the client.

4A-3h.	Applicant’s Plan for Placing and Stabilizing Survivors in Permanent Housing Using Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Approaches in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(e)	

	Describe in the field below how the project(s) will:	
	1. prioritize placement and stabilization of program participants;	
	2. place program participants in permanent housing;	
	3. place and stabilize program participants consistent with their preferences; and	
	4. place and stabilize program participants consistent with their stated needs.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) A minimum of 15 additional DV survivor households will receive rapid rehousing assistance. There are currently 2 FTE case managers in rapid rehousing and 1 housing navigator. This project will add 1 FTE case manager, 1 housing navigator, and .5 FTE supervisor. DuPagePads prioritizes participant choice and rapid placement and stabilization within the current Rapid Rehousing Program model, and will utilize the same procedures for participant choice in the expansion of the Haven of Hope program.

2) Haven of Hope RRH is the only Rapid Rehousing project in DuPage County to focus on securing permanent housing and providing targeted support services for DV survivors. This expansion will increase the number of households that can be served. Access to safe housing decreases the occurrence of returning to the abuser or to shelter due to unmet housing needs. DuPage PADS will partner with Family Shelter Service (a specialized DV provider of shelter and services since 1976) to use their expertise in safety planning, trauma informed and victim centered approaches. DuPagePads will collaborate providing their expertise in homeless housing, case management, housing navigation, and landlord relations to ensure success in maintaining permanent housing. DuPagePads has been successfully developing and operating CoC funded supportive housing since 2004. DuPagePads currently operates a DV rapid rehousing project which now has 17 units. Using a trauma informed, survivor-centered approach, DuPagePads will present survivors with information, education and resources to make informed decisions on the permanent housing options that are available to them. It will address the gap that exists in specialized permanent housing opportunities for domestic violence survivors.

3 &4) DuPagePads gives participants access to information, education, and resources to make informed decisions that best reflect their interests and needs, including their choice of housing model and location. Identifying a place that the household feels safe is a top priority. The Housing Navigator will increase the network of cooperating landlords which gives participants multiple housing options throughout DuPage County. Landlord financial incentives will be used to overcome DV leasing barriers. It also shortens the timeframe to house participants. This project will build upon the current relationships with landlords and build in the additional safety requirements.

4A-3i.	Applicant's Plan for Administering Trauma-Informed, Survivor-Centered Practices in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(e)	

	Describe in the field below examples of how the new project(s) will:
1.	establish and maintain an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant and staff interactions are based on equality, and minimize power differentials;
2.	provide program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;
3.	emphasize program participants' strengths—for example, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans work towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;
4.	center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;

	5. provide a variety of opportunities for program participants' connections, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
	6. offer support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

(limit 5,000 characters)

1) DuPagePads Philosophy of Care that includes trauma informed practices is reviewed with all staff and board and stresses maintaining an environment of agency and participant mutual respect, and utilizes a resident council to ensure that clients feel empowered. There is an Equity Committee that works toward minimizing power differentials. Clients will be given literature and access in group sessions for trauma information. All staff are trained on trauma-informed approaches. An anonymous grievance process is in place to allow for complaints or concerns for review. This promotes mutual respect and that participants are on equal footing.

2) DuPagePads implements a Policy for a Trauma-Informed Approach (Policy AP-03). All employees and volunteers are grounded in an understanding of the impact of trauma and respond by offering programs and services that support healing, increase resilience, and reduce re-traumatization. This project expansion will train 1FTE additional case manager and 1 FTE additional housing navigator on educating program participants on the dynamics of intimate partner violence: the cycle of power and control, on the varying ways that trauma can manifest itself, and steps that participants can take to overcome the trauma they have experienced. DuPagePads will use Family Shelter to provide a full series of domestic violence training to these staff. All DuPagePads employees and volunteers, including Board Members, have completed training on the impact of trauma on brain development, Re-Traumatization, Secondary Traumatic Stress, Vicarious Trauma, and Compassion Fatigue. Education also includes how to maintain environments that are trauma-sensitive.

3) A total of 3 FTE case managers will implement the current practices at intake and throughout case management of a strength-based approach to care, assessments and case plans. DuPagePads regularly uses assessment tools that involve the participants in the identification of both their strengths and needs. This will allow the case managers to work collaboratively with clients to build upon their strengths and provide assistance to address the needs that they identify.

4) DuPagePads complies with HUD's Fair Housing and Equal Access Rule. Staff will participate in the CoC training on the principles of both rules to ensure understanding and proper implementation. In addition, clients review and sign an acknowledgment of policies to document communication of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity as well as Equal Access. DuPagePads provides Cultural Competence training to enhance staff understanding of racial, ethnic, gender identity and sexual orientation at time of hire and at least once per year through its Relias Computerized Training Program. The Linguistic and Cultural Competency Plan was initially adopted by the Board of Directors on 6/22/2012 and is updated annually. An Equity Committee was created at DuPagePads in 2020. Self-advocacy training is also being conducted to assist clients and staff in expression of equity issues; the last training was May 2023.

5) Opportunities for connection will be provided in the monthly group program already being done by Family Shelter on site. DuPagePads offers group counseling that will also offer opportunities for connection and peer-to-peer support. There will be specialized DV counseling/aftercare available to households from Family Shelter up to one year. Family Shelter also provides counselor and advocate led groups where survivors and their children can share experiences, find support, and break the isolation that many undergo when experiencing domestic violence.

6) DuPagePads has a partnership with the YWCA to refer clients to its Strong Families program, which is a home-based parenting education program. An additional resource will be Kids Above All for a Parent Empowerment Program. This program is an IL State Board of Education funded home-visiting program. Family Shelter will continue to offer a variety of supports for parents. These trauma-informed and evidence-based services include parenting fundamentals, economic stability, emotional wellness, linkages to legal, financial aid and food pantries, and family counseling services for both adults and children.

4A-3j.	Applicant's Plan for Involving Survivors in Policy and Program Development, Operations, and Evaluation in the New DV Bonus Housing Project(s).	
NOFO Section I.B.3.j.(1)(f)		
Describe in the field below how the new project will involve survivors:		
1.	with a range of lived expertise; and	
2.	in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1) The Haven of Hope project involves survivors with a range of lived experience including homelessness and domestic violence. The agency employs 2 case management staff with lived experience of homelessness and/or survivors of intimate partner violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Staff with lived experience are regarded as experts who can offer an important perspective on how we provide these critical housing services for survivors in our community. Respecting confidentiality, staff only share personal experiences at their own comfort level and DuPagePads provides a safe space for sharing. Current staff with lived experience provide feedback towards policy and procedures on a voluntary basis and can stop and start this assistance at their own pace.

2) In addition to hiring persons with lived experience, DuPagePads provides additional opportunities for current tenants with lived experience to work with program staff to develop, implement and review and update/evaluate policies and procedures for our DV focused housing programs. Currently tenants are discussing with staff the policy on rent portion assistance and timeframes in focus groups. A client satisfaction survey is sent every six months to identify issues with program policies and procedures. Survey data will be analyzed, and results will identify strengths and areas for growth. Summary information will be shared with staff, the Programs Committee, and clients. Focus groups may be conducted in place of, or in addition to, paper or digital surveys. Additionally, direct feedback is also obtained from conversations with their case managers and documented in case notes.

To formalize the involvement with persons (survivors) served, DuPagePads has recently adopted a policy "Voice of Persons with Lived Experience". This policy formalizes the process for obtaining their involvement in the development, implementation and evaluation of housing policies and procedures. Through Committees and Surveys, clients can provide feedback on policies and procedures. It serves as a key element of agency management and service delivery. Committees for residents/tenants will be held at least quarterly for the Interim Housing Center, Permanent Supportive Housing, and survivors in Haven of Hope Rapid Rehousing. A meeting summary will be provided to agency senior management and the Programs Committee, including any suggestions, needs, or requests

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

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

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 - . We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment.
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Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No	PHA Homeless Pref...	10/02/2024
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No	PHA Moving On Pre...	10/02/2024
1D-10a. Lived Experience Support Letter	Yes	Lived Experience ...	10/02/2024
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation	Yes	Housing First Eva...	10/03/2024
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Local Competition...	10/03/2024
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project	Yes	Scored Forms for ...	10/03/2024
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Notification of P...	10/03/2024
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes	Notification of P...	10/03/2024
1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes	Local Competition...	10/03/2024
1E-5c. Web Posting—CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		
1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		

2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes	IL-514 FY24 Compe...	08/28/2024
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No	Housing Leveragin...	10/02/2024
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No	Healthcare Formal...	10/02/2024
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
Other	No		

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Submission Summary

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September 6, 2024

Mary A. Keating, Director
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Dear Mary Keating:


This letter is to affirm the partnership of the DuPage Housing Authority (DHA) with the DuPage County Continuum of Care (DC CoC).

When selecting families from the waiting list, DHA is required to use targeted funding to assist only those families who meet the specified criteria. DHA is not permitted to skip down the waiting list to a family that it can afford to subsidize when there are not sufficient funds to subsidize the family at the top of the waiting list [[24 CFR 982.204\(d\) and \(e\)](#)]. DHA does not permit applicants to give their place on the waiting list to another applicant. DHA may limit the number of applicants who may qualify for any local preference.

DHA will select families in order of preference as follows [[24 CFR 982.207](#)]:

- (1) Families that meet the criteria under targeted funding;
- (2) Special/emergency circumstances, such as:
 - a. Families that meet the eligibility criteria for and are participating in a DHA demonstration program or special initiative;
 - b. Families that are victims of a federally declared national disaster affecting DuPage County;
 - c. Families that are an active participant in a Witness Protection Program or State Victim Assistance Program;
 - d. Families living in a DHA administered housing unit which must be rehabilitated to meet ADA/504 requirements and for whom alternate DHA administered housing units are not available;
 - e. Over-housed or under-housed families living in a Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation project administered by DHA for whom no appropriate size unit is available in the same project that is already under a HAP contract;
- (3) Families or individuals that meet HUD's definition of homelessness under the HEARTH Act or are referred by partners in the DuPage County Continuum of Care. This will be limited to an annual number each year with those on the DHA waiting list prioritized first.
- (4) Working Families:
 - a. Families where head, spouse or co-head is employed; or
 - b. An applicant shall be given the benefit of the working preference when the head and co-head/ spouse are age 62 or older and/or a person with disabilities; and
- (5) Veterans, Active or Inactive Military Personnel and Immediate Family Members of both.

We look forward to continued collaboration with the DuPage County Continuum of Care.

Sincerely,

Cheron Corbett, CEO



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In 2020, the DHA was initially awarded 60 HCV Mainstream Vouchers (aka Moving On); and during fall of 2020 an additional 18 vouchers were issued from HUD.

HCV Mainstream Voucher Program

Commonly referred to as *Mainstream Program*, *Mainstream Vouchers* or *Mainstream* – (also formerly known as *Mainstream 5-Year Vouchers* and *Section 811 Vouchers*) are tenant-based vouchers. These vouchers serve a special population of households of non-elderly persons with disabilities (defined as a household composed of one or more persons 18 to 61 years of age with disabilities, which may include additional household members who are not non-elderly persons with disabilities), with a preference for those who:

- are currently homeless;
- have previously experienced homelessness and currently a client in a permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing project; or
- are individuals who are transitioning out of institutional or other segregated settings.

This program helps to further the goals of the **Americans with Disabilities Act** by helping persons with disabilities live in the most integrated setting. The program also encourages partnerships with health and human service agencies with a demonstrated capacity to coordinate voluntary services and supports to enable individuals to live independently in the community.

Move On Project Partnership

The **Move On Project** is a collaborative partnership between the DuPage Housing Authority (DHA) and partner agencies who are members of the DuPage Continuum of Care (CoC), to help households transition into a Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) as they continue efforts to reach self-sufficiency.

Households for this project are generally DuPage CoC partner agency clients, enrolled in a *Permanent Supportive Housing* (PSH) and/or a *Rapid Rehousing Program* (RRH), but also can include qualifying households identified from the *Coordinated Entry System* (CES).

Continuum of Care Referrals

The **Move On Project** will allow DHA's CoC partners to refer households currently in their Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and/or Rapid Rehousing Programs (RRP), and who are ready to "move on" to maintain housing stability under the voucher program, which they achieved by intensive supportive services with a social service agency.

Households identified on the *Coordinated Entry System* (CES) who meet the minimum Mainstream qualifications may also be referred for the *Move On Project*. Note that CES households may not continually be receiving services from a CoC agency, but they have been initially assessed and found eligible to be referred.

DHA Policy

Whenever DHA opens the general HCV waiting list for new applications, or *specifically* opens the HCV waiting list to accept targeted applications with Mainstream preferences, referrals can be made on the household's behalf through the DuPage Continuum of Care agencies – including CES referrals from the DuPage County Community Services' HMIS Department.

Referral Submission

Initial referrals to seed the waiting list (Implemented Mainstream in January 2020) Once a *Move On Project* applicant has been identified, the completed referral will be submitted to DHA for processing and adding applicant to the HCV waiting list with targeted preferences designated for the Mainstream HCV Program.

Preferences will be given for those *initial* referral households that:

- are currently homeless – 1 point;
- have previously experienced homelessness and currently a client in a permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing project and referred to DHA through the DuPage Continuum of Care (CoC) – 10 points; or
- are referred to DHA through the DuPage CoC who are transitioning out of institutional or other segregated settings – 10 points

Ongoing referrals after waiting list is seeded (Mainstream WL opened on 5/4/2021) Once a *Move On Project* applicant has been identified, the completed referral will be submitted to DHA for processing and adding applicant to the HCV waiting list with targeted preferences designated for the Mainstream HCV Program.

Preferences will be given for those households that:

- are currently homeless – 1 point;
- have previously experienced homelessness and currently a client in a permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing project and referred to DHA through the DuPage Continuum of Care (CoC) – 1 point; or
- are referred to DHA through the DuPage CoC who are transitioning out of institutional or other segregated settings – 1 point

In all cases, the applicant is provided information on how to create an online account to select additional preferences they may qualify for, and to complete the online preapplication and any other documents as required to be added on to the HCV waiting list.

We look forward to continued collaboration with the DuPage County Continuum of Care on this new initiative and serving those in the DuPage community who are at the low-mid income level.

Sincerely,



Cheron Corbett, CEO

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DuPage Lived Experience Advisory Council Support Letter

September 12, 2024

RE: Letter Signed by DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Council Members

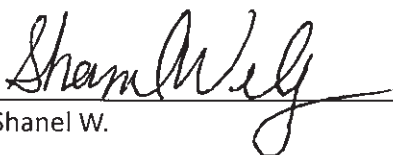
This communication is being submitted on behalf of the DuPage County IL-514 CoC Lived Experience Advisory Committee.

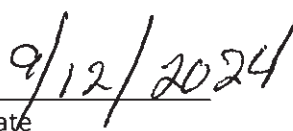
This letter is in support of the DuPage CoC's priorities for serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness with severe service needs. This includes individuals and families who are chronically homeless, youth, Veterans, persons with low or no income, physical and/or behavioral health conditions, unsheltered persons, persons fleeing domestic violence, those with justice involvement, and those at risk of illness or death as the result of continued homelessness.

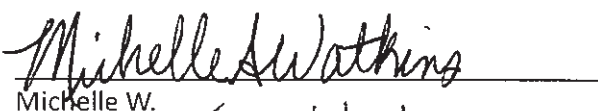
The DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Council is an advisory committee of the CoC and is led by four individuals who have lived experience of homelessness. The DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Committee meets monthly, and members are compensated for their participation.

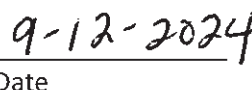
Goals of the DuPage CoC Lived Experience Advisory Council include:

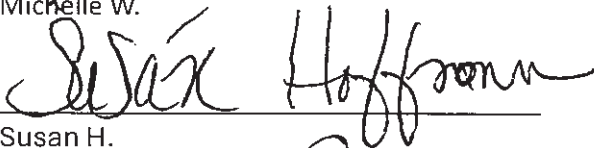
1. To empower people with lived experience to share their stories, experiences, and knowledge to authentically participate in decision-making regarding CoC-wide strategies to prevent and end homelessness.
2. Partnering with persons who understand first-hand the challenges that may exist within an unhoused community and who have the knowledge of services and interventions that offer the most effective solutions.
3. Providing a forum for education, and professional development/personal growth with the objective of integrating new members into the CoC governance structure through CoC committee participation.

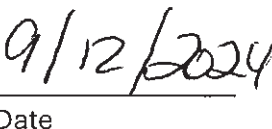

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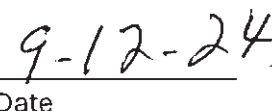

Michelle W.


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Susan H.


Date


Chuck L.


Date



HOUSING FIRST EVALUATION

SHIFT renewal project evaluation of Housing First

2024 Housing First Compliance - SHIFT Renewal PSH project

1. Housing First/Low Barrier. Project participants are NOT terminated for:

Check all that apply to show this project's commitment to utilizing a Housing First approach. (1 point per each criterion met up to a maximum of 5 points).

- ✓ Failure to participate in support services
- ✓ Failure to make progress on a service plan
- ✓ Loss of income
- ✓ Being a victim of domestic violence
- ✓ Any other activity not included in a typical lease agreement
 - None

2. Referring to the housing first self-assessment in the reference library, describe how your program uses and maintains a Housing First model. Include examples of how your project will address barriers of those with criminal histories in accessing housing. (e.g., landlord engagement, partnerships/collaborations with reentry providers, etc.)

(Maximum 3 points possible) Refer to the Housing First Assessment document link. Maximum characters: 1500. You have 1500 characters left.

SHIFT is guided by the principle that everyone is “housing ready” and helps households access housing as quickly as possible without preconditions. The Project does not exclude individuals with criminal backgrounds, who lack a valid driver’s license and/or vehicle, have significant debt or a poor/inconsistent work history. Clients are not required to participate in supportive services as a condition of their tenancy. Case managers utilize Harm Reduction, Strengths Based Practice, client-centered counseling, Trauma Informed Care and Motivational Interviewing while offering supportive services to maximize housing stability and prevent returns to homelessness. The Project adheres to the CoC's Coordinated Entry System Policy to prioritize those with greatest length of time homeless and highest level of need. A client driven service approach is utilized where clients have choice in housing, engagement in services and developing their own service plans so they can meet their basic needs with choice and dignity. Rather than moving towards eviction proceedings due to unpaid rent, the project allows tenants to enter into payment installment plans for rent arrearages, provides money management support and an eviction prevention plan. Staff advocate and are liaisons between participants and landlords ensuring families secure and maintain equitable housing. Landlords are engaged and incentivized to expand Housing inventory and increase housing options for the most vulnerable populations, including those with criminal backgrounds. The employment counselor assists with criminal record expungements, allowing clients who were unable to pass landlords' background checks to be eligible for a variety of housing options. The Housing Project Manager and Housing Navigator maintain an apartment database to effectively and efficiently match clients and landlords and work to acquire new landlords who are willing to work with participants' criminal backgrounds.

EVALUATION

HOUSING FIRST CRITERIA	Actual Points	Max Points
1. 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.	5	5
2. Agency provides general explanation of their Housing First approach, lowering barriers, and address housing for persons hardest to serve, including those with justice involved history	3	3



LOCAL COMPETITION SCORING TOOL

Ranking Criteria

Project Performance Evaluation

Business Plan

Cost Forms

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>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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>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 addressing housing for persons hardest to serve, including those with justice involved history.</p>	<p>Up to 3 points</p>

2024 CoC Ranking Criteria

<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>1 point for each criteria met (up to 5 points possible)</p> <p>5</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</p> <p>5 points if unit occupancy was 95% or over</p> <p>4 points if unit occupancy was between 90 – 94%</p> <p>3 points if unit occupancy was between 80 – 89%</p> <p>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</p> <p>a) 10 points if at least 80%, 5 points if at least 65%, 0 points if below 65%</p> <p>b) 10 points if at least 50%, 5 points if at least 25%, 0 points if under 25%</p>

2024 CoC Ranking Criteria

<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 UPOADED COST FORMS. Funding request is appropriate to scope/size of proposed project. See information below and review UPOADED 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 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>

2024 CoC Ranking Criteria

<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>3 points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process • Financial and organizational review OR program review • End result is funding, licensure, 	

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	<p>certification, or accreditation for a specific time period.</p> <p>5 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 style="text-align: center;">5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>
<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 style="text-align: center;">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 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</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>

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	<p>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. 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 style="text-align: center;">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. THIS IS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROJECTS ONLY.</p>	<p>2 points = Agency has data to quantify the need for this project within the CoC from a database comparable to or using HMIS. 3 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 style="text-align: center;">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. 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 style="text-align: center;">5 (Up to 5 points possible)</p>
	<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</p>	



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2024 Project Performance Evaluation

B. 1. Project Type

Select one.

- HMIS
- Joint Transitional and Rapid Rehousing
- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Rapid Re-housing
- Coordinated Entry Supportive SSO
- Supportive Services Only
- Transitional Housing

B.2. Project Amount: \$ _____

B.3. Start Date of Current Grant Year

If you have an award but have not yet started, indicate 'N/A'

Start Date: _____

B.4. Expiring HUD Grant Number

If you have an award but have not yet started, indicate 'N/A'

Expiring HUD Grant Number: _____

B.5. This project is a:

Select one.

- Renewal - awarded, does not have HUD start date (i.e., executed grant agreement)
- Renewal – in first operating year
- Renewal-no changes proposed
- Renewal-changes proposed
- New project-Agency has received CoC funding within the last three years
- New project-Agency has not received CoC funding within the last three years
- DV Bonus – Renewal
- DV Bonus - NEW

B.6. Please provide a brief description of your project. Include information about the type of assistance and housing you plan on providing or have been providing. Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left.

B.7. Performance Thresholds.

a. Please check all that apply **based on the most recent APR or your agency records**. To calculate income measures in Sage, please use documentation in Reference Library.

- Most recent APR shows average utilization rate of units below 90%.
- The project had unspent HUD funds in the last completed operating year.
Most recent APR shows fewer than 80% of leavers exiting to permanent housing
- Most recent APR shows fewer than 50% of participants (leavers and stayers) meeting employment income OR total income measures
- The project did not make at least 4 quarterly drawdowns in the last operating year.
- Applicant agency had significant managerial changes or lost key personnel in last year.
- There have been significant program changes in the last year.
- None of the above

B.8. Please check all that apply if no APR has been required/completed yet.

- Project awarded, does not have HUD start date.
- Project in its first operating year.

ONLY for projects in their first operating year, please complete the following:

Enter N/A for all other projects.

Project Utilization

Utilization Rates	Total number of Households/Units from application	Total number of household's served since opening on (enter start date here) 00/00/0000	What is the project's plan for 100% utilization?
Households Without Children			
Households with Children			

Financial Performance

Financial Performance year to date	Dates of draw downs from start date	Amount of funds spent from start date	% Of total HUD award spent from start date

- a. If you wish to enter additional information on the above, please do so here.

B.9. Tell us about your project capacity

Information is from Screen 5A esnaps project submission or APR Q2 "As proposed in the project application"

Project Capacity

Project Capacity	Total Units in Project	Total Beds in Project
Households Without Children		
Households with Children		

B.10. For all renewals that have completed an operating year, tell us about your persons served.

Information is from APR Q5

Persons Served

Total Person Served in Last Operating Year	
Number of Leavers in Last Operating Year	
Number of Stayers in Last Operating Year	

B.11. Has HUD or another entity monitored this CoC project within the last 12 months?Select one.

- Yes
- No

B.12. If your agency has had any reporting, monitoring, or billing deficiencies related to this CoC project, please provide an update.

Select one.

- No concerns and no findings
- Yes, concerns or findings that have since been resolved
- Yes, concerns or findings that the agency is currently working to resolve
- N/A - no entity has monitored our agency or project

B.13. If you answered "Yes" to question 10, please provide a brief outcome of the monitoring and/or explain any deficiency or finding. Please include your agency's resolution or plan for resolution, including dates if applicable.

B.14. Describe your agency's policy which addresses affirmatively furthering fair housing, anti-discrimination, and equal access in accordance with an individual's gender identity.

Maximum characters: 2500. You have 2500 characters left.

2024 Business Plan

Compliance

C.1. Is the project description the same as submitted in the PPE? If not, please describe the changes to the project below, and what factors necessitated the change (this question is not scored)

Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left

C.2. High Need Populations Served: In the past year, which HUD defined populations have been served by this project?

Check all that apply to indicate your project's commitment to serving those with the highest needs. New Projects, please indicate this project's target populations. (1 point for each population served up to a maximum of 10 points).

- Chronically homeless persons
- LGBTQ+ persons
- Youth
- Veterans
- Low or no income persons
- 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
- None

C.3. Housing First/Low Barrier. Project participants are NOT terminated for:

Check all that apply to show this project's commitment to utilizing a Housing First approach. (1 point per each criterion met up to a maximum of 5 points).

- Failure to participate in support services
- Failure to make progress on a service plan
- Loss of income
- Being a victim of domestic violence
- Any other activity not included in a typical lease agreement
- None

C.4. Referring to the housing first self-assessment in the reference library, describe how your program uses and maintains a Housing First model. Include examples of how your project will address barriers of those with criminal histories in accessing housing. (e.g., landlord engagement, partnerships/collaborations with reentry providers, etc.)

(Maximum 3 points possible) Refer to the Housing First Assessment document link. Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left.

C.5. Mainstream Benefits. Which of the following methods do you employ to help participants secure mainstream benefits?

Check all that apply. (1 point for each criterion met up to 5 points maximum).

- 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
- Helping participants applying for SSI/SSDI get the technical assistance they need
- Having a staff person who has completed SOAR training
- None

C.6. Average Unit Utilization. What was the project's average unit occupancy rate in the most recent APR?

(Up to 5 points possible).

- 95% or over (5 points)
- 90% to 94.9% (4 points)
- 80% to 89.9% (3 points)
- Less than 80% (0 points)
- New project proposed - no data available (0 points)
- Project is in first operating year (0 points)
- Renewal, awarded with no HUD start date (0 points)

C.7. HUD Housing Stability Goals: PSH = 80% participants remain or exit to other permanent housing, or TH = 80% leavers exit to permanent housing. Referring to this project's most recent completed APR, participants met the following:

Calculate: PSH Total stayers (Q05a) + total who exited to PH (Q23a)/Total persons served (Q05a)

TH=Total who exited to PH (Sage 23a+23b)/Total Leavers (Sage 05a). (Maximum 10 points possible).

- Met goal of 80% remaining or exiting to permanent housing destination - 10 points
- Had at least 65% remaining or exiting to permanent housing destination - 5 points
- Had less than 65% remaining or exiting to permanent housing destination - 0 points
- New project proposed or no data available for bed occupancy rate - 0 points
- Project has not completed first operating year – 0 points
- Renewal, awarded with no HUD start date – 0 points

C.8. HUD income goals are that 50% of participants (leavers and stayers) meet employment income OR total income measures. Referring to this project's most recent completed APR, participants (both leavers and stayers) met the following:

Refer to your most recent completed APR (Q18), (Q19a3) (Maximum 10 points possible).

- At least 50% met employment income OR total income measures - 10 points
- At least 25% met employment income OR total income measures - 5 points
- Less than 25% met employment income OR total income measures - 0 points
- New project proposed or no data available for income goals - 0 points
- Project has not completed first operating year – 0 points
- Renewal, awarded with no HUD start date – 0 points

C.9. Timely drawdown of HUD Funds. Funds must be drawn on a minimum quarterly basis. If your project is a renewal, please enter drawdown dates from last project year. (Maximum 4 points possible).

_____ Drawdown date for Quarter 1

_____ Drawdown date for Quarter 2

_____ Drawdown date for Quarter 3

_____ Drawdown date for Quarter 4
_____ Renewal, awarded with no HUD start date – 0 points

D.1. Were HUD funds unspent from this project in the last operating year? State the unspent amount as a percentage of this project’s total HUD award. If funds were unspent, please also add the total dollar amount. (0 – 5 % unspent (5 points), 5.1 - 10% or less of funds unspent (4 points), 10.1 - 15% or less of funds unspent (2 points), 15.1% or more of funds unspent (0 points))

_____ Total HUD Award
_____ Total Dollar amount unspent
_____ Percentage of HUD Award unspent
_____ New Project Proposed (N/A)
_____ Project is in its first operating year

D.2. HUD Reporting Requirements - Annual Progress Report (APR) for last operating year

Check all that apply. If your project has not yet completed its first operating year. (Maximum 5 points possible).

- APR submitted on time - 5 points
- APR submitted after due date - 0 points
- New project proposed – 0 points
- Project is in its first operating year – 0 points
- Renewal, awarded with no HUD start date – 0 points

D.3. Compliance with McKinney-Vento laws regarding education of homeless students.

Please check all that apply. (Maximum 4 points possible).

- Agency has a dedicated staff person to coordinate linkages to services for homeless students(1 point)
- Agency has policies and procedures around this requirement (1 point)
- Agency has adopted policies and procedures **through** board action (1 point)
- If serving children, there are written agreements with agencies serving infants, toddlers and pre-school children (1 point)
- Not Applicable

CoC Project Questions

D.4. Upload completed 2024 COST FORMS (see Required Documents). Cost Form must show a funding request, appropriate to scope/size of project, with sufficient detail indicating reasonable, justified costs to program activities and 25% non-federal cash match.

Select one. (Maximum 6 points possible; up to 5 points possible for cost forms and 1 point possible for cash match).

- This project has a minimum 25% cash match.
- This project has insufficient cash match

D.5. Program modifications: Have you made modifications to this project in the last year? What qualitative or quantitative evidence indicated a need for modifications or indicated the strength of the project if you did not make modifications?

If this is a proposed new project, or a HUD project awarded without a start date, please state N/A. (Maximum 2 points possible). Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left.

D.6. NEW Projects – Coordination with Housing and Healthcare a) Indicate housing leveraging resources (25% of units for PSH or participants for RRH that are not funded by the CoC or ESG – 5

pts); b) Indicate how 25% of total requests in healthcare leveraging resources are coming from a healthcare provider OR how 100% access to substance abuse treatment service will be provided for project participants – (5 pts); c) Provide the timetable established to achieve proposed project goals and discuss how the project will be staffed? – (5 pts).

Please respond to each part of the question. Please describe and quantify the amount of leveraging you expect to receive in each category. (Maximum 15 points possible 5 points for each question). If renewal, please state N/A. Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left.

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Please describe efforts and strategies to broaden the inclusivity of your organization to ensure non-discrimination and equal access to persons regardless of race, culture, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability or language.

D.7. Describe the 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. 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. Please respond to each statement. (Maximum 2 points possible, 1 point per statement) Maximum characters: 2000.

D.8. Provide an explanation of changes made within your organization to improve service delivery to culturally diverse populations. Identify dates of Cultural Competency training or educational instruction to agency leadership, staff or board provided to build awareness, knowledge and skills related to cultural difference.

Please respond to each statement. (Maximum 2 points possible, 1 point per statement). Maximum characters: 2000.

D.9. Describe how your agency engages persons with lived experience. How do you involve individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decision making processes. (Maximum 2 points possible). Maximum characters:2000.

Organization's Demonstrated Capacity

E.1. What other organization(s) review and verify the practices of your organization? What kind of application or process initiated your relationship with this reviewing entity? Answer N/A if no other organization(s) review and verify your practices. NOT SCORED

Reviewing organizations cannot include DuPage County, U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) or the agency auditor. Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left.

E.2. What types of reviews were completed by the organization(s) listed in Question 19 and what were the results of those reviews? Check all that apply. See "Required Documents" tab. **UPLOAD REQUIRED FOR FUNDING LETTER, CERTIFICATION, OR ACCREDITATION DOCUMENT. (Scored with E1. for a maximum 5 points possible - scoring matrix for this question in the Ranking Criteria in the Reference Library).**

- Application Process
- Financial Review
- Organizational review of the agency

- Program review of the agency
- Site visit
- Result was funding, certification, licensure, or accreditation (upload documentation)
- Not applicable

E.3. How does your agency actively participate in the Continuum of Care?

Please check all that apply Points will be awarded based on input from appropriate Continuum Committees Chairs and HMIS team. (Up to 15 maximum points possible; see 2024 CoC Ranking Criteria).

- Active and regular participation in one CoC committee
- Active and regular participation in two CoC committees
- Active and regular participation in more than two CoC Committees
- Agency staff member has been Committee Chairperson within last year
- Agency staff member has participated in special CoC projects, subcommittees, etc.
- Participation in HMIS (meets the expectations as outlined in Ranking Criteria)
- Domestic Violence Service Provider UTILIZING an HMIS comparable data base
- Agency participation in Street Count (see Ranking criteria)
- Not Applicable

E.4. If any of your previous answers require more detail, or if there is something else you would like to state about the project, please do so. Otherwise, please state "N/A."

Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left.

Domestic Violence (for DV Projects Only)

Is this a Domestic Violence Project? If yes, please answer the questions below:

F.1. Describe how agency collects information to determine need for homeless services for survivors of DV and their families who are defined as homeless at 24CFR 578.3 (4). (Up to maximum 5 points possible).

Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left.

F.2. How does the project involve survivors with a range of lived expertise in policy and program development throughout the project’s operation? (Up to maximum 5 points possible).

Maximum characters: 2000. You have 2000 characters left

2024 COST FORMS – DUPAGE COUNTY HOMELESS CONTINUUM

Organization Name	
Project Name	
HUD Expiring Grant Number (if renewal)	
Project Start Date	
Project End Date	
Contact Person	
Email address	
Telephone with extension	
Indicate if NEW or Renewal Project	

FUNDING REQUEST

LEASING COSTS

FOR A JOINT TH-RRH, INDICATE THE FOLLOWING:

		Housing Type	Funding Source
Number of TH units			
Number of TH beds			
Number of RRH units			
Number of RRH beds			
Associated address			

Leasing Units - HUD paid amount **cannot exceed** FY23 FMR for both new and renewal projects.

LEASING Unit(s)				
8. Name of metropolitan or non-metropolitan Fair Market Rent (FMR) area: Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL				
c. Size of Units	d. Number of Units	e. HUD Paid Amount	f. Number of Months	g. Totals
0 Bedroom			12	
1 Bedroom			12	
2 Bedrooms			12	
3 Bedrooms			12	
4 Bedrooms			12	
5 Bedrooms			12	
6 Bedrooms			12	
Other: _____			12	
h. Totals:				

LEASED STRUCTURES BUDGET

STRUCTURE NAME	
STREET ADDRESS 1	
STREET ADDRESS 2	
CITY	
STATE	
ZIP	
HUD PAID RENT PER MONTH	
X 12 months for a year	
X Grant term	
TOTAL REQUEST FOR GRANT TERM	

RENT ASSISTANCE COSTS

Select the "Type of Rental Assistance:" N/A, PRA, TRA, or SRA. (not applicable, project rental assistance, tenant rental assistance, or sponsor rental assistance). _____

Rent Assistance Units – rent must equal HUD FY23 FMR amount for new projects, can be less than FMR for renewal projects.

c. Size of Units	d. Number of Units	e. HUD FMR amount	f. 12 months	g. Total Request
0 Bedroom			12	
1 Bedroom			12	
2 Bedrooms			12	
3 Bedrooms			12	
4 Bedrooms			12	
5 Bedrooms			12	
6 Bedrooms			12	
Other: _____			12	
h. Totals:				

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES BUDGET – HUD funds only

Eligible Costs	Quantity (limit 400 characters)	Annual Request	Grant Term	Total for grant term
1. Assessment of Service Needs				
2. Assistance with Moving Costs				
3. Case Management				
4. Child Care				
5. Education Services				
6. Employment Assistance				
7. Food				
8. Housing/Counseling Services				
9. Legal Services				
10. Life Skills				
11. Mental Health Services				
12. Outpatient Health Services				
13. Outreach Services				
14. Substance Abuse Treatment services				
15. Transportation				
16. Utility Deposits				
17. Operating Costs *				
Total Annual Assistance Request				

****Project applicants may only include “17. Operating Costs” (maintenance, repair, building security, furniture, utilities, and equipment) in the Supportive Services budget, if the costs are for a facility that is used to provide supportive services for program participants.**

**OPERATING BUDGET – HUD funds only.
May not be included in Rapid Rehousing projects.**

Eligible Costs	Quantity (limit 400 characters)	Annual Request	Grant Term	Total for grant term
1.Maintenance/Repair				
2.Property Taxes and Insurance				
3. Replacement Reserve				
4. Building Security				
5.Electricity, Gas and Water				
6. Furniture				
7. Equipment (lease, buy)				
Total Assistance Requested				

Sources of Match - leveraging is no longer required.

The following list summarizes the funds that will be used as match for the project, both cash and in-kind. On the chart below please list all available cash and in-kind match resources for your program. A 25% match is required for all funds except leasing. Note: use of any In-Kind Match requires an attachment of an executed Memorandum of Understanding verifying the amount listed.

IDENTIFY AS MATCH	TYPE - CASH	GOVT. OR PRIVATE	NAME OF SOURCE	DATE OF WRITTEN COMMITMENT	VALUE (\$)

IDENTIFY AS MATCH	TYPE IN-KIND	GOVT. OR PRIVATE	NAME OF SOURCE	DATE OF WRITTEN COMMITMENT	VALUE (\$)

Note – To add more lines in chart, click onto the row just above.

SUMMARY FOR MATCH

TOTAL VALUE OF CASH COMMITMENTS	
TOTAL VALUE OF IN-KIND COMMITMENTS	
TOTAL VALUE OF ALL COMMITMENTS	

Does this project generate program income as described in 24 CFR 578.97 that will be used as Match for this grant? Answer “Yes” or “No.” If “Yes,” the following questions and text box will appear. If “No,” no further response is required Yes No

Briefly describe the source of the program income: Enter a description of the source of program income. **Note:** CoC-generated program income includes occupancy charges paid to the recipient or subrecipient. These amounts are considered program income and **may** be used as match funds
Estimate the amount of program income that will be used as Match for this project: Enter estimated amount in the field provided.

PROJECT SUMMARY BUDGET

Eligible Costs	Annual Assistance HUD Dollars Request	X Grant Term – only for new projects	= Total Assistance for Grant Term
1a. Leased Units			
1b. Leased Structures			
2. Rent Assistance			
3. Supportive Services			
4. Operating			
5. HMIS			
Subtotal Costs Requested			
Administrative Costs (Up to 10%)			
Total Assistance plus Admin Requested			
Cash Match Amount*			
In-Kind Match*			
Total Match			
Total Budget			

* The sum of cash and in-kind match must equal 25% of all assistance requested except Leased Units and Leased Structures.



SCORED FORMS FOR ONE PROJECT

Catholic Charities SHIFT permanent supportive housing renewal project scored (from Neighborly internet platform)

Score Summary

Case Id: 30247

Name: SHIFT Supportive Housing Initiative for Families in

Reviewer: KARA
MURPHY

Score

96 out of 100

Status: Complete

SECTION	POINTS AWARDED	AVAILABLE POINTS
C. Business Plan	52	52
D. Business Plan	28	28
E. Organization's Demonstrated Capacity	16	20
Total	96	100

Reviewer Notes:

NONE

Score Report

Case Id: 30247

Name: Supportive Housing Initiative for Families in Transition – SHIFT

Reviewer: KARA
MURPHY

C: BUSINESS PLAN	POINTS AWARDED	AVAILABLE POINTS
<p>C.2 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 geograph	10	10
<p>C.3. 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>	5	5
<p>C.4. 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>	3	3

C.5 <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 	5	5
C.6. Give the project's average unit occupancy rate over the past operating year. 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%	5	5
C.7. 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) 10 points if at least 80%, 5 points if at least 65%, 0 points if below 65%	10	10
C.8 a) 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) b) 10 points if at least 50%, 5 points if at least 25%, 0 points if under 25%	10	10
C.9 4 points = demonstrates draw down of funds on at least a quarterly basis	4	4
Section Total	52	52

D: BUSINESS PLAN	POINTS AWARDED	AVAILABLE POINTS
D.1. 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	5	5
D.2. 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	5	5

<p>D.3. 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>	4	4
<p>D.4. 5 points = Includes an acceptable budget in sufficient detail, costs are adequately tied to project activities, all costs are justified and reasonable 1 point = Meet minimum requirement of having 25% match with identified sources of non-federal cash match in appropriate amount/s.</p>	6	6
<p>D.5. 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>	1	2
<p>D.6. New projects only</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) 	N/A	N/A
<p>D.7-D.9</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) 	5	6
<p>Section Total</p>	26	28

E: ORGANIZATION'S DEMONSTRATED CAPACITY	POINTS AWARDED	AVAILABLE POINTS
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<p>E.1. & E.2. 2 points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process • Financial and organizational review OR program review • End result is funding, licensure, certification, or accreditation for a specific time period <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>	5	5
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<p>E.3a. Active and regular participation in Continuum committee meetings:</p> <p>1 point = Active in one committee 2 points = Active in two committees 3 points = Active in three or more committees</p> <p>And / Or: 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>	5	5
<p>E.3b.</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 monitoring visit. Agency Data Administrator attends all mandatory training sessions and meetings.</p> <p>3 points = Contributes consistent and highquality 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>	1	5

<p>E.3c. 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>	5	5
Section Total	16	20



NOTIFICATION of PROJECTS REJECTED-REDUCED

Email Notification

Projects Rejected-Reduced Notification

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

TO: DUPAGE CoC Members

DATE: October 2, 2024

FROM: MARY KEATING, DIRECTOR, DUPAGE COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES *MK*

RE: NOTIFICATION OF 2024 PROJECTS REJECTED AND REDUCED

The DuPage Homeless Continuum completed the project selection and tiering process on October 2, 2024. The DuPage Homeless Continuum evaluated closely the actual funds expended and outcomes of all renewal projects to determine performance and make decisions regarding project reductions. There were no reallocations of any projects.

- There were no projects rejected.
- There was one project reduced in order to fit the Tier Two amount.

Project Reduced	Score	Project Amount	Approved Funding Amount	Reason
ICNA. Hope and Stability Joint TH-RRH	30.4	\$101,000	\$98,628	Reduced to fit in the Tier Two total amount.



NOTIFICATION of PROJECTS ACCEPTED

Email Notification

Projects Accepted Notification Document

Tiering List

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

TO: DUPAGE CoC Members

DATE: October 2, 2024

FROM: MARY KEATING, DIRECTOR, DUPAGE COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES *MAK*

RE: NOTIFICATION OF 2024 PROJECTS ACCEPTED AND RANKING

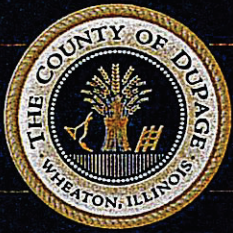
The DuPage Homeless Continuum completed the project selection and tiering process on October 2, 2024. Eighteen projects were recommended for inclusion on the 2024 Project Priority Listing though only 17 are ranked. This included 4 new projects and 14 renewal projects. The CoC Planning grant is not ranked.

The 4 new projects accepted for inclusion on the 2024 Project Priorities Listing included:

RANK	New Projects	Funding Request	Approved Funding Amount	Project Funding description
15	DuPage PADS Hope Place Expansion	\$293,231	\$293,231	PSH for 11 chronically homeless persons
16	Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans	\$395,510	\$395,510	20 PSH units for veterans
17	ICNA Hope and Stability Initiative	\$101,000	\$98,628	3 units of Rapid Rehousing
18	DuPage PADS Haven of Hope DV Expansion	\$525,007	\$525,007	DV Bonus funds - 15 units of Rapid Rehousing for both singles and families
n/a	DuPage County Community Services Planning grant	\$328,070	\$328,070	CoC Planning

There were fourteen renewal projects accepted for inclusion on the 2024 Project Priorities.

RANK	AGENCY	PROJECT NAME	Description	Amount Requested	Score	Recommended Amount
1	DuPage Community Services Dept.	HMIS	HMIS dedicated renewal project.	\$188,556	n/a	\$188,556
2	DuPage Pads, Inc.	Hope Place	Permanent Supportive Housing for 5 chronically homeless individuals in 5 units.	\$359,588	99.8	\$359,588



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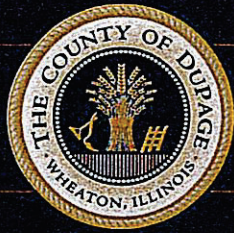
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3	Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	Partners In Housing	Permanent Supportive Housing for 18 homeless households with disabilities in 18 units	\$427,303	98.8	\$427,303
4	Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	SHIFF- New Hope	Permanent Supportive Housing for 22 homeless families with multiple disabilities in 22 units.	\$996,875	95.8	\$996,875
5	DuPage Pads, Inc.	New Beginnings	14 units for direct rent assistance in rapid rehousing	\$365,627	95.8	\$365,627
6	Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	DuPage Daybreak	Transitional Housing renewal for homeless families - 11 units	\$220,349	94.8	\$220,349
7	DuPage Pads, Inc.	Carol's Place	Permanent Supportive Housing for in 67 one bedroom and 4 two bedroom units for chronically homeless individuals and families. Total 71 units, 79 beds	\$1,457,480	94.8	\$1,457,480
8	DuPage Pads, Inc.	New Horizons	Permanent Supportive Housing for 19 +24=43 chronically homeless	\$564,958	94.8	\$564,958



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			persons in 26 units.			
9	Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans	Freedom Harbor	4 one bedroom units of PSH for 4 chronically homeless veterans both male and female.	\$76,541	94.2	\$76,541
10	360 Youth Services	Youth in Transition	Transitional housing for 10 males ages 18 – 24 in 5 units	\$206,183	91.6	\$206,183
11	Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet	Journey Home	4 Transitional housing units for families and 6 rapid rehousing units for families.	\$243,450	82.8	\$243,450
12	360 Youth Services	360 Joint TH-RRH	6 Transitional housing units for 12 persons and 8 rapid rehousing units. 20 beds	\$639,170	79.6	\$639,170
13	DuPage County	Coordinated Entry	Staff for the CES coordinated entry system	\$ 80,000	47.6	\$ 80,000
14	DuPagePads, Inc.	Haven of Hope	6-1 bedroom and 11- 2 bedroom Rapid Rehousing units for 17 households	\$1,109,613*	95.8	\$1,109,613*

*\$416,044 in Tier 1, \$693,569 in Tier Two



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The DuPage CoC Rank and Review committee scored each new and renewal application from the Business Plans and Cost Forms submitted which incorporate the 2024 Ranking Criteria. The Ranking Criteria contains objective measure of project outcomes including system performance measures, project performance, administrative ability and utilization. One renewal project, Haven of Hope DV Rapid Rehousing, was selected to straddle the position between Tier One and Tier Two since it was the lowest scoring renewal. It is a rapid rehousing project so if it is not funded it will avoid displacement of any persons in permanent housing units. In Tier Two, the straddle renewal project was followed by the DuPage PADS Hope Place PSH Expansion. The third position in Tier Two is Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans Freedom Port PSH for veterans.

The fourth position in ICNA Hope and Stability Joint TH-RRH project. The amount was adjusted to fit the Tier Two required total.

The DV bonus project, Expansion of the Haven of Hope Rapid Rehousing, was placed last in Tier Two so it would not affect funding of higher priority projects and is not part of the Tier Two amount.

The Planning project is included in Projects Accepted but is not ranked according to HUD guidelines.

HUD will select all project amounts in Tier One from the highest scoring CoC to the lowest scoring CoC before selecting any project amounts in Tier Two. Tier Two projects will be scored individually by HUD up to 100 points each. In Tier Two, HUD will select projects in order of point value from all CoCs. The DV bonus will be scored on a different 100 point scale that is evaluated nationally.

I wish to thank the Rank and Review and Leadership committees for their thoughtful deliberations on this process.



LOCAL COMPETITION SELECTION RESULTS

Table of FINAL PROJECT SCORES with Status

2024 DUPAGE COC HUD PROJECT AMOUNTS with SCORES**REV. 10/1/2024****Local Competition Selection Results**

	AGENCY	PROJECT NAME	Score	Status	Rank	Amount Requested from HUD	Reallocated Funds
1	DuPage Community Services Dept.	HMIS	n/a	Accepted	1	\$188,556	0
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12	360 Youth Services	360 Joint TH-RRH	79.6	Accepted	12	\$639,170	0
13	DuPage County	Coordinated Entry	47.6	Accepted	13	\$ 80,000	0
14	DuPagePads, Inc.	Haven of Hope Total \$1,109,613	95.8	Accepted	14	\$1, 109, 613	0
15	DuPage Pads	Hope Place PSH Expansion	68.8	Accepted	15	\$293,231	0
16	Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans	Freedom Port PSH	59.40	Accepted	16	\$395,510	0
17	ICNA	Hope and Stability Initiative Joint TH-RRH	30.40	Accepted	17	\$98,628	0
18	DuPage Pads	Haven of Hope DV Expansion	95.8	Accepted	18	\$525,007	0

n/a	DuPage County	Planning	n/a	Accepted	Not ranked	\$328,070	0
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2024 HDX Competition Report

This workbook contains summary information about your CoC's data as it was entered into HDX 1.0 and HDX 2.0 for your use as part of the 2024 Competition.

To Print this Workbook:

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For Questions:

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2024 HDX Competition Report

2024 Competition Report - Summary

IL-514 - DuPage County CoC

HDX Data Submission Participation Information

Government FY and HDX Module Abbreviation	Met Module Deadline*	Data From	Data Collection Period in HDX 2.0
2023 LSA	Yes	Government FY 2023 (10/1/22 - 9/30/23).	November 2023 to January of 2024
2023 SPM	Yes	Government FY 2023 (10/1/22 - 9/30/23).**	February 2024 to March 2024
2024 HIC	Yes	Government FY 2024. Exact HIC and PIT dates will vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it will be last Wednesday in January of 2024.	March 2024 to May 2024
2024 PIT	Yes	Government FY 2024. Exact HIC and PIT dates will vary by CoC. For most CoCs, it will be last Wednesday in January of 2024.	March 2024 to May 2024

1) FY = Fiscal Year

2) *This considers all extensions where they were provided.

2) **"Met Deadline" in this context refers to FY23 SPM submissions. Resubmissions from FY 2022 (10/1/21 - 9/30/22) were also accepted during the data collection period, but these previous year's submissions are voluntarily and are not required.

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LSA Usability Status 2023

Category	EST AO	EST AC	EST CO	RRH AO	RRH AC	RRH CO	PSH AO	PSH AC	PSH CO
Fully Usable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Partially Usable									
Not Usable									

EST

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	762	1,091	1,058
AO	370	429	433
AC	391	659	627
CO	3	1	0

RRH

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	235	290	255
AO	124	112	90
AC	111	179	165
CO	0	0	0

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PSH

Category	2021	2022	2023
Total Sheltered Count	461	483	491
AO	240	252	253
AC	222	231	239
CO	0	0	0

1) 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

2) Because people have multiple stays in shelter over the course of a year and stay in different household configurations, a single person can be counted in more than one household type.

Therefore, the sum of the number of people by household type may be greater than the unique count of people.

3) Total Sheltered count only includes those served in HMIS participating projects reported by your CoC.

4) For CoCs that experienced mergers during any of these reporting periods, historical data will include only the original CoCs.

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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	909	214.6	143.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, and TH	1,064	279.6	201.0

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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”)	1,007	447.0	273.0
1.2 Persons in ES-EE, ES-NbN, SH, TH, and PH (prior to “housing move in”)	1,151	487.1	329.0

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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.

Metric	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	
	Count	Count	% of Returns	Count	% of Returns ⁴	Count	% of Returns ⁶	Count	% of Returns ⁸
Exit was from SO	8	2	25.0%	0	0.0%	1	12.5%	3	37.5%
Exit was from ES	201	11	5.5%	2	1.0%	19	9.5%	32	15.9%
Exit was from TH	68	1	1.5%	2	2.9%	4	5.9%	7	10.3%
Exit was from SH	10	0	0.0%	1	10.0%	0	0.0%	1	10.0%
Exit was from PH	134	1	0.8%	0	0.0%	6	4.5%	7	5.2%
TOTAL Returns to Homelessness	421	15	3.6%	5	1.2%	30	7.1%	50	11.9%

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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	1,064
Emergency Shelter Total	909
Safe Haven Total	0
Transitional Housing Total	204

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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)	181
Number of adults with increased earned income	14
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	7.7%

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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)	181
Number of adults with increased non-employment cash income	61
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	33.7%

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults (system stayers)	181
Number of adults with increased total income	70
Percentage of adults who increased total income	38.7%

Metric 4.4 – Change in earned income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	71
Number of adults who exited with increased earned income	14
Percentage of adults who increased earned income	19.7%

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

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	71
Number of adults who exited with increased non-employment cash income	15
Percentage of adults who increased non-employment cash income	21.1%

Metric 4.6 – Change in total income for adult system leavers

Metric	Value
Universe: Number of adults who exited (system leavers)	71
Number of adults who exited with increased total income	29
Percentage of adults who increased total income	40.9%

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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.	654
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.	95
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)	559

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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.	915
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.	203
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.)	712

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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	195
Of persons above, those who exited to temporary & some institutional destinations	22
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	16
% Successful exits	19.5%

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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	544
Of the persons above, those who exited to permanent housing destinations	264
% Successful exits	48.5%

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	622
Of persons above, those who remained in applicable PH projects and those who exited to permanent housing destinations	589
% Successful exits/retention	94.7%

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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)	909	204	666	309	191
Total Leavers (HMIS)	543	115	73	165	160
Destination of Don't Know, Refused, or Missing (HMIS)	135	4	19	1	38
Destination Error Rate (Calculated)	24.9%	3.5%	26.0%	0.6%	23.8%

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2024 Competition Report - SPM Notes

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Notes For Each SPM Measure

Note: Cells may need to be resized to accommodate notes with lots

Measure	Notes
Measure 1	Confirmed longer stays in ES-EE due to difficulty in locating appropriate housing/housing interventions.
Measure 2	No notes.
Measure 3	No notes.
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	We are experiencing higher error rates with one of our PH providers (local Housing Authority) who participates in HMIS for VASH, EHV, and Move On, but does not assess exit destination. Higher error rates are expected amongst our Emergency Shelter and Street Outreach partners.

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2024 Competition Report - HIC Summary

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HMIS Bed Coverage Rates

Project Type	Total Year-Round, Current Beds	Total Year-Round, Current 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	407	366	366	0	366	100.0%
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	127	127	127	0	127	100.0%
RRH	150	150	150	0	150	100.0%
PSH	339	339	339	0	339	100.0%
OPH	273	273	273	0	273	100.0%
Total	1,296	1,255	1,255	0	1,255	100.0%

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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	407	0	41	0	41	0.00%
SH	0	0	0	0	0	NA
TH	127	0	0	0	0	NA
RRH	150	0	0	0	0	NA
PSH	339	0	0	0	0	NA
OPH	273	0	0	0	0	NA
Total	1,296	0	41	0	41	0.00%

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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	407	366	407	89.93%
SH	0	0	0	NA
TH	127	127	127	100.00%
RRH	150	150	150	100.00%
PSH	339	339	339	100.00%
OPH	273	273	273	100.00%
Total	1,296	1,255	1,296	96.84%

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Rapid Re-housing Beds Dedicated to All Persons

Metric	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
RRH beds available to serve all pops. on the HIC	92	89	101	130	150

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) Data included in these tables reflect what was entered into HDX 2.0.

5) 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").

6) In the HIC, "Current" beds are beds with an "Inventory Type" of "C" and not beds that are Under Development ("Inventory Type" of "U").

7) 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.

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2024 Competition Report - PIT Summary

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Submission Information

Date of PIT Count	Received HUD Waiver
1/31/2024	Not Applicable

Total Population PIT Count Data

Category	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
PIT Count Type	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered-Only Count	Sheltered and partial unsheltered count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count	Sheltered and Unsheltered Count
Emergency Shelter Total	178	177	279	400	370	356
Safe Haven Total	2	4	2	5	0	0
Transitional Housing Total	119	137	107	119	122	98
Total Sheltered Count	299	318	388	524	492	454
Total Unsheltered Count	10	0	37	31	33	26
Total Sheltered and Unsheltered Count*	309	318	425	555	525	480

1) *Data included in this table reflect what was entered into HDX 1.0 and 2.0. This may differ from what was included in federal reports if the PIT count type was either sheltered only or partial unsheltered count.

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.

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HOUSING LEVERAGING COMMITMENTS

DuPagePads – state funding for Permanent Supportive Housing for 3 additional units

(25% of 11 units in the Hope Place PSH Expansion)

DuPagePads Letter of commitment

State funding commitment



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September 20, 2024

Letter of Commitment

This letter of commitment is being utilized in the FY2024 HUD CoC NOFO competition in order to add housing capacity to the Hope Place Expansion PSH project in IL-514. This project is proposing to expand permanent supportive housing capacity. The new project application is for 11 additional PSH housing units for chronically homeless households.

DuPage PADS commits to providing 3 (25% of 11) state funded additional units of permanent supportive housing to the Hope Place Expansion PSH project. These subsidized housing units will be paid for through the IL Dept of Human Services Supportive Housing Homeless Services program. DuPage PADS has received a funding commitment of \$205,980 for nine additional permanent supportive housing units. Three of these will be dedicated to the Hope Place Expansion PSH project.

The units will be made available for the Hope Place Expansion grant period of 10/1/2025 through 9/30/2026.

Sincerely,

April Redzic, President & CEO

**ARTICLE II
AWARD INFORMATION**

2.1 **Term.** This Agreement shall be effective on Jul 1, 2024 and expires on Jun 30, 2025 (the TERM), unless terminated pursuant to this Agreement.

2.2 **Amount of Agreement.** Grant Funds (check one) must not exceed or are estimated to be \$205,980.00, of which \$0.00 are federal funds. Grantee accepts Grantor’s payment as specified in this ARTICLE.

2.3 **Payment.** Payment will be made as follows (see additional payment requirements in ARTICLE IV; additional payment provisions specific to this Award may be included in **PART TWO** or **PART THREE**):

Refer to "Exhibit F - Payment" for your organization's payment terms for this award

2.4 **Identification Numbers.** If applicable, the Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN) is See ExhibitA, the Federal awarding agency is See ExhibitA, and the Federal Award date is See ExhibitA. If applicable, the Assistance Listing Program Title is See ExhibitA and Assistance Listing Number is See ExhibitA. The Catalog of State Financial Assistance (CSFA) Number is See ExhibitA and CSFA Name is See ExhibitA. If applicable, the State Award Identification Number (SAIN) is Not Applicable.

**ARTICLE III
GRANTEE CERTIFICATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS**

3.1. **Registration Certification.** Grantee certifies that: (i) it is registered with SAM and Z9NKL MAGKD17 is Grantee’s correct UEI; (ii) it is in good standing with the Illinois Secretary of State, if applicable; and (iii) Grantee has successfully completed the annual registration and prequalification through the Grantee Portal.

Grantee must remain current with these registrations and requirements. If Grantee’s status with regard to any of these requirements changes, or the certifications made in and information provided in the uniform grant application changes, Grantee must notify Grantor in accordance with ARTICLE XV.

3.2. **Tax Identification Certification.** Grantee certifies that: 36-3675494 is Grantee’s correct federal employer identification number (FEIN) or Social Security Number. Grantee further certifies, if applicable: (a) that Grantee is not subject to backup withholding because (i) Grantee is exempt from backup withholding, or (ii) Grantee has not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that Grantee is subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (iii) the IRS has notified Grantee that Grantee is no longer subject to backup withholding; and (b) Grantee is a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person. Grantee is doing business as a (check one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietorship | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy/Funeral Home/Cemetery Corp. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax Exempt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation (includes Not For Profit) | <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Liability Company (select applicable tax classification) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Corporation | <input type="checkbox"/> P = partnership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Governmental Unit | <input type="checkbox"/> C = corporation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estate or Trust | |



HEALTH CARE FORMAL AGREEMENTS

Letter of commitment from DuPage County Health Dept. for mental health services in the amount of \$73,380 for Hope Place Expansion Project
($\$293,231 \times 25\% = \$73,308$)

Ms. April Redzic
President and CEO
DuPage PADS, Inc.
601 W. Liberty St.
Wheaton, IL 60187

Dear April,

When the Hope Place Permanent Supportive Housing Expansion is funded through the DuPage County Homeless Continuum of Care, the DuPage County Health Dept. commits to provide mental health services, substance use counseling and other appropriate health care services for all participants in the Hope Place PSH Expansion for the period of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026. Eligibility for participants will be based on CoC Fair Housing requirements and will not be restricted by the DuPage County Health Dept.

These healthcare services have a minimum value of \$73,380.

Sincerely,



Adam Forker
Executive Director
DuPage County Health Dept.