

Dear FY 2018 CoC Competition Applicants,

The Rating and Ranking Subcommittee has completed scoring of new and renewal applications for the 2018 CoC Competition. Your Point of Contact will be notified of the scoring results specific to the applications submitted by the organization via email. The notices includes a summary for each project request, the points awarded, the amount allocated for project and whether or not the project is recommended for inclusion in federal application to HUD. If a project is not recommended for full funding or for inclusion in the federal application, the notice indicates the reason for that determination.

As you review the 2018 Notices please note the new features of this year's scoring process:

- The HUD Tool was used for rating of all projects.
- The tool is customized to the type of project submitted but generates a weighted score based on 100 points. As a result way all project types can be placed in a single ranking.
- In recent years, a 200-point scale was used. This year the maximum weighted score is 100.
- This year the allocation of points included a series of performance criteria where projects had to meet a specific benchmark in order to earn any points for that item. In all cases, these benchmarks were derived from HUD standards that were confirmed or adjusted by local data.
- These factors can produce scores that appear lower overall.
- If your organization self-scored using the tool, remember to compare weighted scores, not the raw score.
- The tool also automatically adjusted project rank order based on the local priority built into the tool. A project a slightly lower score that meets a priority may be listed above one with a higher score that does not.
- With HUDs permission, organizations were allowed to consolidate up to four projects. Each component project was scored and the average was used for placing the consolidated project in the rank order.

A full HUD project priorities list with the results for all projects submitted will be publicly available on the RFTHSD.org public website NOFA page. The website also provides the limited reasons that an organization can request reconsideration of a score. The forms and instructions for making a request are found in the appeals notice on the website. The window for appeal is time-limited.

As always, thank you for your investment in addressing homelessness in our region.