



FY 2026 Continuum of Care and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants NOFO

General Membership
June 11, 2026

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- On June 1, 2026, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Continuum of Care (CoC) and Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP).
- The NOFO provides detailed content about the national competition: eligibility, purpose and goals, allowable activities, application content and review, submission to the national competition, and administrative requirements.
- This NOFO has substantive changes from previous competitions. These changes include new funding allocations, new eligible project types, and service participation requirements for (TH, PSH, and RRH)

The NOFO is tied to eight goals

- Improving Outcomes
- Creating Competition to Improve Innovation and Accountability
- Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care
- Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self-Sufficiency
- Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency
- Advancing Public Safety for All
- Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations
- Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology



Project Applicant Requirements

REQUIREMENT 1: HUD General Statutory and Regulatory Eligibility

All project applicants must meet the HUD General Statutory and Regulatory Eligibility Requirement under this NOFO. Review the [General Statutory and Regulatory Eligibility Requirements](#) before submitting.

REQUIREMENT 2: New Project Threshold Requirements

HUD will review all new project applications against project quality threshold requirements. For projects created through reallocation or new projects, review pages 62–69 of the [NOFO](#).

REQUIREMENT 3: Risk Review

Before making any awards—including renewals—HUD will evaluate each applicant's likelihood of successfully carrying out the project. HUD will assess:

- Past Performance – general findings, government-wide performance data, past audits, misuse of federal funds, etc.
- Organizational Health – financial stability and capacity, compliance with 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart E, and quality of management systems.
- Results – ability to promote self-sufficiency and economic independence; number of people served.
- Compliance History – history of illegal discrimination; history of subsidizing or facilitating illicit drug use or activities that conflict with NOFO purposes.

HUD may use risk review results as an independent basis to reject an award, apply special conditions, or reduce the award amount.



Local Funding Overview



Category	Estimated Amount	Key Note for Applicants
Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)	\$44,845,725	Supports eligible renewal projects expiring in calendar year 2027.
Tier 1	\$26,907,435 (60% of ARD)	Tier 1 is significantly more competitive than recent competitions. All competitively ranked projects may be placed in Tier 1 based on local priorities.
Tier 2	\$27,938,290 (40% ARD + Bonuses)	Tier 2 projects are scored using CoC score, local project ranking, and supportive service participation can receive 10 points.
CoC Planning Grant	\$1,500,000	Available to the Collaborative Applicant; not included in ARD.
CoC Bonus	\$5,000,000	San Diego CoC is capped at \$5 million (up to 15% of FPRN).
DV Bonus / DV Reallocation	\$5,000,000	May be used for new SSO-CE, PH-RRH, and Transitional Housing projects serving eligible DV survivors. DV Renewal projects with an SSO-CE component cannot be reallocated.
YHDP Renewal / Replacement	\$4,458,457 (Youth Restricted)	YHDP projects will be competitively renewed or replaced. Reallocated YHDP funds may only be used for youth projects.
Reallocation	TBD	Aligns with CoC funding strategy to align with HUD priorities.

Project Ranking & Tier Structure

Project Ranking Framework

Tier 1: Reduced from **90% of ARD (FY 2024)** to **60% of ARD (FY 2026)**.

San Diego CoC prioritized:

- Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) projects
- System-level projects (HMIS and CES)

HUD funds all Tier 1 projects that meet:

- Project Quality standards
- Eligibility requirements
- Risk review criteria

Tier 2: Remaining 40% of funds, CoC Bonus and DV Bonus allocations

Projects are competitively ranked and scored on a 100-point scale:

- CoC Merit Score: **up to 50 points**
- Project Ranking: **up to 40 points**
- Service Participation: **up to 10 points**

Note: Tier 2 projects must also meet the same requirements as Tier 1 projects

Special Funding Categories

YHDP projects must now be competitively ranked and are no longer protected.

CoC Bonus and **DV Bonus** projects are competitively ranked.

First-time renewals no longer receive special protection.

YHDP and **DV Bonus** funding remain restricted to their respective program categories.



Local Funding Priorities



The CoC intends to prioritize system-level grants and existing Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) projects in Tier 1 to protect housing resources that currently support clinical treatment, diagnosed disabilities and seniors. While a project may score well, it must also align with the priorities outlined in the NOFO.

Locally, a key priority is serving seniors. Nationally, there is increased emphasis on recovery, self-sufficiency, public safety and service participation. CoCs are expected to ensure that treatment and recovery remain central components of the community's response to homelessness while also reducing unsheltered homelessness. The goal is to create new and additional capacity—not to replace or supplant existing beds.

Project Types NOT Anticipated for FY 2026

The CoC does not anticipate accepting applications for:

- New Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) projects
- New Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) projects
- New Joint TH-RRH projects
- New youth-focused projects

Applicants are encouraged to submit reasonable funding requests that reflect actual project needs, as the CoC must maintain a fiscally balanced and regionally equitable competition.



Local Process: Tier 2 Project Types



Priority Project Type

FY 2026 NOFO Alignment / Threshold Criteria

Transitional Housing (TH)

- Leverages partnerships and public/private resources
- Demonstrates reasonable costs
- Track record of exits to housing within 24 months
- At least 50% of exits include employment income
- Requires participant engagement (20+ hrs./week in services, activities, or employment)

SSO – Standalone

- Increases self-sufficiency for sheltered and unsheltered households
- Leverages public/private resources
- Demonstrates reasonable costs

SSO – Street Outreach

- Meets all SSO Standalone criteria
- Strong partnerships with first responders and law enforcement
- Does not interfere with enforcement of public camping and drug use laws

Reallocation

- Allows a recipient to shift all or part of an eligible renewal grant to one or more new projects that must be rated and ranked.

Transition Grants

- A specific type of reallocation that allows a project to change from one eligible program component to another over a one-year transition period.
- Requirements:
 - The new grant must begin the day after the current grant term ends.
 - The applicant must be the same entity as the recipient of the current grant.
 - The transition must have CoC approval/consent.

Local Application Timeline



FY 2026 CoC NOFO Timeline		
Month	Date	Details
June 2026	June 01, 2026	HUD releases NOFO for FY 2026 CoC Competition and YHDP Programs Replacement Grants NOFO
	June 02, 2026	RTFH Public Notice via CoC Listserv and RTFH website, FY 2026 CoC NOFO Announcement and Release of Local Timeline
	June 05, 2026	RTFH Public Notice via CoC Listserv and RTFH website, NOFO Priorities and Local Highlights
	June 05, 2026	RTFH Public Notice via CoC Listserv and RTFH website - CALL for FY 2026 CoC Applicant Registration and Intents to Submit. Due by 5 pm on Monday, June 15, 2026, via Google Forms.
	June 15, 2026	RTFH Public Notice via CoC Listserv and RTFH website - CALL for FY 2026 CoC Program Renewal Applications and New Project Proposals. Includes local competition submission requirements
	Jun 11, 2026	CoC General Membership Meeting: FY 2026 CoC NOFO Overview
	June 18, 2026	San Diego CoC Board approves CoC Program Evaluation Methodology, CoC Priorities, and Reallocation Policy

Local Application Timeline Cont'd



FY 2025 CoC NOFO Timeline (Continued)		
July 2026	July 13, 2026	Deadline for submission of ALL CoC Project Applications with ALL requested documentation (See local CALL document for more info).
	July 15, 2026	RTFH requests signed certificates of Consistency with the Consolidation Plan from local jurisdictions
August 2026	August 05, 2024	RTFH to notify agencies concerned regarding project acceptance, rejection, or reduction by CoC. RTFH Public Notice – Preliminary Rank Order posted on RTFH website (NOFO Page)
	August 10, 2026	Deadline for local jurisdictions to submit signed certification of consistency with consolidated plan.
	August 5-10, 2026	Local Appeals Heard- Rating and Ranking Committee will review. Appeals are due by Noon on Monday, August 10, 2026.
	August 10, 2026	Final Project Priority Listing posted on the RTFH website.
	August 24, 2026	RTFH Public posting of CoC Application, Priority Listing, and Final Ranking
	August 24, 2026	Local FY 2026 Submittal to HUD via E-SNAPS by noon
	August 26, 2026	HUD Submittal Deadline for FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Consolidated Application Submission (By 5 pm Pacific Time)

QUESTIONS?

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