



CoC PROJECT EXPANSION ELIGIBILITY PROTOCOL

Context

Effective use of funds is essential in addressing homelessness in our Continuum of Care (CoC). There are many factors to be considered in the evaluation of the effective use of funds. One indicator of effectiveness is the demonstrated performance of existing projects as measured by the results of the objective rating and ranking process. Expansion of higher-ranking projects is a strategy to incrementally grow access to quality housing, services, or needed infrastructure, particularly when there are funds available from a renewable funding source, such as the HUD CoC programs.

Eligibility for Expansion

To be eligible for expansion, a project must meet the following criteria

1. be a project eligible for expansion under HUD rules (ie.TH and YHDP could not expand this year)
2. be a project subject to regular renewal (i.e. that is not being held harmless because it is in the Less Than One Year status);
3. that it met or exceeded the Performance Improvement Plan (PIP) threshold (i.e. does not have to submit a PIP); and
4. can identify the additional 25% match required

NOTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY and AVAILABILITY of FUNDS

Projects eligible to request expansion will be indicated on the Notice of Acceptance to Applicants.

A notice of availability of funds will be issued to Applicants for eligible projects. This notice will indicate the amount of available funds, subject to amendment by project Appeals.

PROCESS OF SELECTION

When notified on funding availability, Applicants wanting to expand an eligible project will:

1. advise the CoC of the desire to expand via e-mail at kathryn.durant@rtfhdsd.org ;
2. will complete the expansion project application in *e-Snaps* and adjust renewal application to indicate it is part of an expansion; and
3. will identify the source of the additional match

Selection of projects for expansion will be based on eligibility and the final Ranking Order determined by the local Rating and Ranking process. This order is publicly posted on the RTFHSD.org website when preliminary allocations are announced. Expansion projects will be considered in the posted ranking order until all funds are expended.

Locally successful applications for expansion will be added to the posted rank order.