Rating and Ranking General Overview

RATING AND RANKING GENERAL DESCRIPTION	
Item	*Documentation*
The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires local Continuum of Care (CoC) areas to review and rank-order applications to be submitted to HUD under the annual CoC Competitive Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).	NOFO
1. The first step in the Rating and Ranking Process, is to confirm that the Applicant organization and the Proposed Project **meet the threshold requirements** set by HUD and the local CoC.	Threshold Review - see source documents in Tracking List
2. The **project ranking order** is developed from a variety of factors such as the project raw score from the application scorecard (generated by HMIS and R&R), HUD and local priorities, and compliance with local and HUD quality project review guidelines. The process **relies heavily on objective data, demonstrated capacity, measured performance, and alignment with local priorities.** Data from HMIS and the Comparable DV Data base are used in the process.	Rating sheets; APR Housing First Review sheet; Audit, etc.
3. Basic **strategies and protocols** for rank-ordering projects within the two tiers required by HUD are summarized in a separate notice *Ranking Strategies and Protocols* that supplements this document and is posted on the RTFHSD.org website.	Ranking Strategies Protocols
4. Maximizing Use of Funds: After initial scoring of projects; the CoC Rating and Ranking Committee review the rank order to ensure that protocols are followed: resolving ties; ensuring maximum use of funds; strategic consideration of the use of Tiering and any project straddling the two tiers, addressing **system needs and benefit to the CoC.** For example: ties are resolved by benefit to CoC using project type; number of units offered; length of project in CoC system, geographic location, and Board priorities.	Rating and Ranking protocols; Board action; Strategic Plan

5. The CoC **Reallocation Protocols** are found in a separate document that outlines the content, steps, and criteria for Reallocation of part or all of the funds for an eligible renewal project.	Reallocation Protocols
6. Required **System Projects (HMIS, CES) are placed in Tier 1** by Board directive.	Board Directive
7. In FY 22 There is an additional section of questions for applicants requesting DV Bonus funds. The projects are scored on the base points, then the DV bonus order is adjusted by the points in the special question section.	DV Question Response
8. In FY 22 The unranked CoC Planning Grant is listed at the end of the rank and YHDP order below Tier 2.	HUD Directive
9. Per HUD Guidance, in FY 22 YHDP Renewal Projects and Replacement Projects are reviewed but not ranked. These are listed immediately above the unranked CoC Planning Grant	HUD Directive
10. HUD regulations in 24 CFR part 578.7(a) 6 require the CoC to "take action against poor performers". To that end, the CoC Board authorized a Performance Improvement Plan (PIP) requirement that is incorporated into Rating and Ranking process. If an Applicant fails to meet the PIP requirements for any project, the project is subject to reallocation.	PIP Listed on Scoring, R&R Review of PIP Performance Evidence
11. Although not required by HUD, local process includes an opportunity for Appeal. Please refer to the Notice of Appeal posted on the RFTHSD.org website	Appeal Notice and Decision