

Fall River
Homeless Service Providers Coalition

August 3, 2023

Dear Director:

This is to inform you that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has announced the release of the Continuum of Care application for its competitive grants for housing and services for the homeless.

Any entity looking to apply for renewal funding of its programs must write a **Letter of Intent**. Please forward your Letter of Intent by scanning your original signed letter and attaching it to an email to mdcamara@fallriverma.org by 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

Any organization seeking new or renewal funding must actively participate in the application process and may schedule time with me at my office to obtain assistance to complete the application in e-snaps, if necessary. All Project applications, new and renewal, will be due in e-snaps **August 25, 2023**.

I've attached a description of opportunities that are available in the federal competition and may be available in the Fall River competition (local approval pending; available to any eligible applicant organization operating in Fall River). The opportunity to consolidate or transition existing CoC projects is available. To consolidate projects, the projects must be operated by the same agency and of the same component. To transition to another component, HUD is requiring a one-year term for the process. Please include information regarding what program(s) your agency is considering for consolidation or transition in your Letter of Intent.

General information regarding the Continuum of Care Program Competition may be found at https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 508-679-0131.

Sincerely,



Mary D. Camara

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FY2023 CoC Competition – Available Funding
Fall River Continuum of Care

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Notice of Funding Opportunity link: [FR-6700-N-25 NOFO.pdf](#)

The **FY2023 Continuum of Care** application allows for the following:

- New projects created from **Reallocation** of funds from an existing under-performing project or **CoC Bonus** funds:
 - Permanent Housing-Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH) projects;
 - Permanent Housing-Rapid Re-Housing (PH-RRH) projects;
 - Joint (Transitional Housing) TH/PH-RRH component projects.
- New projects created from **Domestic Violence Bonus** funds where 100% of the participants are or will be survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking:
 - Permanent Housing-Rapid Re-Housing projects (PH-RRH);
 - Joint TH/PH-RRH component projects;
 - Supportive Services Only-Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) project (specific for DV programs). (Please note, there are new eligible Budget Line Items available under DV due to the new VAWA requirements. See pages 42-43 of the Notice of Funding Opportunity (FR-6700-N-25 NOFO.)
- Dedicated HMIS project (FRCoC is ineligible as we already have a grant for HMIS).
- Supportive Services Only (SSO-CE) project to develop or operate a centralized or coordinated assessment system (FRCoC is ineligible as we already have a grant for coordinated entry).
- Expansion project (**CoC and DV Bonus or Reallocated** funds) to increase the number of units, beds, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, or to increase the current HMIS activities within the CoC.
- Consolidated project to combine two but no more than 10 eligible renewal projects of the same component and same agency.
- Transition Grant (new in FY2023) to fund a new CoC project to transition an eligible renewal project being eliminated through **Reallocation** from one program component to another eligible new component over a 1-year period.

If your agency is considering applying for any of the above, you must consult with the Continuum of Care and the Collaborative Applicant regarding options available prior to completing a new project application, and you must submit a Letter of Intent by the assigned deadline. Please see the **Fall River CoC FY2023 Competition Timeline**.

Funding amounts for FRCoC – MA-515 FY2023

Preliminary Pro Rata Need*	Estimated Annual Renewal Demand	Tier 1 93% ARD	CoC Bonus	DV Bonus	CoC Planning (5%)
\$2,673,069	\$2,040,078	\$1,897,273	\$187,115	\$267,307	\$133,653

Preliminary Pro Rata Need: The HUD-determined formula amount based on the metropolitan cities, urban counties, and other counties claimed by the CoC as part of its geographic area during the CoC Program Registration process (the city of Fall River).

Annual Renewal Demand: The total amount of all the CoC's projects that will be eligible for renewal in the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition, as seen on the GIW.

Final Pro Rata Need: The higher of PPRN or ARD for the Continuum of Care.

Tier 1: 93% of the combined Annual Renewal Demand (ARD).

Continuum of Care Bonus: 7% of its Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN).

Domestic Violence Bonus: 10% of its Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN).

Continuum of Care Planning: 5% of its Final Pro Rata Need (FPRN).

Other Notes:

- HUD and the City of Fall River encourage any eligible applicant to apply that is an organization looking to serve the Fall River homeless population and as defined by HUD:
 - Eligible project applicants (McKinney-Vento Act, 24 CFR 578.15, 24 CFR 5.100) for the CoC Program Competition include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes and TDHE [as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103) (TDHEs)]. Public housing agencies, as such term is defined in 24 CFR 5.100, are eligible without limitation or exclusion. For-profit entities are ineligible to apply for grants and are prohibited from being subrecipients of CoC Program grant funds.
- HUD does not award grants to individuals.
- HUD encourages Faith-Based Organizations and Indian Tribes/Tribally Designated Housing Entities to apply.
- Projects applying for the DV Bonus are subject to a new (FY2023) DV Bonus selection process. If the project meets HUD-determined criteria, it will be extracted from the ranking process and become a stand-alone project. The CoC is still responsible for ranking it among the other CoC projects for the submission process.
- Planning grant projects are the only projects not subjected to the ranking process.
- The final submission deadline for submission of the Continuum of Care application in e-snaps is September 28, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. with the HUD recommendation that it be submitted 2 days prior. Therefore, Fall River has developed its own timeline to guarantee a smooth process and timely submission. Please see the **Fall River CoC FY2023 Competition Timeline**.
- Please read the Notice of Funding Opportunity (FR-6700-N-25 NOFO) for more detailed information regarding the complete process including definitions, eligibility, HUD requirements and recommendations, project application selection, collaborative application scoring, etc. Please especially note HUD's Strategic Planning Goals and Homeless Policy Priorities starting on page 6.
- If you are interested in joining the Review & Ranking Committee, please contact Mary Camara: mdcamara@fallriverma.org or 508.679.0131. Please note, if you have any affiliation with an agency that is submitting a project application other than previous consumer, you cannot participate in this process. The committee normally meets one time for about 2-3 hours to choose which projects will be submitted and to rank them among the two scoring Tiers which are thresholds for HUD funding decisions.