

# 2019 CoC NOFA

# IMPORTANT DATES

<b>Start of Local CoC Competition</b>	<b>July 3, 2019</b>
Webinar – Overview of 2019 NOFA Competition	Friday July 26: 10 am – 11 am EDT
Webinar – Overview of E-snaps system and applying for CoC grants	Monday July 29, 2019 2:30 pm EDT
<b>Deadline for Submission of renewal applications in E-SNAPS</b>	Friday August 16, 5 pm EDT
<b>Deadline for Submission of new project applications in E-SNAPS</b>	Friday, August 16, 5 pm EDT
Notification to applicants regarding whether project will be ranked – no later than	Friday, August 30, 2019
Deadline for written appeals	Wednesday, Sept 4, 2019
Full Draft of CoC application expected to be posted on CoC website	Friday, Sept. 13, 2019
Application submitted to HUD	Wednesday, September 18, 2019

# HUD NOFA ASSISTANCE RESOURCES

[HTTPS://WWW.HUDEXCHANGE.INFO/PROGRAMS/E-SNAPS/](https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/)

## General Project Application Information

### [How to Access the Project Application](#)

[Transferring an Existing Project](#): Identifies the steps recipients (i.e., grantees) and HUD Field Office staff need to take when projects are being transferred from one organization to another.

**FY 2018 CoC Competition Project Application Templates**: Not yet available

### [HUD Form 2880: Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/Update Report](#)

[How to Complete the HUD Form 2880 in e-snaps](#): Instructions for completing the HUD Form 2880 in the Project Applicant Profile and the individual Project Applications.

## Applications for Housing and Services Project Funding

### [Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions and Navigational Guide](#)

### [Process for Completing Renewal Project Application Screens](#)

**New Project Application Detailed Instructions and Navigational Guide**: Not yet available

**YHDP Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions and Navigational Guide**: Not yet available

**Project Application Appeal Process Navigational Guide for Solo Projects**: Not yet available

## Applications for Collaborative Applicant Planning and UFA Activity Funding

### [CoC Planning Project Application Detailed Instructions and Navigational Guide](#)

### [UFA Costs Project Application Detailed Instructions and Navigational Guide](#)



Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority

# FUNDING AVAILABILITY

PPRN =  
\$21,932,384 ('18)  
\$21,618,326 ('19)

ARD = \$13,545,128 ('18)  
\$16,894,778 ('19)

Tier 1 =  
\$12,732,420 ('18)  
\$16,083,162 ('19)

Bonus = \$1,315,943 ('18)  
\$1,180,887 ('19)

DV Bonus =  
\$2,193,238 ('18)  
\$2,161,833 ('19)

Reallocated funding  
= approx. \$540,000 ('18)  
\$150,000 ('19)

# WHAT'S NEW FOR 2019

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***Expanded eligibility for youth***



***Smaller bonus***



***Domestic Violence bonus project(s)***



***Extended term for first year of new grants***



***100% of ARD for first year renewals in Tier 1***

# CONTINUING OPPORTUNITIES

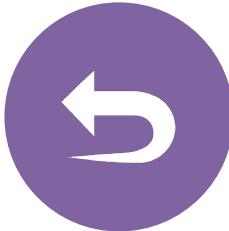
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CONSOLIDATION  
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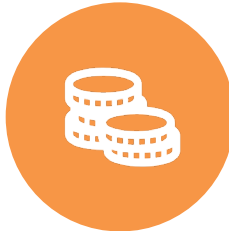
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TRANSITION  
GRANTS



DV BONUS



EXPANDED USES  
OF BONUS  
FUNDS

# EXPANDED OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE YOUTH

Youth Serving Providers – private nonprofit whose primary mission is to serve youth ages 24 and under

These organizations may serve youth aged 24 and younger who are 'living in unsafe situations – an unsafe primary residence and the youth have no safe alternative to that residence



As per the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2019, youth aged 24 and under must not be required to provide third party documentation that they meet the homeless definition

# 2019 COC BONUS

Replaces permanent housing bonus

Any new project type is eligible

- PSH – dedicated and DedicatedPLUS
- RRH – serving families and individuals
- Joint TH-RRH –
- HMIS expansion
- SSO for Coordinated Entry

Maximum amount is **5% of FPRN** - \$1,315,943

Can be one or more projects – ranked according to CoC policy

RRH and Joint TH/RRH can serve Category 1, 2 or 4 homeless





## 2019 DV BONUS

CoC may apply for up to 10 percent of its Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN) \$2,161,833 – no limit on number of possible projects

Three possible project types:

- RRH for families and individuals
- Joint TH-RRH that exclusively serves DV survivors
- SSO – CE project to provide coordinated entry services specific to needs of DV survivors – only one application

Program must solely serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and must use trauma informed and victim centered approaches

Scored separately based on need in the CoC for the DV project – shown in CoC application – and experience of applicant in serving DV survivors

2018 DV Bonus projects projected to be under contract prior to 12/31/19 MUST apply for renewal if they will expire in 2020



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Tier 1 = 100% of ARD for first time renewal grants and 94% of ARD for all other grants

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Must apply to receive renewal funding – only 1 year grant terms allowed

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Must continue same effort of chronic set-asides (DedicatedPLUS)

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May request less than FMR – for rental assistance projects – but must be documented by leases below FMR

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Abbreviated application – can import data from prior year – except for first time renewals – applied as new project in 2018

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May not request more than ARD as shown on Grant Inventory Worksheet

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**RENEWAL PROJECTS**

# TRANSITION GRANT

Eliminate whole project(s) to create new PH-PSH, PH-RRH, Joint TH and PH-RRH

New project created after transition must be an eligible new project under NOFA – **New Project Application**

Change program component without having to close out the prior grant and start up an entirely new grant – ideal for voluntary reallocation

No more than 50% of each transition grant may be used for costs of eligible activities of the program component originally funded

Must meet all FY 2019 CoC Program Competition eligibility and threshold requirements

Project will have 1 year to fully transition from the original component

Transition grants cannot use the consolidation process



# CONSOLIDATIONS

Current renewal projects where the projects are the same component (PSH for example) and same grantee are encouraged by HUD to consolidate

## **Renewal grant applications**

Must submit a separate renewal application for each grant as well as a single consolidated application

Budget Line Items (BLI) for the consolidated project must exactly match the sum of the BLIs for each individual project

Projects are in good standing with HUD

New project date will = date of earliest expiring grant

**Fully consolidated grant can be ranked at the same rank as highest scoring renewal grant being consolidated**



# EXPANSION GRANTS – INCLUDES NEW AND RENEWAL APPS



Expands eligible  
renewal grant to:

Add beds or units  
Provide additional  
supportive services to  
current participants



Can use expansion to request DV bonus  
funds to serve persons fleeing DV



Grants can be expanded AND  
consolidated



Complex application process – three  
applications need to be submitted



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**NEW  
APPROACH:  
JOINT TH/RRH  
REMAINS  
AVAILABLE**

Can be a new bonus or reallocation (or both) project

Especially appropriate where there is a shortage of safe and appropriate crisis/emergency housing

- TH component can provide short-term housing

Funding restrictions

- TH must be supported through operations or leasing
- RRH must be supported by tenant based rental assistance

Must be able to offer both housing types to all participants

- Demonstrate by having twice the resources for RRH as TH

# PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY FOR NEW PROJECTS

PSH projects must be either 100% dedicated to chronic homeless or 100% dedicated to DedicatedPLUS and must receive all referrals for housing from coordinated entry RRH and Joint TH/RRH

- Grantees must accept referrals from coordinated entry
- They may serve Category 1, 2 and 4 of the homeless definition

# PSH DEDICATED OR DEDICATED PLUS

Renewal projects that were 100% dedicated to chronic homeless may change to DedicatedPLUS in this application

- Projects awarded as DedicatedPLUS in prior competitions are required to include households with children to qualify as DedicatedPLUS in 2019

DedicatedPLUS can serve

- Chronic homeless
- Those residing in TH that will be eliminated and met CH when admitted
- Was literally homeless, was placed in PH in the past 12 months but did not sustain the housing and are now literally homeless
- Residing in the Joint TH/RRH and met the CH definition prior to entry
- Literally homeless for at least 12 months in past 3 years but did not meet the 'four episodes' rule;
- Being served by a VA homeless program and met the CH definition at entry



# ADMIN AND INDIRECT COSTS

Providers may request admin fees of up to 10% for new projects

- Admin costs charged to grant cannot exceed 10% of grant funds (including both admin and indirect)

Providers may request Indirect Costs

- Will not change total grant amount or budget lines
- Federally approved rate or 10% de minimis
- Must indicate intent to claim indirect in project application
- Must show distribution base that indirect will be charged on



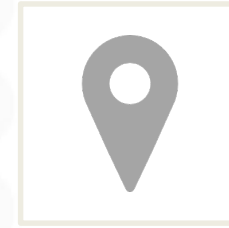
# SCORING



Renewals Grants will be scored based on the score received in the Performance Evaluation Renewal scoring criteria

Tool can be found here

<https://www.indianabos.org/internal-competition>



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# SCORING FACTORS FOR NEW PROJECTS

## Experience

- Working with proposed population
- Experience with Housing First
- Experience in effectively using Federal Funds

## Design of Housing and Supportive Services

- Understands needs of homeless people served
- Proposed housing meets needs of people to be served
- Type and scale of supportive services meet participant needs
- Show how clients will access mainstream benefits
- Establish performance measures that are objective and meet or exceed HUD standards
- Shows how participants will be able to increase income and employment
- Has a plan to rapidly secure and maintain permanent housing

# SCORING FACTORS FOR NEW PROJECTS (2)

## Timeliness

- Provide schedule of activities for first 60, 120, and 180 days after grant execution

## Financial

- Cost-effective compared to CoC average for program type
- Audit – no findings, agency is ‘low-risk’, no exceptions to standard practices
- Match is documented
- Budgeted costs are reasonable, allocable and allowable

## Effectiveness

- Referrals come from coordinated entry

# NEW PROJECTS – ELIGIBLE POPULATIONS

PSH

- All persons served must either be chronic homeless or meet definition of DedicatedPLUS – cannot be N/A

Rapid Rehousing –  
and Joint TH-RRH

- Category 1, 2 and 4 homeless,
- Residing in TH that was eliminated;
- Residing in TH funded under joint TH-RRH;
- Receiving VA homeless services and meet above criteria on entry

DV Bonus Projects

- All participants must be survivors of DV, dating violence or stalking
- Can be RRH or joint TH-RRH
- Must be victim centered and trauma informed

# COC RANKING POLICY

## Renewal grants

- Ranked according to renewal evaluation score

## First time renewals and those without a full year operations

- Ranked below scored renewal grants

## HMIS and Coordinated entry 'held harmless'

## New projects

- Ranked by score
- DV Bonus projects ranked below other new projects

# ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Agencies of local government or nonprofit organizations

Located within the jurisdiction of the Indiana Balance of State (all of the state except Indianapolis)

Applicants for PSH must have completed the Indiana Supportive Housing Institute or seek waiver

Only organizations with CoC grants expiring in 2020 may apply for Renewal Grants



# ELIGIBLE PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES

Renewal projects must renew as current project component and consistent with ARD GIW

Use transition application to voluntarily reallocate

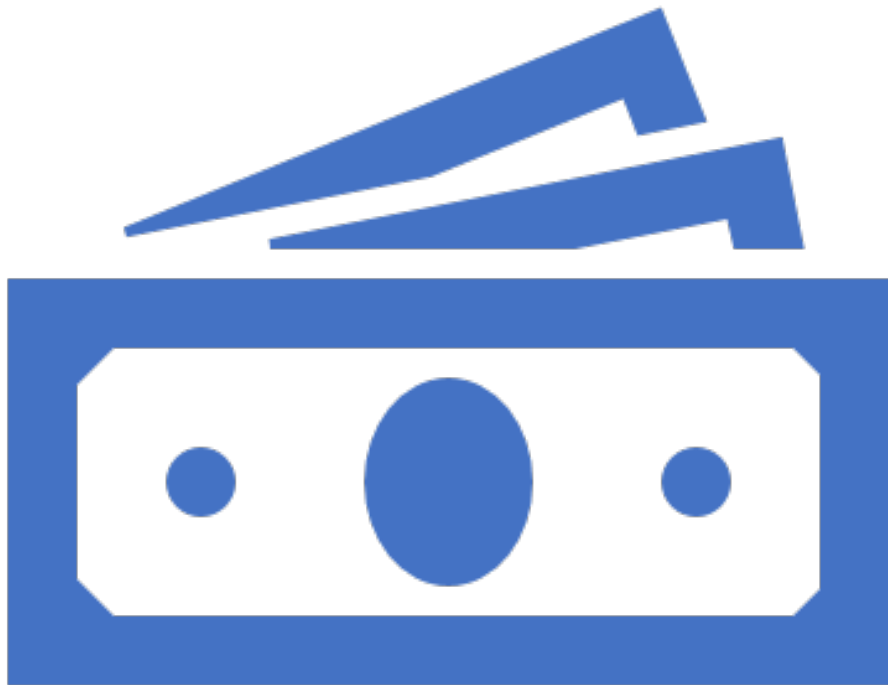
New projects may apply for funding in all eligible categories

PSH

RRH

Joint TH-RRH

# PSH ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES



Rental assistance: Tenant, Project or Sponsor based

Leasing

Operations

Supportive Services

Admin

# RRH ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES



Tenant based rental  
assistance – subject to CoC  
requirements



Supportive services



Admin

**JOINT TH -  
RRH  
ELIGIBLE  
ACTIVITIES**

For the TH component:

- Leasing or operating assistance

For the RRH component:

- Tenant based rental assistance

Supportive Services

HMIS

Administration

## UNDER- EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS

Recaptured/reallocated funds are permanent grant reduction

Grantees expected to expend a minimum of 90% of HUD funds

- Funds unspent in excess of 10% of grant funds are recaptured

New project applications

- Request longer grant term to spend first year's grant

# NOFA POLICIES



All projects must follow  
Housing First



Grants must expend at  
least 90% of funds or  
face reduction



All applicants must be  
assessed using  
VISPDAT



Admissions must come  
through coordinated  
entry – when ready

# QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

## Indiana Balance of State Answer Desk:

- IHCDA Community Services  
[communityservices@ihcda.IN.gov](mailto:communityservices@ihcda.IN.gov)

## Balance of State Website:

- <https://www.indianabos.org/internal-competition>

