

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: CA-510 - Turlock, Modesto/Stanslaus County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: Community Services Agency Stanislaus County

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Community Services Agency Stanislaus County

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Sections VII.B.1.a.(1), VII.B.1.e., VII.B.1.p., and VII.B.1.r.	
	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022:	
	1. select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC’s coordinated entry system; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC’s geographic area:	

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC’s Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
2.	Agencies serving survivors of human trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
3.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	Yes
4.	Disability Advocates	Yes	No	Yes
5.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	No	Yes
6.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	No	Yes
7.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
8.	Hospital(s)	No	No	No
9.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	No	No	No
10.	Law Enforcement	No	No	Yes
11.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
12.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
13.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	Yes
14.	Local Jail(s)	No	No	No
15.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
16.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes

17.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	No	No	No
18.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes	Yes	No
19.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	Yes	No
20.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
21.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes
22.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	No	No	No
24.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	No	No	No
25.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
26.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
30.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.	Faith-Based Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
35.	Veteran	Yes	Yes	Yes

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.(2)	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;
2.	ensured effective communication with individuals with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats;
3.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC annually invites new members by publicly posting on the CoC website, as well as conducting strategic community outreach across the CoC. A committee of CoC board members identify missing representation and provides outreach to individuals who would be willing to fill the need. The CoC meets monthly and is open to the public, with notice being posted on the CoC website and an invite sent through an email listserv. The CoC Leadership Application can be found on the CoC website at <https://csocstan.com/csoc-leadership-application/>.
2. The CoC monthly meetings are in a location that is accessible to individuals with physical disabilities. Information the is posted on the CoC website is compliant with Section 508 & Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG), including versions 2.0 and 2.1. Virtual and Telephone platforms are provided through ZOOM access. Accommodation information can be found at <https://csocstan.com/attend-a-csoc-meeting/>.
3. The CoC board has representation from a portion of culturally specific communities. The board has added membership seats to include BIPOC, LGBTQ+, and Senior organizations. However, the CoC is committed to providing additional outreach to include full representation to adequately address equity. To support translation needs at meetings, assistance is available upon request.

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.(3)	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information; and
3.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. During the CoC's strategic planning process, surveys were sent to community members, homeless services providers, individuals with lived experience, and representatives from other adjacent systems including healthcare, law enforcement, legal assistance, veterans and schools. However, the CoC has agreed that it needs to improve its cultural understanding when publishing surveys and/or forms. Additionally, the Stanislaus Housing Alliance (SHA), a committee of representatives from the local jurisdictions, has representation on the CoC board.

2. The CoC and its affiliated agencies communicate information monthly at its CoC meetings. Agencies and/or community members have the opportunity to provide information during the public comment period of the meeting, which is a standing agenda item. Additionally, funding reports are provided at the monthly meetings, with representation from the County and Cities, allowing time for questions by the public. Furthermore, individuals are encouraged to submit comments and/or comments on the CoC website under the "leave a comment" section.

3. The Stanislaus Community System of Care, CoC CA-510, has recently completed its strategic plan using input from over 1000 community members, homeless service providers, and people with lived experience. Based on the information gathered from the public, eight (8) goals have been identified as high priorities and effective strategies including increasing PSH and Prevention, mental and behavioral health services, achieve equity across the system, increasing participation by those with lived experience, and increasing paths to self-sufficiency. The CoC also works closely with SHA to continue communication with the local jurisdictions on how to better involve the public.

1B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.	
NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.(4)		
Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:		
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;	
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications—the process;	
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and	
4.	how your CoC effectively communicated with individuals with disabilities, including making information accessible in electronic formats.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC publicly announced the NOFO on August 9, 2022. This announcement included information on funding available through the DV Bonus and Bonus Projects, encouraging agencies that have not previously received CoC program funding to apply. This Notice also detailed information on the specific types of projects eligible for funding, the method in which applications must be submitted, as well as criteria the CoC would use to select project for recommendation. Additionally, an "Introduction to the CoC Competition" webinar was hosted for agencies that had not previously applied for CoC funds. This webinar provided guidance on how to create an applicant profile in eSNAPS and register for the 2022 new project application. Both the Notice and PowerPoint slides from the webinar were emailed to the community and published on the CoC website.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.b.	
	In the chart below:	
	1. select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or	
	2. select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.	

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Yes
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	Yes
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Yes
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Yes
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Yes
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	

18.	Veterans Services	Yes
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1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.b.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG and ESG-CV funds;
2.	participated in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients;
3.	provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area; and
4.	provided information to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions within your CoC's geographic area so it could be addressed in Consolidated Plan update.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC held public meetings with ESG program recipients to plan and allocate ESG-CV funds, as well as the annual process for ESG fund coordination. The CoC collaboration resulting in the prioritization of funds for non-congregate emergency shelter operations, RRH and landlord mediation/housing counseling. Funds were distributed to both current ESG recipients and new agencies that had not previously received funding.
2. The CoC and HMIS Lead work with ESG and ESG-CV providers to collect evaluation and performance data in HMIS. Programs are evaluated and monitored for performance and contribute data to the System Performance Measures. CoC members are informed of ESG performance standards and the evaluation process. The CoC board reviews exit data in HMIS to assess reasons for exits and other performance measures and will flag projects that may need additional review and intervention.
3. The CoC distributes the PIT and HIC data to all applicable Consolidated Plan jurisdictions, including State of California, County of Stanislaus, City of Modesto and City of Turlock. HIC and PIT data includes subpopulation information, client needs, a detailed report on reasons for homelessness, barriers to services and institutionalization.
4. The CoC provides data to the State of California HDIS system. The CoC provides data to the Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions as requested.

1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.c.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity:

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	No
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	No
3.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients.	Yes

4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance.	No
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting AAQs or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance of service providers.	No
6.	Other. (limit 150 characters)	

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	No
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC does not have a formal partnership with the entities above. However, the CoC-funded youth provider has an MOU with the Stanislaus County Office of Education. CoC representatives meet with McKinney-Vento liaisons regarding the annual Point in Time Count. CoC-affiliated youth service providers use their direct relationships with liaisons to provide resources when a youth is identified as being homeless. Additionally, the CoC board reserves a seat for community education representatives. The Stanislaus County Office of Education participates in CoC meetings and the planning process, informing policy and sharing resources with service organizations and the community.

1C-4b.	Informing Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC adopted to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Based on federal law, the CoC policies require all homeless service organizations to coordinate with Mckinney-Vento liaisons and assist liaisons when a family is homeless or at risk of homelessness. Program staff inform homeless clients with at least one adult and one child of their eligibility for, and right to receive, educational services. CoC-funded youth provider's policies and procedures support homeless youth with plans to stay current on school work and to inform all clients of education rights under the law. Staff assist youth to return to school, enroll in independent study, and obtain information on GED courses. Staff also work to remove barriers for youth to enroll in/attend schools and contact the County Office of Education Coordinator for assistance when school issues cannot be resolved directly with the school's homeless liaison.

1C-4c.	Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

		MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years	Yes	No
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	Yes	Yes
3.	Early Childhood Providers	Yes	Yes
4.	Early Head Start	No	Yes
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	Yes	No
6.	Head Start	No	Yes
7.	Healthy Start	Yes	No
8.	Public Pre-K	Yes	No
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.	Parent Resource Center, First Step Perinatal Treatment	Yes	Yes

1C-5.	Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors–Collaborating with Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations who help provide housing and services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking to:

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| 1. | update CoC-wide policies; and |
| 2. | ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC works closely with HAVEN, the local victim services provider, and a board seat is occupied by one of their staff. This board member assists the CoC in evaluating how to best serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking through updating the CoC policies and procedures manual as needed. These policies include information on providing trauma-informed care. The staff at HAVEN provide services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking which include crisis intervention, safety planning, restraining order preparation, peer counseling, support groups, youth services, shelter services, and housing services. All staff have gone through an extensive 72+ hour training prior to meeting with clients. Their knowledge and experience provide valuable insight within the CoC.

1C-5a.	Annual Training on Safety and Best Practices to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.		
Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinates to provide training for:		
1.	project staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma-informed, victim-centered) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually); and	
2.	Coordinated Entry staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma informed care) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually).	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC coordinates with the local Victim Services Providers (VSP) to provide training to the CoC and its affiliated agencies on serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking (DV). A training was provided in November 2021, and another training will be scheduled for the 2022-2023 year. This training focused on best practices to serve survivors of DV, including trauma-informed care and victim-centered practices. Topic included safety plans, power and control, community services available, and strengths-based service delivery. As basis for discussion of trauma-informed care, the VSP provided definition of trauma and its effects, especially with regard to DV.
2. Training that is provided to the CoC-affiliated agencies is also attended by Coordinated Entry Staff (CES). This training, as stated above, addressed best practices on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence. A new Coordinated Entry Committee has recently been formed, and additional training discussions will be held during these meetings.

1C-5b.	Using De-identified Aggregate Data to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.		
Describe in the field below:		
1.	the de-identified aggregate data source(s) your CoC uses for data on survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and	
2.	how your CoC uses the de-identified aggregate data described in element 1 of this question to evaluate how to best meet the specialized needs related to domestic violence and homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

Victim Service Providers collect data in an HMIS-comparable database. De-identified aggregate data is sent to the HMIS Lead for the sole purpose of evaluating service provision and the specialized needs related to domestic violence and homelessness. Data is provided as requested for grant applications, with the reports generated de-identifying the data and giving a unique client identifier to each client. These reports give insight into the community needs for funds and services related to this population. A process for confidential assessments in CES for survivors of DV, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking has been developed, and the local VSP continues to use a comparable database to collect demographic data and track services. VSP client demographics show who is accessing the available services, and this data can be used in aggregate or de-identified form. The VSP's data on services utilized by clients may be used as an indicator of what services are most utilized and desired by the survivor population, so the CoC can adequately assess and address community needs. The CoC-affiliated VSP is part of the local DV Coordinating Council, a group consisting of the District Attorney's office, service providers, Family Justice Centers, mediators from the court, and judges. The VSP actively engages in monthly meetings to discuss issues related to community needs around DV, including changes in local rules, particular difficult cases, and other information held by these entities. The DV Coordinating Council works to improve the system for DV survivors in the community.

1C-5c.	Communicating Emergency Transfer Plan to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.		
Describe in the field below how your CoC communicates to all individuals and families seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance:		
1.	the emergency transfer plan policies and procedures; and	
2.	the process for individuals and families to request an emergency transfer.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

Emergency transfer plan policies and procedures are developed at the agency level. Haven, the CoC Victim Services Provider (VSP) supports client with relocation assistance if an emergency transfer is requested. This assistance is always offered if a survivor is requesting to relocate to an area that is safe to them. When a survivor is referred to Haven, an assessment of needs is conducted. This assessment includes identifying where the survivor is interested in relocating, determine how they are wanting to get there, and assess how far away that specific location from the service center. After completing the assessment, the relocation request is processed for financial assistance.

1C-5d.	Access to Housing for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.		

Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures that survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have access to all of the housing and services available within the CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

A staff member of the VSP sit on the CoC board. Any information shared at the monthly CoC meetings is relayed to agency staff and/or clients. The VSP is also heavily involved in the Emergency Housing Voucher program, helping clients complete the EHV application and obtaining a voucher. Additionally, Haven has a transitional housing program that assists clients with short and long-term financial assistance, rental housing search, and connection to other housing options. Clients that identify as victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking are able to call the 24-hour crisis line or reach Haven's main office line during normal business hours. Clients are then connected to a Haven advocate that will assess their immediate needs and connect them to the appropriate department. Once clients are referred to the Housing Department, they are provided with housing information on what assistance is available. If a client cannot be supported at Haven, the agency provides them with additional community resources that may be a better fit.

1C-5e.	Including Safety, Planning, and Confidentiality Protocols in Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry includes:

1.	safety protocols,
2.	planning protocols, and
3.	confidentiality protocols.

(limit 2,500 characters)

To ensure confidentiality, the Coordinated Entry policies and procedures have a separate, confidential process available for vulnerable and victimized households which includes those experiencing domestic violence, physical assault, trafficking or sex work. The process allows providers to maintain confidentiality and safety for their clients, while ensuring these households have access to the full array of housing opportunities in the community. Survivors are not funneled into a certain housing program, but rather may access any housing and services for which they are eligible. the CES maintains confidentiality while ensuring equal access to housing opportunities as both written policies and provider practices prevent screening people out of the coordinated entry process based on DV/victimization history.

1C-6.	Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+--Anti-Discrimination Policy and Training.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.f.	

1.	Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
3.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	Yes

1C-6a.	Anti-Discrimination Policy—Updating Policies—Assisting Providers—Evaluating Compliance—Addressing Noncompliance.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.f.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	whether your CoC updates its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary, based on stakeholder feedback;
2.	how your CoC assisted providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination;
3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
4.	your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has implemented a CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBT individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination. All CoC and ESG funded agencies are required to implement an anti-discrimination policy within their project(s). The CoC will be reviewing these policies annually or as feedback is received. During project monitoring and evaluation, the CoC will be reviewing agency policies as a part of the process, ensuring that staff are compliant with all anti-discrimination policies. If a project is found to be non-compliant, the CoC will work with the agency to bring them back into compliance and will review the project a second time during the year. If the project is still noncompliant, measures may be taken to reduce or reallocate future funding.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area—New Admissions—General/Limited Preference—Moving On Strategy.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the FY 2021 CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with—if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2021 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority	36%	Yes-Both	Yes

Riverbank Housing Authority	0%	No	No
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1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC works closely with the Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority (SRHA), a recipient of CoC funds that has a homeless preference with 36% of its new admissions who were experiencing homeless at entry. Riverbank Housing Authority, which is administered by SRHA, holds 90 units and does not administer HCV. The CoC has a Riverbank City Manager as a voting member of the CoC Board. The CoC continues to work with them to develop a homeless preference in the future. SRHA has been involved in the development of housing opportunities for people experiencing homelessness including the conversion of a 103-unit hotel to create additional permanent housing. The SRHA's Moving On Strategy aims to move up to 25 graduates of CoC-funded PSH units administered by the SRHA into non-assisted units. This voluntary program looks for those who have stabilized in housing and no longer require intensive services in order to give them the choice to move on and open their PSH space for someone else experiencing homelessness. The strategy is included in the SRHA's PHA Administrative Plan's Local Preferences, Order of Selection policy. The SRHA is a recipient of CoC funds, serves on the CoC board and works to make serving homeless persons a priority.

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:

1.	Multifamily assisted housing owners	No
2.	PHA	Yes
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	No
4.	Local low-income housing programs	No
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
5.		

1C-7c.	Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process?

1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	Yes
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	No
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	Yes
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	Yes
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	No
7.	Public Housing	Yes
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	

1C-7d.	Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

1.	Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)?	Yes
		Program Funding Source
2.	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	Mainstream Vouchers and Emergency Housing Vouchers

1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV).	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.g.	

	Did your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	Yes
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1C-7e.1.	List of PHAs with Active MOUs to Administer the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

Does your CoC have an active Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any PHA to administer the EHV Program?	Yes
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If you select yes to question 1C-7e.1., you must use the list feature below to enter the name of every PHA your CoC has an active MOU with to administer the Emergency Housing Voucher Program.

PHA

Stanislaus Region...

1C-7e.1. List of PHAs with MOUs

Name of PHA: Stanislaus Regional Housing Authority

1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

1D-1.	Discharge Planning Coordination.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.h.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the systems of care listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.

1. Foster Care	Yes
2. Health Care	Yes
3. Mental Health Care	Yes
4. Correctional Facilities	Yes

1D-2.	Housing First—Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.i.	

1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2022 CoC Program Competition.	18
2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2022 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	18
3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.i.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC evaluates every recipient—that checks Housing First on their Project Application—to determine if they are actually using a Housing First approach;	
2.	the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation; and	
3.	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of the competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC requires that all projects receiving CoC and ESG funds are utilizing a Housing First Approach. This is part of the threshold criteria for all funding. During the project's monitoring, the CoC committee tasked with evaluating projects will review project policies and interview staff to determine if there are any requirements a homeless individual must meet to receive services. This can include the requirement to participate in support services or adhere to any sobriety requirements. Monitoring will be conducted on a yearly basis. Projects that have been determined to be noncompliant will be required to remedy the issues and may be recommended for a reduction or reallocation of funding depending on the severity of the findings.

1D-3.	Street Outreach–Scope.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.j.	

Describe in the field below:

	1.	your CoC's street outreach efforts, including the methods it uses to ensure all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness are identified and engaged;
	2.	whether your CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC's geographic area;
	3.	how often your CoC conducts street outreach; and
	4.	how your CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC outreach connects people currently homeless with a continuum of services centralized through Coordinated Entry Access Center's Street Outreach Team. Additionally, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) staff go out in the field to assist individuals in accessing BHRS services, as well as connecting them to other mainstream/homeless services and providing a warm handoff to other agencies. Outreach team members in the community include youth providers, social services organizations, Disability Resource Agency for Independent Living (DRAIL), peers with lived experience, County benefits office (offers mobile SNAP application & connection to benefits assistance), and Veterans Representatives (to identify veterans and provide mobile screening for veteran services). The CARE Team and the CE Access Center targets high utilizers and most vulnerable homeless persons. A list of chronically homeless individuals is maintained to be used by outreach workers. The Golden Vally Health street medicine team serves homeless individuals with medical concerns and connects them with local system of care to provide access to benefits and services. The street outreach teams participate in the CoC and case conferencing to ensure access to information necessary to identify all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness in the community.
2. 100% of the CoC's geographic area is covered by multiple street outreach teams.
3. Outreach is provided 5 days per week, with smaller jurisdictions providing outreach to the rural areas 2 times per week.
4. BHRS and DRAIL outreach staff are trained to work with individuals with mental health/DUD/disability. Additionally, the BHRS has a rural outreach team and "Latino access" team which includes community members who can connect with monolingual Spanish speakers. The Universal Language Line (ULL) is also utilized by outreach workers as necessary. The CoC-affiliated agencies have tailored their street outreach methods to include having individuals with lived experience conduct outreach and having staff allow time to build rapport with unsheltered individuals.

1D-4.	Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.k.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate strategies your CoC implemented to ensure homelessness is not criminalized and to reverse existing criminalization policies in your CoC's geographic area:

		Ensure Homelessness is not Criminalized	Reverse Existing Criminalization Policies
1.	Engaged/educated local policymakers	Yes	Yes
2.	Engaged/educated law enforcement	Yes	Yes
3.	Engaged/educated local business leaders	No	No
4.	Implemented community wide plans	Yes	Yes
5.	Other:(limit 500 characters)		

1D-5.	Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC).	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.i.	

		2021	2022
	Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC—only enter bed data for projects that have an inventory type of "Current."	37	45

1D-6.	Mainstream Benefits–CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

	Resource	CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	TANF–Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
4.	Substance Abuse Programs	Yes
5.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
6.	Other (limit 150 characters)	

1D-6a.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.m	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

1. systemically provides up-to-date information on mainstream resources available for program participants (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, TANF, substance abuse programs) within your CoC's geographic area;
2. works with project staff to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including substance abuse treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services; and
3. works with projects to promote SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC provided training in October 2021 on mainstream benefits to ensure staff were trained on information sharing. Additionally, weekly case conferencing is held between staff from agencies that can assess eligibility for individuals and share new information. The Community Service Agency, the Collaborative Applicant, is active on the CoC, facilitating collaboration for client connection to benefits. Furthermore, providers share strategies regarding participant connection to resources and other healthcare services at the monthly CoC meetings and special CES committee meetings. The CoC provides regular updates on any HUD trainings/resources regarding benefits through the CoC meetings and the email listserv.

The CoC partners with Golden Valley Health Center and other healthcare agencies to identify persons experiencing homelessness and assists them in connecting to healthcare services, including primary care, behavioral and mental health. The street medicine team also performs outreach and connects homeless individuals without insurance to Community Services Agency to be evaluated for MediCal and other benefits assistance. Individuals with MediCal are connected to Primary Care Physicians, increasing access to their health benefits. CSA staff are trained in SOAR to facilitate enrollment of clients in SSI/SSDI, and the CoC actively encourages PSH service agencies to partner with the local Social Security office to maximize benefits.

1D-7.	Increasing Capacity for Non-Congregate Sheltering.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.n.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC is increasing its capacity to provide non-congregate sheltering.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Utilizing ESG-CV funds, the CoC prioritized projects that proposed increasing access to non-congregate shelters through the use of hotel/motel vouchers. During the height of Covid-19, funding was used to support decompression of congregate facilities by opening a non-congregate shelter in a local hotel.

ID-8.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies—Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.o.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to:

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| 1. | develop CoC-wide policies and procedures to respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and |
| 2. | prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC and its affiliated agencies have updated their policies and procedures to include disease prevention and response in emergency shelters, permanent supportive housing, transitional housing. The largest emergency shelter in Stanislaus County now has an RN and LVN on site. The CoC has also established a system for procurement and distribution of PPE and specialized equipment to all providers and for unsheltered, as well as increasing a stockpile of PPE and other equipment necessary for emergencies. These policies have improved the CoC's ability to quickly mobilize and demobilize different types of emergency shelter as conditions warrant.

ID-8a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases. NOFO Section VII.B.1.o.	
Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively equipped providers to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants by:		
1.	sharing information related to public health measures and homelessness, and	
2.	facilitating communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

Information on public health measures is communicated to providers at weekly shelter director meetings during infectious disease outbreaks. These meetings are facilitated by the CoC when guidance and information is released by the local public health officer, State of CA industry specific guidance, and HUD and other federal partners. When there is an infectious disease outbreak, and as the State of California issues homeless service provider specific guidance and regulations, the county public health officers update guidance based on local conditions. Any updated guidance is communicated at provider meetings and distributed in writing via the CoC listserv and website. Weekly meetings allow for service providers the opportunity to ask questions and share concerns, which is then passed along to public health officials, creating a feedback loop crucial for rapidly changing situations. The CoC shares local guidance on any updated safety measures, including masking, sanitation/hygiene, distancing, meal distribution, testing, isolation/quarantine processes, vaccinations, and PPE distribution.

1D-9.	Centralized or Coordinated Entry System–Assessment Process. NOFO Section VII.B.1.p.	
Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:		
1.	covers 100 percent of your CoC's geographic area;	
2.	uses a standardized assessment process; and	
3.	is updated regularly using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

Coordinated Entry assessment and referrals are available across 100% of the CoC's geographic area. Outreach staff from the CE Access Center provides outreach 5 days per week. The Coordinated Entry system uses VI-SPDAT to prioritize those most in need of assistance with a numerical score based on vulnerability. The CoC uses multiple versions of VI-SPDAT to ensure particular population-specific vulnerabilities are covered/weighed on equal footing. Outreach teams conduct initial VI-SPDAT/intake and consumer data is entered into HMIS and placed on community queue, prioritized by people most in need to provide housing/services. Recently, the CoC has created a Coordinated Entry Committee that will meet monthly to address issues that have arisen. The committee will look at feedback that is received by projects and individuals participating in coordinated entry. If necessary, additional outreach will be provided to ensure that agencies are adequately trained to conduct CE assessments.

1D-9a.	Program Participant-Centered Approach to Centralized or Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.p.	
	Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
1.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;	
2.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance;	
3.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their preferences; and	
4.	takes steps to reduce burdens on people using coordinated entry.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Coordinated Entry System reaches those least likely to apply for homeless assistance by advertising to those in need of housing and marketing to ensure consumers understand the Coordinated Entry System (CES). The CES implementation is centralized at the Access Center. Specialized outreach teams trained as Housing Assessors are able to provide outreach to the most vulnerable and unlikely to use the Access Center. Additionally, service providers are able to serve as the initial CE contact point for individuals that are unwilling to travel to the Access Center. These providers, most times, have already taken the time to build rapport with the individual or household needing housing and supportive services. These individuals are more willing to participate in CES when they have built trust with the service providers. The CES uses the VI-SPDAT to prioritize those most in need of assistance based on a household's vulnerabilities and barriers. The CoC uses multiple versions of the VI-SPDAT to ensure population-specific vulnerabilities are covered/weighed on equal footing.

1D-10.	Promoting Racial Equity in Homelessness—Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	No
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	

1D-10a.	Process for Analyzing Racial Disparities—Identifying Racial Disparities in Provision or Outcomes of Homeless Assistance.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	your CoC's process for analyzing whether any racial disparities are present in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and
2.	what racial disparities your CoC identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC will utilize HMIS data and PIT Count data to analyze whether racial disparities are present in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance. The CoC will also hire a consultant to provide racial equity training and assist in the formal analysis of data.

1D-10b.	Strategies to Address Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to address any racial disparities.

1.	The CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies are representative of the population served in the CoC.	No
2.	The CoC has identified steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC.	Yes
3.	The CoC is expanding outreach in geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups.	Yes
4.	The CoC has communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups.	Yes
5.	The CoC is training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness.	Yes
6.	The CoC is establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector.	No
7.	The CoC has staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness.	Yes
8.	The CoC is educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity.	No
9.	The CoC reviewed coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
10.	The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system.	Yes
11.	The CoC is conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	

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1D-10c.	Actions Taken to Address Known Disparities.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below the steps your CoC and homeless providers have taken to address disparities identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

A consultant will be hired to assist the CoC and homeless providers in addressing disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance. This includes providing racial equity trainings and analyzing HMIS data to identify racial disparities in Stanislaus County.

1D-10d.	Tracking Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Disparities.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.q.	

Describe in the field below the measures your CoC has in place to track progress on preventing or eliminating disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

A consultant will be hired to assist the CoC and homeless providers in addressing disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance. This includes providing racial equity trainings and analyzing HMIS data to identify racial disparities in Stanislaus County, as well as provide guidance on best practices on preventing or eliminating disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

1D-11.	Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking—CoC’s Outreach Efforts.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below your CoC’s outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decision making processes.

(limit 2,500 characters)

CoC-affiliated agencies are actively encouraged to involve individuals with lived experience in their outreach efforts and to step into leadership roles within their agencies and the CoC. The CoC has a standing seat on the board for an individual with lived experience, but additional outreach is necessary with only 3 out of the 4 lived experience vacancies being filled. The CoC acknowledges the need to allow for a safe space for individuals with lived experience to voice their experience with the homeless response system and have the opportunity to be included in any decision-making processes. A Youth Action Council (YAC) has been established, and the CoC-funded youth service provider is continuing to grow that committee with the opportunity to have a board seat reserved for the YAC.

1D-11a.	Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.r.	

Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the five categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1.	Included and provide input that is incorporated in the local planning process.	2	1
2.	Review and recommend revisions to local policies addressing homelessness related to coordinated entry, services, and housing.	2	1
3.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	2	1
4.	Included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	2	1
5.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	2	1

1D-11b.	Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC actively encourages affiliated agencies to provide services to assist individuals in obtaining gainful employment. Many agencies have programs that provide peer navigators who assist individuals identify and prepare for employment. A number of agencies fill staff positions with former clients.

1D-11c.	Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

1.	how your CoC routinely gathered feedback from people experiencing homelessness and people who have received assistance through the CoC or ESG program on their experience receiving assistance; and
2.	the steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC's youth provider hosts weekly shelter meetings for youth to provide valuable feedback. Many other CoC-affiliated agencies have implemented anonymous feedback surveys and forms that contribute to the evaluation on the effectiveness of service provision. As issues are addressed, the CoC urges agencies to review their policies internally, while also reviewing the CoC-wide policies.

1D-12.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.t.	

Describe in the field below at least 2 steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months that engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:

1.	reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and
2.	reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The County of Stanislaus and its jurisdictions have begun relaxing zoning restrictions, allowing tiny homes to be placed on property that has otherwise been zoned differently. Additionally, the State of California and County of Stanislaus is beginning to allow for the construction of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) which can be used as affordable housing for homeless individuals. Furthermore, The City of Modesto has been awarded funding through Project HomeKey to convert a hotel/motel into permanent housing. This project has required the City of Modesto to re-zone the property from commercial to residential, adding an additional 14 units for homeless youth. The City of Riverbank has developed a plan to address housing and shelter by purchasing a home that will be transformed into an emergency shelter, with a day center in development. The City of Turlock is currently looking at the infrastructure to develop a 40-bed men's shelter.

1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- 24 CFR part 578;
- FY 2022 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

1E-1.	Web Posting of Your CoC’s Local Competition Deadline–Advance Public Notice. NOFO Section VII.B.2.a. and 2.g. You must upload the Local Competition Deadline attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
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	Enter the date your CoC published the deadline for project applicants to submit their applications to your CoC’s local competition.	08/09/2022
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1E-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC’s eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below. NOFO Section VII.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d. You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:	
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1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.	Yes
5.	Used data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	Yes

1E-2a.	<p>Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.</p> <p>NOFO Section VII.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.</p>	
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You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:

1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	115
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	20
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	PH-PSH

1E-2b.	<p>Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process.</p> <p>NOFO Section VII.B.2.d.</p>	
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- Describe in the field below:
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| 1. | how your CoC collected and analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing; |
| 2. | how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing; |
| 3. | how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and |
| 4. | considerations your CoC gave to projects that provide housing and services to the hardest to serve populations that could result in lower performance levels but are projects your CoC needs in its geographic area. |

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC's rating and ranking tool analyzed data from each renewal project's Annual Performance Report (APR) that was submitted in SAGE. The performance outcomes the committee reviewed included exits to positive housing destinations for project leavers and retention of permanent housing for project stayers. Average length of time it takes an individual to move into permanent housing was not used as ranking criteria because additional training is needed to ensure all projects are inputting data in a timely manner and are recording both project start date and housing move-in date. The rating and ranking criteria included points for projects serving chronically homeless, individuals with severe mental illness, HIV/AIDS, domestic violence, and youth. Each aforementioned population has specific needs and vulnerabilities that may prevent rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing. The criteria used in the 2022 ranking including additional criteria such as bed utilization, increased access to health insurance, increase non-cash mainstream benefits and bed utilization.

1E-3.	<p>Promoting Racial Equity in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.</p> <p>NOFO Section VII.B.2.e.</p>	
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Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC obtained input and included persons of different races, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population;
2.	how the input from persons of different races, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, affected how your CoC determined the rating factors used to review project applications;
3.	how your CoC included persons of different races, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, in the review, selection, and ranking process; and
4.	how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree to which their project has identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC acknowledges its need to provide further outreach to obtain input from persons of different and include them in the rating and ranking process. The CoC rating and ranking tool received input and approval at a special CoC meeting. This meeting addressed including specific racial equity questions for applicants to answer as part of the review process. The CoC will continue to review its ranking criteria in the upcoming year to better address racial equity in the CoC Program Competition.

1E-4.	Reallocation—Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.f.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	your CoC’s reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed;
2.	whether your CoC identified any projects through this process during your local competition this year;
3.	whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and
4.	why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has implemented a written reallocation process. Non-conflicted rating and ranking committee members have the discretion to recommend projects be examined based on criteria outlined in the policies: unspent grant funds; any indication that full use has not been made of CoC funds; impact on system performant; and impact on community of not funding the project in question. The CoC uses objective scales to score project data, including factors on: percentage of adult participants who receive non-cash benefits and cash income, percentage of all leavers to exit to positive housing destinations; and unspent CoC grant funds. If a project is underperforming, the rating and ranking committee reserves the right to recommend reallocation. The CoC identified 2 renewal projects that did not adhere to the competition deadline. The rating and ranking committee decided to conditionally award the projects with a warning that failure to adhere to the competition deadline in future NOFOs would result in reallocation of funds. Due to the shortened timeframe from HUD for the CoC Program Competition, leniency was provided to the projects.

1E-4a.	Reallocation Between FY 2017 and FY 2022.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.f.	

	Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2017 and FY 2022?	No
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1E-5.	Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Did your CoC reject or reduce any project application(s)?	No
2.	Did your CoC inform applicants why their projects were rejected or reduced?	No
3.	If you selected Yes for element 1 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2022, 06/27/2022, and 06/28/2022, then you must enter 06/28/2022.	

1E-5a.	Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2022, 06/27/2022, and 06/28/2022, then you must enter 06/28/2022.	09/15/2022
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1E-5b.	Local Competition Selection Results–Scores for All Projects.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Final Project Scores for All Projects attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Applicant Names; 2. Project Names; 3. Project Scores; 4. Project Rank–if accepted; 5. Award amounts; and 6. Projects accepted or rejected status.	Yes
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1E-5c.	1E-5c. Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Web Posting–CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	<p>Enter the date your CoC posted the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC's website or partner's website—which included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the CoC Application; and 2. Priority Listings for Reallocation forms and all New, Renewal, and Replacement Project Listings. 	
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You must enter a date in question 1E-5c.

1E-5d.	<p>Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website.</p>	
	<p>NOFO Section VII.B.2.g. You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.</p>	

	<p>Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application has been posted on the CoC's website or partner's website.</p>	
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You must enter a date in question 1E-5d.

2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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- Frequently Asked Questions

2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	Eccovia Solutions
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2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC’s HMIS coverage area.	Single CoC
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2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.a.	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2022 HIC data into HDX.	05/05/2022
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2A-4.	Comparable Database for DV Providers–CoC and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Collection and Data Submission by Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.b.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in databases that meet HUD’s comparable database requirements; and
2.	state whether your CoC is compliant with the 2022 HMIS Data Standards.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC works closely with HAVEN, the regional victim services provider (VSP), to collect quality data. HAVEN currently utilizes Osnium, an HMIS-comparable database, and have been providing a CSV file showing only unique identifiers and the 10th of each month to the HMIS Lead. The CoC is compliant with the 2022 HMIS Data Standards, and the HMIS committee will continue to update the policies and procedures manual as needed.

2A-5.	Bed Coverage Rate—Using HIC, HMIS Data—CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.c. and VII.B.7.	

Enter 2022 HIC and HMIS data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Total Beds 2022 HIC	Total Beds in HIC Dedicated for DV	Total Beds in HMIS	HMIS Bed Coverage Rate
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	892	15	828	94.41%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	246	22	220	98.21%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	45	0	41	91.11%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing	640	0	350	54.69%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH)	60	0	20	33.33%

2A-5a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.c.	

For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:

1.	steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and
2.	how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) and Other Permanent Housing (OPH) bed coverage rate was at 55% and 33% respectively. The largest source of PSH beds is provided by HUD-VASH vouchers. The VA works closely in the community, participates in Coordinated Entry, and provides data. However, they are not currently in HMIS. The HMIS Lead is working with the HMIS vendor to get data transferred into HMIS. Approximately 40 OPH beds are provided through the Emergency Housing Voucher program, which is not required to enter into HMIS. However, the EHV program does provide data on referrals that are made.

2A-6.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.3.d.	

Did your CoC submit LSA data to HUD in HDX 2.0 by February 15, 2022, 8 p.m. EST?	Yes
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2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.4.b	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2022 PIT count.	02/24/2022
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2B-2.	PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.4.b	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2022 PIT count data in HDX.	05/05/2022
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2B-3.	PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.4.b.	

Describe in the field below how during the planning process for the 2022 PIT count your CoC:

1.	engaged stakeholders that serve homeless youth;
2.	involved homeless youth in the actual count; and
3.	worked with stakeholders to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Youth agencies were actively involved in the planning process for the 2022 PIT Count, having agency staff provide outreach and conduct the surveys. The LGBT collaborative helped relay information to the LGBTQ+ community which includes a large number of youth. Additionally, the CoC involved the local school districts in the planning, and the schools had several youth sign up for the PIT Count. In order to identify potential locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified, the Youth Navigation Outreach Team was involved in the planning to identify locations. The CoC also coordinated with the local universities and colleges.

2B-4.	PIT Count–Methodology Change–CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.a and VII.B.7.c.	

In the field below:	
1.	describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2021 and 2022, if applicable;
2.	describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2021 and 2022, if applicable; and
3.	describe how the changes affected your CoC’s PIT count results; or
4.	state “Not Applicable” if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2022.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC decided to utilize a new data input system. This system recorded responses in an app, nearly eliminating the use of paper surveys. This reduced the amount of time it took on the back end to input information. With it being the first year this system was utilized, there were some errors, but it was overall easy to use. This system was used for both the sheltered and unsheltered count. Additionally, Public Health requested that the count was conducted in February due to a spike in Covid. This resulted in fewer numbers of volunteers by nearly 1/3. The specific day of the count was unusually cold, so not many encampments were reached. Another difficulty was that there was a city-wide encampment cleanout, so outreach workers were unable to identify any new encampments nor reach the old encampments.

2C. System Performance

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2C-1.	Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless–Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.b.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;	
	2. describe your CoC’s strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and	
	3. provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time	

(limit 2,500 characters)

The number of first time homeless has reduced from 2640 (2020) to 2217 (2021). First Time Homeless has been a focal point for several years, resulting in a clear list of risk factors of first-time homelessness. These risk factors include: abuse or violence in the home, alcohol/substance use, divorce/separation, job loss and inability to maintain rent payments. Using these risk factors, the CoC identifies individuals and families at risk through multiple strategies. The CE Access Center serves as a hub for people at risk of homelessness, using prevention/diversion and access to employment services, public benefit enrollment, and the 2-1-1 access line. The CES assessment uses diversion to avoid first time homelessness, including options for conflict mediation, transportation and referral regarding fair housing and tenant rights. The local victim service provider participates in coordinate entry to facilitate connection to their non-CoC funded services. The CoC is responsible for overseeing this strategy. A committee may be established to provide additional oversight.

2C-2.	Length of Time Homeless–CoC’s Strategy to Reduce.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.c.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC’s strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;	

2.	describe how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The average length of time persons remain homeless has increased from 82 bed nights in 2020 to 95 bed nights in 2021. With this increase, the CoC has identified several strategies. The first strategy is to increase case management in emergency shelter to support those entering the system to more quickly find permanent housing. Another strategy is to strengthen ties from unsheltered outreach programs to the Coordinated Entry System. The CoC has ensured that more unsheltered are assessed and prioritized through Coordinated Entry. The third strategy is to increase available housing to move households into permanent housing. Additional permanent is being developed to address this issue. The CoC utilizes HMIS data and the Coordinated Entry System to identify individuals and families with the longest lengths of times homelessness. Case managers and outreach workers build trusting relationships with these clients, ensuring all assessments are completed and information is up to date in HMIS, while providing assistance in preparing and completing forms with the client. The HMIS Lead, CoC Lead, and Coordinated Entry Committee Chair is responsible for overseeing these strategies.

2C-3.	Exits to Permanent Housing Destinations/Retention of Permanent Housing—CoC's Strategy	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.d.	

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;
2.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC saw a 3% decrease in exits to permanent housing from 2020 to 2021. To address this issue, the CoC has identified 3 strategies. The first strategy is to increase housing opportunities. The City of Modesto is in the process of converting a hotel into permanent housing, increasing the number of units available for occupancy by homeless individuals. Additionally, the CoC-affiliated agencies are active in identifying potential landlords. The second strategy is to increase connections to the Coordinated Entry System to ensure quick exits from emergency shelters into new housing options and available units. The third strategy is to increase case management in emergency shelters to support those entering the system to more quickly find permanent housing. In order to increase the rate that individuals and families retain permanent housing, the CoC focuses on low-barrier housing and a wide variety of supports customized for each household/client. The CoC has identified post-housing case management as a crucial strategy to ensure clients remain in permanent housing. The CoC board is responsible for overseeing these strategies, but a committee may be established to provide additional oversight.

2C-4.	Returns to Homelessness–CoC’s Strategy to Reduce Rate.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.e.	

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;
2.	describe your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has created a system for CoC and ESG providers to meet for bi-weekly case conferencing, discussing factors related to returns to homelessness in order to systematically identify persons and families at fist for a return to homelessness. Another goal of this case conferencing is to re-engage individuals and families who have returned to homelessness. The CoC tracks critical indicators and outcomes in HMIS with regards to returns to homelessness and presents/implements strategies to reduce returns to homelessness to the CoC board. As an agency follows up with house clients, they address concerns of returns to homelessness before the client's housing is lost and identify factors that may lead to returns to homelessness. Current policies give participants maximum flexibility to be temporarily absent from their unit without losing their unit and assistance. Additionally, the 2-1-1 system helps identify at-risk households and helps them find resources to stay housed, while legal services assist clients with evictions. The Coordinated Entry Access Center provides connections to employment/job search/financial planning to create a financial foundation for unit retention. The CoC board is responsible for overseeing this strategy, but a committee may be established to provide further oversight.

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income–CoC’s Strategy.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.f.	

In the field below:

1.	describe your CoC’s strategy to access employment cash sources;
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their cash income; and
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC’s strategy to increase income from employment.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC saw a 1% decrease in change in earned income. More than half of the CoC-funded agencies provide connections to employment to increase income for participants and program connect clients to local business/mainstream employment agencies. Clients are connected with the Stanislaus County Workforce Development (SCWD), TANF and behavioral health employment programs (which offer paid internships, skills assessments, job readiness, transportation assistance and linkage to job opportunities) to increase earnings. In addition, the County Benefits Office holds weekly case management services to support job search and provider referrals to help participants obtain and retain employment, sustainably increasing cash income. The SCWD has four career centers and provides job search assistance, resume building, occupational skills training, career counseling and job placement assistance. The SCWD partners with homeless providers and the CoC to ensure these services reach those experiencing homelessness and provides gift card incentives for participants that retain employment. The CoC board is responsible for overseeing this strategy, but a committee may be created to provide additional oversight.

2C-5a.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy	
	NOFO Section VII.B.5.f.	
	In the field below:	
	1. describe your CoC's strategy to access non-employment cash income; and	
	2. provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

CoC providers are trained in SOAR to facilitate enrollment of clients between case managers and SSI/SSDI offices. Additionally, permanent supportive housing programs partner with the local Social Security office to maximize SSI/SSDI. CoC agencies also connect clients to the County Benefits Office's specialists for non-employment income such as TANF, SNAP, and GA. The County Benefits Office's director sits on the CoC board to facilitate coordination and address systemic issues. The Access Center has benefits specialists co-located onsite to connect individuals with mainstream cash benefit programs, as well as connecting veterans to the VA for veterans' programs. The CoC will continue to encourage these partnerships by providing training on effective benefit referral systems to all providers are aware of how their clients can be onboarded onto cash benefits. The CoC will also continue to provide training on best practices regarding financial budgeting and literacy for program participants, to preserve non-employment and other cash resources. The CoC board is responsible for overseeing these strategies, but another committee may be created to provide additional oversight.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	No
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3A-2.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	No
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3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections VII.B.6.a. and VII.B.6.b.	
	If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.	

Project Name	Project Type	Rank Number	Leverage Type
This list contains no items			

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.s.	

Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No
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3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section VII.B.1.s.	

If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:

1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and
2.	HUD’s implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.

(limit 2,500 characters)

3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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3C-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section VII.C.	

	Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No
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3C-2.	Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section VII.C.	

You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:

1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.

(limit 2,500 characters)

4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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4A-1.	New DV Bonus Project Applications.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.	

	Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?		Yes
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4A-1a.	DV Bonus Project Types.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the type(s) of new DV Bonus project(s) your CoC included in its FY 2022 Priority Listing.

	Project Type	
1.	SSO Coordinated Entry	No
2.	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component	Yes

You must click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated Entry to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b.

4A-3.	Assessing Need for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects in Your CoC's Geographic Area.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.(e)(1)(c)	

1.	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services:	184
2.	Enter the number of survivors your CoC is currently serving:	24
3.	Unmet Need:	160

4A-3a.	How Your CoC Calculated Local Need for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(c)	

Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services in question 4A-3 element 1 and element 2; and
2.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects); or
3.	if your CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors please explain in your response all barriers to meeting those needs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The number of survivors that need housing was calculated using HMIS-comparable data from the last 12 months (September 2021-August 2022). The number of survivors that are currently being provided housing was calculated using HMIS-comparable data from August 2022. HAVEN, the victim service provider, has identified several barriers to meeting the needs of all survivors. Some barriers include lack of stable income, little-to-no credit, eviction on record, and lack of safe and affordable housing. Clients have to overcome these barriers when seeking stable housing for themselves and their housing. Other barriers include reliable transportation and language barriers. Many housing applications are in English, and interpretation or translation services are needed to translate documents in the client's native language.

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicants and Their Experience in Housing Placement and Housing Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)	

Use the list feature icon to enter information on each unique project applicant applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus projects—only enter project applicant information once, regardless of how many DV Bonus projects that applicant is applying for.

Applicant Name
Haven Women's Cen...

Project Applicants Applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH DV Bonus Projects

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicants and Their Experience in Housing Placement and Housing Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)	

Enter information in the chart below on the project applicant applying for one or more New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects included on your CoC's FY 2022 Priority Listing:

1.	Applicant Name	Haven Women's Center of Stanislaus
2.	Project Name	Transitional Housing Program
3.	Project Rank on the Priority Listing	19
4.	Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)	C1KSEE748N41
5.	Amount Requested	\$212,584
6.	Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors–Percentage	
7.	Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors–Percentage	

You must enter a response for elements 1 through 7 in question 4A-3b.

4A-3b.1.	Applicant Experience in Housing Placement and Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(c)	

For the rate of housing placement and rate of housing retention of DV survivors reported in question 4B-3b., describe in the field below

1.	how the project applicant calculated both rates;
2.	whether the rates accounts for exits to safe housing destinations; and
3.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects).

(limit 1,500 characters)

4A-3c.	Applicant Experience in Providing Housing to DV Survivor for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project applicant:

1.	ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were quickly moved into safe affordable housing;
2.	prioritized survivors—you must address the process the project applicant used, e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC's emergency transfer plan, etc.;
3.	determined which supportive services survivors needed;
4.	connected survivors to supportive services; and

5.	moved clients from assisted housing to housing they could sustain—address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends.
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(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Haven ensures survivors are quickly moved into safe and affordable housing by knowing which units may be available for a client to move into based off of the agency's master lease (program rented) units. Haven collaborates with landlords in the community that may have affordable units.
2. Based on the DV Coordinated entry and unit availability, survivors are connected to units that best fit their needs to move into affordable housing. Survivors with the highest barriers are placed in the program's master leased units that are program rented. Survivors with lower barriers are provided support around other financial or housing service needs.
3. Housing Advocates provide clients with a list of services and survivors have the autonomy to decide which services they are interested in, when and for how long.
4. Survivors can access services at one of Haven's office locations or through the 24-hour crisis line. Survivors are then connected to an advocate who will provide survivor-driven and trauma-informed advocacy, which focuses on safety planning and tailored services to meet the survivor's needs.
5. Additional support Haven provides clients for moving from financially assisted housing to housing the client can sustain is case management, financial literacy, budget management, and assistance with connection to employment agencies. Goals for each client may look different and services are tailored to meet each client's needs in finding ways to sustain reliable income.

4A-3d.	Applicant Experience in Ensuring DV Survivor Safety for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of how the project applicant ensured the safety and confidentiality of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:	
1.	taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during the intake and interview process to minimize potential coercion of survivors;
2.	making determinations and placements into safe housing;
3.	keeping information and locations confidential;
4.	training staff on safety and confidentiality policies and practices; and
5.	taking security measures for units (congregate or scattered site), that support survivors' physical safety and location confidentiality.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Haven has a confidentiality policy that ensures adequate steps to protecting client information. Information is only released by written consent for the survivor. Their offices have private rooms where advocates can talk with clients. Sound machines are to reduce noise and to protect confidentiality. The advocate is there as a guide as they navigate services, and the client has full autonomy in services they choose. Advocates don't give advice nor force a client to do anything they don't want to do.
2. Clients requesting Haven services complete an intake form. Advocates assess client's immediate need and safety plan. If a client's immediate need is shelter services, the advocate working with the client would be able to connect the client with the crisis line for screening. Every client interested in shelter services is connected to the crisis line to determine if the client is eligible for shelter. If HAVEN shelter is full the staff member will safety plan with the client and provide the client with additional resources.
3. Units that are occupied by clients are not shared or disclosed. Housing Advocates safety plan with clients to help keep their location as safe as possible. All client files are kept in locked filing cabinets and password protected computers.
4. Staff are provided on going educational opportunities to ensure they are following the most up to date practices around safety and confidentiality when working with survivors.
5. Haven provides assistance with implementing security measures. For example, installing ring doorbells and replacing locks and windows.

4A-3d.1.	Applicant Experience in Evaluating Their Ability to Ensure DV Survivor Safety for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below how the project has evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors the project served in the project, including any areas identified for improvement during the course of the proposed project.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Haven evaluates their ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors by having regular check ins with staff to see how often they are checking in with survivors.

4A-3e.	Applicant Experience in Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of the project applicant's experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches to meet needs of DV survivors by:

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| 1. | prioritizing placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants' wishes and stated needs; |
| 2. | establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials; |
| 3. | providing program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma; |
| 4. | emphasizing program participants' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations; |

5.	centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
6.	providing a variety of opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
7.	offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

(limit 5,000 characters)

1. Haven connects clients to determine the most effective housing support. Housing Advocates provide survivor-driven advocacy, which focuses on safety planning and tailoring services to meet the survivors' needs. Client autonomy to change their mind about what services they participate in, when, and how often. Housing Advocates build rapport with survivors, listen to their needs and desired goals, and assess resources to determine the most effective housing support in a judgment-free, compassionate, and empathetic environment.
2. Haven ensures survivors are being heard, validated, and included in program participation. An example is client's language needs. Housing Advocates having the ability to use interpreter services to translate in client's native language.
3. Haven has psycho educational curriculum that is presented during peer counseling sessions that is also available to new hires and volunteers. The curriculum the cycle of violence healthy relationships, boundaries, trauma, power and control, etc.
4. Haven does not do any strength-based measures. Housing Advocates develop goals setting with clients during case management appointments.
5. Haven staff participate in a Courageous Conversations cultural responsiveness training. This training focuses on helping staff understand equity and the importance of incorporating equitable practices when working with survivors.
6. Haven's Housing Advocates work closely with clients to develop goals, which can include addressing community and spiritual needs.
6. Haven offers trauma-informed parenting classes which survivors can be given access to and are usually held through Zoom.

4A-3f.	Applicant Experience in Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(d)	

Describe in the field below examples of supportive services the project provided to domestic violence survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs.

(limit 5,000 characters)

Examples of supportive services can include crisis intervention and safety planning. Housing Advocates work with housing clients to find an area that is safe for them to transition into. Whether it is out of county or out of state. Haven would be able to support clients with relocation assistance if needed.

4A-3g.	Plan for Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(e)	

Provide examples in the field below of how the new project will:

1.	prioritize placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants' wishes and stated needs;
2.	establish and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;
3.	provide program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;
4.	emphasize program participants' strengths—for example, strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans works towards survivor-defined goals and aspirations;
5.	center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;
6.	provide a variety of opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; and
7.	offer support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

(limit 5,000 characters)

1. Haven does not prioritize clients over any other clients. The agency tries to connect clients with available housing options that would best fit their needs. Housing Advocates provide case management as they progress through the program to adapt to the client's changing needs.
2. Haven will continue using client autonomy with services, non-judgmental environments, and training staff with different people from different backgrounds.
3. Participants will have access to information on trauma through peer counseling curriculum, ongoing case management, and meetings with their Housing Advocate.
4. The Housing Advocate will help the client in identifying and acknowledging their strengths and connecting to community resources for future employment or educational opportunities.
5. The program will do outreach to marginalized communities, ensuring clients have access to a wide range of languages and having their needs being met.
6. Housing Advocates will continue to help clients develop goals, which can include addressing community and spiritual needs. Client safety and autonomy is the priority of Haven.
7. Haven offers trauma-informed parenting classes which survivors can be given access to and are usually held through Zoom.

4A-3h.	Plan for Involving Survivors in Policy and Program Development of New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section II.B.11.e.(1)(f)	

Describe in the field below how the new project(s) will involve survivors with a range of lived expertise in policy and program development throughout the project's operation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The program routinely collects survivor feedback about their participation in their experience in the program so that the agency can develop policies and procedures and adapt their program to fit the population's needs.