

Southwest Minnesota Continuum of Care (SW MN CoC) 2022 Local CoC Program Competition

Call for Projects* / Anuncio de fondos disponibles**

*If you need assistance with this announcement or with applying due to disability, contact Justin Vorbach, SW MN CoC Coordinator at <u>justinv@swmhp.org</u> or (507) 530-2942. All questions about this announcement can also be directed to Justin Vorbach.

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The Southwest Minnesota Continuum of Care (MN-511) is seeking project applicants for FY 2022 funding via the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care Program competition. HUD released its <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)</u> for FY2022 Continuum of Care Program Competition (FR-6500-N-25) on August 18, 2022.

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program (<u>24 CFR part 578</u>) is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, states, and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective use of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

This Call for Projects advises all potential applicants of the general requirements that must be met in any project application for consideration of submission to HUD through the <u>Southwest Minnesota Continuum of</u> <u>Care (CoC)</u> Local Competition.

New projects applications are welcome from any eligible and qualified applicant, including organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding. Notify CoC Coordinator Justin Vorbach (justinv@swmhp.org or 507.530.2942) of intent to apply for a new project by Friday August 12, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. All Draft Application submissions for both new and renewal projects are due by Wednesday August 31, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. for the CoC Local Competition project reviews. They are to be emailed to justinv@swmhp.org in PDF form. <u>E-snaps</u> is the required online application system for the HUD CoC Program national competition.

For renewal projects: PDF file first draft applications are due by Wednesday August 31, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. to justinv@swmhp.org.

For more detail, please review the <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)</u> for FY2022 Continuum of Care Program Competition (FR-6300-N-25) and the <u>CoC Program Rule found in 24 CFR 578</u>.

A. Funding Available

The SW MN CoC is eligible to apply for \$1,095,212 for existing renewal projects and new projects created through reallocation. This amount is called the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD). The CoC is also eligible to apply for approximately \$32,856 for CoC planning. Bonus funds for new projects to serve any eligible population are available, with the amount to be announced once published by HUD. Bonus funding specifically to serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking that are defined as homeless under <u>HUD Homeless Definition Category 4</u> with the amount to be announced once published by HUD.

All renewal funding is for grant terms of one year, with the exception of new projects and those that include acquisition, rehabilitation, or construction.

B. New this year

Changes from previous NOFO are listed on <u>pages 7 - 9 of the NOFO</u>.

C. Eligible Applicants Project Component Types for the Local Competition

Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes and TDHE (as defined in section 4 of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103) (TDHEs)). Public housing agencies, as such term is defined in 24 CFR 5.100, are eligible without limitation or exclusion. Grants must only provide service in the "Southwest" region of Minnesota shown on the map <u>HERE</u>.

Projects seeking Renewal Funds

Renewal funds are limited to the projects listed here: <u>FY 2022 SW MN CoC Competition Grants</u> <u>Eligible for Renewal</u>. Eligible project component types are those defined for each renewal project through the Grant Inventory Worksheet process. Projects seeking renewal funding may not change project component type or exceed the allowed funding levels by line item. Projects may reduce budget line items, which would be considered voluntary reallocation. The CoC can also eliminate or reduce funding for these projects (involuntary reallocation) in accordance with the <u>CoC's reallocation policy</u>. Such changes create a reallocation fund which can be used to fund certain types of new projects described below.

All other information regarding applicant eligibility, criteria, rating can be found in Section V of the NOFO on pages 30 - 53.

D. Scoring

Local Applications will be scored and ranked using the SW MN CoC's <u>FY2022 SW MN CoC</u> <u>Grant Scoring Form for Project Ranking</u>.

E. Matching Funds

24 CFR 578.73 provides the information regarding grant budget match requirements. Project applicants that intend to use program income as match must provide an estimate of how much program income will be used for match.

F. Project Applications

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Required HUD national competition application (e-snaps) requirements for <u>all projects</u>:

- Complete, correct, and consistent Project Application, with complete and current Applicant Profile
- HUD required forms and attachments (in e-Snaps applicant profile and application)
- Project data as needed to complete the regional CoC Collaborative Application

G. Timeline

Date & Time	Event	Location	Notes
By Friday, August 5, 2022 at 12 noon.	Call for Projects announcement email sent to all on CoC listserv.	Email to CoC	
Thursday, August 11, 10 – 11:45 a.m.	SW MN CoC Meeting	Online and Marshall MN	
By Friday, August 12, 2022 at 12 noon	Indicate if you plan to apply for these funds.	Contact Justin Vorbach (justinv@swmhp.org or 507.530.2942)	
By Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at 12:00 noon.	Project application first drafts due to Justin: New, Renewal, Bonus, Planning	email PDF to justinv@swmhp.org	
Thursday, September 8, 10 – 11:45 a.m.	SW MN CoC Meeting and progress review	Online and Willmar MN	
Friday September 9, 2022, 9 – 11 a.m.	Project Ranking Meeting	Online Meeting	Project Performance and Review Committee Members
By Wednesday September 14, 2022 at 12 noon.	Initial feedback on project applications sent to app writers. Applicants notified if their projects will be accepted and ranked, rejected, or reduced.	Via mail from Justin to applicants.	
By Wednesday September 21, 2022 at 12 noon.	All project applications submitted in e-snaps.	Done in e-snaps by applicants.	

FY2022 SW MN HUD CoC NOFO Timeline to Completion

By Thursday September 22, 2022 at 12 noon.	Voting to approve Project Ranking & Collaborative Application is completed.	Email voting	CoC Governing Board
Friday, September 23, 2022 at 5 p.m.	Project Ranking CoC Collaborative Application Posted on CoC website.	https://www.swmhp.org/ communities- resources/continuum-of- care/	
Monday September 26, 2022 by 5 p.m.	CoC Project Applications, Project Ranking, Project Planning Application and CoC Collaborative Application Submitted!	e-snaps	Justin will do this part.
Friday, September 30, 2022 at 7 p.m.	ABSOLUTE Deadline to HUD		

H. HUD Resources and Technical Assistance

- <u>*e-snaps* Navigation and Application Resources</u>
- <u>CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM COMPETITION Resource Page</u>
- <u>Southwest Minnesota Continuum of Care page</u> with information on local features of the FY2022 Collaborative and Project Applications to Housing and Urban Development.