CoC Scoring (Comparing 2022 vs 2023)

National Alliance to End Homelessness

This document highlights the changes from the 2022 Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) scoring to the 2023 CoC NOFO scoring.

CoC Coordination & Engagement	2022 CoC NOFO	2023 CoC NOFO
Has an **inclusive membership** of a variety of stakeholders within the geographic area	2	2
Has an **invitation process for new members** to join	1	1
Solicits and considers opinions from knowledgeable individuals and organizations	1	1
Accepts and considers proposals from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding	1	1
Coordinates with federal, state, local, private, and other organizations	3	2
Ensures families are not separated	1	2
CoC collaboration related to children and youth	3	3
Addresses the needs of **victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking**	5	5
Addresses the needs of **LGBTQ+ individuals**	7	7
Coordinates with the Public Housing Agencies	10	10
Coordinates with and assists in state or local **discharge planning** efforts	2	2
Uses a **Housing First approach** on CoC projects	10	10
Has implemented **street outreach** procedures	3	3
Implements specific strategies to **prevent the criminalization of homelessness**	2	2
Demonstrates an increase in the number of **Rapid Re-Housing** beds available	10	9
Provides information and training to CoC Program-funded projects to supplement CoC Program funds with resources from other public and private sources, including programs that assist program participants in applying for and receiving **mainstream benefits** or gaining employment	2	2
Has an effective **Coordinated Entry System (CES) and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH)**	3	4
Promotes **racial equity** in homelessness response	7	7
Involves **individuals with lived experience of homelessness** in service delivery and decision making, and provides professional development and employment opportunities	3	5
Increasing their capacity to provide **non-congregate shelter**	1	1
Coordinates and partners with **Public Health Agencies**	5	5
Increases **affordable housing** supply	1	1
CoCs that don't complete questions for new projects that include funding requests for new construction or rehab	**deduct 2 points**	**deduct 2 points**
POINTS AVAILABLE	**83**	**85**

Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking

Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking	2022 CoC NOFO	2023 CoC NOFO
Demonstrates the use of **objective criteria to review project applications** requesting CoC Program funding	8	4
Demonstrates the use of CoC Program required **system performance measures** to review project applications requesting CoC Program funding	8	9
Uses comparable databases to **evaluate domestic violence providers**	1	1
Collects and analyzes data on **rapid return to permanent housing and severity of barriers experienced by program participants**	4	4
Demonstrates how the CoC is **promoting racial equity when reviewing applications**	2	3
Demonstrates that the CoC either **reallocates funding** from lower performing projects to create new higher performing projects or has a process in place to review performance for future re-allocation	4	3
Demonstrate the use of an **objective ranking and selection process** for project applications that is publicly announced by the CoC	3	3
POINTS AVAILABLE	**30**	**27**

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	2022 CoC NOFO	2023 CoC NOFO
Submits complete **Housing Inventory Count (HIC)** data in a timely manner	1	1
Has in place, is developing, or is coordinating a **comparable database with domestic violence / victim service providers** to collect required data elements for reporting de-identified information to the CoC	2	2
Bed Coverage	4	4
Submit prior NOFO year's **Longitudinal Systems Analysis (LSA)** data in a complete and timely manner	2	2
POINTS AVAILABLE	**9**	**9**

Point-in-Time Count (PIT)

Point-in-Time Count (PIT)	2022 CoC NOFO	2023 CoC NOFO
Conducts a PIT Count and reports the data in Homelessness Data Exchange (HDX)	3	3
Implement specific measures to **effectively identify and count youth** in the CoC's PIT Count.	2	2
POINTS AVAILABLE	**5**	**5**

System Performance

System Performance	2022 CoC NOFO	2023 CoC NOFO
Reduces the number of homeless individuals and families	10	12
Reduces the number of first-time time homelessness among individuals and families	3	3
Reduces the length of time individuals and families remain homeless	13	13
Demonstrates and describes how the CoC will **increase the rate in which individuals and families move to permanent housing destinations** or continue to reside in permanent housing projects	13	13
Reduces the extent to which individuals and families **return to homelessness**	8	8
Increases income for program participants from employment and non-employment cash sources	7	7
Submits data quality report for **HMIS performance measures** in HDX	5	4
POINTS AVAILABLE	**59**	**60**

Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

Coordination with Housing and Healthcare	2022 CoC NOFO	2023 CoC NOFO
Leverages housing resources such as housing subsidies or subsidized housing units not funded through the CoC or Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) programs	7	7
Leveraging healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness	7	7
POINTS AVAILABLE	**14**	**14**

BONUS POINTS ⟩ CoC Merger

BONUS POINTS CoC Merger	2022 CoC NOFO	2023 CoC NOFO
CoCs merged between current NOFO year and prior NOFO year registrations	5	5
One or more of the merged CoCs **had an application score of 140 or below** in the previous CoC Program Competitions	10	10
Demonstrates that **results in Point-in-Time (PIT) Counts were affected by changes in methodology that resulted from the merger** in a way that would affect their CoC score	10	10
POINTS AVAILABLE	**25**	**25**