

The Mahoning/Youngstown Homeless Continuum of Care evaluation committee and executive committee have approved \$1,626,837 of recommended renewal funding for the FY 2016 (July 2017-June 2018) Continuum of Care Program Competition and \$81,342 of bonus funding (see 2016 NOFA Project Evaluation & Ranking chart below). Funding is allocated to those agencies that have responded to the Notice of Funding Availability and meet the needs of providing shelter and assistance to homeless or near homeless individuals and families. Any comments in regards to the final funding recommendations should be directed to William A D'Avignon, Director of Community Development 20 W Federal St, Suite 602 Youngstown, OH 44503 or email wadavignon@youngstownohio.gov.

Mahoning County Homeless Continuum of Care

FY2016 CoC NOFA Competition – Final Project Ranking & Budget

Purpose of This Message

This listserve message and posting serves to inform providers funded or seeking funding through HUD's Continuum of Care (CoC) NOFA Competition of changes to the project ranking and budget in the FY2016 CoC Competition.

Target Audience

Current CoC funded and approved New CoC Projects as well as the Full CoC and community.

Background Information

On June 29, 2016, HUD released the FY2016 CoC Competition Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) after which the MCHCoC released its preliminary project ranking and budget for Renewal, New and Permanent Housing Bonus Projects.

FY2016 CoC NOFA Competition Final CoC Project Ranking

In FY2016, HUD requires all CoC's to rank all Renewal and New Projects within two (2) Tiers. Projects ranked in Tier 2 are then selected for funding by HUD based on the following:

HUD's Tier 2 Scoring

- ✓ *CoC Score: Up to 50 points available in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC application.*
- ✓ *CoC Project Ranking: Up to 35 points for the CoC's ranking of the Project Application*
- ✓ *Project Type:*
 - *Five (5) points for Permanent Housing, HMIS or Coordinated Entry Projects*
 - *Three (3) points for Transitional Housing Projects*
- ✓ *Commitment to Policy Priorities: Up to 10 points for how the project commits to the Housing First Model.*

HUD released its FY2016 Final NOFA ARD posting on August 8, 2016. Because of the approach to HUD's Tier processes and the final released budget postings, previously identified priorities within the PH Bonus Project funding and ranking is reflected differently than the preliminary ranking currently released. The final project ranking and budget list is reflected in Appendix A.

The MCHCoC's Board Project Ranking goal and priorities are as follows:

- ✓ **Project Ranking Goal:** The Ranking Goal was to rank the CoC's New and Renewal Projects in such a way that maximizes CoC Program funds, helps the CoC continue to efficiently and effectively meet homeless needs within the CoC geographical area, and ensure ongoing national competitiveness.
- ✓ The following priorities, in no particular order, ensures the guided development of a final ranking approach:

- The CoC may seek to preserve low-ranking Permanent Housing (PH) projects, at risk of losing funding, where those projects represent the only CoC Program serving a specific homeless population or subpopulation within the CoC geographical area.
- The CoC may prioritize projects that have clearly demonstrated the use of The Housing First Model.
- The CoC may consider reducing funding requests for the lowest ranked projects as a means to preserve funding for higher ranked projects, if needed, keeping in line with other priorities.
- The CoC may consider ranking New Projects higher than some renewal projects where the CoC believes doing so will better assist the CoC meet the aforementioned goals.
- The CoC may consider reallocation of funds based on performance and ranking to best maximize CoC funding sources as well as maximizing resources to best suit the needs of the CoC geographical area while adhering to HUD requests of funding reallocation.
- The CoC may consider funding projects categorized as Permanent Housing (PH) Bonus Projects based on:
 - Population or sub-population served in the community
 - Amount of HUD allocated funds
 - CoC geographical homeless needs
 - Number of project available housing available to serve homeless needs

HUD has required CoC's to rank ninety- three percent (93%) of the Annual renewal Demand (ARD) in Tier One (1) and seven percent (7%) in Tier Two (2). HUD has made less money available through the Permanent Housing (PH) Bonus in FY2016. Because of the HUD changes, MCHCoC has fewer projects ranked in Tier 2 this year than in FY2015.

Meeting notes from the MCHCoC Board Meeting where ranking methodology and New Project funding was discussed along with the results of the CoC Board votes on the aforementioned items will be available in the coming weeks.

Questions

Questions regarding this message can be directed to Angie Paramore, CoC Director, at MahoningCoCDirector@gmail.com.

2016 NOFA Project Evaluation & Ranking

ARD - \$1,626,837.00

PH Bonus Funds - \$81,342.00

Rank	Agency Name	Project Name	Grant Exp. Date	Project Evaluation Score	Amount Requested	Reallocation Amount (3%)	Amount Awarded
Renewals							
Tier 1 = \$1,512,958							
1	YWCA	YWCA Scattered Site	5/31/2017	113	\$201,223	\$5,031	\$196,192
2	Beatitude House	Beatitude House PSH	9/30/2017	111	\$368,268	\$9,207	\$359,061
3	City of Youngstown	Homeless Solutions SRO	6/30/2017	111	\$262,253	\$6,557	\$255,696
4	Meridian Healthcare	Homestead House	4/30/2017	101	\$11,410	\$286	\$11,124
5	MCMHRB	SPC Prorata Funds (10)	3/31/2017	99	\$81,689	\$3,268	\$78,421
5	MCMHRB	New SPC Vouchers (5)	6/30/2017	****	\$44,570	\$1,783	\$42,787
6	Meridian Healthcare	SRO II	4/30/2017	99	\$83,131	\$3,325	\$79,806
7	YWCA	YWCA PH	9/30/2017	96	\$352,956	\$14,118	\$338,838
8	Meridian Healthcare	Phoenix Court	1/31/2017	95	\$133,857	\$5,354	\$128,503
9	Meridian Healthcare	Samaritan Housing PRA	9/1/2017	other	\$87,480	\$0	\$22,530
				Totals	\$1,626,837	\$48,929	\$1,512,958
Tier 2 = \$113,879							
9	Meridian Healthcare	Samaritan Housing PRA	9/1/2017		\$87,480		\$64,950
New Project(s) *Reallocation & **Bonus Funds							
1	Beatitude House**	CH PSH	N/A	N/A	\$89,193		\$81,342
2	Help Hotline*	Coordinated Entry SSO	N/A	N/A	N/A		\$33,929
3	Catholic Charities*	HMIS	N/A	N/A	\$149,195		\$15,000
				Totals	\$238,388		\$158,311

Bonus Projects (Amount Available - \$81,342)							
	Beatitude House	CH PSH	N/A	N/A	\$89,193		
	Meridian Healthcare	Meridian Men's Center South	N/A	N/A	\$147,388		
	Meridian Healthcare	Meridian Women's Ctr South	N/A	N/A	\$128,646		