FY2024 YHDP Renewal Project Funding (HUD NOFO)

Information Session August 16, 2024 1:00 pm



Presentation Overview

- Continuum of Care (CoC) Structure and Funding Process
- 2. FY24 NOFO 2 year competition
- 3. YHDP Renewal, Replacement & Reallocation Process
- 4. Competition Timeline
- 5. Renewal Application Process & E-Snaps
- 6. Open time for Q&A



Continuum of Care Structure Overview

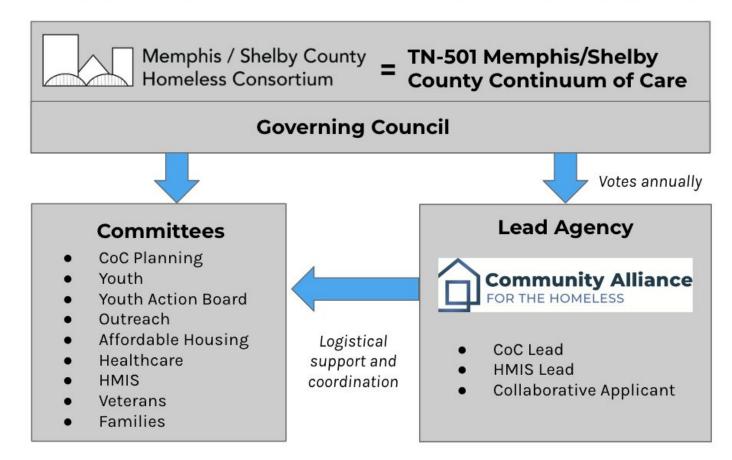


What is the Continuum of Care?

- Developed by HUD in 1994
- Goal: promote coordination of federal homeless assistance programs within communities
- CoC can refer to the planning process, the stakeholders, the geographic area, or the funding itself
- Approximately 400 CoCs in the USA
- Each CoC has a Lead Agency that oversees the following responsibilities:
 - Operating the CoC
 - Coordinated Assessment
 - Written standards for providing assistance
 - Designing/operating Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
 - Preparing application for CoC Program Funds



Local CoC Governance Structure





Continuum of Care Funding Process



CoC Funding Process

HUD releases CoC Program NOFA (Notice of Funding Availability) for fiscal year and local CoC publishes local timeline and deadlines

> Applicants submit new or renewal project applications in e-snaps (HUD's grant application platform)

> > Community's Rank & Review Committee prioritizes projects based on performance evaluation, strategic resource allocation, and community impact

Prioritization list of new and renewal projects is submitted to HUD alongside community's Consolidated Application

> HUD makes all final funding determinations based on project review, community's application score, and project prioritization list

- Largest annual federal funding source for homeless services and programs
- The NOFO is typically released in early summer, submitted late summer, awarded at the first of the year, and projects begin the following spring/ summer



CoC Funding Process

- All projects, except YHDP, are competitively reviewed and ranked by a committee formed from the Governing Council of the Memphis/Shelby County Homeless Consortium and community members.
- New and renewal projects are placed on one prioritization list and submitted to HUD.
- Our community's total potential funding (PPRN) is pre-determined by HUD each year. Opportunities for new funding include:
 - Reallocation of existing project(s)
 - Bonus awards (if high-scoring consolidated community application)
 - CoC Bonus
 - Domestic Violence Bonus



CoC Funding Process

- Once local Rank and Review is complete, CAFTH submits all projects to HUD with a Collaborative Application. HUD makes the final determination of funding, and there is no guarantee all or any will be funded.
- Funding available nationally: \$3,500,000,000 (2024)
- Funding *potentially* available locally:
 - **\$10,561,720** Memphis/Shelby County CoC ARD (2024)
 - **\$1,863,553** YHDP ARD (2024)
 - **\$1,064,960** DV Bonus Maximum (2024)
- This year's NOFO released a two year application (2024/2025).



Changes from Last Year's NOFO



2-year NOFO Process Application (FY24 and FY25)

- CoCs are only required to submit one CoC application that will be applicable to the FY24 and FY25 funds.
- For projects awarded FY24 funds the project may be eligible for FY25 funds using their FY24 application submission and are not required to apply for renewal for FY25 funds
- Projects that will have to apply for FY25 funds:
 - Projects not awarded FY24 funds
 - Any applications for projects created through the reallocation of eligible YHDP renewal grants, including YHDP reallocation



YHDP Renewal, Replacement & Reallocation

- **Renewal** = renewal of original project to same recipient
- **Replacement** = a CoC replaces a YHDP Renewal project to create one or more new YHDP projects that has the same recipient
- **Reallocation** = a CoC is reallocating a YHDP Renewal project to create one or more new projects with a new recipient



Policy Priorities

Your project should be grounded in the following HUD policy priorities:

- Ensuring racial equity
- Building an effective workforce
- Improving assistance to LGBTQ+ individuals
- Including persons with lived experience
- Increasing affordable housing supply
- Ending homelessness for all persons
- Use a housing first approach.
- Reducing unsheltered homelessness
- Improving system performance.
- Partnering with Housing, Health, and Service Agencies.



YHDP Special Activities

Special YHDP Activities

The CoC Program NOFO permits YHDP project applicants to integrate YHDP Special Activities into the project design through the selection of these activities in YHDP Renewal and YHDP Replacement applications.

All YHDP special activities can be found in section III.B.4.b(5) of the NOFO.



YHDP Renewal and Replacement Projects

- YHDP Renewal and YHDP Replacement projects are non-competitive and will not be ranked.
- HUD will select YHDP projects for funding as long as they pass project eligibility and project quality threshold review.
- HUD may require YHDP grant recipients to correct or revise information submitted after the final award announcement, prior to executing the grant agreement.



- All applications for YHDP renewal that HUD initially funded in Round 4/5 will be selected for funding.
- Projects must pass project eligibility and project quality threshold review.
- YHDP renewal projects will be reviewed separately from CoC projects.
- NOFO released a 2-year application. This means your project will be renewed for two 1 year grant terms. FY24 application will also be used for awarding of FY25 funds.
- HUD may require YHDP grant recipients to correct or revise information submitted after the final award announcement, prior to executing the grant agreement.



Renewal applications must:

- Be submitted by the same recipient that signed the executed grant agreement for the grant being renewed or subgranted.
- Request the same amount of funding and be for the same program component
- Serve the same subpopulation
 - Youth, age 24 or younger, who qualify as homeless under categories 1, 2, and 4, including unaccompanied, pregnant and parenting youth, where no member of the household is older than 24.



YHDP renewal projects must serve youth aged 24 or younger, including unaccompanied and pregnant or parenting youth who:

- Qualify as homeless under paragraphs 1, 2, or 4 of the HUD homeless definition OR section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act;
- Have an unsafe primary nighttime residence and no safe alternative to that residence; or
- Qualify as homeless under paragraph (3) of 24 CFR 578.3



Renewal applications may include requests to:

- Add eligible activities to a project, including YHDP Special Activities.
 - See FY2024 NOFO Special Activities
- Shift up to 10% of funds from one approved eligible activity to another.



- Renewing projects may submit a replacement application to create one or more YHDP Replacement Projects.
- If a renewing YHDP project applicant chooses to significantly modify the current project in a way that does not meet the renewal criteria, it must submit a YHDP replacement project application.

*YHDP Replacement projects cannot request capital costs (i.e. construction, acquisition, or rehabilitation).



New YHDP Replacement projects including YHDP Reallocation must serve youth aged 24 or younger, including unaccompanied and pregnant or parenting youth who:

(a) qualify as homeless under paragraphs (1), (2), or (4) of the homeless definition in 24 CFR 578.3 or Section 103(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act;

(b) have an unsafe primary nighttime residence and no safe alternative to that residence;

(c) qualify as homeless under paragraph (3) of 24 CFR 578.3 if the CoC is approved to serve persons in paragraph (3).



YHDP replacement applications must:

- Be submitted by the same recipient of the YHDP renewal project.
- Be submitted in partnership with CAFTH (Collaborative Applicant).
- Include a letter of support from the Youth Action Board.
- Include the grant number for the project being replaced.
- Show that the proposed replacement project is in line with the coordinated community plan (CCP).



YHDP Reallocation Process

Reallocation Projects are applications to expand YHDP Renewal projects through the reallocation of funds for one or more YHDP renewal projects(s).

- Applications to expand YHDP Renewal projects through the YHDP Replacement process can only be funded with funding reallocated from another YHDP Renewal project
- New YHDP Reallocation projects or projects created through the YHDP Replacement processes must include at least as many housing units and at least as much funding for the combination of Rental Assistance, Operating Costs, and Leasing as the grant being reallocated or replaced unless the YHDP Community demonstrates that a majority of their YHDP funding is being used for the combination of Rental Assistance, Operating Costs, and Leasing.



YHDP Reallocation Process

Project applicants expanding an eligible YHDP Renewal project through the YHDP Replacement process must:

- submit a YHDP Renewal project application and a new YHDP Reallocation project application separately, with the expansion information through the YHDP Replacement process, including the grant number of the YHDP Renewal project being expanded.
- indicate how the expansion project application will expand units, beds, services, persons served, or services provided to existing program participants
- ensure the funding request for the YHDP Reallocation application to expand the YHDP Renewal project is within the funding parameters allowed under the YHDP Reallocation amount available.
- ensure the YHDP Renewal and YHDP Reallocation project applications meet the requirements in sections I.B.3.e and III.B.4.b.(5) of this NOFO



HUD will only fund the following YHDP Replacement project activities:

- I. Permanent Housing, including PSH and RRH
- II. Joint TH/RRH
- III. TH or Crisis Residential Transitional Housing
- IV. SSO
- V. SSO-CE
- VI. SSO Host Home and Kinship Care
- VII. HMIS



NOFO Competition Timeline



FY2024 CoC Competition Timeline

8/23/24 - Virtual e-snaps information sessions for both New and Renewal Projects

9/4/24- Consumer Surveys for Renewal Projects due to Errin Woods via email (errin@cafth.org) or hand-delivery to CAFTH office on 2670 Union Avenue, Suite 700, Memphis, TN 38112 by 3:00 pm!!

9/13/24 and 9/16/24 - In person E-snaps office hours for new, renewal, and YHDP projects at CAFTH office

9/27/24 - <u>All New and Renewal Project Applications due in e-snaps, by 2:59 pm CT.</u> (Rank and Review Narratives and any supplemental items due via email to stephanie@cafth.org).

10/3/24 - Rank and Review Committee meets for Renewal applications

10/4/24 - Rank and Review Committee meets for New and DV Bonus applications

10/4/24 - Projects notified of ranking or rejection

10/25/24 - Public posting of Consolidated Application Draft and Prioritization List

10/30/24 - Deadline for Public Comments and Submission to HUD.



FY2024 YHDP Competition Timeline

- **8/23/24** Virtual e-snaps information session for both new and renewal projects at 10 am.
- 9/4/24- Consumer surveys for renewal projects due by 3:00 pm.
- **9/13/24** (9-12pm) and **9/16/24** (1-4pm) In person e-snaps office hours for new, renewal, and YHDP projects
- 9/27/24 All new, renewal, DV, and YHDP project applications are due in e-snaps by 2:59:59pm CT. Housing First agreement & Coordinated Entry agreement are also due via email to <u>Stephanie@cafth.org</u>.
- **10/4/24** Projects notified of ranking or rejection
- **10/25/2024** Public posting of Consolidated Application Draft and Prioritization List.
- 10/30/2024 Deadline for public comments and submission to HUD.



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YHDP Reallocation

HUD expanded the definition of YHDP Replacement to include YHDP Reallocation.

- HUD is allowing YHDP recipients to reallocate YHDP grants to increase flexibility of the YHDP program.
- In this NOFO, CoCs may now submit applications for YHDP Reallocation Projects:
 - Reallocating YHDP renewal project(s) to create one or more YHDP Reallocation projects with a new recipient, so long as the YHDP renewal project(s) being reallocated have already renewed in a prior CoC Program competition



Project Requirements



Project Requirements per HUD

- All projects must follow Housing First principles
 - Evidence-based practice to ending homelessness
 - Housing <u>first</u>, then paired with <u>services</u>
- Must agree to house individuals or families regardless of:
 - Having too little or no income
 - Active or history of substance abuse
 - Having a criminal record
 - History of victimization
- Must agree to **not** terminate individual or family for:
 - Failure to participate in supportive services
 - Failure to participate in a religious activity
 - Failure to make progress on a service plan
 - Loss of income or failure to improve income
 - Any other activity not covered in a typical lease agreement



Project Requirements per HUD

All program participants are referred through the CoC's <u>Coordinated Entry System</u>.

The Coordinated Entry System (CES) is a collaborative community response to anyone experiencing homelessness. It provides streamlined and equitable access to housing interventions for people experiencing homelessness in Memphis/Shelby County.

The Coordinated Entry System contains access points for populations, who are assessed and prioritized based on vulnerability and eligibility, then referred to CoC-funded housing programs.

More on our website here:

https://www.cafth.org/coordinated-entry-system/



Local Rank and Review Process

- The Consortium Bylaws <u>Section 4: Rank and Review</u> is currently being updated to reflect accurate information per the 2023 NOFO. Please review this section before submitting your application.
- The TN-501 Rank & Review Committee ranks projects based on:
 - Performance Evaluation (scorecard)
 - Strategic Resource Allocation
 - Community Impact
- <u>Reminder</u>: The Rank & Review Committee makes all final scoring and ranking decisions locally, and HUD makes all final funding decisions.



Scoring Criteria for Renewal Projects

(60%) - Performance and Outcomes (Renewal Scoring Tool)

- (15%) Permanent Housing Outcomes and Retention
- (15%) Maintained or Gained Income
- (15%) Occupancy
- (15%) Cost per unit compared to community average for project type

(40%) - Grant Management

- (10%) Virtual Monitoring Results
- (10%) Prior Year Grant Amount Spent
- (10%) Client Satisfaction
- (10%) Monitoring, application, and APR Timeliness

10 points - Potential Bonus Points for attending community training sessions (If all YHDP required training sessions were attended by a member of the agency).



Next Steps

9/4/24 - Consumer Surveys for Renewal Projects due to Natalie Filipowicz via email (<u>natalie@cafth.org</u>) or hand-delivered to CAFTH offices by 3:00 pm. <u>2024 CoC</u> <u>& YHDP Consumer Survey.</u>

9/27/24 - All renewal applications are due in e-snaps by 2:59.59 pm CST! Any supplemental items due via email to <u>stephanie@cafth.org</u>.



Renewal Application & Esnaps



Threshold Eligibility Criteria

The Applicant must:

- Have an accounting financial management system that satisfies HUD requirements (Ex: Accountant).
- Have **no** outstanding delinquent federal debts.
- Have **no** debarments/suspensions from doing business with federal government.
- Disclose any violations of Federal criminal law potentially affecting Federal award.
- Agree to participate in Coordinated Entry if funded
- Follow a Housing First approach
- Document the required 25% match
- Be a current Memphis/Shelby County Homeless Consortium Member:

https://www.cafth.org/membership-portal-homepage/

- Have a current <u>LiveGive Midsouth profile</u>
- 501(c)3 designation (or be unit of government)
- Complete SAM and UEI Registration: <u>www.sam.gov</u>



Eligible Budget Line Items

- 25% match of "total" grant amount is required
 - Cash match
 - In-kind match
- Leasing line items do not require match
- Match must be documented with project application
- HUD will not require YHDP Renewal or replacement projects to meet the 25 percent match requirement if the applicant is able to demonstrate it has taken reasonable steps to maximize resources available for youth experiencing. *This Special Activity must be approved by HUD*
- More info about Matching Requirements in the HUD Virtual Binders:

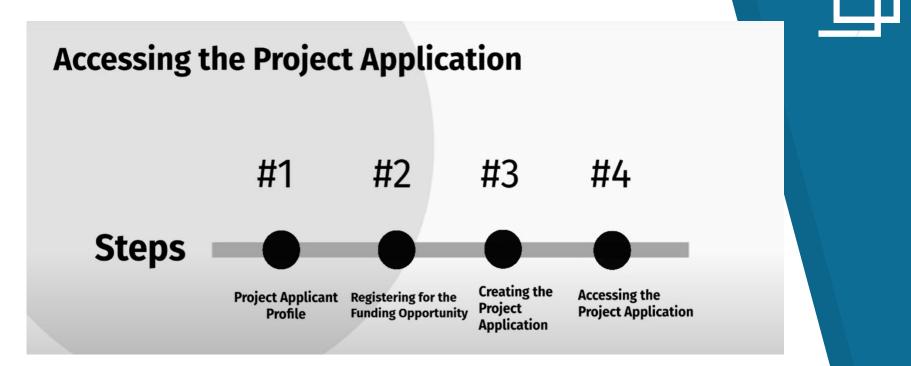
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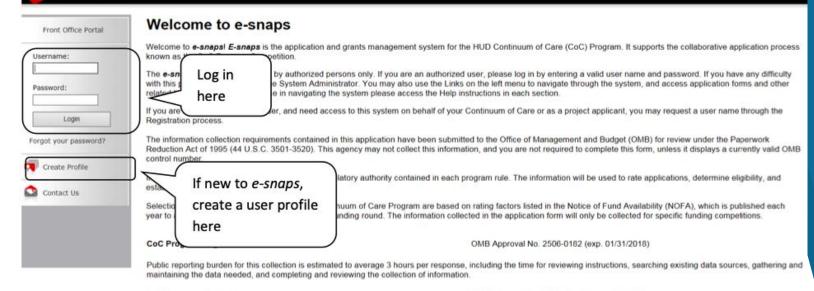
Esnaps Resources

- Video: Accessing the CoC Program Project Application in e-snaps
 - <u>https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6226/vid</u> <u>eo-accessing-the-coc-program-project-applicati</u> <u>on-in-esnaps/</u>
- E-snaps 201 Toolkit
 - The e-snaps 201 Toolkit helps users navigate e-snaps from login to application submission (New e-snap users should begin with <u>e-snaps</u> <u>101</u>).
 - <u>https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6171/esn</u> <u>aps-201-toolkit/</u>





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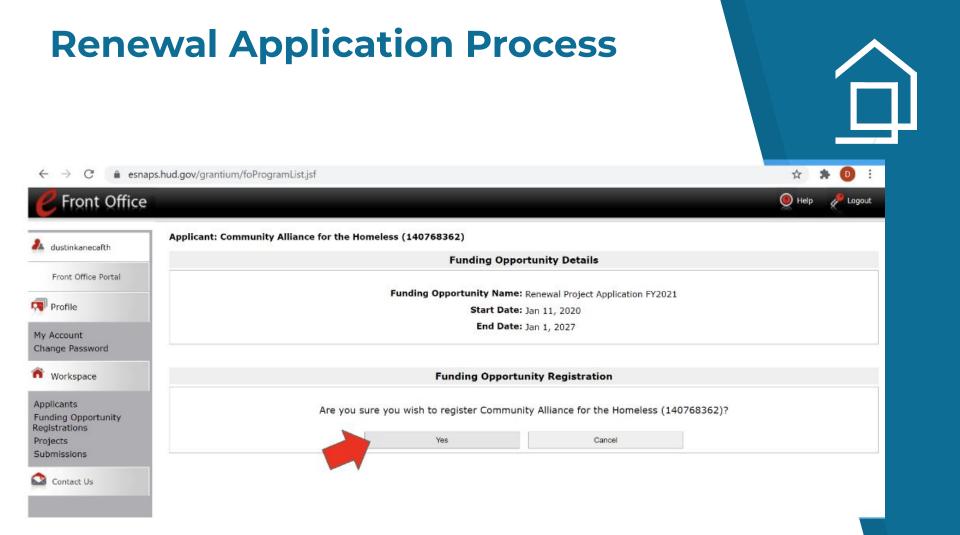


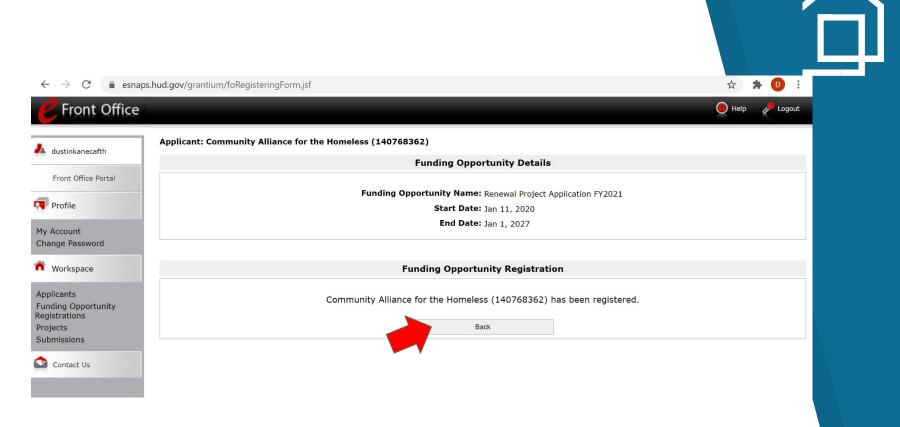
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Renewal Application Process

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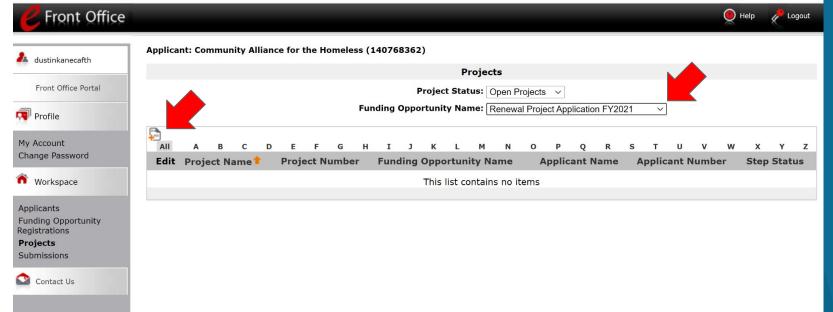
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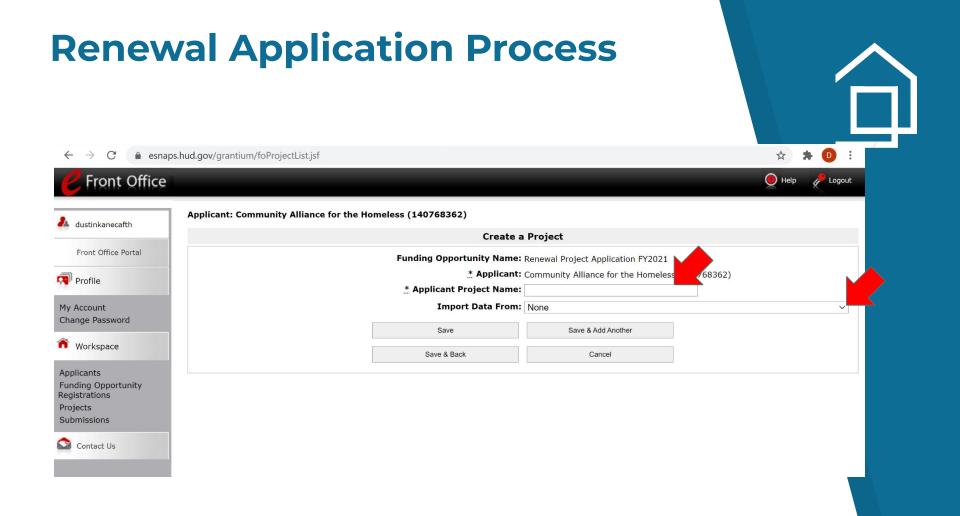
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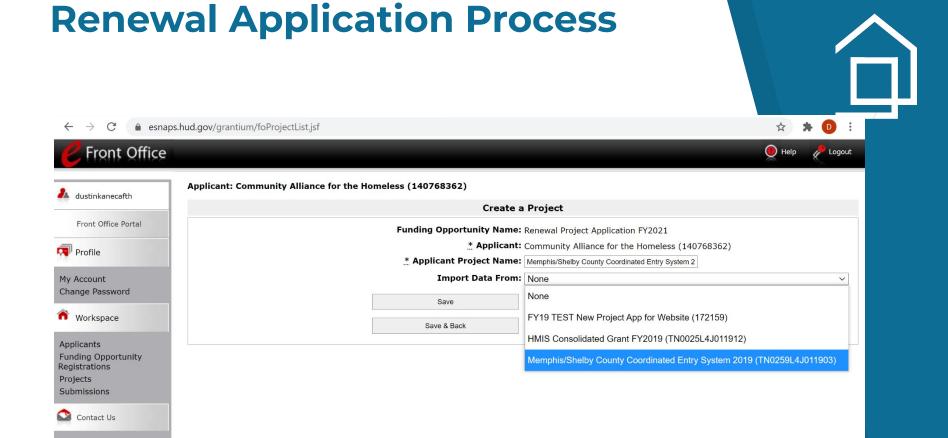
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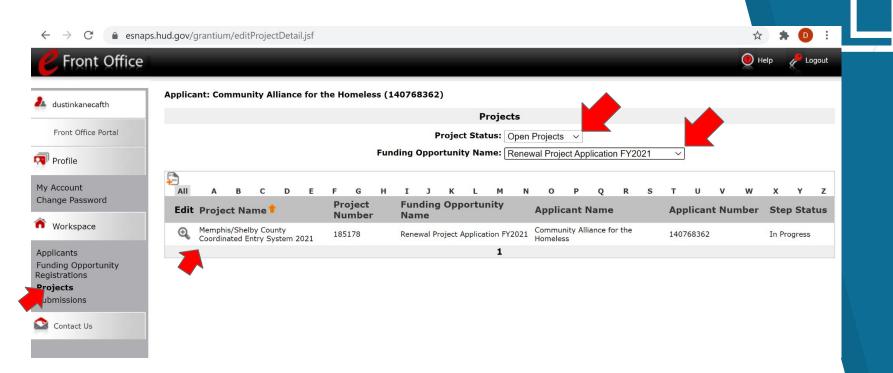
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Instructions

Before Starting

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Part 1 - Forms

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- Questions related to e-snaps functionality (e.g., password lockout, access to user's application account, updating Applicant Profile)must be submitted to e-snaps@hud.gov.
 - Project applicants are required to have a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number and an active registration in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR)/System for Award Management (SAM) in order to apply for funding under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. For more information see FY 2021 CoC Program Competition NOFO.

Before Starting the Project Application

- To ensure that applications are considered for funding, applicants should read all sections of the FY 2021 CoC Program NOFO.
- Detailed instructions can be found on the left menu within e-snaps. They contain more comprehensive instructions and so should be used in tandem with navigational guides, which are also found on the HUD Exchange.
- Before starting the project application, all project applicants must complete or update (as applicable) the Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps, particularly the Authorized Representative and Alternate Representative forms as HUD uses this information to contact you if additional information is required (e.g., allowable technical deficiency).
- Carefully review each question in the Project Application. Questions from previous competitions may have been changed or removed, or new questions may have been added, and information previously submitted may or may not be relevant. Data from the FY 2019 Project Application will be imported into the FY 2021 Project Application: however, applicants will be required to review all fields for accuracy and to update information that may have been adjusted through the post award process or a grant agreement amendment. Data entered in the post award and amendment forms in e-snaps will not be imported into the project application.
- Rental assistance projects can only request the number of units and unit size as approved in the final HUD-approved Grant Inventory Worksheet (GIW).
- Transitional housing, permanent supportive housing with leasing, rapid re-housing, supportive services only, renewing safe havens, and HMIS can only request the Annual Renewal Amount (ARA) that appears on the CoC's HUD-approved GIW. If the ARA is reduced through the CoC's reallocation process, the final project funding request must reflect the reduced amount listed on the CoC's reallocation forms.
- HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject any renewal project that fails to adhere to 24 CFR part 578 and





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The "Submission Without Changes" Option:

- First-time renewals do not have this option
- Carefully read the CoC Renewal Project Application Detailed Instructions FY2024 Program Competition for instructions on how to submit your renewal application without changes.
- In this section of the application, **some information can be edited, but other information cannot.**



Parts to update or complete in your renewal:

- Changes from Previous NOFO
- HUD's Homeless Policy Priorities and Program
- Highlights
- Part 1 Forms (1A 1K)
- Recipient Performance
- Renewal Grant Consolidation or Renewal Grant Expansion
- Submission Without Changes screen
- 7B Certification
- Part 6 Budget
- 6D Match
- 7A In-Kind Match MOU Attachment



Additional recommendations:

- Please try to backup your written responses in Microsoft Word to prevent the loss of information. The e-snaps website can crash unexpectedly.
- Upon completion of your application, export a PDF copy of the application and save it for your records. You will also need to email a copy to <u>stephanie@cafth.org</u>.



Eligible Budget Line Items

- **25% match** of "total" grant amount is required
 - Cash match
 - In-kind match
- Leasing line items do not require match
- Match must be documented with project application
- More info about Matching Requirements in the HUD Virtual Binders:

https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance /coc-esg-virtual-binders/coc-match/match-requirements/



Additional Resources

- → 2024 CoC NOFA Local Competition Documents: <u>https://www.cafth.org/2024-coc-nofo/</u> (recording/slides will be posted here)
- → HUD Exchange CoC Resources: www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/
- → e-snaps toolkits: <u>https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/</u>

→ Renewal project detailed instructions and navigational guides (very important!): <u>https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/FY-2024-YHD</u> <u>P-REN-Application-Detailed-Instructions-8-1-24.pdf</u>



Thank you for attending!

Please email us if you have any questions:

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Natalie Filipowicz, CoC Youth & Special Populations Admin natalie@cafth.org



Do's and Don'ts for the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition NOFO

DO	Start with the end in mind. Envision the programs you want funded, the system performance you want to achieve, and the resources you need to realize that vision.	DON'T	Dig into the application before you've had time to prepare.					
DO	Reflect on your system and project performance before you get started. Identify the strongest and weakest points in your system, and consider what new or expanded projects would most benefit your system.	DON'T	Assume that what you're doing is working as well as it can.					
DO	Review your data to determine which programs have the best outcomes.	DON'T	Plan to apply for funding if you're not sure how well your programs are performing.					
DO	Read the NOFO to ensure you fully understand the changes for this year.	DON'T	Presume that things are the same as they were last year.					
DO	Closely inspect HUD's priorities for this year's competition. Consider whether you need to reallocate funding from projects that don't align with them to new or expanded ones that are a better fit.	DON'T	Just renew your existing programs and expect that they're aligned with HUD's priorities.					
DO	Consult the SYSTEM Series for blog posts, Webinars, resources, and guidance on crafting a competitive application.	DON'T	Panic. The Alliance is here to help!					
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