

Dear CoC Project Recipients & Subrecipients:

FY2013 CoC NOFA application requires VT Balance of State CoC to make a difficult 5% cut (\$129,419) to our CoC Homeless Programs (\$2,588,389) with requirements & recommendations provided in recent Weekly Focus Topics, NOFA, & other resources: <https://www.onecpd.info/coc/>.

In preparation, VT Coalition to End Homelessness re-established a NOFA committee to research and recommend a process to the CoC with a ranking policy & scoring tool, re-establishment of a CoC ranking team, and identification of local priorities (see 12/24/13 email and attachment).

The VT BoS CoC Ranking Team met on January 2 to review projects and, with much anguish and sorrow, determined a rank and preliminary selective cuts based upon objective measures established & pre-approved by VCEH: project score, HUD priorities & CoC priorities (local need-PIT, community/agency impact-alternative funding sources, etc.). VCEH approved the Ranking Team to use a "Hybrid Approach" to implement selective cuts (page 15): <https://www.onecpd.info/resources/documents/FY-2013-FY-2014-NOFA-Broadcast-Slides.pdf>.

On January 3, each VT BoS CoC project recipients & subrecipients received an email with their project data as reviewed by the Ranking Team, as well as a preliminary determination of rank & percentage cut (if applicable) and the opportunity to appeal by January 8.

The Ranking Team met again on January 10 to review all five appeals and, after additional discussion, came to a unanimous, but difficult, vote to maintain the original determination:

Tier 1 (Projects approved for funding, although HUD may change/defund prioritization):

1. Brattleboro Housing Authority-**Shelter Plus Care**/Mental Health+ (no cut)
2. VSHA **Shelter Plus Care**-Statewide/Mental Health+ (no cut)
3. VSHA Morningside/RCHC-Permanent Housing/**Rapid Rehousing** for Families (no cut)
4. VSHA Twin Pines Housing Trust-Families **Transitional Housing** (no cut)
5. VSHA NEKCA-Youth **Transitional Housing** (no cut)
6. VSHA AHS-**HMIS** (no cut)**
7. HOPE Hill House-Mental Health **Transitional Housing** (10% cut, less \$14,780)
8. VSHA NKHS-Mental Health **Transitional Housing** (12.3% cut, less \$11,291)
9. VSHA NEKCA/NEKYS-**Supportive Services Only** (12.3% cut, less \$8,968)**
10. VSHA BCH-Families **Transitional Housing** (12.3% cut, less \$7,862)
11. VSHA GSH-Individuals/Families **Transitional Housing** (12.3% cut, less \$8,740)
12. VSHA NCSS-Mental Health **Transitional Housing** (25% cut, less \$31,116)
13. VSHA CMC-Mental Health **Safe Haven** (25% cut, less \$37,913)

Tier 2 (Projects facing imminent non-funding):

14. VSHA Pathways VT-**Shelter Plus Care** (\$129,719 – 5% reallocated cut)
15. VSHA CoC **Planning** Project (yet to be determined)

**Original scoring rank for NEKCA/NEKYS SSO project was #6, lowered with removal of RRH points due to delayed FY2014 reallocation; HMIS & HOPE TH were tied, HMIS held harmless due to CoC reporting need.