

**CoC: VT-500–Vermont Balance of State CoC**

This document summarizes the scores that your Continuum of Care (CoC) received during the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 CoC Program Competition and includes:

1. **High Priority CoC Application Questions;**
2. **CoC Scoring Summary**—on the four sections of the application; and
3. **Overall Scores for all CoCs**—including highest and lowest scores.

The scores are organized in the same manner as the CoC application. HUD included a FY 2019 CoC Application NOFA Cross Reference in the [Detailed Instructions of the FY 2019 CoC Application](#) which indicated how the CoC application questions relate to the NOFA for the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition.

<b>1. High Priority CoC Application Questions</b>			
CoC Application Question	NOFA Section	Maximum Score Available	CoC Score Received
<b>1E. Continuum of Care (CoC) Project Review, Ranking, and Selection</b>			
<p><i>This question assessed whether a CoC used objective criteria and past performance to review and rank projects. To receive full points, CoCs would have had to use performance-based criteria to at least partially evaluate and rank projects. Examples of performance criteria include reducing the length of time people experienced homelessness, and the degree to which people exited programs for permanent housing destinations.</i></p> <p><b>1E-2. Project Ranking and Selection.</b> Applicants must indicate whether the CoC used the following to rank and select project applications for the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition: (1) used objective criteria to review and rank projects for funding; (2) included one factor related to improving system performance; and (3) included a specific method for evaluating projects submitted by victim service providers that utilized data generated from a comparable database, and evaluated these projects on the degree they improve safety for the population served; and (4) attach evidence that supports the process selected.</p>	VII.B.1.a	18	17

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<p><b>1E-3.</b> Severity of Needs and Vulnerabilities. Applicants must describe: (1) the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities the CoC considered when reviewing and ranking projects; and (2) how the CoC takes severity of needs and vulnerabilities into account when reviewing and ranking projects.</p>	VII.B.1.b	4	4
<b>2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Bed Coverage</b>			
<p><b>2A-2.</b> Bed Coverage Rate. Using 2019 HIC and HMIS data, applicants must report by project type: (1) total number of beds in 2019 HIC; (2) total beds dedicated for DV in the 2019 HIC; and (3) total number of 2019 HIC beds in HMIS.</p>	VII.B.3.b	6	3.5
<b>3A. Continuum of Care (CoC) System Performance</b>			
<p><b>3A-1.</b> First Time Homeless as Reported in HDX. (3A-1) Applicants must: report the number of first time homeless as reported in HDX.</p> <p>(3A-1a) Applicants must: (1) describe the process the CoC developed to identify risk factors the CoC uses to identify persons becoming homeless for the first time; (2) describe the CoC's strategy to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and (3) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time.</p>	VII.B.2.b	3	3
<p><b>3A-2.</b> Length-of-Time Homeless as Reported in HDX. (3A-2) Applicants must: provide the average length of time individuals and persons in families remained homeless as reported in HDX.</p> <p>(3A-2a) Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC's strategy to reduce the length-of-time individuals and persons in families remain homeless; (2) describe how the CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and (3) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.</p>	VII.B.2.c	14	14
<p><b>3A-3.</b> Successful Permanent Housing Placement and Retention as Reported in HDX. (3A-3) Applicants must: (1) report the percentage of individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing that exit to permanent housing destinations as reported in HDX; and</p>	VII.B.2.d	11	9.5

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<p>(2) report the percentage of individuals and persons in families in permanent housing projects, other than rapid re-housing, that retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations as reported in HDX.</p> <p>(3A-3a) Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC’s strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing and rapid re-housing exit to permanent housing destinations; and (2) provide the organizations name or position title responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing and rapid re-housing exit to permanent housing destinations; (3) describe the CoC’s strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in permanent housing projects, other than rapid re-housing, retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and (4) provide the organizations name or position title responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in permanent housing projects, other than rapid re-housing, retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations.</p>			
<p><b>3A-4.</b> Returns to Homelessness as Reported in HDX. (3A-4) Applicants must: (1) report the percentage of individuals and persons in families returning to homelessness over a 6-month period as reported in HDX.</p> <p>(2) report the percentage of individuals and persons in families returning to homelessness over a 12-month period as reported in HDX.</p> <p>(3A-4a) Applicants must: (1) describe the strategy the CoC has implemented to identify individuals and persons in families who return to homelessness; (2) describe the CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness; and (3) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families returns to homelessness.</p>	VII.B.2.e	8	4
<p><b>3A-5.</b> Job and Income Growth. (3A-5) Applicants must: (1) report the percentage of individuals and persons in families in CoC Program-funded Safe Haven, transitional housing, rapid re-housing, and permanent supportive housing projects that increase their employment income from entry to exit as reported in HDX.</p>	VII.B.2.f; VII.B.2.g; VII.B.6.n; VII.B.6.o	15	15

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<p>(2) report the percentage of individuals and persons in families in CoC Program-funded Safe Haven, transitional housing, rapid re-housing, and permanent supportive housing projects that increase their non-employment cash income from entry to exit as reported in HDX.</p> <p>(3A-5a) Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC’s strategy to increase employment income; (2) describe the CoC’s strategy to increase access to employment; (3) describe how the CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families increase their cash income; and (4) provide the organizations name or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to increase job and income growth from employment.</p> <p>(3A-5b) Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC’s strategy to increase non-employment cash income; (2) describe the CoC’s strategy to increase access to non-employment cash sources; and (3) provide the organizations name or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to increase non-employment cash.</p> <p>(3A-5c) Applicants must describe how the CoC: (1) promoted partnerships and access to employment opportunities with private employers and private employment organizations, such as holding job fairs, outreach to employers, and partnering with staffing agencies; and (2) is working with public and private organizations to provide meaningful, education and training, on-the-job training, internship, and employment opportunities for residents of permanent supportive housing that further their recovery and well-being.</p> <p>(3A-5d.) Applicants must indicate all the steps the CoC has taken to promote employment, volunteerism, and community service among people experiencing homelessness in the CoC’s geographic area.</p>			
<p><b>3A-6.</b> System Performance Measures Data Submission in HDX. Applicants must enter the date the CoCs submitted it’s FY 2018 System Performance Measures data in HDX.</p>	VII.B.2.h	6	6
<b>3B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Performance and Strategic Planning Objectives</b>			
<p><b>3B-1a.</b> Applicants must: (1) describe how the CoC currently rehuses every household of families with children within 30 days of becoming homeless that addresses both housing and service needs; (2) describe how the CoC addresses both housing and service needs to ensure</p>	VII.B.5.b.2	1	1

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families with children successfully maintain their housing once assistance ends; and (3) provide the organizations name or position title responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to rapidly re-house families with children within 30 days of them becoming homeless.			
<b>4A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Accessing Mainstream Benefits and Additional Policies</b>			
<b>4A-2.</b> Lowering Barriers to Entry Data: Applicants must report: (1) total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in it's CoC Priority Listing in FY 2019 CoC Program Competition; and (2) total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in FY 2019 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	VII.B.6.g	7	7
<b>4A-3.</b> Street Outreach. Applicants must: (1) describe the CoC's street outreach efforts, including the methods it uses to ensure all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness are identified and engaged; (2) state whether the CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC's geographic area; (3) describe how often the CoC conducts street outreach; and (4) describe how the CoC tailored it's street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.	VII.B.6.h	3	3
<b>4A-4.</b> RRH Beds as Reported in the HIC. Applicants must report the total number of rapid re-housing beds available to serve all household types as reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) for 2018 and 2019.	VII.B.6.j	10	10

<b>2. CoC Scoring Summary (from FY 2019 CoC NOFA)</b>			
Scoring Category	Sections in the CoC Application	Maximum Score (Points)	Your CoC Score (Points)
1. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking	1E	29	27.5
2. System Performance	2B, 3A, PIT	60	53.5
3. Homeless Management Information System	2A	9	6.5
4. Point-in-Time Count	2B	6	6
5. Performance and Strategic Planning	2B, 3B, PIT	40	33.5
6. CoC Coordination and Engagement	1B, 1C, 1D, 3A, 3B, 4A	56	55
<b>Total CoC Application Score*</b>		<b>200</b>	<b>182</b>

\*The total does not include bonus scores.

<b>3. Overall Scores for all CoCs</b>	
Highest Score for any CoC	186.5
Lowest Score for any CoC	37.25
Median Score for all CoCs	150.5
Weighted Mean Score** for all CoCs	157

\*\*The weighted mean score is the mean CoC score weighted by Annual Renewal Demand. CoCs that scored higher than the weighted mean score were more likely to gain funding relative to their Annual Renewal Demand, while CoCs that scored lower than the weighted mean were more likely to lose money relative to their Annual Renewal Demand.