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## FY 2025 HUD CoC NOFO Released – Immediate Action Required

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Good evening, COC Board, Stakeholders and Members:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development released the FY 2025 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program NOFO this evening, November 13, 2025, and the application deadline is January 14, 2026, at 8:00 PM EST.

I have pulled out several key points based on a general scan of the NOFO. This is not exhaustive, as I plan to take a full deep dive over the next 24 hours and provide a more detailed analysis and recommendations.

Several major changes stand out immediately. HUD has reduced Tier 1 to 30% of ARD, creating a significantly more competitive environment. In addition, Permanent Housing projects (PSH, RRH, and Joint) are capped at no more than 30% of ARD, which will require a more balanced approach to project types across our system. There is a strong emphasis this year on public safety partnerships, including intentional coordination with law enforcement and first responders, as well as a renewed focus on treatment, recovery, and behavioral health integration. Transitional Housing and SSO-Outreach projects are again eligible under this competition, and HUD has maintained key flexibilities for YHDP renewal and replacement projects. *\*Our CoC does not have any YHPD projects.\**

HUD is also directing CoCs to make more assertive performance-based decisions. Prior funding does not guarantee renewal. Every renewal project, regardless of past awards must meet HUD's threshold, performance, financial, and compliance standards. This includes all projects funded under the FY 2024 two-year NOFO. While these projects remain eligible to renew, they are not automatically continued; they must still be submitted by the CoC, ranked, reviewed, and aligned with FY 2025 requirements, including the new funding caps and performance expectations.

**HUD also makes it clear that no agency may submit project applications directly to HUD.** All new and renewal projects must be approved, ranked, and submitted by the Collaborative Applicant as part of the Consolidated Application. We discussed the possibility of direct submissions during our monthly meeting; however, based on this NOFO, HUD is not allowing this in the FY 2025 competition. **Every project must move through the CoC review and ranking process without exception.**

Please monitor your emails closely. Early next week, we will announce the date for a required CoC-wide session to walk through the NOFO, discuss expectations for all applicants, and begin coordinated planning for the CoC's Consolidated Application. Given the significant changes and increased competitiveness this year, timely engagement from all stakeholders will be essential.

As always, THANK YOU for your continued partnership and your commitment to serving our communities.

**FY 2025 Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homeless Demonstration  
Program Grants NOFO**

**Championing Housing Access,  
Felicia Jackson, Executive Director  
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