**Chittenden County Homeless Alliance (Burlington/Chittenden CoC VT-501)**

**FFY2023 HUD Continuum of Care Program \* Notice of Funding Opportunity**

**Request for PROPOSALS – New and Renewal Projects**

Any eligible entity wishing to submit a request to fund a NEW and/or RENEWAL or CoC Bonus or Expansion Project during this year’s HUD CoC NOFO must either:

* Complete the attached FFY23 VT-501 CoC Program Initial Project Application for New and Renewal Housing projects (only one Project request per RFP form) FFY23 form.

Or

* Complete a Letter of Intent for Coordinated Entry (CE) and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) projects

**Submission Instructions:**

Submit one of the above electronically to the Chittenden County Homeless Alliance Collaborative Applicant at CEDO, City of Burlington. Attention Marcella Gange: [mgange@burlingtonvt.gov](mailto:mgange@burlingtonvt.gov)

* HousingProject (NEW or RENEWAL) Initial Application forms must be submitted electronically before **4:00 PM EST Tuesday, August 21, 2023.**  Housing Projects are Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), Rapid Rehousing (RRH), Transitional Housing & Rapid Rehousing (TH-RRH).

* Coordinated Entry (CE) and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) (NEW or RENEWAL) project Letter of Intent is due electronically before **4:00 PM EST, Tuesday, August 15, 2023.**

Only one project request per form

**INTRODUCTION**

As the Collaborative Applicant for the Chittenden County Homeless Alliance Continuum of Care, the Community & Economic Development Office (CEDO), City of Burlington is accepting proposals for projects to be submitted for funding consideration to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) with Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program funding. Proposals may be for new, renewed, expanded, or bonus projects as outlined below.

Chittenden County Homeless Alliance (CCHA) Continuum of Care is soliciting proposals that address housing and service priorities responsive to HUD’s strategic planning goals and homeless policy priorities and that are established through consultation with local communities and stakeholders and the Continuum of Care.

**All eligible applicants are encouraged to submit proposals for any of the funds listed below. Organizations that do not currently receive CCHA CoC program funding are encouraged to submit proposals. Proposals are also welcome from current recipients of this funding.**

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Any reallocation or CoC bonus project can be: Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH), Rapid Rehousing (RRH), Joint Transitional Housing-RRH (TH-RRH), Coordinated Entry (CE) and/or Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

HUD is allowing each CoC to submit one Domestic Violence (DV) Coordinated Entry Bonus project and multiple DV Bonus RRH or Joint TH-RRH projects.

Expansion project applications are allowed for reallocation, CoC bonus, or DV bonus funding.

**New in 2023**, HUD has expanded budget line items under the following:

* VAWA projects to include “Facilitating and coordinating activities to ensure compliance with [the emergency transfer plan requirement in 34 U.S.C. 12491(e)] and monitoring compliance with the confidentiality protections of [the confidentiality requirement in 34 U.S.C. 12491(c)(4)].” See section VI.B for more information on compliance with VAWA 2022 and section III.B.4.a.(3) of the HUD 2023 CoC NOFO for more information on eligible VAWA costs.

**All CCHA planning and any resources related to the RFP and the FFY2023 HUD CoC NOFO Competition will be posted on the CCHA VT-501 Chittenden/Burlington website:** [**https://www.cchavt.org/funding/**](https://www.cchavt.org/funding/)

A. **ELIGIBLE APPLICANT** must submit applications to the CCHA VT -501 CoC for FFY2023 HUD CoC funding no later than **4:00PM on Tuesday, August 21, 2023** for consideration of NEW and/or RENEWAL CoC Program Project(s). Applications must be submitted electronically to the collaborative applicant CEDO, City of Burlington – attention - Marcella Gange [mgange@burlingtonvt.gov](mailto:mgange@burlingtonvt.gov)

B. The unbiased **CCHA Application Ranking Committee** will use the CoC-approved Policy & Tools, along with HUD CoC NOFO thresholds and guidance, to make funding determinations and rank approved projects to be submitted to HUD for consideration. The Chittenden County Homeless Alliance Steering Committee will review and approve the recommendations.

C. **APPEALS PROCESS**: Any eligible applicant may send a written response to the Executive Committee if there is an objection to the project determination (denied/reduced funding, lower priority, or other reason). Appeals are due by 4:00pm within two business days from the date of notification.

In addition, any applicant whose project is rejected by the CCHA VT-501 CoC may appeal the decision by submitting a Solo Application in e-snaps directly to HUD prior to the application deadline of 8PM EST on September 28, 2023. See FFY2023 CoC NOFO for more information.

D**. Please note that HMIS and CE projects** will not use this application process. **Homeless Management Information System and Coordinated Entry System** projects do not need to submit this form but must confirm their intent to renew. Email the Collaborative Applicant CEDO, City of Burlington – attention - Marcella Gange [mgange@burlingtonvt.gov](mailto:mgange@burlingtonvt.gov) by **4:00pm Tuesday, August 15, 2023.**

If entities seek to expand their projects with additional funding and services, then HMIS and CE lead agencies must submit a statement of need (for NEW/Expansion projects) to the collaborative applicant CEDO, City of Burlington – attention - Marcella Gange [mgange@burlingtonvt.gov](mailto:mgange@burlingtonvt.gov) by **4:00pm Tuesday, August 15, 2023.**

E. **AVAILABLE FUNDING** – See FFY2023 CoC Program NOFO for full details

* New/Renewals/Expanded PH-PSH, PH- RRH, Joint TH/PH – RRH, TH and SSO
* Bonus for CoC - New projects created through the CoC Bonus must meet the project eligibility and project quality threshold requirements established by HUD.
* DV Bonus for DV – Funds are available, to include rapid re-housing projects and supportive service projects providing coordinated entry, and for eligible activities to assist survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. (DV Bonus - RRH, joint TH/PH – RRH and SSO-CE).

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| **Expected Amount** | **Designated Uses/Source** | **Eligible Applicants** |
| $1,092,543 | Renewal of existing CoC Program Projects + New or Expansion projects with reallocation funding | Currently funded recipients from FY22 + Any eligible entity per CoC Program NOFO |
| $76,478 | New or Expansion Projects  CoC Bonus Funding | Any eligible entity per CoC Program NOFO |
| $67,515 | New or Expansion Projects  DV Bonus Funding | Any eligible entity per CoC Program NOFO |

*Available funding amounts are subject to change based on HUD publications and project decisions*

F**. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:**

* **HUD CoC Program Interim Rule:** [**https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2033/hearth-coc-program-interim-rule/**](https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2033/hearth-coc-program-interim-rule/)
* **FY2023 HUD CoC Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO):** [**https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/SPM/documents/FR-6700-N-25\_NOFO.pdf**](https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/SPM/documents/FR-6700-N-25_NOFO.pdf)
* **Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Renewal or Replacement of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants:** [**https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/spm/gmomgmt/grantsinfo/fundingopps/fy23\_coc**](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/spm/gmomgmt/grantsinfo/fundingopps/fy23_coc)
* **CoC Program Grants Administration User Guide:** [**https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2946/coc-program-grants-administration-user-guide/**](https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2946/coc-program-grants-administration-user-guide/)
* **HUD E-SNAPS:** [**https://esnaps.hud.gov/grantium/frontOffice.jsf**](https://esnaps.hud.gov/grantium/frontOffice.jsf)

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**FFY 2023 VT-501 CoC Initial Project Application FFY23**

1. **Below are options for FY2022 Chittenden County Homeless Alliance – HUD CoC Program funding Requested Source of Funds for Project**

(PICK ONE project proposal per form):

**Project Types:**

PH – PSH Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)

Must be fully dedicated to serve individuals and/or families in which one adult or one child (if there are no adults): has a disability and is experiencing **chronic homelessness** OR meets the **DedicatedPLUS definition**.

**DedicatedPLUS** includes the following categories: people experiencing chronic homelessness; people living in place not meant for human habitation, shelter or safe haven BUT were experiencing chronic homelessness AND had been in permanent housing (PH) project within last year and were unable to maintain housing placement; people who are residing in TH funded by TH-RRH project and were experiencing chronic homelessness; people that live in a place not meant for human habitation, shelter or safe haven for at least 12 months in the last 3 years BUT has not done so on four separate occasions; or people in a Department of Veteran Affairs (VA)-funded homeless assistance program AND met one of the above at initial intake to the VA homeless assistance system.

PH – RRH Rapid Rehousing (RRH)

(Tenant-Based Rental Assistance only, (Sponsor/Project-Based only available for YHDP project)

Households including individuals, youth/young adults (18-24), families who qualify as homeless under paragraphs (1), (2), or (4) of 24 CFR 578.3.

Joint TH – PH – RRH Joint Transitional Housing-Rapid Rehousing (TH-RRH)

Households including individuals, youth/young adults (18-24), families who qualify as homeless under paragraphs (1), (2), or (4) of 24 CFR 578.3.

*\*DV Bonus projects can serve homeless individuals or families fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, who are defined as homeless at 24 CFR 578.3*

Dedicated HMIS project for the costs at 24 CFR 578.37(a)(4) that can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the recipient or subrecipient of an HMIS grant and is listed on the HMIS Lead form in the CoC Applicant Profile in e-snaps. Additionally, if the CoC has organizations within its geographic area that are victim service providers, the HMIS Lead, or subrecipient, may request HMIS funds for a comparable database. Victim service providers may also request HMIS funds in their project application budgets to enter data into a comparable database.

SSO-CE project to develop or operate a centralized or coordinated assessment system.

**NEW-BONUS** CoC Permanent Housing PH – PSH, PH-RRH, Joint TH & RRH, SSO-CE Projects

**NEW-DV BONUS** Domestic Violence PH/RRH project, Joint TH & PH/RRH project or SSO – Coordinated Entry for DV survivors

**NEW-REALLOCATED** CoC Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) CoC Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH), joint TH & PH-RRH and SSO-CE

**NEW- BONUS & REALLOCATED** CoC Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH), joint TH & PH-RRH and SSO-CE

**RENEWAL** Current CoC Program Projects with NO changes (*PSH-Rental Assistance, Rapid Rehousing. For SSO-Coordinated Entry & HMIS – email only)*

**RENEWAL** Current CoC Program Projects with funding reduction and associated changes

**RENEWAL EXPANSION** Current CoC Program Projects with funding reallocation and/or expansion per the 2023 CoC NOFO

1. **CoC Project Name** (proposed new or renewal)
2. **CoC Project Description:** Attach one page (max) description & design showing the project outreach plan to find participants, how it fills an identified need, & project scale (# of units, type of units, configuration of units and how these fit needs of participants), and type of supportive services available to obtain/maintain permanent housing and mainstream resources. Specific plans to ensure program participants will be individually assisted to obtain the benefits of mainstream health, social, and employment programs for which they are eligible to apply meets the needs of program participants. The description will also include information on planned outreach to participants to address disparities to access and receipt of services for Black, Indigenous, Hispanic (non-white), and LGBTQ participants who may be disproportionally more likely to experience homelessness.
3. **Name and Contact information of Primary Applicant** (Direct HUD Recipient, if awarded):

**Applicant Agency Type:** Select – Non-Profit Local Government State Entity PHA

*Subrecipient(s)-if applicable:*

*Primary Partners/Providers-if applicable*: \_

*\*Eligible Project Applicants: nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, and instrumentalities of state and local governments. Public housing agencies are eligible without limitation or exclusion. For-profit entities are not eligible to apply for grants or to be subrecipients of grant funds*

1. **Are the recipient, subrecipient and any partner agencies in good standing with all state and federal funding sources? Does the applicant or identified subrecipient have any unresolved HUD Monitoring and/or OIG Audit findings covering any previous grant?**

YES NO

1. **Match:** Applicant certifies the *availability*, if selected, to commit/provide a required, **minimum 25% match**, above HUD CoC Program funds, from other sources [i.e. Medicaid, HOP, FSH, DMH, Private, Other]?

YES NO (not eligible for funding)

## Name all identified, potential match sources AND total amounts for the CoC Program project:

1)

2)

3)

## If awarded, will (does) the CoC Program project participate in CCHA’s Coordinated Entry System?

YES NO (*non-eligible*)

## If awarded, will (does) this CoC Program project use the VT HMIS Implementation?

YES NO OR

DV project (who will use a HMIS comparable *database*)

This question for NEW PROJECTS ONLY Do you operate any homeless dedicated projects?

YES NO

If yes, do they participate in the VT HMIS?

YES NO

1. **Will / Does the project follow a Housing First approach? YES NO**
2. **Low Barrier: Will participants be screened-out of HUD CoC projects due to any of the following?**

*Too Little or No Income*

*Active or History of Substance Abuse*

*Criminal record with exceptions for state-mandated restrictions*

*History of domestic violence (e.g. lack of a protective order, period of separation from abuser, or law enforcement involvement)*

*None of the Above*

## Housing First: Will HUD CoC project participants be terminated based upon any of the following?

*Failure to participate in supportive services Failure to make progress on a service plan*

*Loss of income or failure to improve income Being a victim of domestic violence*

*Other activity not covered in typical lease agreement*

*None of the above*

1. **Population Targets**

Sub-population – choose all that apply

Individuals Families Youth (19-24) Veterans DV and other survivors

Target Disability – Choose all that apply (PSH must chose at least one, other project types may chose one or none)

Severe / Persistent mental illness

Substance use

Other Disability \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

No Target

1. **Permanent Supportive Housing Only**

Population  (Select one)

Chronically Homeless-Dedicated (24 CFR 578.3)

**OR**

DedicatedPLUS (See 2023 NOFO pp. 14-15 for more details)

* Chronically Homeless; or
* residing in a TH project that will be eliminated and meets the definition of chronically homeless in effect at the time in which the individual or family entered the TH project;
* Residing in a place not meant for human habitation, emergency shelter, or safe haven; but the individuals or families experiencing chronic homelessness as defined at 24 CFR 578.3 had been admitted and enrolled in a permanent housing project within the last year and were unable to maintain a housing placement; or
* Residing and has resided in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or emergency shelter for at least 12 months in the last three years, but has not done so on four separate occasions;
* (4) residing in transitional housing funded by a Joint TH and PH-RRH component project and who were experiencing chronic homelessness as defined at 24 CFR 578.3 or
* Receiving assistance through a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)-funded homeless assistance program and met one of the above criteria at initial intake to the VA's homeless assistance system.

[Note: A renewal project where 100 percent of the beds were dedicated to individuals and families experiencing chronic homelessness, as described in section I.B.2.b.(2), under the grant that is being renewed may either be reallocated as a DedicatedPLUS project or may continue as a renewal dedicating 100 percent of its beds to individuals and families experiencing chronic homelessness. Projects HUD awarded as DedicatedPLUS in a previous CoC Program Competition must continue to include households with children to qualify as a DedicatedPLUS project in the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition.]

1. **Racial Equity and other identity based barriers to participation:** *Describe measures to identify and taken or planned to address racial or identity based barriers to participation in the program. Describe management and leadership inclusion of typically under-represented populations and review of internal policies and procedure through an equity lens. Describe any review of participant outcomes in your current projects with an equity lens? (including disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identify, and/or age). Describe identified programmatic changes needed to make participant outcomes more equitable? Will you work with the CoC’s HMIS Lead to develop a schedule for reviewing HMIS data with disaggregation by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age?*
2. **Participation of community members with lived experience of homelessness in planning and decision making processes:** *Describe measures planned or taken to include voices of community member with lived experience of homelessness in project and organization planning and decision making processes.*
3. **Evidence Based Approach: Give two examples of how your program incorporates data/an evidence based approach to design or improve the program.** *(Examples: data/research done elsewhere, local data, program performance data, participant feedback, or use of a best practice. Possible measures include: positive housing outcomes, improvements in employment and/or income; improvements in overall well-being, such as improvements in mental health, physical health, connections to family, and safety.)*

## CoC Project Budget

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Type of Cost** | **Proposed**  **Budget** | **Proposed Activities Covered by Budget**  (Type of rental assistance, number of units, staff, details of housing costs details, supportive service(SS) type (for SS provide detail about funding by type of service – example .75 full-time case management staff, 40 utility deposits, etc.), etc. |
| *Housing Cost*  -Rental Assistance  -Leasing  -Operations  -Capital |  |  |
| *Services* |  |  |
| *HMIS* |  |  |
| *Admin Costs (up to 10%)* |  |  |
| *Total HUD funds* |  |  |
| *Match* |  |  |
| *Total project funds* |  |  |

Number and Amount of Rental Subsidies: Address-Units/Building(s):

Recipient Type (pick one)

## Non-Profit Organization

## Local Government

## State Entity:

## Local PHA

Rental Assistance Administrator (if applicable)

## Non-Profit Organization

## Local Government

## State Entity:

## Local PHA

Subrecipient and / or Primary Service Provider(s):

Renewal applications end here.

## NEW or EXPANDED COC PROGRAM PROJECT PROPOSALS ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

1. **Eligible Component Types for NEW CoC Program projects** (PICK ONE: RRH /PSH/SSO-CE and fill out sub- questions):

## RAPID RE-HOUSING (RRH - PERMANENT HOUSING or BONUS )

(Must be *Tenant-Based Rental Assistance* and propose to serve Literal Homeless-*coming directly from Streets or Emergency Shelter (including GA motel or other eligible Emergency Shelter Program) or fleeing domestic violence*:

Subpopulation – Choose all that apply

Individual

Families

Youth (18-24)

Veterans

Other

Homeless Population and Percentage of Participants – Choose all that apply

Persons living in places not meant for human habitation \_\_\_\_%

Persons living in emergency shelter % Persons fleeing or attempting to flee DV %

Persons residing in a TH project eliminated in the FY19 competition %

Persons receiving services through a VA-funded homeless assistance program and med one of the above criteria at initial intake to VA homeless system %

Target Disability– (*not required* - choose all that apply if project is targeting)

Severe/Persistent Mental Illness Substance Use Other Disability:

Chronic Homeless Population – (*not required* - choose if your project is targeting) Chronically Homeless (24 CFR 578.3)

**PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING (PSH - REALLOCATED OR BONUS)**/*Chronic Homeless only*:

Chronic Homeless Population – Must Choose One Chronically Homeless (24 CFR 578.3)

OR

Chronically Homeless per Dedicated Plus (See NOFA FY19 p. 17)

Residing in TH that will be eliminated in FY19 and met definition of chronically homeless prior to entry

Residing in a place not meant for human habitation, emergency shelter, or safe haven; but the individuals or families experiencing chronic homelessness as defined at 24 CFR

578.3 had been admitted and enrolled in a permanent housing project within the last year and were unable to maintain a housing placement

Residing and has resided in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or emergency shelter for at least 12 months in the last three years, but has not done so on four separate occasions

Receiving assistance through a Department of Veterans Affairs(VA)-funded homeless assistance program and met one of the above criteria at initial intake to the VA's homeless assistance system.

Target Disability– Choose all that apply Severe/Persistent Mental Illness Substance Use

Other Disability:

Subpopulation – Choose all that apply

Individuals Families Youth (18-24) Veterans Other

Housing Type (PICK ONE)

Rental Subsidy Type – Choose one of the below

Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Sponsor-Based RA Project-Based RA

Leasing [Recipient/Subrecipient leases building]

Project-Based/Operations [Recipient/Subrecipient owns building]

**Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry (SSO- CE- REALLOCATED OR BONUS)**

*Explain the need for expanded SSO-CE services and the planned implementation.*

***Is this NEW project application requesting a “Project Expansion” of an eligible renewal project of the same component type?***

*YES  NO*

*If YES, which of the following activities describe the expansion proposal (check all that apply)?*

*Increase the number of homeless persons served*

*Provide additional supportive services to people experiencing homelessness*

*Bring existing facilities up to state/local government health and safety standards*

*Replace the loss of nonrenewable funding*

*Application for SSO-CE ends here.*

## Are you adding one or more of the new activities or services (i.e., VAWA and eligible activities) allowed under the 2023 CoC NOFO? If so, describe:

## If requesting a project expansion, answer the following (as applicable):

## Describe need to be filled by project expansion.  If expanding housing and service describe need for each type of expansion.

## What is the current level of effort for the project (# persons at a PIT, # units, and # of beds) and proposed new effort (# additional persons at PIT, # additional units and # additional beds):

## Current project design:

## Additional housing: (persons, units and beds)

## 

## Describe the reason/method for the supportive services increase indicated above (such as expansion of services? Increased frequency? increased intensity?). Provide details of each supportive service for which you are requesting an increase.

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## Describe how the project is proposing to bring the existing facility(ies) up to state/local government health and safety standards.

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## Replacing the loss of nonrenewable funding (private, federal, other excluding state/local government)  Yes or NO

## Explain here:

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## Describe experience with administering PSH and RRH projects and state/federal funding.

*Attach a brief (maximum one page) summary*

1. **How will the CoC Program project quickly move participants into permanent housing?**

Explain how:

## Will CoC participants will be required to live in a particular structure/unit/locality?

YES NO

If “YES”, where and why:

## Will the new CoC Program project use an existing homeless facility or activities?

YES NO

If “YES”, explain:

1. **Housing Type and Location: Indicate the maximum number of units and beds available for project participants at the selected housing site:**

Total Units: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Total Beds: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Total Dedicated CH Beds: \_\_\_\_\_ (PSH only)

## Leveraging Housing Commitments

## Do you have a letter of commitment, contract or other formal written documents demonstrating the number of subsidies or units being provided to support this new project from non-CoC or ESG program funding?  Yes No

## MUST submit document(s) with application

## Explain:

## Leveraging Healthcare Resources

## Do you have formal written agreements with a health care organization?  Yes No

## MUST submit agreement with application

## Describe what the agreement includes:

## How will the new CoC Program project support participants to achieve and maintain economic independence?

Explain how:

1. **How will the CoC Program project support participants to remain in or exit to a destination of permanent housing**?

Explain how:

What percentage of participants will remain in/exit to permanent housing?

How is this percentage determined?

**DV Bonus Project Applicants additional questions:**

Specifically address your previous experience in serving people who are survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. The description must include: experience in taking steps to ensure privacy/confidentiality during intakes and interviews to minimize potential coercion, making determinations and placements in into safe housing, keeping information and location confidential, training staff on safety and confidentiality policies and practices, and taking security measures for units that support physical safety and confidentiality. (4A-3d of CoC Application)

Explain:

Describe how your agency has evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of survivors including any identified areas for improvement

Explain:

Provide examples of your experience using trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches. Please respond under each item.

prioritizing placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with the program participants’ wishes and stated needs;

establishing and maintaining an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials;

providing program participants access to information on trauma, e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on the effects of trauma;

emphasizing program participants’ strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans worked towards survivor- defined goals and aspirations;

centering on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity, e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination, language access, improving services to be culturally responsive, accessible, and trauma-informed;

providing a variety of opportunities for connection for program participants, e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs; an

offering support for survivor parenting, e.g., trauma-informed parenting classes, childcare, connections to legal services.

Describe examples of supportive services the project provided to survivors while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing safety needs.

Explain:

26. **Describe the experience of the applicant and potential subrecipients (if any) in leveraging other Federal, State, local and private sector funds.** (limit response to no more than half a page)

Explain:

**27. Describe the organization and management structure of the applicant and potential subrecipients (if any). Include evidence of internal and external coordination and an adequate financial accounting system.** Include the organization and management structure of the applicant and all subrecipients; be sure to include a description of internal and external coordination and the financial accounting system that will be used to administer the grant

Explain:

**28. Timeliness of Grant Activities: Complete the following chart (pick at least one)**

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| **Project Milestones** | **Days from Execution of Grant Agreement** |
|  | Location or Structure A |
| New project staff hired, or other project expenses begin? |  |
| Participant enrollment in project begins? |  |
| Participants begin to occupy leased units or structures(s) and supportive services begin? |  |
| Leased or rental assistance units or structure, and supportive services near 100% capacity? |  |
| Closing on execution of a structure lease? |  |

**29. Will the proposed project policies and practices be consistent with the laws (including the McKinney-Vento Act) related to providing education services to individuals and families?**

YES  NO    Not applicable

**If yes, will the proposed project assign staff to ensure that children and youth are enrolled in school and receive educational services, as appropriate?**

YES  NO    Not applicable

**30. How will the CoC Program project help participants obtain and remain in permanent housing? Address the needs of the target population, how the needs will be addressed through service provision, landlord engagement plan, how units will be identified and how rents will be deemed reasonable.** (limit response to no more than half a page)

**DV Bonus Project Applicants -** In this narrative you must also specifically describe past success and current ability to quickly house survivors in safe, affordable housing and prioritized survivors through coordinated entry, prioritization list and emergency transfer plan. The description must include how applicant determines which supportive service are needed, how connections are made and how survivors are support to move from assisted housing to housing they could sustain. (4A-3c of CoC Application).

Explain how:

**DV Bonus Project Applicants**

Past Performance for your Agency

Rate of Housing Placement of DV Survivors – Percentage:\_\_\_\_\_

Rate of Housing Retention of DV Survivors – Percentage: \_\_\_\_\_

How is this percentage determined?

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