

Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness (ACEH) Responses to FY 2018 Continuum of Care (CoC) Project Application Questions	
QUESTION	ANSWER
Released 8-7-18	
Provide an example of a successful Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Project	This question has been submitted to ACEH's technical assistance provider; the response will be shared when it becomes available - Update Under 8/15 Answers
Provide an example of a successful Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) Project	Recommended resource from ACEH's technical assistance provider: This is targeted to Vets but is the foundation for how the RRH programs have been started and best practices developed. This material and concept(s) can be applied to the CoC process https://www.va.gov/homeless/ssvf/
Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) Match Grant	Renewal applicants are invited to submit budgets with up to 1.5% increase in funding.
	Deadlines: August 8, 5:00 pm AKDT is the deadline to submit the intent to apply notice
	August 24 is the deadline to submit the full application through the Ariba system Contact Jennifer Smerud (907) 338-6100
What percentage of the grant request can be used for facility acquisition?	Please refer to the CoC Program Interim Rule (section 578.43 Acquisition) for additional information on facility acquisition and funding eligibility
On page 15 of the Coalition application, how 50 points are possible with 10 points possible in each of five categories?	No one project is going to receive all 50 points. We understand that there will be overlap with some projects.
Renewal application, section C-3-C and D Are we asking for new benefits to stayers and leavers or actual dollar amounts?	Please indicate the percentage of stayers and leavers that have new or increased non-employment income. This includes both those who are receiving new benefits, and those who have increased the dollar amounts of existing benefits
Renewal application E4 Please confirm that this is for all project types as it reads is confusing	Yes please answer this for all project types if the data is available for the project

Renewal Application Cost Per Client Utilization Rate, page 19 A and B	This is a typo in the project application. All the lines in the Cost per Client Utilization Rate table should use FY2016 information.
How does HUD calculate community funding for a CoC?	HUD is making available approximately \$2.1 billion in Fiscal Year 2018 for the CoC Program. The distribution of funds will depend largely on CoC determined priorities, HUD selection priorities, overall demand, and renewal eligibility. More information is located in section II.B.10 of the NOFA and on the ACEH website.
Who was awarded CoC funds in Anchorage last year and how much?	This document is posted on the ACEH website: www.anchoragehomeless.org/coc
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Can agencies apply for CoC funds for diversion and homelessness prevention?	Page 21 of the CoC Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) discusses homelessness prevention: "Only High Performing Communities (HPC)s may apply for homelessness prevention funds; HUD did not receive any requests for HPC designation for FY2018; therefore, no CoCs may request funds for homelessness prevention this competition year. The only components that will be funded in the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition are 1. Permanent Housing; 2. Transitional Housing; 3. Supportive Services Only; and 4. HMIS."
[renewals only] Where can grantees find the data to report on Question 4-E. Returns to Homelessness?	Please contact Alissa Parrish, HMIS Project Manager (alissa.parrish@icalliances.org) to receive a report with this data for your project. The report looks at both program exits and returns to homelessness, only showing clients who reappeared within 365 days of their exit to permanent housing. Because this requires two years of data, projects in their first renewal year will not have this data available and should respond "n/a" to this question. When you request the report, please indicate to Alissa what the time period should be for your report.
"Transitional Housing" is missing as a project category for renewal projects.	This was an omission on the renewal application. The Transitional Housing category has been added back in and a revised application template was sent to the impacted agency.
Provide an example of a successful Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Project	Recommended resource from ACEH's technical assistance provider: https://store.samhsa.gov/product/Permanent-Supportive-Housing-Evidence-Based-Practices-EBP-KIT-/SMA10-4510
Please clarify the length limits for the narrative portion of the applications.	The cumulative length of narrative responses for both new and renewal projects needs to be 2,000 words or less - NOT 2,000 words per question.

<p>Section C Question 2 Increase Housing Stability (PSH only): is part b (total # of PSH clients at the end of the program year that remained in housing) supposed to include those who exited to other permanent housing destinations?</p>	<p>Yes, please include clients who exited to other permanent housing destinations but remained in housing – not just those who remained in the specific project.</p>
<p>On the narrative portion of the application for new projects, 4d is “Establishes performances measures for housing and income that are objective, measurable, trackable and meet or exceed any established HUD or CoC benchmarks”. Where can I find these HUD/CoC benchmarks?</p>	<p>This page on the HUD website includes information on HUD's CoC System Performance Measures: https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/system-performance-measures/#data The Anchorage CoC Written Standards document also defines performance benchmarks by project type (please note these benchmarks are a bit dated and will likely need to be updated in the next year): https://anchoragehomeless.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/Anchorage-Continuum-of-Care_Written_Standards_8-5-16.pdf</p>
<p>Section I, question 11 b. self-sufficiency with time limited funding. Should clients who exit to assisted living be considered self-sufficient for the purposes of this question?</p>	<p>Yes, clients who exited to assisted living should be considered self-sufficient for this question.</p>
<p>For renewal projects in their first year of implementation, how should agencies respond to the renewal application?</p>	<p>If a first-year renewal project has more than three months of data, please report on whatever data is available (even if it is less than a full year), indicating on the application the date range being used to answer the questions. If a first-year renewal has less than three months of data, please respond to the data questions as though the project is a new project and respond to the renewal questions in the narrative portion.</p>
<p>Clarification for victim service providers</p>	<p>For victim service providers who do not enter information into HMIS, please use data from a comparable database to respond to the questions in the CoC project application. For questions specific to HMIS, including section H. Data Completeness, please respond “n/a” if your project does not use HMIS.</p>