



RENEWAL APPLICATION WORKSHOP FOR COC PROJECTS

PASADENA CONTINUUM OF CARE
2026 CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)



Pasadena Partnership

Agenda

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2026 NOFO HIGHLIGHTS & APPLICATION OVERVIEW

HUD's Policy Priorities

Tiering

Local Competition

CoC Program
Competition
Notice of
Funding
Opportunity

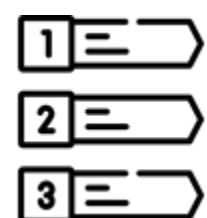
Overview: Fiscal Year 2026 CoC Program NOFO



Key Dates and Funding Availability NOFO Timeline:

- Released: June 1, 2026
- Due Date: August 26, 2026, 5 PM PST
- Estimated Award: December 1, 2026

Total Funding Available: \$4.04 billion



- Includes \$104 million in **Domestic Violence** Bonus
- At least \$430 million for Permanent Housing serving **families** (new or existing projects)
- Up to one-third (**\$1.3 billion**) for **new projects** with priority for new Transitional Housing and Supportive Services

CoC Application Overview

01

Consolidated Application

Scored and determines the order in which CoCs are funded

Includes information about CoC coordination/engagement, overall performance and strategic planning process

02

Project Applications

Renewal Projects

New projects created through reallocation or bonus

03

Priority Listing

Ranks all projects in order of priority

(excludes Planning)

Includes accepted and rejected applications

Major Changes from Past Competitions

Funding Priorities

Tier 1= 60% of ARD (\$3,831,480)

(compared to 90% in 2024)

- Non-Competitive: considered "safe"

Tier 2= 40% ARD (\$2,554,320) + sum of bonus

- Competitive nationally; "at risk"
- **More renewal funding is at risk**
- **Not enough non-competitive funding for all renewals**
- **HUD prioritizing NEW Transitional Housing and Supportive Service Only projects over renewal projects = reallocation of Permanent Housing**
- **No Permanent Housing Cap**
- **Note: Total ARD is \$6,385,800**

Policy Priorities & New Requirements

New national priorities

- Changed definition of "self-sufficiency"
- Emphasis on treatment/recovery, service participation *requirements*, civil commitment, and public safety

New Project Requirements

- **Disability:** narrower definition that excludes HIV/AIDS and substance use disorders
- **Transitional Housing Service Participation:** Requirement of 20 hours/week of engagement (services, activities, and/ or employment)
- **Restrictions on Harm Reduction Efforts**

Challenges & Risks

Challenges

“Merit Review” criteria changes

- **System Performance scoring**

Points based on significant reductions in encampments and other subpopulations based on the point-in-time count; 20% of program exits to unsubsidized housing;

Income growth from employment only

- **CoC Coordination & Engagement**

Emphasis on governance, on-site “substance use” treatment available for at least 30% of housing projects, service participation requirements, partnerships with law enforcement, etc.

Risks

“Risk Review” expanded to include more subjective criteria and used more broadly to make adverse funding decisions

- E.g., media reports

Tier 2 renewal projects at high risk of not being selected for award

- Based on HUD’s new conditional selection process and likelihood of running out of renewal funding

Renewal Projects Overview



ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Projects with an expiration date in CY 2027 are eligible for renewal.



ONLINE APPLICATION

All projects will submit their applications electronically via the Pasadena Partnership website.



SCORING AND RANKING

Scores for each section will be based on objective criteria and the quality of narrative responses. Reference the evaluation criteria when completing your application.



THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS

- HMIS Implementation
- CES participation
- SAM Clearance
- 25% match commitment
- HUD Requirements



REPORTS

- Annual Performance Report (APR)
- System Performance Measures (SPM)



HUD PRIORITIES

Application questions and evaluation criteria have been adjusted to reflect current HUD priority policies.

Transition Grants Overview

Transition Grants are a type of reallocation which allows an eligible CoC renewal project to transition from one program component to another eligible component over a 1-year period:

- If awarded a transition grant, the operating start date of the new grant would be the day after the end of the expiring grant term, like a renewal grant.
- The applicant for the transition grant must be the same as the recipient on the current grant agreement for the project being eliminated. If a new applicant were needed for the project, it would simply be a new project and would not qualify as a transition grant.
- Renewal Permanent Housing projects (RRH and PSH) will have the option to apply for a transition grant to convert to a Transitional Housing (TH) project.
- Transition grant applications will be scored similarly to a new project application with some points for the applicant's past grant utilization and performance.

Eligibility of PH participants for Transitional Housing

Program Participants residing in CoC funded RRH and PSH are housed and are not considered homeless. Program participants in these types of project types maintain eligibility for the purposes of a transfer into PSH only (42 USC 11383 (f)). Note: Per HUD's recent guidance, current program participants in RRH or PSH *could* be eligible for TH **if** the program participant has been referred by the CoC's coordinated entry **and** one of the following is true:

- The program participant is fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, does not have another residence, and does not have the resources or support networks needed to obtain other permanent housing;
- The program participant's lease expires within 14 days, does not have another residence, and does not have the resources or support networks needed to obtain other permanent housing; or,
- An eviction process has been initiated for the program participant in their current housing, and they must vacate the unit within 14 days.

Administering Rental Assistance for Transitional Housing

- Nonprofit organizations are **not** authorized to administer rental assistance in CoC-funded transitional housing.
- The recipient of a TH project that uses rental assistance to pay for rental costs must be a unit of state or local government or a Public Housing Authority.
- Nonprofit organizations may use leasing dollars in a TH project to master lease units.



LOGISTICS

Additional
Information
for Renewal
Projects

Supplemental Reports

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT (APR)

10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025

SYSTEM PERFORMANCE MEASURES (SPM)

10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025

- Your agency will receive copies of the APR and SPM reports for your Pasadena CoC-funded projects for careful review. Agencies that have identified data errors were given opportunities to update their data and provided with the updated APR and SPM reports. Agencies that do not require any data updates will also be provided with copies of APR and SPM reports and will be told if there are no data updates needed and to keep the reports for reference when completing the 2026 Renewal Project Application. If your agency is not provided with copies of APR or SPM reports, this is because your agency is operating a project that has been in operation for less than a year, and APR and SPM reports are not required for the project renewal application. Thus, there will be no need to attach updated APR and SPM Reports to any 2026 Pasadena CoC Renewal Projects Applications.
- If you are missing copies of any APR or SPM reports for your Pasadena CoC-funded projects, and/or for any technical assistance questions and/or concerns, please contact:

Daniel Cole

Email: dcole@cityofpasadena.net

Phone: (626)-744-8315

Attachments

1. HUD 50070 Drug Free Workplace (Required of all agencies); note that the link to the new HUD 50070 Drug Free Workplace Form can be found here: [50070.pdf](#).
2. Proof of SAM Clearance (Required of all agencies)

Match Documentation

Will be due outside of the renewal application process

***If an agency utilizes in-kind match, an MOU with the third-party provider will be required.**

CASH MATCH DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Must be on agency letterhead
2. Includes dates match will be available (2027-2028 program year)
3. Must be signed by an authorized representative

REALLOCATION POLICY

Types of Reallocation

Exemptions

Threshold and Board Actions

CoC
Reallocation
Policy

Pasadena CoC Reallocation Policy

Approved by the CoC Board October 14, 2025

Reallocation Process

What it is:

- Reallocation involves shifting funds, either in whole or in part, from existing eligible renewal projects to fund one or more new projects.

The reallocation process is used to:

- Improve system performance and meet high performance outcome standards
- Ensure funds are used effectively and eliminate under-performing projects
- Shift projects to more appropriate funding streams
- Align the CoC's inventory of projects with current local needs
- Provide HUD-mandated Coordinated Entry services and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) services
- Meet NOFO requirements

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Pasadena CoC Board's role

Decision-making:

- The Pasadena CoC Board is responsible for all decisions regarding reallocation.

Formal process:

- Decisions are made through a formal vote by the CoC Board.

Basis for decisions:

- Project and program performance
- Grant utilization
- Local community needs
- A comprehensive evaluation of renewal application scoring
- Spending history
- Potential impacts of funding reductions
- The strategic needs of the CoC

Types of Reallocation

VOLUNTARY

Partial or full voluntary reallocations are initiated by a renewal project applicant. These decisions can be made at any point during the operating year and must be formalized in writing. Voluntary reallocations may also be identified by the project operator in the Declaration of Intent to Renew process.

INVOLUNTARY

Includes any renewal projects that are entirely eliminated or that have their funding reduced by the CoC. The CoC may pursue involuntary reallocation for renewal projects for multiple reasons, including but not limited to two or more years of consecutive, significant underspending, scoring very low during the CoC renewal application process, non-submission of a project renewal application, or noncompliance with federal or other statutory CoC Program regulations. The CoC may also pursue involuntary reallocation when necessary to meet the requirements of the CoC Notification of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).

Reallocation Exemptions

1. New Projects in Operation for Fewer than Two Years:

Are exempt from reallocation to allow for sufficient time to ramp up and reach full operating capacity. Projects will continue to be exempt from reallocation until they have been in operation for two or more years.

2. Recently Reallocated Projects:

Projects either voluntarily or involuntarily reallocated during the most recent CoC competition are exempt from further reallocation due to underspending during two subsequent CoC competitions. Projects may still be considered for reallocation due to factors unrelated to grant utilization, including poor performance, non-compliance with regulations, etc.

3. Recently Consolidated Projects:

Projects that were consolidated in the most recent CoC competition are exempt from reallocation in the subsequent competition.

4. Projects Undergoing Consolidation:

Projects being consolidated during the current competition are exempt from reallocation during that competition. The CoC Board has the discretion to approve or deny consolidation requests

If reallocation is necessary to meet requirements of the CoC NOFO, no project is exempt from reallocation except for projects that support CoC requirements (i.e., HMIS grant).

Reallocation Thresholds

Any decision to reallocate is finalized by a majority CoC Board vote. The CoC Board will review all renewal projects and will consider fully or partially reallocating funding for projects that are not exempt from reallocation and have either:

- 1) Spent less than 80% on average** of its awarded funds over the past two program years; or
- 2) Received 60% or fewer of the total available points** in the most recent renewal application.

* Projects that were directed by the Board to establish measurable improvement goals in the 2024 competition will be reconsidered by the Board for reallocation in early December 2025.

Reallocation Process

If a renewal project falls below the thresholds established in either 1 or 2, the CoC Board will either:

- 1)** Direct City staff to establish measurable improvement goals with the project operator/sub-recipient within 60 days of the CoC Competition closing; or
- 2)** The CoC Board can decide not to reallocate, to partially reallocate or to entirely reallocate project funding during the same CoC Competition without giving the project operator any opportunity to improve. Received 60% or fewer of the total available points in the most recent renewal application.

If the CoC requires funding to remain in compliance with HUD requirements, such as maintaining a CES or HMIS, or if reallocation is necessary to meet requirements of a CoC NOFO, the CoC Board can elect to partially or fully reallocate any non-exempt renewal project.

Policy Implementation



Notification to Project Operator

Any project selected by the Board for reallocation will be notified in writing via email.



Appeals

A project may appeal reallocation decisions in writing and include supporting documentation within five calendar days of notification. The CoC Board reviews all appeals and supporting documentation and make a final decision by majority vote.



Project Application Changes

Projects that are partially reallocated will have the opportunity to proportionally adjust their budget and unit/bed configuration prior to the submission of all renewal projects to HUD's system.

Appeals

Appeals for scoring or reallocation decisions may not be based on applicant errors or omissions. Appeals for scoring decisions are limited to the following factors:



TECHNICAL ERROR

The evaluators made a technical scoring error that would have caused the project to be scored higher. No additional information by the applicant may be submitted.



LACK OF FAIRNESS EVIDENCE

There is evidence of lack of fairness in evaluating and scoring the application. Evidence of lack of fairness will be considered and reviewed on a project-by-project basis.

All appeals should be submitted in writing via email to
pasadenacoc@cityofpasadena.net

TIMELINE

Renewal
Projects

Renewal Projects Estimated Timeline

- **June 25, 2026:** Renewal projects application workshop
- **June 30, 2026:** Renewal application released
- **July 21, 2026:** All renewal and transition grant applications due
- **July 28, 2026:** Evaluation panel review
- **July 30, 2026:** CoC Board reviews scores and makes reallocation decisions
- **July 31, 2026:** Notifications of scores and reallocation decisions
- **August 4, 2026:** Appeals due
- **August 5, 2026:** Board reviews appeals (if any) and approves project ranking
- **August 11, 2026:** All projects notified of appeals decisions (if any), selection for inclusion in the Consolidated Application, and project ranking
- **August 26, 2026:** CoC Consolidated Application due to HUD

Additional Meetings

1. Renewal Project Office Hours will be held at the following times:

Thursday, July 2, 2026, 10:00-11:00 am

Thursday, July 9, 2026, 3:00-4:00 pm

2. One-on-one meetings will be scheduled with all renewal project applicants to discuss impacts of potential reallocations. These conversations will inform recommendations made to the CoC Board.

**ONLINE
APPLICATION**

Renewal
Project
Application



Accessing the application and supporting documents



<https://pasadenapartnership.org/coc-renewal-projects/>

Application Suggestions

1. Answer all parts of narrative questions

- When there are multi-part questions, number your responses so they align with that piece of the question. Include as much detail as the character limits allow.

2. Reference the evaluation criteria as you are completing the application

- The evaluation criteria are built to guide you in your responses. This is what evaluators (non-city/CoC staff) will be using to score your application.

SAVE THE DATE!

New Projects Application Workshop

New project applications will be accepted for
Transitional Housing and Street Outreach
projects only.

**Thursday,
July 8, 2026**

**10:00 a.m. -
11:00 a.m.**

Virtually via Teams



THANK YOU & GOOD LUCK!

QUESTIONS

Email all questions to pasadenacoc@cityofpasadena.net