Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

1. the CoC Application,
2. the CoC Priority Listing, and
3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

1. The FY 2023 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2023 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It
- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.
Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions
Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments
Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed–including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.
- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with–if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.
- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: FL-518 - Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette, Suwannee Counties CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: United Way of Suwannee Valley

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: United Way of Suwannee Valley

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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1B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.1.a.(1), V.B.1.e., V.B.1f., and V.B.1.p.	

	In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023:
1.	select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted–including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC's coordinated entry system; or
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC's geographic area:

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC's Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Nonexistent	No	No
2.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Nonexistent	No	No
3.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
4.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
5.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
6.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
8.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent	No	No
9.	Law Enforcement	Yes	Yes	Yes
10.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
11.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	Nonexistent	No	No
12.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes	Yes
13.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
14.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes

16.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes	Yes	Yes
17.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Nonexistent	No	No
18.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes	Yes	Yes
19.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
20.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes
21.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	Yes
22.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
24.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
25.	Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
26.	Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Other Victim Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	State Domestic Violence Coalition	Yes	Yes	Yes
30.	State Sexual Assault Coalition	Yes	Yes	Yes
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
33.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other: (limit 50 characters)			
34.	Veteran Homeless Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
35.	Mental Health/SUbstance Abuse Managing Entity	Yes	Yes	Yes

1B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(2)	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
	1.	communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC;
	2.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and
	3.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities).

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The open invitation for new members includes a process for community members to attend any meeting at any time & to join the coalition at any time during the year. A membership drive is conducted annually to ensure participants renew their memberships and is free to join. The invitation includes a broad email distribution list of those who attend, have attended, or have asked to be included on the distribution list w/meeting notices distributed to this list for all meetings. Participants are asked to invite additional participants. Info regarding the coalition is shared at community events through a UW/homeless coalition display & at UW events w/ an invitation to participate to any interested indvls/entities. Info is included on the UW, lead agency, website. UWSV also posts meeting info on social media formats (Facebook, Instagram). Membership applications are available on our website throughout the year for any agency, community advocate or concerned citizen to apply and join. 2 The CoC is able to effectively communicate w/ individuals w/ disabilities utilizing the Deaf & HardOfHearing Auxiliary process thru DCF & have communication devices available if needed. UWSV office also provides ASL/LEP assistance thru approved interpreters. Meetings can be accessed electronically by Zoom with the meeting link widely distributed. Meeting materials are distributed electronically prior to the meeting. 3. UW has a diversity policy and is committed to addressing equity issues starting w/inviting organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in our geographic area to join us in the coalition. CoC members sit on other community agency meetings and Boards that have similar interests and serve populations consistent with the CoC's priorities. Prior to Covid, we implemented a Capacity Building Committee that monitors community interests and targets agencies that enhance equity and diversity in our community (BIPOC, Latino, LGBTQ, DV, PHA, Elderly, disabilities, etc).

1B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(3)		

		Describe in the field below how your CoC:
	1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;
	2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information;
	3.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; and
	4.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 CoC solicits & considers opinions from a broad array of organizations & indvs that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing & ending homelessness, by distributing meeting notices to a broad list of those who attend/attended mtgs, & others who have requested mtg notices. CoC posts the apps in hopes to engage new agencies that have not previously received funding in the process by having those agencies submit proposals. They may attend/provide opinions at mtgs. Participation open to any community indv/entity. Participants & members encouraged to invite others. At the end of all coalition mtgs, there is an opp for public discussion related to homelessness. Public satisfaction surveys are posted on our website & also sent to clients for feedback. Conduct the PIT w/ surveys specifically related to homelessness. Street Cards distributed thru outreach w/ homeless & community members w/ contact info for various agencies to address homelessness. A Landlord Cmte convened to gather opinions & feedback about programs & how to better serve clients. 2.Communicates info during public mtgs/forums the CoC uses to solicit public info thru notices to a broad distribution list, encourages participants to invite others. Street cards list assist agencies, homeless directories, 211 cards, & other flyers for assistance are disseminated at all mtgs & speaking engagements CoC members & staff participate in. UWSV joins civic opportunities & shares assistance available, funding opps & upcoming mtgs at events. 3 The CoC is able to effectively communicate w/ individuals w/ disabilities utilizing the Deaf & HoH Aux process thru DCF & communication devices available if needed. UWSV also provides ASL/LEP assistance thru approved interpreters. Mtgs can be accessed by Zoom w/ the mtg link widely distributed. Mtg materials sent electronically prior to the mtg. 4.Takes into consideration info gathered in public mtgs/forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing & ending homelessness by accepting, researching, securing approaches used by other CoC's thru consulting CoC's, CoC regional/statewide mtgs facilitated by mental health managing entity, requesting & attending HUD TA sessions,& training opps through Office on Homelessness, FCEH & FCH. Knowledge gained from these resources is added to policy/strategic plan to make sure homelessness is rare, brief & nonrecurring. The coalition has made available materials for distributing thru out the community

1B-4.	**Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding.**	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.a.(4)	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:
1.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;
2.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications–the process;
3.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and
4.	ensured effective communication and access for persons with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 CoC will consider applications from organizations that have not previously rcvd CoC program funding thru the distribution of the coalition HUD CoC application RFP to the broad email distribution list which includes all participants in the coalition, those who have attended coalition meetings & others who have requested to be included on the email distribution list and also posted on our website on July 12. It is suggested to post and share the RFP on agency websites. RFP specifically states any agency providing any svcs to any subpopulation of households either homeless/at risk should submit agency projects to the coalition's CoC Action Plan. All projects funded thru coalition-related state/federal funding/other resources, are incorporated into CoC Action Plan. 2 RFP outlines eligibility & methods project proposals should be submitted thru specific directions & a project proposal form. Threshold requirements, detailed instructions, and specific forms are required for submission. 3 The process the CoC uses to determine whether the project application will be included in the CoC Program Competition process is specified in the RFP. At a full CoC meeting, the CoC has Review Panel members, who don't have any conflict of interest w/ project/sponsor agencies submitting proposals. Staff completes threshold eligibility sheets for each proposal and gives that portion to the Review Panel. The Review Panel reviews the project proposals for eligibility, scores & rank projects according to CoC adopted P&P. SPM, spending, Housing 1st and equitable policies are reviewed and scored based on the written proposal information and makes a recommendation to the CoC. The CoC full membership votes on inclusion in the CoC , then will vote on the recommended scores from the Review Panel after the proposals have been submitted. The NOFO was posted on UWSV website July 12 with the scoring sheets and the scoring process protocol prior to the Review Panel meeting. 4.The CoC is able to effectively communicate w/ individuals w/ disabilities utilizing the Deaf & HardOfHearing Auxiliary process thru DCF & have communication devices available if needed. UWSV office will provide ASL/LEP assistance thru interpreter. All documents are posted in PDF format on our website that comply with most accessible adaptive equipment.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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1C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	

	In the chart below:	
1.	select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or	
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.	

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects?
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Yes
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Nonexistent
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	Yes
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	Yes
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Nonexistent
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	Nonexistent
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	Yes
14.	Private Foundations	Yes
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	

18.	Early Learning Coalition	Yes

1C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG Program funds;
2.	participated in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients;
3.	provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area; and
4.	provided information to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions to address homelessness within your CoC's geographic area so it could be addressed in the Consolidated Plan update.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC is located in the FL Consolidated Plan jurisdiction. The CoC lead agency participates w/ the Con Plan jurisdiction thru communications & meetings w/ the State of Florida Office on Homelessness throughout the year thru processes associated w/ grant contracts, including the balance-of-state ESG and recently, ESG CV funds. Communications w/ the State of Florida Dept. of Children & Families Office on Homelessness are conducted on an as-scheduled/as-needed basis w/ attendance on state Council on Homelessness committee calls, and Office Hour calls and the CoC Committee, which is attended monthly by a CoC staff member. CoC representatives participate in meetings attended by the State Office on Homelessness. Communications w/ grant contract managers are frequent w/ questions &/or concerns elevated to the Office on Homelessness via a grant contract manager. The CoC budget for the allocation of the ESG allocation and ESG CV to the CoC are submitted to the Dept. of Children & Families contract manager for approval. 2. The CoC participates in the evaluation & reporting performance of ESG Program recipients & sub-contractors thru the CoC lead agency's management of the contract between the State of Florida Department of Children & Families which includes ESG funding & the lead agency's monitoring & reporting on ESG funding utilization & program deliverables on behalf of the CoC lead agency, which is a sub-contractor. (3.) The CoC submits local homelessness data to the State Office on Homelessness for inclusion in the Consolidated Plan. The CoC's HIC, PIT, SMP & LSA data is submitted to The Office on Homelessness annually. All ESG and ESG CV recipients participate in HMIS or comparable databases (DV). 4. United Way of Suwannee Valley participates on quarterly calls with the Office on Homelessness, who is the agency that maintains and updates the Con Plan. UWSV submits monthly data from our CoC to the Office to ensure inclusion in the Con Plan updates. UW submits an updated Action Plan annually to contract managers and the Office on Homelessness.

1C-3.	Ensuring Families are not Separated.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.c.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity:

1.	Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	Yes
2.	Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated.	Yes
3.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients.	Yes
4.	Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance.	Yes
5.	Sought assistance from HUD by submitting questions or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance by service providers.	No

1C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	Yes
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

1C-4a.	Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

McKinney-Vento State Education Agency (SEA) or Local Education Agency (LEA) relationship w/ the CoC results from coalition Policies & Procedures specifying the CoC collaborates w/ the LEAs to assist in the identification of homeless students & informs them of their eligibility for McKinney-Vento services. The Policies & Procedures also specify with a MOU, the LEAs actively participate in the CoC; provide annual training including the referral process, eligibility requirements & services; & assist families referred by agencies to access services to remove barriers to educational attendance & success. CoC agencies are expected to post materials, posters & brochures & refer families w/ school age children to the LEAs.

1C-4b.	Informing Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

> Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC uses to inform individuals
> and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The policies and procedures the CoC has adopted to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for education services are incorporated into the homeless coalition's formal Policies and Procedures document. This document states the coalition shall collaborate with the LEAs located within the coalition service area to assist in the identification of homeless students and inform them of their eligibility for McKinney-Vento education services. The Homeless Education Program shall have the Homeless Education Liaisons from the local school districts within the coalition's service area to actively participate in the coalition's meetings to keep informed of services available for eligible students and their families; provide to the full membership of the coalition annual training to include the referral process, eligibility requirements and services; attend the Florida Coalition for Homeless annual conference, pending available funding; and assist families referred from member agencies to access necessary services in an effort to remove identified barriers to educational attendance and success, e.g. transportation to school of origin, free school meals, and tutoring. Coalition member agencies shall post materials such as posters and brochures about the Homeless Education Program available to all students identified as homeless; promptly refer all families with school age children to the appropriate local Homeless Education Liaison to assist in the identification and provision of educational services; have a procedure to refer all students that are residing in one of the three shelters to the appropriate Homeless Education Liaison for identification and educational service. Additionally, protocols are in place for the referral by the domestic violence centers and the CoC lead agency of homeless households with children to the Early Learning Coalition. The Homeless Education Liaison for the school district is a member of the Board, Youth Advisory Board, Review Panel, PIT, and CoC Committee.

1C-4c.	Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.d.	

> Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or
> partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

		MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
1.	Birth to 3 years	No	No
2.	Child Care and Development Fund	Yes	No
3.	Early Childhood Providers	Yes	No
4.	Early Head Start	Yes	No
5.	Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV)	Yes	No
6.	Head Start	Yes	No
7.	Healthy Start	Yes	No
8.	Public Pre-K	Yes	No
9.	Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No

	Other (limit 150 characters)		
10.			

	1C-5.	Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors–Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers.
		NOFO Section V.B.1.e.

In the chart below select yes or no for the organizations your CoC collaborates with:

	Organizations	
1.	state domestic violence coalitions	No
2.	state sexual assault coalitions	No
3.	other organizations that help this population	Yes

	1C-5a.	Collaboration with Federally Funded Programs and Victim Service Providers to Address Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
		NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations indicated in Question 1C-5 to:
1.	update CoC-wide policies; and
2.	ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC's geographic area are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC regularly collaborates w/ other organizations who provide housing svcs to survivors of DV by providing annual training for all CoC project staff & to all homeless coalition participants that addresses DV, sexual assault, & stalking & safety & planning protocols in serving survivors of DV, SA & stalking. Training was also arranged by the CoC lead agency on evidence-based best practices including trauma- informed care, victim-centered svcs & other topics. Training provided to the full coalition on DV, etc. is conducted annually by the CoC's DV provider agencies & covers the dynamics of DV, svcs available, & best practices in serving DV survivors & safety planning. One of the DV trainers in our CoC is from a State certified DV and Sexual Assault Center, both VSP are involved in the state domestic violence coalitions, which provide training based on required practices from those coalitions. Policies are reviewed and updated based on trainings provided. The CoC offered Trauma Informed Care training provided by the Florida Housing Coalition. The FHC makes numerous homeless svcs training opportunities available online. The CoC opts to offer such training to the CoC to enhance participation & to share best practices to keep our policies updated. 2. All svcs & housing providers are trained in TIC, training is offered in person or virtually. Technical assistance is also offered to all coalition participants or any community organization seeking TA/training. It is the clients' choice on choosing housing options & we work with landlords that will accept the VAWA housing regs to keep clients safe. Locations are kept confidential in client files which are locked in a filing cabinet at all times. The CoC utilizes housing 1st in all programs making housing placement as quick as possible. CM work with clients to keep locations safe & as functional for the client as possible considering transportation issues, access to essential needs, proximity to local police stations, employment opportunities, etc. Clients are referred to DV counseling, employment, etc. but this is not a requirement for program participation. Staff are trained on TIC & are able to share w/ clients. Clients are referred to DV counseling, spiritual & mentoring upon request. Clients are given a resource directory to help find svcs they may need. Parenting classes, childcare assistance & other needs are addressed by case managers & referred as needed. DV clients are entered in comparable database

1C-5b.	Coordinated Annual Training on Best Practices to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinates to provide training for:
1.	project staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma-informed, victim-centered) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually); and
2.	Coordinated Entry staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma informed care) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually).

(limit 2,500 characters)

1 The CoC not only provides training on an annual basis for all CoC area project staff but to all homeless coalition participants that addresses domestic violence, sexual assault, & stalking & safety & planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault & stalking. Additionally, training was arranged by the CoC lead agency on evidence-based best practices including trauma- informed care, victim-centered services & other topics. Training provided to the full coalition on domestic violence, etc. is conducted annually by the CoC's DV provider agencies & covers the dynamics of DV, services available, & best practices in serving DV survivors. The CoC offered Trauma Informed Care training provided by the Florida Housing Coalition. The Florida Housing Coalition and Lutheran Services of Florida Training Site makes numerous homeless services training opportunities available online related to domestic violence, trauma informed care. The CoC opts to offer such training to the CoC to enhance participation. The training is completed to make sure our policies are kept up to date with the latest information provided by the victim service providers. 2. The CoC provides training on an annual basis for coordinated entry staff that addresses best practices, including trauma informed care, on safety & planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, & stalking as this training is offered w/ attendance expected of all CoC providers, including CE staff & those who serve as CE access points at CoC area projects. Training is provided by FHC and LSF, and by our local domestic violence shelters annually at our homeless coalition meetings.

| | 1C-5c. | Implemented Safety Planning, Confidentiality Protocols in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors. | |
| | | NOFO Section V.B.1.e. | |

		Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry includes:
	1.	safety planning protocols; and
	2.	confidentiality protocols.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC's protocols prioritize safety & incorporate trauma-informed, victim-centered services to prioritize safety include referrals of a HH which presents to a homeless assistance provider to the appropriate victim svc provider for connections to victim svcs, housing, CE & other svcs while addressing safety, security, personal choice & confidentiality utilizing trauma-informed, victim-centered svcs. A HH presents to a victim svc provider is offered victim svcs & connections to housing & other svcs w/ the victim svc provider addressing safety, security, personal choice & confidentiality & utilizing evidence-based practices including trauma-informed care & victim-centered svcs. 2. The CoC maximizes client choice for housing & svcs while ensuring safety & confidentiality thru CE p&p's for DV/SA survivors' access to CE; guidance at case conferencing to ensure the absence of references to victim service provider agency services to clients/client situations relative to DV/SA/Stalking, etc.; & provider cm training & utilization of cm evidence-based practices including-trauma informed care & client-centered services to enable client choice for housing & svcs while addressing client's sense of safety & maintaining client confidentiality. All CoC housing options are provided w/ housing choice & housing first philosophy. Program participants are entered in the VSP comparable database and aggregate de-duped and de-identified info is submitted. Program participants files are locked down and redacted.

1C-5d.	Used De-identified Aggregate Data to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	the de-identified aggregate data source(s) your CoC used for data on survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and	
2.	how your CoC uses the de-identified aggregate data described in element 1 of this question to evaluate how to best meet the specialized needs related to domestic violence and homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The two agencies in the CoC catchment area providing services for those who are survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, & stalking, etc. provide de-identified aggregate info. One provider enters HMIS data absent personally identifying info & the other provider submits de-identified aggregate data from a comparable database. 2. The CoC uses de-identified aggregate data to assess the specialized needs related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, & stalking by assessing program utilization, length of shelter stay, & the HUD System Performance Measures. Additionally, the two domestic violence centers also provided data from the domestic violence database, Osnium System. Info from both databases can be compared & assessed. Important data sets would include occupancy for determination of availability of current victim survivor shelter beds & length of shelter stay for determination of length of time homeless, transition from shelter to permanent housing, & determination of sufficient permanent housing units available thru rapid rehousing projects, whether CoC-funded or ESG funded, to enable timely transition from shelter to permanent housing for those DV shelter residents in need of permanent housing (versus having the ability to return to the former permanent housing w/ appropriate safety measure in place)

1C-5e.	Implemented Emergency Transfer Plan Policies and Procedures for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC communicates to all individuals and families seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance:	
1.	whether your CoC has policies and procedures that include an emergency transfer plan;	
2.	the process for individuals and families to request an emergency transfer; and	
3.	the process your CoC uses to respond to individuals' and families' emergency transfer requests.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC collaborates w/ the local domestic violence shelters, in conjunction w/ the VAWA rules & regulations & are survivors of DV, stalking, dating violence, & sexual assault, and included an emergency transfer plan in our CE P&P. 2. The policy of the CoC states that the process for individuals and/or families to request an emergency transfer is for the tenant to notify the housing provider's management office and submit a written request for a transfer. The provider will provide reasonable accommodations to this policy for individuals w/ disabilities. The tenant's written request for an emergency transfer should include either a statement expressing that the tenant reasonably believes that there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the tenant were to remain in the same dwelling unit assisted, or a statement that the tenant was a sexual assault victim and that the sexual assault occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period preceding the tenant's request for an emergency transfer. If no unit can be identified, the program will attempt to locate a safe available unit in a different program.3. The policy of the CoC states that the process for individuals and/or families to request an emergency trx is for the tenant to notify the housing provider's management office & submit a written request for a trx. The provider will provide reasonable accommodations to this policy for individuals w/ disabilities. The tenant's written request for an emergency transfer should include either a statement expressing that the tenant reasonably believes that there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the tenant were to remain in the same dwelling unit assisted, or a statement that the tenant was a sexual assault victim and that the sexual assault occurred on the premises during the 90-calendar-day period preceding the tenant's request for an emergency trx. If no unit can be identified, the program will attempt to locate a safe available unit in a different program.

1C-5f.	Access to Housing for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	ensures that survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have safe access to all of the housing and services available within the CoC's geographic area; and	
2.	proactively identifies systemic barriers within your homeless response system that create barriers to safely house and provide services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC ensures that survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking have access to all housing and services available in the CoC's geographical area by utilizing coordinated entry and assessments with a vulnerability index. Clients needing assistance, complete and application and receive vulnerability points for DV. Assessments are the same for all clients seeking assistance. When the DV client is selected, it is the clients' choice on choosing housing options, as we are a housing first continuum, meaning housing is first, then supportive services are added to help the client obtain self-sufficiency. The CoC works with landlords that will accept the VAWA housing regs to keep clients safe. CM work with clients to keep locations safe & as functional for the client as possible considering transportation issues, access to essential needs, proximity to local police stations, employment opportunities, etc. Clients are referred to DV counseling, employment, etc. but this is not a requirement for program participation. Staff are trained on TIC & are able to share w/ clients. 2. The CoC proactively identifies systemic barriers within our homeless response system that create barriers to safely house and provide services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking by reviewing the policies and procedures currently in place. The CoC has two VSP sin our CoC that actively participate in our homeless coalition meetings to review processes in place. Training by VSP staff annually help helps to identify potential barriers and policies are updated as needed. The Coc monitors the many systemic barriers such as poverty, employment, child care, transportation, and availability of affordable housing survivors of domestic violence and also disparities in housing, healthcare and criminal justice systems for survivors of people of color, and LGBTQ+ communities.

1C-5g.	Ensuring Survivors With a Range of Lived Expertise Participate in Developing CoC-Wide Policy and Programs.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.e.		

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	ensured survivors with a range of lived expertise are involved in the development of your CoC-wide policy and programs; and	
2.	accounted for the unique and complex needs of survivors.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC collabs w/ other organizations CoC wide who provide housing svcs to survivors of DV and w/ lived experience by providing annual training for all CoC project staff & to all homeless coalition participants that address DV, sexual assault, & stalking & safety & planning protocols. Training was also arranged by the CoC lead agency on evidence-based best practices including trauma- informed care, victim-centered svcs & other topics, conducted annually by the CoC's DV provider agencies, & covers the dynamics of DV, svcs available, & best practices in serving DV survivors & safety planning. One of the DV trainers in our CoC is a State certified DV & Sexual Assault Center, both VSP are involved in the state domestic violence coalitions, which provide training based on required practices from those coalitions. Policies are reviewed & updated based on trainings provided. CE upholds confidentiality protocols and safety planning, emergency transfer plan processes (requesting & response), per the CE P&P, & clients are entered in HMIS anonymously. CMs conduct CE assessments at the DV shelter to ensure survivors are entered in CE. The CoC offered TIC training provided by the FL Housing Coalition. FHC makes homeless svcs training opportunities available online. The CoC opts to offer trainings to the CoC to enhance participation & to share best practices to keep our policies updated. 2. All svcs & housing providers are trained in TIC, & is offered in person or virtually. Technical assistance is offered to all CoC participants or any community organization seeking TA/training. It is the clients' choice on choosing housing options & we work w/ landlords that will accept the VAWA housing regs to keep clients safe. Locations are kept confidential in client files which are locked down at all times. The CoC utilizes housing 1st in all programs, housing as quick as possible. CM work w/ clients to keep locations safe & as functional for the client as possible considering transportation, access to essential needs, proximity to local police stations, employment opportunities, etc. Clients are referred to svcs but this is not a requirement for program participation. Staff are trained on TIC & are able to share w/ clients. Clients are referred to DV counseling, spiritual & mentoring upon request. Clients are given a resource directory to help find svcs they may need. Parenting classes, childcare assistance & other needs are addressed by CMs & referred as needed.

1C-6.		Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+--Anti-Discrimination Policy and Training.	
		NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

	1.	Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination?	Yes
	2.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
	3.	Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	Yes

1C-6a.	Anti-Discrimination Policy–Updating Policies–Assisting Providers–Evaluating Compliance–Addressing Noncompliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.f.	

		Describe in the field below:
	1.	how your CoC regularly collaborates with LGBTQ+ and other organizations to update its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary to ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and able to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ individuals and families;
	2.	how your CoC assisted housing and services providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy;
	3.	your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and
	4.	your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC adopted the HUD final rule, Equal Access to housing and the anti-discrimination policy from the Fair Housing Act and 24 CFR 5.105(a)(2) and the Gender Identity Rule. Training is offered each year and discussed annually at coalition meetings to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ which include TIC and also to make sure housing is made available to individuals and families without violating the fair housing rules and regulations. Opportunities for updates as needed if necessary 2. Training is offered annually on anti-discrimination policies. The lead agency for the CoC is available to assist in agency policy development. The lead agency participates in trainings offered by HR consultants to make sure compliance is maintained with CoC anti-discrimination and making sure LGBTQ+ individuals are receiving all services offered. 3. The CoC asks for the policies for review to make sure the agencies are incompliance with and align with our CoC policies adopted. These are reviewed during monitoring and client files, intake process, eligibility processes are reviewed for compliance of the policies regarding equal access, anti-discrimination and LGTBQ+ rules adopted by the CoC. All housing and service providers adopt and adhere to rules regarding Equal Access and Fair Housing regs. 4. If agency policies are not in line with the CoC adopted policies, corrective action plan will be issued and reviewed by the CoC review panel and determine financial consequences if needed.

1C-7.	Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area–New Admissions–General/Limited Preference–Moving On Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the current CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with–if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

Public Housing Agency Name	Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2022 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference?	Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On?
Columbia County Public Housing Authority	0%	No	Yes
Live Oak Housing Authority	0%	Yes-Public Housing	No

1C-7a.	Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or	
2.	state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The two PHAs listed on the HUD CoC PHA crosswalk include one which is outside of the CoC area & provide either PH or HCV units to various municipal districts in the CoC catchment area thru VASH VA program. Our CoC has a relationship with one local PHA that is not listed on the Crosswalk. Steps taken by the CoC to encourage the 2 PHAs in our continuum to adopt homeless preference policies include promoting PHA participation in the CoC to focus on the need for a homeless admission preference & for PHA CoC participation. The PHAs have for years been invited to attend homeless coalition meetings in an effort to engage them. Recent contact has been made w/ each of the PHAs listed on the CoC-PHA Crosswalk & w/ the other PHAs located in the CoC catchment area which do not have a homeless preference. This contact has been made via letter w/ telephone and mtg follow up to secure info on the PHAs' homeless preference, to again extend an invitation for the PHA to include a representative in the homeless coalition, & a presentation by the executive director of UW of Suwannee Valley, the lead agency, to the PHAs' boards of directors to speak regarding homeless admission preferences. Intensive invitation efforts occurred relative to the Move-On Strategy between local PHA & PSH programs to establish a policy for the strategy. Also, this same PHA is interested in participating in our HMIS in efforts to provide referrals to supportive services for clients that may be housing participants & also clients of agencies in our CoC. One of our local PHA office located in a different county w/in our CoC does have a small homeless preference & works w/ our homeless PATH street outreach team case manager to place a chronically homeless individual w/ mental health issues rapidly in permanent housing. Efforts will continue w/ the other PHA not located in our CoC area that do port vouchers to homeless individuals or those at risk in our CoC. This CoC has however partnered w/ the PHA to welcome the HUD ROSS program. PHAs are referring their residents to UWSV to ensure the residents are connected to mainstream benefits (SNAP, TANF, Medicaid, SSI, etc) to help with the rising costs of food and utilities to help with self-sustainability. 2. N/A

1C-7b.	Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers.	
	Not Scored—For Information Only	

	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:	

1.	Multifamily assisted housing owners	No
2.	PHA	Yes
3.	Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments	Yes
4.	Local low-income housing programs	Yes
	Other (limit 150 characters)	
5.		

1C-7c.	Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.

In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process:

1.	Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)	Yes
2.	Family Unification Program (FUP)	Yes
3.	Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)	Yes
4.	HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
5.	Mainstream Vouchers	Yes
6.	Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers	Yes
7.	Public Housing	Yes
8.	Other Units from PHAs:	

1C-7d.	Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessness.
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.

1.	Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)?	No
		Program Funding Source
2.	Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement.	

1C-7e.	Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV).
	NOFO Section V.B.1.g.

	Did your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choice Vouchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue Plan?	No

1C-7e.1.	List of PHAs with Active MOUs to Administer the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Does your CoC have an active Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any PHA to administer the EHV Program?	No
	If you select yes to question 1C-7e.1., you must use the list feature below to enter the name of every PHA your CoC has an active MOU with to administer the Emergency Housing Voucher Program.	

PHA
This list contains no items

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1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
  - 24 CFR part 578;
  - FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
  - Section 3 Resources;
  - PHA Crosswalk; and
  - Frequently Asked Questions

1D-1.	Discharge Planning Coordination.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.h.	

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the systems of care listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.

1. Foster Care	Yes
2. Health Care	Yes
3. Mental Health Care	Yes
4. Correctional Facilities	No

1D-2.	Housing First–Lowering Barriers to Entry.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

	1.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2023 CoC Program Competition.	6
	2.	Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2023 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach.	6
	3.	This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2023 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing.	100%

1D-2a.	Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.i.	

You must upload the Housing First Evaluation attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC evaluates every project–where the applicant checks Housing First on their project application–to determine if they are using a Housing First approach;
2.	the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation; and
3.	how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of your local CoC competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC reviews and evaluates the recipients Housing First policy by monitoring the program quarterly, reviewing the Housing First checklist to make sure the project has removed the barriers and has no stipulations for entry in to the program. If the project is a renewal, this includes case file reviews to determine that a Housing First approach is being used and that the provider is prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing. The monitoring activities also include ensuring that the provider is not requiring service participation or preconditions of program participants. If the project is a new project, the narrative must indicate Housing First and how the project will ensure this process is followed. The narrative should also state there are no participation requirements or preconditions of program participants. 2. Our CoC has adopted the Housing First to be considered an eligibility criteria as a "Pass/Fail" threshold for funding. Policies and procedures are required and for scoring. Programs will not be considered for funding without a housing first philosophy for all program participants. Housing First requirements are that the projects allow entry to program participants regardless of income, substance use (current or past), history of victimization, criminal records, etc. No preconditions or participation in services are required for housing or placement in housing.3.The CoC monitors all funded providers on a quarterly basis. This includes case file reviews to determine that a Housing First approach is being used and that the provider is prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing. The monitoring activities also include ensuring that the provider is not requiring service participation or preconditions of program participants. Universal client intake forms are used to ensure barriers or participation requirements are not conditions for assistance. The CoC has adopted the Housing First philosophy with all the housing programs. All clients are given options for individual housing choice and housing first.

1D-3.	Street Outreach–Scope.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.j.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	your CoC's street outreach efforts, including the methods it uses to ensure all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness are identified and engaged;
2.	whether your CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC's geographic area;
3.	how often your CoC conducts street outreach; and
4.	how your CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC's outreach includes agencies w/ differing target populations but which collaborate on outreach efforts. These include PATH, SSVF, VA Medical Center Healthcare for Homeless Veterans Outreach & CareerSource Disabled Veterans Outreach Program Specialists & Transitioning Incarcerated Veterans Programs Specialists. These individuals conduct outreach thruout the CoC; collaborate in conducting street & community outreach; & participate in the Outreach Committee to discuss locations, needs, issues. Outreach personnel maintain outreach schedules providing for outreach on the street & at public locations thruout the CoC where homeless individuals may be encountered. PATH maintains a schedule w/ the majority of time spent in outreach. Outreach also includes posting flyers & distributing business cards to contacts at community locations for the referral of homeless individuals. 2. The CoC's street outreach covers 100% of the CoC's geographic area. 3. The CoC conducts street outreach M-F during the majority of the day between 8:30am-5pm. 4. The CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance by working toward direct engagement of the most vulnerable, alienated population by building trusting relationships over multiple encounters; utilizing motivational interviewing; providing support services, survival aid, individual screenings, info & referral assistance, & follow-up support. Street outreach case managers actively seek out the most vulnerable population in woods, on streets, under bridges, & in abandoned buildings. Cell phones & iPads are used to connect homeless to benefits & services requiring internet/computer use.

1D-4.	Strategies to Prevent Criminalization of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.k.	

| | Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate strategies your CoC implemented to ensure homelessness is not criminalized and to reverse existing criminalization policies in your CoC's geographic area: | |

	Your CoC's Strategies	Ensure Homelessness is not Criminalized	Reverse Existing Criminalization Policies
1.	Engaged/educated local policymakers	Yes	No
2.	Engaged/educated law enforcement	Yes	No
3.	Engaged/educated local business leaders	Yes	No
4.	Implemented community wide plans	Yes	Yes
5.	Other:(limit 500 characters)		

1D-5.		Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) or Longitudinal Data from HMIS.	
		NOFO Section V.B.1.l.	

		HIC Longitudinal HMIS Data	2022	2023
	Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC or the number of households served per longitudinal HMIS data, e.g., APR.	HIC	167	71

1D-6.	Mainstream Benefits–CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

	Mainstream Benefits	CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI–Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	SSDI–Social Security Disability Insurance	Yes
4.	TANF–Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
5.	Substance Use Disorder Programs	Yes
6.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
7.	Other (limit 150 characters)	

1D-6a.	Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.m	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	systemically provides up-to-date information on mainstream resources available for program participants (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, SSDI, TANF, substance abuse programs) within your CoC's geographic area;
2.	works with project staff to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including substance abuse treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services; and
3.	works with projects to promote SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoC systematically keeps program staff up to date regarding mainstream resources for persons experiencing homelessness through email communications with the homeless specialist serving as a central point of contact for the distribution of all such information received. Additionally, such information may be reinforced or covered in-depth at CoC meetings. The CoC also maintains a directory with mainstream services available in our CoC. We have several Community Partner agencies in our CoC with direct line of communication with DCF, TANF, Food Stamps, etc. The HMIS system admin regularly reaches out to mainstream resource providers to ensure that the most accurate info is available to program staff. The CoC communicates information about available mainstream resources within one day of receipt of information via email and also reviews at bimonthly CoC mtgs. Any change in DCF mainstream benefits are reviewed by CoC members and clients are advised.2. The CoC works with programs at UWSV and VOA of Florida and both collaborate with Meridian Behavioral Healthcare Services to provide assistance for clients with mental health services and substance abuse issues. The CoC works with programs at VOA that also works with the VA to provide those services to the residents of the PSH program, the transitional program for formerly homeless Veterans with substance abuse issues and the 811 Project that serves clients with mental health issues. Within the CoC, the Lead Agency UWSV is the local Narcan provider to train and provide Naloxone to anyone for opioid overdose reversals through a partnership with ISAVE Florida. The UWSV homeless outreach team identifies homeless individuals with substance abuse and mental health issues and refers to Meridian Behavioral Healthcare for services. Follow up is made to ensure this connection has been made. 3. UWSV has 7 SOAR trained staff to assist clients with the SSI/SSDI process. LSF SOAR program is very active in our CoC and offers training annually. Case managers follow up with program participants to ensure they have applied for and are receiving the mainstream benefits available to them.

1D-7.	Increasing Capacity for Non-Congregate Sheltering.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.n.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC is increasing its capacity to provide non-congregate sheltering.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC, in conjunction with the DOH and the Emergency Management control center, will increase the non-congregate selter on a case by case basis. At this point, our CoC has gone back to the pre-covid policies community wide. If non-congregate sheltering becomes an issue for future references, locations that would not disrupt normal functions of day to day activiites have been identified by the agencies mentioned prior. The EOC, DOH and United Way of Suwannee Valley, as the Lead Agency and the Collaborative Applicant, have adopted FEMA's policies on non-congregate sheltering. Locations that would increase the current capacity would be former dorm rooms at the local college, former hospital located in the most populous county of the CoC and other hotels in various locations. Plans were in place to secure extra hotel rooms that would be isolated from other areas of the hotels, should the need arise.

ID-8.	Partnerships with Public Health Agencies–Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent Spread of Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to:	
1.	develop CoC-wide policies and procedures to respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and	
2.	prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Our CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to develop CoC-wide policies and procedures to respond to infectious disease outbreaks. For example, during Covid, the CoC convened and facilitated calls between the CoC, DOH and the EOC to discuss, plan and implement policies and procedures regarding non congregate sheltering, vaccinations, safety protocols for shelters, providing PPE's, etc. Educating the agencies with information from statewide calls, DOH conference calls and other HUD resources about preventing, preparing and responding helped formulate policies about cleanliness, social distancing, testing and vaccinations that can be used for any infectious disease outbreak. 2. The CoC and DOH have collaborated together recently to help prevent the spread of Hepatitis by going out with street outreach teams to local homeless encampments and provide vaccinations and information about the disease. Based on our last PIT, the CoC recognized an upward trend for reporting HIV numbers. The CoC and DOH is working together, with WellFlorida and the local HIV service representative to discuss ways to collaborate. The CoC has been able to provide PPE, Clorox wipes, thermometers, test kits, etc, at no charge, to agencies providing assistance to homeless or at risk populations. Street outreach teams educate homeless encampments about preventing the spread of diseases, preparing for seasonal potential outbreaks and respond to needs for prevention of infectious diseases. Street outreach teams, agencies and advocates help get the word out about vaccinations and how to receive a vaccination. Program participants receive cleaning supplies, masks, gloves, and sanitizer when the CoC has supplies available.

ID-8a.	Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on Infectious Diseases.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.o.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	shared information related to public health measures and homelessness, and	
2.	facilitated communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoC shares info related to public health measures & homelessness by disseminating trainings, webinars & info received by HUD, DOH, FEMA & EOC.The CoC has extensive contacts & sent out guidance of best practices & relay info at bi-monthly mtgs & during the pandemic, weekly calls w/ agencies/advocates to share info from the Lead Agency, United Way of SV. Info shared discussed ways to remove barriers & meet needs. Plans for emergency response strategies related to case mgmt, temp sheltering, cleaning/disinfecting, food shortages, PPE, vaccines, & tests were discussed & new relationships were formed that will better equip our CoC for any future outbreaks. COVID has changed the way we approach the response to public health emergencies, specifically related to infectious disease.We have identified new locations & models that are better suited to mass prophylaxis or mass dispensing of medical interventions.We are also in the process of implementing health equity planning to make sure access is open to those that experience barriers.Our operational & emergency planning is updated to include culturally competent language to be more inclusive & gives attention to the presence of disparities among different cultural, ethnic, socioeconomic & racial groups. From a community approach, we have worked hard to build partnerships across public & private entities that act as a multiplier when it comes to providing medical interventions & build relationships w/our partners & provide training while increasing capacity to respond. 2.Due to the pandemic, we are better equipped to prevent, prepare & respond to future outbreaks. P&P have been updated, plans are in place. Relationships have been established & collabs are made thru street outreach & DOH. DOH Master of Public Health & Senior Public Health Svcs Mgr is on our Board. Street outreach & DOH partnered w/ nursing staff to go to encampments & educate & vaccinate homeless w/ Hep A to avoid an outbreak. DOH & the CoC joined forces to test outreach teams for Covid before/after homeless street outreach & tests for covid are available for homeless. CoC agencies are provided PPE, cleaning/disinfecting supplies, thermometers, tests for homeless prgrm participants, shelter participants, housing residents & staff thru connections/collabs w/ a Govt Operations Consultant from Covid-19 Detection & Mitigation in the Homeless Population Bureau of Epidemiology to limit infectious disease outbreaks among CoC program participants

1D-9.	Centralized or Coordinated Entry System–Assessment Process.		
	NOFO Section V.B.1.p.		

		Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:
	1.	covers 100 percent of your CoC's geographic area;
	2.	uses a standardized assessment process; and
	3.	is updated regularly using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoCs Coordinated Entry (CE) system covers 100% geographic area by being accessible virtually on our website, various access points and a dedicated phone line. 2. Access point staff are trained to use the assessment screening tool for homeless/at risk homeless & to make entry into CE system in HMIS. Other agencies, including veteran/youth/dv services, attend CE case conferencing & conduct the assessment screening tool or refer clients to CE. Outreach staff conduct street outreach thru out the CoC, conduct assessment screening tool & enter in CE. The assessment process prioritizes people most in need of assistance & ensures they receive assistance in a timely manner as a result of the CE assessment screening tool, based on acuity of need as well as length of time homeless. All clients are assessed by this specialized tool & process. 3. CE Case Conferencing convenes agencies that utilize the CoC CE system. Feedback is received & discussed in a forum that fosters equitable processes. The CE P&P is re-evaluated & presented to the CoC for updates/discussion/approval when the process needs to be updated based on the info collected through assessments & the programs funding availability.

	1D-9a.	**Program Participant-Centered Approach to Centralized or Coordinated Entry.**	
		NOFO Section V.B.1.p.	
		Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system:	
	1.	reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach;
	2.	prioritizes people most in need of assistance;
	3.	ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their preferences; and
	4.	takes steps to reduce burdens on people using coordinated entry.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. CE contact info is broadly posted where it will be viewed by those experiencing homelessness. Access point staff are trained to use the assessment screening tool for homeless/at risk homeless & to make entry into CE system in HMIS. Other agencies, including veteran/youth/dv services, attend CE case conferencing & conduct assessment screening tool or refer clients to CE. Outreach staff conduct street outreach thru out the CoC, conduct assessment screening tool & enter in CE. The CE system reaches people least likely to apply for assistance thru various components of outreach. These include PATH outreach/case management; SSVF; VA Medical Center Healthcare for Homeless Vets Outreach Social Worker; & CareerSource Disabled Vets Outreach Program Specialists & Transitioning Incarcerated Vets Programs Specialists. These individuals conduct outreach thru out the CoC; collaborate in conducting street & community outreach; & participate in the Outreach Cmte to discuss locations, needs, issues. CE flyers are strategically placed thru out the community along w/street blue cards w/CE & street outreach worker info. Street cards are given to law enforcement, hospital discharge/ER staff/hotel staff & shared w/community members to assist reaching those homeless individuals that are not likely to apply for assistance. 2. The assessment process prioritizes people most in need of assistance & ensures they receive assistance in a timely manner as a result of the CE assessment screening tool, based on acuity of need as well as length of time homeless. The most vulnerable and highest acuity are discussed at CE case conferencing & referred in a timely manner to programs. 3. The CE Specialists job duties include direct entry of assessment screening tool data in HMIS, daily generation of the BNL, working the list daily w/referrals to appropriate resources, contact w/providers regarding availability, & follow up regarding individuals not progressing thru the CE system thru contact w/individuals & providers & thru CE case conferencing to ensure assistance is received in a timely manner. 4. The CoC has protocols in place to reduce burdens on people using CE by allowing the survey to be done privately by accessing the assessment on your own time, if needed. Also, the assessment only needs to be updated if the situation changes. By doing this, the client will not have to relive the trauma by repeating the experiences over. CE Staff are trained in motivational interviewing & TIC.

| | 1D-9b. | Informing Program Participant about Rights and Remedies through Centralized or Coordinated Entry–Reporting Violations. | |
| | | NOFO Section V.B.1.p. | |

		Describe in the field below how your CoC through its centralized or coordinated entry:
	1.	affirmatively markets housing and services provided within the CoC's geographic area and ensures it reaches all persons experiencing homelessness;
	2.	informs program participants of their rights and remedies available under federal, state, and local fair housing and civil rights laws; and
	3.	reports any conditions or actions that impede fair housing choice for current or prospective program participants to the jurisdiction(s) responsible for certifying consistency with the Consolidated Plan.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoCs Coordinated Entry (CE) system covers 100% geographic area by being accessible virtually on our website. Access point staff are trained to use the assessment screening tool for homeless/at risk homeless & to make entry into CE system in HMIS. Other agencies, including veteran/youth/dv services, attend CE case conferencing & conduct screenings using the assessment screening tool or refer clients to the CoC dedicated CE phone line. Street outreach covers the entire CoC, and will complete the assessment screening tool to all homeless/at risk individuals encountered & enter into CE. The assessment process prioritizes people most in need of assistance & ensures they receive assistance in a timely manner as a result of the CE assessment screening tool, based on acuity of need as well as length of time homeless. All clients are assessed by this specialized tool & process which is less invasive and easier to understand than the prior tool. CE Case Conferencing convenes agencies that utilize the CoC CE system. Feedback is received & discussed in a forum that fosters equitable processes. The CE P&P is re-evaluated & presented to the CoC for updates/discussion/approval when the process needs to be updated based on the info collected through assessments & the programs funding availability. 2 Program participants are given copies of client rights and responsibilities related to fair housing and civil rights laws. 3. No reports have been made that fair housing has been impeded from our program participants.

1D-10.	Advancing Racial Equity in Homelessness–Conducting Assessment.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

1.	Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years?	Yes
2.	Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities.	03/18/2023

1D-10a.	Process for Analyzing Racial Disparities–Identified Racial Disparities in Provision or Outcomes of Homeless Assistance.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	your CoC's process for analyzing whether any racial disparities are present in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and
2.	what racial disparities your CoC identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. UWSV, for the CoC, completed the first racial disparity assessment in 2019, and review the HUD racial equity analysis tool annually. Since that time, UWSV has made the process for applying for assistance easier, ensuring many different opportunities are available for applying for assistance. UWSV has targeted areas that have a higher chance of barriers to make sure these populations are being served. We have an outreach staff person attend neighborhood walks in areas that have a lower socioeconomic population & more likely need assistance to ensure financial & housing stability. Beyond those identified in the assessment, we have included those at high risk of COVID in our CE prioritization & assist in identifying vaccine options. It is noted that BIPOC is slightly overrepresented in our latest assessment. 2. It is noted that in the recent HUD CoC racial equity tool that BIPOC are slightly over represented in the provision of assistance. The tool shows our CoC has 52% BHIPOC experience homelessness and our HMIS reports show 53.4% BIPOC are receiving assistance through our CoC programs.

1D-10b.	Implemented Strategies that Address Racial Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to address any racial disparities.	

1.	The CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies are representative of the population served in the CoC.	Yes
2.	The CoC has identified steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC.	Yes
3.	The CoC is expanding outreach in geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups.	Yes
4.	The CoC has communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups.	Yes
5.	The CoC is training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness.	Yes
6.	The CoC is establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector.	Yes
7.	The CoC has staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness.	Yes
8.	The CoC is educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity.	Yes
9.	The CoC reviewed coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
10.	The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system.	Yes
11.	The CoC is conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	Yes
	Other:(limit 500 characters)	
12.		

1D-10c.	Implemented Strategies that Address Known Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

	Describe in the field below the steps your CoC is taking to address the disparities identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

According to the CoC Racial Equity Analysis Tool, those BIPOC experiencing homelessness in our CoC is at 52% and our CoC analysis of BIPOC clients identified in the provision and/or outcomes of homeless assistance is slightly higher at 53.4%. The CoC will continue to monitor the reports and report to the CoC committee. At this time, we will continue to reach out to areas that normally have the highest barriers of contacting CE for assistance. Street outreach teams will canvas those areas to ensure those most vulnerable and less likely to present for assistance are entered in the system for possible assistance.

1D-10d.	Tracked Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Disparities.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.q.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	the measures your CoC has in place to track progress on preventing or eliminating disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and
2.	the tools your CoC uses.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The HMIS committee will continue to monitor SPM, SAGE, LSA, Stella P and the CoC Racial Equity Analysis tool for tracking and addressing any potential disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance. At this time, the dat between the CoC analysis tool and HMIS reports are aligning with best practices and benchmarks from national and state homeless coalitions. 2. The CoC uses the Racial Equity Analysis tool and compares the data from HMIS entries.

1D-11.	Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking–CoC's Outreach Efforts.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

	Describe in the field below your CoC's outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decision making processes.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has been successful in engaging people with lived experiences to join our efforts to give support to homeless individuals. Our street outreach team, PATH, has connected with a newly housed PSH participant on their weekly outings to local encampments and places the team is unable to reach. The PSH participant volunteers his time to help locate areas frequented by homeless to ensure the teams are able to reach homeless individuals to enter those in the CE system to begin the process of moving from homelessness to housed. Since that time of volunteering, this individual has joined the coalition and will be instrumental in providing input and feedback to enhance our current policies and procedures and help remove barriers he has experienced firsthand. His feedback can help our CoC see through an equity lens to remove barriers the CoC may not be aware of as he has the lived experiences to train us as a CoC to better serve those populations so very vulnerable in our community. The CoC has an active social media presence and posts upcoming events, needs and volunteering opportunities. The UWSV, lead agency, website lists news articles and opportunities along with meeting schedules and outreach events for all to attend. Case managers are always looking for program participants that will help further the efforts of the CoC by being members of our coalition. It is stressed to program participants that becoming a member of the coalition is not required and is not part of the program they are currently in or trying to get in. There are leadership opportunities for speaking engagements for those with lived experience at annual celebration events.

1D-11a.	Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

You must upload the Letter Signed by Working Group attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the four categories listed:

	Level of Active Participation	Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant	Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations
1.	Included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness.	2	2
2.	Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups.	1	1
3.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors.	1	1
4.	Included in the development or revision of your CoC's coordinated entry process.	1	1

1D-11b.	Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Our CoC Lead Agency, United Way of Suwannee Valley, wrote & received a grant to assist residents at a local PHA w/ financial literacy, education & employment needs. The population at the PHA are formerly homeless or were at imminent risk of becoming homeless. The Service Coordinator for the ROSS Program meets w/ the residents & provides resources to help overcome barriers in the before mentioned areas. The Service Coordinator has worked w/ many local agencies, community members & advocates to obtain training materials & services that can be provided to the residents. The Financial Literacy component includes budgeting classes, trainings on how to start a savings account to grow your money from local banks & fundamentals of investing. The Employment classes include resume building, interviewing skills, connection to CareerSource, & aptitude testing to see what skills the residents possess & work on building careers based on those results.   This helps the residents see what their strengths are & increases their confidence & feeling of empowerment. The Education component connects the residents w/ GED programs, literacy programs through the local library, local college & technical schools for increasing education. All of these components, separately or in conjunction of each other, will increase the resident's professional development & employment opportunities. These programs & skills are shared throughout the CoC so other programs can utilize these opportunities for those w/ lived experiences of homelessness achieve a higher sense of self-worth & motivation to become & remain self-sufficient

1D-11c.	Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.r.	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC routinely gathers feedback from people experiencing homelessness;	
2.	how your CoC routinely gathers feedback from people who have received assistance through the CoC or ESG Programs; and	
3.	the steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC regularly accepts feedback from clients, former clients & homeless individuals that have not yet received assistance. Clients that are exited from our ESG & CoC programs are given an opportunity to complete an exit survey that is available online by answering questions that rate our CoC on the services they received. The client has the opportunity to rate our job performance, the way they felt they were treated by staff, timely manner of receipt of services, etc. The clients also have the option to leave any comment they feel warranted to leave. The results are completely anonymous. 2. The CoC has made strides in taking the feedback given & address any issues that have been voiced by any people w/ lived experiences of homelessness. Our street outreach team includes 2 staff & one formerly homeless individual that is currently a participant in a permanent supportive housing program. This individual is instrumental in locating currently homeless people & making sure connections are made w/ the outreach teams. We make sure our team values his perspectives on situations while making sure he feels safe while assisting & providing supports if needed. Our CoC & outreach team works to build relationships between people w/out lived experiences & the people w/ the experiences

1D-12.	Increasing Affordable Housing Supply.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.t.	

	Describe in the field below at least 2 steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months to engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following:
1.	reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and
2.	reducing regulatory barriers to housing development.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The steps the CoC has taken in the last 12 months to engage city, county or state governments that represent our CoC are the following: the Executive Director of United Way of Suwannee Valley, Lead Agency for the CoC, has meet with county leaders to talk about affordable housing and ways to gain community support for such efforts. 2. During one of the meetings, discussion of available land parcels with zoning issues was had between the county manager and a potential agency wanting to bring housing units to our area to serve special needs populations. United Way of Suwannee Valley and Florida Finance Corporation discussed the occupancy rates of funded housing units in our continuum and the removal of an LDA classification that would prohibit future developments to build in our area. The classification was removed after discussion of units occupancy isses and the barriers that were removed from the housing sites.

1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
  - 24 CFR part 578;
   - FY 2023 CoC Application Navigational Guide;
  - Section 3 Resources;
  - PHA Crosswalk; and
   - Frequently Asked Questions

1E-1.	Web Posting of Your CoC's Local Competition Deadline–Advance Public Notice.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a. and 2.g.	
	You must upload the Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Enter your CoC's local competition submission deadline date for New Project applicants to submit their project applications to your CoC–meaning the date your CoC published the deadline.	07/12/2023
2.	Enter the date your CoC published the deadline for Renewal Project applicants to submit their project applications to your CoC's local competition–meaning the date your CoC published the deadline.	07/12/2023

1E-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., 2.d., and 2.e.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition:	

1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes
4.	Provided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services.	Yes

5.	Used data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers.	Yes
6.	Provided points for projects based on the degree the projects identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.	Yes

1E-2a.	Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d.	

You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.
Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition:

1.	What were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)?	140
2.	How many renewal projects did your CoC submit?	4
3.	What renewal project type did most applicants use?	Tie

1E-2b.	Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.d.	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing;	
2.	how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing;	
3.	how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and	
4.	considerations your CoC gave to projects that provide housing and services to the hardest to serve populations that could result in lower performance levels but are projects your CoC needs in its geographic area.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Part of our CoC's Rank and Review process requires projects applying for CoC funding to provide APR reports, SAGE reports, SPM, and other HMIS reports created by our Sys Admin to review populations served, data supporting client demographics align with our CoC policies and priorities and steps taken to remove barriers and disparities. Scoring/Ranking is based on outcome data collected. 2. HMIS reports are used to track how long clients are in the CE system, referred to housing program and actually housed and remain housed while enrolled. Programs and outreach teams identify barriers from data collected, participant feedback, and steps taken to eliminate said barriers. 3. Our CoC prioritizes the most vulnerable for PSH based on ASSESSMENT SCREENING TOOL scores from CE (along with lot homeless, severity of needs), and is required to be housing first program. All referrals must come from the CE program. The Review Panel made the decision to rank the RR higher that the PSH program due to the priorities the CoC has for serving most vulnerable. CoC has one PSH and one RR project in COC application. The PSH program has 11 beds for chronically homeless single individuals, 5 specifically for the homeless Veteran population. The Rapid Rehousing program can house significantly more homeless individuals, including families and children. 4. CoC ranked the RR project higher than the PSH project (we have one project of each in our CoC) based on our CoC priorities and reviewing and analyzing the BNL list through our CE program. There are significantly more families with children, youth and victims of domestic violence on our BNL needing housing. These vulnerable populations have high severity of needs (frequent hospital visits, domestic violence, substance abuse history, evictions, credit issues, mental health issues). The RR project had higher performance, serving more individuals than the PSH program. With limited affordable housing in our geographic area and limited resources, the CoC is applying for more permanent housing units through the CoC Bonus and the Domestic Violence Bonus

	1E-3.	Advancing Racial Equity through Participation of Over-Represented Populations in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process.	
		NOFO Section V.B.2.e.	

		Describe in the field below:
	1.	how your CoC used the input from persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, to determine the rating factors used to review project applications;
	2.	how your CoC included persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population in the review, selection, and ranking process; and
	3.	how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree to which their project has identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Different races are represented on our CoC Board, mirroring representation of our CoC demographics. The review panel receives the review & ranking process to make the final determination of the ranking for the submitted projects & returns the recommendation to the Board for approval, before taking to the entire CoC membership. According to data from the CoC racial equity analysis tool and our HMIS reports (SAGE, APR, SPM, Stella P), there is a less than 1% difference in homeless BIPOC and those receiving assistance in our CoC. 2. The Review panel ranked and socred the projects based on information from SAGE, SPM, APR to ensure the populations served are not out of line with the priorities of the CoC. The Review Panel submitted the recommendations of the Rank & Review process and submitted to the full CoC for input & discussion, if needed. 3. Different races are represented on our CoC Board, making good representation of our COC demographics. The review panel receives the review & ranking process to make the final determination of the ranking for the submitted projects & returns the recommendation to the Board for approval, before taking to the entire CoC membership for approval. According to data from the CoC racial equity analysis tool and our HMIS reports (SAGE, APR, SPM, Stella P), there is a less than 1% difference in homeless BIPOC and those receiving assistance in our CoC. All of the data is provided to the Review Panel for review and discussion to remove and eliminate barriers if noted.

1E-4.	Reallocation–Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

	Describe in the field below:	
	1.	your CoC's reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed;
	2.	whether your CoC identified any low performing or less needed projects through the process described in element 1 of this question during your CoC's local competition this year;
	3.	whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and
	4.	why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC refers to the HUD Notice of Funding Availability (NOFO) to establish
the funding criteria for the FY 2023 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program. Project applications submitted to the CoC for inclusion on the FY 2023 Priority Listings must be reviewed & either accepted or rejected by the CoC. Consideration will also be given to the reallocation of funding between projects to either generate a new project application under the bonus & reallocation process or to shift funds in whole or part from an existing eligible renewal project that is under performing to create one or more new projects that meet our COC priorities w/out decreasing the CoC's ARD. All applicants received a copy of the reallocation process. The Review Panel reviewed & scored all eligible projects for inclusion in the 2023 HUD CoC application by reviewing SAGE, SPM, eLOCCS & APRs to assess project performance. 2.The CoC determined whether
projects were low performing & therefore, eligible for reallocation, based on the review panel scoring forms for each application. It was determined the projects seeking renewals are all eligible for renewal &, therefore, included in the 2023 HUD CoC application. It was determined that no projects were low performing or less need & no reallocation was needed. 3.No projects were determined to be low performing or less needed during the local competition this year & therefore,no reallocation was needed. 4. There were no low performing or less needed programs in our CoC, therefore, the reallocation process was not needed.

1E-4a.	Reallocation Between FY 2018 and FY 2023.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.f.	

| | Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2018 and FY 2023? | No |

1E-5.	Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

1.	Did your CoC reject any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
2.	Did your CoC reduce funding for any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	No
3.	Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?	Yes
4.	If you selected Yes for element 1 or element 2 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2023, 06/27/2023, and 06/28/2023, then you must enter 06/28/2023.	

1E-5a.	Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2023, 06/27/2023, and 06/28/2023, then you must enter 06/28/2023.	09/05/2023

1E-5b.	Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Does your attachment include: 1. Project Names; 2. Project Scores; 3. Project accepted or rejected status; 4. Project Rank–if accepted; 5. Requested Funding Amounts; and 6. Reallocated funds.	Yes

1E-5c.	Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application 2 Days Before CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g. and 24 CFR 578.95.	
	You must upload the Web Posting–CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC posted the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC's website or partner's website–which included: 1. the CoC Application; and 2. Priority Listings for Reallocation forms and all New, Renewal, and Replacement Project Listings.	09/26/2023

1E-5d.	Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website.	
	NOFO Section V.B.2.g.	
	You must upload the Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application was posted on your CoC's website or partner's website.	09/27/2023

2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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  - PHA Crosswalk; and
   - Frequently Asked Questions

2A-1.	HMIS Vendor.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.	WellSky

2A-2.	HMIS Implementation Coverage Area.	
	Not Scored–For Information Only	

	Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area.	Single CoC

2A-3.	HIC Data Submission in HDX.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.a.	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2023 HIC data into HDX.	04/26/2023

2A-4.	Comparable Database for DV Providers–CoC and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Collection and Data Submission by Victim Service Providers.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.b.	

	In the field below:	
1.	describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in HMIS comparable databases;	
2.	state whether DV housing and service providers in your CoC are using a HUD-compliant comparable database–compliant with the FY 2022 HMIS Data Standards; and	

3.	state whether your CoC's HMIS is compliant with the FY 2022 HMIS Data Standards.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Both of the vsp/dv providers utilize Osnium for their comparable database & therefore use the same data elements required in the 2022 HUD data standards. The HMIS Sys admin ensures the data received from the comparable database is up to date & the data is usable for all reports & grant requirements. Osnium, the comparable database used by both the vsp/dv providers in our CoC, is able to submit de-identified aggregate SPM data for projects in the CoC required by the HMIS Lead. Reports are uploaded & reviewed by the HMIS Lead for accuracy for reporting purposes based on project requirements. 2. VSP are using Osnium and are both compliant with the 2022 HMIS Data Standards. 3. FL-518 is compliant w/ the 2022 HMIS Data Standards.

2A-5.	Bed Coverage Rate–Using HIC, HMIS Data–CoC Merger Bonus Points.
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c. and V.B.7.

Enter 2023 HIC and HMIS data in the chart below by project type:

Project Type	Total Year-Round Beds in 2023 HIC	Total Year-Round Beds in HIC Operated by Victim Service Providers	Total Year-Round Beds in HMIS	HMIS Year-Round Bed Coverage Rate
1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	85	73	12	100.00%
2. Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	
3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds	27	0	27	100.00%
4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	71	0	71	100.00%
5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	9	0	9	100.00%
6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	0	0	0	

2A-5a.	Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Question 2A-5.
	NOFO Section V.B.3.c.

	For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in question 2A-5, describe:
1.	steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type; and
2.	how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. NA. 2. NA

2A-6.	Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0.	
	NOFO Section V.B.3.d.	
	You must upload your CoC's FY 2023 HDX Competition Report to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by February 28, 2023, 8 p.m. EST?	Yes

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2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2B-1.	PIT Count Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2023 PIT count.	01/24/2023

2B-2.	PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.a	

	Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2023 PIT count data in HDX.	04/26/2023

2B-3.	PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth in Your CoC's Most Recent Unsheltered PIT Count.	
	NOFO Section V.B.4.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:	
1.	engaged unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations in your CoC's most recent PIT count planning process;	
2.	worked with unaccompanied youth and youth serving organizations to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified during your CoC's most recent PIT count planning process; and	
3.	included youth experiencing homelessness as counters during your CoC's most recent unsheltered PIT count.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Stakeholders serving youth who are unaccompanied 18 to 24 year olds or parenting youth participate in planning, preparing & implementing the PIT count. The CoC is absent organizations which are youth-serving specific w/ the exception of the youth shelter, which serves children who are truant, ungovernable or runaway & ages 6 to17 & not youth up to age 24. All CoC agencies have the propensity to have contact w/ homeless youth, including the domestic violence centers, rapid re-housing providers (CoC & ESG), & veteran service agencies. Therefore, emphasis is placed on stakeholders' recognition of this specific homeless population, recognizing the potential lack of support systems & life skills. 2. The Collaborative Applicant worked w/ stakeholders to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified by conducting meetings & involving the outreach committee, agencies that would come in contact w/ youth & former homeless individuals. The street outreach teams, soup kitchen & food pantries worked together to locate specific areas that youth have been known to frequent & then assign those areas to surveyors that have been trained by staff to identify homeless youth. 3. The CoC involved homeless youth in the count by offering training at various agencies & locations that serve homeless youth. Volunteers are trained in a group setting or individually if needed. Volunteers are recruited through social media throughout the year. The outreach team & agencies invite individuals they encounter to participate in the PIT, strictly on a volunteer basis. Homeless youth w/ lived experiences are very helpful in locating other homeless youth & connecting w/ those we are searching for.

2B-4.	PIT Count–Methodology Change–CoC Merger Bonus Points.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.a and V.B.7.c.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2022 and 2023, if applicable;
2.	describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2022 and 2023, if applicable; and
3.	describe how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results; or
4.	state "Not Applicable" if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2023.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Not Applicable.

2C. System Performance

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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2C-1.	Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless–Risk Factors Your CoC Uses.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time;
2.	describe your CoC's strategies 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 your CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC utilizes an assessment question that inquires about an individual's/families' history of homelessness. This question, along with history data recorded in HMIS, can be used to determine if the individual/family has experienced homelessness in the past. 2. The CoC advertises the CE system to not only individuals/families that are experiencing homelessness, but also those that are at risk of becoming homeless. Those that are at-risk (given HUD's definition) are screened using the CE assessment screening tool. Clients whose screening scores are less than the threshold for service, & are determined as likely to self-resolve, are not placed on the prioritization list but are diverted to mainstream resources in the community via referral from CE staff. 3. The organization responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals & families experiencing homelessness the collaborative applicant/lead agency (UW of Suwannee Valley).

2C-1a.	Impact of Displaced Persons on Number of First Time Homeless.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.b	

	Was your CoC's Number of First Time Homeless [metric 5.2] affected by the number of persons seeking short-term shelter or housing assistance displaced due to:

1.	natural disasters?		No
2.	having recently arrived in your CoCs' geographic area?		No

2C-2.	Length of Time Homeless–CoC's Strategy to Reduce.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.c.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;
2.	describe how your 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 your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC advertises the CE system in the community & utilizes street outreach programs to connect individuals experiencing homelessness w/ the CoC & CE. This implementation of the CE system has allowed for more efficient & effective project enrollment & housing placement. 2. The CoC, thru their CE system, utilizes the assessment screening tool to assess the vulnerability of individuals experiencing homelessness. The assessment screening tool includes a series of questions that inquire about a client's housing history & length of time homeless, which factor into the client's vulnerability score & placement on the prioritization list. Clients are enrolled into housing programs based on this score, as well as length of time homeless, DV status, & if they are a youth. This prioritization allows for these individuals to be given priority for housing project placement.
3. The organization responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals/families remain homelessness is the collaborative applicant/lead agency (UW of Suwannee Valley).

2C-3.	Exits to Permanent Housing Destinations/Retention of Permanent Housing–CoC's Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.d.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations;
2.	describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoC's strategy to increase the rate at which individuals/persons in families in ES, (safe havens, N/A), TH, RR exit to PH destinations are multiple. The CoC's ES consists of 2 DV shelters. Transitioning these households to PH is facilitated through CE for those in need of PH following ES. These households are referred by CE to the HUD CoC RR, ESG-funded RR & State of FL-funded Challenge Grant RR project. TH is limited to VA GPD. The transition of these individuals to PH destinations results from CE & a highly-functioning homeless veterans committee. Households in RR are in tenant-based units & transitioned to self-sufficiency in retaining their rental units. 2 The CoC's strategy to increase the rate at which individuals (& persons in families, N/A) in PH projects, other than RR, retain their PH or exit to PH destinations is 2-pronged. PH projects other than RR is limited to one scattered-site PSH project for 11 CH individuals, five of which are veterans. For those individuals staying in PSH, this is accomplished through specialized staff responsible for appropriate interventions designed to identify mainstream program eligibility & systematic assistance in completing applications & conducting follow-up for programs & services supporting wellness, personal & financial stability & self-efficacy. For those leaving PSH, comparable appropriate interventions are provided in a move-on strategy enabling PSH clients to transition to units not leased by the PSH provider & utilization of community support systems now familiar to the clients. 3. The organization responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals/families remain homelessness is the collaborative applicant/lead agency (UW of Suwannee Valley).

2C-4.	Returns to Homelessness–CoC's Strategy to Reduce Rate.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.e.	

	In the field below:
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness;
2.	describe your 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 your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoC has implemented a strategy to help identify individuals & persons in families who return to homelessness by monitoring the SPMs by our HMIS system admin. The SPM reports are run quarterly & monitored at agency level. 2. The CoC's strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness includes reviewing the cases of those who return to homelessness based on SPM reports, HMIS & case manager info as part of the ongoing CoC Committee efforts w/ the appropriate housing service provider agency case managers reporting any known or potential factors which contributed to a client household's return to homelessness & CoC Committee identification of opportunities to recognize those factors & methodologies to address them prior to a return to homelessness results. Ongoing CoC Committee meetings regularly assess this issue, recognizing the percentage is small but represents another homeless episode for the household. The rate for recidivism at 6mos is 16% & at 12 mos is 2%. 3. The organization responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the rate individuals & families return to homelessness is the collaborative applicant/lead agency (United Way of Suwannee Valley).

2C-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy.	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	

	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access employment cash sources;	
2.	describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their employment cash income; and	
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoC strategy to increase empymnt income involves efforts by case management to connect clients w/ CareerSource & community opportunities for employment, job training/educational programs to increase wages thru increasing client skills. Client is referred to GED classes & vocational training programs to assist w/ the acquisition of employable skills so clients may be eligible for better paying jobs.The CoC actively refers clients for educational/vocational training via the HMIS. 2.The CoC works w/ mainstream employment organizations to help individuals & families increase their income by promoting education & job skills training & improved employment opportunities.Training includes but is not limited to GED opportunities; Career Online High School available thru Columbia County Public Library; training available thru CareerSource, including but not limited to computer operations & USA Jobs for applying for govt positions.Improved employment opportunities are promoted thru distribution of info from CareerSource on hiring opportunities & thru lead agency membership in each county's Chamber of Commerce & distributing chamber info regarding new employers/hiring events.3.The organization responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to increase job & income growth from employment is collaborative applicant/agency.

2C-5a.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income—CoC's Strategy	
	NOFO Section V.B.5.f.	

	In the field below:	
1.	describe your CoC's strategy to access non-employment cash income; and	
2.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1.The CoC strategy to increase non-employment cash income is to keep program staff up to date w/ projects related to SOAR & substance abuse programs. SOAR processor trainings have been offered to case managers in our CoC. 2. The Lead Agency (United Way of Suwannee Valley) is responsible for overseeing the CoC"s strategy of increasing non-employment cash income.

3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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3A-1.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Housing Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.a.	
	You must upload the Housing Leveraging Commitment attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses housing subsidies or subsidized housing units which are not funded through the CoC or ESG Programs to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	No

3A-2.	New PH-PSH/PH-RRH Project–Leveraging Healthcare Resources.	
	NOFO Section V.B.6.b.	
	You must upload the Healthcare Formal Agreements attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	

	Is your CoC applying for a new PH-PSH or PH-RRH project that uses healthcare resources to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness?	Yes

3A-3.	Leveraging Housing/Healthcare Resources–List of Projects.	
	NOFO Sections V.B.6.a. and V.B.6.b.	

	If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria.

Project Name	Project Type	Rank Number	Leverage Type
This list contains no items			

3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

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3B-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	

	Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting $200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?	No

3B-2.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs–New Projects.	
	NOFO Section V.B.1.s.	

	If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with:
1.	Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and
2.	HUD's implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.

(limit 2,500 characters)

N/A

3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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  - 24 CFR part 578;
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  - PHA Crosswalk; and
   - Frequently Asked Questions

3C-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

	Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No

3C-2.	Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes.	
	NOFO Section V.F.	

	You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen.	
	If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below:	
1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and	
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

N/A

4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants for New DV Bonus Funding

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4A-1.	New DV Bonus Project Applications.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.l.	

	Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding?	Yes

4A-1a.	DV Bonus Project Types.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.l.	

	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the type(s) of new DV Bonus project(s) your CoC included in its FY 2023 Priority Listing.	

	Project Type	
1.	SSO Coordinated Entry	No
2.	PH-RRH or Joint TH and PH-RRH Component	Yes

You must click "Save" after selecting Yes for element 1 SSO Coordinated Entry to view questions 4A-2, 4A-2a. and 4A-2b.

4A-3.	Assessing Need for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects in Your CoC's Geographic Area.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.l.(1)(c)	

1.	Enter the number of survivors that need housing or services:	201
2.	Enter the number of survivors your CoC is currently serving:	27
3.	Unmet Need:	174

4A-3a.	How Your CoC Calculated Local Need for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.l.(1)(c)	

	Describe in the field below:	
1.	how your CoC calculated the number of DV survivors needing housing or services in question 4A-3 element 1 and element 2; and	
2.	the data source (e.g., comparable databases, other administrative data, external data source, HMIS for non-DV projects); or	
3.	if your CoC is unable to meet the needs of all survivors please explain in your response all barriers to meeting those needs.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. This info was calculated through our CE & HMIS system. The HMIS Sys Admin created a report from HMIS & our CE to create the rate of placement & retention. 2. HMIS data sources use to complete the required info. 3. The barriers for meeting the needs of all survivors would primarily be lack of affordable housing, locating available units w/in HUD's FMR, & client participation.

4A-3b.	Information About Unique Project Applicants and Their Experience in Housing Placement and Housing Retention for Applicants Requesting New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus Projects.	
	NOFO Section I.B.3.l.(1)	

	Use the list feature icon to enter information on each unique project applicant applying for New PH-RRH and Joint TH and PH-RRH Component DV Bonus projects–only enter project applicant information once, regardless of how many DV Bonus projects that applicant is applying for.	

Applicant Name
This list contains no items

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

We have provided the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:

1.	You must include a Document Description for each attachment you upload; if you do not, the Submission Summary screen will display a red X indicating the submission is incomplete.
2.	You must upload an attachment for each document listed where 'Required?' is 'Yes'.
3.	We prefer that you use PDF files, though other file types are supported–please only use zip files if necessary. Converting electronic files to PDF, rather than printing documents and scanning them, often produces higher quality images. Many systems allow you to create PDF files as a Print option. If you are unfamiliar with this process, you should consult your IT Support or search for information on Google or YouTube.
4.	Attachments must match the questions they are associated with.
5.	Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed–including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process.
6.	If you cannot read the attachment, it is likely we cannot read it either.
	. We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).
	. We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment.
7.	After you upload each attachment, use the Download feature to access and check the attachment to ensure it matches the required Document Type and to ensure it contains all pages you intend to include.
8.	Only use the "Other" attachment option to meet an attachment requirement that is not otherwise listed in these detailed instructions.

Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference	No	1C-7 PHA Homeless...	09/20/2023
1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference	No	1C-7 PHA Move On ...	09/20/2023
1D-11a. Letter Signed by Working Group	Yes		
1D-2a. Housing First Evaluation	Yes		
1E-1. Web Posting of Local Competition Deadline	Yes		
1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes		
1E-2a. Scored Forms for One Project	Yes		
1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	1E-5 Notice of Pr...	09/20/2023
1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes		
1E-5b. Local Competition Selection Results	Yes		
1E-5c. Web Posting–CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		

1E-5d. Notification of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application	Yes		
2A-6. HUD's Homeless Data Exchange (HDX) Competition Report	Yes		
3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments	No		
3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements	No		
3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
Other	No		

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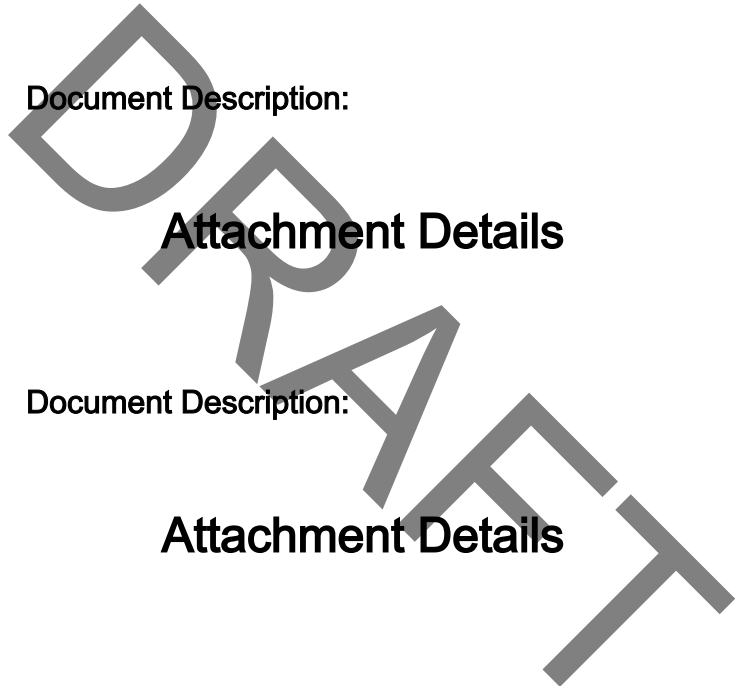
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Submission Summary

Ensure that the Project Priority List is complete prior to submitting.

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4B. Attachments Screen	Please Complete
Submission Summary	No Input Required

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September 13, 2023

United Way of Suwannee Valley
871 SW State Road 47
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Ms. Jennifer Lee,

This letter is to inform your agency of the tenant selection and assignment process for the Live Oak Housing Authority. Below are how our preferences are stated in the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Plan for Live Oak Housing Authority.

10.0   Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan

10.1   Preferences

The Live Oak Housing Authority will select families based on the following preferences within each bedroom size category based on our local housing needs and priorities:

A.   Homeless +4 points
B.   Working Family + 3 points
C.   Elderly Disabled +2 points
D.   Veteran +1 point

Based on the above preferences, all families in preference A will be offered housing before any families in preference B, preference B families will be offered housing before any families in preference C, and preference C families will be offered housing before any families in preference D.

The date and time of application will be noted and utilized to determine the sequence within the above prescribed preferences.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Nathaniel Smith
Executive Director

Notification of Projects Rejected or Reduced

***Our CoC did not reject or reduce any project during your CoC Special NOFO local

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