

Tier 2 Scoring

16. HUD will award a point value to each new and renewal project application that are in Tier 2 using a 100 point scale:

- a. **CoC Score.** Up to 60 points in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC Application rounded to the nearest whole point. CoCs must receive at least 198.5 points out of the 200 CoC Application points available to receive the full 60 points for the CoC Application score. For example, if a CoC received 100 out of 200 points on the CoC application, the project application would receive 30 out of 60 points for this criterion.
- b. **CoC Project Ranking.** Up to 20 points for the CoC's ranking of the project application(s). In order to more evenly distribute funding across CoCs and take into account the CoC's ranking of projects, point values will be assigned directly related to the CoCs ranking of projects. The calculation of point values will be 20 times the quantity $(1-x)$ where x is the ratio of (the cumulative funding requests for all projects or portions of projects ranked higher by the CoC in Tier 2 plus one half of the funding of the project of interest) to the total amount of funding available in Tier 2. For example, if a CoC is eligible to apply for projects totaling \$500,000 in Tier 2 and applies for 5 projects ranked in Tier 2 of \$100,000 each: the highest ranked project would receive 18 points and then the subsequently ranked projects would receive 14, 10, 6, and 2 points.
- c. **Project Type.** Up to 10 points will be based on the type of project application submitted and the population that will be served with the following points available for the following project types:
 1. 10 points for renewal and new permanent housing (permanent supportive housing and rapid re-housing), renewal Safe Haven, Homeless Management Information System, Supportive Services Only (SSO) for Centralized or Coordinated Assessment System, or transitional housing that exclusively serve homeless youth projects;
 2. 3 points for renewal transitional housing, except those transitional housing projects that exclusively serve homeless youth which will be scored as discussed in paragraph (1); and
 3. 1 point for renewal SSO project applications
- d. **Commitment to Policy Priorities.** Up to 10 points for how the permanent housing project application commits to applying the Housing First model. Transitional housing projects and SSO projects that are not for centralized or coordinated assessment can receive up to 10 points for how the project demonstrates that it is low-barrier, prioritizes rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing and does not have service participation requirements or preconditions to entry (such as sobriety or a minimum income threshold). HMIS projects and SSO projects for a centralized or coordinated assessment system will automatically receive 10 points

Project Renewal Threshold

f. Project Renewal Threshold. A CoC must consider the need to continue funding for projects expiring in CY 2016. Renewal projects must meet minimum project eligibility, capacity, timeliness, and performance standards identified in this NOFA or they will be rejected from consideration for funding.

1. When considering renewal projects for award, HUD will review information in LOCCS; Annual Performance Reports (APRs); and information provided from the local HUD CPD Field Office, including monitoring reports and A-133 audit reports as applicable, and performance standards on prior grants, and will assess projects using the following criteria on a pass/fail basis:
 - a. Whether the project applicant's performance met the plans and goals established in the initial application as amended;
 - b. Whether the project applicant demonstrated all timeliness standards for grants being renewed, including that standards for the expenditure of grant funds have been met;
 - c. The project applicant's performance in assisting program participants to achieve and maintain independent living and record of success, except HMIS-dedicated projects are not required to meet this standard; and
 - d. Whether there is evidence that a project applicant has been unwilling to accept technical assistance, has a history of inadequate financial accounting practices, has indications of project mismanagement, has a drastic reduction in the population served, has made program changes without prior HUD approval, or has lost a project site.
2. HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject a funding request from the project applicant for the following reasons:
 - a. Outstanding obligation to HUD that is in arrears or for which a payment schedule has not been agreed upon;
 - b. Audit finding(s) for which a response is overdue or unsatisfactory;
 - c. History of inadequate financial management accounting practices;
 - d. Evidence of untimely expenditures on prior award;
 - e. History of other major capacity issues that have significantly affected the operation of the project and its performance;
 - f. History of not reimbursing subrecipients for eligible costs in a timely manner, or at least quarterly; and
 - g. History of serving ineligible program participants, expending funds on ineligible costs, or failing to expend funds within statutorily established timeframes.

4. Housing First

* a. Does the project quickly move participants into permanent housing

* b. Does the project ensure that participants are not screened out based on the following items? Select all that apply. By checking all of the first four boxes, this project will be considered low barrier.

Having too little or no income

Active or history of substance abuse

Having a criminal record with exceptions for state-mandated restrictions

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

None of the above

* c. Does the project ensure that participants are not terminated from the program for the following reasons? Select all that apply.

Failure to participate in supportive services

Failure to make progress on a service plan

Loss of income or failure to improve income

Being a victim of domestic violence

Any other activity not covered in a lease agreement typically found in the project's geographic area.

None of the above

* d. Does the project follow a "Housing First" approach?

* 5. Does the project request costs under the rental assistance budget line item?