

MA-506 Worcester City and County Continuum of Care

2018 HUD/CoC Review and Ranking Process for New and Renewal Project Applications

CoC Lead agency staff will prepare New and Renewal project ranking criteria based on:

- 1) HUD Homeless Policy and Program Priorities as outlined in the NOFA;
- 2) Performance data from the relevant sources, including the HDX System Performance Measures report, APRs and/or most recent Monitoring Reports; and,
- 3) Project characteristics responsive to local CoC needs.

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A scoreable metric will be developed for each criterion. The draft will be presented to and approved by the CoC Board, the principal decision-making of the CoC, and the CoC Planning Group. The Lead Agency will then published this process on its website and also widely distributed to the community.

All renewal and new Project Applications will be scored* and ranked** by staff and then presented for review by the CoC Board for a final approval vote. Notification will be provided to all New and Renewal project applicants.

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Category	Measure	Scoring	
Criterion 1			
Goal 1A: 100% of PH projects commit to use of the Housing First Model	- -1A: PSH/RRH project commits to using Housing First Model.	Yes	50
		No	0
Goal 1B: 100% of Transitional or SSO projects commit to low barriers to entry and prioritize rapid placement with no service requirements or pre-conditions.	- 1B.1: <i>Transitional Housing or SSO project</i> allows entry to program participants that includes: low or no income, current or past substance use, criminal records—with the exceptions of restrictions imposed by federal, state or local law or ordinance (e.g., restrictions on serving people who are listed on sex offender registries), and history of domestic violence.	Yes	25
		No	0
	- 1B.2 <i>Transitional Housing or SSO project</i> prioritizes rapid placement and stabilization and retention in housing that does not have service participation requirements or preconditions (such as sobriety or a minimum income threshold).	Yes	25
		No	0
Criterion 2			
Ending Chronic Homelessness	- PSH project is 100% CH-dedicated or DedicatedPLUS.	Yes	50
	- Transitional Housing, Safe Haven, RRH and SSO projects receive full points if scored yes to both measures 1B.1 and 1B.2 above.	No	0
Criterion 3			
Coordinated Entry System Participation and Vulnerability Assessment Scores of Admitted Program Participants	- a) Project participates fully in the Coordinated Entry System.	Yes	50
		No	0
	- b) Average Vulnerability Index Scores for participants admitted to the project through Coordinated Entry System for the 12-month period ending July 15, 2018.	Top 20%	50
		Top 21 – 40%	40
		Top 41 – 60%	30
		Top 61 – 80%	20
		Top 81 – 100%	0

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Criterion 4			
Goal: Project supplements CoC funds with other Project Resources.	- Project has documented supplemental funding from non-HUD public and/or private sources.	Yes	25
		No	0
Sub-total Maximum Score for Part I:		225 points	

Part II: Grant Management Performance and Compliance

Category	Measure	Scoring	
Criterion 5		Range	Score
Expenditures	- <i>Renewal Projects:</i> Percentage of awarded grant funds expended by the project at end of most-recent operating year (from most-recent APR).	85 - 100%	25
		70 - 84%	15
		Less than 70%	0
Criterion 6		Range	Score
Unit Utilization Rate	- <i>Renewal Projects:</i> Average unit utilization rate (from 4 quarterly occupancy rates as calculated in most-recent APR).	90 - 100%	25
		80 – 89%	10
		Less than 80%	0

Criterion 7			
Project Compliance	- <i>Renewal Projects:</i> Number of adverse findings for compliance requirements (from most recent Monitoring Report)	No findings	25
		1 finding	15
		2 or more findings	0

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Criterion 8		
HMIS	- <i>Data Quality: Personally Identifying Information/Missing Data Elements</i> (from most-recent APR).	Zero Missing Data 20 No More than 5% error rate in any one category 15 More than 5% error rate in any one category 0
Sub-total Maximum Score for Part II:		95 points

Part III. System Performance Measures										
Criterion 9										
Permanent Housing Placement	- The percentage of households who exit the project to permanent housing destinations (from most-recent APR).	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Range</td> <td>Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td>90% or above</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>80 – 89%</td> <td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Below 80%</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </table>	Range	Score	90% or above	30	80 – 89%	20	Below 80%	0
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Total Income Growth	- Percentage of applicable adult project participants who obtained or increased total income from all sources from Entry to Annual Assessment or Exit (from most-recent APR).	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Range</td> <td>Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td>90% or above</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>80 – 89%</td> <td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Below 80%</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </table>	Range	Score	90% or above	30	80 – 89%	20	Below 80%	0
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Sub-Total Maximum Score for Part III:		60 points								

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Part IV: Bonus for Certain DV Project Applications		
Category	Measure	Scoring
Criterion 11A		
Uses needs-based data	- Application demonstrates use of needs-based data from a recognized comparable data base.	Yes 10 No 0
Criterion 11B		
Needs and vulnerability of DV survivors considered	- Project demonstrates how the needs and vulnerabilities of participants are taken into account in the housing and services of the existing or proposed project applications.	Yes 10 No 0
Sub-Total Maximum Score for Part IV:		20 points

Part V : Worcester City and County CoC Priority Needs		
Category	Measure	Scoring
Criterion 12		
Additional Needs Based	- Deduction if project requires sobriety at entry or for retention.	Yes Minus 50 No 0
Sub-Total Maximum Score for Part V:		0 points
Total Maximum Score		400 points

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