

MA-506 Worcester City and County Continuum of Care

2019 HUD/CoC Review, Scoring 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 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, for information purposes, to the COC Planning Group. The Lead Agency will then publish this process on its website and also distribute it widely to the community.

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

Scoring/Ranking:

1. FY2019 New Project applications and renewal project applications new in FY2018 will be scored using Parts I and II
2. All other Renewal project applications will be scored using Part I, Part III and Part IV

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Part I: Project Design	Measure	Scoring	
Criterion 1			
Goal 1A: 100% of PH projects commit to use of the Housing First Model	- 1A: PSH or RRH project commits to using Housing First Model: includes no service requirements at admission, but may require services after participant stabilization.	Yes No	100 0
OR	OR		
Goal 1B: 100% of Transitional, Joint TH and PH-RRH, and PH/RRH project are low barrier to entry and prioritize rapid placement with no service requirements or pre- conditions	- 1B: Allows entry to program participants that includes; low or no income, current or past substance use, criminal records – with exceptions of restrictions imposed by federal, state or local law or ordinance (e.g., sex offenders and history of domestic violence).	Yes No	100 0
Goal 1C: No Sobriety Requirement	- 1C: Deduct points if new or renewal project requires sobriety at entry or for retention.	Yes No	Minus 100 0
Goal 1D: HMIS or SSO for CES	- 1D: HMIS and SSO for CES projects will automatically receive 50 points.		50
Criterion 2			
Goal: Ending Chronic Homelessness	- PSH project is 100% CH-dedicated or DedicatedPLUS. - Transitional Housing, Safe Haven, RRH and SSO projects receive full points if low-barrier and prioritize rapid placement.	Yes No	100 0

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<p>Criterion 3</p> <p>Goal 1: Coordinated Entry System Participation</p> <p>Goal 2: Severity of needs and vulnerabilities of program participants</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project participates fully in the Coordinated Entry System; or, if new, commits to fully participate. - Average Vulnerability Index Scores for participants admitted to the project through Coordinated Entry System for the 12-month period ending June 30, 2019. This index scores risk levels for 10 (Households Without Children) and 16 (Households With Children) life domains (levels of functioning). 	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Yes</td> <td align="right">100</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No</td> <td align="right">0</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Top 20%</td> <td align="right">100</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Top 21 – 40%</td> <td align="right">80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Top 41 – 60%</td> <td align="right">60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Top 61 – 80%</td> <td align="right">40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Top 81 – 100%</td> <td align="right">0</td> </tr> </table>	Yes	100	No	0			Top 20%	100	Top 21 – 40%	80	Top 41 – 60%	60	Top 61 – 80%	40	Top 81 – 100%	0
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<p>Criterion 4</p> <p>Goal: Project supplements CoC funds with other Project Resources.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Project has documented supplemental funding from non-HUD public and/or private sources, or new project proposes documented supplemental funding. 	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Yes</td> <td align="right">25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No</td> <td align="right">0</td> </tr> </table>	Yes	25	No	0												
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<p>Sub-total Maximum Score for Part I:</p>		<p align="right">325 points</p>																

Part II: New Project and DV Bonus Project Supplemental Scoring																								
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<p>Criterion 5</p> <p>Scoring on HUD Threshold Criteria</p> <p>Goal 1: Project rates high on Threshold criteria</p> <p>Goal 2: Project rates high on local need criteria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Total score on HUD threshold criteria for new projects. - Total score on local need criterion: Document the need for the project in the CoC using data from national, state or local sources and other information. 	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>Range</td> <td align="right">Score</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Greatly Exceeds</td> <td align="right">100</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Exceeds</td> <td align="right">80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Meets</td> <td align="right">60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Below threshold</td> <td align="right">0</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Greatly Exceeds</td> <td align="right">100</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Exceeds</td> <td align="right">80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Meets</td> <td align="right">60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Below threshold</td> <td align="right">0</td> </tr> </table>	Range	Score			Greatly Exceeds	100	Exceeds	80	Meets	60	Below threshold	0			Greatly Exceeds	100	Exceeds	80	Meets	60	Below threshold	0
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Criterion 6	<p>Goal 1: DV Bonus Scoring/Evidence-Based Data</p> <p>Goal 2: Improve safety for DV Survivors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DV Bonus Application documents the need for the project using evidence-based data regarding domestic violence from national, state and local. - Application demonstrates how the needs and vulnerabilities of participants are taken into account that improve the safety for DV survivors. 	Range	Score
			Exceeds	75
			Meets	50
			Below threshold	0
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Sub-total Maximum Score for Part II:			350 Points	

Part III: Grant Management Performance and Compliance				
Category	Measure	Scoring		
Criterion 7	<p>Expenditures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Renewal Projects:</i> Percentage of awarded grant funds expended by the project at end of most-recent operating year (from most-recent APR). 	Range	Score	
		85 - 100%	50	
		70 - 84%	30	
		Less than 70%	0	
Criterion 8	<p>Unit Utilization Rate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Renewal Projects:</i> Average unit utilization rate (from 4 quarterly occupancy rates as calculated in most-recent APR). 	Range	Score	
		90 - 100%	50	
		80 – 89%	20	
		Less than 80%	0	

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<p>Criterion 9</p> <p>Project Compliance</p>	<p>- <i>Renewal Projects:</i> Number of adverse findings for compliance requirements (Monitoring Reports during the July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019 period)</p>	<table> <thead> <tr> <th>Range</th> <th>Score</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>No findings</td> <td>50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 finding</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 or more findings</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Range	Score	No findings	50	1 finding	30	2 or more findings	0
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