



FREDERICKSBURG REGIONAL
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Funding & Performance Committee Meeting Agenda
August 3, 2022

- Introductions
- Consent Agenda (ACTION ITEM)
 - Approve July 6, 2022 Minutes
- Organizational Review (ACTION ITEM)
- HUD Special NOFO (ACTION ITEM)
- Committee Application Materials

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 7 at 9AM – move for HUD timeline?



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Funding & Performance Committee

Date: July 6, 2022

Time: 9AM

Location: George Washington Regional Commission

MEETING CALLED BY	Sam Shoukas (GWRC)
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Meeting
NOTE TAKER	Sam Shoukas (GWRC)
ATTENDEES	Emma Miller-Richards (Community Foundation) Sarah Walsh (RUW) Christen Gallik (Fredericksburg DSS) Sam Shoukas (GWRC) Erica Dutcher (GWRC)
ABSENT	Clay Mihoulides (ChrisMarr Realty) Mike West (GWRC) Dee Smith (CVHC)

DISCUSSION	
<p>Introductions</p> <p>Approval Consent Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christen Gallik moved to approve the consent agenda and Sarah Walsh seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. <p>Organizational Review Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The organizational review was postponed until the next meeting of August 3, 2022. <p>Review HUD Special NOFO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee reviewed the Special NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness. <p>Applications for New Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee discussed opening up applications for new members. <p>Next Meeting: August 3, 2022 at 9AM.</p>	
Conclusion	

2022 Organizational Review

Organization: <i>Empowerhouse</i>
Overall Eligibility for Funding:
Overall Comments and Recommendations:
Specific Section Comments
Organizational Policies
Comments:
Financial Documents
Comments:
Spending Plan
Comments:

Housing First Checklist

Comments:

2022 Organizational Review

Organization: <i>George Washington Regional Commission</i>
Overall Eligibility for Funding:
Overall Comments and Recommendations:
Specific Section Comments
Organizational Policies
Comments:
Financial Documents
Comments:
Spending Plan
Comments:

Housing First Checklist

Comments:

2022 Organizational Review

Organization: <i>Loisann's Hope House</i>
Overall Eligibility for Funding:
Overall Comments and Recommendations:
Specific Section Comments
Organizational Policies
Comments:
Financial Documents
Comments:
Spending Plan
Comments:

Housing First Checklist

Comments:

2022 Organizational Review

Organization: <i>Micah Ecumenical Ministries</i>
Overall Eligibility for Funding:
Overall Comments and Recommendations:
Specific Section Comments
Organizational Policies
Comments:
Financial Documents
Comments:
Spending Plan
Comments:

Housing First Checklist

Comments:

2022 Organizational Review

Organization: <i>Rappahannock United Way</i>
Overall Eligibility for Funding:
Overall Comments and Recommendations:
Specific Section Comments
Organizational Policies
Comments:
Financial Documents
Comments:
Spending Plan
Comments:

Housing First Checklist

Comments:

CoC Supplemental to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness Highlights

Due Date: 10/20/2022

Estimated Total Program Funding: \$322,000,000

Award Ceiling: \$60,000,000

Award Floor: \$25,000

The purpose of this Special NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness is to target efforts to reduce unsheltered homelessness, particularly in communities with very high levels of unsheltered homelessness and homelessness in rural areas. Through this Special NOFO, HUD will award funding to communities to implement coordinated approaches -- grounded in Housing First and public health principles -- to reduce the prevalence of unsheltered homelessness, and improve services engagement, health outcomes, and housing stability among highly vulnerable unsheltered individuals and families.

Application Process

CoCs will have the opportunity to submit projects for two funding opportunities through this Special NOFO: (1) Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside and (2) Rural Set Aside. Grants will be awarded on a **three-year basis**. CoCs may apply for projects under one or both funding opportunities as follows:

- a. **Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside.** Projects included in this funding opportunity may serve any geographic area within the CoC and must meet all eligibility and quality threshold requirements established in this Special NOFO. **Fredericksburg Regional Continuum of Care is eligible to apply for \$588,761.**
- b. **Rural Set Aside.** Projects included in this funding opportunity must serve geographic areas that meet the definition of "rural area" and meet all eligibility and quality threshold requirements established in this Special NOFO. (FRCoC would be Caroline and King George Counties) **Fredericksburg Regional Continuum of Care is eligible to apply for \$137,594.**

HUD's Selection Process

HUD will use two processes to select projects for this Special NOFO --one for the Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside and one for the Rural Set Aside.

- a. **Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside (\$267,500,000.00)** HUD will select CoCs for funding based on CoC score, meaning the highest scoring CoC will have its rated and ranked projects that pass thresholds conditionally selected for funding. HUD will select projects in this manner until no more funds are available.
- b. **Rural Set-Aside (\$54,500,000.00)** Projects included on the CoC's Rural Set Aside project listing will be selected in order, up to the CoCs maximum funding amount, based on project application scores HUD will award as follows: HUD will award a point value to each project application that is on the Rural Set Aside project listing using a 100-point scale:
 - (1) **CoC Score.** Up to 50 points in direct proportion to the score received on the questions from the CoC Application required to be answered for the Rural Set Aside

(e.g., if a CoC received 60 out of 89 points on the Rural Set Aside CoC Application questions, the project application would receive 34 out of 50 points for this criterion).

(2) **CoC Project Ranking.** Up to 40 points for the CoC's ranking of the project application(s). To consider the CoCs ranking of projects, point values will be assigned directly related to the CoC's ranking of project applications. The calculation of point values will be 50 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 on the Rural Set Aside project listing plus one half of the funding of the project of interest to the total amount of funding available for the rural set aside. For example, if a CoC is eligible to apply for projects totaling \$500,000 in the rural set aside and applies for 5 projects of \$100,000 each: the highest-ranked project would receive 36 points, and then the subsequently ranked projects would receive 28, 20, 12, and 4 points

(3) **Serving Structurally Disadvantaged Areas.** 10 points if the project applicant makes a commitment to serve individuals and families in geographic areas that have high levels of homelessness, housing distress, or poverty, and are located where CoC services have until now been entirely unavailable, such as, for example, trust lands and reservations.

Eligible Projects

- CoC Planning (Unsheltered set aside only) - must not exceed 3 percent of the CoC's maximum award amount for the Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside.
- Permanent Housing projects including:
 - permanent supportive housing (PH-PSH) projects
 - permanent housing-rapid rehousing (PH-RRH) projects; and
- Supportive Service Only projects
- Joint TH and PH-RRH projects
- HMIS

CoC Plan for Serving Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs

As part of this NOFO, CoCs are being required to develop a plan for Serving Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs. These plans must describe the CoC's current strategies for conducting coordinated and comprehensive outreach, providing access to low-barrier shelter and other temporary accommodations, and providing immediate access to low-barrier permanent housing. Additionally, CoCs must demonstrate how they will leverage both mainstream housing and healthcare resources to assist in their efforts to end unsheltered homelessness and stabilize individuals and their families in housing and increase access to employment opportunities for those experiencing homelessness. Further, CoCs must demonstrate how they will support underserved communities, identify barriers that led to any disparities in communities being served, and support equitable community development by taking steps to address such barriers when using these funds and how they will involve individuals with lived experience in the decision-making process of the CoC. Finally, CoCs must demonstrate how they will ensure resources funded under this Special NOFO will contribute to reducing unsheltered homelessness in their geographic area.

Severe Service Needs means any combination of the following factors: facing significant challenges or functional impairments, including any physical, mental, developmental or behavioral health disabilities regardless of the type of disability, which require a significant level of support in order to maintain permanent housing (this factor focuses on the level of support needed and is not based on disability type); high utilization of crisis or emergency services to meet basic needs, including but not limited to emergency rooms, jails, and psychiatric facilities; currently living in an unsheltered situation or having a history of living in an unsheltered situation; experiencing a vulnerability to illness or death; having a risk of continued or repeated homelessness; and having a vulnerability to victimization, including physical assault, trafficking or sex work.



Job Description - CoC Board Member

CoC Vision

A compassionate, thriving community where all people have access to a place to call home.

CoC Mission

Prevent and end homelessness by developing, supporting, and promoting a coordinated system of human services and housing opportunities in the Greater Fredericksburg Region.

CoC Values

The work of the CoC will be guided by our commitment to these core values. The CoC will uphold these values in our work and promote them throughout the community. These values represent what we believe in, what we stand for, and how we approach everything we do.

- **Collaboration:** We value trust and transparency and are committed to working together as a system.
- **Accessibility:** We strive to create a system that is equitable, inclusive, welcoming, and easy to navigate.
- **Respectful:** We are committed to maintaining a non-judgmental environment centered on thoughtfulness and understanding.
- **Effectiveness:** We aim for continuous improvement informed by best practices and driven by evidence-based decisions.

Continuum of Care Board

As the highest leadership body of the continuum, the CoC Board is responsible for overseeing the work of the CoC to ensure alignment with strategic planning, best practices, bylaws, and policies and procedures and determining priority initiatives on behalf of the general membership. The CoC Board is also responsible for ensuring that the mission, vision, and values of the CoC are upheld. Specific duties of the CoC Board can be found in the [CoC Bylaws](#).

Individual Member Responsibilities

Members of the CoC Board shall be responsible for the following actions:

- Prepare for, attend, and participate in monthly CoC Board meetings
- Adhere to the CoC's Code of Conduct, Recusal Process, and Conflict of Interest Policy
- Know and understand the CoC's mission, policies, and programs
- Serve as active advocates and ambassadors for the CoC's mission and programs
- Leverage connections, networks, and resources to help achieve the CoC's mission

Qualifications

Potential Board members should be passionate about the CoC's mission and want to work toward preventing and ending homelessness within PD-16. All potential Board members must be current members in good standing or be willing to become a CoC member prior to election.



Meeting Schedule:

The CoC Board meets at least monthly. Currently, CoC Board meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of the month at 2pm at the George Washington Regional Commission. However, meeting time is flexible and can be altered to meet constraints of the Board members' schedules.

For More Information

CoC Website: fredericksburgcoc.org

Contact: Samantha Shoukas – shoukas@gwregion.org



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CoC Board Application

Name:
Title:
Organization:
Mailing Address:
Telephone Number:
Email:

Experience Skills

-

Population Expertise

-

Skill Sets

-

Board Involvement

Do you serve on other community Boards?

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Community Involvement

Are you a member or volunteer with any other organizations or groups?

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CoC Involvement

- Are you currently a CoC member?
- Are you currently a Coc Board member?
- Are you currently a CoC committee or working group member?

Diversity

- Gender:
- Race:
- Ethnicity:
- Age:

CoC Board Questionnaire

1. What about the CoC brought you to apply for a Board position?

2. If selected, describe three areas where you could contribute to the success of the CoC.
3. What experience do you have in working with the homeless population?
4. CoC members stay connected to the CoC through meeting attendance, committee work, events, e-mail and other CoC communications. Please describe the time, energy and resources you can provide to support the work of the CoC.
5. What qualities do you possess that make you a potentially effective CoC Board Member? Explain your answer in detail.
6. What do you believe are the two most significant challenges when it comes to addressing homelessness? What could the CoC Board do to address these challenges?

Submission Notes

Date submitted:
Resume attached?

CoC Board Member Interview Questions

Potential Board Member: _____

Interviewer: _____

Date: _____

1. What do you know about our organization? Why are you interested in committing your time and energy to us?
2. What does homelessness mean to you?
3. What do you think are the characteristics of a great board member?
4. Board members bring experience, wisdom, strategic thinking, and their connections. Can you tell us about yours?
5. What other Board service are you currently a part of or have been a part of in the past?
6. What skill sets do you feel that you bring to the group?

7. What kind of autonomy do you have over your calendar? There will be occasional meetings and events between board meetings.

8. What added value do you believe that you would bring to the Board?