Notice of Funding Availability for Cape & Islands CoC Request for Applications for New and Renewal Projects for:

Permanent Supportive Housing
Rapid Rehousing
New Coordinated Entry System
New HMIS

Information Session for Renewal Projects: 3:00 PM July 14th Information Session for New Projects: 3:30 PM July 14th

Location: County Commissioners Conference Room

1st Floor Superior Courthouse

Barnstable County Complex

RSVP to mspringer@barnstablecounty.org

New and Renewal Applications due to CoC: August 14, 2016

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released the Continuum of Care (COC) FY2016 Notice of Funding Availability on June 28, 2016
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Cape and Islands CoC Application Selection Process and Timeline 2016

APPLICATION PROCESS FOR RENEWALS AND NEW PROJECTS

The FY2016 CoC competition is open to renewal and eligible new projects, which will be scored competitively. The highest scoring projects will be included in the CoC application submitted to HUD. Applicants must follow the application process found on the HUD Exchange at https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/guides/coc-program-competition-resources/

The Cape & Islands CoC will submit a **consolidated application** to HUD for competition funds by **September 14, 2016**. The application may include up to three types of project applications:

- 1. **Renewal projects**. Grantees with current projects (FY15) seeking renewal of those same projects; and
- 2. **New projects** using funds available through reallocation and/or permanent housing bonus funds:
 - a. permanent supportive housing projects where all the beds will be dedicated for use by chronically homeless individuals or families;
 - b. rapid rehousing programs that will serve homeless individuals and families who enter directly from the streets or emergency shelters, and include persons fleeing domestic violence, and other persons meeting the criteria of paragraph (4) of the definition of homelessness; and
- 3. **New projects** using funds available only through reallocation:
 - a. a centralized or coordinated assessment system;
 - b. a new dedicated Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

APPLICATION TIMELINES & DEADLINES

July 14, 2016: 3 pm Information Session for **Renewal** Projects / **3:30 pm** Information Session for **New** Projects, Innovation Room, Barnstable County Complex, 3195 Main Street Barnstable Village.

August 1, 2016: Concept paper for new projects due to lhamilton@capecod.net

Before August 13, 2016: New and Renewal Project Applicants requiring assistance with the application are encouraged to contact Lee Hamilton at hamilton@capecod.net.

August 14, 2016 4PM: Deadline for submission of complete new and renewal project applications to the CoC for scoring and ranking. Applicants must upload completed applications into e-snaps, including documentation of leveraging and match. Email a PDF of Applicant Profile, Project Application, documentation of Match and Leverage to lhamilton@capecod.net.

August 15-26, 2016: Ranking and Review Committee will score and rank proposals.

By August 29, 2016: CoC Collaborative Applicant will notify all project applicants in writing no later than 15 days before the application deadline of September 14, 2016 regarding whether their project applications will be included as part of the CoC Priority Listing submission and the amount to be allocated for each project. Project selections, rankings and tier allocations will be provided to proposers by written notice and published at www.bchumanservices.net no later than 4:00 pm on August 29, 2016. Applicants not selected may appeal directly to HUD.

September 14, 2016: Deadline for submission of CoC Consolidated Application to HUD before 8 PM EST.

FY 16 FUNDS AVAILABLE: \$ 1,661,146.00 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)

Tier 1: 93% of ARD \$ 1,544,866.00 Tier 2: 7% of ARD \$ 116,280.22

Housing Bonus 5% of ARD \$\\ 83,070.00 *\ \ \ pending HUD verification

Total Amount Available \$ 1,744,216.00

Projects submitted to HUD in Tier 1 are expected to be funded, provided that the project meets HUD eligibility and threshold requirements. Tier 2 projects will be awarded funds by HUD based on a comparative score computed using: the CoC 's FY2016 application competitive score, the rank the CoC gives to the project, the project type (maximum points for permanent supportive

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housing, centralized/coordinated assessment system, and transitional housing exclusively serving youth), and commitment to Housing First/low-barrier entry.

SCORING, RANKING AND SELECTION

All complete, timely, and eligible renewal applications will be scored by the CoC Scoring and Ranking Committee, using the **Review and Scoring Chart for Renewal Project Ranking** form attached to this document (Attachment 1). New projects will be ranked according to HUD priorities. Scores will determine each project's rank in the CoC's application to HUD, and rank will be the primary determinant of placement into Tier 1 and Tier 2. Scores may also be used to reject applications or to reduce budgets for low-scoring projects.

The scoring rubric evaluates past performance (for renewal applicants) and promotes best practices that will improve our local response to homelessness and aligns our response with national policies and best practices. These include:

- Commitment to a Housing First low-demand service model;
- Significant leveraging other resources; and
- Projects that promote geographic diversity of programs throughout our CoC.

The process for considering projects will include the following:

- A threshold requirement that submissions required in this guidance are complete and timely (failure to meet this requirement will result in project not being scored);
- Project scoring; and
- Responses to any requests for explanations or requests for more information from the Scoring and Ranking Committee.

Once the committee completes the scoring and ranking, the committee may consider the CoC's priorities, whether the initial scoring is likely to result in any critical service gaps, whether grantees have a history of returning unspent funds to HUD and strategy related to Tier cut offs and HUD's selection process, and may make adjustments to budgets and produce the final ranking of projects to be included in the CoC application. The Committee's rationale for any adjustments must be recorded and made public with the published rankings.

Because HMIS is required for the CoC and must be funded, HMIS grants will be included in Tier 1. For this competition, new projects awarded in the 2015 Competition that are up for renewal will be placed in Tier 1, because they reflect updated priorities for CoC prioritizes funding, but have not yet been able to demonstrate performance.