Project Name: _____

Scorer's Name: _____

FY 2025-2026 COC PROGRAM COMPETITION NOFO SCORING, RANKING AND SELECTION
2025 NEW TH, RRH, AND PSH PROJECT SCORING TOOL

THRESHOLD CRITERIA
Required but not scored. If "no" for any threshold criteria, the project is ineligible.

Federal Threshold Criteria: In addition to the criteria listed below, agencies must provide proof of the following: Active SAMS registration; Valid UEI Number; Nonprofit documentation; Not disbarred and otherwise federally qualified; Financial capacity and sufficient financial management system; and Code of Conduct on file with HUD.

CoC Threshold Criteria: Include participation in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS); use of qualified housing types; implementation of a housing with supportive services; documentation of the required minimum match; and policies that ensure non-discriminatory access to services for all participants.

Threshold Item	Yes/No
HMIS Implementation: Projects that do not participate, or have not agreed to participate, are not eligible for funding, unless it is a victim-service agency, serving survivors of domestic violence.	Yes/No
Coordinated Entry: Projects that have not agreed to participate in Coordinated Entry, when it is available for the program type, are not eligible for funding. Victim-service agencies or those serving survivors of domestic violence shall participate with Coordinated Entry while protecting client data and safety to ensure fair and equal access to the coordinated entry process and housing and services opportunities.	Yes/No
Reporting: Projects must abide by all reporting requirements, including conducting an annual assessment of the service needs of program participants.	Yes/No
Nondiscrimination: The project applicant certifies compliance with all applicable nondiscrimination requirements and affirms that it does not use racial preferences or engage in unlawful discriminatory practices.	Yes/No
Harm-Reduction Restriction: The project applicant certifies they do not engage in or permit any activities prohibited under HUD's FY 2025 harm-reduction restrictions (safe consumption sites, drug paraphernalia distribution, or permitting illicit drug use).	Yes/No
Definitions: The project applicant certifies that it does not rely on any definition of sex other than a binary definition for humans.	Yes/No
Match: The agency has committed to match 25% of the grant except for leasing funds.	Yes/No
Permanent Housing: *For PSH and RRH projects only*, the project budget does not exceed 30% of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand.	Yes/No/NA

SCORED CRITERIA

Scoring Factors		Possible Points	Points Awarded
1	**Program Design**	**45**	
1a	**Service Provision and Linkages**		
	The agency has a clear plan to link clientele with appropriate services to support housing self-sufficiency and retention.	5	
	Agency can demonstrate that the proposed project will require program participants to take part in services and will offer connections to treatment facilities, employment, and childcare facilities to facilitate employment. **For TH Projects to earn these points:** • Agency can demonstrate that project will provide a mixture of up to 40 hours per week of customized services and/or help clientele achieve 40 hours of employment, excluding participants over the age of 62 who have a physical disability/impairment or a developmental disability; and • Agency has a plan to ensure at least 50% of participants exit with employment income. **For DV Bonus Projects to earn these points:** Program incorporates best practices to serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and/or stalking. Program demonstrates staff expertise on VAWA regulations, safety planning, and survivor-specific networks and services.	10	
	The plan details services to be provided in-house, versus those provided via referral to partners with consideration for transportation logistics. Substance use treatment services to be provided on-site when possible.	10	
	The program description should include whether the project will be leveraging health care resources (proven by attaching written commitment from a health care organization who will provide substance use treatment or recovery services to all interested program participants who qualify OR provide services equal in value to at least 25% of funds being requested).	5	
1b	**Promoting Permanent Housing and Preventing Returns to Homelessness**		
	Housing where participants will reside is identified, accessible and appropriate to the program design proposed. The type, scale, quality, and location fit the needs of the proposed client population.	5	
	Returns to Homelessness: The agency has a clear plan to ensure housing retention or exits to permanent housing. • **TH Projects** must demonstrate that the agency has a plan to ensure at least 50% of program participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months.	10	

Scoring Factors		Possible Points	Points Awarded
2	**Mainstream Resources**	**10**	
2a	**Client Mainstream Resource Connection/Access**		
	Program design ensures incoming clients are screened for eligibility and connected to mainstream resources. Staff are trained on available mainstream resources for which clients may qualify.	5	
	Program design dictates that clients will be individually assisted to obtain the benefits of the mainstream health, social, and employment programs for which they are eligible.	5	

Scoring Factors		Possible Points	Points Awarded
3	**Budget, Management, and Experience**	**45**	
3a	**Budget and Experience**		
	Project budget balances robust, yet cost-effective expenses to support the proposal. No line items appear unnecessary, nor unjustified by the proposal. Staffing is sufficient to the scope of the program, with consideration for the clientele's unique needs.	4	
	Organization has experience with federal funds and demonstrates financial capacity to manage a federal grant.	3	
	Organization has no unresolved findings and clean monitoring reports.	3	
	PSH Projects: The project is designed to serve elderly individuals and/or individuals with a physical disability/impairment or a developmental disability, not including substance use order. Applicant has prior experience with this population. Applicant will prioritize these populations. **RRH Projects:** Applicant has prior experience providing tenant-based rental assistance to the target population and successfully helps households achieve self-sufficiency within 3-24 months. **TH Projects:** Applicant has prior experience operating transitional housing or other projects that have successfully helped homeless individuals exit homelessness within 24 months.	3	

	Employment Income: Agency can demonstrate experience serving the target population and has a plan to ensure permanent housing retention/exits, and connections to increasing employment income.	5	
3b	**Budget Priority** Proposed project aligns with current HUD and NOFO Priorities:		
	Supportive Service Participation: Support services are required with some type of service agreement.	10	
	Majority of services are to be provided in an opportunity zone.	3	
	Project will verify immigration status of program participants through SAVE or work with governmental partner to verify immigration status through SAVE.	3	
	Non-CoC or ESG housing and/or healthcare funding accounts for at least 25% of units or services included in the project overall.	5	
	Substance use treatment will be available on-site.	6	

Total:	**100**	