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HUD Releases Fiscal Year 2025 Funding Opportunity; Lancaster County Homelessness Coalition Opens Local Competition Process

Lancaster, PA – The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has officially released the FY 2025 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), opening a 60-day application period beginning November 13. This year's NOFO highlights significant policy priorities shifts towards treatment and recovery, self-sufficiency, improving outcomes, and minimizing the trauma associated with homelessness.

In accordance with HUD requirements, the PA-510 Lancaster County and City CoC will now conduct a **competitive local funding process** to determine which projects will be included in the Consolidated Application and how they will be ranked for federal funding consideration. All agencies seeking local CoC funding **must participate in this competitive application process**.

The **Local Interest Project Form for new ideas is now available**. All NEW project ideas submissions are due **Friday, December 5 at 12:00 PM for consideration**.

New projects ideas must have a minimum budget of \$50,000 and be related to transitional housing, supportive services only, or supportive services only-street outreach. New project applications will be released following the idea submission deadline. Following the local review and ranking process, the PA-510 Consolidated Application and Priority Listing will be submitted to HUD by the **January 14, 2026, 8:00 PM deadline**.

The Lancaster County Homelessness Coalition serves as the lead agency for PA-510 and is responsible for oversight of all CoC policies, procedures, and project funding decisions.

Key Changes

- Resources redirected from permanent housing projects toward transitional housing and supportive services only including street outreach. Harm reduction activities (e.g., safe consumption sites) are explicitly prohibited.
 - Faith-based and other non-profits that have not previously applied for CoC funding are encouraged to complete the Local Interest New Project Form.
 - Transitional housing programs will be required to provide 40 hours of customized services for each participant (e.g., case management, employment training).
 - Larger investment in transitional housing with supportive service participation requirements, replacing a previous emphasis on “Housing First.”
 - Permanent Housing Cap: FY 2025 limits Permanent Housing (PH-PSH, PH-RRH, and Joint TH/PH-RRH) projects to no more than 30% of a CoC’s Annual Renewal Demand (ARD).
 - Teir 1 funding shifts from 90% in FY 2024 to 30% in FY 2025, increasing the level of National competition and placing greater emphasis on CoC performance.
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Background

HUD’s **Continuum of Care (CoC) Program** is part of the system accountable for helping communities **prevent and end homelessness**. It provides funding, structure, and accountability so local organizations can work together as a coordinated system rather than operating in isolation.

The administration of CoC grants involves a full lifecycle of activities including applying for funds, recordkeeping, financial management, monitoring, amendments or extensions, and close-out.

It is critical that agencies applying for local HUD/CoC funds are familiar with current administration requirements, to ensure compliance and the effective use of awarded funds.

Key Details for Applicants

- **Deadline for Local Interest NEW Project Idea Submissions:** December 5 by 12:00 PM.
 - HUD FY25 NOFO PA-510 COC Competition Overview and Instructions (PDF)
 - [Local Interest New Project Submission \(Google Form\)](#)
 - New project applications will be released following the idea submission deadline.

Late applications will not be accepted.

- **Funding Administration Expectations:** Applicants must demonstrate capacity for:
 - Proper recordkeeping and documentation of expenditures.

- Financial management consistent with Federal regulations.
- Monitoring performance and compliance with program requirements.
- Ability to complete project lifecycle stages, including close-out.
- **APPROVED New Project Next Steps:** Once a NEW project submission idea is reviewed- agencies and organizations may be asked to complete an application form, budget, program narrative, and documentation of capacity to meet HUD/CoC requirements. Please review the competition timeline and website for additional details.
- **RENEWAL Project Next Steps** Please review the competition timeline and website for additional details.
- FY2025 Lancaster County & City NOFO Competition Website

We look forward to reviewing strong applications and working with all eligible agencies to advance our shared mission of ending homelessness throughout Lancaster County.

For questions regarding the process, agencies may contact the Office for the Lancaster County Homelessness Coalition.

About the Lancaster County Homelessness Coalition

The Lancaster County Homelessness Coalition is a collaborative network of more than 75 organizations, coordinated through The Office for the Lancaster County Homelessness Coalition, working in collaboration to make homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring. Through data-driven strategies, partnerships, and community engagement, the Coalition strives to ensure every Lancaster County resident has access to safe, stable, and affordable housing. Learn more about their work at LCHRA.com.