

Boston Continuum of Care
CoC Information Session
October 9, 2015
10:30 – 12 noon
Winter Chambers

10/9/15 Meeting Minutes

Elizabeth Doyle -Welcome and Introductions

- Acknowledged short timeline for completion of project applications during a very busy timeframe.
- NOFA is very technical, HUD is prescriptive on what they want & don't want. Less priority given to SSO and TH under point structure outlined in NOFA. Those providers are encouraged to consider reallocation.
- Boston CoC eligible to apply for New PH

Katie Cahill-Holloway - Agenda

- Gives overview of NOFA- tier 1 & tier 2. Tier 2 15%. HUD will score and rank each tier 2 project. Exhibit 1= 60 pts for the tier 2 scores
- Summary of meeting in materials and on website- NOFA released night of last meeting. Due 11/20-6 weeks-3 bonus points
- Notify new applicants and renewals by 11/6
- New PH Bonus 15%-3.6M-RFP out. Use for New Bonus or reallocation- Bidders Conference and letter of intent due 10/14/15
- Bonus-NEW PH Chronic, Family, individual, RRH
- Reallocation-RRH, Individual, Family, Youth. New PH, New HMIS, New coordinated Access
- Bonus \$ count against tier 2 cut. HUD awarding points based on component type. HUD giving more points to PH projects.
- CoC has lots of PH through reallocation over the years so tiering is going to be difficult. Ranking and scoring methodology will be similar to past competitions and once finalized by the Leadership Council, will be posted on the CoC website.

Adelina Correia -Match & Leverage, Renewal Applications

- New-application imported from last year, new questions that are requested relate to Exhibit 1
- Housing list, Low Barrier, Mainstream benefits
- Eliminated HMIS participation, subpopulations streamlined
- Program Managers can answer any questions; get in touch!
- Match is specific to activities in application-Cash or In Kind-25% flat except leasing. In Kind is specific
- Leverage-whatever it takes to fund agency-150% if excess of Match then flip to leveraging

- All leverage & Match letter need to be uploaded. Cannot use same source of funding. If using a contract –provide copies of contract and a letter.
- Match letters due 10/21 along w/ application.
- Leverage due 11/13 with chart
- Admin-remains the same. 3.5% project, 3.5% DND=7
- Agency Budget-CoC related –average cost per client
- Data- from most recently submitted APR. Use APR data as HUD programmed
- We will reach out to certain projects to get info. All agencies should read Exhibit 1-if you are doing something that could help answer questions please let us know. Review your programs to determine how the fit into overall HUD and CoC goals.

Jennifer Flynn -HMIS Cost

- Need info on cost to operate for entire CoC, doesn't have to be allocated across programs. Include salary for HMIS administrator. HUD wants to see 25% of cost for entire CoC (Match), informational only, won't count towards project application, don't need to report on case manager use of HMIS

Elizabeth Doyle -Reallocation Policy

- Communicate in real time through website-all materials posted-get in habit of checking daily-url on agenda
- HUD requires we have & share(in draft has to be blessed by leadership council)
- Seeking projects to volunteer
- If no volunteers-will reallocate projects that have identified other mainstream sources
- If not enough, then performance & HUD priorities (HMIS, Financial management- leaving \$ consistently on the table and RA programs leaving \$\$ we may reallocate)
- New Coordinated Access, SSO-city cost is more than CoC will apply for + fundraising (\$\$ already identified)
- New PH for chronic individuals/family-individuals low barrier-safe haven
- New RRH-IND/FAM/Youth
- New HMIS-amend existing to increase staff and license customizations
- Not mandating reallocation of TH & SSO but might want to think about it. Doesn't guarantee you will get in Tier 1, however HUD point structure favors such conversions.
- If reallocating portion of grant-doesn't hold harmless other project
- There will probably be PH projects in tier 2 b/c of amount
- Tiering, rating, ranking- Developed scoring tool based on performance and priorities. Scoring tool online now. There will be edits and updates. There will be two tools: one for renewal and one for new projects / reallocations.