

Boston CoC Competition Oversight Committee

July 1, 2021

FY21 CoC Program NOFA

Welcome and Introductions

Information we're discussing today is to provided to help you understand the CoC application process

The FY21 CoC Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) has not yet been published by HUD

The information being discussed is based on previous NOFAs and HUD guidance

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DND, as the Boston Continuum of Care's (CoC's) Collaborative Applicant (CA), will be submitting an annual competitive application to HUD to renew and apply for new CoC program funding to support Boston's homeless crisis response system

The application will be roughly \$40 million dollars

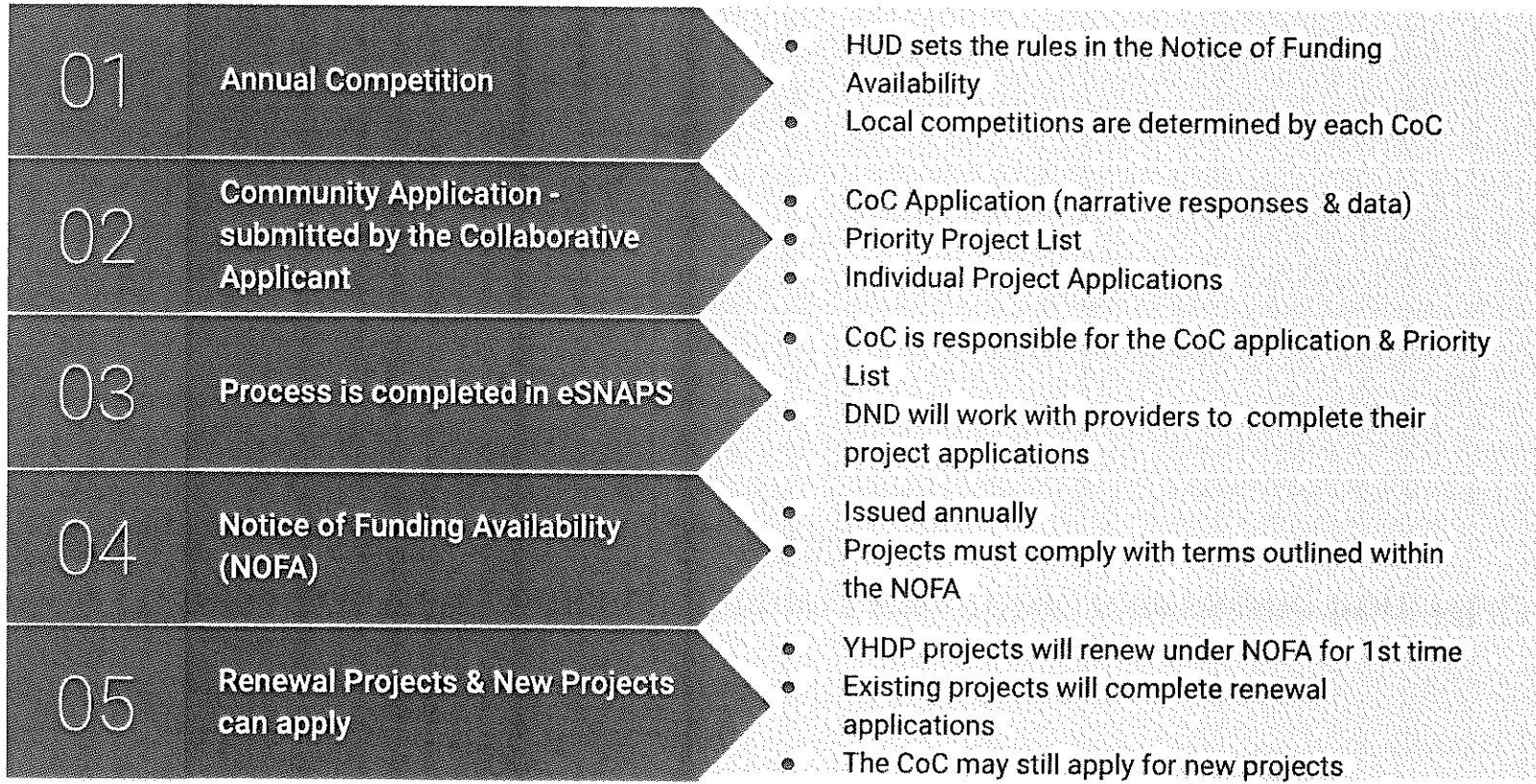
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HUD requires communities to set up local structures- including a decision making body, and timelines during the competition

Timelines for key actions will be published in the upcoming NOFA

DND plans to renew roughly 36 PSH and RRH projects and 6 projects that are funded to support the infrastructure of the city's homeless system including HMIS and Coordinated Entry systems. HUD also allows CoCs to apply for planning funds under the Competition framework.

Continuum of Care Competition Basics



FY21 CoC Program NOFA Timeline

FY20/last year: Due to COVID-19 HUD “waived” the competition in 2020 and renewed all projects in each of the CoC’s (there was no NOFA nor competition last year)

March 2021: DND registered for the FY21 CoC Program competition

July 2021: based on past competition timing and public messaging from HUD, the CoC Program NOFA may drop summer 2021

FY21 CoC Program NOFA Timeline

July/August/September: DND and partners will be working on application response, new and renewal project applications

September: Application submission to HUD (typically between 60-90 days between NOFA release and due date)

Local Decision Making Entity

HUD requires that CoCs include stakeholder involvement in year-round planning and during the application process, this is ideally set up through a stakeholder committee that can make decisions during the competition (formerly the Boston CoC Leadership Council, now Housing and Stabilization Leadership Committee)

Proposing to create a “Boston CoC Competition Oversight Committee” for the FY21 application process to meet local needs and HUD requirements. This group is serving as a sub-committee of the larger CoC leadership group.

FY21 CoC Competition Oversight Committee Duties

Read the CoC Program NOFA and become familiar with the “scoring” protocol

Assist DND as the CA with the creation of final project ranking tools based on quantitative scoring protocol in the NOFA

Assist DND as the CA in gathering information for the Consolidated Application/narratives- including COVID/CARES responses

FY21 CoC Competition Oversight Committee duties

Once CoC Program projects- both renewal and new (if applicable)- are ranked based on approved tool, committee will vote to approve the “ranking” (recusal policy)

Assist DND as the CA, in additional agencies recruiting for this committee

Review the Boston FY21 CoC application once final (quick turnaround)

Next Steps

Once CoC NOFA is released, review NOFA

Review CoC scoring tool once drafted

Consult on application narratives and data (ongoing through NOFA process)

Virtual meeting with DND on project ranking approval

Review final CoC application

Questions and Conversation

