Scoring New PSH or RRH Applications

Scoring is the process of measuring the effectiveness and output of a new project based on its type. The process utilizes objective criteria based on the HUD and local CoC priorities and project performance. The AAC uses an objective Score Card to aid in the assessment of a new project's potential performance and contribution to CoC priorities, CoC policies, and HUD requirements. The maximum score is **75** for each application type: Renewal, new RRH or PSH and new Supportive Services only.

CoC Compliance: Maximum 10 Points
Scoring: This criterion measures project compliance to CoC guidelines and HUD standards based on two (2) areas.:

CoC Participation - Maximum 5 Pt.
Scoring: Applicants will receive points based on the following scale:

- Current active membership in the CoC: 5 Pts
- Willingness to join the CoC: 3 Pts
- No plans to join the CoC: 0 pts

PIT/HIC Reporting - Maximum 5 Pts
Applicants will receive points based on the following scale:

- Regularly contributes to the PIT/HIC: 5 Pts
- Willingness to contribute to the PIT/HIC: 3 Pts
- No plans to contribute to the PIT/HIC: 0 pts
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Project Details: Maximum 45 Points

Project Description – Maximum 20 Points
Scoring: This criterion measures the applicant's project description, so reviewers have a clear understanding of the scope of the project. Descriptions should include population served and services provided. Scores range from 1- 10 points based on how effectively the applicant describes the scope of the project.

Expansion Justification – Maximum 5 Points (if applicable)
Scoring: Expansion is an eligible project type. The applicant must justify the need for an expansion of an existing project. Scores range from 1- 5 points and responses should include the potential increase in numbers served.

Coordinated Entry Participation – Maximum 5 Points
Scoring: CoC projects are required to participate in the Coordinated Entry process. Projects receive a score of 0 or 2 based on compliance.

Housing First – Maximum 5 Points
Scoring: Housing First is a model designed to connect individuals and families experiencing homelessness quickly and successfully to permanent housing without preconditions and barriers to entry such as sobriety, treatment, and service participation requirements. No barriers will receive full points. Any barriers will result in 0 points.

The project is scored based on the prohibitions that exist to entry including:

- active substance abuse,
- history of domestic violence,
- criminal background with exceptions for state-mandated restrictions and
- having little or no income.

The project is scored based on whether participants are exited from housing due to the following barriers:

- Failure to participate in supportive services
- Failure to make progress on a service plan
- Loss of income or failure to improve income
- Being a victim of domestic violence
- Any other activity not typically covered in a lease agreement found in Ottawa County

Transportation Assistance – Maximum 5points
Scoring: The proposed project includes transportation assistance to clients to attend mainstream benefits appointments, employment training or jobs. Project will receive 0 or 2 point based on compliance

Educational Services – Maximum 5 Points
Scoring: The proposed project policies and practices consistent with the laws and CoC policy related to providing educational services to individuals and families. Projects will receive 0 or 2 point based on whether the proposed project has a designated staff person to ensure that children are enrolled in school and received educational services, as appropriate.

Data Quality – Maximum 5 Points
Scoring: This criterion measures the applicants' willingness and ability to enter required data into the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) or equivalent database. Applicant is awarded 0 or 5 point based on compliance.
Applicants will receive points based on the following scale:

- Currently contributes to HMIS or equivalent database: 5 Pts
- Willing to join the local implementation: 3 Pts
- No plans to join the local implementation: 0 pts

Severity of Needs Criteria – 15 Maximum Points

<u>Adults with No Income or Very low Income</u> – Maximum 5 Points
Scoring: This criterion measures whether the project intends to serve adults with no income. The applicant should describe in detail the process through which potential participants with no income or very low income (less than 30% AMI) will be identified and served. Scores range from 0 - 5 points based on how effectively the applicant describes the process.

<u>Chronically Homeless Adults</u> – Maximum 5 Points
Scoring: This criterion measures whether the project intends to serve chronically homeless individuals or adults in families. The applicant should describe in detail the process through which potential participants will be identified and served. Scores range from 0 – 5 points based on how effectively the applicant describes the process.

Adults with History or Fleeing DV – Maximum 5 Points
Scoring: This criterion measures whether the project intends to serve individuals or adults in families with a history of or are currently fleeing domestic violence. The applicant should describe in detail the process through which potential participants will be identified and served. Scores range from 0 - 5 points based on how effectively the applicant describes the process.

Unscored Bonus Questions:

If you propose to provide services to survivors of domestic violence, how will your project improve safety for participants?

What steps will you take to eliminate barriers to participation faced by people of different races and ethnicities?