**Scoring New PSH or RRH Applications for Unsheltered NOFO**

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 **95** 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

**Project Details: Maximum 36 Points**

*Project Description – Maximum 33 Points*

*Scoring:* This criterion measures the applicant’s project description, so reviewers have a clear understanding of the scope of the project. Scores range from 1- 10 points based on how effectively the applicant describes the scope of the project. Descriptions should include:

1. A detailed description of how participants will be assisted to obtain and remain in permanent housing.
2. A detailed description of the plan to coordinate and integrate with mainstream resources such as health, social services, and employment programs. The description should include a plan for annual follow up.

Identify the population the project intends to serve (The numbers entered for the following columns cannot be duplicated within these three subpopulations):

* Number of Chronically Homeless Households
  + Singles \_\_\_\_\_\_
  + At least one adult/one child \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Number of Chronically Homeless Veterans \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Number of Veterans (not CH) \_\_\_\_\_\_

The numbers entered for the following columns can be duplicated and should reflect the estimated subpopulations program participants fall under:

* Chronic Substance Abuse;
* HIV/AIDS;
* Mentally Ill;
* Domestic Violence (DV), includes survivors of human trafficking, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence;
* Physical Disability;
* Developmental Disability; and
* Persons Not Represented by a Listed Subpopulation (be specific)

*Coordinated Entry Participation – Maximum 1 Points*

*Scoring:* CoC projects are required to participate in the Coordinated Entry process. Projects receive a score of 0 or 1 based on compliance.

*Transportation Assistance – Maximum 1 points*

*Scoring:* The proposed project includes transportation assistance to clients to attend mainstream benefits appointments, employment training or jobs. Project will receive 0 or 1 point based on compliance

*Educational Services – Maximum 1 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 1 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.

**Housing First – Maximum 9 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

**HMIS 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 – Maximum 35 Points**

Adults with No Income or Very low Income – 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.

Chronically Homeless Adults – Maximum 5 Points

*Scoring:* This criterion measures how 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 how 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.

Improve Safety: Maximum 10 Points

*Scoring*: A successful applicant will describe in detail how the project will improve safety for victims of domestic violence. Score ranges from 0 points to 10 points with the minimum score indicating no safety strategies are employed and the maximum score of 10 demonstrating a well though out safety plan for program participants.

Racial Disparities: Maximum 10 Points

Scoring: A successful applicant will describe in detail the steps that will be taken to eliminate barriers to participating faced by people of different races and ethnicities. Score ranges from 0 points to 10 points with the minimum score indicating no safety strategies are employed and the maximum score of 10 demonstrating a well thought out safety plan for program participants.