

**RENSSELAER COUNTY HOMELESS SERVICES COLLABORATIVE**  
**RANK AND REVIEW APPLICATION 2019**  
**PART 2: WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

**A. PROJECT INFORMATION**

**A1.**Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**A2.**Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**A3.**Application Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

**A4.**Project Type:            PSH                      RRH                      SSO

**A5.**FY18 Proposed Total Funding Request:                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Leasing                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rental Assistance                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Supportive Services                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Operations                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Admin                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**A6.** Is this project voluntarily reallocating funds to the CoC?     **Yes**     **No**

**A7.PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

To assist reviewers, please provide a brief overview of the project (250 words or less). Please include the target population/s, primary and supplemented services provided/offered to participants, the number of contracted beds and units, and any other information you think will help reviewers understand the program’s fundamental and unique characteristics.

**B. CONTINUUM PRIORITIES & SYSTEM IMPACT**

**B1.** Does your project follow core elements of the *Housing First* approach by ensuring access to the project for eligible clients is *not* prohibited by:    **All Yes - 10 pts**    **Any No - 0 points**

	Yes	No
Active or history of substance use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Having a criminal record with exceptions for state-mandated restriction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Having too little or little income	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
History of victimization (e.g. domestic violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Failure to participate in supportive services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Failure to make progress on a service plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Loss of income or failure to improve income	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any other activity not covered in a lease agreement typically found for unassisted persons in the project's geographic area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**B2.** Do project/agency staff participate in the CoC process by attending board and/or membership meetings, and/or participating in any CoC standing or Ad hoc committees of the RCHSC?  **Yes 5 pts**  **No 0 pts**

**B3. Coordinated Entry**

**B3a.** Did your project make or receive referrals for potential new participants through the Coordinated Entry process or through a parallel process for DV providers? *(to be verified by the CoC CE Coordinator or supported with documents provided by the applicant)* in 2018?

**Yes 10 pts**  **No 0 pts**

If project includes DV clients, explain barriers to direct participation in Coordinated Entry and if/how you engage with partners involved with CE (250 words or less). **0-10 pts**

**B3b.** Did your agency attend at least 75 % of the coordinated entry team meetings in 2018? *(to be verified by the CoC CE Coordinator)*  **Yes 5 pts**  **No 0 pts**

**B4.** Please provide specific examples of how your project coordinates services with other CoC, HUD/VA, City of Troy ESG and STEHP funded projects. Please refer to specific programs (250 words or less). **0-5 pts**

**Up to 2.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly states the names of other funded projects specifically.**

**Up to 2.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly state(s) examples of how the project coordinates services with the noted funded projects.**

**B5.** Please describe your agency's resources and experience in meeting the needs of clients facing various cultural barriers (e.g., language, gender identity, racial disparity, LGBTQ, mental health) in 250 words or less. **0-5 pts**

**Up to 2.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly describes the agency's resources in meeting the needs of the clients with cultural barriers.**

**Up to 2.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly describes agency experience in meeting the needs of clients with cultural barriers.**

**B6.** Please note how the project meets a gap in services (current or prior, including housing) as noted in the CoC's Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness and/or its Three-Year Addendum (250 words or less). See Plan p.14 and/or Addendum p.10-12 for remaining challenges/current gaps. **0-5 pts**

**Up to 2.5 pts. awarded if the narrative clearly notes the strategic plan goal(s).**

**Up to 2.5 pts. awarded if the gap(s) in service documented in the strategic plan can be noted.**

**B7.** Does the project work toward meeting any of the goals stated in the USICH's "Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness" noted below:

**Any Yes - 2 pts All No - 0 pts**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Prevent/end homelessness among Veterans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
End chronic homelessness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prevent/end homelessness for families, youth and children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Set path to end all homelessness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**C. SYSTEM PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES:**

**C1. Number of Homeless Persons:** Was your project included in the final submission of the 2018 Housing Inventory and Point in Time by the Collaborative Applicant (*to be verified by the Collaborative Applicant*).  **Yes 3 pts**  **No 0 pts**

**C2.** The CoC acknowledges that positive outcomes for certain vulnerable populations (including victims of DV, persons with current or past substance abuse, and persons who have been chronically homeless) may not align with the typical definition of permanent housing attainment. If the project is operated by a victim services provider, and serves victims of domestic violence, please describe how you work to improve safety for participants. If the project serves a vulnerable population, please describe that population and how your project contributes to positive outcomes for participants. **MAX 5 pts**

**Up to 2.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly describes measures that improve participant safety (does not apply to "mainstream" projects not operated by a DV provider). Up to 2.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly describes: at least one vulnerable population that it serves AND at least two ways that the project contributes to positive outcomes.**

**C3. Move on Strategy:** HUD encourages projects to partner with their local PHAs or other organizations to help CoC Program participants who no longer require intensive services "Move On" to other housing assistance programs (including, but not limited to HCV and Public Housing), in order to free up CoC Program funded PSH beds to be used for persons

experience homelessness. Briefly describe what your project will be doing in FY19 to support participants who may be ready to “Move On”. **MAX 3 pts**

***Up to 1.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly describes potential partner agencies or projects. Up to 1.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly defines at least two of the following: potential strategies, benchmarks, or criteria for Move On.***

**C4.** What strategies does your project use to connect participants to income, employment, or volunteering opportunities, in the context of their lives, goals, and service plans? **MAX 5pts.**

***Up to 1.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly describes connection to participants live goals. Up to 1.5 pts awarded if the narrative clearly describes connection to service plans.***

**D. Self-Monitoring:**

***Total Possible Points 5***

**Yes No**

**D1a.** Did you complete the self-monitoring tool, including the housing first tool, in Section 7?

**D1b.** Were there findings on your self-monitoring?

**D1c.** If there were findings have they been resolved?