

# NY-501 STEPS Continuum of Care DV Bonus Project RFP 2022

Application may not exceed five (5) pages

**Please note: if your project is selected to move forward in applying for CoC funding, you will need to submit an application in Esnaps and work with the Collaborative Applicant to fill out the DV Bonus section of the CoC Application.**

**Being selected through the Rank & Review process does not guarantee funding; rather it allows the project to apply for CoC funding to HUD, which is a competitive process.**

1. Applicant/Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Agency Point of Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Proposed Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Please circle the project type you are applying for:

A. **Rapid Rehousing** (PH RRH) projects that demonstrate trauma informed, victim centered approaches - minimum \$50,000 per project (must be housing first)

B. **Joint TH and PH RRH** component projects that demonstrate trauma informed, victim centered approaches - minimum \$50,000 per project (must be housing first)

C. **SSO project for CE** to implement policies, procedures and practices that equip the CoC's CE to better meet the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

5. Is the project you are applying for an expansion project? **Yes** \_\_\_ **No** \_\_\_

**6. Eligible DV bonus project must follow a Housing First approach.** Housing First is a recovery-oriented approach to ending homelessness which allows for rapidly housing individuals without screening out or terminating based on any of criteria listed below. Does the proposed project screen out or terminate based on any of the following? **STOP: If you respond "Yes" to any of the following, your project is not eligible to apply for this funding.**

**No Points**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Having too little or no income	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Active or history of substance abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Criminal record with exceptions for state-mandated restrictions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
History of domestic violence	<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"/>
Being a victim of domestic violence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any other activity not covered in a lease agreement typically found in the project's geographic area.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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7. Is the applicant a current member of the NY-501 Continuum of Care (CoC)?  
 **Yes – 10 points**  **No - 0 points**
- a. If no, what is the agency's current involvement with the NY-501 CoC?

8. Did your agency give CoC money back to HUD last year? Explain.  
 **Yes - 0 points**  **No - 5 points**

9. a. Is the agency applying as a current CoC funded grantee?  **Yes - 5 pts**  **No - 10pts**
- b. If yes, are there any unresolved monitoring or audit findings from HUD or the CoC?  
 **Yes - 0 points**  **No - 3 points**

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**10.** Please provide a detailed description of the agency's experience in administering projects dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence and stalking. **(Up to 20 points)**

- 5 points for past experience serving a domestic violence survivor population
- 3 points for explaining how you have connected survivors to supportive services
- 3 points for providing an example of how your agency has moved clients from assisted housing to housing they could sustain—and how the agency will address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends
- 3 points for describing how you prioritize program participant choice while ensuring safety of your clients
- 3 points for describing how the program will establish and maintain an environment of agency and mutual respect, e.g., the project does not use punitive interventions, ensures program participant staff interactions with clients are based on equality and minimize power differentials;
- 3 points if you describe how your program will place emphasis on program participants' strengths, e.g., strength-based coaching, questionnaires and assessment tools include strength-based measures, case plans include assessments of program participants' strengths and works towards goals and aspirations

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11. Please provide a *description* addressing the entire scope of your project. Please include an outreach plan to the targeted population. **(Up to 25 points)**

- 10 pts project description (target population, services provided, clearly state the number of units/beds requested, and project goals and project outcomes)
- 10 pts if a clear and detailed outreach plan is included and specifies how the project will conduct targeted outreach to persons least likely to apply and/or traditionally underserved populations (i.e. BIPOC, LGBTQ+ community)
- 5 pts if you detail how your project will ensure DV survivors experiencing homelessness were assisted to quickly move into safe affordable housing;

12. a. Does your agency personnel directly add participants to the NY-501 CoC Coordinated Entry program?

**Yes – 3.5 pts**

**No - 0 pts**

b. If no, is your agency willing to become an active participant in the NY-501 CoC Coordinated Entry program?  **Yes – 3.5 pts**       **No - 0 pts**

13. Does your agency currently report in a DV system that is compatible to the HMIS system? If not, how will you implement a compatible HMIS system for this project, for reporting purposes? **(0-5 points)**

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**14.** Please detail the steps your agency takes to ensure the safety of program participants. **(Up to 5 points)**

- 1 point if agency uses de-identified aggregate data from a comparable database.
- 2 points if agency has safety, planning, and confidentiality protocols in place for DV project participants.
- 2 points if agency uses a trauma-informed, victim-centered approach to their project.

**15.** Please describe how the need for this project within this geographic area was identified. Please quantify the need using an HMIS comparable database and/or a local data source. Agency will receive full points if they have demonstrated the need. **(Up to 10 points)**

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16. Does your agency have a policy focused on ensuring equitable services and program outcomes across participants of all races and ethnicities? **Please attach the policy with your submission.**  **Yes – 5 pts**       **No - 0 pts**

17. How will this project reduce the average length of time homeless for project participants? **(Up to 2pts)**

- *2pts if applicant describes how their project will serve those with the longest lengths of time homeless and strategies for reducing length of time homeless*

18. Does your agency have relationships/partnerships with any of the below? Check all that apply. **(1 pt for each checked box)**

Public/Private Healthcare Organizations

PHAs, local housing organizations, or other non-CoC/ESG funding streams

Local Workforce Development Sectors

Tribal Organizations

18a. If you checked Public/Private Healthcare Organizations, does your agency have a written commitment from a health care organization with the value of the commitment and the date(s) the healthcare resources will be provided, or can you procure one by September 15<sup>th</sup> if your project is chosen to move forward\*?

**Yes - 10 points**  **No - 0 points**

*\*Please note, this commitment will be submitted with the CoC's full CoC Application so the CoC is awarded additional points.*

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18b. If you checked PHAs, local housing organizations, or other non-CoC/ESG funding streams, will your project utilize housing subsidies or subsidized housing units not funded through the CoC or ESG by: **providing at least 25 percent of the units** included in the project; or in the case of a rapid re-housing project, **serve at least 25 percent of the program participants** anticipated to be served by the project\*?

**Yes - 10 points**  **No - 0 points**

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18c. If you checked Local Workforce Development Sectors, do you have a written commitment or other document demonstrating your partnership, or could you procure one if your project is chosen to move forward?

**Yes - 10 points**  **No - 0 points**

19. Does your agency have a racially and ethnically diverse group of stakeholders (i.e. Board, Executive Leadership, agency staff, etc.) who are responsible for making programmatic and funding decisions? If not, how does your agency plan to incorporate the views of a diverse set of stakeholders into reviewing your policies, procedures, and funding decisions? Provide your response below. **(Up to 4 pts)**

- *4pts if applicant has racially and ethnically diverse stakeholder decisionmakers*
- *3pts if applicant can identify a plan for incorporating diverse stakeholder views in the future*

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20. Does your organization partner with other organizations with expertise in serving the LGBTQ+ population? If yes, how will you leverage those partnerships to serve your project participants? **(Up to 6 pts)**

- *3 points if applicant identifies specific organizations that they partner with*
- *3 points if applicant describes how they will leverage the partnership(s) for project clients*

21. Describe how your agency ensures equitable services and program outcomes across participants of all races and ethnicities. Applicants should give 3-4 examples of how their agency provides equitable services (i.e. policies, trainings, intake procedure, etc.) **(Up to 3 pts)**

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22. Does your agency have someone with lived experience of homelessness within its Executive Leadership, who are involved with programmatic and funding decisions?

Yes- 2 points  No – 0 points

23. Will the project be able to start within 12 months?  Yes - 10 pts  No - 0 pts

24. Please provide a 12-month Budget Proposal (required for review):

ACTIVITY	CoC FUNDS REQUESTED	NOTES
<b>A. Rental Assistance</b> (80% total budget less Admin)	\$	
<b>B. Support Services</b> (20% total budget less Admin)	\$	
1. Salaries	\$	
2. Benefits	\$	
3. Other	\$	
<b>C. Operating</b>	\$	
<b>D. Admin</b>	\$	
<b>E. Total Project Costs</b>	\$	
MATCH	AMOUNT	SOURCE
<b>F. 25% Match Requirement</b>	\$	