

Primary homelessness assistance program components funded through the (HUD) Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Regulations:

Component	Housing Type	Length of Stay	Target Population	Supportive Services?	Primary Goal	Eligible Uses of Assistance
Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) (Component under PH)	Permanent housing	Indefinite/non-time-limited	Homeless individuals and families in which one adult or child has with a disability (e.g., chronic homelessness)	Permanent supportive housing projects must provide supportive services for the residents to enable them to live as independently as is practicable throughout the duration of their residence in the project.	Achieve and maintain long-term housing stability for vulnerable populations	Acquisition, rehabilitation, new construction, leasing, rental assistance, operating costs, and supportive services
Rapid Re-housing (RRH) (Component under PH)	Permanent housing	Short-term (up to 3 months) and/or medium-term (for 3 to 24 months) tenant-based rental assistance as necessary to help a homeless individual or family, with or without disabilities, move as quickly as possible into permanent housing and achieve stability in that housing.	Homeless individuals and families (disability not required)	At least monthly case management required; can support housing search & placement and may provide supportive services for no longer than 6 months after rental assistance stops.	Move individuals/families into permanent housing as quickly as possible	Acquisition, rehabilitation, new construction, leasing, rental assistance, operating costs, supportive services
Transitional Housing (TH)*	Temporary/Transitional housing	Up to 24 months* Transitional housing facilitates the movement of homeless individuals and families to PH within 24 months of entering TH	Homeless individuals and families (specific eligibility per CoC, often Category 1 or 4 of HUD's definition)	For a transitional housing project, supportive services must be made available to residents throughout the duration of their residence in the project. (Services may also be provided to former residents of TH who were homeless in the prior 6 months, for no more than 6 months after leaving transitional housing or homelessness, respectively, to assist their adjustment to independent living.)	Provide a safe place and services to help participants ultimately move to permanent housing	Acquisition, rehabilitation, new construction, leasing, rental assistance, operating costs, and supportive services
Supportive Services Only (SSO)	No housing assistance provided by this specific project	N/A	Homeless individuals and families in shelters or unsheltered (§ 578.37 (3)). (Category 1)	Services only, such as: Street Outreach, Annual Assessment Of Service Needs, Assistance With Moving Costs, Case Management, Child Care, Education Services, Employment Assistance And Job Training, Food, Housing Search and Counseling Services, Legal Services, Life Skills Training, Mental Health Services, Outpatient Health Services, Outreach Services, Substance Abuse Treatment Services, Utility Deposits, Direct Provision of Services (INELIGIBLE COSTS Any cost not described in the CoC Interim Rule is not eligible as a supportive service using CoC Program funds.)	Connect unsheltered or sheltered homeless persons to critical services and housing options.	Funds may be used for acquisition, rehabilitation, relocation costs, or leasing of a facility from which supportive services will be provided, and supportive services in order to provide supportive services to unsheltered and sheltered homeless persons for whom the recipient or subrecipient is not providing housing or housing assistance. SSO includes street outreach.
<p>*§ 578.79 Limitation on transitional housing. A homeless individual or family may remain in transitional housing for a period longer than 24 months, if permanent housing for the individual or family has not been located or if the individual or family requires additional time to prepare for independent living. However, HUD may discontinue assistance for a transitional housing project if more than half of the homeless individuals or families remain in that project longer than 24 months.</p>						

Program Components

Eligible Costs	Permanent Housing – PH: PSH	Permanent Housing – PH: RRH	TH	SSO	HMIS	SH
Acquisition	X		X	X		
Rehabilitation	X		X	X		
New Construction	X		X			
Leasing	X		X	X		X
Rental Assistance	X	X TBRA only	X			
Supportive Services	X	X	X	X		X
Operating Costs	X		X			X
HMIS	X	X	X	X	X	X
Project Administration	X	X	X	X	X	X

Always check the CoC Program NOFA, as well as the CoC program regulation, for additional restrictions on use! Although acquisition, rehabilitation, and new construction funds can technically be used for certain project types, the requirements and restrictions in the CoC NOFA may limit their use.