

RHODE ISLAND CONTINUUM OF CARE

June 26, 2018

Rhode Island's Local Continuum of Care (CoC) Competition is now open

The Rhode Island Continuum of Care (RiCoC) is pleased to announce the start of the local competition for HUD Continuum of Care Funding. This competition is to award funding made available through the [HUD FY2018 Continuum of Care Notification of Funding Availability \(NOFA\)](#) that was issued on June 20, 2018.

There is significant information in the [FY18 NOFA](#), including some exciting new opportunities HUD is offering in FY18. These opportunities include, but are not limited to:

1. Bonus new project opportunities to serve survivors of domestic violence
2. Opportunities to consolidate existing renewal grants to streamline administrative burden
3. Opportunities to submit new project applications for new PSH, RRH, TH-RRH, HMIS and/or Coordinated Entry-SSO grants

Please review the [NOFA](#) carefully and take full advantage of the hyperlinks included within the NOFA that link to a vast amount of HUD supportive documentation and resources.

This information and so many more RiCoC resources related to the FY18 Local Rhode Island CoC Competition are located on the [RiCoC website](#) – please refer to the website routinely throughout the local competition for immediate access to the latest information on the competition.

These applications are technical and the process is arduous; please allow ample time to review the materials and input your applications. Thank you all for your willingness to partner with the RiCoC and your dedication to ending homelessness in Rhode Island.

Grantees that applied in prior years as subrecipients of RiHousing but who are now direct recipients from HUD for their CoC projects must submit any new and/or renewal applications in ESNAPS as the applicant, instead of under RiHousing's applicant account.

Eligible organizations (nonprofit organizations, PHAs and units of government) that have never received HUD CoC program grants are encouraged to consider this funding and to apply if appropriate. Technical assistance will be available to support new applicant organizations in the process.

Please direct all questions surrounding this opportunity to:

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Deadlines and Training:

Please take careful note of the following deadlines and training dates. There are separate deadlines and training dates for renewal and new project applicants this year. If an applicant is submitting both new and renewal projects, they should take care to ensure submission before the corresponding deadline for the particular project(s) they are submitting.

New and renewal projects submitted after the deadlines listed below will not be considered for funding in the FY2018 Rhode Island COC competition.

Renewal Project Applicants:

Renewal applications must be submitted in the ESNAPS grants management system no later than **July 31, 2018 at 5pm** Eastern Daylight Time.

The RICOC is providing two conference call webinars to support the renewal project application process. These webinars will cover the FY2018 NOFA for renewal applicants, ESNAPS training and have time for Q&A. Renewal Project webinar details follow:

- July 10, 2018, 1pm-3pm; call-in number 401-214-5155
- July 12, 2018 9am -11am; call-in number 401-214-5155

New Project Applicants:

The RICoC issued its [Request for Letter of Interest for New Projects](#) on June 7, 2018. As indicated on that issuance, letters of interest for new projects are due **July 13, 2018 at 5pm** Eastern Daylight Time. After that initial deadline, the CoC Planner will notify the highest scoring new project letters of interest of their approval to submit new project applications in the ESNAPS grants management system. For those invited to apply, the ESNAPS new project applications must be submitted in the ESNAPS grants management system no later than **August 10, 2018 at 5pm** Eastern Daylight Time. Please take careful note of this two-step new project application process.

New Project letters of interest not selected for submission of an esnaps new project application will be notified of that decision after LOI scoring is complete.

The RICOC is providing one conference call webinar to support the new project application process. This webinar will cover the FY2018 NOFA for all types of new project applicants, including new projects under the DV Bonus opportunity, and new projects to consolidate existing renewal projects. ESNAPS training and time for Q&A will also be included. New project webinar details follow:

- July 20, 2018, 1pm-3pm; call-in number 401-214-5155