

2025 MCKINNEY-VENTO CONTINUUM OF CARE HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS

**2025 NEW TH, RRH, AND PSH PROJECT SCORING TOOL**

**THRESHOLD CRITERIA**

(Required but not scored. If “no” for any threshold criteria, the project is ineligible.)

Item	Maximum Score
<b>HMIS Implementation:</b> Projects that do not participate, or have not agreed to participate, are not eligible for funding, unless it is a victim-service agency, serving survivors of domestic violence. Project has agreed to participate in the DSHS-administered HMIS (ONE System) and signed a local Certification of Intent to participate. Victim-services agencies must utilize a comparable database to HMIS and be able to produce de-identified aggregate data.	N/A
<b>Coordinated Entry:</b> Projects that have not agreed to participate in Coordinated Entry, when it is available for the program type, are not eligible for funding. Victim-service agencies or those serving survivors of domestic violence shall participate with Coordinated Entry while protecting client data and safety to ensure fair and equal access to the coordinated entry process and housing and services opportunities.	N/A
<b>Match:</b> The agency has committed to match 25% of the grant except for leasing funds.	N/A
<b>Project Priority:</b> Proposed project is not a new permanent housing project	N/A
<b>Training and Technical Assistance:</b> All projects must agree to be responsive to training and technical assistance from the Collaborative Applicant and the Local Homeless Coordinating Board (LHCB).	N/A
<b>Recent Financial Statement:</b> Projects must provide an up to date (within last 21 months) audited financial statement, and single audit (if applicable).	N/A

**SCORED CRITERIA**

Scoring Factors		Points
<b>1</b>	<b>Program Design</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>1a</b>	<b>Service Provision and Linkages</b>	
	<p>The agency has a clear plan to link clientele with appropriate services to support housing self-sufficiency and retention. Agency can demonstrate that the proposed project will require program participants to take part in services and will offer connections to treatment facilities, employment, and childcare facilities to facilitate employment. The plan details services to be provided in-house, versus those provided via referral to partners with consideration for transportation logistics. Substance use treatment services to be provided on-site when possible. The program description should include whether the project will be leveraging health care resources (proven by attaching written commitment from a health care organization who will provide substance use treatment or recovery services to all interested program participants who qualify OR provide services equal in value to at least 25% of funds being requested).</p> <p><b>TH Projects:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agency can demonstrate that project will provide a mixture of up to 40 hours per week of customized services and/or help clientele achieve 40 hours of employment, excluding participants over the age of 62 who have a physical disability/impairment or a developmental disability.</li> <li>Agency has a plan to ensure at least 50% of participants exit with employment income.</li> </ul>	30

Scoring Factors		Points
	<b>DV Bonus Projects:</b> Program incorporates best practices to serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and/or stalking. Program demonstrates staff expertise on VAWA regulations, safety planning, and survivor-specific networks and services.	
<b>1b</b>	<b>Promoting Permanent Housing and Preventing Returns to Homelessness</b>	
	Housing where participants will reside is identified, accessible and appropriate to the program design proposed. The type, scale, quality, and location fit the needs of the proposed client population, and the agency has a clear plan to ensure housing retention or exits to permanent housing.	20
	<b>TH Projects:</b> Agency has a plan to ensure at least 50% of program participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months.	

<b>2</b>	<b>Mainstream Resources</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>2a</b>	<b>Client Mainstream Resource Connection/Access</b>	
	Program design ensures incoming clients are screened for and connected to mainstream resource eligibility. Staff are trained on available mainstream resources for which clients may qualify.	10
	Program design dictates that clients will be individually assisted to obtain the benefits of the mainstream health, social, and employment programs for which they are eligible.	

<b>3</b>	<b>Budget, Management, and Experience</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>3a</b>	<b>Budget and Experience</b>	
	Project budget balances robust, yet cost-effective expenses to support the proposal. No line items appear unnecessary, nor unjustified by the proposal. Staffing is sufficient to the scope of the program, with consideration for the clientele's unique needs.	10
	Organization has experience and financial capacity to managing a federal grant and operate a project that serves households experiencing homelessness. Agency can demonstrate experience serving the target population or has a plan to ensure permanent housing retention/exits and connections to employment income.	
	<b>TH Projects:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicant has prior experience operating transitional housing or other projects that have successfully helped homeless individuals exit homelessness within 24 months.</li> </ul>	
<b>3b</b>	<b>Budget Priority</b>	
	Proposed project can align with current HUD and NOFO Priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support services are required with some type of service agreement</li> <li>Majority of services are to be provided in an opportunity zone</li> </ul>	30

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project will verify immigration status through SAVE or work with governmental partner to verify immigration status through SAVE</li> <li>• Non-CoC or ESG housing and/or healthcare funding accounts for at least 25% of units or services included in the project overall</li> <li>• Substance use treatment will be available on-site</li> <li>• Project is a transitional housing project that is able to meet HUD and NOFO priorities</li> </ul>	
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<b>Total:</b>		<b>100</b>
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