

North Carolina Balance of State Continuum of Care

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Project Application Instructions for 2016 Balance of State CoC Applicants: NEW Projects

Except where noted, all agencies applying for **new projects** in the 2016 competition must submit the items below.

There are **two deadlines** for application materials: Friday, July 29, 2016, and Friday, August 12, 2016. Applicants must ensure the correct documents are submitted by the appropriate deadline.

The following items are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 29, 2016, EST. Submit documents here: click to submit July 29 materials

New Project Thresholds Form

• Applicants must complete a form answering threshold questions from the scorecard. Blank forms are posted at http://www.ncceh.org/bos/currentcocapplication/.

ONLY Agencies with Existing CoC Grants: HMIS Reports

Applicants that have existing CoC grants must run and submit an HMIS APR Report for January 1, 2015 –
December 31, 2015 for each existing grant. Applicants should contact the NCCEH Data Center at
hmis@ncceh.org if they have questions about how to run the HMIS APR Report.

ONLY Agencies with Existing CoC Grants: Previous Project Spending Rates

- Applicants who have existing CoC grants that have been operating for one year or more must submit documentation of spending rates.
 - o Applicants should submit a copy of their most recent APR that was submitted to HUD.
 - If the applicant was unable to submit an APR in 2016 due to the APR form being unavailable in esnaps, the applicant should submit a screen shot of their "Project Portfolio" from eLOCCS documenting the final draws for the last completed grant year.
- Submit the APR or eLOCCS screen shot for each CoC grant that has been operating for one year or more.
- If the applicant is spending less than 90% of the funding awarded for any grant, the applicant must also submit a narrative explaining why the agency is underspending the grant.

ONLY Non-Profit Applicants: Budget and Audit Letter

- Non-profit applicants must submit:
 - A signed letter from an authorized official (an auditor) stating that the agency has had an audit and summarizing any findings.
 - If the agency has not had an audit, it must submit a copy of its annual financial statements, including a profit and loss statement, from the last fiscal year.
 - A copy of the agency's budget from the current fiscal year.

ONLY Non-Profit Applicants: Board of Directors List and Minutes

- Non-profit applicants must submit:
 - A current list of the members of the agency's Board of Directors
 - A copy of the minutes from the three most recent board meetings

The following items are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 12, 2016, EST.

These are needed by the Project Review Committee.

Submit documents here: click to submit Project Review Committee documents

Project Application

• Applicants must complete a Project Application in esnaps (HUD's online application system) and export it as a PDF.

New Projects Standards Form

• Applicants must complete a form answering questions from the scorecard that are standards. Blank forms are posted at http://www.ncceh.org/bos/currentcocapplication/.

ONLY Permanent Supportive Housing Projects: Key Elements of PSH

- Applicants requesting new permanent supportive housing projects must submit a completed form regarding SAMHSA's six key elements of PSH. Blank forms are posted at www.ncceh.org/bos/currentcocapplication/.
- Applicants that have an existing PSH program must also submit the PSH program's eligibility requirements, a sample lease, program rules (if any), and house rules (if any).

ONLY Rapid Re-Housing Projects: Rapid Re-Housing Standards

- Applicants requesting new rapid re-housing projects must submit a completed form regarding RRH
 program standards and benchmarks. Blank forms are posted at
 http://www.ncceh.org/bos/currentcocapplication/.
- Applicants must also submit the RRH program's eligibility requirements, a sample lease, and program
 policies and procedures.

ONLY Leasing Projects: Leasing Justification Statement

Rental assistance projects are preferred to leasing projects as rental assistance projects provide tenants
with leases in their name. Applicants requesting new leasing projects must submit a statement that
explains why the project is not applying for rental assistance.

ONLY Applicants Requesting Supportive Services Funding: Services Funding Plan

- While services are an important component of supporting households in maintaining their housing, HUD
 prioritizes using CoC funds for housing and using other sources of available funding to provide services.
 Projects requesting CoC funds for supportive services must submit a plan describing how these services
 will be funded in the future from alternative sources. Plans should include:
 - Other potential sources of funding that the project is working to secure to provide supportive services.
 - o A plan for when the project will reduce its use of CoC funds for services.



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These are needed by BoS staff.

Submit documents here: click to submit BoS staff documents

Applicant Profile from esnaps

• Applicants must complete their Applicant Profile in esnaps and export it as PDF, including all attachments.

Documentation of Match (*leverage is no longer required)

- Match: a 25% cash or in-kind match is required for all budget components except leasing. Match is required for all projects.
- **Documentation:** Cash and in-kind goods/property can be documented by signed letters. HUD requires that in-kind services be documented by a memorandum of understanding (MOU) in place by the time of grant execution. For the purposes of this application, **you may submit a letter in place of the MOU**, provided the MOU will be in place by the time of grant execution.
- Letters must meet the following criteria:
 - o Be on letterhead stationery from the organization providing the contribution
 - Be signed and dated by an authorized official of the organization within 60 days of the September
 14 application deadline (i.e. between July 17 and September 14, 2016)
 - o Contain the amount of cash OR the dollar value of the in-kind contribution
 - Contain the specific date the contribution will be made available AND the time period during which the contribution will be available
 - Contain the name of the applicant agency to which the contribution is being given
 - Contain the specific grant name and the fiscal year
 - Contain a description of the goods/services that will be provided (for in-kind contributions) OR a
 description of what the funds will be spent on (for cash contributions)
- For a more detailed explanation of match, refer to the Match/Leverage Explainer posted at www.ncceh.org/bos/currentcocapplication/.

Grantee Certification

 All applicants must complete a form certifying that they will meet Balance of State CoC expectations for grant reporting, performance, and community engagement. Blank forms are posted at www.ncceh.org/bos/currentcocapplication/.

Organizational Chart

 Applicants requesting new projects must submit an organizational chart demonstrating administrative capacity of the organization and services capacity for the proposed project.

Determination of Certification with State Consolidated Plan

- All applicants must submit a Determination of Certification form. The State uses this form to determine whether the project is consistent with the state Consolidated Plan, which is required by HUD. You can download the form at www.ncceh.org/bos/currentcocapplication/.
- Applicants must upload the form on NCCEH's website by the August 12 application deadline.
- Applicants must also mail the hard copy of the form to the address below by August 19:
 NCCEH, PO Box 27692, Raleigh, NC 27611

ONLY Applicants from Communities with a Local Consolidated Plan: Local Consolidated Plan Certification

Any applicant whose agency is located in a jurisdiction that has a local Consolidated Plan must submit a
Consolidated Plan Certification (<u>HUD-2991</u>) signed by a representative of the local plan. This certification
states that the project's goals and activities are consistent with the goals of
the
local Consolidated Plan.

- HUD's listing of local Consolidated Plans in North Carolina can be viewed on their website. Jurisdictions with local Consolidated Plans include:
 - o Burlington
 - o Concord/Kannapolis/Salisbury
 - o Goldsboro
 - o Greenville
 - o Henderson/Transylvania Counties
 - o Jacksonville
 - o Lenoir/Hickory/Morganton
 - o New Bern
 - Surry County
 - o Rocky Mount & Nash/Edgecombe counties
- Applicants who are **not** located in an area with a local Con Plan **do not** need to submit this form.

