A SYSTEM IN TRANSITION:
Shifting our priorities and programs to end homelessness

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Keys to Ending Homelessness

☐ Affordable Housing

☐ Appropriate Services

☐ Adequate Income

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Brief History of Homelessness Response

- 1980's (First Response— Emergency Shelters)
- 1990's (Continuum of Care Created based on Housing Readiness Model)
- 2000's (New Permanent Supportive Housing emphasis, Move from managing homelessness to ending homelessness, Congress mandates HMIS, Local Ten-Year Plans to End Homelessness)
- 2010's (Use of evidence-based practices, new RRH & Prevention emphasis in addition to PSH, Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent & End Homelessness)

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HEARTH

- President Obama signed HEARTH Act May 20, 2009
- First significant change to McKinney-Vento in 20 years
- Required federal strategic plan to end homelessness

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HEARTH Purpose

"...to establish a Federal goal of ensuring that individuals and families who become homeless return to permanent housing within 30 days."

HEARTH Act Purposes – Sec. 1002(b)

Opening Doors:
Federal Strategic Plan to End Homelessness

FOUR GOALS:

☐ Finish the job of ending chronic homelessness in 5 years

☐ Prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in 5 years

☐ Prevent and end homelessness for families, youth and children in 10 years

☐ Set a path to ending all types of homelessness

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Core HEARTH Measures

- Performance evaluation across entire CoC/Region
- What will be measured:
  - New homelessness
  - Length of homelessness
  - Repeat homelessness

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Retool the Crisis Response System

- Objective 10: Transform homeless services to crisis response systems that prevent homelessness and rapidly return people who experience homelessness to stable housing

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HUD's Homeless Funding

- McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Grants
  - Continuum of Care Grants (CoC)
  - Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)

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Types of Programs

- Emergency Shelter
- Transitional Housing
- Rapid Re-Housing
- Permanent Supportive Housing

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Continuum of Care

- A Continuum of Care (CoC) is a regional or local planning body that coordinates housing and services funding for homeless families and individuals
- Wide range of agencies and organizations represented
- Promotes Communitywide commitment to ending homelessness
- Required group for applying for HUD Homeless funding

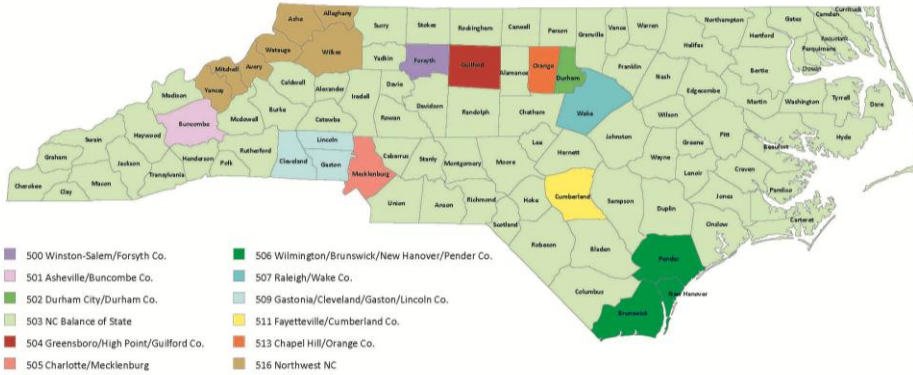North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness

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CoC Roles and Responsibilities

- Operating a CoC
  - Governance
  - System operations
  - CoC Components: Coordinated Intake, Written Standards, Performance Expectations & Monitoring
- Designating HMIS
  - Data collection integral to HEARTH
  - CHIN in North Carolina
- Planning for CoC Future

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CoCs in NC: 12 Continua of Care

500 Winston-Salem/Forsyth Co.
501 Asheville/Buncombe Co.
502 Durham City/Durham Co.
503 NC Balance of State
504 Greensboro/High Point/Guilford Co.
505 Charlotte/Mecklenburg
506 Wilmington/Brunswick/New Hanover/Pender Co.
507 Raleigh/Wake Co.
509 Gastonia/Cleveland/Gaston/Lincoln Co.
511 Fayetteville/Cumberland Co.
513 Chapel Hill/Orange Co.
516 Northwest NC

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NC Balance of State CoC

No Active Regional Committee
Non-BoS County
Other colors are active Regional Committees

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NC Balance of State CoC

□ Vision

To ensure that individuals and families who become homeless return to permanent housing within 30 days

□ Mission

The North Carolina Balance of State Continuum of Care, composed of a 79-county region, uses evidenced-based strategies to implement solutions to prevent and end homelessness in the most efficient, effective and ethical manner

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NC BoS: Committee Structure

□ Steering Committee

□ 27 Regional Committees

□ Subcommittees

  ◘ Permanent Supportive Housing

  ◘ Rapid Re-Housing

  ◘ Data Quality

□ Funding Committees

  ◘ Scorecard Committee

  ◘ Project Review Committee

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Regional Committee Responsibilities

- Appointees
  - Regional Lead
  - Official elected alternate
  - Representative to CoC Scorecard Committee
  - Representative to CoC Project Review Committee
    - Cannot also represent an agency applying for funding
  - Representatives to working groups as necessary

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Regional Committee Responsibilities

- Provide info to NCCEH
  - Point-in-Time count and bed inventory
  - Listing of member agencies and services provided
- Broad-based community stakeholder participation
- Promote data quality
  - Quarterly Performance Reports (QPRs) to NC BoS
  - Annual Performance Reports (APR) to HUD
  - High-quality data within CHIN HMIS

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Regional Committee Responsibilities

- Coordinate ESG for region
- Encourage participation in NC BoS Subcommittees
- Coordinate local temporary and permanent housing, services, and other resources
- Ensure adequate HMIS bed coverage
- Support priorities set by NC BoS Steering Committee

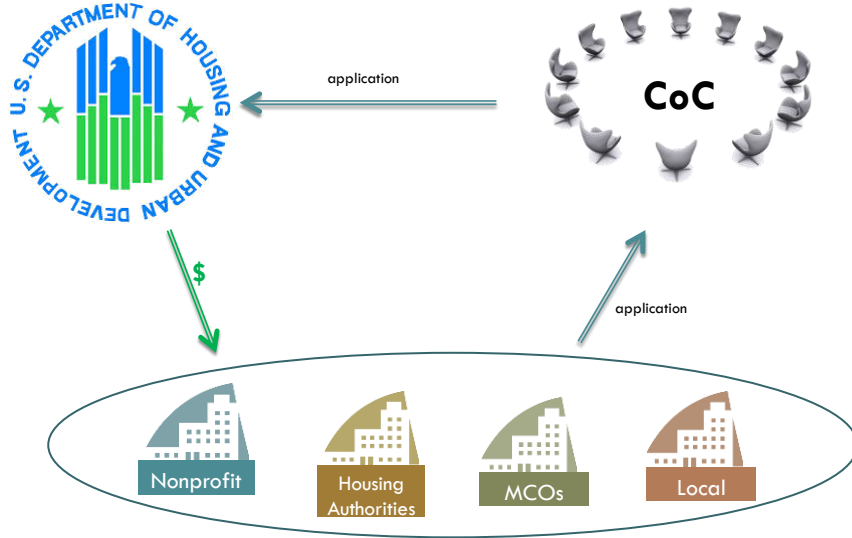North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness
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Benefits of Participation

- Share resources
- Establish need & gaps
- Coordinate housing & services
- Create referral networks
- Systems change coordination
- Continuum of Care (CoC) $
- Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) $

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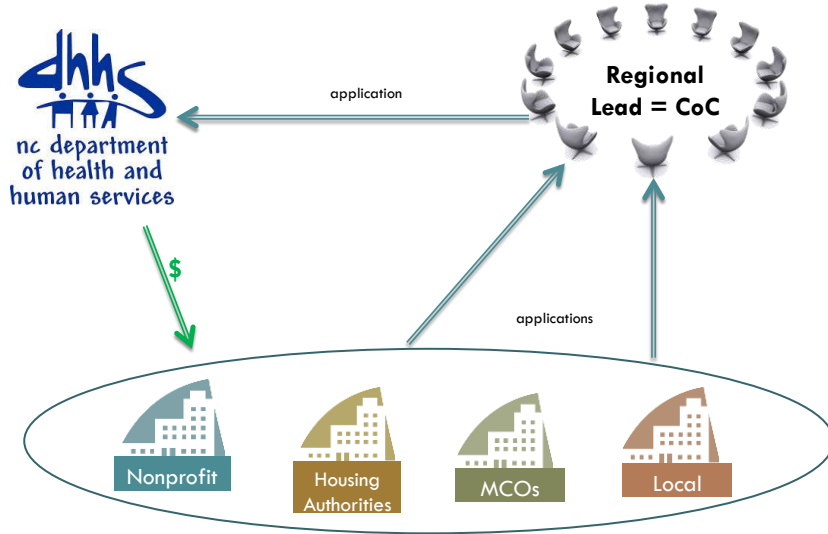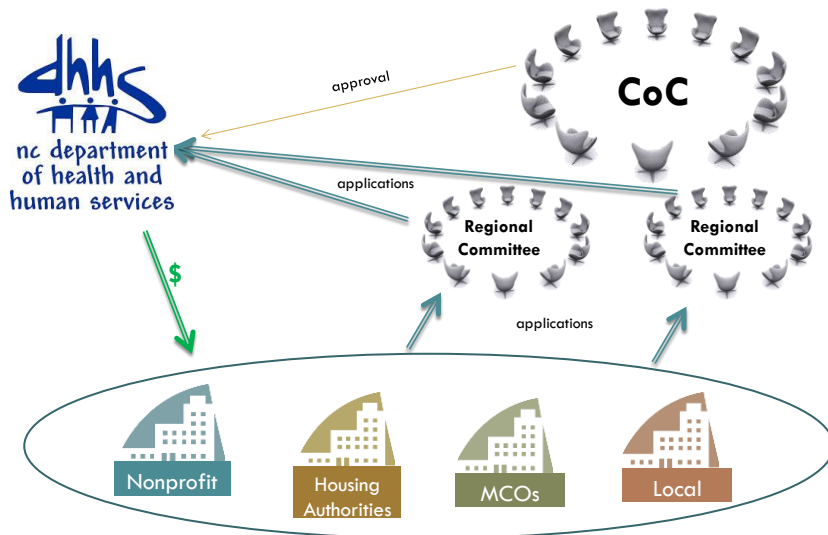# Application Process: CoC

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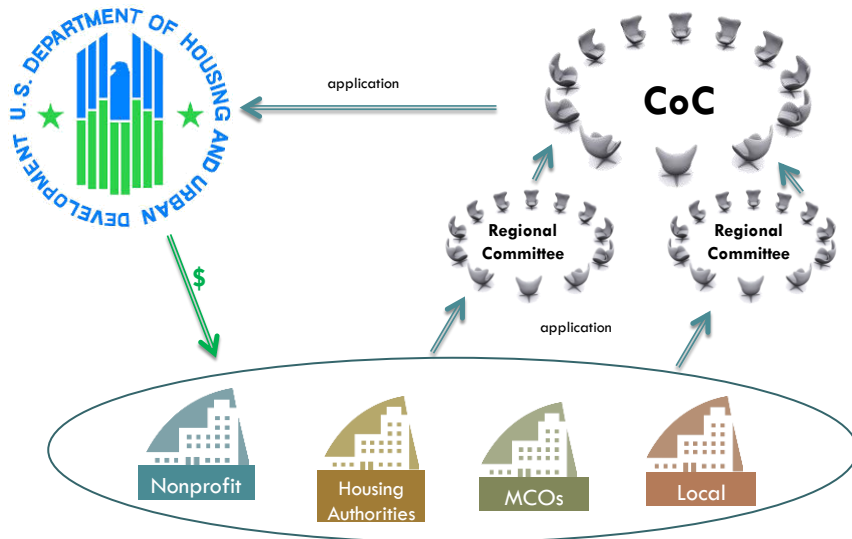
Application Process: ESG (Non BoS)

Application Process: NC BoS ESG

Resources

- NCCEH
  - ncceh.org
- HUD
  - onecpd.info
- US Interagency Council on Homelessness
  - usich.gov
- National Alliance to End Homelessness
  - endhomelessness.org

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