



# NC Balance of State Continuum of Care

Project Review Committee

August 22, 2016

10:00 AM

# Welcome

- Roll Call
- Reminders
  - \*6 to mute/unmute line
  - Please do not put us on hold
    - Hold music is disruptive



# Today's Agenda

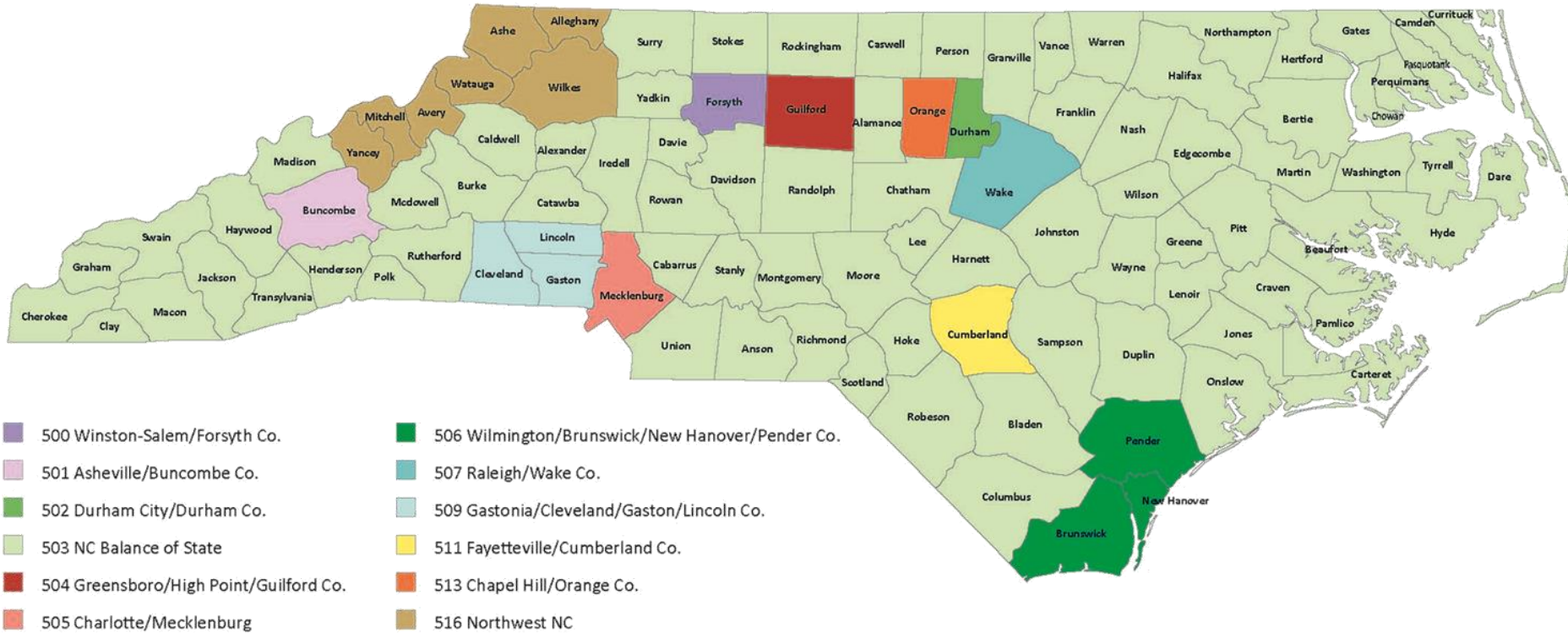
- Overview of CoC Application Process
- Overview of Scoring and Ranking
- 2017 Scorecard Review & Discussion
- Funding Priorities Document
- Next Steps for Project Review Committee Members



# CoC Application Process

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# Balance of State is one of 12 CoCs in North Carolina

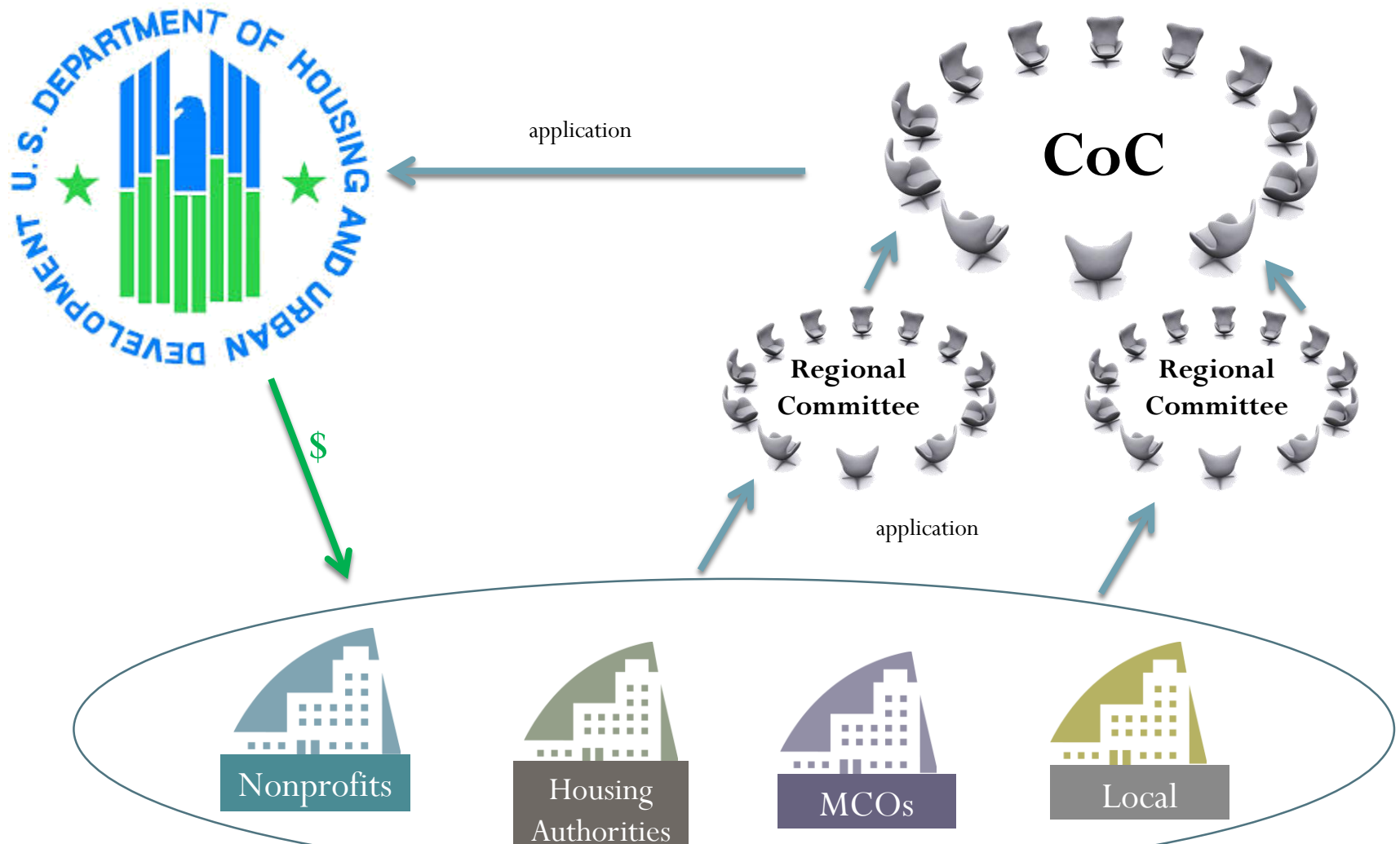


# A Continuum of Care coordinates homeless programs and services

- Regional or local planning body that coordinates housing and services funding for homeless families and individuals
- Promotes community wide commitment to ending homelessness
- Required for applying for HUD homeless funding
  - CoC
  - ESG



# The CoC application process happens at the CoC level (NCCEH) for BoS



# Project Review Committee has a crucial role in the application process.

- Composed of one representative from each Regional Committee (not grantees)
- Scores new and renewal project applications using current scorecards
- Recommends ranked list of new and renewal project applications for CoC collaborative application to the Steering Committee





# Why do we score and rank applications?

- Allows CoC to prioritize funding based on priorities and need
- Ensures CoC is prioritizing funding for grants that are high performing and managing funds well
- Required by HUD in application process



BoS has over \$9 million in homeless funding at stake in the 2017 CoC competition

Potential Amount Available to BoS CoC Grantees:

- Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) \$8,267,704
- Permanent Housing Bonus \$ 654,769
- CoC Planning (not ranked) \$ 327,384

Projects will be ranked within 2 tiers:

- Tier 1: 94% of ARD \$7,771,642
- Tier 2: 6% of ARD + Bonus \$1,150,831



# Scoring Process Overview

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# The Project Review Committee will score and rank all applications.

- Goal: To review and score all renewal and new grant applications and recommend a ranked list of projects to the Steering Committee for final approval.
- The projects will be listed in ranked order and divided into 2 tiers as HUD outlined with funding amounts.
  - Projects in Tier 2 are at greater risk for not getting funded.



# Scorecard Cmte. developed the 2017 scorecards for new and renewal grants.

## 4 Goals of Scorecards:

1. Fund organizations that have the capacity to run effective programs (can manage and administer the program, can operate on a reimbursement basis, have experience serving this population or a similar one).
2. Fund projects that reflect the NC BoS CoC & HUD's priorities: project that meet community need, as outlined by the funding priorities document approved by the NC BoS CoC Steering Committee
3. Incentivize agencies to be good partners (participating in community efforts to end homelessness, on HMIS, helping to create infrastructure for their community's homeless service system to operate effectively throughout the year).
4. Ensure that funded projects are being good stewards of NC BoS CoC funding and performing to NC BoS CoC standards, including descriptions in written standards and the NC BoS CoC grantee agreement.



# PRC and NCCEH staff will use the scorecard to review applications.

- Combined Scoring section of each application scored by:
  - One member of Project Review Committee
  - One NCCEH staff
- Combined Scoring section scores are averaged
- Staff Scoring section scored by NCCEH staff
- Combined Scoring + Staff Scoring = Total Score



# Once applications are scored, PRC meets again to review and rank.

- PRC to meet again on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM
- Staff will provide PRC with scores, information about standards/thresholds, funding priorities, and special project considerations
  - Total of 43 applications to score and rank
    - HMIS project and CoC planning project will not be scored
    - CoC planning also not ranked, HMIS will be ranked
- Committee discusses and finalizes funding options and proposed list
- List sent to Steering Committee for approval at September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting



# PRC will have options in creating the ranked list.

- Renewal Grants:
  - Can choose to reallocate part or all of renewal grants to fund a new project
- New Grants:
  - Can reduce budget amounts to fit into available funding as long as it makes sense for the program type
  - Can choose which of the new grants to recommend for funding
  - Can be funded through new permanent housing bonus funding or reallocated funding





# PRC will use the 2017 Funding Priorities documents for ranking

- Approved by the BoS Steering Committee in July 2017
  - Set overall priorities for BoS
    - Ensure essential infrastructure elements are in place, including HMIS and coordinated assessment
    - Ensure adequate coverage of PSH across the CoC
    - Increase the availability of RRH
    - Ensure CoC funding is being used well, including potentially reallocating some funding from projects that have patterns of low spending or poor performance
  - Set regional priorities
    - See Table 1 on page 5 of the document



# Scorecard Review and Discussion

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# Grantees scored on the application and docs provided by deadline.

- NCCEH staff will send PRC members materials for each grant they will score.
- Using the application and documentation, PRC will score each question:
  - Some questions are worth numerical points
  - Some questions are standards or thresholds that are met/unmet/unmet-documentation not provided/NA



# Let's take a closer look at the 2017 Scorecards

- Renewal project scorecard
  - Combined scoring section = pgs. 2-7
- New project scorecard
  - Combined scoring section = pgs. 2-9



# Next Steps in the Scoring Process

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# Here is how the scoring process will work: number of apps

- Renewal projects
  - 33 applications from 14 agencies
- New projects
  - 10 applications from 9 agencies
- PRC members will most likely each have 3-4 applications to score



# Here are the next steps for you

- You will receive emails this week from NCCEH staff that include:
  - Scorecard, assignments, and instructions
  - Names of project applications you will score
  - Information from Smartsheet
    - Materials you need to score
  - Name of NCCEH staff partner
  - Instructions on how to schedule a call with your partner
    - Between August 28<sup>th</sup> – September 1<sup>st</sup>



# Next steps for scoring process

- Score your applications
  - Combined Scoring sections only
- Conduct your NCCEH project review call
  - Will take 30 minutes
  - OK if scores differ, they are averaged
- Scan and email Combined Scoring pages of your scorecards to NCCEH by September 1<sup>st</sup>
  - [bos@ncceh.org](mailto:bos@ncceh.org)





# Final PRC meeting is September 8th

- Attend September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting by phone
  - Staff will send reminder and call-in information
  - Finalize proposed list of ranked projects



# Questions, Comments?

- Stay in touch!
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