



NC Balance of State Continuum of Care

Project Review Committee

August 29, 2018

2:00 PM

Welcome

- Reminders
 - *6 to mute/unmute line
 - Please do not put us on hold
 - The chat box is available

- Roll Call



Today's Agenda

- Review of Scoring Process
- Review Renewal Project Scoring
- Review New Project Scoring
- Project Ranking Discussion



Review of Scoring Process

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

- Composed of one representative from each Regional Committee and interested At-Large Steering Committee members (not grantees or applicants)
- Scores new and renewal project applications using approved scorecards
- Recommends ranked list of new and renewal project applications for CoC collaborative application to the Steering Committee for final approval



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



NC BoS CoC has over \$9 million in homeless funding at stake in the 2018 CoC competition

Potential Amount Available to NC BoS CoC Grantees:

- Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) \$8,388,382
- Bonus Funding \$ 699,562
- DV Bonus \$ 1,165,937
- CoC Planning (not ranked) \$ 349,781

Projects will be ranked within 2 tiers:

- Tier 1: 94% of ARD \$7,885,079
- Tier 2: 6% of ARD + Bonus \$1,202,865
- DV Bonus: \$1,165,937



PRC and NCCEH staff used the scorecard to review applications.

- Combined Scoring section of each application scored by:
 - One member of Project Review Committee
 - One member of NCCEH staff
- Combined Scoring section scores are averaged
- Staff Scoring section scored by NCCEH staff
- Combined Scoring + Staff Scoring = Total Score
- PRC will use the following to rank projects:
 - Funding Priorities
 - Standards and minimums
 - Total scores



2018 Applications

- CoC Planning Application not ranked.
- HMIS Grant is not scored, typically ranked as first project.
- 34 renewal applications
 - 28 Permanent Supportive Housing
 - 4 Rapid Rehousing
 - 1 SSO-CE Renewal
 - 1 HMIS Renewal
- 7 new project applications
 - 1 Permanent Supportive Housing
 - 4 Rapid Rehousing
 - 1 DV-RRH Bonus Funding
 - 1 Supportive Services Only (SSO) for Coordinated Entry



Scorecard: Order of Priority

- **Thresholds:** If projects do not meet them, they cannot move forward in the competition
- **Standards and Section Score Minimums:** Important aspects that projects are expected to meet. Project standards should be evaluated to determine where ranked or if project is funded
- **Score:** Help determine the order of ranking after considering thresholds and standards



Renewal Project Review

Summary of Renewal Projects

- 34 renewal projects turned in applications.
 - (1) HMIS project (not scored)
 - (1) SSO-CE project
 - (4) RRH projects
 - (28) PSH projects
 - (1) PSH project did not renew
- Scored renewal projects:
 - 0 applications with threshold issues
 - Every project but one missed standards



Renewal applicants missed a range of standards

Number of Standards Missed	Number of Renewals
0	1 (NCCEH SSO-CE Renewal)
1-2	20
3-6	11
More than 6	1 (Allied Churches RRH Renewal) – Missed 14 standards

- Determined that most applicants missed two standards:
 - Match documentation
 - Services funding documentation
- Staff did not use these two standards in the final ranking list

Standards missed without match and services documentation

Number of Standards Missed	Number of Renewals
0	1 (NCCEH SSO-CE Renewal)
1-2	25
3-5	6
13	1 (Allied Churches RRH Renewal)

Renewal applicants missed several section minimums

Section Minimum	Number of Renewals
Section 1: General Application	0
Section 2: Program Design	0
Section 3: NC BoS CoC Priorities	10
Section 4: Project Performance	8
Section 5: Application Deadlines/Documentation	1 (Allied Churches)

- Staff identified an issue with minimum in Section 3
 - Only one question with points (housing over services):
Projects with less than 75% of housing funding missed the minimum
 - Staff recommend not using this minimum in the rankings
- Staff recommend using Section 4 minimum in the rankings
 - Funding priorities indicate ranking projects based on performance
- Section 5 is an outlier.

New Project Review

Summary of New Projects

- 7 new projects turned in applications by the due date
 - (1) PSH project
 - (4) RRH projects
 - (1) DV-RRH bonus funding project
 - (1) SSO-Coordinated Assessment Expansion project
- Scored renewal projects:
 - 1 / 8 new projects had initial threshold issues
 - Staff notified project they could not proceed in the competition
 - 6 applications had minimums issues
 - 4 applications had 3 or more standards issues



New project comparison

Project	Standards missed	Minimums missed	Total Missed
Allied Churches RRH	15	2	17
Diakonos PSH	9	5	14
NCCADV RRH DV Bonus	4	3	7
NCCEH SSO-CE	0	1	1
Pitt County RRH	2	2	4
Robeson County RRH	12	4	16
Union County RRH	2	0	2



Staff recommendation that only 4 new projects be put forward in the ranking

- New projects ranked in the final recommended listing:
 - Pitt County RRH
 - Union County RRH
 - NCCEH SSO-CE
 - NCCADV RRH – DV Bonus
- Staff chose these program because:
 - Met most standards and minimums
 - Most viable projects
 - Meet funding priorities
 - Expand capacity



Ranking and Prioritization

Option 1: Reallocation of projects

Decision: Do we reallocate projects?

Looking specifically at performance and history of underspending, staff have identified some areas where the CoC could reallocate.



Full Reallocation Recommendations

- Sandhills Community Action Program PSH
 - Grantee decided to not renew project
 - \$3,909
- Allied Churches RRH
 - Grantee missed 14 standards and 13 minimums
 - Low performance and inadequate program design
 - \$101,958
- Eastpointe: Beacon II PSH
 - Program has not started after 2 competitions
 - Current Eastpointe Beacon PSH program operating in the same region is underspending (only 68% in last complete year)
 - \$53,799



Changes in renewal funding suggestions

- Community Link: Kerr Tar PSH renewal
 - History of underspending
 - Spent only 59% in last operating year
 - Consider reallocating \$140,383

- Community Link: PBH2012 PSH renewal
 - History of underspending
 - Spent only 44% in last operating year
 - Consider reallocating \$135,969



Changes in renewal funding suggestions

- Eastpointe: Southeast SPC renewal
 - Program has not started after 2 competitions
 - Only PSH in Region 8
 - Consider reallocating 50% of grant: \$71,927



Option 1: Reallocation of projects

- Questions and feedback
- Should the CoC reallocate these projects?



Option 2: New projects

Decision: Where should new projects be placed in the final ranked list?

Traditionally, the CoC has not ranked new projects above renewals except in very specific circumstances. However, the CoC might consider ranking new projects higher because of need and potential performance.



Option 2: New projects

- Questions and feedback
- Where should the CoC place new projects?



Option 3: SSO-CE project placement

Decision: How should the CoC prioritize the SSO-CE project and rank the expansion project versus new and renewals?

The CoC funding priorities place emphasis on building and supporting infrastructure. The PRC should consider moving the SSO-CE new expansion into Tier 1.



Option 3: SSO-CE project placement

- Questions and feedback
- Where should the CoC place the new SSO-CE expansion project?



Option 4: Taking advantage of bonus funding

Decision: Should the CoC allow Community Link and Eastpointe to apply for new projects with funding cut due to underspending to take advantage of bonus funding?

Currently, all new projects (except the NCCADV project for the DV bonus) can be covered by reallocated funding, if chosen, except for \$XXXXX. Eastpointe and CL could create new expansion grants for the reduced funds and these new applications could be placed at the bottom of tier 2



Option 4: Taking advantage of bonus funding

- Questions and feedback
- Should the CoC allow these projects to submit new grants for the bottom of tier 2 (only with the amount reallocated)?



Next Steps

- The Steering Committee will consider approving the PRC's recommendation tomorrow at 10:30 AM
 - Please attend. Steering Committee members might want to here about how decisions were made.
- Staff will notify applicants regarding decisions on Friday
 - We ask that PRC members not discuss decisions with grantees or Regional Committees.
 - Staff will send scorecards to applicants and offer follow-up calls. We encourage PRC members to participate.



Next Steps

- Applicants may appeal decisions
 - If needed, the PRC will meet to consider appeals on September 7 at 11:30. Please save this time.
- Thank you for your hard work!
- Contact us
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