

# **The Southeastern Oklahoma Continuum of Care**

***The Southeastern Oklahoma Continuum of Care is committed to prevent and end the tragedy of homelessness among individuals and families.***

Serving Atoka, Bryan, Carter, Choctaw, Coal, Haskell, Hughes, Johnston, Latimer, LeFlore, Love, Marshall, McCurtain, McIntosh, Murray, Muskogee, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Pittsburg, Pontotoc, and Pushmataha Counties.

## **Request for Renewal or Bonus Project Applications ONLY**

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The Southeastern Oklahoma Continuum of Care (CoC) is accepting applications for renewal and permanent housing/rapid re-housing bonus projects for inclusion with the Continuum's 2017 Continuum of Care consolidated application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Due to funding limitations, HUD will not consider requests for new funding outside of the reallocation process, bonus projects, CoC planning and Unified Funding Agency costs. The CoC is open to and will consider applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding. All applications will be submitted in the HUD e-snaps online system.

The FY2017 CoC Program Competition will be administered under the [FY 2017 CoC Program Competition NOFA](#) and [24 CFR part 578](#).

In accordance with [Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness](#), HUD's policy priorities continue to focus on 1) ending homelessness for all persons, 2) creating a systemic response to homelessness, 3) strategically allocating and using resources, and 4) use of a Housing First approach. In order to achieve these priorities, HUD strongly encourages CoCs to include them as part of their local planning process. For more information on HUD's homeless policy and program priorities, please refer to [Section II of the Continuum of Care NOFA](#).

In order to ensure the Continuum's application is in line with HUD's national goals, priority will be given to renewal and bonus projects that are also in line with HUD's national goals.

The renewal project must be located in one or more of the Continuum counties listed above, currently in operation and have a signed agreement expiring between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017. Permanent Housing Bonus projects must also be located in one or more of the Continuum counties listed above and create new permanent supportive housing projects that meet the requirements of DedicatedPLUS (see definition below); will exclusively serve chronically homeless individuals and families, rapid re-housing projects that will serve individuals, families, including unaccompanied youth who come directly from the streets, emergency shelters, or are fleeing domestic violence, or other persons who meet the criteria outlined in the NOFA; or Joint Transitional Housing (TH) and Permanent Housing – Rapid Re-housing (PH-RRH) component projects. New projects created through a permanent housing bonus must meet the project eligibility and threshold requirements established by [HUD in Section V. of the Continuum of Care NOFA](#). The maximum amount allowed for a bonus project is 6% of the Continuum's pro-rata share. This is equal to \$83,714.00 for the FY'17 competition.

Applicants who submit project applications will be notified within 15 days of the final HUD deadline of September 28, 2017 whether their project will be accepted or rejected. Applicants whose projects are rejected will be notified in writing. Projects that believe they were not allowed to participate in a fair and open process and were rejected by the CoC may appeal the rejection directly to HUD by submitting as a Solo Application prior to the HUD application deadline.

**CoC Application Deadline:      Renewal and Bonus Applications –  
Monday, August 28, 2017 at 11:59 pm**

For more information:

Visit:    <https://www.hudexchange.info/homelessness-assistance/>

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**DedicatedPLUS** - A permanent supportive housing project where 100 percent of the beds are dedicated to serve individuals with disabilities and families in which one adult or child has a disability, including unaccompanied homeless youth, that at intake are:

1. experiencing chronic homelessness as defined in 24 CFR 578.3;
2. residing in a transitional housing project that will be eliminated and meets the definition of chronically homeless in effect at the time in which the individual or family entered the transitional housing project;
3. residing in a place not meant for human habitation, emergency shelter, or safe haven; but the individuals or families experiencing chronic homelessness as defined at 24 CFR 578.3 had been admitted and enrolled in a permanent housing project within the last year and were unable to maintain a housing placement;
4. residing in transitional housing funded by a Joint TH and PH-RRH component project and who were experiencing chronic homelessness as defined at 24 CFR 578.3 prior to entering the project;
5. residing and has resided in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or emergency shelter for at least 12 months in the last three years, but has not done so on four separate occasions; or
6. receiving assistance through a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)-funded homeless assistance program and met one of the above criteria at initial intake to the VA's homeless assistance system.

Project applicants may use DedicatedPLUS when creating a new project application through reallocation or permanent housing bonus and renewal project applications may choose to change a 100 percent dedicated project to a DedicatedPLUS project in the FY 2017 CoC Program Competition.

For more information on DedicatedPLUS, please visit <https://www.hudexchange.info/faqs/3247/can-you-explain-the-difference-between-beds-dedicated-to-chronically/>