

FY 2023 HUD CoC NOFO: New Project Pre-Proposal Conference

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Today's Agenda

Tools for Reference

Funding Overview and Eligible Project Types

Completing the Federal Application

Completing the Local Application

Evaluation Process, Timeline, and Resources

Tools for Reference

DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES THAT SHOULD BE READILY ACCESSIBLE WHILE YOU PREPARE YOUR APPLICATION

APPLICATION TOOLKIT

All of the following tools are useful for new projects to reference as they submit their applications and can be found at https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition and https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/:

HUD Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Continuum of Care Competition and Renewal or Replacement of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grants

 HUD priorities and threshold review processes

Notice of Funding Opportunity Overview,

Local priorities and specific submission

• Screen by screen guide for how to get into the federal application

New Projects Detailed Instructions

 Question by question guidance for how to respond and submit

New Projects Navigational Guide

 Support in navigating the eSNAPS platform. which can be daunting!



FY 2023 HUD CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM ANNUAL FUNDING COMPETITION & NON-COMPETITIVE RENEWAL OF YOUTH HOMELESSNESS DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

Competition Overview Instructions and Process for Tucson/Pima County

Applications Due 12:00pm (Noon) Artzona Time - August 25, 2023



Accessing the Project Application in e-snaps

Posted Resources

HUD has determined that some CoC- and e-snape-related resources need to be posted to HUD gov, HUD's official website, rather than to the HUD Exchange, which focuses on technical resources for communities and grant recipients. Fir 2023 APICP information (e.g., detailed instructions), relucting the Fir 2023 e-snape Navigational Guides, will be published and updated on HUD gov. Many of the other CoC- and e-snape-related technical resources will remain on the HUD Exchange.

The e-snaps Ask A Question (AAQ) desk on HUID Exchange is no longer active. Questions about e-snaps and the CoC Program NOFO must be submitted to the appropriate HUID gov email address as follows:

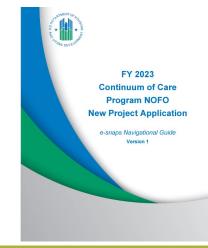
- <u>e-snaps@hud.gov</u> for questions about e-snaps technical issues such as creating an individual user profile, lockouts/password resets, requesting access to a CoCS or Project Applicant's e-snaps account, inavigating e-snaps, updating the Applicant Profile, identifying the funding opportunity, creating a project, and accessing the application on the "Submissions" screen.
- The specific details regarding the issue you are encountering
- . The steps you have taken up to the point the issue occurs

CoC New Project Application Detailed Instructions:

Fiscal Year 2023 CoC Program Competition



July 2023





Funding Overview and Eligible Project Types

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY, FUNDING AVAILABLE, ELIGIBLE PROJECT TYPES, APPLICATION COMPONENTS, AND NON-COMPETITIVE PROCESS OVERVIEW

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

July 5, 2023

- HUD released the FY 2023 Continuum of Care Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).
- Posted at https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2023-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/

July 28, 2023

• HUD released the CoC and YHDP renewal and new project applications

August 1, 2023

- TPCH opened the local competition for Tucson/Pima County.
- Posted at https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/

WHAT'S NEW AND CHANGED

HIGHLIGHTED
CHANGES FROM
PRIOR YEARS
LOCAL
COMPETITION

- HIGHLIGHTED ADDITIONS FROM PRIOR
- FROM PRIOR YEARS LOCAL COMPETITION

- Local ZoomGrants application eliminated and replaced with streamlined TPCH application supplement.
- Increased emphasis on racial equity, participation of persons with lived and living experience of homelessness, and Housing First.
- Changes in eligible costs to ensure compliance with Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization of 2022
- Changes to FMR Calculation: FY 2022 FMR data will be used in the eSNAPS tables, and if selected for conditional award, updates from FY 2023 FMRs will be applied in awarded amount post award.

How?

- •Can be added as an expansion to renewals (if adding more than 10% of funds from one eligible activity to another) see page 42 of the HUD NOFO
- •OR can be added to eligible renewal projects by shifting up to 10% of funds from one eligible activity to the VAWA costs line item

Reference the CoC New Project Application Detailed Instructions!

What? Costs of assessing, coordinating, approving, denying, and implementing a survivor's emergency transfer which includes:

- Moving costs for an emergency transfer
- Travel costs
- Security deposits
- •Utilities to establish a new unit
- •Housing fees (application, broker fees, holding fees, trash fees, pet fees where the person believes they need their pet to be safe)
- Case management
- Housing navigation
- •Technology to make a unit safe (doorbell cameras, security systems, phone and internet service

Costs for Monitoring Compliance with VAWA Confidentiality Requirements

- Monitoring and evaluation
- •Developing and implementing strategies for corrective actions and remedies
- Program evaluation of confidentiality practices, policies, procedures
- •Training on compliance with VAWA
- •Reporting to CA and HUD
- •Establishing methodology to protect survivor information
- •Staff time associated with maintaining adherence to confidentiality requirements

Examples of New Eligible Costs to facilitate Emergency Transfer Plans:

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (FUNDING AVAILABLE)

Annual Renewal Demand (\$11,644,810)

- Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project Renewal and Replacement: \$2,119,140 available for renewal and replacement of existing YHDP projects.
- CoC Renewal and Reallocation Funds: \$9,525,670 for renewal and reallocation of existing CoC projects. (Excludes CoC Planning).

Bonus Funding Opportunities (\$1,620,984)

- CoC Bonus: \$815,137 available for CoC Bonus project applications.
- **DV Bonus:** \$805,847 available for Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus project applications.

Funding Amounts			
Tier 1	\$8,858,873		
Tier 2	\$1,481,934		
DV Bonus	\$805, 847		
TOTAL (if DV Bonus is awarded)	\$10,340,807		

Tier 1 is equal to 93% of the Annual Renewal Demand (less the amount set aside for YHDP Renewal and Replacement). Tier 2 is equal to 7% of the Annual Renewal Demand (less YHDP Renewal and Replacement funds) plus the amount available for CoC Bonus and DV Bonus. Renewal projects are not guaranteed placement in Tier 1 and will be competitively evaluated and ranked in Tier 1 or 2 based on community need and project impact.

Project Type	CoC Renewal	CoC Bonus	DV Bonus	YHDP
Supportive Services Only	SSO-CE Only		SSO-CE Only	Renewal Only
Safe Haven	X			
Transitional Housing	X			X
Rapid Rehousing	X		X	X
Joint Transitional – Rapid Rehousing	X		X	
Permanent Supportive Housing	Х	Х		Х
HMIS	X			

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (ELIGIBLE PROJECT TYPES)

APPLICATION COMPONENTS



Intent to Renew (CoC Renewal Projects)

- Intent to Renew forms were due from all renewal applications on July 14, 2023.
- Plans to reduce or reallocate funding outside of the renewal project applicant's organization are binding.
- Plans to replace and existing YHDP Renewal project not submitted as part of the Intent to Renew must be submitted by 11:59pm August 11, 2023.



Federal Application (All Projects)

- Submitted in e-snaps. Very minor changes to federal application in FY 2023. Renew without changes option remains available for renewal applications.
- YHDP Renewal and YHDP Replacement applications due in ESNAPS on or before August 25 at 12pm NOON.

APPLICATION COMPONENTS CONTINUED



Project Scorecard (Renewal Projects Only)

- Will be completed by HMIS Lead (performance item) and CoC Lead (participation, expenditures, etc.) and posted for public inspection on or before September 16, 2023. Performance measurements captured for the period of July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023.
- Score card elements included in Appendix A of TPCH FY 2023 CoC Program Competition Overview, Process, and Instructions for Tucson/Pima County



TPCH Application Supplement (CoC Renewal & CoC/DV Bonus Projects)

- Submitted by email to tpch-nofo@tucsonaz.gov.
- Includes TPCH Application Supplement Questionnaire and required attachments.
- Replaces the ZoomGrants local application.

TPCH APPLICATION SUPPLEMENT

TPCH APPLICATION SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE MUST BE COMPLETED USING FILLABLE FORM PROVIDED https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/

TPCH APPLICATION SUPPLEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Includes additional items considered by CoC in selection and ranking of project applications not fully addressed in HUD NOFO. Review instructions carefully and complete only those questions related to the project type for which the organization is applying.

TPCH APPLICATION SUPPLEMENT ATTACHMENTS

- Racial equity and social justice polices and procedures
- Proof of expenditure during prior grant year (renewal and transition applicants only)
- HUD monitoring documents (renewal and transition applicants only)

Required Applicant Types				
CoC Renewal	Required			
YHDP Renewal	Exempt			
YHDP Replacement	Exempt			
CoC Bonus	Required			
DV Bonus	Required			
CoC Renewal Consolidation	Required			
CoC Transition Grant	Required			

TPCH APPLICATION SUPPLEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Section	SH	тн	RRH	TH-RRH	PSH	HMIS	SSO-CE
A. General Info	All						
B. Expedited Housing Placement	All	All	All	All	All		
C. Housing First & Evidence-Based Practices	All	All	All	All	All		
D. Racial Equity, Social Justice, and Role of Persons with Lived Experience	All						
E. Coordinated Entry	All	All	All	All	All		
F. Bonus Points & Cost per Successful Exit	Renewal Only	Renewal Only	Renewal Only	Renewal Only	Renewal Only		
G. Community Wide Performance Improvement Plan	Renewal Only						
H. Federal Compliance	Renewal Only						
I. HMIS & SSO-CE Project Work Plans						All	All

RENEWAL PROJECT PERFORMANCE SCORECARD

Performance Score Cards are prepared by the HMIS Lead using reports run on July 13, 2023.

Score Cards will be posted at https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/ on or before August 16, 2023.

Any disputes to the accuracy of the score card must be received at tpch-nofo@tucsonaz.gov no later than August 23, 2022.

Contributions to System Performance (Objective)

- Permanent Housing Exits
- Increased Income
- Non-cash Benefits
- Rapid Housing Placement
- Returns to Homelessness
- HMIS Data Quality
- Unit Utilization
- Coordinated Entry Access Point Participation
- Coordinated Entry Compliance
- TPCH Voting Membership
- Grant Expenditure

Project Quality and Local Priorities (Qualitative)

- Housing First & Evidence-Based Practice
- Serving High Needs Households
- Advancing Race, Age, Gender, and Social Equity
- HUD Requirements & Compliance
- Participation of Persons with Lived Experience of Homelessness
- Project Budget
- Participation in Continuum-wide Performance Improvement Plan

Required Applicant Types				
CoC Renewal	Required			
YHDP Renewal	Exempt			
YHDP Replacement	Exempt			
CoC Bonus	Exempt			
DV Bonus	Exempt			
CoC Renewal Consolidation	Required			
CoC Transition Grant	Required			

Detailed evaluation criteria are posted as Appendix A to the TPCH FY 2023 CoC and YHDP NOFO Overview, Process, and Instructions for Tucson/Pima County:

https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscalyear-2023-coc-nofo/

Completing the Federal Application

FEDERAL
APPLICATION
OVERVIEW, ESNAPS
ACCESS AND
NAVIGATION
OVERVIEW, AND
ESNAPS TIPS AND
COMMON PITFALLS

COMPLETING THE FEDERAL APPLICATION (ESNAPS)

Completed at https://www.esnaps.hud.gov.

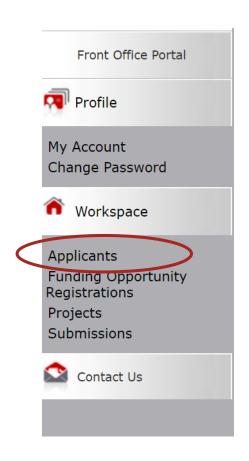
Must be completed in full and submitted prior to the application deadline.

Submission in E-SNAPS does not transmit the application to HUD, only to TPCH.

Late submissions are subject to scoring penalty and possible rejection.

Certifications and match commitment letter dated and signed between August 1, 2023, and August 25, 2023, required. Use match letter template provided at https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/.

UPDATING THE ESNAPS APPLICANT PROFILE

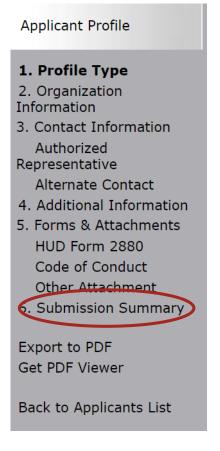


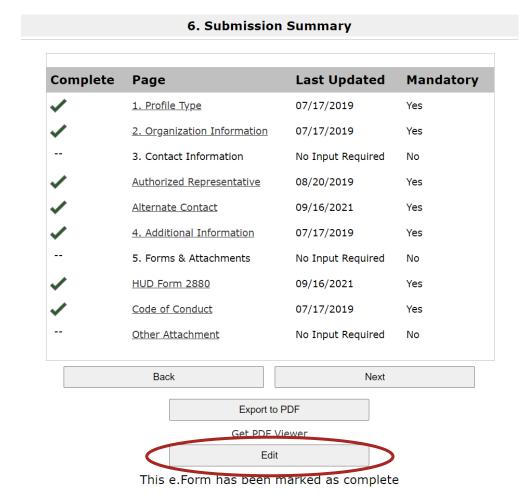
- Log into the ESNAPS portal.
- From the home screen, select "Applicants".
- From the Applicants page, select "Open" next to the organization name.



From the Applicant Profile page select "Submission Summary" on the left toolbar and unlock the Applicant Profile for editing (next slide).

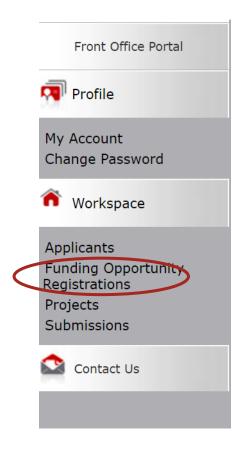
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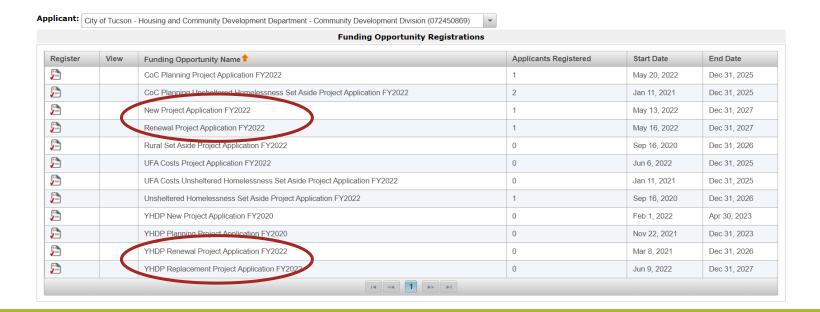


- On the Submission
 Summary screen, select
 "Edit" to unlock the
 Applicant Profile.
- Once in edit mode, update certifications and forms as needed.
- Once complete, return to the Submission Summary and select "Submit" to exit edit mode.

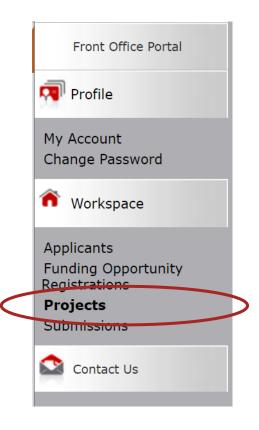
REGISTERING FOR THE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY



- From the ESNAPS home screen, select "Funding Opportunity Registrations".
- From the Funding Opportunity Registrations page, select the registration icon next to appropriate Project Application (New Project Application FY2023)
- When prompted, confirm that you want to register for the funding opportunity.



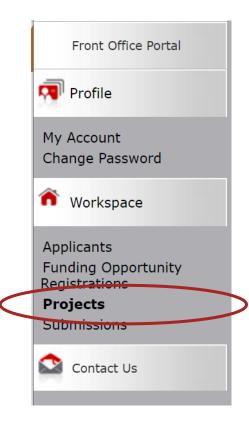
CREATE THE PROJECT APPLICATION



- From the ESNAPS home screen, select "Projects".
- On the Project Screen, set Project Status to Open Projects and Funding Opportunity Name to match the opportunity registered for in previous step.
- Select the "New Project" icon to create the project application.



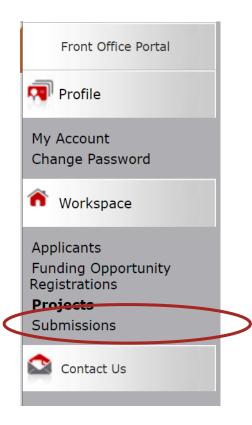
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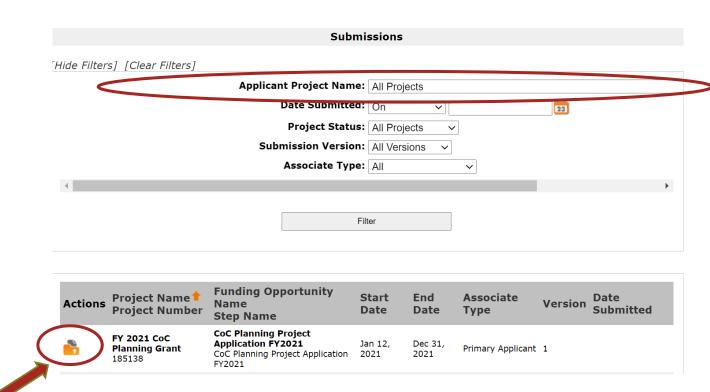
- On the New Project Application screen, enter the name of the FY 2023 project you are creating.
- If a renewal project, select the FY 2022 project application from which you would like to import existing data for the project application and save.
- Return to the ESNAPS Home Screen.

mmunity Development [Department - Community Development	Division (072450869)		
	Create a	a Project		
	Funding Opportunity Name:	Renewal Project Application FY2022		
	* Applicant: City of Tucson - Housing and Community Development Department - Community Dev			
	.* Applicant Project Name:			
None		•	Import Data From:	
	Save	Save & Add Another		
	Save & Back	Cancel		

EDITING THE PROJECT APPLICATION



- From the ESNAPS home screen, select "Submissions".
- On the Submissions
 Screen, select the FY
 2023 project name you
 entered on the last
 screen from the
 Applicant Project Name
 drop down menu.
- Select the "Edit" icon to edit the project application.



TIPS FOR COMPLETING THE ESNAPS APPLICATION

Start early and save often. ESNAPS has frequent technical challenges and slows during high use periods.

Consult the NOFO, ESNAPS Detailed Instructions, and ESNAPS Navigational Guides for instructions as you complete the ESNAPS application (posted at https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/coc/competition).

Forms and Certifications: Standard
Forms and Certifications will import
from the completed applicant
profile. Certification
acknowledgments must be saved
before the rest of the project
application will be visible.

COMMON PITFALLS

Indirect Costs: If the project intends to apply an indirect cost rate or claim de minimis indirect costs for the FY 2023 CoC project award, this must be indicated in the applicable application and applicant profile screens. If applying an indirect cost rate, the organization's current federally negotiated indirect cost agreement must be attached to the project application.

• Indirect costs may only be claimed on costs included within the organization's direct cost base and must be applied within the appropriate budget line items (e.g., supportive services, operating, administration).

Match Requirements: Matching funds are required for all CoC and YHDP projects. Match letters must be signed between August 1 and August 25, 2023, attached to the project application, and include the following details:

- Grant Name and PIN
- Date range for which funds are available: 1 year beginning first day of the grant period.
- Specific source and type of funds (e.g. Government, CDBG)
- Dollar amount of commitment: Must be 25% of federal funds (excluding Leasing funds)
- Specific use of funds (e.g., project staff salary, office supplies, etc.)

Match Letter Template provided at https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/.

Kinds of New Projects

SITUATIONS
WARRANTING A NEW
PROJECT
APPLICATION

KINDS OF NEW PROJECTS

Entirely new project that does not currently exist.

Renewal of an <u>existing project</u> interested in transitioning from one component to another.*

Existing project seeking an expansion to add units, beds, persons served, or services provided to program participants.

COC NEW PROJECT APPLICATION

COC TRANSITION
APPLICATION

COC EXPANSION APPLICATION

FEDERAL NEW PROJECT APPLICATION COMPLETED ONLINE USING E-SNAPS https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/

*Must be approved by CoC Board prior to submission. Applicants interested in applying for a consolidation or transition grant are encouraged to meet with the CoC Lead Agency for guidance. Approval requests due August 11 if not submitted through the Intent to Renew process.

NEW PROJECTS – COC BONUS

Must serve persons who meet
DedicatedPLUS eligibility or who are
chronically homeless at initial project
enrollment

PSH is the only eligible component for a new CoC Bonus project

Projects that leverage housing funded through sources other than CoC or ESG funds which account for at least 25% of supported units will be prioritized.

All new permanent supportive projects must provide directly or have a memorandum of understanding in place with a qualified provider at the time of application to ensure all Medicaideligible participants will be directly assisted to receive appropriate medical and behavioral health services.

Projects should demonstrate capacity and high-quality approaches to serving people experiencing homelessness throughout Pima County including tribal and rural communities outside the metropolitan reach.

Service-rich permanent supportive housing projects in which federal, match, and leveraged funds are sufficient to meet the complex service needs of people persons who meet the Chronic Homelessness or Dedicated Plus eligibility standards will be prioritized.

NEW PROJECTS – DV BONUS

Must serve survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who qualify as homeless under Categories 1 or 4

New DV Bonus project must request only one year of funding, but may request a longer initial grant term (no longer than 18 months) regardless of component

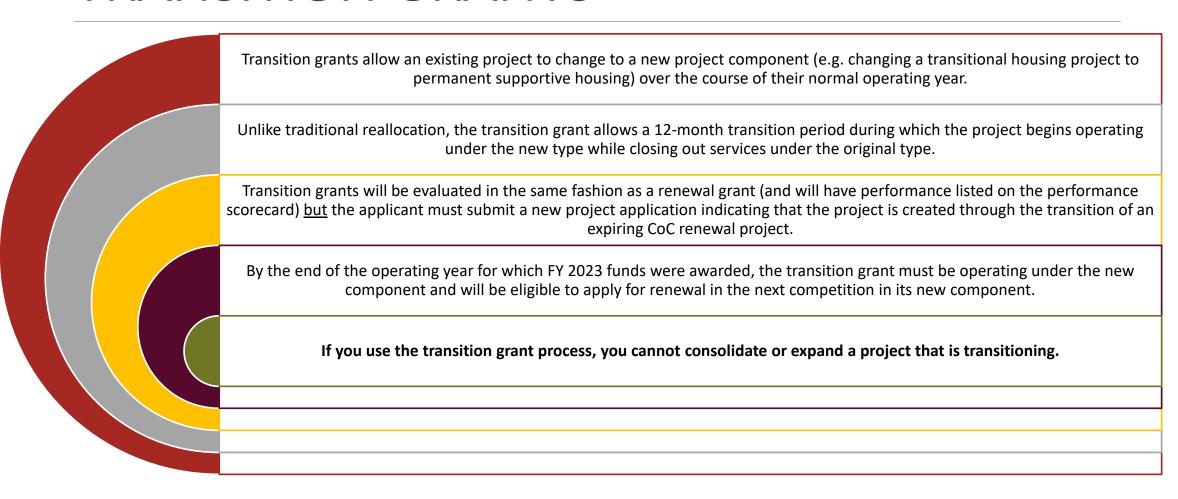
Eligible new project types include RRH, TH-RRH, and SSO-CE.

Must be trauma informed and expand capacity to rapidly transition households fleeing or attempting to flee DV to stable housing

SSO-CE projects must improve and expedite housing access and coordination

Projects <u>must</u> adhere to the <u>TPCH Service Standards for</u> <u>Domestic Violence Projects</u>

TRANSITION GRANTS



EXPANSION PROJECTS

As described on page 15 of the <u>FY 2023 HUD NOFO</u>, the expansion process can be used to add funds to a project to expand its current operations by adding:

Units

Beds

Persons served

Services provided to existing program participants

Expansion for DV Bonus:

Can only be submitted by SSO-CE and RRH Projects (more on next slide)

If DV Bonus is submitted, ONLY the new project expansion will be considered for DV Bonus funds, and HUD will only select a new DV bonus project that expands an existing renewal project if HUD conditionally selects the renewal project in Tier 1 or Tier 2.

DV bonus funding can be used to expand an existing renewal project that is NOT dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking if the expansion is SOLELY for additional units, beds, or services dedicated to persons eligible to be served with DV Bonus funding.

REMINDER -PROJECT TYPES ELIGIBLE FOR EXPANSION

Current SSO-CE Projects

- Can expand as DV Bonus only
- Only ONE expanded SSO-CE DV Bonus project allowed in the community

Current RRH Projects

• Can expand as DV Bonus only

Current PSH Projects

Can expand as CoC Bonus only

Current Safe Haven, HMIS, and Transitional Housing Projects

Cannot apply for expansion

Expansion grant terms MUST be one year, regardless of component

HOW TO SUBMIT VIA ESNAPS

NEW PROJECT

Completion of project applicant profile

IF ORGANIZATION IS A FIRST TIME APPLICANT:

organization must establish itself in eSNAPS – specific resource for this mentioned on page 9 of the New Project Detailed Instructions

Establishment of the project application

TRANSITION

Completion of project applicant profile

Submission of renewal application indicating transition

Establishment of NEW application with indication of transition

On Screen 7a of eSNAPS (see page 46 of New Project Detailed Instructions) the most recently approved project application must be attached.

EXPANSION

Completion of project applicant profile

Entry of the grant number of the project that is eligible as a renewal as a "Stand Alone Renewal" and complete the Expansion table.

Establishment of new project application for the expansion funds requested indicating that the grant is submitted as a "Stand-Alone Expansion" and complete the Expansion table.

Ensure expanded amounts fall under the CoC / DV Bonus funding amounts

Timeline and Resources

KEY DATES AND IMPORTANT RESOURCES

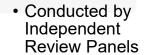
Application Review Process

Stage 1 - Threshold Review



- Conducted by CoC Lead Agency
- Verifies project meets HUD eligibility and quality threshold requirements
- Confirms completeness of federal and local application

Stage 2 – Project Scoring



- Evaluates project application using approved Evaluation Criteria and CoC Renewal Project Performance Score Card
- Results in numeric score as a percentage of 100.00% for the project application.

Stage 3 – Project Ranking



- Conducted by Independent Review Panels
- Ranks new and renewal projects in order of priority for preliminary publication by September 11, 2023.

Stage 4 – Final Ranking

 Determined by the CoC Board adjusting for community priorities and/or eligible and substantiated appeals (if applicable).

KEY DATES

August 11

• Requests to apply for consolidation, transition grants, YHDP replacement activities not submitted through the Intent to Renew process due to tpch-nofo@tucsonaz.gov.

August 16

• Preliminary FY 2023 CoC Performance Score Card posted to https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/.

August 23

• Disputes to FY 2023 CoC Performance Score Card results due to tpch-nofo@tucsonaz.gov. Must include supporting evidence of dispute.

August 25

• (12pm Noon): Renewal project applications due in ESNAPS and TPCH application supplement due to tpch-nofo@tucsonaz.gov.

September 11

• FY 2023 Preliminary Project Ranking posted at https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/.

Detailed NOFO calendar posted at https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/ and provided in the published TPCH FY 2023 CoC Program NOFO Overview, Instructions, and Process for Tucson/Pima County.

IMPORTANT RESOURCES

TPCH FY 2023 CoC Program Competition Web Page

https://tpch.net/about/nofa-documents/fiscal-year-2023-coc-nofo/

Includes details regarding the FY 2023 funding competition, links to local instructions and process documents, match letter template, approved Grants Inventory Worksheet, and project application

HUD FY 2023 CoC NOFO Web Page

https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/fy-2023-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/ Includes links to the FY 2022 Notice of Funding Opportunity and ESNAPS resources.

HUD FY 2023 CoC Funding Competition Web Page

https://www.hud.gov/program offices/comm planning/coc/competition

Includes detailed instructions and navigational guides for completing the ESNAPS application and other useful tools.

GENERAL AND LOCAL COMPETITION QUESTIONS

Email tpch-nofo@tucsonaz.gov

HELP WITH ESNAPS

Password resets, system errors, technical issues, etc.
Email e-snaps@hud.gov

NOFO clarification, etc.

Email cocnofo@hud.gov



Questions?

Please take a moment to ensure any questions typed into the chat have been moved to the Q&A feature.



To End Homelessness

Thank you!

IF YOU OR YOUR ORGANIZATION HAS ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS, PLEASE EMAIL: TPCH-NOFO@TUCSONAZ.GOV