**Please complete this Supplemental CoC NOFO Application and attach copies of relevant policies, MOUS, etc. Please make sure to include a copy of your full CoC NOFO application to HUD printed out of e-Snaps. Please include a copy of your 4 most recent drawdowns from eLOCCS as well. This application must be Submitted to the CoC via email by sending this document and all relevant attachments to** [CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov](mailto:CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov). **by August 8th, 2023.**

**FY2023 CoC NOFO Supplemental Questions**

Organization Name: Project Name(s):

Renewal Projects Only:

* Did you return any CoC funds to HUD in last year? If so, how much? Please clarify why these funds were returned and any plan to address returned funds moving forward.
* Will you be reallocating any of your renewal grant funds back to the CoC? If so, how much funding and from what project(s)?

New Projects Only:

* Please give a brief overview of partnerships and collaborations that will make this project successful and avoid duplication of services. Please address any partnerships with Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) and/or healthcare agencies in our CoC. Healthcare agencies can include behavioral health, physical health, culturally-specific health and wellness interventions, and/or partnerships with Public Health Department at local or state levels.
* *Any agency that attaches an MOU to show a formal partnership will receive 5 bonus points in their local NOFO application scoring. Partnership plans without formal MOUs are worth 2.5 bonus points.*

All Projects:

1. Please give a brief overview of your proposed project. What gaps does your proposed project intend to meet? How have you identified these gaps and how does or will your proposed project address said gaps? Be sure to include the target population, services offered currently/services that this project will add/expand, number of units this project currently has (if any) and/or will add (if any). Please address this question in a way that clearly addresses each project you are seeking funding for.

*This question is worth 5 points in the local NOFO application scoring.*

1. St. Louis County CoC requires Coordinated Entry participation for all CoC funded projects. As a CoC, we prioritize Coordinated Entry participation and include points in our NOFO scoring to reflect this. Please check the boxes below for all statements that apply to your project/organization. Each statement below is worth one point on your NOFO score tool.

    Our project(s) makes the majority (if not all) of our project placements through Coordinated Entry referrals

  Our organization participates in HMIS

  Our organization participates in monthly Housing Response Committee meetings

  Our organization attends the monthly Coordinated Entry meeting for our region of the CoC

   Our organization attends weekly case manager meetings as often as possible

(For Victim Service Providers Only): Please describe your entry and referral process for your project(s) that do not use HMIS/Coordinated Entry. Describe the database you use and how you enroll new participants in you service(s).

*This question is worth 5 points in the local NOFO application scoring.*

1. Please give a brief overview of how your agency engages in trauma-informed consultation and planning efforts with people who have experienced homelessness or are currently experiencing homelessness. Does your agency seek consultation outside of your program participants? If so, please describe this process. What input did you seek and receive in the formation of this project proposal and how did it influence your project design (if at all)?

*This question is worth 5 points in the local NOFO application scoring.*

1. Please describe the strategies you use to identify and address racial disparities within your organization’s work and how you implement culturally responsive programming. Please provide specific examples. How does your project measure racial disparities? If your organization does not currently address racial disparities in your program(s) and/or integrate culturally responsive programming, what is your plan to do so in the future?

Please note that cultural responsiveness is important for all social and cultural groups, including, but not limited to; Indigenous and tribally enrolled people, People from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds; Refugees or displaced migrants, People at all life stages, including end of life, People with different abilities, and Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer Intersex Asexual Two Spirit (LGBTQIAS2+) people. Please make sure this is reflected in your answer to this question. (Please attach any relevant organizational policies addressing racial disparities and culturally responsive care.)

*This question is worth 10 points in the local NOFO application scoring.*

1. Please explain how your organization uses the following evidenced-based practices, harm reduction, person-centered, and trauma informed models. Please give specific examples from your CoC-funded projects. If your organization does not currently use evidenced-based practices in your program(s), what is your plan to do so in the future?

*This question is worth 5 points in the local NOFO application scoring.*

1. What policies and procedures does your project(s) have related to working with and ensuring safety for people fleeing domestic violence, exploitation, stalking, human trafficking, and other forms of violence? How do you ensure/monitor that the policies and procedures are implemented in a trauma informed manner? (Please attach any relevant organizational policies on addressing domestic violence and safety planning.)

*This question is worth 5 points in the local NOFO application scoring.*

1. Please list key trainings that your housing staff have completed in the last two years. Identify position-specific trainings such as supervisor vs staff trainings etc. Please describe any relevant trainings your organization utilizes especially trainings on the topics below. Please indicate how these training have been used to improve policies and procedures in your programs.

* Trauma-informed consultation and safety planning
* Culturally-responsive programming
* Addressing racial disparities and cultivating racial equity
* Evidenced-based practices, harm reduction, person-centered, and trauma informed models
* LGBTQIA2S+ competency trainings
* Working with and ensuring safety for people fleeing domestic violence, exploitation, stalking, human trafficking, and other forms of violence

*This question is worth 5 points in the local NOFO application scoring.*

**SLC CoC 2023 Housing First Self-Assessment**

Housing First projects are effective in assisting all subpopulations of people experiencing homelessness to access and sustain permanent, stable housing. As part of the NOFO solicitation for applications, applicants are required to answer the following questions related to the proposed project’s eligibility criteria and project rules. Maximum points are 15.

1. Low Barrier access:
   1. Does the project require clients to pass a background screening prior to project entry (excluding registered sex offender check)?

Yes  No  [No = 1 point]

* 1. Does the project prohibit all persons with specified criminal convictions on a blanket basis to be excluded from admission (excluding registered sex offenders)?

Yes  No  [No = 1 point]

* 1. Does the project require participants to be clean and sober prior to project entry as a condition for admission?

Yes  No  [No = 1 point]

* 1. Does the project serve & house transgender, nonbinary, gendernonconforming, and two spirit individuals according to the gender they identify?

Yes  No  [Yes = 1 point]

* 1. Does the project serve individuals and families regardless of sexual orientation, family composition, or marital status?

Yes  No  [Yes = 1 point]

* 1. Does the project expedite the admission process including housing search assistance (scattered site only) and help assemble necessary documents to support the application for admission?

Yes  No  [Yes = 1 point]

* 1. Does the project actively participate in CoC Case Manager meetings, Coordinated Entry meetings, CIG meetings, AHC, RHC meetings, and in the Housing Summits, PIT/HIC count processes, etc.?

Yes  No  [Yes = 1 point]

1. Housing Retention
   1. Does the project terminate participants for failure to participate in treatment or support services including case management?

Yes  No  [ No = 1 point]

b. Does the project terminate participants solely for engaging in substance use?

Yes  No  [No = 1 point]

c. Does the project require participants to obtain income as a condition of remaining in the project?

Yes  No  [No = 1 point]

d. Does the project make all efforts to avoid discharging participants into homelessness including referral back to coordinated entry for those who cannot remain in the project?

Yes  No  [Yes = 1 point]

e. Are project participants held to standards/behaviors not found in mainstream leases (such as not being allowed visitors, curfews, required to do chores, or not being allowed to have alcoholic beverages in their unit)?

Yes  No  [No = 1 point]

1. Participant Engagement
   1. Does the project provide participant choice in accessing services and are efforts made to connect participants to community based services?

Yes  No  [Yes = 1 point]

* 1. Does the project provide regular opportunities for program participants to provide input on project policies and operations?

Yes  No  [Yes = 1 point]

c. Are the project staff trained in clinical and non-clinical strategies to support participant engagement including harm reduction, motivational interviewing, and trauma informed approaches?

Yes  No  [Yes = 1 points]

**TOTAL SCORE:**

**Please include any relevant narrative to provide explanations for your answers under the housing first assessment here:**

**Certification of Responses**

**I attest that the answers above are true and are provided without any additional comment or clarification. I have attached all relevant policies and procedures, eLOCCS drawdown copies (renewal applicants only), and a copy of my HUD application from eSnaps.**

Authorized Applicant Signature:

Authorized Applicant Name and Title: Date:

**NOFO 2023 Local Application Attachment Checklist**

**Please note that all of the listed attachments are required to be considered a complete application for new/renewal funds.**

Full CoC NOFO application to HUD printed out of e-Snaps

4 most recent drawdowns from eLOCCS (Renewal Applicants only)

Relevant organizational policies addressing racial disparities and culturally responsive care

Relevant organizational policies on addressing domestic violence and safety planning

MOU to show a formal partnership(s) (New Projects Only)

**Please submit this application and all of these attachments by August 8th to** [**CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov**](mailto:CoCHomelessPrograms@StLouisCountyMN.gov) **to apply for new or renewal funding in the FY2023 CoC NOFO local competition in St. Louis County CoC.**