

**HUD 2017 NOFA (NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY)
ERIE COUNTY CoC RATING CRITERIA- New Project Applications**

Under the 2017 HUD NOFA process, the Erie County Continuum of Care is required to rate and rank all new project applications. In order to rate all new project applications in a fair and impartial manner, the rating tool consists of a 115-point evaluation system based on experience, design of housing and supportive services, timeliness of implementation of project, financial including any recent audit findings, match amount and accuracy, and whether the project intends on serving HUD priority groups. The criteria for scoring each question are as follows:

Experience: Working with Proposed Population and Providing Housing Similar to that Proposed in the Application:	
Extensive Previous Experience	10 points
Some Previous Experience	5 points
No Prior Experience	0 points

Experience: Utilizing a Housing First Approach	
Yes	10
No	0

Experience: Experience in Effectively Utilizing Federal Funds	
Yes	5
No	0

Design of Housing & Supportive Services: A. 1. Demonstrate Understanding of the Needs of the Clients to be Served 2. Demonstrate Type, Scale, and Location of the Housing Fit the Needs of the Clients to be Served, 3. Demonstrate the Type and Scale of all Supportive Services, 4. Demonstrate how Clients will be Assisted in Obtaining and Coordinating the Provision of Mainstream Benefits, 5. Establish Performance Measures for Housing and Income that are Objective, Measurable, Trackable, and meet or exceed any Established HUD, Hearth, or CoC benchmarks

Evidence of Extensive Understanding	15 points
Evidence of Some Understanding	10 points
No Evidence of Understanding	0 points

Design of Housing & Supportive Services: B. Description of Plan to Assist Clients to Rapidly Secure and Maintain PH

Yes	5 points
No	0 points

Design of Housing & Supportive Services: C. Description of how Clients will be Assisted to Increase Employment and/or Income and to Maximize their Ability to Live Independently

Yes	5 points
No	0 points

Timeliness: Plan for Rapid Implementation of Program

30 Days or Less	10 points
30 Days to 60 Days	5 points
Beyond 60 Days	0 points

Financial: A. Project is Cost-Effective- Comparing Projected Cost per Person Served to CoC Average Within Project Type:

Cost is > 20% Below Average	10 points
Cost is 20% Below to 20% Above Average	5 points
Cost is > 20% Above Average	0 points

Financial: B. Audit: 1. Most Recent Audit Found No Exceptions to Standard Practices	
No Exceptions Found	5 points
Exceptions Found	0 points

Financial: B. 2. Most Recent Audit Identified Agency as “Low Risk”	
Yes	5 points
No	0 points

Financial: B. 3. Most Recent Audit Indicates No Findings	
No Findings Found	5 points
One or More Findings Found	0 points

Financial: C. Documented Match Amount Meets HUD Mandatory 25%	
Yes	5 points
No	0 points

Financial: D. Budgeted Costs are Reasonable, Allocable, and Allowable	
Yes	10 points
No	0 points

Financial: E. Match documentation is correct and accurate	
Yes	5 points
No	0 points

Other Local Criteria: Provider is Serving a HUD Priority Group(Chronic Homeless, Homeless Families, Homeless Youth ages 18-24, or Homeless Veterans)	
All 4 groups	10 points
3 groups	8 points
2 groups	6 points
1 groups	4 points
No groups	0 points

