HUD 2018 NOFA (NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY)
ERIE COUNTY CoC RATING CRITERIA FOR RENEWAL PROJECTS
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Under the 2018 HUD Continuum of Care process, the Erie County Continuum of Care is required to rate and rank all renewal projects. The HUD CoC Program Rating and Ranking tool that was released from HUD, was modified to meet local priorities and performance outcomes, and is being utilized for the 2018 rating and ranking process. In order to rate all renewals in a fair and impartial manner, the rating tool consists of an evaluation system based on performance measures, data quality, application timeliness/accuracy, fund utilization, serving priority groups, Housing First/low barrier implementation, cost effectiveness, and audit risk factors. The overall score will equal 160 points maximum when a project receives a perfect score for all performance benchmarks. The criteria for the benchmarks were developed from the System Performance Measures (submitted to HUD 5/31/2018) and the projects last submitted Annual Performance Report. The benchmarks for other criteria were obtained from the individual 2018 project applications, invoice reports submitted to Erie County Department of Human Services, and agency audit reports. The benchmarks that were established for the evaluation include the following:

- o 90% or More of Participants in Permanent Housing will remain in or move to Permanent Housing
- o 8% or More of Participants (Stayers) Will Increase Their Earned Income
- o 10% or More of Participants (Stayers) Will Increase Their Non-Employment Income
- o 8% or More of Participants (Leavers) will Increase Their Earned Income
- o 10% or More of Participants (Leavers) will Increase Their Non-Employment Income
- o 10% or Less Error Rate for Project Data Quality for Personally Identifiable Information
- o 10% or Less Error Rate for Project Data Quality for Universal Data Elements
- o 10% or Less Error Rate for Project Data Quality for Chronic Homelessness
- o Application received on or before local due date of July 20, 2018
- o Application submitted contained all required information and was accurate
- o Project funds are being fully expended
- o Project will Serve HUD Priority Groups- Maximum Points For Serving All 4 HUD Priority Groups
- o Project will Abide by Housing First/Low Barrier Model
- o The project is cost-effective per person served in comparison to other projects of the same component type within the CoC
- o Agency audit report found identified agency as low risk and indicated no findings

The criteria for scoring each question are as follows:

1. Performance Measures | Exits to Permanent Housing | Permanent Supportive Housing

___% remain in or move to Permanent Housing (PH)

90% and above	25 points
79.0% - 89.9%	20 points
69.0% - 78.9%	15 points
59.0% - 68.9%	10 points
49.0% - 58.9%	5 points
0% - 48.9%	0 points

2. Performance Measures | New or Increased Income and Earned Income | Earned income for project stayers

___% increase

8%+	2.5 points
0% - 7%	0 points

3. Performance Measures | New or Increased Income and Earned Income | Non-employment income for project stayers

___% increase

10%+	2.5 points
0% - 9%	0 points

4. Performance Measures | New or Increased Income and Earned Income | Earned income for project leavers

___% increase

8%+	2.5 points
0% - 7%	0 points

5. Performance Measures | New or Increased Income and Earned Income | Non-employment income for project leavers

___% increase

10%+	2.5 points
0% - 9%	0 points

6. Other and Local Criteria | Data Quality – Personally Identifiable Information

Applicant has an error rate below 10% for Personally Identifiable Information

Yes	5 points
No	0 points

7. Performance Measures | Universal Data Elements

Applicant has an error rate below 10% for Universal Data Elements

Yes	5 points
No	0 points

8. Other and Local Criteria | Data Quality – Chronic Homelessness

Applicant has an error rate below 10% for Chronic Homelessness

Yes	5 points
No	0 points

9. Other and Local Criteria | Application Timeliness

Application was received on or before the due date

Yes	10 points
No	0 points

10. Other and Local Criteria | Application Completeness/Accuracy

All required information was included and was accurate

Yes	10 points
Some minor errors or missing information	5 points
Multiple errors or missing information	0 points

11. Other and Local Criteria | Fund Utilization

The provider has expended _% of awarded funds within 9 months of Grant start date

75%-100%	25 points
50%-74%	15 points
25%-49%	10 points
0%-24%	0 points

12. Other and Local Criteria | Priority Groups

Applicant will serve HUD priority groups (Chronically Homeless, Families, Youth Ages 18-24, and Homeless Veterans)

All 4 groups	10 points
3 groups	8 points
2 groups	6 points
1 group	4 points
No groups	0 points

13. Other and Local Criteria | Housing First/Low Barrier Implementation

Evidence that applicant quickly moves participants to permanent housing without requirements or preconditions such as sobriety or minimum income

Multiple sources of evidence that project is dedicated to Housing First	25 points
Some Evidence that project is dedicated to Housing First	10 points
No evidence that project is dedicated to Housing First	0 Points

14. Other and Local Criteria | 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

15. Other and Local Criteria | Audit Risk Category

Most recent audit identified agency as "low risk"

Agency identified as low risk	5 points
Agency identified as moderate risk	2.5 points
Agency identified as high risk	0 points

16. Other and Local Criteria | Most recent Audit Indicates No Findings

No Findings Found	5 points
One or More Findings Found	0 points

17. Other and Local Criteria | Overall Impression of Application

Based on Overall Impression	0-10 points