

Before Starting the Special CoC Application

You must submit both of the following parts in order for us to consider your Special NOFO Consolidated Application complete:

1. the CoC Application, and
2. the CoC Priority Listing.

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As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

1. The Special Notice of Funding Opportunity (Special NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The Special NOFO Continuum of Care (CoC) Application Detailed Instructions for Collaborative Applicants which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

CoC Approval is Required before You Submit Your CoC's Special NOFO CoC Consolidated Application

- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the Special NOFO CoC Consolidated Application on behalf of your CoC.
- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You must upload the [Specific Attachment Name] attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with—if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to appeal HUD's funding determination.

- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: MO-602 - Joplin/Jasper, Newton Counties CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area

1A-5.	New Projects	
	Complete the chart below by indicating which funding opportunity(ies) your CoC applying for projects under. A CoC may apply for funding under both set asides; however, projects funded through the rural set aside may only be used in rural areas, as defined in the Special NOFO.	
1.	Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside	Yes
2.	Rural Homelessness Set Aside	No

1B. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

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1B-1.	Web Posting of Your CoC Local Competition Deadline–Advance Public Notice. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.1.b.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Deadline attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	Enter the date your CoC published the deadline for project application submission for your CoC's local competition.	08/16/2022

1B-2.	Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.	
	You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected new project applications during your CoC's local competition:	
1.	Established total points available for each project application type.	Yes
2.	At least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., cost effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of population served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed (e.g., PSH, RRH).	Yes
3.	At least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project application (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of time homeless, returns to homelessness).	Yes

1B-3.	Projects Rejected/Reduced–Notification Outside of e-snaps. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.1.b.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
1.	Did your CoC reject or reduce any project application(s)?	Yes
2.	Did your CoC inform the applicants why their projects were rejected or reduced?	Yes
3.	If you selected yes, for element 1 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, list the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 6/26/22, 6/27/22, and 6/28/22, then you must enter 6/28/22.	09/26/2022

1B-3a.	Projects Accepted–Notification Outside of e-snaps. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.1.b.	
	You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, list the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 6/26/22, 6/27/22, and 6/28/22, then you must enter 6/28/22.	09/26/2022
1B-4.	Web Posting of the CoC-Approved Special NOFO CoC Consolidated Application. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.1.b.	
	You must upload the Web Posting–Special NOFO CoC Consolidated Application attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	Enter the date your CoC posted its Special NOFO CoC Consolidated Application on the CoC's website or affiliate's website—which included: 1. the CoC Application, and 2. Priority Listings.	10/14/2022

2A. System Performance

The CoC Special NOFO page provides HUD-approved resources to assist you in completing the Special NOFO CoC Application, including:

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2A-1.	Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless—Risk Factors.	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.2.b.	
	Describe in the field below:	
	1. how your CoC determined which risk factors your CoC uses to identify persons becoming homeless for the first time;	
	2. how your CoC addresses individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and	
	3. provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time or to end homelessness for individuals and families.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC identified a number of risk factors for first time homeless by looking at the Point In Time count survey, which included questions about how people ended up homeless. More information was also gained by talking with local providers who are regularly awarded prevention funds within the CoC. Those risk factors include: loss of employment and/or income, loss of utilities, loss of a housing subsidy or domestic violence and the pandemic. 2. The CoC addresses families and individuals who are at risk of becoming homeless through prevention and diversion. All designated homeless housing providers and other social service organizations act as the front door of the CoC's coordinated entry process. The agencies and coordinated entry provide diversion to prevent households from entering the homeless system. Referrals to prevention resources are provided as determined by the triage assessment and available funds. Coordination among providers occurs through regular monthly Homeless Coalition meetings in regards to the availability of prevention resources in the CoC. Prevention funds can include but are not limited to rental assistance, deposit assistance or utility assistance. 3. The Homeless Coalition is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time.

2A-2.	Length of Time Homeless—Strategy to Reduce. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.2.c.	
	Describe in the field below:	
	1. your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;	

2.	how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC is taking a number of actions to reduce length of time homeless with the most notable being the implementation of coordinated entry. A number of other strategies have helped reduce the length of time that someone spends without a home. All homeless housing programs operate their programs using a housing first approach. The CoC has also secured MOU's with Workforce Development, NALA READ, Aids Project of the Ozarks, Joplin School district, Early Head Start and Head Start. These MOU's are agreements to refer people experiencing homeless to the CoC's coordinated entry process for assessment and referral. The CoC conducts regular street outreach. Street outreach is being conducted several times per month by local social service agencies who utilize the same survey/intake process. This activity will allow us to reach people experiencing homelessness more quickly and engage them in services. Other engagement activities include the annual Point In Time count and bi-annual Project Homeless Connect events. 2. The CoC identifies people with the longest length of time homeless through coordinated entry. The CoC adopted notice CPD-16-11 that was issued on July 25, 2016 in regards to prioritizing persons for housing opportunities. The most vulnerable persons with the longest length of time being homeless are prioritized for housing first. 3. The Homeless Coalition is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time homeless for individuals and families.

2A-3.	Successful Permanent Housing Placement or Retention. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.2.d.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC will increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in:

1.	emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations; and
2.	permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC took a number of actions to increase the rate of which individuals and families move into permanent housing. 1. The most notable being the implementation of the coordinated entry process and the creation of the Housing Case Manager position. The CoC uses a Housing First approach and regularly reaches out to local shelters to work with families and individuals who have not been assessed for coordinated entry. This position allows for help gathering documentation for housing. It also allows time to do housing development, which includes landlord recruitment and some limited stabilization services. Lastly, the implementation of regular street outreach has also supported exits to permanent housing. This activity will allow us to reach people experiencing homelessness more quickly, engage them in services and move them into permanent housing more quickly. 2. Permanent Housing providers all have a housing stabilization component to their programs. The services vary but the goal is the same, help families stabilize in their home and retain their housing with the program and after exit from the program. The Homeless Coalition is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to move individuals and families into permanent housing destinations and increase housing retention.

2A-4.	Returns to Homelessness–CoC's Strategy to Reduce Rate. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.2.e.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	how your CoC identifies individuals and families who return to homelessness;
2.	your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness; and
3.	provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The CoC identified a number of risk factors for returns to homelessness from the Point In Time survey, which included questions about how people ended up falling into homelessness and what they have done to try and obtain housing. This information has provided valuable insight into returns to homelessness. More information was also gained by talking with local providers who are regularly awarded prevention and rehousing funds within the CoC. Those risk factors included: loss of employment and/or income, untreated mental health or substance abuse issues and other disabilities, and the pandemic. 2. One strategy that the CoC uses to reduce returns to homelessness is prevention and diversion. All designated homeless housing providers, social service organizations and coordinated entry act as the front door. They assess a person's needs divert them from shelter if possible and provide referrals to prevention services. Referrals are made to local agencies that have prevention resources. Coordination among providers occurs through regular monthly Homeless Coalition meetings in regards to the availability of prevention resources in the CoC. Prevention funds can include but are not limited to rental assistance, deposit assistance or utility assistance. Some limited Case Management and stabilization services are also available through coordinated entry with the addition of a Housing Case Manager. Case management can include but is not limited to the following: budgeting, connection to mainstream resources, employment assistance, housing maintenance, connection to recovery resources or mental health services, and education assistance. 3. The Homeless Coalition is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to prevent returns to homelessness.

2A-5.	Increasing Employment Cash Income–Strategy. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.2.f.	

	Describe in the field below:
1.	the strategy your CoC has implemented to increase employment cash sources;
2.	how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families increase their cash income; and
3.	provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. A number of strategies are used within our CoC to increase access to employment income. One example is case management and/or stabilization services. The type and scope of these services varies among agencies. Services can include but are not limited to the following: assessment of the family's needs, connection to community resources, assistance with soft skills training for employment, transportation assistance, interview clothing, and assistance in applying for mainstream resources. All agencies that provide case management services assist participants with employment goals. The CoC also has an MOU with Work Force Development in regards to coordinating services for literally homeless individuals for employment. If they identify someone who is literally homeless they will refer them to Housing Connect. CoC agencies will refer anyone who is seeking employment to the local Career Center and Work Force Investment to see what programs they may qualify for. The Work Force Development staff hosts monthly Partnership meetings where the CoC has representation. These meetings bring together all employment related programs and interested local agencies for the purpose of coordinating services for job seekers. Another strategy is having the Work Force Development staff provide regular updates to the CoC at regular monthly meetings on all of their employment programs they have available and how to enroll and access services. Lastly, the CoC coordinates with local staffing agencies during Project Homeless Connect events. These one stop shop events provide people experiencing homelessness access to a wide range of services including employment opportunities.

2. All social service CoC agencies assist people experiencing homelessness in completing and submitting applications for Mainstream resources like TANF, SNAP, and Medicaid. Several agencies within the CoC are SOAR trained and can help people file for disability.

3. The Homeless Coalition is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategies to increase employment income.

2A-5a.	Increasing Non-employment Cash Income-Strategy. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.2.f.	
	Describe in the field below:	
	1. the strategy your CoC has implemented to increase non-employment cash income;	
	2. your CoC's strategy to increase access to non-employment cash sources; and	
	3. provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. A large percentage of the families and individuals served in CoC funded programs are either receiving or seeking disability income. Our CoC has implemented a number of strategies to increase non employment income and mainstream benefits. One example is case management and/or stabilization services. The type and scope of these services varies among agencies. Services can include but are not limited to the following: assessment of the family's needs, connection to community resources, housing retention, assistance with soft skills training, and assistance in applying for mainstream resources like SNAP, Medicaid and WIC. The CoC updates agencies frequently in regards to mainstream resources and how to make application for them. Many referrals were also made to Legal Aid for assistance in applying for disability/SSI. Another strategy is to increase the number of SOAR trained staff in our CoC. Multiple local agencies have SOAR trained staff. 2. We have increased access to non employment income in several ways. Street outreach increased access to mainstream benefits by engaging people living outside and assisting them with the application process. Regular outreach to local shelters to assist with making applications for mainstream benefits has also increased access. 3. The Homeless Coalition is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategies for increasing access to non-employment income.

2B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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2B-1.	Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Sections VII.B.3.a.(1)	

In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022:

1.	select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC's coordinated entry system; or
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC's geographic area:

	Organization/Person	Participated in CoC Meetings	Voted, Including Electing of CoC Board Members	Participated in CoC's Coordinated Entry System
1.	Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
2.	Agencies serving survivors of human trafficking	Yes	Yes	Yes
3.	CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes	Yes
4.	CoC-Funded Victim Service Providers	Nonexistent	No	No
5.	CoC-Funded Youth Homeless Organizations	Nonexistent	No	No
6.	Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
7.	Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
8.	Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
9.	EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
10.	Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes	Yes
11.	Hospital(s)	No	No	No
12.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent	No	No
13.	Law Enforcement	Yes	Yes	Yes
14.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ+) Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	LGBTQ+ Service Organizations	No	No	No
16.	Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	No	No
17.	Local Jail(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
18.	Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
19.	Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes

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20.	Non-CoC Funded Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
21.	Non-CoC-Funded Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
22.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes	Yes	Yes
23.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	No	No	No
24.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	No	No	No
25.	Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
26.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes	Yes
27.	School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes	Yes
28.	Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes	Yes
29.	Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
30.	Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes	Yes
31.	Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes	Yes
32.	Youth Service Providers	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Other:(limit 50 characters)			
33.	Chamber of Commerce, Community Action Agency	Yes	Yes	Yes
34.	Legal Aid	Yes	Yes	Yes

2B-2.	Open Invitation for New Members. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.a.(2), V.B.3.g.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	communicated the invitation process annually to solicit new members to join the CoC;
2.	ensured effective communication with individuals with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats;
3.	conducted outreach to ensure persons experiencing homelessness or formerly homeless persons are encouraged to join your CoC; and
4.	invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, other People of Color, persons with disabilities).

(limit 2,500 characters)

The Continuum of Care has a membership goal of forming strategic partnerships to increase membership to include more diverse sectors of the community. Interested people can join at any time during the year. 1. A variety of strategies are in place to achieve this goal. The CoC uses email, Facebook, the CoC's website, and personal invitations 2. In order to be inclusive accessible formats of materials can be made available for persons with disabilities. 3. Specific outreach occurs to ensure that persons with lived experience, and organizations serving culturally specific communities. Annually, the CoC identifies missing organizations and invitation are extended to these missing groups.

2B-3.	CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.a.(3)	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

1.	solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness;
2.	communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information; and
3.	took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

New opinions and ideas are regularly sought to further the cause of preventing and ending homelessness in our two county CoC. The CoC solicits feedback and participation from a wide range of organizations and people. The first strategy is by having representation on Missouri Interagency Council on Homelessness (MICH). This committee supports the development of capacity in the eight CoC's across the State of Missouri to have a comprehensive response in place to ensure homelessness is prevented whenever possible, or if it can't be prevented, it is a rare, brief, and non-recurring experience. Representation on this committee allows for information sharing and coordination across continuum of cares'. The second strategy is being part of other local groups like One Joplin, which is comprised of 73 organizations who have committed to work together to tackle big issues like poverty and homelessness. The third strategy is soliciting feedback directly from people with lived experience via survey, personal interview, during the Point In Time Count or Project Homeless Connect events. Lastly, we solicit feedback through a Needs Assessment survey to the membership of the CoC and seek feedback from the city officials within our CoC. 2. Information obtained is shared during our annual strategic planning meeting and regular meetings of the CoC. It is shared verbally and in writing. 3. All information gathered is taken into consideration when developing goals, expressing the needs of our area, and working to fill gaps in services.

2B-4.	Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Funded. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.a.(4)	

Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public:

1.	that your CoC's local competition was open and accepting project applications;
2.	that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding;
3.	about how project applicants must submit their project applications;
4.	about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and
5.	how your CoC effectively communicated with individuals with disabilities, including making information accessible in electronic formats.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. Notification of the Special Unsheltered NOFO for Continuum of Care funds took place on June 22, 2022 when it was released by Housing and Urban Development. The information was sent to the entire Continuum of Care via email which represents 58 people who represent 36 different organizations within our Continuum of Care. The email contained links to the NOFO and subsequent emails contained links to the COC website where the 2022 Continuum of Care page contained information about the NOFO and our local competition. The information was also shared on The Homeless Coalition's Facebook page. Additionally the release of the NOFO was announced at the July and August monthly Coalition meeting and those in attendance were encouraged to share the NOFO with interested agencies. Meetings are advertised via the website, email and Facebook. Meetings are open to anyone wishing to attend. 2. Additional NOFO updates were sent out via email and Facebook, and posted on the website after local competition deadlines were set and forms made available. Rank and Review forms, the letter of intent form and completion deadlines were all saved on The Homeless Coalition website. 3. Any organization meeting HUD's Threshold requirements was welcome to apply. The Rank and Review forms and NOFO were made available to any agency who wanted to apply. All agencies with questions were instructed to reach out to the Collaborative Applicant. 3. The CoC determined who would be included in the application by following the Rank and Review process which looked at threshold requirements, CoC specific requirements, performance and data quality. The notice of the results of the rank and review process noted which applications were included and excluded from the grant were sent via email to all applicants and the results were posted on the CoC's website. 4. Accessible formats of the announcement and application would be made available upon request for persons with disabilities.

2C. Coordination / Engagement—with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations

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2C-1.	Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations. (All Applicants)
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.b.
	In the chart below:
1.	select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or
2.	select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area.

	Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects	Coordinates with Planning or Operations of Projects
1.	Funding Collaboratives	Yes
2.	Head Start Program	Yes
3.	Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
4.	Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC)	Yes
5.	Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations	No
6.	Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
7.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Yes
8.	Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)	No
9.	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Yes
10.	Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)	Nonexistent
11.	Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color	Yes
12.	Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons	No
13.	Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities	No
14.	Private Foundations	No
15.	Public Housing Authorities	Yes
16.	Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
17.	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	No
	Other:(limit 50 characters)	
18.		

2C-2.	CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.b.	

	Describe in the field below how your CoC:
1.	consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG funds;
2.	participated in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients;
3.	provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area; and
4.	provided information to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions to address homelessness within your CoC's geographic area so it could be addressed in Consolidated Plan update.

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. All ESG recipients are fully participating members of the CoC and regularly attend monthly Homeless Coalition meetings to coordinate with all providers. The CoC has an approved ESG policy and procedure that outlines the following: planning, gaps analysis, written policies for ESG funded agencies, coordinated entry and monitoring guidelines for all ESG and CoC funded agencies. In order to have a comprehensive plan for our COC, ESG recipients are involved in determining how to allocate funds within our community. This is achieved by agencies participating in planning meetings and by conducting gaps analysis of homeless needs and services in our geographic area. 2. All ESG recipients participate in evaluating and reporting performance of their programs. This takes place through the COC's monitoring process. Monitoring is conducted on an annual basis by the Monitoring Committee, which is comprised of non-funded agencies. The CoC has a monitoring policy that all COC and ESG funded agencies follow. 3. All ESG recipients provide data during the annual Point In Time and Housing Inventory Count. 4. Each year our COC application is shared with jurisdictions within our CoC so that this information can help shape and address issues concerning homelessness within the Consolidated Plan. The City of Joplin is an active participant and executive officers within our CoC and regularly uses our information to update their Consolidated Plan.

2C-3.	Discharge Planning Coordination. (All Applicants)
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.c.

	Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the systems of care listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs.	
1.	Foster Care	Yes
2.	Health Care	Yes
3.	Mental Health Care	Yes
4.	Correctional Facilities	Yes

2C-4.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–SEAs, LEAs, School Districts. (All Applicants)
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.d.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

1.	Youth Education Provider	Yes
2.	State Education Agency (SEA)	Yes
3.	Local Education Agency (LEA)	Yes
4.	School Districts	Yes

2C-4a.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–SEAs, LEAs, School Districts–Formal Partnerships. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.d.	

Describe in the field below:

1.	how your CoC collaborates with the entities checked in Question 2C-4; and
2.	the formal partnerships your CoC has with the entities checked in Question 2C-4.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has a formal partnership (MOU) with Joplin Schools, which is the largest school district in our COC. The MOU outlines how the COC and the school district will coordinate to serve youth who are experiencing homelessness. The CoC coordinates with LEAs in a variety of ways. The LEA for Joplin Schools is an active member and formal partner of the CoC. The LEA participates in the Point In Time Count. Additionally the LEA helps the CoC coordinate with other LEAs in other school districts by attending regional LEA/SEA meetings where they provide information on the COC and how to coordinate with us on the issue of homeless youth. The Jasper and Newton County CoC also has representation on the Missouri Interagency Counsel on Homelessness (MICH) in the State of Missouri, the State Homeless Coordinator for Missouri also serves on this group. The CoC coordinates with school districts within the entire CoC through referrals to Housing Connect, our Coordinated Entry process, through coordination around homeless students and families and during our Point In Time count.

2C-4b.	CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–Informing Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.d.	

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC adopted to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has a formal policy that was adopted in 2009 regarding ensuring enrollment for school- aged children. Individual housing and social service providers participate in annual training conducted by the LEA for Joplin Schools. Joplin Schools, the largest school district in our CoC, is an active member and formal partner of the CoC. Annual training includes information on Title VII-B, Education for Homeless Children and Youth, of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. This is provided to the membership of the CoC at a regular monthly meeting. Materials regarding the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act are provided as well as a contact list of all the LEAs for the schools in our CoC. The Individual housing and social service providers that serve homeless children interact the appropriate LEA on an as needed basis in order to coordinate services for homeless families with children. Additional training is conducted by an organization called MPACT for persons experiencing homelessness. The CoC member agencies shared this information widely. The Individual providers that serve homeless children interact with their LEA on an as needed basis in order to coordinate services for homeless families with children.

2C-5.	Mainstream Resources—CoC Training of Project Staff. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.e.	

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains project staff annually on the following mainstream resources available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

	Mainstream Resource	CoC Provides Annual Training?
1.	Food Stamps	Yes
2.	SSI—Supplemental Security Income	Yes
3.	TANF—Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	Yes
4.	Substance Abuse Programs	Yes
5.	Employment Assistance Programs	Yes
6.	Other	

You must select a response for elements 1 through 6 in question 2C-5.

2C-5a.	Mainstream Resources—CoC Collaboration with Project Staff Regarding Healthcare Organizations. (All Applicants)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.B.3.e.	

Describe in the field below how your CoC:

1.	systemically provides up-to-date information on mainstream resources available for program participants (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, TANF, substance abuse programs) within your CoC's geographic area;
2.	works with project staff to collaborate with healthcare organizations to assist program participants with enrolling in health insurance;
3.	provides assistance to project staff with the effective use of Medicaid and other benefits; and
4.	works with projects to promote SOAR certification of program staff.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC's monthly meetings regularly discuss mainstream resources and other resources available in the community. The CoC and Collaborative Applicant (CA) stay up to date on changes. Regular updates are shared about mainstream resources in a number of different groups/meetings within the community. The Collaborative Applicant also has a collaborative relationship with MO Dept. of Social Services to ensure that people experiencing homelessness are connected to services they need. The CoC disseminates information through email listserv, meetings and via the CoC's Facebook page and website. The CA signed an MOU with ACCESS Family Care Medical and Dental to improve service delivery to people experiencing homelessness. Training on how to complete the medical paperwork took place so that the cA and case managers could assist people least likely to seek out medical services. This partnership has helped many people who are living on the street access the medical care they need. Other healthcare service updated take place at regular CoC meetings. The CoC may assist with utilization of Medicaid or other mainstream resources by providing technical assistance through the Collaborative Applicant or other community organizations. Accessing Medicaid and other benefits starts at the first contact with an individual experiencing homelessness. Another strategy that the CoC is using to increase the use of mainstream benefits is to increase the number of SOAR trained individuals in our CoC. The Collaborative Applicant, Ozark Center and other community partners are SOAR trained and can help people apply for disability. Legal Aid, who is an active member of the CoC, also helps with denied Medicaid applications and disability applications. The Homeless Coalition is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy for mainstream resources.

3A. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs

The CoC Special NOFO page provides HUD-approved resources to assist you in completing the Special NOFO CoC Application, including:

- Special Notice of Funding Opportunity to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness
- 24 CFR part 578
- Special NOFO CoC Application Navigational Guide
- Section 3 Resources
- Frequently Asked Questions

3A-1.	Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs—New Projects. (Rural Set Aside Only).	
	Special NOFO Section VII.A.	
	If the answer to the question below is yes, you must upload the CoC Letter Supporting Capital Costs attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	Is your CoC requesting funding for any new project(s) under the Rural Set Aside for housing rehabilitation or new construction costs?	No

3B. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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- Special NOFO CoC Application Navigational Guide
- Section 3 Resources
- Frequently Asked Questions

3B-1.	Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes. (Rural Set Aside Only)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.C.	
	Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?	No

3B-2.	Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes. (Rural Set Aside Only)	
	Special NOFO Section VII.C.	
	You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.	
	If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below:	
1.	how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and	
2.	how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act.	

(limit 2,500 characters)

N/A

4A. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

Please read the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:			
1. You must include a Document Description for each attachment you upload; if you do not, the Submission Summary screen will display a red X indicating the submission is incomplete.			
2. You must upload an attachment for each document listed where 'Required?' is 'Yes'			
3. We prefer that you use PDF files, though other file types are supported—please only use zip files if necessary. Converting electronic files to PDF, rather than printing documents and scanning them, often produces higher quality images and reduces file size. Many systems allow you to create PDF files as a Print Option. If you are unfamiliar with this process, you should consult your IT Support or search for information on Google or YouTube.			
4. Attachments must match the questions they are associated with.			
5. Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed—including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process.			
6. If you cannot read the attachment, it is likely we cannot read it either. - We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time). - We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment.			
7. Open attachments once uploaded to ensure they are the correct attachment for the required Document Type.			
Document Type	Required?	Document Description	Date Attached
1B-1. Local Competition Announcement	Yes	Competition Annou...	09/06/2022
1B-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool	Yes	Scoring Tool	09/06/2022
1B-3. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced	Yes	Inclusion, no app...	10/05/2022
1B-3a. Notification of Projects Accepted	Yes	Notice of Inclusion	10/05/2022
1B-4. Special NOFO CoC Consolidated Application	Yes		
3A-1. CoC Letter Supporting Capital Costs	No		
3B-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes	No		
P-1. Leveraging Housing Commitment	No	Housing Commitmen...	10/14/2022
P-1a. PHA Commitment	No	Jasper County Pub...	10/13/2022
P-3. Healthcare Leveraging Commitment	No	Health Care	10/05/2022
P-9c. Lived Experience Support Letter	No	Letter of Support...	10/14/2022
Plan. CoC Plan	Yes	CoC Plan	10/14/2022

Attachment Details

Document Description: Competition Announcement

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Document Description: Scoring Tool

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Document Description: Inclusion, no appeals, no exclusions

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Document Description: Notice of Inclusion

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Document Description: Housing Commitment Letters

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Document Description: Jasper County Public Housing Agency

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Document Description: Health Care

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Document Description: Letter of Support from Persons with Lived Experience

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Document Description: CoC Plan

Submission Summary

Ensure that the Special NOFO Project Priority List is complete prior to submitting.

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1B. Project Review, Ranking and Selection	10/14/2022
2A. System Performance	09/02/2022
2B. Coordination and Engagement	10/05/2022
2C. Coordination and Engagement–Con't.	10/05/2022
3A. New Projects With Rehab/New Construction	No Input Required
3B. Homelessness by Other Federal Statutes	08/25/2022
4A. Attachments Screen	Please Complete
Submission Summary	No Input Required



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CoC Accepting Applications for the Special Unsheltered NOFO

1 message

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Tue, Sep 6, 2022 at 10:01 AM

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The Jasper/Newton County Continuum of Care (MO-602) is still accepting applications for the new Special Unsheltered NOFO. Details are found on The Homeless Coalitions website.

<https://joplinhomelesscoalition.org/2022-unsheltered-homeless-and-rural-homeless-grant>

Eligible applications include:

Rapid Rehousing
Permanent Supportive Housing
Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing
Support Service Only
Homeless Management Information System

See website for competition deadlines, Rank and Review documents deadlines, forms and the NOFO.

Our workgroup meeting is happening tomorrow, Wednesday, September 7th at 10:00. We will offer a hybrid meeting. Location: JB's Downtown 1208 Main Street or by Google meet. See link below.

Unsheltered NOFO Meeting

Wednesday, September 7 · 10:00am – 12:00pm



Join with Google Meet

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Upcoming Deadlines -Continuum of Care grant and Special Unsheltered NOFO

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Mon, Aug 29, 2022 at 12:53 PM

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This is just a reminder that several deadlines are coming up in regards to the FY 22 Continuum of Care NOFO and Special Unsheltered NOFO.

All agencies who are applying for funds must complete their project applications in ESNAPS by **August 31st**.

Rank and Review packets are due to Tom Walters @ The City of Joplin by 8:30 a.m. on **September 6th**.

All agencies planning to apply for funds under the FY 22 Special Unsheltered NOFO must submit their letter of intent to Robin Smith, Homeless Coalition Chair, by **September 1st**.

All forms, timelines and some documentation for your Rank and Review packets are posted on the website. <https://joplinhomelesscoalition.org/>

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Special Unsheltered NOFO - Meeting

1 message

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We need to have a meeting to move things forward on the Unsheltered NOFO. Our Continuum of Care must have a detailed plan for serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness with severe service needs. We must have MOUs in place, a committee of persons with lived experience, and a plan that answers a myriad of questions about what we will do. I have attached the NOFO slides. Pages 11-15 are of importance. Page 20 shows the eligible project applications.

Our "detailed plan" will take everyone's effort and buy-in and is not something the Collaborative Applicant can do alone. I have set up a call for Monday, August 15th at 3pm. If you are planning to submit an application please have someone on the call. If you can help in designing our community's plan please join as well. People who can not be on the call may be contacted for assistance or input at a later date.

I encourage you to read the NOFO, review the slides and the attached word document that contains resource information.

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3 attachments

Webinar-Kick-Off-Special-NOFO-Slides-2022-06-28.pdf

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Project Scoring Criteria

Section 1 : Every new applicant completes

- ☐ Low Barrier – project application page showing Housing First
- ☐ HMIS participation
- ☐ Non-Discrimination Requirements
- ☐ Equal Housing
- ☐ Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing
- ☐ VAWA
- ☐ Financial audit
- ☐ Program capacity
- ☐ Project eligibility and threshold requirements.
- ☐ Organization's board of directors includes at least one homeless or formerly homeless individual, or a waiver for this regulatory requirement.

Section 2: Every new applicant completes

- ☐ Attendance:5
- ☐ Point In Time Count:6
- ☐ Letter of Intent:5
- ☐ HUD Findings:10
- ☐ Special Populations
- ☐ Housing Connect participation

Section 3: Complete only the applicable section for the program you are making application.

Section 3 Bonus Funds: Rapid Rehousing.

- ☐ Scope:5
- ☐ Reduce length of time homeless:10
- ☐ Administration of funds:5
- ☐ Increase exits to homelessness:10
- ☐ Limit Returns to homelessness:10
- ☐ Need:10

Section 3 Bonus Funds: Permanent Supportive Housing

- ☐ Scope:5
- ☐ Reduce length of time homeless:10
- ☐ Administration of funds:5
- ☐ Increase exits to homelessness:10
- ☐ Limit Returns to homelessness:10
- ☐ Need:10

Section 3 Bonus Funds: Dedicated HMIS

- ☐ Scope:5
- ☐ Need:10
- ☐ Adherence to Universal Data Elements:10
- ☐ Ability to un-duplicate client records:10

- ☐ Ability to meet all reporting requirements for HUD:10

Section 3 Bonus Funds: Joint Transitional Housing/Rapid Rehousing

- ☐ Appropriate use of funds:2.5
- ☐ Transitional Housing:2.5
- ☐ Reduce length of time homeless:10
- ☐ Increase exits to homelessness:10
- ☐ Limit Returns to homelessness:10
- ☐ Need:10

Section 3: Domestic Violence Bonus

1. Permanent Housing or Rapid Rehousing for DV
2. Joint Transitional Housing/Rapid Rehousing
3. Support Services Only – Coordinated Entry

Projects 1 and 2: PSH, RRH or Joint

- ☐ Scope:5
- ☐ Housing Stability:5
- ☐ Need:5
- ☐ History of Domestic Violence services :5

Project 3: Support Services Only-Coordinated Entry

- ☐ Scope:5
- ☐ Need:5
- ☐ Centralized Coordinated Assessment System:5
- ☐ Advertising strategy for reaching persons with high barrier needs:5
- ☐ History of working with or operating Domestic Violence services:5

Project 3: Support Services Only (not including projects for Coordinated Entry)

- ☐ Scope:10
- ☐ Permanent Housing:5
- ☐ Coordinated Entry Participation:5
- ☐ Service Referrals:10

Renewal Projects

- ☐ Attendance:5
- ☐ Letter of Intent:5
- ☐ Point In Time Count:6
- ☐ Annual Performance Report (APR) for most recent completed grant operating year:5
- ☐ HMIS participation and compliance:5
- ☐ Low Barrier – project application page showing Housing First:5
- ☐ HUD Findings:10
- ☐ Recaptured funds: unspent CoC funds for last closed out grant:5
- ☐ Housing Connect participation:3
- ☐ Performance data – report provided by ICA:30
- ☐ Organization’s board of directors includes at least one homeless or formerly homeless individual, or a waiver for this regulatory requirement. :1

1. HUD Eligibility and Threshold Requirements

HUD establishes eligibility threshold requirements for applicants and projects. Renewal projects may be considered as having met eligibility threshold requirements through the previously approved grant application unless information to the contrary is received.

Attachments:

- Certification that organization and project meet HUD eligibility and threshold requirements.
- Annual Performance Report (APR) for most recent completed grant operating year including project operating start and end dates and APR submission date.
- DUNS Number and certification that the number is active.
- Certification of active registration in the System for Award Management (SAM).

Criteria for Rank and Review Committee to consider:

- Information that may indicate the project is not eligible or does not meet threshold requirements, including but not limited to
 - o Information about any internal or external investigations or legal actions and outcomes.
 - o Change to organization status (e.g. 501(c)3 incorporation).
 - o Timeliness of Annual Performance Report submission.
 - o Active status of DUNS Number.
 - o Registration status in the SAM.

2. Financial Audit

Attachments:

- Certification that an independent financial audit has occurred within the past two years OR certification that no financial audit occurred during the past two years.
- When an audit has occurred, certification that the independent financial audit issued an unqualified or "clean" opinion in which the organization's financial statements and practices were prepared and conducted using Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.
- A description of the audit's findings in instances when an unqualified opinion was not issued, including the auditor's report.

Criteria for Rank and Review Committee to consider:

- Opinion of the independent auditor.
- Content of the independent auditor's report.
- Audit findings for which a response is overdue or unsatisfactory.



Jasper and Newton County
Continuum Of Care (CoC) and Special Unsheltered NOFO

2022 Rank and Review and Scoring Form - New Bonus, DV Bonus, Reallocation Projects and Supportive Services Only

Agency	_____
Project Name	_____
Project Funding Type	_____
Total Request for Project	_____
Contact Person & Phone	_____
Contact Email Address	_____
Agency Mailing Address	_____
City and Zip	_____

Section One: (CoC and Unsheltered)

Instructions for evaluation: This section is designed to evaluate compliance with federal and CoC policies. If any of these standards are not met, the Review Committee reserves the right to request additional information, amend your application back for revision, or choose not to consider the application in the ranking process. Please answer the following questions. Points this section: (0)

Instructions for scoring: This section is designed to evaluate technical sections of the grant and to highlight federal and CoC policies. If any of these standards are not met, the Review Committee reserves the right to request additional information, amend back for revision, or choose not to consider the application in the ranking process.

Please Note that the scoring explanation and scoring box will directly follow the corresponding question

1. Low Barrier and Housing First for all housing programs

Does your agency agree to incorporate the Low Barrier and Housing First principles outlined within the proposed project application?

Yes
No

Low Barrier and Housing First for all housing programs

If the agency was able to check off all boxes for "Low Barrier" and "Housing First Approach" box in the project application, and the agency did not provide any information in the project application narratives that is considered to not be Housing First, the standard is met.

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2. HMIS Participation Acknowledgement

Does your agency currently participate, or agree to participate in the HMIS system of the Jasper and Newton County Continuum of Care? If you are a provider of services for people fleeing from Domestic Violence, please mark "DV" under this standard to agree to participate in the use of a comparable database.

Yes
No

Homeless Management Information System approved by the BoS

Participation in the Jasper and Newton County CoC's chosen HMIS, or comparable database if a DV provider, is a requirement.

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3. A) Non-Discrimination Requirements

With respect to program beneficiaries, Executive Order 13559 states that organizations, in providing services supported in whole or in part with federal financial assistance, and in their outreach activities related to such services, should not be allowed to discriminate against current or prospective program beneficiaries on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice. (More information can be found in the CoC Program Interim Rule)

Does your agency understand and agree to not discriminate against current or prospective program beneficiaries on the basis of religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice?

	Yes
	No

B) Equal Housing

In addition to the Fair Housing Act, HUD has provided additional guidance ensuring equal access to housing. The Equal Access to Housing Final Rule adds additional protections to ensure that all HUD core programs are available to all eligible individuals and families regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity and marital status. (For more information, please see "Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Identity Final Rule")

Does your agency understand that it is illegal to discriminate against any populations based on their race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status?

	Yes
	No

Non-Discrimination Requirement

If the agency acknowledges both requirements, the standard is met.

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4. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

Please provide additional information in regards to how your agency will affirmatively further fair housing. Please provide a couple of examples of how you outreach to individuals and families. (24 CFR 578.93(c))

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Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing

If in the response, the agency has provided clear strategies that affirmatively further fair housing as detailed in 24 CFR 578.93(c), and ensure that outreach is conducted to homeless individuals and families who are least likely to request housing or services in the absence of special outreach, the standard is met.

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Based on the above information, will the project be scored and ranked in the FY 2021 competition?

YES/NO

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Section 2: Points this section and Continuum of Care specific requirements (26) (UNSHeltered NOFO AND COC NOFO)

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| | Yes |
| | No |

	Provided Sheltered PIT data
	Participated in the Project Homeless Connect event(s)
	Participated on one of the Unsheltered PIT teams

	Yes
	No

	Yes
	No

10 points if the agency is in compliance with HUD. 0 points if the agency is out of compliance with HUD or does not provide a letter. Documentation: Letter from Executive Director.

5. Special Populations

Will this project provide services to a targeted subpopulation? If so, please list the subpopulation(s) that the program is targeted to. (Examples include: Substance Use, Mental Health, Domestic Violence, Youth, or Families. This is for informational purposes only, and you will not be scored based on your response.)

Target Population

Documentation: Narrative

6. Housing Connect

Describe your participation with Housing Connect.

Housing Connect

Documentation: Narrative

Section 3: Rapid Rehousing Programs (UNSHELTERED NOFO AND COC NOFO)

Instructions for Rank and Review: Please provide the following information based on the type of housing that you are applying for. This section is only for programs wishing to provide Rapid Rehousing Services. Points this section (50)

Instructions for Scoring: This section will be reviewing the narratives. Applicants will receive points in only the RRH or PSH section, as determined by the type of project that they are submitting. If no conditions for points are met, add 0 points. Total Points for this section (50)

Please Note that the scoring explanation and scoring box will directly follow the corresponding question

1. Scope

Describe what counties you plan to provide these services in, and how you will ensure that the housing services are being provided throughout the identified coverage area

Scope

If the agency adequately describes a plan to provide the services in a multiple county service area, then add 5 points. Key points: Services, Service area and how services will be provided.

2. Reduce the Length of Time of Homelessness

A) What is your agency's strategy to identify housing options for program participants? How will your agency recruit and retain landlords?

A) Housing Identification

If the agency provides a strategy, but does not reference reducing barriers or recruiting and retention of landlords, add 3 points.

If the agency provides additional information in the plan specifically identifying recruiting and retention of landlords, or reducing barriers but not both, add 7 points.

If the agency provides additional information in the plan specifically referencing recruiting and retention of landlords AND reducing other barriers, award a total of 10 points.

B) What is your agency's plan to quickly administer the rent and move-in assistance? How will your agency track and administer these funds?

Increase Exits of Households to Permanent Housing - Stabilization

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4. Limit Returns to Homelessness

Describe how your agency will follow up with participants after the rental assistance is completed to assist in maintaining stabilization?

Limit Returns to Homelessness

If the agency has a plan for follow up after the rental assistance ends, add 5 points.

If the agency has a plan detailing how it can extend the provision of supportive services in addition to follow up, add an additional 5 points.

5. Need For Project

Using state and local data sources, explain the need for these services in your area.

Need

If the agency describes a need for services in the coverage area, add 3 points.

If the agency provides at least two additional local and/or state data resources in addition to the PIT Count justifying a clear need for the services in the area, add an additional 7 points.

Total This Section (RRH)

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Section 3 (PSH) (UNSHeltered NOFO AND COC NOFO)

Instructions: Please provide the following information based on the type of housing that you are applying for. This section is only for programs wishing to provide Permanent Supportive Housing services. Points this section (50).

Instructions: This section will be reviewing the narrative. Applicants will receive points in only the RRH or PSH section, as determined by the type of project that they are submitting. If no conditions for points are met, add 0 points. Total points for this section (50).

Please Note that the scoring explanation and scoring box will directly follow the corresponding question.

- Describe what counties you plan to provide these services in, and how you will ensure that the housing services are being provided throughout the coverage area. Will This Program Be Dedicated or Dedicated Plus?
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B) What is your agency's plan to quickly administer the rent and move-in assistance? How will your agency track and administer these funds?

B) Rent and Move-In Assistance

If the agency provides a plan to administer rent and move-in assistance, add 5 points. Key point(s): Rehousing within 30 days or less.

3. Housing Stability

Describe how your agency will provide services to clients to assist them in stabilizing housing, acquiring benefits, and other supportive services.

Housing Stability

If the agency describes supportive services surrounding participants in the PSH, add 5 points.

If the agency specifically provides information in the narrative regarding emphasizing client choice, add an additional 5 points. Key points: services and client choice.

4. Increasing Earned Income

Describe how your agency will provide services to clients to assist them in acquiring earned income, if the client has identified this as a goal.

Income - Earned

If the agency describes how the agency will provide or leverage supportive services surrounding employment. If the client chooses to increase income, add 10 points.

5. Need For Project

Using state and local data sources, explain the need for these services in your area.

Need

If the agency describes a need for services in the coverage area, add 3 points.

If the agency provides at least two additional local and/or state data resources in addition to the PIT Count justifying a clear need for the services in the area, add an additional 7 points.

Total This Section (PSH)

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Section 3: Dedicated HMIS (UNSHELTERED NOFO AND COC NOFO)

Instructions: Please provide the following information based on the type of housing that you are applying for. This section is only for programs wishing to create a Dedicated HMIS Project. Points this section (50) Instructions: This section will be reviewing the narrative. Applicants will receive points in only the Dedicated HMIS section, as determined by the type of project that they are submitting. If no conditions for points are met, add 0 points. Total Points this section. Please Note that the scoring explanation and scoring box will directly follow the corresponding question.

1. Scope

Describe the scope of your project. Include details on what services you plan to provide and how you will provide them in a multi-county service area.

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Scope agency adequately describes a plan to provide services in multiple counties, then add 10 points. Key points: Services, Service area and how they	If the
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2. Need

Using state and local data sources, explaining the need for these services in your area.

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Need agency describes a need for services in the coverage area, add 5 points. If the agency provides at least two additional local and/or state data resources justifying a clear need for the services in the area, add an additional 5 points.	If the
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3. Adherence to Universal Data Elements

Please describe what data elements are collected and your ability to meet HUD's Universal Data Elements standards.

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Universal Data Elements If the applicant fully describes how they will meet the Universal Data Elements requirements set forth by HUD, award 10 points.
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4. Un-duplicated Client Records

Please describe the capabilities of your Homeless Management Information System including the systems ability to un-duplicate client records.

Unduplicated Client Records: If the applicant describes how the system can provide un-duplicated client records award 10 points.

5. Reporting Requirements

Please describe how your HMIS has the ability to meet all of the reporting requirements set forth by HUD.

Reporting Award 10 points if the applicant describes the reporting capabilities of the HMIS.

Total this section (HMIS)

Instructions: Please provide the following information based on the type of housing that you are applying for. This section is only for programs wishing to create a Joint TH/RRH Project. Points this section (50)

Instructions: This section will be reviewing the narrative. Applicants will receive points in only the TH/RRH section, as determined by the type of project that they are submitting. If no conditions for points are met, add 0 points. Total Points this section:

Please Note that the scoring explanation and scoring box will directly follow the corresponding question.

Describe how your program will assist clients in determining which type of housing assistance will meet their needs.

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If the agency provides plans in order to assist the client in determining whether TH or RRH is will be most effective. 2.5 points

2. Transitional Housing

With this component, a program participant may choose to receive only the transitional housing unit or the assistance provided through the PH-RRH component, but the recipient or subrecipient must make both types of assistance available. Please describe the process the agency will use to ensure that someone in the Transitional Housing Portion is quickly permanently housed once they feel that they are ready.

Transitional Housing Component

If the agency describes the process they will use to ensure that someone in the TH portion is quickly permanently housed once they feel that they are ready. 2.5 points

3. Reduce the Length of Time of Homelessness

A) What is your agency's strategy to identify permanent housing options for program participants? How will your agency recruit and retain landlords?

Reduce Length of Time

A) Housing Identification

If the agency provides a strategy, but does not reference reducing barriers or recruiting and retention of landlords, add 3 points.

If the agency provides additional information in the plan specifically identifying recruiting and retention of landlords, or reducing barriers but not both, award 7 points.

If the agency provides additional information in the plan specifically referencing recruiting and retention of landlords AND reducing other barriers, award a total of 10 points.

B) What is your agency's plan to quickly administer the rent and move-in assistance? How will your agency track and administer these funds?

B) Rent and Move-In Assistance

If the agency provides an adequate plan to administer rent and move-in assistance, add 5 points.

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4. Increase Exits of Households to Permanent Housing - Stabilization

Describe how your agency will provide services to clients to assist them in stabilizing housing, employment/benefits acquisition, and other supportive services.

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Increase Exits of Households to Permanent Housing

If the agency describes how it will provide supportive services to clients to assist in locating housing, and employment/benefits, add 5 points.

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If the agency specifically provides information in the narrative regarding emphasizing client choice, add an additional 5 points.

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5. Limit Returns to Homelessness

Describe how your agency will follow up with participants after the rental assistance is completed to assist in maintaining stabilization?

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If the agency has a plan detailing how it can extend the provision of supportive services in addition to follow up, add an additional 5 points.

Using state and local data sources, explain the need for these services in your area. Include how this component will meet the gaps in services for the area you plan to assist.

Area you plan to assess:	

Need

If the agency describes a need for services in the coverage area, add 3 points.

If the agency provides at least two additional local or state data resources in addition to the PIT Count justifying a clear need for the services in the area AND discusses how the project will meet the service gaps in the area, add an additional 7 points.

Total This Section
(TH/RRH)

Section 3: DV Bonus: Joint TH/RRH, PSH or RRH (COC NOFO ONLY)

Instructions for Rank and Review: Please provide the following information based on the type of housing that you are applying for. This section is only for programs wishing to create a DV Bonus Project. Points this section (25)

Instructions for Scoring: This section will be reviewing the narrative. Applicants will receive points in only the TH/RRH section, as determined by the type of project that they are submitting. If no conditions for points are met, add 0 points. Total Points this section (25)

Please Note that the scoring explanation and scoring box will directly follow the corresponding question

1. Scope

Describe what counties you plan to provide these service in, and how ou will ensure that the housing services are being provided throughout the ident coverage area.

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Describe how your agency will provide services to clients to assist them in establishing housing, acquiring employment, and obtaining needed services.	

3. Need

Using state and local data sources, explain the need for these services in your area.

Need

If the agency describes a need for services in the coverage area, add 3 points.

If the agency provides at least two additional local and/or state data resources in addition to the PIT Count justifying a clear need for the services in the area, add an additional 7 points.

4 History of providing DV services

Please describe previous experience in providing serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or

History of providing DV

Did the applicant describe previous experience in providing serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. 5 points

The undersigned applicant(s) hereby certify that all statements contained in this application are true and correct to the best of applicant(s) knowledge and belief, and that the Review Committee will rely on this certification in reviewing the application.

Section 3: DV Bonus Support Services Only Coordinated Entry (COC NOFO ONLY)

Instructions for Rank and Review: Please provide the following information based on the program type that you are applying for. This section is only for programs wishing to create a DV Bonus Project. Points this section (25)

Instructions for Scoring: This section will be reviewing the narrative. Applicants will receive points in only the Coordinated Entry section, as determined by the type of project that they are submitting. If no conditions for points are met, add 0 points. Total Points this section (25)

1. Scope

Describe the scope of your project. Include details on what services you plan to provide and how you will provide them in a multi-county service area.

Scope If the agency
adequately describes a plan to provide services in multiple counties, then add 10 points. Key points: Services, Service area and how they will be provided.

2. Need

Using state and local data sources, expaling the need for these services in your area.

Need If the
agency describes a need for services in the coverage area, add 2.5 points. If the agency provides at least two addional local and/or state data resources
justifying a clear need for the services in the area, add an additional 2.5 points.

3. Centralized Coordinated Entry System

Please describe how your system will cover the two county service area and engages with a wide range of organziations.

Centralized Coordinated Entry System If the
applicant fully describes how they will provide services to the two county area award 2.5 points. Award an addition 2.5 points if they describe ways they
will partner with local organizations.

4. Advertising Strategy

Please describe how you will outreach and advertise to persons with high barrier needs.

Advertising Strategy

If the applicant describes more than one way they plan to outreach to those persons with high barrier needs and are least likely to connect to Coordinated Entry award 5 points.

5. Domestic Violence Experience

Please describe your experience in working with or operating Domestic Violence services.

Domestic Violence Experience

If the applicant describes past experience or how they will partner DV providers award 5 points.

Total This Section (CE)

This document was completed by:

Name:	
Title:	
Agency:	
Project Name:	
Project Type?	

Section 3: Support Services Only (Not Including SSO Projects for Coordinated Entry) Unsheltered NOFO only

Instructions for Rank and Review: Please provide the following information based on the program type that you are applying for. This section is only for programs wishing to create a SSO Bonus Project. Points this section (25)

Instructions for Scoring: This section will be reviewing the narrative. Applicants will receive points in only the Supportive Services Only Section, as determined by the type of project that they are submitting. If no conditions for points are met, add 0 points. Total Points this section (25)

1. Scope

Describe the strategy for providing supportive services to those with the highest needs, including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services.

Scope - If the agency adequately describes a strategy that prioritizes provision of services to highest needs populations, add 5 points. If the plan specifically addresses how to engage those who do not seek services, then add 5 points. (10 total)

2. Permanent Housing - Describe how your program will assist participants to obtain and maintain permanent housing. (10 Points)

Permanent Housing - If the agency describes how permanent housing is obtained and maintained (5 points)

3. Centralized Coordinated Entry System

*Mandatory Participation

Will you be participating in Coordinated Entry? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Centralized Coordinated Entry System - If participating in Coordinated Entry (5 points)

4. Services Referrals - Describe how your agency will refer program participants to obtain the benefits of mainstream health, social services, and employment programs for which they are eligible to apply and which meet the needs of the program participants

Service Referrals - If the applicant adequately described how they will refer program applicants. (10 points)

Total This Section (CE)

This document was
completed by:

Name:	
Title:	
Agency:	
Project Name:	
Project Type?	

Grant Renewal Checklist Notes (to be completed by CoC Collaborative Applicant)

Was the Project Ranked?	YES/NO
Section 2	
Section 3 Points RRH	
Section 3 Points PSH	
Section 3 Points HMIS	
Section 3 Points TH:RRH	0
Section 3 DV TH/RRH, PSH or RRH	0
Section 3: DV SS Only Points CE	0
Section 3 SS Only (No CE)	0

Total Agency Prioritization Score

0

Additional Notes From Review Committee Chair

Review Committee Chair Signature

Name: _____

Email: _____

Approved and Accepted by the Joplin, Jasper/Newton Counties CoC on



Tammy Walker <twalker@escswa.org>

Re: Rank and Review Letter

1 message

Tammy Walker <twalker@escswa.org>

Wed, Oct 5, 2022 at 10:50 AM

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This email serves as notice that no appeals were received in regards to the Rank and Review process. No applications were excluded from the Special NOFO.

On Mon, Sep 26, 2022 at 4:14 PM Tammy Walker <twalker@escswa.org> wrote:

Special Unsheltered NOFO **Rank and Review Results are attached**. This email serves as notice to agency's who applied, of their inclusion in the Special NOFO Grant. I have also attached the Grant Prioritization Process policy, which outlines the appeals process. The CoC Timeline outlines how to submit appeals and to whom they are sent. Written appeal due to the Rank and Review committee. Send to Thomas Walters via email twalters@joplinmo.org. Appeals are due by September 29th.

This Rank and Review Committee Special NOFO letter will be posted to The Homeless Coalition's website as well.

Tammy Walker

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Walters, Thomas** <TWalters@joplinmo.org>

Date: Mon, Sep 26, 2022 at 3:51 PM

Subject: Rank and Review Letter

To: Tammy Walker <twalker@escswa.org>, Robin Smith <rsmith@escswa.org>

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Mon, Sep 26, 2022 at 4:14 PM

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Special Unsheltered NOFO **Rank and Review Results are attached**. This email serves as notice to agency's who applied, of their inclusion in the Special NOFO Grant. I have also attached the Grant Prioritization Process policy, which outlines the appeals process. The CoC Timeline outlines how to submit appeals and to whom they are sent. Written appeal due to the Rank and Review committee. Send to Thomas Walters via email twalters@joplinmo.org. Appeals are due by September 29th.

This Rank and Review Committee Special NOFO letter will be posted to The Homeless Coalition's website as well.

Tammy Walker

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From: Walters, Thomas <TWalters@joplinmo.org>

Date: Mon, Sep 26, 2022 at 3:51 PM

Subject: Rank and Review Letter

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9/26/2022

Rank & Review Committee: Special Unsheltered NOFO
Jasper/Newton County Continuum of Care
4th Floor Conference Room, City Hall
602 South Main
Joplin, MO 64801

Committee Members:
Thomas Walters, Chair
Josh Shackles
Belinda Kirkland
Daniel Gurley

The Rank & Review Committee Convened at 9 a.m., September 26th, to review all applications received at the 4th floor of Joplin City Hall by 5pm, Friday the 23rd of September. Total funds requested by eligible applicants exceeded the total funds available as part of the NOFO. The committee exercised discretion in reallocation of funds applied for as allowed by Policy 6.0 of the policies and procedures manual of the CoC.

The total funds compared to applications received are as follows:

Special Unsheltered NOFO

		Total Grant Available	\$ 530,996.00	
Agencies				Score
Economic Security	Planning Grant	\$ 15,929.91		51
Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri	Unsheltered Rapid Rehousing	\$ 180,000.00		50
Institute for Community Alliances	HMIS Grant	\$ 211,225.42		49
Missouri Department of Mental Health	Joplin Housing Liaison	\$ 164,745.00		44
		Subtotal	\$ 571,900.33	
			\$ (40,904.33)	

*Note: Section 3, - Maximum possible scores were adjusted to be consistent with all applications as different types of programs had a different total amount of points. This was to ensure applications were comparable. Section 2 resulted in the greatest variation in scores and ultimately adjustments in Section 3 had little to no effect on final scores.

Final allocations for projects within the Continuum of Care competition as determined by the Rank and Review Committee are in the below table.

Agency Allocations		
Economic Security	\$	15,929.91
Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri	\$	180,000.00
Institute for Community Allicances	\$	211,225.42
Missouri Departmetn of Mental Health	\$	123,840.67

Documentation and scored applications signed by the chair of the committee are available at Joplin City Hall, 4th Floor, Community Development, until such time they are returned to the Chair of the Homeless Coalition following opportunity to appeal by applicants.



Thomas Walters
Rank and Review Committee Chair



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October 12, 2022

To whom it may concern:

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As a member of The Homeless Coalition, Economic Security Corporation of S W Area would like to extend its support of the Special Unsheltered grant being submitted by the Jasper and Newton County Continuum of Care (MO-602). We are committing \$10,000.00 in Community Services Block Grant funds to help persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness obtain permanent housing. We feel that the goals outlined in this application will increase services for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness and move more people into permanent housing.

Respectfully,

John Joines, CEO

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October 13, 2022

Jasper/Newton Continuum of Care,

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri is a strong community partner of the Jasper/Newton CoC lead agency. Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri has been an active participant in the CoC projects and participated in the PIT counts for this area. Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri is a recipient of the Supportive Services for Veterans Families grant, which serves the Jasper/Newton County CoC.

Last grant year Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri provided over \$50,000 in services to veterans through our SSVF program. These funds were used to provide RRH services to veterans and their families.

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri will continue to provide RRH services to the Jasper/Newton County area through this program should these grant funds remain available. Current funding extends to 12/31/23.

In the next year, Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri anticipates spending approximately \$50,000 in SSVF RRH funds in Jasper/Newton County area to support the CoC's effort to address the unsheltered homeless in the community.

Sincerely,

Maura Taylor, Executive Director

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri

under special admissions. Special admission families will be admitted outside of the regular waitlist process and do not have to meet the criteria for a preference. The PHA maintains separate records of these admissions.

The following are examples of types of program funding that may be designated by HUD:

- A family displaced because of demolition or disposition of a public or Indian housing project;
- A family residing in a multifamily rental housing project when HUD sells, forecloses or demolishes the project;
- For housing covered by the Low-Income Housing Preservation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990;
- A family residing in a project covered by a project-based Housing Choice Voucher HAP
- Contract at or near the end of the HAP contract term;
- A non-purchasing family residing in a HOPE 1 or HOPE 2 project; and
- A family participating in the HUD-Veterans Affairs Supported Housing (VASH) program.
- Any other program designated by HUD for special funding

4-I. F. INITIAL DETERMINATION OF LOCAL PREFERENCE QUALIFICATION [24 CFR 982.207]

HUD permits the PHA to establish local preferences and give priority to serving families that meet those criteria. HUD specifically authorizes and places restrictions on certain types of local preferences. HUD permits the PHA to establish other local preferences, at its discretion. The PHA's local preferences are based on local housing needs and priorities.

The PHA uses the following local preference system:

POINTS:

10M POINTS: TARGETED PREFERENCE: Nonelderly disabled person who is transitioning out of an institutional or other segregated setting; Nonelderly disabled person at serious risk of institutionalization; Nonelderly persons with disabilities in a permanent supportive or rapid rehousing project; Nonelderly disabled homeless individuals.

1M POINTS: RESIDENCY PREFERENCE: Families who currently reside in the JCPHA jurisdiction. (Barton, Jasper, McDonald & Newton Counties)

500,000 POINTS: HOMELESS PREFERENCE: Families that are living in shelters.

300,000 POINTS: OUT OF JURISDICTION PREFERENCE: Families that live

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Re: Match Commitment for the Continuum of Care Program
Joplin Housing Liaison

To Whom It May Concern:

The Missouri Department of Mental Health (MO DMH) through its network of community mental health centers and substance use treatment centers provides outreach and supportive services that engage homeless disabled individuals and assist with obtaining and maintaining stable permanent housing.

The minimum amount of MO DMH funding that will be provided as **in-kind match** for this project year September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2026 is **\$50,000**.

Supportive Services such as case management, education services, employment assistance and job training, housing search, life skills training, mental health services, outpatient health services, outreach services, substance use treatment services, counseling and/or transportation, which are required by participants to obtain or maintain housing will begin September 1, 2023. In-kind match is provided by state government funds.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kelli Kemna".

Kelli Kemna
Housing Director

Joplin/Jasper & Newton County Homeless Coalition
Memorandum of Understanding and Partner Agreement
Street Outreach Program

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is effective on Sept 29, 22 between the Joplin/Jasper & Newton County Homeless Coalition and

Access Family Care regarding the Street Outreach Program.

- I. Purpose: One of the crucial tools that Housing and Urban Development (HUD) recognizes for combating and reducing homelessness is for the local CoC to have in place an effective street outreach program. Goals and procedures for street outreach are outlined in the Street Outreach Program Policies and Procedures.
- II. Mission and Guiding Principles: The mission of Joplin/Jasper & Newton County Homeless Coalition (CoC) is to improve the quality of life for individuals in the Jasper and Newton county region impacted by all aspects of homelessness through community education and coordination of community services. The principles of the Street Outreach program are to reach out to families and individuals who are experiencing unsheltered homelessness in the CoC's region and engage with them to offer community resource information and referral for help with housing assistance.
- III. Governance: The Street Outreach Program will operate under the direction of the Street Outreach committee of the CoC.
- IV. Roles & Responsibilities of the Partners: Partners will determine a monthly schedule for conducting street outreach in the region. Partner Street Outreach workers will follow the adopted Street Outreach Policies and Procedures which includes:
 - a. Literally Homeless person is identified.
 - b. Street Outreach workers will use the Street Outreach/ Homeless Verification form.
 - c. Notice of Client Rights form is signed by the individual.
 - d. Completed form is entered into HMIS within three (3) working days of gathering the information by the Street Outreach worker. Completed Street Outreach / Homeless verification form(s) are turned in to the Housing Resource Coordinator with Housing Connect for tracking and evaluation purposes.
 - e. Appropriate referrals to area programs are made.

The below named agency agrees to the above partner terms:

Partner Agency: Ozark Tricounty Healthcare Consortium, DBA ACCESS Family Care

Authorized personnel: Don McBride CEO
(Print Name) (Title)

Signature: Don McBride

Homeless Coalition

Authorized Official: Robin Smith 9/29/22
(Print name) (Title) Homeless Coalition Chair

Signature: Robin Smith



The Homeless Coalition

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October 13, 2022

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As persons with lived experience, we would like to extend our support of the Special Unsheltered grant application being submitted by the Jasper and Newton County Continuum of Care (MO-602). We feel that the goals outlined in this application will increase services for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness and move more people into permanent housing.

Respectfully,

Greg Gimlin
Unsheltered Committee Member

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Introduction

The Jasper and Newton counties CoC (MO-602) is located in the southwest corner of Missouri. The total population of Jasper County is 120,636 and Newton County is 58,489, for 179,125. Jasper County is 24% rural while Newton County is 64% rural. Homeless services in this two county area consist of one emergency shelter in Newton County, two larger emergency shelters in Jasper County located in the largest city, Joplin, as well as a domestic violence shelter, a children's only shelter, and three transitional housing programs. Joplin is the Hub for the majority of social services and assistance programs. Outside of Joplin in neighboring Webb City is a transitional housing shelter that serves as treatment and sober living that serves homeless individuals and veterans. In nearby Carthage there is a transitional housing shelter as well. The CoC conducts an annual Point in Time Count and did so in 2020 during the height of the pandemic. Although our methods for conducting the unsheltered portion of the count are very good, our CoC's final numbers remain low. The CoC feels that you do not get a true picture of the scope of unsheltered homelessness in our area by merely looking at PIT data alone. In comparing data collected through Street Outreach, our CoC can show a much higher number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness. Our unsheltered PIT numbers for the last four years are as follows: 2019 (47), 2020 (62), 2021 (32) and 2022 (34). The CoC has been engaged with year-round Street Outreach efforts for the past four years. In looking at our CoC's HMIS data, it shows that 375 total unduplicated persons living unsheltered have been engaged and assessed through Street Outreach over a two-year period.

A recent Needs Assessment survey of local individuals experiencing homelessness showed the following: 1) if the CoC could add more TH or ES for area homeless that they would want shelters to have larger spaces, be safer, have more beds available and offer more shelter beds for families. 2) if there could be more supportive services in our CoC they would want more access to housing, food, case management and transportation. 3) If more housing could be added what would they want that to look like? They cited housing that is more affordable, subsidized and a desire for smaller homes. 4) If they could change something about the homeless system they would, increase housing and shelter availability, and would like to stop being viewed as a threat by the community. In addition, 85% said that it has been easy to access services in the community while the other 15% say they had difficulty accessing transportation for services, no access to case management for help completing applications and stated that the housing process was very slow.

The CoC has twenty-two members who attend regular monthly meetings. Members range from housing agencies, several community service agencies and persons with lived experience. CoC members are very involved with the different activities that the CoC is currently working on. This work includes Street Outreach, Point in Time Count, Monitoring, CoC Rank and Review, Coordinated Entry, planning and coordination of homeless services. The CoC collaborates with city and county officials to work on the best ways to engage with unsheltered homeless individuals and families and collaborating with the City of Joplin on its long-term plan of addressing homelessness in the community.

The following goals were outlined through the CoC's work:

1. Increasing street outreach and engagement.
2. Increasing data collection and analysis of data to help us identify gaps, determine if our strategies are working and determine if there are racial disparities.
3. Increasing case management and support services.
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Leveraging Housing Resources

The CoC currently receives HUD CoC funds (Rapid Rehousing and Permanent Supportive Housing), Emergency Solutions Grant funds (Rapid Rehousing, Prevention, Emergency Shelter, and HMIS), Missouri

Housing Trust Funds (Rapid Rehousing and Prevention), Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers, Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF), Mainstream Vouchers, Family Self Sufficiency Vouchers and Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers. Other sources of housing funds include Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) and Salvation Army funds. The CoC is working with the City of Joplin for HOME ARP funds. The City of Joplin is an active member of the CoC and holds the office of Vice Chair on the Executive Committee of The Homeless Coalition. These funds will provide for rental production and assistance. The HOME allocation plan requires the Joplin Home Consortium to work with the CoC. Any organization awarded funds for tenant based rental assistance from HOME ARP funds will also be required to work with the CoC and their Coordinated Entry process. In this NOFO Catholic Charities is requesting Rapid Rehousing funds to serve unsheltered individuals to help them gain permanent housing. This infusion of additional Rapid Rehousing Funds will go a long way to help move more people off the streets in our community. Economic Security Corporation, the Collaborative Applicant, will budget \$10,000.00 in housing funds using Community Services Block Grant. Catholic Charities is committing \$50,000 in Support Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) funds as well. These commitments of funds for FY 23 will increase the pool of local rental assistance available to those experiencing unsheltered homelessness. The Jasper County Public Housing Agency implemented a housing preference for people residing in an emergency shelter. Economic Security Corporation and The United Way of SW Missouri and SE Kansas are coordinating on COVID related funds through Health and Human Services. This should bring more rental assistance to the community for persons affected by COVID and experiencing homelessness. Additionally, Schuber Mitchell Homes, who contract and build homes in the Missouri and Arkansas area, is looking to collaborate with a project called Vita Nova Village. Staff involved with Vita Nova are active in the CoC. Once this housing is built this tiny home village will serve homeless individuals and Veterans experiencing homelessness and include services to those who live there.

Landlord Recruitment

The CoC continuously works side by side with many landlords within the CoC area. These relationships are developed and are upheld with support from the individual agencies who reach out regularly to the landlords and offer support and help. The housing programs offered within our CoC have some type of regular case management. Services include but are not limited to; assisting people with their housing search, helping them fill out applications, assistance with documentation collection, advocacy, housing stabilization, and expanding their support systems. During the housing search agencies often, create lists of rental properties and low income housing options to share with people who are seeking housing. It is common practice in our CoC to help people complete applications for all of the low income housing options and the SAHFR application (State Assistance for Housing Relief) while they look for more immediate permanent housing. All subsidized housing options in our CoC have waiting lists and it often takes a while for people to work their way up the lists. Some agencies are also able to provide transportation to search for housing and to meet with landlords. Some agencies can offer to pay double deposits and first and last month's rent with their funds, which quite often works in favor for the tenant if they have past evictions or other barriers that would stand out to landlords who may not otherwise consider renting to them. Case Management services can offer some assurances to landlords that the tenants who are placed in their units are taking care of the unit and following their lease. Once housed agencies continue to provide stabilization services to the family, helping them adjust to the obligations of being a renter again and helping to prevent evictions by acting as a mediator between the landlord and tenant. Connection to resources for food, utilities, and any other resources they might need is an important part of stabilizing a person in their home. Other ways to engage with landlords is through a new page that was added to the Homeless Coalition's website that contains specific information about housing options and landlord information. The page has an area for landlords to share information about rentals that they have available and housing agencies will be notified of rentals. The CoC has one new strategy, which is to host a property owner forum to provide education about people experiencing homelessness, about how the CoC partners are assisting them in obtaining housing, and will highlight the benefits of landlords working with these programs. One step in making this forum successful and possible is reaching out to the local Realtor Association to gain their crucial support for

the event. The hope is that this forum should yield more ways the CoC can work with landlords as well as build trust among property owners and housing agencies.

Leveraging Healthcare Resources

The CoC currently collaborates with ACCESS Family Care, which is located in both of the CoC's counties, Jasper and Newton in Missouri. ACCESS Family Care is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC). ACCESS Family Care has a MOU with Economic Security Corporation (ESC), who is the Collaborative Applicant, to prioritize homeless individuals and families within our CoC for services. A process was created for ESC Case Managers to complete the initial paperwork, gather income information and send it directly to the health care centers. By doing this, unsheltered homeless people are being seen for appointments more quickly. Additionally ACCESS Family Care will also be able to do some screenings, schedule appointments, assist patients with applying for Medicaid or enroll in the Show Me Healthy Women program while participating during regular street outreach. One new strategy that is being looked at is use of their mobile medical unit is being planned with hopes of providing services at some of the area parks where unsheltered persons congregate. The CoC is working with the City of Joplin on obtaining the required permits to make this happen.

CoC partner, Missouri Department of Mental Health (DMH) has made a commitment through its network of community mental health centers and substance use treatment centers to provide outreach and supportive services that engage homeless disabled individuals and assist with obtaining and maintaining stable permanent housing. They offer a wide range of support services and Housing Liaison services for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness. Supportive Services include; case management, education services, employment assistance, job training, housing search, life skills training, mental health services, outpatient health services, outreach services, substance use treatment services, counseling and transportation. DMH is the largest health care provider within the CoC network. Through this NOFO, they have provided \$50,000 of in-kind match for their SSO project. Other healthcare partnerships include The Joplin Community Clinic, a private not for profit organization. They collaborate with the CoC and provide healthcare services to people with no access to medical, dental, and mental health services. They engage people experiencing unsheltered homelessness and encourage them to seek housing assistance through the CoC's Coordinated Entry and provide information on local shelters. They are also a member of the Street Outreach Committee and participate outreach.

Current Street Outreach Strategy

The CoC's street outreach efforts began in 2018 after researching what other communities do. CoC membership regularly attend the National Alliance to End Homeless conference each year, which provides an enormous amount of information on strategies that could be replicated. Our community was able to glean valuable information and lessons learned in the area of street outreach. The CoC street outreach committee meets monthly. Membership on this committee includes; Salvation Army, Souls Harbor shelter, The Community Clinic, Easy Wireless, Catholic Charities, Economic Security Corporation which is the local Community Action Agency, ACCESS Family Care, Legal Aid, the Joplin Police Department and The Next Step Joplin. We currently have three active street outreach members who have previous unsheltered homeless experience. These meetings are to discuss the month's outreach efforts and share ideas and connections with homeless. This is also a time to go over new strategies and updates in carrying out activities, and provide training for new members of the street outreach team. Street outreach teams go out weekly to find unsheltered homeless individuals in our area. Our strategy for conducting outreach within the CoC's two county area is to split into teams. The team regularly consults with the local police departments and the Sheriff in the towns within our service area to help identify where we should conduct street outreach. Outdoor locations where people are sleeping are noted on a map of our two county area. This information is regularly updated and reviewed. Engagement strategies include going to local parks and wooded areas and abandoned buildings as directed by city or law enforcement officials so as not to trespass. The teams approach individuals, engage with them, and ask if they are experiencing homelessness and if they are interested in being housed. During Street Outreach, staff take the time to get to

know the person experiencing homelessness. They ask about barriers they have to obtaining housing. Engagement over time helps build cultural awareness and differences are taken into consideration when engaging with unsheltered homeless individuals. Street outreach staff participated in HUD Diversity and Inclusion training when offered to local CoCs. If a person is interested in engaging with us we, do a short assessment with them, gather release of information, and photograph identification they may have, get a phone number if one is available and find out where they usually can be found during the daytime. If they need to obtain IDs or need other documents, we make an appointment for them to see a case manager and start working on that. The Housing Case Manager can meet with them in our offices or can go to them for further information if needed. During this engagement time street outreach members also give information on services in the local area about shelters, food, housing opportunities, medical and mental health care, and crisis care and other information they may need. ACCESS Family Care will be able to do some screenings, schedule appointments, assist patients with applying for Medicaid or enroll in the Show Me Healthy Women program while participating during street outreach. Some street outreach staff have been able to assist some homeless individuals to access mental health care and urgent medical needs quickly. All information collected during street outreach is entered into Service Point, the CoC's HMIS. The Street Outreach Committee has been collecting information for four years on everyone they have met during Street Outreach. As stated earlier the CoC's Street Outreach team has collected data on 375 total unduplicated persons, who are living unsheltered. This data is for a two-year period.

The next step in the process is Coordinated Entry. Staff are regularly in touch with housing agencies about openings and availability of vouchers so they can make referrals quickly. Coordinated entry staff are also in touch with local homeless shelters on a daily basis to enquire about assessing anyone experiencing homelessness that wants to be housed. By ensuring people are assessed and referred to housing this will assist with opening up beds for those who are unsheltered on the streets.

The CoC has four strategies to support Street Outreach. The first strategy is to secure street outreach funds through the Emergency Solutions Grant. Economic Security Corporation applied for ESG funding for street outreach this year to support and expand street outreach efforts. Thus far, the CoC has had no sources of funding specifically for the street outreach. The lead agency for Street Outreach has incurred most of the data entry costs and covered these cost with other sources of funding. The second strategy is to have regular meetings with city and county officials to educate them on our efforts and to collaborate with them on our efforts to house people. The third strategy is to recruit more volunteers to join the Street Outreach Committee. By increasing volunteers, we will be able to cover more outdoor locations each week. The last strategy is to meet regularly with the Sheriff's Departments to coordinate with them around unsheltered homelessness in our more rural cities in our CoC.

Current Strategy to provide access to low barrier shelter and temporary housing for unsheltered

In looking at the CoC's 2022 Housing Inventory Chart it would appear that bed utilization rates are low but this would be incorrect. The 2022 Housing Inventory Chart shows that our CoC's bed utilization rate is 62% for emergency shelter beds and 57% utilization rate for transitional housing beds. This information is correct for that particular point in time; however, area shelters and transitional housing programs report higher utilization rates throughout the year. Because most area shelters and some transitional housing programs do not utilize the CoC's HMIS for data collection, we must rely on the information they report to the CoC outside of that system. We continue to reach out to these programs in hopes that we can engage them in use of the CoC's HMIS. Additionally, the CoC advocates for area shelters to operate in a low barrier manner. Educational resources on what it means to be low barrier are shared widely with area emergency shelters and transitional housing programs. Other ways we strive to provide access to shelters is through the CoC's coordinated entry process. Staff has contact with the local shelters on a nearly daily basis and shares information with them about coordinated entry, waiting lists for public housing programs and rentals that are available. This allows shelter

staff to refer people for coordinated entry and move them out of their shelters thus opening up space for homeless individuals seeking a bed. All CoC providers act as a referral source to area shelters as well providing people with information about all local shelters and programs. Through monthly CoC meetings, providers and shelters collaborate and share up to date information about shelter bed openings and available services. Weekly street outreach is another way we connect unsheltered persons to shelter. Outreach teams canvas the CoC's two county area for persons living outside and provide information on shelters with hopes of engaging them in services. The CoC also has several sources of funding that allow for the payment of motel stays; Missouri Housing Trust Fund, Emergency Solutions Grant, Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) and a fund through Ozark Center, a local mental health and drug/alcohol treatment provider. Motel stays are allowable and used on a limited basis by the funded agencies when no other viable options are available. During the pandemic, a Homeless Isolation Response Team coordinated with both major hospitals in Joplin, Freeman and Mercy, to help quarantine COVID 19 positive homeless patients at a local hotel. This same model could be used for future emergencies or pandemics. Lastly, the CoC works with local shelters to increase overflow beds during cold and hot weather. A warming and cooling center list is created and shared widely among the CoC membership and the public.

Updating the CoC's strategy to Identify, Shelter, and House Individuals Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness with Data and Performance

The CoC will use data to improve performance of the street outreach project, to connect those individuals to shelter, and to move individuals into permanent housing. First, the CoC will conduct an analysis of the unsheltered population and their specific needs, in order to provide targeted services for these clients, including referrals to the CoC's health care partners. Having an increased understanding of the population will allow for quicker referrals to and placement in emergency shelter and other temporary residence settings. All unsheltered persons contacted by the expanded street outreach will be assessed for Coordinated Entry, if they wish to participate. This data will be entered into the CoC's HMIS and they will be included in the prioritization list for housing opportunities. The CoC is currently reviewing its coordinated entry assessment, prioritization process and how use of data could be used. In this new assessment tool, experience with unsheltered homelessness will be one of the prioritized factors. The CoC will conduct an assessment of Coordinated Entry outcomes (length of time on list, exit destination, returns to housing) for clients who were scored with the old and new assessment tools, to ensure the new tool meets the needs of the clients and helps to appropriately place clients into housing. Additionally, the CoC will focus on reducing racial disparities, by continually analyzing the assessment tool and how it scores different clients. Recurring analysis of the tool will allow frequent updates to be made to the assessment tool so that it continually meets the needs of the clients. Finally, with the increased Rapid Rehousing funding through this Unsheltered Set Aside, the CoC will be able to move more clients that are unsheltered into housing through the Coordinated Entry process.

Identify and Prioritize Households Experiencing or with Histories of Unsheltered Homelessness

The CoC's Street Outreach teams are identifying unsheltered homeless in the community on a weekly basis. This involves visiting local parks where homeless congregate daily, seeking out wooded areas that have been identified by community partners and law enforcement and talking to panhandlers they might see. Information is collected during street outreach via a short assessment. This is voluntary of course. The information gathered is entered into the CoC's HMIS. Those persons interested in engaging in services is connected with the CoC's coordinated entry process. If assistance is needed in collecting documentation, the person is assigned a Housing Case Manager to help them. The current vulnerability assessment that is being used is called the VI-SPDAT 2. This tool provides a score, which helps rank the most vulnerable by most in need. Currently, the CoC ranks

persons who have experienced long periods of homelessness and who have severe service needs, as most in need. One new strategy for the CoC is to review and revise its coordinated entry assessment tool and prioritization process. A committee has been assembled and has been assigned this task. They have already had a few meetings to discuss what the process should look like. The CoC's HUD T&TA provider will assist in identifying a framework to use in conducting this work. They will also provide information and resources from other communities that will assist the committee. The goal is to move away from the VI-SPDAT 2 assessment tool, as the CoC's consensus is that it does not fully take in to consideration many factors facing those who are experiencing unsheltered homelessness. We anticipate this work taking up to a year to complete.

Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Decision Making

The CoC has several active members who have lived experience. They attend monthly CoC meetings; serve on the Rank and Review committee, Street Outreach Committee, Special NOFO committee, and the ESG Committee. Some members with lived experience have also participated in the Point In Time Count and Project Homeless Connect events. In previous years, we have had a person with lived experience serve on the Executive Committee. For the purpose of the NOFO, the CoC recruited three individuals who have lived experience with unsheltered homelessness to serve on the Unsheltered NOFO Workgroup. An invitation was extended through an email that was sent to the entire membership of the CoC. Ultimately, two local social service providers recruited them through personal invitations. The CoC is also compensating them for their time on the committee. They participated in workgroup meetings concerning the Unsheltered NOFO by helping to identify the broad goals of the plan. This was accomplished by identifying what is already being done locally and what services exist locally. They helped identify how and what we can improve in our CoC in terms of services and service delivery. They helped analyze the needs assessment survey data from people experiencing homelessness and their insights were very valuable.

Supporting Underserved Communities and Supporting Equitable Community Development

The CoC supports underserved communities in a variety of ways. The CoC reaches out to the smaller and more rural communities within the two county CoC area. Street Outreach efforts have grown and is happening on a weekly basis. Individuals in these rural areas are typically underserved because they stay further away from a larger city hub for services. CoC members and street outreach team members meet regularly with city and county officials who help locate where these individuals are staying so that engagement can take place. Street Outreach volunteers will make a point to regularly follow up with individuals who have not engaged in any services. The committee has found regular connections with persons living outside helps to build rapport and trust. In many situations, it has led to the person engaging in services. Street outreach volunteers reach out regularly to local county and small town police departments to enquire about how they interact with homeless in their cities. Some state that they sometimes bring unsheltered homeless to Joplin for shelter and services since outlying areas have limited or no resources. Joplin is the largest town in the CoC and offers nearly all of the homeless resources and services. Another way to connect with people who might not seek services is through a partnership with The Joplin Police Department. The CoC works closely with them on the Street Outreach committee. They collaborate by having information about our coordinated entry process available at the jail and refer detainees, who are homeless. Follow up takes place with those who are interested in getting assistance to obtain housing once they are released from jail. The addition of a Housing Case Manager has helped increase the number of people who engage with Coordinated Entry by assisting them with documentation collection, locating temporary shelter if needed and permanent housing. Lastly, access to coordinated entry is made easy. It covers 100% of the CoC geographic area of Jasper and Newton Counties. People experiencing homelessness who are seeking housing and/or prevention services can be assessed in person at our centralized office, by phone, via virtual visit or staff may complete an in-person assessment at an alternate location. Alternate locations include during street outreach, at one of our agencies other offices in the community or at a public venue of the person's choosing.

