Continuum of Care (CoC) Builds NOFO

Frequently Asked Questions

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Questions	Answers
How do I obtain the application package for this NOFO?	The CoCBuilds application is only available through Grants.gov. You will find the CoCBuilds NOFO information here, including the Package tab to access the application package: https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/355516. Your application must list the applicable Funding Opportunity Number.
Where can I obtain a copy of the HUD-2991, Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan?	You can obtain the fillable PDF document at https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/CoC/HUD-2991-Certification-of-Consistency-Consolidated-Plan.pdf. Ensure the document is accurately completed and then signed and dated by your jurisdiction's authorized official.
How is this NOFO different from the CoC Program Competition NOFO?	All activities under the CoCBuilds NOFO are eligible activities under the CoC Program statute and regulations. This NOFO provides targeted funding to CoCs to add new Permanent Supportive Housing units in its geographic area through new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition to provide housing and services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness where at least one member of the household has a disability.
Who completes and submits the application?	- The application should be completed by the organization that is requesting the funds. - Completed applications must be forwarded to your CoC's designated Collaborative Applicant for review. - The Continuum of Care's designated Collaborative Applicant will submit the application via Grants.gov.
The CoCBuilds NOFO allows our CoC to add geographic area(s) for Tribal reservations and trust lands. If we add the additional geographic area(s) for the CoCBuilds NOFO, will we also be able to include the geographic area(s) for the FY 2024 CoC Program Competition?	No, the availability to add geographic areas specifically for Tribal reservations and trust land is temporary and only applicable for the CoCBuilds NOFO. To apply for a project on a Tribal Reservation or trust land not currently included in the CoC's geographic area, the Collaborative Applicant must add the formula area to the COC's geographic area by sending an email to HUD at CoCBuilds@hud.gov with the following information: a. The name of the CoC; b. The name of the tribe(s) assigned to the formula area(s) the Collaborative Applicant is seeking to add; and

	c. If the Collaborative Applicant is adding the formula area on behalf of a CoC that is not an Indian Tribe or TDHE directly selecting their own formula area, a tribal resolution from the applicable Indian Tribe authorizing the CoC to select the trust land or reservation or a letter from an official or principal of the Indian Tribe or TDHE who is authorized to act on behalf of the Indian Tribe or TDHE. Indian Tribes and TDHEs are not required to include a tribal resolution to select their own trust land or reservation. This message must be submitted to HUD by September 15, 2024. The formula area must be either contiguous to the CoC's existing geographic area or the formula area must overlap with the CoC's existing geographic area.
How many applications can be submitted by a CoC?	If there are no Tribes or Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs), only one application can be submitted per CoC. If there are Tribes or TDHEs in the CoC and the proposed new Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units will be located on a Tribal reservation or trust land, the CoC can submit two applications: • One application where new PSH units will be located within the CoC's geographic area; and • One application where new PSH units will be located on a Tribal reservation or trust land.
How many projects does HUD anticipate awarding?	We anticipate awarding 25 projects under this NOFO.
Do we need to specify the supportive services or operating cost categories we intend to provide? It is not clear on the budget form where this information should be entered.	On the budget workbook, please enter any CoC Program eligible supportive services or operating cost as specified in the CoC Program regulations, under the 'Other Direct Costs' section of the budget workbook. • 24 CFR 578.53 – Operating Costs • 24 CFR 578.55 – Supportive Services
If we request funds other than capital costs, can we use those funds in another CoC Program project?	No, all funds requested must be used in the project you are proposing. For example, if you request supportive services for your capital cost project (new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition) you can only provide supportive services to eligible program participants who will reside in the unit once it is completed.
What is the match requirement?	The CoCBuilds NOFO has a 25 percent match requirement that can be cash or in-kind, or a combination of both. See 24 CFR 578.73 for additional information regarding the match.
How do we submit responses the rating factors in Section V.A.1 of the NOFO?	Record your responses to each rating factor in a Word document that must be double spaced 12-point (minimum) Times New Roman font on letter sized paper (8 1/2 x 11 inches)

	with at least 1-inch margins on all sides. Use the rating factor title to indicate the rating factor you are addressing; e.g., **V.A.1.a Development Experience and Leveraging.** We recommend that the Word document is converted to PDF before the CoC's Collaborative Applicant submits the application to grants.gov.