

**BRAZOS VALLEY COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS
2017/2018 CoC Program Competition Scoring Sheets Totals and Prioritization**

Applications	Max Points – Main	Max Points - Renewal	Points Received - Alsie Bond	Scoring Shannon Avila	Scoring Sara Mendez	Scoring Karla Flanagan	Scoring Robert Reed	Ave.	Ranking Priority	ARD at 94%- 268,456	Request
Rapid Re-Housing- Re-allocation/New Project		100	53	53	53	53	53	53	2-Tier	\$215,187 + remainder of ARD \$17,135	\$232,322 (w/o cash match \$58,081)
HMIS - Renewal		105	102	102	102	102	99	101.4	1-Tier	\$53,269	\$53,269 (w/o cash match \$13,318)
HMIS Renewal Weighted average of 100 pts.								96.57			
Main Application	200		141	133	144	134	140	138.4			

Evaluation Process and Comments:

The CoC Committee (Committee) met several times regarding preliminary planning for the upcoming review and evaluation of the 2018 CoC application (see attached time line). In preparation for the review of the application, the Committee reviewed the 2018 NOFA and several additional documents, Brazos Valley Coalition for the Homeless (BVCH) Centralized Assessment Policy and Procedures, required HUD reports, BVCH Policies and Procedures manual, BVCH 5 Year Plan and CoC Priority Listings in two separate planning meetings July 9 and July 25, 2018.

Initial Review and Evaluation: The main application and two renewals (HMIS) and Rapid Re-Housing was reviewed on August 16 and August 31, 2018. The Committee provided the lead agency feedback from the initial review regarding questions or concerns, primarily with the main

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application. The lead agency was very responsive in answering questions and providing additional information, where appropriate. The NOFA's emphasis on how to address the needs of unaccompanied youth and how street outreach is conducted affected the evaluation, as well as HUD's additional emphasis on training sessions the CoC should be providing regarding specific sub-populations. HUD's NOFA provided for the evaluation of system performance regarding comparisons between the 2017 Point in Time Count (PIT) and the 2018 PIT, which also affected the evaluation. A called special BVCH meeting on July 31, 2018 identified areas where there may be gaps between HUD's priorities and the area needs. As a result of the meeting, the BVCH it taking steps to do a strategy planning session in the 2018 program year.

Main Application Review: The Committee utilized the scoring criteria identified in the 2018 NOFA and used a main application review based on this criteria and score system. The Committee separately reviewed and scored the main application. The Committee identified areas that affected the overall ranking of the main application (as stated below) in a group discussion. Committee members provided a signed PDF of their evaluation, which was averaged in the above chart based on a 200 point system.

Renewal Project Review and Evaluation: In the current review and evaluation process, the CoC Committee utilized the HUD project review and ranking tool to better utilize a standard objective evaluation based on information provided in the application and submitted HUD reports for the Rapid Rehousing renewal project. Because the tool does not provide for inputting a review of the HMIS renewal project, the Committee separately evaluated the HMIS renewal using the attached HMIS project evaluation form (The HUD tool is based off a 100 points and the Committee's tool is based off 105 points). The Committee also discussed their evaluations and a weighted average was entered into the HUD project review and ranking tool. The two projects that were reviewed and evaluated for ranking were well done, specifically in the area of compliance. There were minor concerns in a few areas which could benefit from a more thorough expansion of concepts, (where space is not limited) such as a more formal evaluation process, what process was used to determine who receives rapid re-housing assistance, clearly stating long term outcomes and more information on the formal assessment tool utilized for project need (rapid re-housing). The Collaborative Agency staff is extremely dedicated and the Continuum of Care is comprised of all volunteers who work together toward homeless issues in our community. Systematically the HUD's policies and procedures for continuum's, as well as the overall structure of the NOFA, appears to lean toward continuum of care organizations that are a standalone nonprofit with paid staff, rather than a traditional coalition of nonprofits that are volunteering within the Coalition.

All applicable reports (such as PIT, APR's, etc.) were sent to the Committee to use in their review and ranking. The ADR was reviewed as well as the budgeted amounts for each renewal. Additional information such as past monitoring is by HUD, any financial concerns by HUD for drawdowns, and APR's were provided upon request to the Committee, with no concerns. The lead agency provided compliance documentation regarding HMIS software and equipment security.

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All Committee members provided copies of their signed evaluation and score sheets to the Chair via email after this meeting. The Committee determined they would add all Committee member scores, average and prioritize according to the average score. Each Committee member would add their own comments to their individual score sheets as they determined appropriate. It was determined by the CoC Committee, thorough the HUD ranking tool that the HMIS renewal project was ranked number 1 for consideration under Tier One and the renewal project, Rapid Re-Housing would be ranked number 2, for consideration next for remaining funds of Tier 1 and any balance for Tier 2. This summary was reviewed and agreed upon by all committee members. Based on the availability of funds (Estimated ARD is \$285,591) it is the Committee's recommendation that both renewals be awarded for the requested funding amounts. Although HMIS is required by HUD and essential to comply with reporting, the Rapid Re-housing project is equally essential to the services provided directly to the homeless individuals and families.

The Committee determined a follow up meeting would be held to review the general process for next year and develop potential strategies to assist in strengthening coordination of efforts for the BVCH for the continuum of care application and process throughout the year. The Committee will take an active role in the strategy planning process.

Chair: Alsie Bond, Continuum of Care for the Brazos Valley Coalition for the Homeless

Date: 9/6/2018

cc: Shannon Avila, Karla Flanagan, Sara Mendez, Robert Reed (Continuum of Care Committee Members)