



Working Group Report to the Board July 2019

Working Group: Evaluation Working Group (EWG)

Champion: Mike Pawlak

Meeting date, time, and location: July 8, 2019 from 8:30–10:30 a.m. at the Clark County Social Service, 3rd Floor

Working Group Members in Attendance: Alisha Barrett-*phone* (CCSS - Ryan White), Amanda Wehrman-*phone* (HomeBase), Angela Phillips-*phone* (Habitat for Humanity), Annie Wilson (LVMPD), Catherine Huang-Hara (CCSS), Christy Shannon-*phone* (Safe Nest), Danita Osborne-Morris (CCSS), Elvira Ramirez (Nevada Health Centers), Julee King-*phone* (BitFocus), Max Discher-*phone* (HomeBase), Mike Pawlak (CCSS), Mike Reed-*phone* (BitFocus), Stephany Coaley (City of Las Vegas), Stacy DiNicola (City of Henderson), Tameca Ulmer-*phone* (CCSS).

1. Continuum of Care NOFA

● 2019 Local Application Process

- Renewal projects - Local process for renewal applications closed on June 14 and went through threshold review. There were some applications that needed some clarifications and adjustments made and HomeBase will facilitate those updates.
- Release of 2019 NOFA – The NOFA was released on July 3 and approximately \$2.3 billion is available in the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition. The deadline for submitting applications to HUD is September 30. The 2019 CoC consolidated applications will be assessed on a 200-point scale (29 for project capacity, review and ranking, 60 points for system performance, 9 points for HMIS, 6 for PIT count, 40 for performance and strategic planning, and 56 points for CoC coordination and engagement). Eligible renewal project applicants will continue to have the ability to consolidate two or more projects into one project. For projects straddling Tier 1 and Tier 2, the amount requested in Tier 1 will be fully funded and the Tier 2 amount will compete against all other Tier 2 projects. There may be more guidance on this in the next few weeks.
 - Tier 2 projects – HUD will award a point value to each new and renewal project application that is in Tier 2 using a 100-point scale (50 points in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC application, 40 points for the CoC’s ranking of the project application, and 10 points for how the project application demonstrates that it is low barrier) and these projects will be scored against all other Tier 2 projects across the country.
 - DV Bonus Project – There will be a DV Bonus offered this year for rapid rehousing and joint TH-RRH projects and should be around the same amount as last year (10% of pro rata need). The major difference this year is the option to apply for multiple housing projects instead of only one project. All DV Bonus projects will be scored on a 100-point scale (25 points in direct proportion to the score received on the CoC application, 25 points for need for the project, and 50 points for quality of project application). CCSS has had conversations with DV providers HopeLink, Safe Nest, and Shade Tree to discuss potential projects for the DV Bonus projects.
- Timeline – HomeBase is working with CCSS to update the timeline to reflect the release of the NOFA and the September 30th deadline. Top priority is to release the application for new projects and hold any TA meetings for applicants.
- Scoring & Ranking Team – Scoring and ranking will probably take place on August 19. Volunteers for the S&R Team will receive a 2-hour training from HomeBase and will have dedicated time to meet with their teammates on August 12 or can schedule their own time to meet if needed.



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2. **EWG Written Policies & Procedures (P&Ps)** - All CoC working groups are tasked with developing P&Ps for their group that includes membership and voting procedures. EWG has P&Ps around the NOFA process and scoring applications but could include more information around the governance of the group. The EWG will look at this after the 2019 CoC competition but will ask the Steering Committee for guidance.
3. **Rapid Rehousing**
 - **Rapid Rehousing Learning Collaborative** – The learning collaborative launched on June 12 and had a large representation from rapid rehousing providers. This learning collaborative will evaluate how providers are currently conducting RRH programs and provide feedback on how to improve current programs to serve as many people as possible. TA providers will be coming back in September to meet again and will launch a 100-day challenge in October.
 - **Draft Written Standards** – The written standards are on the HelpHopeHome website and are available for comment until August. These will go to the CoC Board for approval in September.
4. **Update on Jurisdictional ESG Funding and Projects**
 - **City of Las Vegas:** Contractual agreements for FY19/20 have been finalized and will be routed for signatures. Some of the FY18/19 agreements will be extended and funds that are not being expended will be reallocated to the Courtyard.
 - **City of North Las Vegas:** No updates
 - **Clark County:** Some agreements for the FY18/19 program year were extended through December. The FY19/20 providers are getting documents together and ready to go for when HUD sends the award agreement.
 - **Draft Written Standards:** HomeBase drafted written standards for ESG programs. They reviewed standards from each of the jurisdictions receiving ESG funds and compiled one document. There will be a meeting scheduled with ESG jurisdictions to discuss further.
5. **Monitoring Working Group Update** – Monitoring scores are being finalized. Scores were provided to providers last week and they have 5 days to respond. Once comments are back there will be exit interviews and scores will be finalized and uploaded to PRESTO. The next meeting will be held on July 10, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Clark County Social Service, 1600 Pinto Lane, Las Vegas, 89106.
6. **Data & System Performance Working Group Update** – The group has been meeting every first and third Monday to discuss the census report and the goal is to have the information available at the CoC Board Meeting in July. There will be a fact sheet with information from the 2019 PIT count done in July and additional fact sheets with information for youth, families, veterans, and affordable housing completed in August. The next meeting will be held on July 15, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at Clark County Social Service, 1600 Pinto Lane, Las Vegas, 89106.
7. **Youth Working Group Update** – The group is developing policies and procedures for the working group and policies for inclusion. The Youth Outreach Team funded by SAMSA Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) for two outreach teams with staff from both HELP of Southern Nevada and Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth



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(NPHY). Outreach for both unaccompanied youth and transition age youth up to age 24. The next meeting will be held on July 22, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at Clark County Social Service, 1600 Pinto Lane, Las Vegas, 89106.

8. Second Quarterly Joint Meeting – The Evaluation, Monitoring, and Data & System Improvements Working Groups will meet on July 29 at 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Clark County Social Service, 1600 Pinto Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89106. Future tentative dates for quarterly joint meetings are October 14 and December 9.

9. Next steps/Action Items

- Next Evaluation Working Group Meeting on August 12, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at Clark County Social Service, depending on the release of the NOFA

10. Upcoming Community Events

- Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care Meeting on July 11 at 2:00 p.m.
 - United Way of Southern Nevada Boyd Board Room, 5830 W. Flamingo Rd, Las Vegas
- Pop-up Project Homeless Connect on June 18 at 10:00 a.m.– 1:00 p.m.
 - Lutheran Social Services, 4323 Boulder Highway, Las Vegas, NV 89121
- Mainstream Programs Basic Training – Medical and Senior Services on July 24 at 1:00 p.m.
 - Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89155