**Iowa Balance of State CoC**

**NOFA Project Scoring Policies & Process**

**FY2019 Competition**

Iowa CoC NOFA project applications (both new and renewal) will be scored using their corresponding scoring rubric. The rubric outlines are attached as part of the policy and process document. *The scoring rubrics were reviewed and approved at the All Grantee Meeting and approved by the CoC Committee of the Iowa Council at their 6/11/2019 meeting.* These rubrics evaluate and score project applications based on the following criteria;

**Renewal Projects** **New Projects**

**CoC Participation CoC Participation**

*Coordinated Entry ICH Participation*

*Community Engagement Coordinated Entry*

*ICH Participation Professional Development*

*Point In Time Participation/Support Regional Point In Time*

*CoC Annual Meeting*

**Project Management/Design**

**Project Management** *Agency Experience*

*Spending History Community Education*

*APR Submission/Review Fund Utilization*

*HUD Grant Monitoring Organization/Management Structure*

*Supportive Services Audits/ Financial Staffing*

*Grant Evaluation Homeless Need/Project Justification*

*Housing Retention*

**Project Performance** *Counties Served*

*Data Timeliness/Completeness*

*Service to Literally Homeless* **Housing First Fidelity**

*Length of Time to Housing*

*Exit Destination/Move in Date Errors* **Budget**

*Income Improvement*

*Successful Exits* **Bonus****(Underserved Counties)**

*Chronic Served*

**DV Supplemental Information**

*DV Need/Unmet Response*

*Capacity - Barriers, Safety, Housing*

**Renewal Project Scoring Process/Policy**

Renewal projects will be ranked in order by their scores respective of the following scoring policies adopted by the CoC Committee/Executive Committee and the Iowa Council on Homelessness. These policies are:

* Renewable project grants that have not yet begun operations (they have been notified of their conditional award, but not yet under contract with HUD) will be placed at the end of Tier 1 based on their competition score from the FY2018 application year within their group. *Approved by CoC Committee 7/16/2019 and Iowa Council on 7/19/2019*
* Renewable projects that have grants but have not completed a first full year of operation, will complete a FY 2019 renewal project competitive application but their score will be prorated accordingly, and their rank will reflect that final prorated score. *Approved by CoC Committee 7/16/2019 and Iowa Council on 7/19/2019*
* The Iowa Balance of State CoC’s HMIS grant will be placed in Tier 1, as approved by the CoC Committee and Iowa Council on Homelessness. *Approved by CoC Committee 7/16/2019 and by Iowa Council on 7/19/209*
* Renewal projects that score at 90% or higher will be placed within Tier 1. *Approved by CoC Committee 8/13/2019 and ICH Executive Committee on 8/16/2019*
* Renewable projects that score less than 90% will be ranked through Tier 1 and Tier 2 based on their project score. Projects which do not score within the range of the available funding will either be reduced or reallocated. *Approved by CoC Committee on 8/13/2019 and ICH Executive Committee on 8/16/2019*
* Renewable projects that do not pass threshold review or score at 70% or less will be involuntarily reallocated. These projects may exercise use of the appeal process for reconsideration of this decision. The Iowa Balance of State Appeals Process document is attached to these policies*. Approved by CoC Committee on 8/13/2019 and ICH Executive Committee on 8/16/2019*

**New Project Scoring Process/Policy**

* **Reallocation Projects**
  + New projects that are created out of reallocated funds (in whole or in combination with Bonus funds) will be ranked according to their scores. If the project scores 90% or better, it will be ranked in Tier 1. If the project scores below 90% the project will be placed in Tier 2, in order of their scores. *Approved by CoC Committee on 8/13/2019 and ICH Executive Committee on 8/16/2019*
* **Regular Bonus Projects**
  + Regular Bonus Projects that score 90% or higher will be ranked in Tier 1 according to their score. Those Regular Bonus Projects scoring below 90% will be ranked within Tier 2 according to their scores. *Approved by CoC Committee on 8/13/2019 and ICH Executive Committee on 8/16/2019*
* **DV Bonus Projects**
  + DV Bonus Projects will be placed in Tier 2 according to their scores. *Approved by CoC Committee on 8/13/2019 and ICH Executive Committee on 8/16/2019*