

## Rhode Island Continuum of Care

### Ranking Procedure for Projects submitted for the Continuum of Care Application

Each year the Continuum of Care Application asks Continuums of Care to rank renewal projects based on objective criteria. The charge is to ensure that the most effective projects are renewed and address housing gaps in the system. Ranking criteria is approved by the Continuum of Care and reflected in the renewal letter sent to sub-recipients. Priorities (rank order based on program component) are established in the NOFA and ranking of individual projects is determined by the criteria below and input from the Continuum of Care Board. Ranking will begin after the renewal project application is accepted by the Recipient Approval and Evaluation Committee.

The process for application rankings is as follows:

#### RENEWALS

Data is pulled from HMIS based on the date range provided in the NOFA to gauge the effectiveness of the project based on the following criteria:

1. Length of stay in PSH.
2. Percentage of Chronically Homeless served.
3. Percentage receiving mainstream services.
4. Positive housing destinations upon leaving.
5. Percentage with earned income.
6. Percent increase of stayers 'other income'.

Addition criteria to be reviewed from the application are:

1. Rate of Chronically Homeless to fill vacancies.
2. Utilization of the Coordinated Entry list for filling vacancies.
3. Process to enroll participants in the Affordable Care Act.
4. How projects goals align with Opening Doors Rhode Island.
5. Match documentation meets 25% requirement.
6. Housing First

Capacity of the sub-recipient will be determined through the following criteria:

1. Data quality (data quality report)
2. Timeliness of APR submission to Rhode Island Housing (report from Rhode Island Housing)
3. Timeliness of drawdown requests. (report from Rhode Island Housing)
4. Match Documentation (report from Rhode Island Housing)

Projects are scored according to the ranking criteria table of the current year.

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