Southern NJ Continuum of Care

FY2025 Continuum of Care Funding Specifications for New and Renewal Projects

Available Funds

The Southern New Jersey Continuum of Care is a collaborative of relevant and interested organizations and stakeholders whose purpose is to coordinate the housing and service programs available to the homeless and at-risk populations within Camden, Cape May, Cumberland and Gloucester Counties. This includes applying for funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Continuum of Care program.

For the FY2025 HUD CoC Competition, the Southern NJ CoC anticipates being eligible to apply for **\$8,972,348** for new and renewal projects that work towards the goal of ending homelessness. The amount specified for Domestic Violence bonus projects is **\$998,710**. Specifications for eligible project submissions are outlined below. Please make sure that you review all information below before submitting an application.

There have been substantial changes to the CoC Funding NOFO for FY2025. For this reason, all agencies are strongly encouraged to review the FY2025 for additional guidance linked below:

https://grants.gov/search-results-detail/360861

Application Process

- Any agency seeking to apply for either new or renewal funding <u>MUST</u> complete the appropriate application by <u>4pm on Monday, December 15th, 2025</u> and submit to <u>Casey Carty at ccarty@monarchhousing.org</u>
- If an agency intends to apply for multiple projects, separate applications must be submitted for each.
- Any nonprofit organization, state or local government and instrumentalities of local government may apply for new CoC funding, even if they haven't received funding in the past.
- All agencies that receive funding approval from this local process must then submit an application in E-snaps to be included in the final submission to HUD.
- Please remember, receiving funding approval through the local process does not guarantee an agency will receive funding, all final funding comes directly from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development based on the CoC's full submission.

Technical Assistance

There will be a technical assistance session for all interested applicants, renewal applicants are <u>REQUIRED</u> to attend:

Tuesday, December 9 at 11am

Register in advance for this meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/t09urRxXTxujihXm1QxCTQ

The following navigational guides are available:

Accessing the Project Application
Setting up a Project Applicant Profile
E-Snaps 101 Toolkit

Eligible Project Applications:

There are three categories of funding that are available through this competition.

Renewal Project Funding:

The only projects that may apply as a renewal are projects that currently receive SNJ Continuum of Care funding and have an operating year that ends in 2026.

Please note that renewal project applications cannot request more than was awarded in their most recent contract, and changes to a program's budget line items cannot be done through the competition, unless it is a decrease in the overall budget. If any renewal program has identified unspent funds that they are willing to reallocate voluntarily, please submit your budget with the lower amount requested.

Agencies may submit for a program expansion or transition grant, but that must be done as a new project submission.

FY2025 Permanent Housing Cap

In the FY2025 NOFO, HUD has established a 30% permanent housing cap. This cap limits the CoC in the amount of renewal and new permanent housing projects that can be applied for. All permanent supportive housing, rapid rehousing and joint transitional/rapid rehousing projects fall into this cap. In determining which projects will be eligible to apply under this cap, the CoC will prioritize renewal permanent supportive housing project followed by renewal rapid rehousing projects.

Because of this cap, no new permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing applications will be accepted for FY2025.

New Bonus Project Funding:

For FY2025, the CoC is anticipating at least \$1,997,421 in bonus project funding for new projects. Eligible bonus projects that will be accepted for SNJ CoC include:

- Transitional Housing Project
- Supportive Services Only Standalone
- Supportive Services Only Street Outreach
- Supportive Services Only Coordinated Entry
- Dedicated HMIS Project for costs that are carried out by the HMIS Lead. *Note only the current HMIS lead may apply for these funds.

If your agency is interested in applying for this funding source, please be sure you understand both the project type, and eligible population for the project as is required under this funding source. Also, please ensure the application that is submitted does not exceed the allowable amount the CoC can apply for.

New Domestic Violence Bonus Project Funding:

In FY2025, the CoC anticipates up to \$998,710 through this DV Bonus Project category.

All projects funded through this category must be dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence as defined by HUD in 24 CFR 578.3 which includes any individual or family who:

- Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return to their primary nighttime residence;
- Has no other residence; and
- Lacks the resources or support networks, e.g. family, friends, and faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing

Eligible project types that will be accepted for SNJ CoC through the DV Bonus Project funding include:

- Rapid rehousing projects
- Transitional Housing

As a note, if your agency is interested in applying for this funding, there will be a requirement to include specific data detailing the need for the project, which will be included in the CoC's application to HUD. In addition, all projects funded through the DV Bonus must ensure the program will utilize trauma-informed, victim-centered approaches for services.

If your agency is interested in applying for any of the funding outlined above, please be sure you understand both the project type, and eligible population for the project as is required under this funding source. Also, please ensure the application that is submitted does not exceed the allowable amount the CoC can apply for.

Any questions on project types or eligible populations can be directed in writing, to Casey Carty at ccarty@monarchhousing.org.