



## Eligibility for CoC DV RRH

Recipients of CoC Program-funded DV RRH are required to follow this CoC DV RRH program eligibility when selecting participants for housing in accordance with the CoC's written standards while also considering the goals and any identified target populations served by the project, and in a manner consistent with their current grant agreement.

Due diligence should be exercised when conducting outreach and assessment to ensure that persons are served in accordance with the CoC DV RRH program eligibility adopted by the BOSCO. HUD and the BOSCO recognize that some persons—particularly those living on the streets or in places not meant for human habitation—might require significant engagement and contacts prior to their entering housing and recipients are not required to keep units vacant where there are persons who meet a higher priority within the CoC and who have not yet accepted the DV RRH opportunity offered to them. Street outreach providers should continue to make attempts with those persons using a Housing First approach to place as few conditions on a person's housing as possible.

### Definition of Fleeing/Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence ([§ 578.3](#)).

Any individual or family who:

1. Is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence;
2. Has no other residence; and
3. Lacks the resources or support networks to obtain other permanent housing

Note: For the purposes of this criteria, "Domestic Violence" includes dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or family member that either takes place in, or they are afraid to return to, their primary nighttime residence (including human trafficking).

Attempting to flee: A survivor attempting to flee may be **ensuring there are certain things in place that would make fleeing is a realistic and safe option for themselves and their family**. For example, a survivor may be attempting to flee when filing a temporary restraining order, but they may only feel it's a safe option to flee when that 4-year restraining order is granted.

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**HUD Category 4: Any individual or family who is (i) fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, sexual assault, or sex trafficking; (ii) Has no other residence; and (iii) Lacks the resources or support networks to obtain other permanent housing.**

If two or more households have the same criteria above, priority will then be sorted by the highest Barriers Assessment score, followed by the most times attempted fleeing, followed by the longest number of months since the DV start date. The prioritization will be:

1. HUD Homeless Definition Category 4
2. Coordinated Entry Homeless Assessment score
3. Most times attempted to flee
4. Longest number of months since the DV start date