

Order of Priority for CoC YHDP RRH and RRH/TH

Recipients of CoC Program-funded YHDP RRH and RRH/TH are required to follow the order of priority 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 the order of priority 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 RRH or RRH/TH opportunities 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.

1st Priority:

Homeless youth age 18-24, HUD Category 1: specifically street homeless – a place not meant for habitation

HUD Definition of Category 1 Homelessness: An individual or family that is eligible for CoC Program funded RRH or RRH/TH who has been living or residing in a place not meant for human habitation will be prioritized.

This priority be sorted by street homelessness and then by disability status and then longest length of current homelessness and then the Coordinated Entry Homeless Assessment score. The prioritization will be:

1. Street homeless
2. Disability
3. Longest length of current homelessness
4. Coordinated Entry Homeless Assessment

If two or more households have the same criteria above, priority should be given to the household where the individual or family has been identified between both the HMIS list and Non-HMIS list as having the most severe service needs by the WI BOSCO assessment score.

2nd Priority:

Homeless youth age 18-24, Remaining HUD Category 1 homeless & HUD Category 4 homeless

HUD Definition of Category 1 Homelessness: An individual or family that is eligible for CoC Program funded RRH or RRH/TH who has been living or residing in a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter for



any period of time, including persons exiting an institution where they have resided for 90 days or less but were living or residing in a place not meant for human habitation, a safe haven, or in an emergency shelter immediately prior to entering the institution.

HUD Definition of Category 4 Homelessness: Any individual or family that is eligible for CoC Program-funded RRH or RRH/TH 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 a 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, faith-based or other social networks, to obtain other permanent housing,

This priority will then sort by the remaining Category 1 Homeless and Category 4, then by disability status and then longest length of current homelessness. The prioritization will be:

1. Remaining Category 1 (Emergency shelter, motel/hotel paid for by emergency shelter voucher, safe haven) or Category 4
2. Disability
3. Longest length of current homelessness
4. Coordinated Entry Homeless Assessment

If two or more households have the same criteria above, priority should be given to the household where the individual or family has been identified between both the HMIS list and Non-HMIS list as having the most severe service needs by the WI BOSCO assessment score.

3rd Priority:

Imminent risk of homelessness

Imminent risk of homelessness is defined as having to leave their current living situation within 14 days or less.

If two or more households have the same criteria for the 2nd Priority, the priority will then be sorted by:

1. Imminently at risk of homelessness
2. Youth who do not have a support system (as indicated on the pre-screen)
3. Youth who have moved 2 or more times in the last 60 days
4. Disability
5. Days pending [on priority list]
6. Prevention screen score