

## Collaborative Application Scoring FY2016

### **A. COC Coordination & Engagement = 43 points** This is a decrease from FY2015 (49).

*Coordination with other systems of care that serve homeless individuals and families, including sources of funding other than the CoC Program; an inclusive and outcome-oriented community process, including an organization structure(s) and decision-making process for developing and implementing a CoC strategy that is inclusive of representatives from both the private and public sectors, has a fair and impartial project review and selection process; and has created, maintained, and built upon a community-wide inventory of housing for homeless individuals and families.*

#### 1. Inclusive Structure and Participation (5 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that clearly demonstrate the CoC membership includes and has an open invitation process for individuals and organizations located within its geographic area that serve homeless persons, particularly victim service providers and homeless youth providers; and shows that the CoC accepts and considers proposals from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding. This is a decrease from FY2015 (7). Same language as FY2015.

#### 2. CoC Commitment to Opening Doors Goals. (2 points) Included only in FY2015

Maximum points will be awarded to the CoC if it clearly demonstrates the individuals, committees, or organizations selected are actively involved in the goal of ending homelessness and how their activity produces the necessary results towards this goal.

#### 2. Coordination with the Consolidated Plan, Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), and Other Organizations (4 points)

Maximum points, CoCs must demonstrate coordination with organizations funded by HOPWA, TANF, RHY, Head Start programs, Child Care (Child Care & Development Fund), home visiting (Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting, or MIECHV), Healthy Start, and other housing & service programs funded through Federal, State, local, and private process. AND

CoCs must participate and provide information to help with the Consolidated Plan jurisdiction(s) complete their plan(s) which include: how the COC consults with each Con Plan jurisdiction(s), whether the PIT count data is provided for the development or update to the Con Plan, and whether the COC provides consultation to the ESG recipient(s) to determine the ESG allocation and performance plans, including how to evaluate and improve performance of ESG project activities. This is a decrease from FY2015 (8). Same language as FY2015.

~~a. Coordination (2 points) – Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that indicate the CoC coordinates with organizations not funded by the CoC Program. To receive maximum points CoCs must demonstrate coordination with organizations funded by Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY), Head Start programs, and other housing and service programs funded through Federal, State, local, and private processes.~~

~~b. Con Plan (6 points) – Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that demonstrates how the CoC consults with each Consolidated Plan jurisdiction(s), whether PIT count data is provided for the development or update to the Consolidated Plan, and whether the CoC provides consultation to the ESG recipient in determining the ESG funding allocation plan and performance plan, including how to evaluate and improve performance of ESG project activities.~~

### 3. Addressing the Needs of Victims of Domestic Violence (3 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that clearly demonstrate how the CoC ensures that persons fleeing domestic violence are offered available safe housing and services available. CoCs will receive full points if the CoC addresses how housing and services are made available to persons fleeing domestic violence from the following programs: the CoC Program, ESG Program, programs funded by the Department of Justice and the Department of Health and Human Services. [This remains the same from FY2015. Same language as FY2015.](#)

### 4. Public Housing Agencies (3 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that demonstrate coordination with the PHA(s) located in the CoC's geographic area and includes documentation from the PHA (e.g., excerpt from the PHA(s) plan that specifically addresses homeless preferences or a letter from the PHA(s) that addresses homeless preferences) that must be attached to the CoC Application. [This remains the same from FY2015. Same language as FY2015.](#)

*\*\* PHA Administrative Plan– If the CoC is seeking these points, the relevant excerpt from a written plan, if any was developed between the CoC and the PHA(s) located within the CoC's geographic area that clearly describes the PHA(s) homeless preference for housing. Instead of a relevant excerpt from the written plan, a letter from the PHA(s) may be attached that clearly describes the PHA(s) homeless preference for housing.*

### 5. Discharge Planning (2 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that affirm coordinated with and assistance in State or local discharge planning efforts to ensure that those discharged are not released directly to the streets, emergency shelters or other McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance programs. No points will be awarded if the COC does not coordinate with or assist in State or local discharge planning efforts. [This remains the same from FY2015. Different language than FY2015.](#)

~~demonstrate an active state-level or local level discharge process is in place or has ongoing planning processes to ensure persons discharged from institutions or systems of care (i.e., health care, mental health care, and correctional facilities) are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance programs.~~

### 6. Centralized or Coordinated Assessment System (3 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that demonstrate the existence of a centralized or coordinated assessment system that covers the entire CoC geographic area, has a strategy for advertising the program to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, familial status, disability, actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity or marital status who are least likely to apply in the absence of special outreach, and includes a standardized assessment process to prioritize assistance to ensure persons who are most in need of assistance receive it in a timely manner.

The CoC must also identify the types of organizations (e.g. local governments, law enforcement, CDBG/HOME/ESG entitlement jurisdictions, affordable housing developers, early childhood programs, education authorities, mental health organizations) that participate in the phases or activities of the centralized or coordinated assessment system. [This remains the same from FY2015. Different language than FY2015.](#)

~~is easily accessible for all persons who need homelessness assistance, has a strategy for advertising the program that is designed to specifically reach homeless persons with the highest barriers, includes a standardized assessment process, and ensures that program participants are directed to appropriate housing and services that fit their needs. The CoC must also identify the types of organizations (e.g., local government, law enforcement, CDBG/HOME/ESG entitlement jurisdictions, affordable housing developers, education authorities, mental health organizations) that participate in the centralized or coordinated assessment system meetings to~~

*ensure the locally developed system provides the necessary support for homeless or near homeless persons seeking housing and services.*

#### 7. Housing First and Reducing Barriers to Housing (12 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs where both the CoC Application and project applications clearly demonstrate that at least 75% of the housing projects clearly demonstrate the use of the Housing First approach and commit to operating as low barrier. Any housing project application(s) that indicate a Housing First approach and low barrier and is reviewed, approved, and ranked by the COC and is awarded FY2016 COC Program funds will be required to operate as a Housing First and low barrier project.

This remains the same from FY2015, just combined two items: Reducing Barriers (6) and Housing First (6) from FY2015. Same language as FY2015.

#### 8. Reducing Barriers to Housing (6 points)

~~Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs where both the CoC Application and project application(s) clearly demonstrate that at least 75 percent of the project application(s) commit to operating as low barrier. Any project application(s) that indicates low barrier and is reviewed, approved, and ranked by the CoC and is awarded FY 2015 CoC Program funds will be required to operate as a low barrier project.~~

#### 9. Housing First for Permanent Housing (6 points)

~~Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs where both the CoC Application and project application(s) clearly demonstrate that at least 75 percent of the permanent housing and transitional housing projects commit to use of the Housing First model described above. Any project application(s) that indicate a Housing First approach and is reviewed, approved, and ranked by the CoC that is awarded FY 2015 CoC Program funds will be required to operate as a Housing First project.~~

#### 8. Outreach (3 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that provide information that demonstrates that 100 percent of the geographic area is covered by the strategies and that describes the specific outreach procedures in place that are used by the homeless service organizations to identify and engage homeless individuals and families, including their efforts to provide meaningful outreach to persons with disabilities and persons with limited English proficiency. Applicants must describe how they are reducing criminalization of homelessness and the procedures they will use to market their housing and supportive services to eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, familial status, or disability who are least likely to apply in the absence of special outreach. This is an increase from FY2015 (2). Same language as FY2015.

#### 9. Criminalization (2 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to COCs that indicate specific strategies to ensure homelessness is not criminalized such as engaging or educating local policy makers, engaging or educating law enforcement, implementing community plans, or engaging or education businesses. This was not included in FY2015.

#### 10. Rapid Re-housing (4 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that demonstrate an increase in the number of rapid rehousing units in the CoC geographic area as reported in HDX from 2014, as reported in the FY 2015 CoC Application, to 2016, or that can clearly demonstrate the number of rapid rehousing units in the COC's geographic area sufficiently meets the needs of this type of housing. If a CoC has sufficient rapid rehousing units to accommodate the need for rapid rehousing in its geographic area, it may receive maximum points by stating it has sufficient rapid rehousing units which will be verified against the information provided through the 2015 AHAR.

This is a decrease from FY2015 (5). Different language than FY2015.

~~Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that demonstrate an increase in the number of rapid re-housing units in the CoC geographic area as reported in HDX from 2013, as reported in the FY 2013/FY 2014 CoC Application, to 2015.~~

#### 11. Mainstream Benefits & Other Assistance (2 points)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that demonstrate systematically keeping program staff up-to-date regarding mainstream resources available for homeless program participants (e.g. Food Stamps, SSI, TANF, substance abuse programs), collaboration with healthcare organizations to assist homeless program participants with enrolling in health insurance, and that 75% of projects provided assistance with effective utilization of Medicaid and other benefits. The COC will need to demonstrate that it works with COC funded projects to assist them in obtaining other types of public and private funding for use in the projects. [This remains the same from FY2015. Different language as FY2015.](#)

~~Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that demonstrate systematically keeping program staff up-to-date regarding mainstream resources available for homeless program participants, collaboration with healthcare organizations to assist homeless program participants to enroll in health insurance, and assistance with the effective utilization of available healthcare benefits.~~

#### 13. Leveraging (1 point) [Included only in FY2015](#)

~~The point will be awarded to CoCs that have a minimum 150 percent in leveraging and where the project applicant(s) have attached the commitment letter(s) to their project applications and those letters are dated within 60 days of the application deadline.~~

### **B. Project Ranking, Review, and Capacity = 30 points** [This is an increase from FY2015 \(26\).](#)

*HUD will award up to 30 points to CoCs that clearly demonstrate the existence of a coordinated, inclusive, and outcome-oriented community process for the solicitation, objective review, ranking, and selection of COC Program project applications that includes a GIW that does not require revisions that would have increased the COC's ARD after HUD issues the final approved GIW to accurately reflect those projects eligible for renewal, and a process by which renewal projects are reviewed for performance and compliance with 24 CFR part 578.*

#### 1. Objective Criteria and Past Performance (18 points) [This is an increase from FY2015 \(16\).](#)

(a) Written documentation (10 points) - CoCs that attach the written documentation that clearly demonstrates the CoC uses objective criteria (e.g., project type, project performance, monitoring results) in the review, ranking, and selection process for the FY 2016 CoC Program Competition. [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

(b) Past Performance (4 points) demonstrating the consideration of past performance with COC Program funds (or if a first-time renewal SHP or SPC funds) as evidenced by the review of renewal project APRs or other performance data (e.g., custom generated HMIS reports). [This is an increase from FY2015 \(3\). Same language as FY2015.](#)

(c) Severity of Needs & Vulnerabilities (4 points) - the extent to which CoCs consider the severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants which includes, but is not limited to: low or no income, current or past substance abuse, criminal record—with the exception of restrictions imposed by federal, state, or local law or ordinance—and chronic homelessness in the CoC Program-funded projects as these barriers relate to determining project review, selection, priority, and ranking. [This is an increase from FY2015 \(3\). Same language as FY2015.](#)

2. Reallocated Projects (4 points) **This was not included in FY2015.**

Maximum points will be awarded to COCs that:

- (a) demonstrate the COC actively encourages new and existing providers to apply for new projects through reallocation; or
- (b) demonstrate the COC has cumulatively reallocated at least 20% of the COC's ARD in the FY13, 14, and 15 COC Program Competitions.

\*\*CoC Process of Reallocation attachment = how the reallocation process is communicated through the COC & encourages new and existing providers to apply for new projects using reallocation process. If the COC chooses to use this second option, HUD will confirm this information by reviewing each year's ARD & the % of the ARD submitted under the reallocation process.

3. Ranking and Selection Process (3 points) **This remains the same from FY2015.**

The CoC will be required to submit written documentation of a rating and ranking/review process for all projects (new and renewal). This may be published written policies and procedures for this CoC Program Competition in the CoC governance charter or a standalone document. Evidence of the rating and ranking/review process decision must be presented via dated meeting minutes, and evidence that the meeting minutes were made available to the CoC's full membership. Additionally, to receive maximum points, the CoC must post on its website all parts of the CoC Consolidated Application, including the Priority Listing with all project applications accepted and ranked or rejected and all attachments that will be submitted to HUD, a minimum of 2 days before the application submission deadline and notify community members and key stakeholders that the application and priority listings are available.

3. Recipient Performance Monitoring (4 points) **This remains the same from FY2015.**

To receive maximum points, the CoC must have monitored the renewing project applicants and projects for utilization rates, increasing housing stability, participant eligibility, length of time homeless, destination upon program exit, increasing participant income, and connecting program participants to mainstream benefits. The CoC must describe the criteria and processes it uses for monitoring recipients, including how the CoC assesses project capacity to implement CoC Program requirements (e.g., timely submission of APRs, timely draws from LOCCS.) in order to successfully carry out the requirements of the Act, 24 CFR part 578, and local CoC priorities.

4. Accuracy of GIW (1 point) **Included only in FY2015**

To CoCs that attach a GIW that was finalized either during the CoC Program Registration process, or if applicable, during the 10-day grace period following the publication of this NOFA that did not require revisions that would have increased the CoC's ARD after the 10-day grace period described in the Additional Overview Information, C. of this NOFA to accurately reflect those projects eligible for renewal.

5. Accuracy of Project Submissions (2 points) **Included only in FY2015**

To CoCs that accurately and completely include all submitted project applications on the form HUD-2991, Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan and confirms that all of the CoC's project recipients have an up-to-date, accurate, and complete HUD Form 50070, Drug Free Workplace and HUD-2880, Applicant/Recipient Disclosure attached to the appropriate Project Applicant Profile in e-snaps.

*The forms must be dated between July 1, 2015 and September 1, 2015 and signed by the authorized person(s) in the CoC's geographic area in order to receive points. If any of these forms are missing entirely, missing information, incorrectly dated, or not signed by the correct authorizing official, the CoC will receive 0 points.*

### **C. HMIS = 18 points** [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

HUD will award up to 18 points to CoCs that clearly demonstrate the existence of a functioning HMIS that facilitates the collection of information on homelessness using residential & other homeless services & stores that data in an electronic format.

#### 1. HMIS Governance (2 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

To receive maximum points, the CoC and the HMIS Lead must also have a formal written agreement, a memorandum of understanding or a memorandum of agreement that clearly defines the roles and responsibilities of the CoC and HMIS Lead.

*A copy of the sections of the governance charter addressing the HMIS policies and procedures (or the document incorporated by reference) and the agreement or memorandum must be attached to the CoC Application in e-snaps.*

#### 2. HMIS Policy and Procedures (3 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

To CoCs that adopt and follow an HMIS Policy and Procedures Manual that includes signed agreements that specify the roles and responsibilities of the HMIS Lead and the Contributing HMIS Organizations (CHOs).

*A copy of the HMIS Policy and Procedures must be attached to the CoC Application in e-snaps.*

#### 3. Housing Inventory Count (HIC) (1 point) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

To CoCs that submitted the 2016 HIC data in the HDX by the May 2, 2016 submission deadline. If a CoC did not submit the 2016 HIC by May 2, 2016, the CoC will receive 0 points. [Just an update of dates from FY15.](#)

#### 4. Bed Coverage (4 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

To CoCs that recorded 86% or higher for the bed coverage rate in the CoC's geographic area. CoCs will be assessed on the bed coverage rate for each housing type within the CoC that includes: emergency shelter, safe haven, transitional housing, rapid re-housing, permanent supportive housing, and other permanent housing beds that are dedicated to serve homeless persons (e.g., Veterans Affairs programs, HOPWA). The bed coverage rate is the number of HMIS participating beds divided by the number of year-round beds dedicated to homeless persons in the geographic area covered by the CoC. Beds funded by victim service providers must not be included in this calculation. Further, if the bed coverage rate is 0-64 85percent, the CoC must provide clear steps on how it intends to increase this percentage over the next 12 months to receive partial credit. [Changed the percentage from 0-64% \(FY15\) to 0-85% \(FY16\) that requires an explanation.](#)

#### 5. Data Quality (4 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that have below 10 percent null or missing values and below 10 percent of refused or unknown values for the Universal Data Elements as recorded in the HMIS based on the number of unduplicated client records based on a single day, selected by the CoC, within the last 10 days of January 2016; demonstrates that HMIS data is reviewed at least quarterly, and provides standardized HMIS data quality reports for the CoC and CHOs. [Just an update of dates from FY15.](#)

#### 6. Required HMIS Reports (4 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

To CoCs that demonstrates it is able to generate HUD required reports (e.g., CoC Annual Performance Report, ESG Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR), and HIC. HUD will award 2 of the 4 points to CoCs that demonstrate all tables submitted to HUD were accepted and used in the last AHAR.

#### **D. Point-In-Time Count = 9 points** This remains the same from FY2015.

HUD will award up to 9 points to CoCs related to the collection, use, and submission of data from the last PIT count (2016 or 2015). The last required PIT count was 2015; however, many COCs conducted a 2016 PIT count, and the 2016 PIT count data should be used for this requirement.

##### 1. PIT Count and Data Submission (3 points) This remains the same from FY2015.

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that: (1) conducted a sheltered and unsheltered PIT count during the last 10 days January 2016, and (2) submitted the PIT data for 2016 in HDX by May 12, 2016. Just an update of dates from FY15.

##### 2. Methodology for Sheltered PIT Count (2 points) This remains the same from FY2015.

To CoCs for the CoC's ability to collect and report data on sheltered homeless during the 2016 (or 2015) PIT count that includes the methods used to ensure an accurate count of homeless individuals and families, including subpopulation information, and the processes in place to ensure data quality and whether there were any changes to the methodology used from the 2015 sheltered count. Just an update of dates from FY15.

##### 3. Methodology for Unsheltered PIT Count (2 points) This remains the same from FY2015.

To CoCs for its ability to collect and report thorough, accurate, and quality data on unsheltered homelessness to ensure data quality, reducing the occurrence of counting unsheltered homeless more than once during a 2016 (or 2015) PIT count, and whether there were any changes from the previous unsheltered count (2014 or 2015). Just an update of dates from FY15.

##### 4. Conducting an Effective Youth Count in 2016 (2 points) This was not included in FY2015.

Maximum points to COCs that demonstrate that they undertook specific activities, including meeting with youth experiencing homelessness and organization that serve youth, to get a better count of unsheltered youth.

##### ~~4. Commitment to Conducting a 2016 Unsheltered PIT Count (2 points)~~ Included only in FY2015

~~To CoCs that commits to conducting an unsheltered PIT count in the last 10 days of January 2016. CoCs that do not commit to an unsheltered PIT count in 2016 will receive 0 points.~~

#### **E. System Performance = 40 points** This is an increase from FY2015 (38).

HUD will award up to 40 points based on CoC system-wide performance related to reducing homelessness within the COC's defined geographic area as reported to HUD in HDX.

##### 1. Reducing the Number of Homeless Individuals and Families (7 points) This is a decrease from FY2015 (9). FY16 break down points and additional criteria added.

The information provided for both sheltered and unsheltered homeless based on the criteria below will be verified against the information submitted to the HDX. To receive maximum points:

(a) the CoC will receive up to 2 points for demonstrating a decrease in the number of sheltered homeless individuals and families since the 2016 PIT compared to the 2015 PIT count and for FY 2015 (10/1/14 – 9/30/15) compared to FY 2014 (10/1/13 – 9/30/14) as recorded in HDX; **and**

(b) the CoC will receive up to 5 points for demonstrating a decrease in the number of unsheltered homeless individuals and families in the 2016 PIT count compared to the previous PIT count as recorded in HDX.

2. Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless (2 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that identify the process by which risk factors are identified in its community for becoming homeless for the first time and clearly describe the strategies and partnerships in place to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless.

3. Length of Time Homeless (7 points) [This is an increase from FY2015 \(6\).](#)

To receive maximum points, a CoC must provide a narrative that describes specific efforts currently used to track and record the length of time individuals and families have remained homeless and the planning process to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless. The narrative must indicate how data from CoC and ESG funded projects are considered, particularly in relation to the identification of and provision of housing for individuals and families with the longest length of time homeless.

4. Successful Permanent Housing Placement or Retention (7 points) [This is a decrease from FY2015 \(8\).](#)

To receive maximum points, a CoC must demonstrate:

- that 80% of persons who exit CoC program-funded transitional housing, ~~supportive services only~~, and rapid re-housing projects exit to a permanent housing destination and
- that 80% of people in CoC program-funded permanent supportive housing remain for at least 12 months.

5. Returns to Homelessness (4 points) [This is a decrease from FY2015 \(5\).](#)

In order to receive maximum points, CoCs will be assessed on the strategies that have been implemented to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness and the strategies that will reduce the number of additional returns to homeless.

Additionally, CoCs must demonstrate the use of HMIS, or a comparable database, within the CoC to monitor and record returns to homelessness by program participants who exit rapid re-housing, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing.

6. Jobs and Income Growth (4 points) [This is a decrease from FY2015 \(5\).](#)

To receive maximum points, CoCs must describe the strategies that have been implemented to access employment and mainstream benefits, how CoC Program-funded projects have been assisted to implement the strategies, and the CoC Program-funded projects' success at increasing program participant income from employment and mainstream benefits.

7. Thoroughness of Outreach (3 points) [Included only in FY2015](#)

~~To CoCs that demonstrate the ability to identify and engage unsheltered homeless individuals and families that encompass the entire CoC geographic area. CoCs that cover geographic areas that include uninhabited areas (e.g. deserts, mountain ranges, wetlands) or that include large mountainous or rural areas must describe the criteria and decision-making process that the CoC used to identify and exclude specific geographic areas from the 2015 unsheltered count.~~

7. System Performance Measures (10 points) [This was not included in FY2015.](#)

To CoCs that attach a report generated from HDX that provide information for each of the required system performance measures as found in the [SPM Introductory Guide](#).



## **F. Performance and Strategic Planning = 60 points** [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

HUD will award up to 60 points based on the CoC's plan for and progress towards reducing homelessness within its geographic area and decreasing the number of recurrences of homelessness.

### 1. Ending Chronic Homelessness (15 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

CoCs will be evaluated based on the extent to which they are making progress to achieve this goal within the specified time frame.

~~(a) Up to 2 points to CoCs that demonstrate the strategies set forth in the FY 2013/FY 2014 CoC Application were accomplished.~~

~~(b) Up to 6 points to CoCs that demonstrate that chronically homeless individuals and families will be prioritized in permanent supportive housing that is not dedicated for chronically homeless individuals and families.~~

~~(a) 3 points will be awarded to CoCs that have adopted the order of priority described in *Notice CPD 14-012: Prioritizing Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness in Permanent Supportive Housing and Recordkeeping Requirements for Documenting Chronic Homeless Status* as evidenced in the CoC's written standards.~~

~~(b) Up to 3 of the 6 points will be awarded to CoCs based on the percentage of CoC Program-funded permanent supportive housing that becomes available through turnover will be prioritized for chronically homeless individuals or families. To receive all three points, at least 85% of CoC Program-funded permanent supportive housing beds that become available through turnover must be prioritized for chronically homeless individuals and families.~~

~~(c) Up to 2 points~~ Up to 10 points to CoCs that increase ~~or maintain~~ the total number of PSH beds (from any funding source) dedicated to ending chronic homelessness. ~~that were identified as dedicated for use by chronically homeless individuals and families in the 2015 HIC, as compared to those identified in the 2014 HIC.~~ Maximum points will be awarded to CoCs that demonstrate an increase in dedicated PSH beds from 2015 to 2016 and where at least 85% of the beds included in the 2016 PH project applications submitted for FY2016 funding are dedicated for use by CH individuals and families.

Note: no points will be awarded to a CoC where PH application(s) reflect a decrease in the number of PH beds dedicated for CH individuals and families between the FY15 project applications awarded funds and the FY16 project applications submitted for funding consideration.

~~(d) Up to 5-~~ 2 points to CoCs for reducing the number of chronically homeless individuals and families in the CoC, as reported by the CoC in the 2016 PIT count compared to the 2015 PIT count. Maximum points to CoCs that are able to demonstrate a decrease in both the total number of chronically homeless individuals and families as well as a decrease in the total unsheltered chronic homeless population. CoCs must explain any increase or no change to the number of CH homeless individuals and families in the CoC.

### 2. Ending Homelessness Among Households with Children (15 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

CoCs will be evaluated based on the extent to which they are making progress to achieve this goal within the specified time frame.

(a) Up to 3 points to CoCs that prioritize households with children based on need, including factors such as: vulnerability to victimization, number of previous homeless episodes, unsheltered homeless, criminal history, bad credit or rental history.

(b) Up to 3 points to CoCs based on the local plan to rapidly re-house households with children within 30 days of those families becoming homeless.

(c) Up to 5 points to CoCs for the implementation of a rapid re-housing model that will reduce the number of homeless households with children and demonstrated an increase in the number of rapid re-housing units available to serve families based on the rapid re-housing units reported in the 2015 HIC when compared to the 2016 HIC.

(d) Up to 2 points to CoCs for ensuring emergency shelters, transitional housing, and permanent housing—permanent supportive housing and rapid re-housing—projects within the CoC do not deny admission to or separate family members when they enter shelter or housing.

(e) Up to 2 points to CoCs that demonstrate the total number of homeless households with children and youth, as reported in the 2016 PIT count compared to 2015 has decreased. CoCs must explain any increase or no change to the number of homeless household with children and youth in the CoC.

### 3. Ending Youth Homelessness (15 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

CoCs will be evaluated based on the extent to which they are making progress to achieve this goal within the specified time frame.

(a) Up to 5 points to CoCs for strategies that address the unique needs of unaccompanied homeless youth and the existence of a proven strategy that addresses homeless youth trafficking and other forms of exploitation.

(b) Up to 5 points to CoCs that demonstrate an increase, as recorded in the HMIS data field “residence prior to entry” from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015, in the number of unaccompanied homeless youth (up to age 24) served who were residing on the streets or in places not meant for human habitation prior to entering a homeless project.

(c) Up to 3 points to CoCs that demonstrate a proposed plan to increase funding for unaccompanied youth homeless programs in Calendar Year 2017.

(d) Up to 1 point to CoCs that specifically describe how it collaborates with local education authorities and school districts in the geographic area to assist in the identification of individuals and families who become or remain homeless and are informed of the eligibility of services under subtitle B of title VII of the Act (42 U.S.C. 11432, et seq.).

*This includes demonstrating that the CoC has established policies that require homeless providers funded by both the CoC and ESG programs, to ensure all children are enrolled in early childhood programs or in school and connected to appropriate services in the community.*

(e) Up to 1 point to CoCs that demonstrate the extent in which youth service and education representatives and CoC representatives have participated in each other’s meetings over the past 12 months. Additionally, the CoC will describe how the CoC collaborates with the McKinney-Vento local education liaisons and State education coordinators.

4. Ending Veteran Homelessness (15 points) [This remains the same from FY2015.](#)

CoCs will be evaluated based on the extent to which they are making progress to achieve this goal within the specified time frame.

(a) Up to 8 points ~~7 points~~ to CoCs that demonstrate the total number of homeless veterans in the CoC, as reported in the 2016 PIT count compared to 2015 has decreased. CoCs must explain any increase or no change to the number of homeless veterans in the CoC.

(b) Up to 4 points ~~3 points~~ to CoCs that demonstrate a 75% reduction in the total number of homeless veterans and unsheltered homeless veterans as reported in the 2015 PIT count, compared to 2010 (or 2009 if an unsheltered count was not conducted in 2010).

(c) Up to 3 points ~~2 point~~ to CoCs that demonstrate they identify, assesses, and refers homeless veterans who are eligible for Veterans Affairs services and housing to appropriate resources such as HUD-VASH and SSVF.

~~(d) Up to 3 point to CoCs that demonstrate how the CoC is prioritizing CoC Program-funded resources that serve veterans who are not eligible for homeless assistance through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs programs.~~

**G. BONUS – 3 points** [Included only in FY2015](#)

~~HUD will award 3 bonus points to CoCs that submit the FY 2015 CoC Consolidated Application by 7:59:59 p.m. eastern time on November 19, 2015.~~

**TOTAL POINT BREAKDOWN (200 points)**

Topic	Points	Percentage of Total
COC coordination and engagement	43	21.5%
Project ranking, review, & capacity	30	15.0%
HMIS	18	9.0%
Point-in-Time	9	4.5%
System Performance	40	20.0%
Performance & strategic planning	60	30.0%