

## 2025-2026 EHH Grant Cycle

Performance Period: 10/1/25 – 9/30/26

### ESG/HPP Funding Formula Metrics

#### 2024-2025 EHH Grant Cycle

- 10/90 split between performance and need-based metrics
  - o 10%: Performance Metrics, per HMIS
    - % exits to permanent housing
    - % returns to homelessness after two years
  - o 90%: Need-based Metrics
    - 25%: Total households served in homeless programs, per HMIS and Osnium
    - 25%: Number of households on the Coordinated Entry Priority Lists (homeless and prevention lists)
    - 20%: Average individuals served per month, per Housing Inventory Chart
    - 20%: Percentage of population at or below 30% Area Median Income, per the American Community Survey
- Subtraction of ESG entitlement awards from grantees with an initial funding formula amount over \$500,000 (ESG and HPP combined)
- Final adjustments so that no award decreased more than 10% from the prior year

#### 2025-2026 EHH Grant Cycle

- 50/50 split between performance and need-based metrics
  - o Performance Metrics
    - 20%: Percent exits to permanent housing, per HMIS
    - 10%: Percent returns to homelessness after 12 months, per HMIS
    - 20%: Percent of households with a Housing Move-In Date in housing programs, per HMIS
  - o Need-based Metrics
    - 20%: Number of unsheltered individuals, per January Point-in-Time Count
    - 20%: Number of homeless households, per Coordinated Entry Priority Lists
    - 10%: Average individuals served per month, per Housing Inventory Chart
- Subtraction of ESG entitlement awards from ESG allocations (applies to Dane, Milwaukee, and Racine CoCs)
- Funding limit based on unspent funds in the last completed EHH grant cycle
  - o If a coalition had unspent funds in 2023-24 grant cycle, the coalition's 2025-26 award cannot be greater than what was spent in the 2023-24 cycle.

### HPP Eligible Activities

- 2024-2025 EHH Grant Cycle:
  - o HPP funding can be used for homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing.
- **2025-2026 EHH Grant Cycle:**
  - o HPP funding can only be used for homelessness prevention; it cannot be used for rapid re-housing.

## ESG Budget Constraint

- *2024-2025 EHH Grant Cycle:*
  - *No more than 60% of the ESG award can be for emergency shelter or street outreach activities. This is a federal requirement for ESG funding.*
- **2025-2026 EHH Grant Cycle:**
  - No more than 40% of the ESG award can be budgeted for emergency shelter activities.
  - No more than 20% of the ESG award can be budgeted for street outreach activities.
    - There will be a process for coalitions to request greater than 20% for street outreach, which will be allowed as long as the combination of street outreach and emergency shelter does not exceed 60% of the ESG award.

## HPP and Coordinated Entry

- *2024-2025 EHH Grant Cycle:*
  - *HPP-funded projects are not required to follow the HUD CoC's Coordinated Entry Process.*
- **2025-2026 EHH Grant Cycle:**
  - HPP-funded projects are required to follow the HUD CoC's Coordinated Entry Process.
    - The HUD CoCs agree to be flexible and make adjustments when possible to best fit a project's scope.
    - There will be a process for projects to request an exemption from this requirement, which will be allowed if the project cannot work within the Coordinated Entry Process.
      - The applicable HUD CoC would need to confirm the project would not work.
      - For example, a homelessness prevention project that serves people at eviction court would not be able to follow a CE priority list when who they serve is determined by the eviction court.

## Awarding Funds Within a Coalition

- *2024-2025 EHH Grant Cycle:*
  - *Coalitions must use performance metrics when awarding funds within a coalition if more than one project will be funded within a category; however, there is no required method and no required metrics.*
- **2025-2026 EHH Grant Cycle:**
  - All coalitions will need to use a DEHCR-created, HUD CoC-approved, performance-based scoring tool to award funds within a coalition if more than one project will be funded within a category.
    - There will be a separate narrative-based scoring tool for new agencies that do not yet have performance metrics.

## Expectations on Communication and Collaboration

- *2024-2025 EHH Grant Cycle:*
  - *Coalitions are expected to share the EHH funding opportunity throughout their networks and invite non-funded agencies to become involved; no documentation of effort is required.*
- **2025-2026 EHH Grant Cycle:**
  - Coalitions are required to share the EHH funding opportunity throughout their networks and invite non-funded agencies to become involved. Documentation of effort is required. Failure to provide such documentation will result in a coalition's award being decreased at least 10%.
    - Documentation examples include coalition meeting minutes, emails, community presentations, etc.
    - Participation of non-funded agencies is not required, and there is no penalty for other agencies not being involved as long as they are offered the opportunity to be involved.