Continuum of Care funded Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program
Scoring Tool

Agency/Project_____Reviewer:_____

Project Type: ___ System Navigation   ___Joint Transitional Housing - Rapid Rehousing

Application Question	Scoring Criteria for Max Points	Score/Max points	Notes/Comments
Overarching Project Elements			
All projects must operate using a Housing First approach. Describe how the Housing First approach will be applied to the proposed project.	Low barriers, provide supportive services, assist to obtain and maintain housing, work with landlords to minimize their barriers	____/10 pts	
Agencies providing services with CoC funds shall be required to have a termination and grievance policy. Please attach a copy of the agency's current policy.	Appeal process is easily accessible, multiple ways to request the appeal, allow for participant to decide to leave program	____/10pts	
Why do you think young people experience homelessness?	Explains how youth got there and continue to be there, systems are mentioned as a reason as opposed to individual factors	____/ 20pts	
Describe your agency's experience in providing housing and services to Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) experiencing homelessness. If minimal experience, please provide your plan to serve this population.	Answer identifies assistance with both housing & services, Well thought out plan if hasn't engaged in this work before.	____/10 pts	
Recent data shows that in Dane County, Black youth on average spend 160 days experiencing homelessness while White youth spend 51 days. How will you help black youth move into housing as quickly as their white peers? Please include any advocacy or policy work your agency may be engaged with.	Agency is actively working to combat discrimination on an individual basis and system level	____/10 pts	
What current collaborations do you have? If awarded these funds, what collaborations will you pursue to ensure the program meets the needs of youth and young adults? (check references on this)	Describes 2 current collaborations and describe 1-3 future collaboration. Collaborations should be relevant for serving youth	____/ 10pts	
Agency Experience & Capacity			

Describe your agency's experience with funding. Please highlight experiences with federal funding.	Description of agency experience should contribute to success administering federal funds	____/ 10pts	
How many people on your Board or in agency leadership identify as the following: ● Lived Experience/currently experiencing homelessness ● LGBTQ+ ● Parenting youth(currently age 24 or below and parenting) ● Disability ● BIPOC	Majority of people in leadership have lived experience, leadership is representative of population that agency serves	____/ 20pts	
Data & Evaluation Experience			
How will youth and young adults be involved in project evaluation?	Youth are involved in the process of policy development, evaluation methods go beyond use of surveys	____/10 pts	
Service Description			
Provide a description that addresses the entire scope of the proposed project.	Services offered are clearly described, include equitable outcomes	____/ 10 pts	
Provide a description that addresses how the project will follow Positive Youth Development.	Agency recognizes strengths of youth and that they have dreams and goals, sees young people beyond the situation of crisis	____/ 10 pts	
Provide a description that addresses how the project will follow Trauma Informed Care.	Agency recognizes the role that trauma plays in someone's life	____/10 pts	
What do you think you will work with young people on?	Answer talks about working on what the young person wants, not what the provider initially sees	____/10 pts	
How will you work to remove barriers such as landlord's unwillingness to accept CoC assistance or provide housing to people experiencing homelessness? If the program uses RRH units, additionally describe your landlord engagement to ensure there are RRH units available for people in your project.	Answer describes a clear plan for engagement with landlords that will make units available for youth.	____/ 10pts	

Describe specific efforts to ensure BIPOC, LGBTQ+ and people with disabilities experiencing homelessness will be connected to housing of their choice and supported in housing after assistance has expired.	Agency will remain connected to youth once housed based on what youth requests, recognizes that youth may need to reconnect after program exit, program assist with development of support system outside of the agency	____/ 10pts	
Describe the plan to coordinate and integrate with other mainstream health, social services, and employment programs for which program participants may be eligible.	Agency has a youth-specific resource guide or plan to develop a guide. Agency describes a plan that includes acknowledgement of youth's individual needs, plans go beyond giving phone number and include assistance in getting to services: helping with phone calls, transportation, paperwork, etc.	____/ 10pts	
If an access point for Coordinated Entry, how will you handle an influx of young people seeking access to services?	Agency has a clear plan to address an increase in requests for service.	____/ 10pts	
Staffing			
How do you supervise your staff?	Has regular check-ins between supervisor/staff, provides training opportunities,	____/ 10pts	
Describe training provided to staff for this program. Specifically, include how staff are trained on serving: people with disabilities (mental & physical), LGBTQ+ and parenting youth.	Description of training shows empathy for populations, provides detailed description of training plan including types of training, frequency, etc.	____/ 10pts	
Implementation			
Project Timeline	Timeline provided is short, but realistic	____/ 10pts	
Budget			
Budget	Budget is reasonable and in-line with similar program types	____/ 10pts	
Match	Match meets HUD guidelines and documentable	____/ 10pts	
TOTAL POINTS		**____/ 240 pts**	