

TX-503 ECHO Continuum of Care

**FY 2025 NOFO Applicants'
Conference (RENEWALS)**

Tuesday November 25, 2025 09:00 – 10:30 AM



Fundamental Shift from Past NOFOs

1	Tier 1: 30% cap - 70% is competitive in Tier 2
2	30% cap on Permanent Housing including PSH, RRH, Joint TH-RRH
3	YHDP Renewals are competitive and ranked
4	Service requirements
5	Expansion of TH and SSO-SO

Renewal Projects



FY25 NOFO rescinds all FY25 funding promised under the two-year FY24–25 NOFO.



Any renewal projects must submit full competitive renewal applications.

Funding Available

Estimated Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)	\$13,427,701
CoC Planning Grant	\$671,385
CoC Bonus Amount	\$2,685,540
DV Bonus Amount	\$1,219,961
Tier 1	\$4,028,310
Tier 2 - (ARD + CoC Bonus and DV Bonus) minus Tier 1	\$13,304,892

Tier 1 v. Tier 2

Tier 1

- **Now 30% of ARD (was 90%)**
- **Not impacted by CoC Merit Review Score**

Tier 2

- **70% of ARD**
- **Competitive nationally**

HUD's 30% Cap on PH - What to Know



HUD will remove or reduce PH projects if the 30% cap is exceeded



Our CoC must reallocate a portion of existing PH renewal grants into new project types (TH, SSO-SO, SSO, SSO-SS)



Some renewal projects will need to reapply as New/Transition Projects with a different intervention type to stay in the collaborative application.

PH Cap Impact

Total RRH	\$3,419,832
Total PSH (Site-Based & Scattered site)	\$8,063,215
Total Allowed for PH	\$4,028,310

\$7,454,737 must be reallocated from PH

Approved Policy Changes by Leadership Council



RRH Projects must transition to TH



HMIS will not be placed in Tier 1



Renewal PSH projects must be aligned with the FY 2025 new PSH project requirements including the target population served



Site-based PSH renewal projects will be prioritized in Tier 1



No new PSH projects will be accepted in this competition

Community Funding Priorities

The funding priorities of Austin/Travis County will mirror the funding priorities of the FY 2025 CoC NOFO.

Prioritizing
Treatment and
Recovery.

Advancing Public
Safety

Promoting Self-
Sufficiency.

Improving
Outcomes.

Minimizing
Trauma.

Eligible New Project Types

Transitional Housing	SSO-Street Outreach	SSO-Supportive Services
HMIS Projects	DV Bonus: new TH and SSO-CE/SSO-SO projects that meet DV Bonus criteria	PH renewals converting to one of these eligible new project types

Renewal Project Threshold Requirements

Performance

- APR data
 - Housing stability
 - Exits to permanent housing
 - Length of time homeless
 - Returns to homelessness
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Capacity

- Quarterly drawdowns
 - Timely reimbursements to subrecipients
 - No unresolved findings
 - Adequate financial management
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Timeliness (24 CFR 578.85)

- Project start and execution deadlines
- Quarterly drawdowns
- Closeout requirements

Project Threshold Requirements New in FY 2025

HUD Disqualifiers (New in FY25)

From Section V.A.4.b(5):

- No drug consumption sites
 - No distribution of drug paraphernalia
 - No racial preferences
 - No non-binary definitions of sex
 - No illicit drug use permitted on site
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Renewals Changing Project Design



New Transitional Housing Projects will be required to provide 40 hours of customized supportive services to participants (except for participants over age 62 or with a physical/developmental disability).



New Supportive Services Street Outreach Projects will have to demonstrate a history of working with first responders and law enforcement.

Local Competition Ranking Process

1

All project applications submitted through e-snaps and reviewed by an Independent Review Team (IRT) except for the CoC Planning grant.

2

IRT reviews all project application submissions and scores projects based on Scoring Criteria.

3

ECHO provides project priority ranking (Tier 1 and Tier 2) according to NOFO policies, including the FY25 Review, Ranking, and Scoring Policy and FY25 NOFO requirements.

4

ECHO presents ranking recommendations to Leadership Council.

5

Leadership Council approves final ranking decision.



**Local Scoring Tool will
be posted on the ECHO
website this week**

FY25 NOFO CoC Timeline



Appeals

1. When Applicants May Appeal

Renewal applicants may file an appeal if they believe the CoC's local scoring or ranking decision:

- Contained a scoring error.
- Misapplied the CoC's published scoring criteria.
- Did not follow the CoC's publicly posted local competition process.
- Violated HUD requirements for transparency or fairness.

2. What Appeals Cannot Challenge

- HUD threshold failures (e.g., missing APRs, unresolved monitoring findings, ineligible costs).
- HUD's own scoring decisions.
- CoC policy decisions that were properly adopted and publicly posted.

Appeals Timeline

**All Applicants will be
notified of the results
on December 30, 2025**

Appeals Due on January 02, 2026

**Leadership Council Rules
on Any Appeals
January 5, 2026**

Important Resources



Visit ECHO's website for current competition materials.



Schedule time during ECHO's Office Hours for more detailed questions.

The Goal

Our CoC's goal is to remain competitive for CoC funding while partnering in solidarity to fill gaps created by these fundamental shifts to permanent housing opportunities for our community members experiencing homelessness

Q&A

CoCNOFO Office Hours:

December 3, 2025 / 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

December 4, 2025 / 9:00 AM– 3:00 PM

Questions of Support:

Email the ECHO CoC NOFO team: nofo@austinecho.org