

MEMORANDUM



To: Alameda County CoC NOFA Applicants

From: HUD NOFA Committee / EveryOne Home

Date: September 13, 2019

Re: 2019 Final Project Priority List for Submission to HUD

Thank you so much for your submission to the 2019 HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) local application process. On September 13th, non-conflicted members of the HUD CoC Committee approved the final Project Priority List, ratifying the preliminary rating and ranking NOFA Committee's recommendations sent to applicants along with individual scores on September 9th. On the following page, you will find the list of all projects being included in the application package, indicating project rank, program type and corresponding application amounts, and where the HUD-mandated Tier 1 Line falls. Column 1 shows the rank order of projects as they will be submitted to HUD.

A total of forty-nine (49) renewal, new, and DV Bonus projects were ranked. Most projects scored above the 80th percentile, and all applications submitted met the minimum threshold score to be included in the CoC's submission to HUD. In completing the review and ranking process, the NOFA Committee exercised its discretion to adjust rankings consistent with the 2019 CoC Strategic Direction's recommendations stated at the 7/30/2019 Bidder's Conference, local application instructions, and relevant community principles. Decisions were guided by ensuring maximizing resources available to the community, submitting a strong package that aligns with HUD Priorities to meet local needs, and protecting existing residential capacity and housing stability system-wide while emphasizing project performance and the submission of projects that will meet HUD's thresholds. One project provided a voluntary reallocation that totaled \$157,068, which enabled a high performing renewal to rank fully in Tier 1 rather than straddling across tiers. No other reallocations were made this year.

As in previous rounds, HUD requires that projects be ranked in two tiers, with funding guaranteed for those projects in Tier 1 that meet HUD's threshold. Consistent with prior years, Tier 1 is the equivalent of 94% of the CoCs FY 2019 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD = \$36,618,328), which means Tier 1 = \$34,615,928 for the Alameda County CoC. The project list for Tier 1 includes thirty-seven (37) renewal projects as well as the CoC's Coordinated Entry System and HMIS projects, which, per the 2019 Ranking Policy, were placed automatically at the bottom of Tier 1.

Tier 2 equals the balance of our annual renewal demand, \$2,002,400, plus another \$1,830,916 for possible bonus projects, for a subtotal of \$3,833,316. The list also includes two new DV Bonus projects that total \$902,856: a rapid rehousing project to house 19 survivors of domestic violence and/or human trafficking and a proposed expansion of the recently awarded Alameda

County DV SSO for Coordinated Entry project, that seeks to improve coordinated entry services to DV survivors. Since in the last several rounds our CoC's award amount was at least equivalent to our annual renewal demand, it is very likely that some projects in Tier 2, will be funded. Of the ten (10) projects that ranked in Tier 2, two are renewing projects and eight are new or expansion projects. All projects on Tier 2 will be included in the submission.

The Project Priority List and a copy of this announcement will be posted to the website today, and the full CoC application will be posted to the website at least two days prior to the September 30th HUD NOFA deadline.

If you have questions or comments, please email info@everyonehome.org.

A debriefing session of the 2019 NOFA process will be held in the coming months, at which time the community will be invited to provide comments and feedback about the NOFA process and results. A notification will be sent out closer to that date, with all pertinent information.

Many thanks for all your work and dedication in completing these applications, but most importantly, to your continuous efforts in ensuring that everyone in Alameda County has a safe, permanent, supportive home.