Alameda County Continuum of Care (CoC)
2022 “Regular” NOFO Application Process

Frequently Asked Questions - #2
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**Question 1:** Can a CoC-funded program serve multi-generational households (e.g., a parent, minor child and grandparents)?

**Answer:** Yes. Please consult the HUD FAQ regarding the definition of a family in the Equal Access Rule. CoC FAQ #1529. “Family includes, but is not limited to, regardless of marital status, actual or perceived sexual orientation, or gender identity, any group of persons presenting for assistance together with or without children and irrespective of age, relationship, or whether or not a member of the household has a disability. A child who is temporarily away from the home because of placement in foster care is considered a member of the family.”

**Question 2:** Can a new CoC-funded project serve unaccompanied youth (i.e., youth who are under age 18)?

**Answer:** The CoC program allows grantees to serve unaccompanied minors. However, laws in the State of California do not allow individuals under age 18 to enter into lease agreements. As a result, it is not possible to serve minors in CoC-funded housing programs (permanent supportive housing or rapid rehousing).

**Question 3:** When does the Environmental Review process happen for new housing projects?

**Answer:** For all CoC funded projects, the Environmental Review process will take place post-award and before grant execution.

**Question 4:** There appears to be an error in the description of how the performance measure for prevention will be calculated for PSH projects (Factor 1d) in the Renewal Project Scoring document. It refers to APR question 23a and b, but it seems like it should be 23c.

**Answer:** Yes, there is a typo in the Renewal Scoring document which has been corrected. The correct definition for that factor is: ( Total Participants Who Exited - Participants Who Exited to Permanent Destinations - Participants Who Passed Away - Participants Who Exited to Institutional Destinations ) ÷ Total Participants Served. The calculation is: [ APR 5a Leavers - APR 23c Permanent Destinations Subtotal Total - APR 23c Deceased Total - APR 23c Institutional Destinations Subtotal Total ] ÷ APR 5a Total Served.

**Question 5:** If our project receives CoC funding would we be required to accept referrals of individuals from anywhere in the County? Would we have the right to refuse referrals if they do not fit our milieu?

**Answer:** This question is outside the scope of the local CoC competition. Please consult the County’s Coordinated Entry policies for information on acceptance of referrals (Coordinated Entry Policy) or send an inquiry to the Coordinated Entry Program Director.
**Question 6:** Are there organizations who are bidding on the "regular" COC NOFO and are looking for community-based partners providing services to especially vulnerable and underserved communities, including immigrant populations?

**Answer:** As the coordinators of the local application process, EveryOne Home must stay neutral so we are not able to conduct outreach to potential applicants or match applicants with potential partners. We encourage you to attend EveryOne Home community meetings and committee meetings since they are open to the public to get to know other stakeholders that are working to end homelessness. You can learn more about our committees and how to attend the meetings on our website here: https://everyonehome.org/.

**Question 7:** Is it possible for bid winners to bring additional partner organizations onboard after they have won a NOFO bid?

**Answer:** Yes, it is possible to add subrecipients after the grant award. Recipients can also add partners through subcontracts.