

## Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

1. the CoC Application,
2. the CoC Priority Listing, and
3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

1. The FY 2026 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2026 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It

- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

## 1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

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**1A-1. CoC Name and Number:** FL-603 - Ft Myers, Cape Coral/Lee County CoC

**1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name:** Lee County Board of County Commissioners

**1A-3. CoC Designation:** CA

**1A-4. HMIS Lead:** Lee County Board of County Commissioners

## 1B. Coordination and Engagement–Accountable Structure and Participation

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| 1B-1. | Accountable Structure and Participation. |  |
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In the chart below for the period from June 1, 2025 to May 31, 2026:

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| 1. | select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below if the entity listed participated in CoC meetings or select 'Nonexistent' if the entity does not exist in your CoC's geographic area, and |
| 2. | enter the number of persons on the board for each category where you answered 'Yes' in the Participated in CoC Meetings column.                                                   |

You must click Save at the bottom of the form before entering the number of persons for each category where you answered 'Yes'.

|     | Entity                                                                                                      | Participated in CoC Meetings | Number of Board Members |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1.  | Affordable Housing Developer(s)                                                                             | Yes                          | 2                       |
| 2.  | CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction(s)                                                                   | Yes                          | 6                       |
| 3.  | Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC)                                                        | Yes                          | 1                       |
| 4.  | Community Mental Health Center (CMHC)                                                                       | Yes                          | 0                       |
| 5.  | Disability Advocate(s)                                                                                      | No                           |                         |
| 6.  | Disability Service Organization(s)                                                                          | Yes                          | 1                       |
| 7.  | Emergency Medical Services (EMS)/Crisis Response Team(s)                                                    | Yes                          | 1                       |
| 8.  | Employment Assistance Program(s) (e.g., Local Workforce Development, American Job Center)                   | Yes                          | 1                       |
| 9.  | Faith-based Organization(s)                                                                                 | Yes                          | 1                       |
| 10. | Homeless or Formerly Homeless Person(s)                                                                     | Yes                          | 2                       |
| 11. | Hospital(s)                                                                                                 | No                           |                         |
| 12. | Other Primary Healthcare Provider(s) (e.g., Federally Qualified Health Center, Healthcare for the Homeless) | Yes                          | 1                       |
| 13. | Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations)                       | Nonexistent                  |                         |
| 14. | Law Enforcement                                                                                             | Yes                          | 2                       |
| 15. | Local Court Systems, Including Specialty Courts (e.g., Mental Health Court, Drug Court, Care Court)         | Yes                          | 2                       |
| 16. | Local Government Staff/Official(s)                                                                          | Yes                          | 2                       |

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| 17. | State Government Staff/Official(s)                                                   | No  |   |
| 18. | State or Local Elected Public Official(s)                                            | Yes | 3 |
| 19. | Local Jail(s)                                                                        | Yes | 0 |
| 20. | Mental Health Service Organization(s)                                                | Yes | 2 |
| 21. | Mental Illness Advocate(s)                                                           | Yes | 0 |
| 22. | Organization(s) led by and serving people with disabilities                          | Yes | 0 |
| 23. | Other homeless subpopulation advocate(s)                                             | Yes | 2 |
| 24. | Other nonprofit homeless assistance provider(s)                                      | Yes | 8 |
| 25. | Other social service provider(s)                                                     | Yes | 7 |
| 26. | Public Housing Agencies                                                              | Yes | 1 |
| 27. | Recovery Housing or Sober Living Provider(s)                                         | Yes | 1 |
| 28. | School Administrators/Homeless Liaison(s)                                            | Yes | 1 |
| 29. | School District(s)                                                                   | Yes | 1 |
| 30. | Street Outreach Team(s)                                                              | Yes | 2 |
| 31. | Substance Abuse Advocate(s)                                                          | Yes | 4 |
| 32. | Substance Abuse Service Organization(s)                                              | Yes | 1 |
| 33. | Universities                                                                         | Yes | 1 |
| 34. | Veteran Serving Organization(s)                                                      | Yes | 2 |
| 35. | Agencies Serving Survivors of Human Trafficking                                      | Yes | 1 |
| 36. | Victim Service Provider(s)                                                           | Yes | 1 |
| 37. | Domestic Violence Advocate(s)                                                        | Yes | 1 |
| 38. | Other Victim Service Organization(s)                                                 | Yes | 1 |
| 39. | State Domestic Violence Coalition                                                    | No  |   |
| 40. | State Sexual Assault Coalition                                                       | No  |   |
| 41. | Youth Advocate(s)                                                                    | Yes | 1 |
| 42. | Youth Homeless Organization(s)                                                       | Yes | 1 |
| 43. | Youth Service Provider(s)                                                            | Yes | 1 |
| 44. | Other Homeless Assistance Provider(s)                                                | Yes | 8 |
| 45. | Local Business or Chamber of Commerce or a Member of a Business Improvement District | Yes | 1 |
|     | Other: (limit 50 characters)                                                         |     |   |
| 46. |                                                                                      |     |   |
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| 1B-2. | Open Invitation for New Members. |  |
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Describe your CoC's transparent process (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to invite new members to join the CoC at least annually.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 invites new members to join the CoC on an ongoing basis, with the invitation process made publicly available within the CoC's geographic area at least once annually. This practice fulfills a standing requirement in the CoC Governance Charter, which assigns FL-603 the responsibility for making a publicly available invitation for new members at least once a year.

Solicitation is conducted via email distribution to the CoC's general distribution list of over 1,400 recipients and the HVS email distribution list. The email lists reach a broad range of community stakeholders including nonprofit homeless service providers, victim service providers, faith based organizations, local government agencies, public housing authorities, healthcare and behavioral health/substance use providers, law enforcement and corrections agencies, school districts and youth serving organizations, veteran serving organizations, affordable housing developers, business representatives, and homeless or formerly homeless individuals. The most recent invitation to join the CoC was distributed on August 6, 2026.

The CoC General Membership application is posted on the Lee County Human and Veteran Services website, ensuring the process remains accessible to any interested party throughout the year.

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| 1B-3. | CoC's Strategy to Solicit and Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness. |  |
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Describe your CoC's transparent process (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit and consider opinions regarding the CoC's general performance, strategies, and priority setting process from a broad array of individuals and organizations that have knowledge of homelessness or an interest in preventing or ending homelessness in the CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 launched LEEDing the Way Home in the fall of 2025. This initiative informs the current CoC's strategic direction and housing priorities. CoC members and community partners were invited to participate in the initiative's development through surveys and facilitated workshops, with 35 partner organizations including the Lee County Homeless Coalition, Centerstone, CASL, Goodwill, United Way, CPE SVDP, SalusCare, CCDOV, Kimmie's Recovery Zone, Salvation Army, Housing Authority of the City of Fort Myers contributing to the process. Participants assessed system performance, identified service gaps, established shared priorities and discussed which populations should receive the highest priority for housing assistance. LEEDing the Way Home remains the framework for ongoing planning.

Throughout 2026, two Planning Grant initiatives expanded stakeholder engagement. An independent consulting firm conducted a comprehensive system assessment that included interviews with eight key agencies and system leaders, a focused session with the Coordinated Entry team, and a facilitated workshop during a CoC General Membership meeting. Participants validated the community's systems map, examined client journeys, identified service gaps, and prioritized opportunities where future investments would have the greatest impact on individuals experiencing homelessness. Findings and recommendations were presented to the full membership and Governing Board during August 2026 meetings and are being incorporated into future system planning and improvement efforts.

On June 18, 2026, FL-603 distributed a Prioritization Survey to the General Membership to identify community priorities for each housing intervention, determine which populations should receive the highest priority within each housing pathway, and ensure local priorities aligned with HUD's FY 2026 CoC Program priorities.

In August 2026, a HUD-certified technical assistance provider administered surveys to members of the Lived Experience Committee and partner agencies serving individuals experiencing homelessness. The purpose of the survey was to obtain feedback from individuals with lived experience regarding which supportive services were most beneficial, what needs remained unmet, and what barriers impacted their ability to achieve housing stability. Findings will be used to refine supportive service priorities and inform future funding and program decisions.

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| 1B-4. | Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding. |  |
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Describe your CoC's transparent process to accept and consider proposals from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding including faith-based organizations.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC has a transparent process in place to accept and consider proposals from organizations that have not previously received CoC program funding, including faith based organizations. Each time a CoC funding opportunity is released, the CoC publicly communicates how to apply and explicitly states that first time applicants and faith based organizations are encouraged to apply. For example, in FL-603's Request for Applications for FY2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Competition it states on both page 8 and page 11 that "HVS encourages applications from applicants that have never previously received CoC funds as well as from applicants that are currently receiving or have previously received CoC funds." This language is included in the RFA application materials, posted on the Human and Veteran Services (HVS) website where applicants access the funding opportunity and submission instructions, and disseminated through CoC wide email distribution list including the general membership distribution list, as well as a community email distribution list issued by Human and Veteran Services. For instance, the HVS Community email distribution sent on June 23, 2026, stated, "We encourage all interested agencies, returning subrecipients, and new applicants to review the RFA, timeline, application, and ranking tool carefully before attending the upcoming Pre-Application Workshop." The CoC also announces funding opportunities during June 18, 2026, general membership meetings and invites interested organizations to Technical Assistance workshop on June 26, 2026, so new applicants understand where to locate materials, who to contact, and how to complete the application process.

During the FY2026 competition, the CoC received proposals from three organizations that have never previously received CoC Program funding, Hearts and Homes for Veterans, the City of Fort Myers Police Department, and Affordable Homeownership Foundation Inc. The CoC also received a proposal from Lee County Housing Development Corporation, an organization that had not received CoC Program funding since 2020, demonstrating that the outreach process reaches both new applicants and organizations that have been outside the funded network for an extended period.

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| 1B-5 | Plan for Comprehensive Strategies for Reducing Homelessness. |
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| Describe how your CoC will incorporate comprehensive strategies for reducing homelessness, including interventions in 42 U.S.C. 11386b(d) and other targeted projects for specific subpopulations, by providing a plan to address a gap in the CoC's current homelessness system. |
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(limit 2,500 characters)

The 2025–2026 Gaps Analysis, conducted in July 2025, through a survey of 36 CoC providers included individuals from emergency shelters, street outreach, housing, healthcare and behavioral health. The analysis identified low-barrier emergency shelter as the CoC's number one housing need and mental health services as the number one service gap. The CoC's strategy is to respond to HUD's FY2026 shift in priorities, which moves away from expanding shelter capacity and toward prioritizing treatment and recovery as a means to self-sufficiency, by reallocating existing PSH resources to TH with behavioral health service integration.

CASL is reallocating \$843,042 from an existing PSH project to establish Mariposa Place, a 16-bed TH program targeting homeless individuals with mental health conditions, substance use disorders, and other qualifying disabilities. This directly targets the mental health service gap identified in the survey. Centerstone will provide on-site mental health and substance use treatment so participants receive coordinated treatment without leaving the program.

Progress will be measured against HUD's own FY2026 benchmarks for new TH projects, which require that at least 50 percent of participants exit to a positive destination within 24 months and at least 50 percent exit with employment income, as reflected in HMIS.

Funding for the Mariposa Place Transitional Housing Program comes entirely from the voluntary reallocation of \$843,042 from CASL's existing Permanent Supportive Housing grant, FL0986L4D032503 The reallocated grant term begins October 1, 2027. No new HUD award or local funding source is required to sustain the project.

Oversight sits with CASL's Program Administrator for daily implementation. The CoC's Performance Evaluation and Ranking Committee also reviews project performance quarterly under the CoC's Reallocation and Ranking Policy and can recommend further reallocation if performance targets are not met.

1B-5a Confirmation of Plan Coverage.

Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether your narrative in question 1B-5 addresses the following aspects of your plan to address a gap in the CoC's current homelessness system.

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| 1. Identifies the gap, using data or stakeholder feedback                                 | Yes |
| 2. The strategy to address the needs of all relevant subpopulations                       | Yes |
| 3. Sets quantifiable performance measures                                                 | Yes |
| 4. Identifies timelines for the completion of specific tasks                              | Yes |
| 5. Identifies specific funding sources for planned activities                             | Yes |
| 6. An individual or body responsible for overseeing implementation of specific strategies | Yes |

## 1C. Coordination and Engagement

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| 1C-1. | Treatment and Recovery Services—On-site Substance Use Treatment Availability.                                                                          |     |
|       | You must upload the List of TH/RRH/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen. |     |
|       | What percent of your TH/RRH/PSH projects have substance use treatment available on site?                                                               | 86% |

If you are a rural CoC, describe what substance use treatment is available in your CoC and how people you serve access those services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

N/A - We are not a rural CoC.

### 1C-1a. Treatment and Recovery Services—Outpatient Treatment for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders.

Describe how your CoC partners with, or has projects that provide, outpatient treatment for mental health and substance use disorders with a range of appropriate levels of care, psychosocial interventions, medication management, suicide prevention, and recovery supports.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Centerstone (CCBHC) serves as FL-603's primary outpatient behavioral health partner. Centerstone provides individual and group outpatient services, psychosocial interventions, psychiatric evaluations, medication management, suicide prevention, and recovery supports to participants across multiple CoC-funded projects. Such projects include Community Assisted and Supported Living, Inc. (CASL) and Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. (CCDOV). At CASL's scattered-site Permanent Supportive Housing projects, outpatient care is delivered through telehealth at each participant's unit. At CCDOV's Safe Passage Transitional Housing project, Centerstone provides in-person outpatient services on-site. For participants requiring a higher level of care than outpatient treatment, SalusCare (CMHC) delivers medically supervised detoxification, crisis stabilization, and inpatient behavioral healthcare to participants across multiple CoC-funded projects.

Kimmie's Recovery Zone (Recovery Community Organization) provides recovery support services, including on-site peer support at CCDOV's Safe Passage Transitional Housing. Hope Clubhouse (Clubhouse Model for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness) provides psychosocial rehabilitation and supported employment for participants managing serious mental illness across multiple CoC-funded projects.

Suicide prevention is built into how CoC outreach and case management staff engage participants day to day. Staff receive training to recognize warning signs of suicide risk and to respond immediately by contacting Crisis Prevention and Empowerment's (CPE) Mobile Crisis Response Team, which can assess and de-escalate a participant in person rather than relying on a phone screening alone. Calls to the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline from Lee County are routed to CPE locally, so a participant or staff member calling 988 reaches the same Mobile Crisis Response Team. This gives CoC staff one consistent pathway to teach participants, whether they call 988 or contact CPE directly, they reach an in person crisis responder. SalusCare's Crisis Stabilization Unit provides an inpatient safety net for participants determined to be at imminent risk following a mobile crisis response.

### **1C-1b. Treatment and Recovery Services—Peer Support and Recovery Navigation.**

Describe how your CoC partners with, or has projects that provide access to, peer recovery specialists or other forms of peer support and recovery navigation.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 provides participants with access to peer recovery specialists or other forms of peer support and recovery navigation through both direct project staffing and coordinated community partnerships, ensuring lived-experience support is available alongside housing across CoC-funded projects.

Kimmie's Recovery Zone (KRZ), Lee County's Recovery Community Organization, is the CoC's central peer recovery partner. The organization provides peer recovery coaching, recovery support services, and long-term recovery connections to CASL's PSH projects. KRZ also supplements the proposed Lee County Homeless Outreach Network with peer-based recovery support, overdose prevention education, naloxone distribution, and a Certified Recovery Peer Specialist career pathway participants can enter as a workforce development option. Peer engagement is one of the outreach network's three guiding principles, and that relationship continues after placement as part of the network's plan to reduce returns to homelessness. Kimmie's Recovery Zone also runs a free 40 hour Certified Recovery Peer Specialist training covering the core competencies required by the Florida Certification Board, including recovery support, motivational interviewing, mentoring, and professional responsibility. Kimmie's Recovery Zone has trained 30 to 50 individuals a year to become Certified Recovery Peer Specialists, including partner agency staff and CoC participants. KRZ also holds weekly Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) classes that partner agencies and CoC participants can join in person or by telehealth.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice (CCDOV) connects DV survivors to Kimmie's Recovery Zone for substance use recovery support and peer mentoring in both its current DV RRH renewal project and its newly proposed Safe Passage Transitional Housing project. In Safe Passage, this connection runs through an MOU with Kimmie's Recovery Zone. Kimmie's Recovery Zone provides recovery support, peer mentoring, recovery coaching, and relapse prevention education on a rotating onsite schedule at each housing location. Abuse Counseling & Treatment (ACT) separately provides trauma informed victim counseling and peer support tied to safety planning and legal advocacy. This participation is built into Safe Passage's structured weekly engagement model, where recovery services count toward each participant's required 20 hours of weekly engagement.

### **1C-1c. Treatment and Recovery Services—Connecting Individuals Experiencing Serious Mental Illness with the Services Necessary to Promote Stability.**

Describe how your CoC identifies individuals experiencing Serious Mental Illness and connects them with the services necessary to promote stability, such as Assertive Community Treatment teams and other models that combine intensive care coordination and assertive outreach with comprehensive treatment.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 identifies individuals experiencing Serious Mental Illness (SMI) through the Lee County Coordinated Entry System, street outreach, and mobile crisis response, then connects them to the intensive, coordinated services necessary to promote stability.

Coordinated Entry assesses documented need, vulnerability, and disability status at intake, serving as the primary entry point through which individuals with SMI are identified and referred to appropriate agencies based on individual needs.

The Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT), operated by Crisis Prevention and Empowerment, provides no-cost, 24/7 mobile crisis services using de-escalation-focused interventions in community settings. When MCRT encounters an unsheltered individual in crisis who has SMI, the team provides stabilization and refers the individual into Coordinated Entry, FACT, or other appropriate CoC and behavioral health services.

Community Assisted and Supported Living, Inc. (CASL), the only PATH-funded provider serving Lee County, conducts street outreach to engage individuals experiencing homelessness who have SMI and are disconnected from services, assessing needs and connecting them to behavioral health treatment, housing, and Coordinated Entry.

Individuals identified through these pathways who meet FACT's level of need criteria are connected to Centerstone's two Florida Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) teams in Lee County, which serve adults with severe and persistent mental illness through intensive, community-based case management, crisis intervention, individual and group therapy, life-skills support, peer support, and psychiatric services.

Centerstone also operates a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), providing comprehensive, integrated behavioral health care regardless of ability to pay. The CCBHC serves individuals with SMI whose needs do not rise to FACT's level of care, offering clinical assessment, psychiatric evaluation, care coordination, case management, crisis intervention, individual and group therapy, and trauma-informed care.

HOPE Clubhouse operates according to the Clubhouse International model, an evidence-based psychosocial rehabilitation approach for individuals living with SMI. Members work alongside staff in structured business, culinary, and horticulture units that provide skill development, wellness, education, socialization, and meaningful work.

#### **1C-1d. Treatment and Recovery Services—Coordination with Providers in Connection with Drug or Other Specialty Courts.**

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with a provider or entity providing services in connection with Drug Courts and other specialty courts serving individuals with mental and substance use disorders, Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) programs, and inpatient civil commitment.

(limit 500 characters)

FL-603 partners with Centerstone, which operates Mental Health Court and holds a Governing Board seat representing behavioral health providers. Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Court are provided through TLS Consulting. The Specialty Court Manager overseeing those courts, also sits on the Governing Board, representing the court system directly. Individuals in these programs who lack housing are connected to Coordinated Entry for housing assessment and referral.

Describe how your CoC coordinates with the provider or entity identified above to support housing stability and movement towards independence, including by leveraging court orders.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Individuals in Mental Health Court, Drug Court, and Veterans Treatment Court who lack housing are connected to the Lee County Coordinated Entry System for assessment and referral to appropriate housing interventions, ensuring specialty court participants are prioritized based on documented vulnerability and need rather than navigating the homeless response system separately from their court-ordered treatment.

Upon entry, case management teams formally assess each participant's housing, transportation, and general living needs and refer them to appropriate agencies. Housing status is tracked as part of ongoing case management and reported to the presiding judge through progress reports at each court appearance, allowing the court to monitor housing stability alongside treatment compliance.

Court orders leverage this process directly. In Veterans Treatment Court, stable housing is a required criterion for advancement to Phase III, meaning a participant cannot progress in the court-ordered program without achieving housing stability, and a documented aftercare plan is required before successful completion in Phase IV. This structure uses the court's phase advancement authority as a concrete incentive for participants to engage with housing services rather than leaving housing as a parallel, unenforced goal.

As participants demonstrate consistent treatment engagement and court compliance, case managers coordinate with Centerstone and TLS Consulting to reassess appropriate levels of care and support step-down to less intensive treatment and reduced oversight when clinically and legally appropriate, allowing participants to move toward greater independence while maintaining continuity of care and housing stability throughout the transition.

The Specialty Court Manager's and Centerstone's seats on the CoC Governing Board further support this coordination by giving both the court system and behavioral health providers a direct channel to raise systemic housing barriers, such as waitlist delays or gaps in available housing types, in CoC planning discussions.

### 1C-1e. Treatment and Recovery Services—Partnership with Local Crisis System of Care.

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with the local crisis system of care including 988 and crisis contact centers, mobile crisis and outreach services, and crisis stabilization services.

(limit 500 characters)

988 calls originating in Lee County are routed to a call center in Tampa, which attempts to de-escalate the caller. Where de-escalation alone is not sufficient, a warm hand-off protocol connects the caller to Crisis Prevention and Empowerment (CPE) for continued local crisis response through its Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) and Baker Act examination process as needed. Individuals requiring further stabilization are connected to SalusCare's Crisis Stabilization Unit.

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| 1C-1f. | Treatment and Recovery Services—Availability of Units for Persons Reporting Chronic Substance Use.                                                                                                                           |    |
|        | You must upload the List of CoC Program Projects and the Number of Units that require Substance Abuse Treatment attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.                                                                    |    |
|        | Identify the number of CoC Program-funded units that require program participant engagement in substance abuse treatment services as a condition of continued participation in the program in accordance with 24 CFR 578.75. | 16 |

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| 1C-1g.                                                                                                                        | Treatment and Recovery Services—24/7 Access to Detox, Residential, or Inpatient Treatment. |     |
| Is there 24/7 access to detox, residential, and inpatient behavioral health treatment within the geographic area of your CoC? |                                                                                            | Yes |

### 1C-1h. Treatment and Recovery Services—Formal Partnership with Behavioral and Mental Health Facilities.

Identify at least one formal partnership the CoC has with a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC), Community Mental Health Center (CMHC), SAMHSA Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) provider, Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals (GBHI) provider, or a similar facility if none of the above are located in the geographic area.

(limit 500 characters)

Centerstone of Florida holds formal designation as a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) and serves as the CoC's primary behavioral health treatment partner, providing outpatient counseling, psychiatric evaluation, and substance use treatment. Community Assisted and Supported Living (CASL) is Lee County's only SAMHSA PATH-funded provider, delivering street outreach and PSH referrals. SalusCare serves as the CoC's Community Mental Health Center partner.

**1C-1i. Treatment and Recovery Services—Sober Housing Availability.**

Identify at least one new or existing CoC Program-funded project that operates sober housing in accordance with 24 CFR 578.93(b)(5).

(limit 500 characters)

No project funded under the FY 2026 CoC Competition, renewal or new, currently operates sober housing in accordance with 24 CFR 578.93(b)(5). The CoC has taken steps to close this gap. A sober living provider was added to the Governing Board and Lee County Human & Veteran Services, as Lead Agency, convened a meeting on September 17, 2026 with faith-based leaders, shared living providers, and sober living homes to establish standards for formally integrating these providers into the CoC.

**1C-1j. Treatment and Recovery Services—Warm Hand-Offs to Stable Housing Providers.**

Describe how your CoC coordinates with the programs named in questions 1C-1a through 1C-1i to facilitate warm hand-offs to stable housing providers and prevent entry into homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 uses the Lee County Coordinated Entry System as the central warm hand-off mechanism connecting participants in every program identified in 1C-1a through 1C-1i directly to stable housing, rather than allowing gaps between systems that could result in entry or return to homelessness.

Individuals receiving outpatient treatment through Centerstone, crisis stabilization or detox through SalusCare, peer recovery support through Kimmie's Recovery Zone, or psychosocial rehabilitation through Hope Clubhouse who lack housing are referred directly into Coordinated Entry for assessment and prioritization, ensuring behavioral health engagement translates into an active housing placement rather than ending at treatment or recovery supports alone.

CPE's MCRT builds this warm hand-off in from the first point of contact. When a 988 call escalates to mobile crisis response, MCRT connects individuals in crisis directly to Coordinated Entry, FACT, or other CoC and behavioral health services rather than discharging them without a housing plan. Similarly, SalusCare's discharge planning process for individuals exiting crisis stabilization, detox, or inpatient treatment connects participants to Coordinated Entry before discharge, preventing exits into homelessness.

CASL's PATH-funded street outreach team performs this function directly for unsheltered individuals, assessing needs and referring participants into Coordinated Entry and CASL's own Permanent Supportive Housing project, where Centerstone provides continued outpatient treatment on site or via telehealth. Participants in Mental Health Court, Drug Court, and Veterans Treatment Court who lack housing are connected to Coordinated Entry through their case management teams, with progress reported to the presiding judge, ensuring housing stability is tracked alongside treatment compliance.

Kimmie's Recovery Zone and CCDOV formalize this warm hand-off through an MOU at Safe Passage Transitional Housing, embedding recovery coaching and peer mentoring directly into a participant's housing placement rather than requiring a separate referral process.

Together, these pathways ensure treatment, crisis response, and court engagement consistently end in an active housing connection rather than a discharge or program exit without a plan.

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| 1C-2. | Supportive Services Investment. |  |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                    | Number      |
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| 1. Enter your CoC's FY 2026 Annual Renewal Demand (ARD).                                                                                                                           | \$2,573,903 |
| 2. Of projects your CoC proposed to be funded in the FY 2026 CoC Program Competition, enter the total amount of funding for the supportive services budget line items.             | \$1,856,867 |
| 3. Percent of your CoC's FY 2026 ARD (from element 1 above) that is supportive services funding (from element 2 above).                                                            | 72%         |
| 4. Enter the amount of funding, leverage, match, and funding commitment from other formal partnerships in supportive services for the projects included in your CoC's FY 2026 ARD. | \$597,662   |

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| 5. Percent of your CoC's FY 2026 ARD (from element 1 above) that is the supportive services funding in proposed projects (from element 2 above) plus the amount of funding, leverage, match, and funding commitment from other formal partnerships in supportive services (from element 4 above). | 95% |
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| 1C-3. | Participation Requirements for Supportive Services.                                                               |
|       | You must upload the Language from Project Supportive Service Agreements attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen. |

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| What percent of your housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH, and Joint projects) require program participants to take part in supportive services (e.g. case management, employment training, substance use disorder treatment) in line with 24 CFR 578.75(h)? | 72.00% |
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#### 1C-4. Consulting with ESG Recipients.

Describe how your CoC has and will continue to consult with ESG recipients in the planning and allocation of ESG funds.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Lee County Human and Veteran Services (HVS), as both Collaborative Applicant and ESG recipient, consults with ESG recipients in the planning and allocation of ESG funds through the annual HUD Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan process, which governs CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding together each year.

For the 2026 Annual Action Plan, Lee County estimated an annual ESG allocation of \$267,598. On June 16, 2026, HVS presented the proposed ESG uses, street outreach, emergency shelter and rapid re-housing, at a public hearing held in conjunction with the Community Action Agency Advisory Committee meeting, where attendees were invited to provide direct comment. During this meeting, Hearts and Homes for Veterans recommended increased prioritization of homelessness prevention funding upstream of crisis, citing its cost-effectiveness relative to rehousing. In response, the Annual Action Plan was updated to incorporate ESG funding for prevention activities, an area with historically limited dedicated funding, demonstrating that stakeholder input directly shaped the final allocation of ESG funds.

A 30-day public comment period followed, running from July 6 through August 4, 2026, giving ESG recipients and the broader community an opportunity to review and comment on the draft plan before it was finalized. A concluding public hearing was then held by the Board of County Commissioners on August 4, 2026, at which the final Annual Action Plan, including ESG fund allocations, was presented and adopted.

This same structure was also used for a supplemental allocation of Emergency Solutions Grant Rapid Unsheltered Survivor Housing (ESG-RUSH) funds, awarded to address unmet needs from Hurricanes Helene and Milton. That allocation was presented to the CoC Governing Board for consultation on May 13, 2026, with a public comment period from May 11 through May 18, 2026, and a concluding public hearing before the Board of County Commissioners on June 2, 2026, where the HUD Annual Action Plan was formally amended.

All public hearing notices, comment period notices, and plan amendments are posted publicly on the HVS website, ensuring ESG recipients and other stakeholders have ongoing access to review draft plans and provide input throughout the process.

#### **1C-4a. Coordination with Emergency Shelter Providers.**

Describe how your CoC coordinates with shelter providers to connect individuals and families with CoC assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Through Coordinated Entry, individuals and families are linked to the shelter type that matches their household composition and needs. St. Matthew's House serves women and families, Abuse Counseling and Treatment (ACT) serves domestic violence survivors, Rescue Mission serves individual males, Salvation Army serves individuals and families, and Oasis serves youth. Coordinated Entry staff administer the VI-SPDAT for individuals or F-VI-SPDAT for families, and shelter and street outreach staff work with clients to become document ready so no CoC housing opportunity is delayed once a match is made.

When a shelter bed is not immediately available at the appropriate program, Coordinated Entry places the household on the prioritized list and street outreach staff continue engaging the individual or family in the field rather than closing the referral out. Outreach staff check in regularly to monitor changing needs, safety, and willingness to enter shelter, and to communicate when a bed opens or when a different shelter option becomes a better fit as a household's situation or preferences change. This ongoing contact keeps individuals and families connected to the system between the point of assessment and the point of placement rather than only at intake.

This coordination is sustained through weekly By-Name List Meetings, a standing case conferencing structure convening representatives from agencies funded through the CoC. These meetings match individuals and families on the prioritized list to available CoC-funded housing assistance in real time and elevate high-risk households whose vulnerability may not have been fully captured through the initial assessment. An exception panel of local RRH and PH providers and Coordinated Entry staff convenes to vote on moving households between tracks when the standardized assessment inaccurately captured a household's situation, accounting for factors such as pregnancy, terminal illness, high risk of mortality, unsheltered status, or severe disabling conditions. Attendance at By-Name List Meetings is mandatory for every agency funded through Lee County Human and Veteran Services, guaranteeing shelter providers remain continuously engaged in referral, prioritization, and CoC housing placement.

#### **1C-5. Data Sharing to Inform the Homelessness Response System.**

Describe how your CoC has or will share PIT, HIC, HMIS, and System Performance data with state and local government as permitted by law in order to inform the homelessness response system.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 shares data with state and local government through several channels established in the Governance Charter and Written Standards. Lee County Human and Veteran Services (HVS), as Collaborative Applicant, HMIS Lead, and Coordinated Entry Lead, is itself the local government entity administering these functions, so data collection and reporting activities constitute the CoC's local government data sharing.

The Governing Board includes elected local government representation, including a Fort Myers City Councilwoman and a Lee County Commissioner, extending direct visibility into CoC data to local government at both the municipal and county level.

The Governing Board reports on CoC activity to the full CoC membership at least twice a year, in January and July. An Annual Performance Report is submitted to the Governing Board each year, along with quarterly data quality reports, giving this local government representation ongoing access to system performance data.

At the state level, HVS administers its Unified Homelessness Contract with the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), which covers the Staffing Grant, Challenge Grant, and State ESG funding. Under this relationship, HVS must submit a gaps and needs analysis to DCF each October. For 2026, rather than conducting a full survey-based assessment, the CoC will provide DCF with a status update on the gaps identified in the July 2025 needs assessment, reporting which needs have been addressed, which remain in progress, and any newly emerging concerns.

At the federal level, HVS prepares both the Consolidated Plan and the annual Action Plan for Lee County, and consults directly with the Continuum of Care and the Homeless Coalition during each Action Plan development cycle. This process draws on real HMIS and coordinated entry figures, for example fiscal year 2025 data showing 2,133 households and 3,622 individuals entered Lee County's Coordinated Entry system. HVS also consults with the CoC on ESG fund allocation, performance standards, and HMIS policy development each year, ensuring PIT, HIC, and system performance data inform the county's broader federal planning and reporting obligations to HUD on an ongoing basis.

### **1C-5a. Using Other Data Sources Alongside HMIS to Improve Care.**

Describe how your CoC utilizes other data sources alongside HMIS to improve care (e.g., health care utilization and claims data, electronic health care record data; admission, discharge, and transfer data; and law enforcement and corrections system data).

(limit 2,500 characters)

Lee County's CoC draws on data sources beyond HMIS, including law enforcement records, VA records, hospital admission, discharge, and transfer records, Community Health Program (CHP) records, and LeeTran records. Staff are trained on using this third party documentation to verify chronic homelessness, supporting prioritization of eligible individuals for PSH beds.

Lee County Public Safety's CHP, launched in 2023, deploys three ALS-equipped Mobile Integrated Health units staffed by specially trained paramedics who bring medical and behavioral health care directly to high need residents, including those experiencing chronic illness, substance use, and social vulnerability. Between August 2024 and February 2025, CHP responded to 1,737 emergency service calls, with substance use disorder accounting for 46 percent of responses, and about 73 percent of emergent and urgent calls diverted from involuntary Baker Act admission. CHP records document these encounters and support connecting individuals to community based care and case management rather than crisis systems alone.

The CoC also maintains a cross county partnership with Charlotte County that includes the VA. Charlotte County's VA partner maintains its own data system and participates in the CoC's By-Name List calls. This access to VA data systems and staff supports more comprehensive services for veterans, including connections to medical care, assisted living facilities, and other veteran resources.

The CoC uses GIS opiate mapping to identify encampment locations, directing outreach and CHP resources to areas with concentrated need.

#### **1C-6. Employment and Workforce Development Partnership.**

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with employment and workforce development programs and organizations such as the Local Workforce Development Board, State Workforce Agency, American Job Center (also known as One-Stop Career Centers), registered apprenticeship program, community and technical college, union training program, adult education provider, or State Vocational Rehabilitation agency.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 partners with CareerSource Southwest Florida, the Local Workforce Development Board serving Lee County. CareerSource provides job training, career navigation, and employment placement referrals for CoC program participants. As an active CoC partner, CareerSource has a representative on the CoC Resource Committee and is scheduled to provide a training at the November 19, 2026 General Membership CoC meeting.

#### **1C-7. Street Outreach—Cooperation with First Responders and Law Enforcement.**

Describe in the field below how your CoC's street outreach projects (including co-response) cooperate with first responders and law enforcement to increase positive interactions in order to increase housing and service engagement and promote use of CoC services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Lee County's Street Outreach efforts include a dedicated co-response model through the Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), a partnership between HVS, Centerstone, and Fort Myers Police Department, the Lee County Sheriff's Office, Cape Coral Police Department, and Port Authority law enforcement, that pairs behavioral health specialists directly with law enforcement officers to engage individuals at encampments, converting first contact into a service and housing connection rather than an enforcement-only outcome.

At encampments, Lee County Public Safety's Community Health Program (CHP), staffed by paramedics and EMTs, supports these outreach efforts by providing on-site medical care, wound care, health insurance enrollment assistance and medication access, addressing physical health barriers that would otherwise keep individuals disengaged from services.

These encampment visits are directly tied to housing outcomes rather than functioning as standalone contacts. When shelter beds are available, outreach and partner agency staff transport individuals to shelter on the spot rather than requiring them to arrange their own transportation, removing a common barrier to engagement. Where diversion is possible, staff work with individuals at the encampment to identify a family member or support network who may be able to provide safe housing, connecting reunification directly into the same outreach contact. Coordinated Entry is conducted in the field during these encounters, which reduces the likelihood of losing contact with the individual and allows the outreach worker who has already built rapport to be assigned as their ongoing case contact.

In FY2025, the HOT team engaged individuals through 4,325 client contacts, resulting in 345 individuals housed through housing assistance programs, reflecting the ongoing engagement made possible by co-response with law enforcement, behavioral health and medical support in connecting individuals, including those who might otherwise only be reached through enforcement, to shelter, services, and housing pathways through Coordinated Entry.

#### **1C-8. Family or Support Network Reunification.**

Describe how your CoC, or your recipients, assist with family or support-network reunification efforts for individuals experiencing homelessness or living in CoC Program-funded housing (e.g., case management, travel costs, arrangement of assistance in another geographic area).

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 addresses family and support-network reunification primarily through its Diversion practices, which are built directly into the Coordinated Entry assessment process. Diversion is implemented to preserve scarce CoC resources for the most vulnerable individuals and families by first identifying alternative resources and connecting clients to safe housing options outside the formal homeless response system.

As part of the initial Coordinated Entry contact, staff attempt diversion by helping the client identify whether they have a family member or friend who could provide an alternative housing option. Where diversion is successful, staff can connect the client with the minimum financial assistance necessary to obtain that housing, including bus passes or gas cards to arrange reunification in another geographic area. Staff also provide landlord mediation and family conflict resolution support, addressing relational or tenancy barriers that might otherwise prevent a client from returning to or remaining with family or a support network.

Prioritization for diversion is based on client choice, requiring the client's willingness to participate in mediation and problem-solving to reach a solution that avoids formal entry into the homeless system. If diversion, including reunification with family or a support network, is not successful at that time, the client proceeds through the standard Coordinated Entry assessment process.

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| 1C-9 | Partnering with Public Housing Agencies—Agreement to Enable Transition to HUD Assisted Housing.                                                                                                                     |     |
|      | Does your CoC have an agreement with at least one public housing agency to enable participants to transition from Transitional Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Permanent Supportive Housing to HUD assisted housing? | Yes |

### 1C-10. Protecting Public Safety—Cooperation with Law Enforcement.

You must upload the Evidence of Coordination and Non-Interference with Local Efforts to Advance Protecting Public Safety attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.

Describe how your CoC cooperates and does not interfere with or impede local efforts to advance the objectives below, and assists first responders in providing services to homeless individuals.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 cooperates with and does not interfere with local efforts to advance public safety across all four areas identified in the NOFO.

Florida House Bill 1365 (Section 125.0231) prohibits public camping and authorizes civil action against non-compliant jurisdictions. Fort Myers (Ordinance 4036) and Cape Coral (Ordinance 2-25) implement this locally, requiring a service step, a shelter transport offer or warning, before citation or arrest. The CoC's Homeless Outreach Team (HOT), a co-response partnership between HVS, Centerstone, and law enforcement across Fort Myers, the Sheriff's Office, Cape Coral, and Port Authority, engages individuals under these ordinances before displacement occurs. In FY2025, HOT recorded 4,325 contacts resulting in 345 housed.

The same framework applies here, since encounters often involve substance use. FL-603 leverages the Coordinated Opioid Recovery (CORE) Network, a warm hand-off model linking first responders, emergency departments, and treatment facilities to connect individuals to treatment rather than citation alone. CHP, Lee County Public Safety's mobile healthcare team funded in part through CORE, is the field first point of contact and accompanies HOT during encampment visits. Per the 2025 Opioid Abatement Plan, the overdose death rate fell from a peak of 47.8 per 100,000 in 2021 to 31.0 in 2023, and ED visits dropped to 392 in 2024.

Lee County operates a Designated Receiving System and Transportation Plan under the Baker Act and Marchman Act, renewed for 2026 to 2029. Its main restriction is that only law enforcement may transport an individual once a Baker Act examination begins. Crisis Prevention and Empowerment's Mobile Crisis Response Team mitigates this by maximizing voluntary diversion before transport is triggered, reporting a 92 percent diversion rate as of August 2026.

Florida requires registered sex offenders, including transient individuals, to report their location every 30 days, exceeding SORNA's federal minimum. The Sheriff's Office enforces this through a dedicated Sex Offender/Predator Unit. No formal agreement exists between this unit and the CoC's street outreach network, since registration compliance is the Sheriff's Office's own responsibility. The CoC maintains an internal HMIS flag for registered sex offender status to guide housing placement.

#### **1C-10a. Protecting Public Safety—Plan to Quickly Clear Tents and Encampments.**

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to quickly clear tents and encampments on public property and connect individuals who are camping in public with appropriate services and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Florida House Bill 1365, codified as Section 125.0231, Florida Statutes, effective October 1, 2024, prohibits counties and municipalities from allowing individuals to regularly camp or sleep on public property, buildings, grounds, or rights-of-way, unless a designated site meets statutory requirements and receives DCF certification. The law authorizes civil actions, including injunctive relief, against a county or municipality that fails to comply, creating pressure toward rapid clearance of encampments.

Locally, the City of Fort Myers (Ordinance 4036) and Cape Coral (Ordinance 2-25) have both enacted anti-camping ordinances implementing Florida Section 125.0231, prohibiting public camping and sleeping on city property. Both ordinances build in a service connection step before enforcement. Fort Myers requires officers to offer transport to a public shelter, if available, before a citation is issued. Cape Coral requires a first cease and depart warning and a written trespass warning before any arrest, with seized personal property held for 30 days rather than discarded.

FL-603's plan is to reach individuals before clearance occurs rather than after. HVS convened a multi-agency partner meeting with Code Enforcement, Parks and Recreation, Law Enforcement, Libraries, and behavioral health providers to coordinate a shared response to support these enforcement frameworks by ensuring individuals encountered under these ordinances have behavioral health and housing resource available at first contact rather than relying on citation or arrest alone.

In addition, HVS maintains a pin board that tracks known encampment locations with a level-of-concern designation for each location. On-site engagement is carried out by the CoC's Homeless Outreach Team, a co-response partnership between HVS, Centerstone, Fort Myers Police Department, the Lee County Sheriff's Office, Cape Coral Police Department, and Port Authority law enforcement alongside Kimmie's Recovery Zone, Lee County Public Safety's Community Health Program, and CPE's Mobile Crisis Response Team, connecting individuals to behavioral health services, Coordinated Entry, diversion, and housing resources before displacement occurs.

In FY2025, the HOT Team recorded 4,325 client contacts, resulting in 345 individuals housed, showing this pre-clearance model converts contacts made under these ordinances into housing outcomes rather than displacement alone.

#### **1C-10b. Protecting Public Safety—Current Status of Tents and Encampments.**

Describe the current status of tents and encampments in the CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Lee County's 2026 Point-in-Time Count identified 838 individuals experiencing homelessness, of whom 644, or 77 percent, were unsheltered and living in encampments, vehicles, or other places not meant for human habitation. This reflects a 14 percent increase over the 734 individuals counted in 2025 and continues an uneven upward trend since 2020, when the county's total count stood at 444, rising to a high of 941 in 2024 following the compounding impacts of Hurricanes Ian, Helene, and Milton on the region's housing stock, before dipping to 734 in 2025 and climbing again in 2026, a net increase of 89 percent since 2020. These figures likely understate the true scope of unsheltered homelessness, since PIT methodology reflects a single-night snapshot, and Florida's anti-camping law gives unsheltered individuals additional incentive to avoid contact with counters and outreach workers alike.

HVS tracks known encampment locations through a manual pin board, with each site assigned a level-of-concern designation indicating whether it can be entered safely by outreach staff alone or requires law enforcement presence. Street outreach teams conduct regular, ongoing visits to these sites to maintain relationships, monitor changes in population and conditions, and continue offering connection to behavioral health services, Coordinated Entry, diversion, and housing resources before displacement occurs.

The CoC does not currently maintain a consolidated count of the number of active encampments, average encampment size, or site-level population data, since this tracking exists as a working field tool rather than a reporting system. The CoC is exploring development of a location-based encampment tracking application to digitize this process and produce that data going forward.

#### **1C-10c. Protecting Public Safety—Plan to Decrease the Public Use of Illicit Drugs.**

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to decrease the public use of illicit drugs and quickly connect individuals who are using illicit drug in public with appropriate services and/or law enforcement and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Florida House Bill 1365, codified as Section 125.0231, Florida Statutes, prohibits camping and sleeping on public property and authorizes civil action against counties that fail to enforce it. The statute does not directly address public drug use, but encounters under it frequently involve substance use, and its enforcement mechanism favors citation and arrest over treatment connection.

Fort Myers (Ordinance 4036) and Cape Coral (Ordinance 2-25) have adopted anti-camping ordinances implementing Section 125.0231 that build in a service connection step before enforcement. Fort Myers requires officers to offer shelter transport, if available, before issuing a citation. Cape Coral requires a cease and depart warning and a written trespass warning before any arrest. These provisions help mitigate the enforcement pressure created by the state statute.

FL-603 leverages this with Florida's Coordinated Opioid Recovery (CORE) Network, a statewide initiative from the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Health, and the Agency for Health Care Administration, to connect individuals encountered under these ordinances to treatment rather than citation alone. CORE's model relies on a warm hand-off between three coordinated points of care: first responders, emergency departments, and treatment facilities. This program replaces the disconnected cycle of overdose, emergency room, detox and return to use with a continuous pathway to treatment and housing.

Lee County Public Safety's Community Health Program (CHP), a mobile integrated healthcare team of nurses, paramedics and EMTs, is funded in part through CORE and serves as the field-based first point of contact in this model, responding to overdoses and public substance use before an individual ever reaches an emergency department. From August 2024 through February 2025, CHP responded to 1,737 mobile integrated health calls, of which 724, or 41.7% were substance use disorder responses, its single largest call category. CHP accompanies the HOT Team during encampment visits, ensuring individuals using substances in public are connected to medical stabilization and treatment at the point of contact rather than citation alone.

From 2023 to 2024, Lee County's opioid overdose death rate fell from 31 to 22.3 per 100,000 population, and non-fatal overdose emergency department visits fell 57 percent, from 688 to 392, indicating this coordinated response is reducing both fatal and non-fatal outcomes.

#### **1C-10d. Protecting Public Safety—Current Status of Overdoses and Illicit Drug Use in Public Spaces.**

Describe the current status of overdoses and illicit drug use in public spaces in the CoC's geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Lee County 911 call data shows overdose activity concentrated geographically along a defined corridor rather than spread evenly across the county. A 2025 mapping of overdose calls per 1,000 people, sourced from Lee County 911, shows the corridor along US 41 at the Fort Myers and Cape Coral border and in downtown Fort Myers in the orange tier, 5 to 7 times the county average. A 2020 to 2023 mapping identifies this same corridor at the highest tier, more than 7 times the county average, indicating the corridor's relative intensity has declined even though it remains the county's highest-concentration area for overdose calls. Kimmie's Recovery Zone (KRZ) maps its own Narcan distribution against this same geography, and a KRZ distribution map covering July through October 2024 shows the heaviest concentration of units distributed in this identical corridor, with additional clusters in Lehigh Acres, San Carlos Park, Estero, and Fort Myers Beach.

According to the Lee County 2025 Opioid Abatement Plan, using Florida Health CHARTS data from the Florida Department of Health, Lee County's age-adjusted overdose death rate fell from a peak of 47.8 per 100,000 in 2021 to 31.0 in 2023, the lowest level in the five-year reporting period. Non-fatal overdose emergency department visits, which had ranged from 684 to 752 annually between 2019 and 2023, dropped to 392 in 2024, consistent with the corridor's downward shift in relative intensity.

Lee County Public Safety's Community Health Program (CHP) provides the closest available field-level indicator. Across roughly six months of dispatch records, August 2024 through February 2025, CHP responded to 1,737 mobile integrated health calls, of which 724, or 41.7 percent, were coded as substance use disorder responses, the single largest call category CHP handles. This confirms substance use is the leading driver of CHP's field-based crisis response system.

The CoC does not currently have data isolating illicit drug use specifically occurring in public spaces, such as streets, parks, or encampments, as distinct from private residences. 911 call density, KRZ distribution geography, and CHP dispatch volume are the best currently available proxies for the scale and location of the problem.

### **1C-10e. Protecting Public Safety—Standards to Address Danger to Self or Others.**

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to utilize standards that address homeless individuals who are a danger to themselves or others (e.g., involuntary commitment) and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Lee County operates a Designated Receiving System and Transportation Plan under Florida Statute 394.4573, the Baker Act at 394.462, and the Marchman Act at 397.6795, renewed by the Board of County Commissioners for 2026 to 2029, effective September 1, 2026. The plan is a joint product of the county and the Central Florida Behavioral Health Network, the state Managing Entity, and uses a tiered receiving system with multiple entry points as a No Wrong Door model for behavioral health crisis. Its development required participation from law enforcement, service providers, and individuals with behavioral health needs, giving law enforcement, first responders, and crisis staff a defined pathway to designated receiving facilities rather than ad hoc arrangements.

The plan's transportation component is also its main restriction: only law enforcement is authorized to transport an individual once a Baker Act examination is initiated. This ties every involuntary examination to law enforcement availability and diverts officer time to transport even when a crisis provider is already on scene and has completed the clinical determination. The county has not allocated dedicated funding for a third-party transportation option, so law enforcement remains the only pathway.

Lee County's plan to work within this restriction rests on maximizing diversion before transport becomes necessary. Crisis Prevention and Empowerment (CPE), which operates the county's Mobile Crisis Response Team, attends HOT Team street outreach and encampment visits alongside law enforcement. CPE's crisis staff are authorized to initiate an involuntary examination when criteria are met, but their role is to de-escalate and connect individuals to voluntary treatment before a situation reaches that threshold. CPE reports a 92 percent Baker Act diversion rate as of August 2026, resolving the large majority of crisis contacts through voluntary treatment connection so that the law enforcement transport requirement is only triggered in the smaller share of cases that clinically require it.

#### **1C-10f. Protecting Public Safety—Share Information in Accordance with SORNA.**

Identify local laws, policies, or other practices that help or hinder the CoC's ability to comprehensively share information, including location information, in accordance with the Sex Offender Registry and Notification Act (SORNA) and provide a plan explaining how the CoC will leverage beneficial policies while overcoming the harmful effects of restrictive ones. If you cannot provide any mitigating steps, please explain why.

(limit 2,500 characters)

**Beneficial policies.** Florida law (s. 943.0435 and s. 775.21, F.S.) requires registered sexual offenders and predators, including those who are transient or homeless, to report in person to the Lee County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) every 30 days, a stricter standard than SORNA's federal minimum. Registration information is publicly accessible through FDLE's registry, allowing CoC providers to verify status without requiring client-level data from law enforcement. The CoC also maintains an HMIS flag identifying participants' registration status to guide placement decisions.

**Restrictive policies and practices.** No formal information-sharing agreement currently exists between the CoC and LCSO's Sex Offender/Predator Unit. HMIS privacy standards and the CoC's privacy notice limit disclosure of client-level data, including location, without consent or legal authority. State residency restrictions and PHA and landlord screening practices substantially reduce available housing for this population, which increases the risk of prolonged unsheltered homelessness and makes location tracking harder.

**Plan.** As this is a new area of emphasis in the FY2026 NOFO, the CoC and Lee County have not yet adopted formal policies governing information sharing with law enforcement regarding SORNA registrants. Any such policy would require review and approval by county leadership and the CoC Governing Board, as well as legal review to ensure consistency with HMIS privacy and security standards, the CoC's privacy notice, and applicable federal and state law. In the interim, the CoC will continue to rely on Florida's registration requirements, including 30-day in-person reporting for transient registrants, and LCSO's independent statutory enforcement authority. It will also continue using its HMIS flag to support placements that comply with state residency restrictions.

### **1C-11. Outreach Strategy.**

Describe your CoC's strategy to outreach to all individuals and families experiencing homelessness across your geographic area.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Lee County HVS outreach staff work from three vehicles equipped with iPads, using electronic or paper tools to document client contacts depending on the setting.

Outreach staff carry Coordinated Entry access cards in English and Spanish to distribute during field contacts. The CoC also places these cards with community partners, LeeTran bus drivers, law enforcement, and Lee County libraries, so individuals can access Coordinated Entry regardless of where they first make contact.

Outreach staff complete Coordinated Entry's Vulnerability Assessment in the field, so an individual does not have to travel elsewhere to be assessed and placed on the priority list. Field-based assessment also reduces the likelihood of losing contact and lets the outreach worker who built rapport remain assigned to the case. When Coordinated Entry becomes aware of an unsheltered individual and needs street-level engagement to locate them, the case is assigned to outreach and staff are required to make contact within 72 hours.

FL-603's co-response model, the Homeless Outreach Treatment (HOT) team, pairs a Centerstone behavioral health specialist with a law enforcement officer to engage individuals living in encampments, with Lee County Public Safety's Community Health Program (CHP) providing on-site medical care and resource navigation.

Parks and Recreation and Code Enforcement staff are trained to recognize the signs of an encampment, so they can alert the HOT team directly when they encounter one during routine duties, extending the CoC's reach beyond outreach patrols alone.

The HOT team also deploys during extreme weather across four zones, Lehigh Acres, North Fort Myers and Cape Coral, Fort Myers, and South Fort Myers, Bonita Springs, and Estero, with morning and afternoon deployment in each zone rather than concentrating repeat visits in one area. In cold weather, teams distribute blankets and jackets and connect individuals to shelter transportation. In hot weather, teams distribute drinking water and cooling wraps, and LeeTran provides standby cooling buses at key transit hubs alongside designated county cooling stations.

Geographic coverage is further supported through the CoC's annual Point-in-Time Count, executed by the Events Committee in full compliance with HUD methodology, including geography and subpopulation coverage for youth, families, veterans, and chronically homeless individuals, ensuring outreach targeting spans the entire county.

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| 1C-12. | Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Written Agreements with Early Childhood Services Providers. |  |
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Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC or HUD-funded projects in the CoC have written agreements with the listed providers of educational supports and services for children ages 0-5:

|    |                                                                                                    | Written Agreement |
|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | Child Care (including Child Care and Development Fund)                                             | Yes               |
| 2. | Early Childhood Providers                                                                          | No                |
| 3. | Early Head Start                                                                                   | No                |
| 4. | Home Visiting Program (including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV) | No                |
| 5. | Head Start                                                                                         | No                |
| 6. | Healthy Start                                                                                      | No                |
| 7. | Public Pre-K                                                                                       | Yes               |
| 8. | Tribal Home Visiting Program                                                                       | No                |
|    | Other (limit 150 characters)                                                                       |                   |
| 9. | Children's Network of SWFL                                                                         | Yes               |

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| 1C-12a. | Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Formal Partnerships with Schools and Youth Education Providers. |  |
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Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate the youth education providers your CoC has a formal partnership with:

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| 1. | McKinney-Vento Liaison(s) (including State Education Agency (SEA) or Local Education Agency (LEA)) | Yes |
| 2. | School District(s)                                                                                 | Yes |
| 3. | General Education Development (GED) Program(s)                                                     | Yes |
| 4. | Community College(s)                                                                               | No  |
| 5. | Technical College(s)                                                                               | Yes |
| 6. | Other Post-Secondary Education Provider(s)                                                         | Yes |

### 1C-12b. Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Informing Individuals and Families who Become Homeless about Eligibility for Educational Services.

Describe your CoC's written policies and procedures to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Section E, Educational Services, of the Lee County CoC Written Standards & Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures require every CoC service provider to maintain written policies ensuring individuals and families who become homeless are informed of their eligibility for and given access to educational services.

Under this policy, providers must document how homeless families with children are informed of and referred to A.C.C.E.S.S., the Lee County School District's homeless students program, and providers must also inform homeless individuals and families about local technical schools and universities that may offer programs and assistance for persons experiencing homelessness, including postsecondary tuition and fee exemptions available under Florida Statute 1009.25(1)(f).

Providers that specifically serve families with children must designate a staff person as the education liaison, responsible for ensuring children are enrolled in school and connected to A.C.C.E.S.S., as well as Head Start where applicable. This liaison requirement creates an accountable point of contact within each funded program, rather than relying solely on families to independently locate educational resources.

This CoC-level requirement is carried out through the Lee County School District's Homeless Students policy (Policy 5111.01), which governs identification, notification, and enrollment for students meeting the federal McKinney-Vento definition of homeless. The District posts public notice of educational rights in every school and in places homeless populations frequent, including shelters, soup kitchens, and libraries, in formats understandable to parents, guardians, and unaccompanied youth, and accessible to low-literacy and limited-vision readers, with translation and interpretation services for English learners. The District also administers a student housing questionnaire, included in every annual enrollment packet and offered at least once a year and whenever a student may be experiencing homelessness during the year, ensuring families are informed even if not identified as homeless at initial enrollment. The District's McKinney-Vento Liaison coordinates these notification efforts and collaborates directly with local social service and community agencies to identify and refer homeless students and their families for services.

#### **1C-12c. Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Coordination with Foster Care or Child Welfare Services.**

Describe how your CoC coordinates with foster care or child welfare services to assist youth transitioning from public systems of care.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Children's Network of Southwest Florida, the private nonprofit lead agency administering the child welfare system across a five-county circuit including Lee County, participates in CoC meetings and coordinates with CoC providers on individual youth transitioning from foster care. Referrals move in both directions. CoC providers refer youth to Children's Network's Independent Living Services, and Children's Network case managers refer youth without a stable housing plan directly to Coordinated Entry.

Children's Network begins transition planning years before a youth exits care. Youth are assigned a Primary Case Manager, and at age 13 a separate Independent Living Case Manager, who builds an individualized plan toward developmental and educational goals. At age 16, an Intensive Services Plan documents the youth's intended living arrangement and supports before their 18th birthday. Youth may remain in Extended Foster Care to age 21 with continued placement and education support. When that option is not sufficient or not chosen, Children's Network connects the youth to Coordinated Entry, where transition-age youth are a CoC housing priority group.

The CoC refers youth exiting Children's Network's Independent Living Services to Advance the Faith, a partner providing life-readiness training, mentoring, and financial literacy education to build practical skills for independence after leaving care.

Lutheran Services Florida also supports this population. LSF operates a Child Welfare Case Management program serving nearly 1,000 foster children each year and Bridge & Beyond, an emergency shelter for children removed from their homes due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment, serving the same five-county circuit as Children's Network. LSF also runs a dedicated outreach team for unaccompanied youth. The CoC connects youth to this team mainly through Coordinated Entry. Separately, when LSF becomes aware of a youth already assigned to a different outreach worker, LSF coordinates directly with that worker rather than duplicating outreach.

#### **1C-12d. Collaboration Related to Children and Youth—Coordination with Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)-funded Providers.**

Describe how your CoC coordinates with RHY-funded providers including Street Outreach Programs, Basic Center Programs, Transitional Living Programs, and Maternity Group Homes where such providers exist.

(limit 2,500 characters)

RHY-funded services in Lee County are provided through Lutheran Services Florida, which operates the Oasis Youth Shelter in Fort Myers, a Basic Center-model program offering short-term shelter, crisis counseling, and family reunification services for youth ages 10 to 17, and through the Florida Network of Youth and Families, whose runaway and homeless youth services cover Lee County.

The CoC coordinates with these providers through CoC membership and referrals. Youth who cannot safely return home are connected from shelter into the CoC's Coordinated Entry system, where transition-age youth are a priority group. CoC outreach and shelter staff refer minors they encounter directly to Oasis as the appropriate crisis resource, and Oasis's Safe Place designation extends this partnership into local schools and businesses.

There are currently no RHY-funded Transitional Living Programs or Maternity Group Homes operating in Lee County. The CoC addresses this gap through its Transitional Housing prioritization for transition-age youth and its community partners serving young people aging out of foster care.

#### **1C-13. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—TH or RRH Project Dedicated to Serving Families with Children.**

Identify at least one Rapid Rehousing (RRH) or Transitional Housing (TH) project in the CoC that primarily or exclusively serves families with children experiencing homelessness in accordance with 24 CFR 578.93(b).

(limit 500 characters)

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice DV-RRH (FL0988D4D032503) primarily serves homeless families with children fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking in Lee County, consistent with 24 CFR 578.93(b). 22 of 31 households served were families with children. The program provides rental assistance, housing search, utility deposits, transportation, and case management.

#### **1C-13a. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Supportive Services to Improve Income to Pay Rent.**

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 provides supportive services focused on improving incomes to pay rent, such as workforce development, job training, or registered apprenticeship programs.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice DV-RRH (FL0988D4D032503) helps families with children who are survivors of domestic violence raise their income so they can take over their full rent when assistance ends. After fleeing abuse, families are left with disrupted employment, damaged credit, and few financial resources. Economic independence is built into every Housing Stabilization Plan, and each family's dedicated Case Manager sets and reviews employment and income goals throughout enrollment.

Through a partnership with Collaboratory FutureMakers, parents attend employment readiness workshops on resume development, interviewing, and career exploration, plus hiring events that connect them directly with employers recruiting in Lee County. Case managers make employment and career referrals and teach budgeting, financial literacy, and credit improvement so higher earnings turn into rent the family can sustain.

Transportation assistance and childcare referrals help parents get to work and keep their jobs.

Assistance is set from each household's finances and adjusted as income rises, so families gradually assume their full rent while keeping stable tenancy, with the goal of housing stability within 24 months. Case management continues for up to three months after assistance ends to reinforce budgeting and resolve problems before they threaten housing.

All Case Managers are SOAR-trained and coordinate referrals to benefit specialists to establish SSI/SSDI income. Staff also connect households to SNAP, Medicaid, and Temporary Cash Assistance, which frees earnings for rent.

#### **1C-13b. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Leveraging Funding from Mainstream Family Service Systems.**

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 leverages funding from mainstream family service systems, such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

(limit 2,500 characters)

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice DV-RRH (FL0988D4D032503) leverages mainstream family service funding by enrolling eligible households in public benefits, so CoC dollars stay focused on rental assistance and housing-focused case management.

At enrollment, each family's case manager assesses eligibility for mainstream benefits and helps the household apply for and keep them. These include Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA), Florida's TANF-funded cash assistance program for families with children, along with SNAP, Medicaid, and SSI/SSDI. All case managers are SOAR-trained and coordinate referrals to benefit specialists for parents with disabling conditions. Case managers also refer families to childcare, legal, behavioral health, and substance use treatment resources funded outside the CoC.

These benefits directly support housing costs. Rental assistance is set from each household's income, including TCA and other benefit income, and adjusted as income rises. Mainstream resources therefore reduce the CoC subsidy each family needs and help parents take over their full rent when assistance ends. SNAP and Medicaid cover food and health costs that would otherwise compete with rent in a tight family budget.

**1C-13c. Collaboration Related to Families with Children—Combining Housing Assistance with Parental Support.**

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-13 combines housing assistance with childcare, parenting support, pregnancy-related and child healthcare, and education.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice DV-RRH (FL0988D4D032503) combines tenant-based rental assistance with family-centered, trauma-informed case management so parents fleeing domestic violence can stabilize their housing while meeting their children's needs. Each household has one dedicated case manager who stays with the family throughout enrollment and for up to three months after rental assistance ends, so parents never have to retell their story to multiple providers. The case manager builds childcare, health, and education needs into the family's Housing Stabilization Plan.

Case managers refer parents to childcare resources based on each household's needs, removing a key barrier to employment and to workforce activities through Collaboratory FutureMakers. Transportation assistance helps parents reach work, childcare, school, and medical appointments.

Case managers help families apply for and keep Medicaid and connect parents and children to medical care. Pregnant and parenting participants are referred to Healthy Start for prenatal care, infant health, and early childhood support. Counseling and behavioral health services through Crisis Prevention & Empowerment, and Centerstone help families heal from the trauma of domestic violence, and Kimmie's Recovery Zone provides substance use recovery support when needed.

Life skills instruction in budgeting, financial management, credit improvement, tenant rights, and household management helps parents run a stable home. Ongoing safety planning, coordinated with ACT, protects parents and children throughout enrollment.

Case managers coordinate with the School District of Lee County's McKinney-Vento liaison to enroll children in school promptly and keep them in school through housing moves. Financial literacy and workforce readiness services support parents' own education and career goals.

Housing assistance covers the costs that keep families stable, including rent, utility deposits, and food. VAWA confidentiality protections keep each family's housing location and information secure.

#### **1C-14. Collaboration with Veteran Serving Organizations—Partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or Veteran Serving Organization.**

Identify at least one partnership the CoC has with the Department of Veterans Affairs or other Veteran Serving Organizations.

(limit 500 characters)

The CoC's coordinated entry system refers veterans to its Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) providers, Jewish Family & Children's Service of the Suncoast and St. Vincent de Paul Society. Both provide homelessness prevention, rapid rehousing, and supportive services for veterans and their households. The CoC also coordinates weekly with the VA through its Homeless Program Coordinator and Outreach Supervisor, who serves on the CoC's governing board.

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| 1C-14a | Collaboration with Veteran Serving Organizations.                                                                      |  |
|        | Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate whether the partnership(s) identified in 1C-14 does the following: |  |

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| 1. | Refers veterans identified by the CoC to VA or other Veteran Serving Organizations for assistance? | Yes |
| 2. | Coordinates the provision of emergency shelter, supportive services, and housing for veterans?     | Yes |
| 3. | Ensures access to a full spectrum of employment and career pathway opportunities?                  | Yes |
| 4. | Shares data with the Department of Veterans Affairs as appropriate?                                | Yes |
| 5. | Identifies service gaps for veterans?                                                              | Yes |
| 6. | Fills service gaps for veterans?                                                                   | Yes |

**1C-15. Collaboration with Organizations who Address the Needs of Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking.**

Identify at least one partnership your CoC has with victim service providers, state domestic violence coalitions, state sexual assault coalitions, anti-trafficking service providers or other organizations who help provide shelter, housing, and services to individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

(limit 500 characters)

The CoC partners with Abuse Counseling & Treatment (ACT), Lee County's main domestic violence provider, offering a 24-hour crisis hotline, safety planning, and shelter admission assessments to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

The CoC also partners with Into the Jordan Ministries, a Fort Myers anti-trafficking organization providing trauma-informed recovery groups, mentorship, and counseling to survivors of sexual exploitation and trafficking.

**1C-16. Collaboration with Justice System Re-entry Partners.**

Identify at least one partnership your CoC has to prevent homelessness among people transitioning from prisons, jails, or court-ordered programs.

(limit 500 characters)

The CoC maintains a Memorandum of Understanding with the Lee County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) to prevent homelessness among individuals transitioning from prisons, jails, and court-ordered programs. Under this MOU, LCSO's high-utilizer case manager works directly with the CoC to identify individuals at imminent risk of homelessness upon release and facilitate timely referrals into the Coordinated Entry System.

### **1C-17. Collaboration with Partners to Address High Utilizers of Healthcare Systems.**

Identify at least one partnership or project your CoC has to provide specialized supportive services for homeless individuals with a high level of medical needs.

(limit 500 characters)

Lee County Public Safety's Community Health Program (CHP) provides specialized supportive services for homeless individuals with high medical needs. CHP deploys three ALS-equipped Mobile Integrated Health units staffed by paramedics who bring medical and behavioral health care directly to high-need individuals experiencing chronic illness, connecting frequent emergency system users to ongoing care and case management rather than repeat emergency department visits.

### **1C-18. Collaboration with Partners to Address the Needs of Aging and Elderly Individuals Experiencing Homelessness.**

Identify at least one partnership or project your CoC has to serve aging and elderly individuals experiencing homelessness, such as with a provider of residential care, assisted living, or medical respite services.

(limit 500 characters)

The CoC partners with CarePatrol, a senior placement service that matches older adults experiencing homelessness with assisted living, independent living, memory care, and nursing home options based on medical, financial, and location needs at no cost to the client.

For elderly individuals placed in CoC permanent housing, the CoC connects them to Senior Helpers, which provides in-home personal care and companionship so they can safely remain in their housing as they age.

### **1C-19. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Project that Prioritizes Individuals Experiencing Chronic Homelessness.**

Identify at least one Rapid Rehousing (RRH) or Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project that prioritizes individuals experiencing chronic homelessness.

(limit 500 characters)

Community Assisted and Supported Living, Inc. (CASL) operates a Project-Based Permanent Supportive Housing Rental Assistance project serving 27 scattered-site households in Lee County. Consistent with its original design, three dedicated units continue to prioritize individuals experiencing chronic homelessness, while remaining units serve other eligible disabled individuals and families experiencing homelessness, per 24 CFR 578.37(a)(1)(i).

**1C-19a. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—On-site Behavioral Healthcare.**

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 provides on-site behavioral healthcare.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Community Assisted and Supported Living, Inc. (CASL) operates its Permanent Supportive Housing Rental Assistance project entirely as scattered-site housing, which works best for the needs of our community, with 27 households placed across CASL's housing portfolio throughout Lee County rather than a single congregate location. Because there is no fixed program site at which to co-locate clinical staff, CASL embeds behavioral healthcare directly into each participant's home through a formal Memorandum of Understanding with Centerstone of Florida, funded through the Central Florida Behavioral Health Network (CFBHN) rather than the HUD CoC grant. Centerstone delivers individual and group mental health counseling, psychiatric coordination, medication management, and substance use disorder treatment via telehealth directly into participants' scattered-site housing units — bringing clinical behavioral healthcare to where participants live and removing the transportation, mobility, and scheduling barriers that most often cause disengagement from off-site appointments.

This telehealth-based model is reinforced by CASL's own licensed, in-person case management presence: CASL holds a State of Florida license to provide Substance Abuse Intervention and Case Management, enabling agency staff to deliver recovery-oriented engagement, motivational interventions, and behavioral health screening directly during routine home-based contacts. CASL further strengthens this integrated approach through the Behavioral Health Index (Uprise Health), built on the Addiction Severity Index, paired with Greenspace Health's Measurement-Based Care platform, giving both clinicians and case managers real-time, shared visibility into each participant's behavioral health status between telehealth sessions.

Participants requiring medically supervised detoxification or a higher level of care receive coordinated referrals through SalusCare, Lee County's primary detoxification provider. For a legacy scattered-site project serving predominantly older adults with disabilities, this embedded telehealth model brings clinical behavioral healthcare to the participant's home rather than requiring the participant to travel to receive it.

**1C-19b. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Assesses Need for Higher Level of Care.**

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 has a policy for assessing program participant need for higher level of care (i.e., assisted living, residential treatment).

(limit 2,500 characters)

Community Assisted and Supported Living, Inc. (CASL) assesses program participant need for a higher level of care through an ongoing, individualized process built into its Permanent Supportive Housing Rental Assistance project. Every participant completes a comprehensive assessment at admission covering housing history, behavioral health, physical health, functional abilities, and other factors affecting long-term stability. This assessment forms the basis of the participant's Housing Stability and Self-Sufficiency Plan, which is formally reviewed at least every 60 days, or sooner whenever health, functional ability, or circumstances change.

Between formal reviews, CASL case managers maintain regular contact with participants and monitor for changes in health, functional ability, income, and housing needs, so staff can identify emerging risk early rather than waiting for a scheduled reassessment. Staff also use the Behavioral Health Index from Uprise Health, built on the Addiction Severity Index, to assess each participant's behavioral health needs, along with Greenspace Health's Measurement-Based Care platform, which gives case managers and clinicians shared, real-time visibility into a participant's status.

When assessment findings show that independent scattered-site housing is no longer the appropriate level of care, staff coordinate referrals to a higher level of care, including licensed residential treatment or assisted living, through CASL's behavioral health partners, Centerstone of Florida and SalusCare. CASL also operates a Florida Licensed Residential Treatment Facility (Level II) and a 52-bed Limited Mental Health Assisted Living Facility elsewhere in its portfolio, giving staff direct familiarity with these settings and established relationships that support smooth transitions.

Twenty-four of the project's 27 households include a member age 62 or older, making this early-identification and referral process central to the project. It allows participants to age in place safely whenever possible while ensuring those whose needs exceed independent housing are connected to the right residential setting.

#### **1C-19c. Permanent Supportive Housing for Chronically Homeless Individuals and Families—Assesses Readiness for Moving On.**

Describe how the project(s) identified in 1C-19 has a policy for assessing program participant readiness for moving on to unsubsidized or other permanent housing.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Community Assisted and Supported Living, Inc. (CASL) assesses program participant readiness for moving on to unsubsidized or other permanent housing through its Permanent Supportive Housing project (Grant FL0987L4D032503), which provides scattered-site rental assistance and individualized Housing Stability Services to households throughout Lee County, including individuals experiencing chronic homelessness.

Each participant's Housing Stability and Self-Sufficiency Plan is reviewed at least every 60 days, or sooner if circumstances change. These reviews track income, employment, mainstream benefit acquisition, and overall financial stability alongside housing retention and health status. CASL monitors specific indicators tied to readiness for a move, including competitive employment, wage growth, and successful acquisition of SSI, SSDI, Veterans benefits, Medicaid, Medicare, or SNAP. When a participant's income and stability grow to the point that ongoing HUD rental assistance is no longer necessary to maintain housing, CASL works with the participant to transition to another affordable housing option, such as a Housing Choice Voucher, market-rate housing, or another suitable arrangement, always based on the participant's choice and readiness rather than a fixed timeline.

This approach has already produced measurable results. Although the project's current HUD grant is contracted to serve 14 households annually, CASL served 22 households during the current operating year as participants increased earned income, secured mainstream benefits, and moved on to other affordable housing once ongoing rental assistance was no longer required. Each participant who moves on frees a unit of scarce Permanent Supportive Housing for another household experiencing chronic homelessness. Based on this demonstrated performance, CASL is proposing a sustainable annual capacity of 19 households under the same HUD investment, permanently expanding the project's reach without any increase in federal funding.

## 1D. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- Frequently Asked Questions

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| 1D-1. | Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question along with the required attachment as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below. |  |
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You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen.

Select 'Yes' or 'No' in the chart below to indicate how your CoC reviewed, rated, and ranked project applications during your local competition:

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| 1. | Established total points available for each project application type.                                                                        | Yes |
| 2. | At least 50 percent of the total available points were based on objective criteria to review, rate, and rank project applications.           | Yes |
| 3. | At least 25 percent of the total available points were based on system performance measures to review, select and rate project applications. | Yes |
| 4. | Considered returns to homelessness in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).                                  | Yes |
| 5. | Considered employment income in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).                                        | Yes |
| 6. | Considered supportive service participation requirements in reviewing, rating, and ranking housing projects (TH, PH-PSH, PH-RRH).            | Yes |

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| 1D-2. | New Proposals.                                                                                                               |     |
|       | Does your CoC invite new proposals from entities that have not previously received funding, if such eligible entities exist? | Yes |

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| 1D-2a. | Web Posting of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application Before the CoC Program Competition Application Submission Deadline. |  |
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|  | Enter the date your CoC posted all parts of the CoC-approved Consolidated Application on the CoC's website or partner's website—which included:<br>1. the CoC Application, and<br>2. Project Priority Listings. | 09/28/2026 |
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| 1D-2b. | Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders by Email that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on the Website. |  |
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|  | Enter the date your CoC notified community members and key stakeholders that the CoC-approved Consolidated Application was posted on your CoC's website or partner's website. | 09/28/2026 |
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| 1D-2c. | Local Competition Selection Results for All Projects.                                             |  |
|        | You must upload the Local Competition Selection Results attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen. |  |

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|  | Does your attachment include:<br>1. Project Names,<br>2. Project Scores,<br>3. Project Rank,<br>4. Project Status—Accepted, Rejected, Reduced Reallocated, Fully Reallocated,<br>5. Amount Requested from HUD, and<br>6. Reallocated Funds +/-. | Yes |
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| 1D-2d. | Projects Rejected/Reduced—Notification Outside of e-snaps. |  |
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| 1. | Did your CoC reject or reduce any project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?                                                                                      | Yes        |
| 2. | If you selected 'Yes' for element 1 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. | 07/31/2026 |
| 3. | Did your CoC inform applicants why your CoC rejected or reduced their project application(s) submitted for funding during its local competition?                                                  | Yes        |

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| 1D-2e. | Projects Accepted—Notification Outside of e-snaps. |  |
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|  | Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. | 07/31/2026 |
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| 1D-3. | Reallocation—Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects. |  |
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|    | Describe:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 1. | your CoC's reallocation process to reallocate from lower performing projects to create new high performing projects, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed, |
| 2. | whether your CoC identified any low performing or less needed projects through the process described in element 1 of this question during your CoC's local competition this year,                                                                     |
| 3. | whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and                                                                                                                                   |
| 4. | why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable.                                                                                                                         |

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. The Performance Evaluation and Ranking Committee (PERC), a subcommittee of the CoC Governing Board, evaluates the performance of all CoC Program funded projects under the CoC's Reallocation and Ranking Policy. PERC convenes at least quarterly, with meetings dedicated to ongoing performance evaluation separate from annual ranking. During these meetings, the PERC is provided score cards to review project performance and spending.

The PERC determines whether a project is a candidate for reallocation using four criteria: project performance relative to project type, community need, and timely expenditure of funds; utilization and cost effectiveness relative to bed or unit capacity; extent of HMIS participation, including bed coverage, data quality, and Coordinated Entry engagement; and alignment with CoC funding priorities in the current HUD NOFA.

The CoC first makes reasonable efforts to correct identified deficiencies. If deficiencies continue after correction efforts, PERC may recommend the project to the CoC Governing Board for involuntary reallocation, and funds are redirected to develop new, higher performing projects. Recipients may also voluntarily reallocate their own project funding at any time to develop a new eligible project.

2. No. PERC did not identify any funded project as low performing or less needed this year.

3. No. The CoC did not reallocate any project through its involuntary process this year. Two recipient-initiated voluntary reallocations occurred, both submitted by CASL to redesign existing grants to better align with HUD's goals.

Grant FL0987L4D032503 restructured an existing PSH grant to serve 19 households annually, up from 14, without increasing the total award. Grant FL0986L4D032503 reallocated an existing PSH grant to a Transitional Housing project to strengthen the CoC's Housing Stabilization Continuum. Neither project was identified through PERC's performance review as low performing or less needed.

4. The CoC did not reallocate any project involuntarily because PERC's performance review did not identify any low performing or less needed project this year. The two reallocations that occurred were voluntary and recipient-initiated by CASL to better align with HUD's goals, not the result of PERC identifying underperformance, and fall outside the CoC's involuntary reallocation process.

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| 1D-3a. | Reallocation Between FY 2021 and FY 2026. |  |
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|  | Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2021 and FY 2026? | Yes |
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## 2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and System Performance

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

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| 2A-1. | HMIS Vendor.                    |  |
|       | Not Scored–For Information Only |  |

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|  | Enter the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is currently using.(limit 75 characters) | Bell Data Systems (Client Services Network) |
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| 2A-2. | HMIS Implementation Coverage Area. |  |
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|  | Select from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS coverage area. | Single CoC |
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| 2A-3. | PIT Count–Methodology Change. |  |
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|    | Describe:                                                                                                                                                       |
| 1. | any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2025 and 2026, if applicable, and |
| 2. | how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results.                                                                                                          |

(limit 2,500 characters)

The 2026 unsheltered count remained largely consistent with the prior year, with the only minor variation that falls within the range of normal year-to-year fluctuation. This stability reflects consistent outreach coverage and enumeration methods, as well as no significant changes in local conditions that would meaningfully impact the size of the unsheltered population. Overall, the results indicate a relatively stable unsheltered population rather than a significant increase or decrease. Our community continues to prioritize outreach, engagement, and connections to housing resources, with a sustained focus on unsheltered homelessness.

## 2A-4. Reduce Encampments—Actions to Reduce Encampments.

Describe in the field below the actions your CoC took to reduce the number of encampments or the number of people residing in encampments during your evaluation period.

(limit 2,500 characters)

During June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025, FL-603 took coordinated, housing-focused actions to reduce encampments. In response to Florida HB 1365 (Section 125.0231, F.S., effective October 1, 2024), the CoC implemented a Community Response Plan. Community partners, law enforcement and local government meet regularly to coordinate encampment response, and the CoC Governing Board collaborates on strategies to increase community resources. HVS distributed public awareness materials, including Coordinated Entry cards and a Pocket Guide to Emergency Assistance, through outreach workers, LeeTran, and law enforcement.

HVS maintains a pin board map of known encampment locations, each assigned a level-of-concern designation for safe entry by outreach staff alone or with law enforcement. Street outreach teams conduct regular visits to these sites to build trust with individuals residing there, with the goal of moving them into Coordinated Entry, behavioral health services, and permanent housing, reducing the site's population as engagement leads to placement.

When a new encampment is identified, HVS coordinates a response based on the site's designation, with on-site engagement carried out with partners such as Centerstone of Florida (Homeless Outreach and Treatment Team), Kimmie's Recovery Zone (Recovery Community Organization), Lee County Public Safety Community Health Program (Medical Co-Response Team), and the Crisis Prevention and Empowerment Mobile Crisis Response Team (Mental Health Co-Response Team), who assess individual needs and coordinate shelter and housing referrals.

For sites requiring law enforcement presence, outreach is coordinated with the Fort Myers Police Department, Cape Coral Police Department, or Lee County Sheriff's Office to ensure safe access. Fort Myers, Ordinance No. 4036 (November 18, 2024), requires officers to offer transport to a public shelter, if available, before a citation is issued. Cape Coral, Ordinance 2-25 (January 22, 2025), requires a cease and depart warning before enforcement. In unincorporated Lee County, this activity is addressed directly under state statute by LCSO. These pre-enforcement steps give HVS and its partners a defined window to connect individuals to a housing plan before displacement occurs.

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| 2A-4a. | Reduce Encampments—Number of Encampments. |  |
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| 1. Enter the estimated number of encampments in the beginning of your evaluation period. | 0 |
| 2. Enter the reduction in the number of encampments during your evaluation period.       | 0 |

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| 2A-4b. | Reduce Encampments—Number of People in Encampments. |  |
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| 1. Enter the estimated number of people in encampments in the beginning of your evaluation period. | 0 |
| 2. Enter the reduction in the number of people in encampments during your evaluation period.       | 0 |

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| 2A-4c. | Reduce Encampments—Plans to Reduce Encampments. |
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If there has been no reduction in encampments or persons in encampments in your CoC, describe the plans your CoC has to participate in efforts to reduce these numbers.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 has not formally started tracking encampments or people in encampments during the evaluation period. The CoC currently tracks known encampment locations through a manual pin board rather than a reporting system, so it does not tracking gap limits the CoC's ability to measure change. It does not reflect an absence of activity.

The CoC is now building a formal partnership with the Lee County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) to end unsheltered encampments safely and connect residents to services. On 9/22/2026, CoC partners met with LCSO Capt. Richard Castellon to begin an MOU. A draft Letter of Cooperation, which starts that process, commits the CoC and LCSO to the following:

- Designated liaisons, including a CoC contact for LCSO's Homeless Outreach Team to request outreach or shelter and housing referrals.
- Joint or sequenced outreach at encampment sites, including before planned clearances, so residents are offered shelter and services first.
- CoC-funded outreach providers sharing schedules and locations with LCSO, and outreach referrals into Coordinated Entry.
- Quarterly bi-directional sharing of aggregate data on emerging, current, and defunct encampments and estimated people encountered, so the CoC can quantify reduction going forward. No personally identifying information or HMIS client-level data will be shared.
- Coordinated reentry planning with the Lee County Jail for people leaving without a fixed address.
- A formal MOU within 90 days of signature defining roles, data procedures, and progress reviews.

The CoC is also developing a location based tracking application to digitize the pin board and produce consistent data on encampment location, size, and status over time. Together with LCSO data sharing, this will establish a baseline and allow reductions to be measured.

The FY2026 local competition prioritized new street outreach capacity for this population. The Lee County Homeless Outreach Network will conduct regular outreach at eight locations countywide to engage people living unsheltered or in encampments and connect them to Coordinated Entry and housing.

The CoC will regularly evaluate its Community Response Plan to determine whether coordination among Code Enforcement, law enforcement, and behavioral health partners is reducing active sites.

## **2A-5. Reducing the Number of First Time Homeless—CoC's Plan.**

Describe your CoC's plan to decrease the number of individuals and families becoming homeless for the first time.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FL-603 employs a coordinated, data informed strategy to prevent households from experiencing homelessness for the first time, intervening at each stage from before a housing crisis occurs through the point a case reaches eviction court.

Lee County Human and Veteran Services, the CoC Lead Agency, operates a homelessness prevention program funded through CSBG, State Challenge, and local general funds, serving households at imminent risk of homelessness, including those facing eviction or first time housing instability. The program helps individuals with past due rent or mortgage, utility assistance, move in costs and referrals to community support. Coordinated Entry (CE) staff are trained on eligibility and referral processes to ensure timely access to prevention assistance.

Households already facing an eviction filing are connected to the Twentieth Judicial Circuit's Lee County Residential Eviction Docket, established in 2026. Formalized by memo from the Chief Judge, the docket consolidates all residential eviction and unlawful detainer cases on Monday afternoons, with the Clerk automatically setting hearings two weeks out. Legal Aid, United Way 211, and Future Makers attend every session, and parties can negotiate in breakout rooms before judgment. Early results include agreed orders to vacate, which keep evictions off tenants' records, rising from about 2-3 to about 20 per month; more stipulated payment plans that let tenants stay in place and lead landlords to abandon evictions, faster case resolution and job placements through Future Makers.

#### **2A-6. Reducing Length of Time Homeless—CoC's Plan.**

Describe your CoC's plan to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless.

(limit 2,500 characters)

At system entry, the CoC prioritizes rapid assessment, matching, and referral through Coordinated Entry following initial contact. Diversion is offered at the point of entry to resolve housing crises quickly for households that can be stabilized with community based resources, avoiding entry into the homeless system entirely for those who can be safely diverted.

Households requiring homeless assistance are matched to the intervention that best aligns with their needs and level of acuity. Individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time or with fewer barriers are prioritized for Rapid Rehousing, while households with the highest vulnerability, disabling conditions, and greatest service needs are prioritized for Permanent Supportive Housing in accordance with the CoC's written prioritization policies.

The CoC actively manages a weekly By Name List that provides a real time, individualized record of every person experiencing homelessness across Lee County. The list is continuously updated as households are identified, assessed, and housed, giving the CoC a current picture of system inflow, outflow, and returns rather than a static point in time count. Multidisciplinary case conferencing convenes weekly to review the By Name List, assign responsibility for each unsheltered household, and troubleshoot barriers to housing placement before they extend a household's time homeless. This process ensures households with the longest histories of homelessness and highest vulnerability are matched first to available permanent housing interventions, preventing repeated bypassing of chronically homeless individuals in favor of easier to house households.

To reduce delays caused by behavioral health needs, FL-603 coordinates with Centerstone of Florida (Homeless Outreach and Treatment Team and local CCBHC) as well as the Crisis Prevention and Empowerment Mobile Crisis Response Team, ensuring behavioral health services and housing interventions are pursued concurrently rather than sequentially.

The CoC monitors System Performance Measure 1 quarterly through its Data Committee, incorporating results into the annual Performance Evaluation and Ranking Committee process as a key indicator. Data from the By Name List and case conferencing are routinely analyzed to identify bottlenecks, and results are reported to the Governing Board when systemic barriers require strategic action.

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| 2A-7. | Successful Permanent Housing Placement—Exits to Unsubsidized Housing.                                                 |        |
|       | Based on HMIS data, what percent of program participants exited from TH/RRH/PSH collectively to unsubsidized housing? | 66.30% |

Describe how you calculated the data for this response.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The calculation was based on FY2025 System Performance Measures (SPM) Metric 7b.1 data. The universe was limited to program participants in Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) projects, resulting in 546 individuals. From this population, 362 individuals exited to an unsubsidized permanent housing destination, defined as staying or living with family with permanent tenure, staying or living with friends with permanent tenure, rental by client with no ongoing housing subsidy, or housing owned by the client with no ongoing housing subsidy. The 362 individuals who exited to these destinations were divided by the total 546 RRH/PSH participants and multiplied by 100, resulting in 66.3%.

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| 2A-8. | Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Date. |  |
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|  | Enter the date your CoC conducted its 2026 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) count. | 01/21/2026 |
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| 2A-8a. | HIC and PIT Count Data—HDX 2.0 Submission Date. |  |
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|  | Did your CoC submit its 2026 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) count data in HDX 2.0 by April 30, 2026, 8:00 p.m. EDT? | Yes |
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| 2A-8b. | Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Data—HDX 2.0 Submission Date.                         |  |
|        | You must upload your CoC's FY 2026 HDX Competition Report to the 4A. Attachments Screen. |  |

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|  | Did your CoC submit at least two usable LSA data files to HUD in HDX 2.0 by January 16, 2026, 11:59 p.m. EST? | Yes |
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| 2A-8c. | System Performance Measures (SPM) Data—HDX 2.0 Submission Date. |  |
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|  | Did your CoC submit its FY 2025 System Performance Measures data in HDX 2.0 by March 4, 2026, 8:00 p.m. EDT? | Yes |
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| 2A-9. | HMIS and Comparable Database Participation—Bed Coverage Rate. |  |
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Using the FY 2026 HDX Competition Report we issued your CoC, enter data in the chart below by project type:

| Project Type                   | Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current Non-VSP Beds | Adjusted Total Year-Round, Current VSP Beds | Total Year-Round, Current, HMIS Beds and VSP Beds in an HMIS Comparable Database | HMIS and Comparable Database Coverage Rate |
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| 1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds | 195                                             | 95                                          | 75                                                                               | 25.86%                                     |

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| 2. Safe Haven (SH) beds                    | 0   | 0 | 0   | 0.00%   |
| 3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds          | 0   | 0 | 0   | 0.00%   |
| 4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds             | 516 | 0 | 516 | 100.00% |
| 5. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds | 385 | 0 | 89  | 23.12%  |
| 6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds      | 0   | 0 | 0   | 0.00%   |

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| 2A-9a. | Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates of 84.99 Percent or Lower for Any Project Type in Question 2A-9. |  |
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|    | For each project type with a bed coverage rate that is 84.99 percent or lower in question 2A-9, describe:                            |
| 1. | steps your CoC will take over the next 12 months to increase the bed coverage rate to at least 85 percent for that project type, and |
| 2. | how your CoC will implement the steps described to increase bed coverage to at least 85 percent.                                     |

(limit 2,500 characters)

1. To increase HMIS bed coverage to at least 85 percent, the CoC will focus on increasing participation among eligible non-participating providers and identifying feasible methods to incorporate data from programs not currently represented in HMIS.

For Emergency Shelter, the Lead Agency recently met with the local Rescue Mission to discuss potential HMIS participation including HMIS requirements, data entry expectations, staffing considerations, and the benefits of participation. The provider was also informed that, should it move forward with HMIS participation, the necessary HMIS user licenses would be provided at no cost to the agency. Over the next 12 months, the Lead Agency will continue providing education, training, technical assistance, and opportunities to address operational concerns. Outreach will also continue with other eligible non-participating shelter providers, including the youth shelter. Beds operated by the domestic violence shelter cannot be entered into HMIS due to applicable confidentiality requirements.

For PSH, the primary coverage gap is associated with HUD-VASH beds not currently represented in HMIS. The CoC is exploring the feasibility of importing applicable HUD-VASH data from the local VA Medical Center into HMIS. This effort will include identifying data-sharing, technical, privacy, and data quality requirements needed to support a reliable import process.

2. The Lead Agency will implement these steps through ongoing provider engagement, HMIS training and technical assistance, no-cost HMIS user licenses for participating providers, and support in developing workable data entry processes. Progress will be monitored through regular follow-up with non-participating providers.

For HUD-VASH, the Lead Agency will coordinate with the VAMC, HMIS vendor, and other appropriate partners to determine required data elements, establish a secure transfer or import process, test data accuracy, and incorporate eligible VASH data into routine HMIS reporting if a viable process is established. Bed coverage will be monitored throughout the year to assess progress toward the 85 percent threshold.

## 3A. Policy Initiatives

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants;
- Frequently Asked Questions

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| 3A-1. | Supporting Activities within an Opportunity Zone.                                                                           |  |
|       | You must upload the HUD-2996 Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points attachment to the 4A. Attachments Screen. |  |

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| 1. | Will the proposed activities/projects occur within Opportunity Zone Census Tracts?                        | Yes |
| 2. | Do you expect to use at least 50% of the proposed activities/projects in Opportunity Zones Census Tracts? | No  |

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| 3A-2 | Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes. |
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Is your CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component projects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other Federal statutes?

No

## 4A. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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- Frequently Asked Questions

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| Document Type                                                                                        | Required? | Document Description | Date Attached |
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| 01. 1C-1. List of TH/RRH/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment   | Yes       | 1C-1 - List of TH... | 09/24/2026    |
| 02. 1C-1f. List of CoC Program Projects and Number of Units that require Substance Abuse Treatment   | Yes       | 1C-1f - List of C... | 09/24/2026    |
| 03. 1C-3. Language from Project Supportive Service Agreements                                        | Yes       | 1C-3 - Language f... | 09/24/2026    |
| 04. 1C-10. Evidence of Coordination and Non-Interference with Local Efforts to Advance Public Safety | Yes       | 1C-10 - Evidence ... | 09/23/2026    |
| 05. 1D-1. Local Competition Scoring Tool                                                             | Yes       | 1D-1 - Local Comp... | 09/24/2026    |

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| 06. 1D-2c. Local Competition Selection Results                          | Yes | 1D-2c - Local Com... | 09/28/2026 |
| 07. 2A-8b. FY 2026 HDX Competition Report                               | Yes | 2A-8b - FY 2026 H... | 09/24/2026 |
| 08. 3A-1. HUD-2996 Certification for Opportunity Zone Preference Points | No  |                      |            |
| 09. 3A-2a. Project List for Other Federal Statutes                      | No  |                      |            |
| 10. 3A-DP. Your CoC's Policy or Statement to Advance Recovery           | No  |                      |            |
| 11. Other                                                               | No  |                      |            |

## Attachment Details

**Document Description:** 1C-1 - List of TH-RRH-PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment

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**Document Description:** 1C-1f - List of CoC Program Projects and Number of Units that Require Substance Abuse Treatment

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## Submission Summary

**Ensure that the Project Priority List is complete prior to submitting.**

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| Submission Summary                                                      | No Input Required |

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**1C-1. List of TH/RRH/PSH Projects and Treatment Providers with On-Site Substance Use Treatment**

*Substance Abuse Treatment Available on a Voluntary Basis*

Consistent with 24 CFR 578.75(h), the following CoC Program-funded projects make substance abuse treatment and recovery support available to participants but do not require engagement as a condition of continued program participation, since none of these projects is itself a substance abuse treatment project.

**Disclaimer:** All projects listed below operate on a scattered-site basis. The onsite service-availability requirement is met through a contract with Centerstone of Florida, which provides substance abuse treatment and behavioral health services to participants via telehealth.

| CoC Program-Funded Project                             | Units | How Treatment Is Made Available (Not Required)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| CASL PSH Renewal<br>FL0267L4D032518                    | 21    | Substance use concerns are identified early using CASL's Behavioral Health Index (Uprise Health, built on the Addiction Severity Index). Substance Abuse Intervention and Case Management and Certified Recovery Peer Support are available under CASL's State substance abuse license. Services are voluntary and individualized; participants 62 or older are not required to participate, per 24 CFR 578.75(h).                                                            |
| CASL Consolidation (FL0317 and FL0923, Integrated PSH) | 17    | Substance Abuse Intervention and Case Management and Certified Recovery Peer Specialist support are available, informed by the Behavioral Health Index. Participants are expected to actively engage in individualized Housing Stability Services, but treatment engagement itself is voluntary and not a unit-level condition of continued participation.                                                                                                                    |
| CASL Reallocation - PSH to New PSH FL0987L4D032503     | 19    | Recovery is integrated into each participant's individualized Housing Stability and Self-Sufficiency Plan. Behavioral health counseling, psychiatric services, and substance use treatment are available through Centerstone of Florida, SalusCare, and Kimmie's Recovery Zone. Treatment engagement becomes part of service expectations only when substance use jeopardizes housing stability or lease compliance; the project is not designed as sober housing.            |
| CCDOV - DV RRH Renewal<br>FL0988D4D032503              | 15    | Participants are connected to substance use treatment and behavioral health counseling through Abuse Counseling & Treatment (ACT), Crisis Prevention & Empowerment, Centerstone, and Kimmie's Recovery Zone. Sobriety or treatment participation is not required to receive or continue receiving assistance; a first-time drug-related violation does not result in eviction. Referrals are voluntary and trauma-informed, consistent with VAWA confidentiality protections. |
| CCDOV - Safe Passage Transitional Housing (DV Bonus)   | 8     | Participants access substance use recovery support, peer mentoring, and relapse prevention education through an MOU with Kimmie's Recovery Zone, plus behavioral health crisis intervention and referrals through Crisis Prevention & Empowerment. Services are voluntary, trauma-informed, and survivor-centered, consistent with VAWA confidentiality protections.                                                                                                          |
| Total                                                  | 80    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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**1C-1f. List of CoC Program Projects and the Number of Units that Require Substance Abuse Treatment**

Standard: Under 24 CFR 578.75(h), recipients and subrecipients may not require program participants to engage in disability-related services — including substance abuse treatment — as a condition of continued program participation, unless the purpose of the project itself is to provide substance abuse treatment services. The Continuum has identified the CoC Program-funded project below as meeting this standard.

| CoC Program-Funded Project                                                       | Units | Basis for Substance Abuse Treatment Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| CASL Reallocation — PSH to Transitional Housing (Mariposa Place) FL0986L4D032402 | 16    | Mariposa Place is designed as treatment-oriented, structured stabilization housing. Participants with an identified substance use treatment need are required to engage in substance abuse treatment and recovery services as a condition of continued program participation, consistent with 24 CFR 578.75(h). |

**Total CoC Program-funded units meeting 24 CFR 578.75(h): 16**

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### 1C-3 Language from Project Supportive Service Agreements

This attachment compiles the actual participant-facing language used by FL-603 CoC-funded projects whose program design incorporates supportive service participation requirements under 24 CFR 578.75(h). It is submitted to document how each project communicates those requirements to participants, consistent with the FY2026 NOFO's emphasis on treatment, recovery, employment, and self-sufficiency.

Two CoC-funded projects in the FL-603 portfolio maintain a written Supportive Services Agreement with program participants: Community Assisted & Supported Living, Inc. (CASL) and Lee County Housing Development Corporation (LCHDC), for its Pathways to Safety DV Transitional Housing project. Language from both agreements is reproduced below.

Under 24 CFR 578.75(h), CoC-funded projects may generally require participants to take part in non-disability-related supportive services such as case management, employment and job training, life-skills training, education as a condition of continued participation. This is HUD's general expectation, not an exception. The regulation draws a narrower line around disability-related services (mental health treatment, outpatient health services, medication management). Those cannot be mandatory for any project unless its purpose is substance abuse treatment, in which case substance abuse treatment specifically may be required. This distinction, not DV status, determines which parts of a project's requirements can be mandatory.

### 1. Community Assisted & Supported Living, Inc. (CASL)

#### Document: CASL Supportive Services Agreement (participant-facing template)

##### 1. Purpose of Agreement

*This Supportive Services Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into between Community Assisted & Supported Living, Inc. (CASL) and the Participant listed below. CASL provides transitional housing supported by HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) funds. Consistent with the FY2026 HUD CoC Program Competition NOFO (CPD-2600-DC-0025), which directs CoC-funded programs to prioritize treatment, recovery, employment, and self-sufficiency, and as a requirement of participation, CASL must ensure participants engage in supportive services designed to promote stability, recovery, employment, and lasting self-sufficiency, in accordance with 24 CFR 578.75(h).*

##### 2. Supportive Services Participation Requirement

*The FY2026 HUD CoC Program Competition NOFO emphasizes treatment, recovery, employment, and self-sufficiency delivered at an appropriate level of service intensity. Consistent with that emphasis, and as permitted under 24 CFR 578.75(h), CASL requires participants to actively engage in customized supportive services — including case management, employment readiness and job training, mental health or substance use disorder treatment, life-skills training,*

*education, and recovery support — at the level identified in the participant's individualized Service Plan, up to 40 hours per week. Because increasing earned income through employment is a central goal of the FY2026 NOFO, employed participants may reduce required service hours proportionately to hours worked.*

## **2. Lee County Housing Development Corporation (LCHDC) — Pathways to Safety**

**Document: Pathways to Safety Participant Supportive Service Agreement, and Section F(a)(5) narrative describing it**

### **Narrative description (Section F(a)(5) — Supportive Services Participation)**

*Assessment results are used to develop an Individualized Housing Stability Plan and a Supportive Services Agreement, both created collaboratively with the participant. These documents establish measurable goals, required supportive services, target completion dates, and responsibilities for both the participant and program staff. Plans are reviewed and updated regularly to reflect participant progress and changing service needs.*

*Participants who are not exempt will actively engage in a minimum of 20 hours per week of employment, education, vocational training, job search activities, life skills training, financial literacy education, HUD-certified housing counseling, behavioral health services, volunteer service, or other approved activities identified in their Individualized Housing Stability Plan. Participation requirements are individualized based on each survivor's strengths, goals, safety needs, and stage of recovery.*

*Participants who are 62 years of age or older, or who meet the disability criteria identified in the NOFA, will receive individualized supportive services appropriate to their circumstances and will not be required to meet the 20-hour participation requirement. LCHDC recognizes that survivors may experience periods of crisis or recovery that require flexibility, and services will be adjusted using a trauma-informed, survivor-centered approach.*

*The Supportive Services Agreement outlines participant rights and responsibilities, available services, confidentiality protections, participation expectations, grievance procedures, and program requirements while emphasizing participant choice, collaboration, and individualized goal setting.*

## **3. Other FL-603 CoC-Funded Projects**

The remaining projects in the FL-603 portfolio, CCDOV Rapid Re-Housing (DV Bonus), CCDOV Safe Passage Transitional Housing, AHF, HHV, and FMPD reviewed for this application do not maintain a participant agreement with a written service participation requirement, so no agreement language is included for them here. CCDOV's two DV-funded projects follow the same voluntary, survivor-choice design as Pathways to Safety by program choice rather than a DV-specific regulatory bar.

ORDINANCE 2 - 25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE CORAL, FLORIDA, ENACTING ARTICLE XVIII, PROHIBITED CAMPING, CHAPTER 12 OF THE CITY OF CAPE CORAL, FLORIDA, CODE OF ORDINANCES; AMENDING ARTICLE I, REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 12½ OF THE CITY OF CAPE CORAL, FLORIDA, CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROCESS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TRESPASS WARNINGS AND ARREST FOR TRESPASSING WHEN REFUSING TO CEASE PUBLIC CAMPING OR SLEEPING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The Florida Legislature enacted Chapter No. 2024-11, Laws of Florida, codifying Section 125.0231 of the Florida Statutes, which makes it impermissible, effective October 1, 2024, for counties and municipalities to authorize or otherwise allow public camping or sleeping at public buildings, on public grounds, property or rights-of-way, with the exception of very particular circumstances such as for designated and authorized recreational uses; and

WHEREAS, The Florida Legislature specifically determined and declared that Chapter No. 2024-11, Laws of Florida, “fulfills an important state interest of ensuring the health, safety, welfare, quality of life, and aesthetics of Florida communities while simultaneously making adequate provision for the homeless population of the state;” and

WHEREAS, Section 125.0231 of the Florida Statutes, places an obligation on Florida counties and municipalities to refrain from authorizing or allowing any person to regularly engage in public camping or sleeping on any public property, including but not limited to, any public building or its grounds and any public right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, Section 125.0231(4)(a) of the Florida Statutes, which takes effect January 1, 2025, provides a civil action for a resident, business owner, or the Florida Attorney General, to obtain injunctive relief, including possible attorney’s fees and court costs for prevailing residents or business owners, against any county or municipality that fails to refrain from authorizing or allowing any person to regularly engage in public camping or sleeping on public property; and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court issued its ruling in the case of *City of Grant’s Pass, Oregon v. Johnson*, 144 S.Ct. 2202 (“*Grant’s Pass*”), on June 28, 2024, which upheld the constitutionality of a challenged municipal ordinance prohibiting sleeping or camping on public property, finding such ordinances do not violate the Eighth Amendment’s prohibition on cruel or unusual punishment as applied to individuals experiencing homelessness, even when such condition occurs involuntarily; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to enact an ordinance containing provisions mirroring those found to be constitutionally permissible regulations of public camping or sleeping by the United States Supreme Court in its *Grant’s Pass* decision; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to be in compliance with the requirements of Section 125.0231 of the Florida Statutes, and to enact an ordinance expressly prohibiting public camping or sleeping within any City-owned, leased, or controlled property, including but not limited to City-owned streets, parks, sidewalks, rights-of-way or other public ways, unless designated as falling under one of the exceptions listed in Section 125.0231 of the Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to enforce its prohibition on public camping and sleeping through the establishment of a uniform process by which persons may be trespassed from City property for violating the prohibition, consistent with Sections 125.0231, 810.08, and 810.09 of the Florida Statutes, and the constitutional rights of any violators;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Cape Coral, Florida, expressly authorize the City Manager or his designee, and the Chief of Police or his designee, to authorize sworn law enforcement officers of the Cape Coral Police Department to warn violators of Article XVIII, Chapter 12 of the Cape Coral Code of Ordinances, to cease public camping or sleeping and depart from public property or be subject to arrest for violating Sections 810.08 or 810.09 of the Florida Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE CORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated by reference and are approved.

SECTION 2. Chapter 12 of the City of Cape Coral, Florida, Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended by enacting Article XVIII, PROHIBITED CAMPING, to read in its entirety as follows:

## **ARTICLE XVIII – PROHIBITED CAMPING**

### **§ 12-144. – Definitions**

(1) For purposes of this section, “Public Camping or Sleeping” shall have the following meaning:

(a) Lodging or residing overnight (from dusk until dawn; unless another period of time is specified) in a temporary outdoor habitation used as a dwelling or living space and evidenced by the erection of a tent or other temporary shelter, the presence of cooking accoutrements (e.g., but not limited to, portable stoves, pots or pans over an open fire), or storage of other personal belongings, including but not limited to bedding, blankets, pillows, sleeping bags, backpacks, suitcases, huts, awnings, lean-tos, chairs, tarps, or any person found being covered by materials such as bedroll, newspapers, or cardboard, or inside any temporary shelter, including but not limited to hammocks; or

(b) Lodging or residing overnight (from dusk until dawn; unless another period of time is specified) in an outdoor space without a tent or temporary shelter.

(2) For purposes of this section, “Public Camping or Sleeping” does not include:

(a) Lodging or residing overnight (from dusk until dawn; unless another period of time is specified) in a motor vehicle that is lawfully registered, insured, and located in a place where it may lawfully be; or

(b) Camping for recreational purposes on property designated by the City for such purposes with prior City approval and authorization, while abiding by applicable rules and regulations as set forth in section 12½-4(f)(1)-(3), Cape Coral Code of Ordinances.

(3) “Campsite Materials” include, but are not limited to, tents, huts, awnings, lean-tos, chairs, tarps, portable stoves, or other collections of personal property that are, or reasonably appear to be, arranged, or used, or intended to be used, as accommodations for public camping or sleeping.

(4) “City Property” means any public right-of-way, sidewalk, parking lot or facility, easement, street, road, alleyway, or other City-owned public ways, or the surrounding grounds, all City-owned, leased, or controlled property, buildings, structures, parks, or the surrounding grounds. For purposes of the prohibition on public camping or sleeping, the surrounding grounds shall include the entirety of the parcel of property owned by the City beyond any building or structure, including but not limited to grass and wooded areas.

(5) “Personal Property” for the purposes of this section means any item that has apparent value or utility that can reasonably be identified as belonging to an individual, including but not limited to, suitcases, backpacks, sleeping bags, cooking accoutrements, electronics, mobile phones, radios, or other items of apparent value or utility.

### **§ 12-145. – Public Camping or Sleeping Prohibited**

(1) It shall be unlawful and a violation of this article for any person to engage in public camping or sleeping on or within any City Property, unless for recreational purposes in an area so designated for such purpose by the City, and with prior City approval and authorization, pursuant to Section 12½-4(f)(1)-(3), of the City of Cape Coral, Florida, Code of Ordinances.

(2) No person may engage in public camping or sleeping on public sidewalks, streets, or alleyways at any time as a matter of individual and public safety.

(3) No person may engage in public camping or sleeping in any pedestrian or vehicular entrance to public or private property abutting a public sidewalk at any time as a matter of individual and public safety.

(4) Any person found to be engaged in public camping or sleeping in violation of this article shall immediately be told to cease engaging in public camping or sleeping by law enforcement and to depart the subject City Property where the individual is engaged in public camping or sleeping. Law enforcement may issue a trespass warning for a first-time offense, or in the officer's discretion if the circumstances so warrant, issued for the specific City Property where the violation occurred. Such trespass warning shall be valid for a period of one year. Such trespass warning shall be issued in writing when issued, and a record of such trespass warning shall be maintained by the Cape Coral Police Department.

(5) If any person found to be engaged in public camping or sleeping in violation of this article refuses to cease public camping or sleeping and depart the subject City Property where the person is engaged in public camping or sleeping at the order of law enforcement, such person shall be subject to arrest pursuant to Sections 810.08, or 810.09 of the Florida Statutes.

(6) If an individual is arrested pursuant to Sections 810.08, or 810.09, of the Florida Statutes, for refusal to depart City Property for violating the prohibition on public camping and sleeping, law enforcement should not destroy evidence of camping, campsite materials, or personal property, but should instead seize and place such items into property and evidence.

(a) Items having no apparent utility or monetary value and items in an unsanitary condition may be discarded upon an arrest pursuant to Sections 810.08, or 810.09, of the Florida Statutes, for failure to cease public camping or sleeping and to depart City Property where such is occurring. Weapons, drug paraphernalia, items appearing to be stolen, and evidence of any other crime seized as a result of a violation of this article shall be retained as evidence by the Cape Coral Police Department until disposition in accordance with Florida law. All personal property removed from City Property as a result of a violation of this article which is not deemed to be evidence, shall be stored at the Cape Coral Police Department for a reasonable period of time and shall be made reasonably available for and released to the individual from whom it was seized. If the individual does not contact the Cape Coral Police Department within 30 days to make arrangements for the return of personal property seized as a result of a violation of this article, such property shall be considered abandoned and the disposition of the property shall be pursuant to procedures set forth in Chapter 705, of the Florida Statutes, as they may be amended.

SECTION 3. Chapter 12½, Article I, Regulations, of the City of Cape Coral, Florida, Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended as follows with strikethroughs identifying deleted text and underlines identifying new text:

## CHAPTER 12½: PARKS AND RECREATION

### ARTICLE I – REGULATIONS

#### § 12½-4 – Rules and regulations

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(f) *Camps and Camping.*

(1) *Camping in parks.* No person shall camp within any City park without express prior authorization from the City, except and only in camping areas as may from time to time be established designated by the city, City Manager or their designee, or the Director or their designee, for recreational purposes on property designated for such purposes, in accordance with Section 125.0231, of the Florida Statutes.

(2) *Failure to comply with camping rules.* All campers or visitors shall abide by the rules and regulations posted at the designated camping areas or as set forth in any permit issued by the Director or as set forth on the City's website. If any person fails to comply with the recreational camping rules and regulations, such person shall be deemed to no longer be engaged in recreational camping and will be subject to the regulations set forth in Chapter 12, Article XVIII, of the City of Cape Coral, Florida, Code of Ordinances.

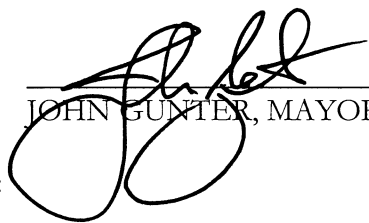
(3) *Sleeping in parks.* Except in areas set aside for camping no person shall sleep in any park when the park is not open to the general public. Persons found publicly camping or sleeping in a park

without authorization pursuant to subsections (1) and (2) above will be subject to the regulations set forth in Chapter 12, Article XVIII, of the City of Cape Coral, Florida, Code of Ordinances.

SECTION 4. Severability. In the event that any portion or Section of this ordinance is determined to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall in no manner affect the remaining portions or Sections of this ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately after its adoption by the Mayor and City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE CORAL, FLORIDA, AT THEIR REGULAR SESSION THIS 22nd DAY OF January, 2025.

  
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JOHN GUNTER, MAYOR

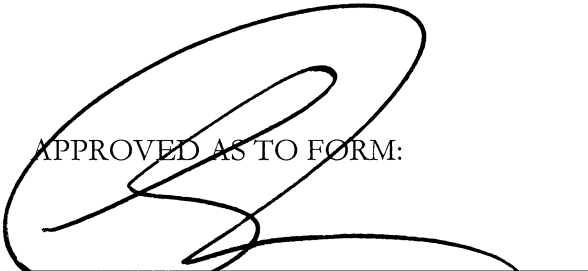
VOTE OF MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS:

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| GUNTER  | <u>aye</u> | LASTRA   | <u>aye</u> |
| STEINKE | <u>aye</u> | KILRAINE | <u>aye</u> |
| LEHMANN | <u>aye</u> | LONG     | <u>aye</u> |
| DONNELL | <u>aye</u> | KADUK    | <u>aye</u> |

ATTESTED TO AND FILED IN MY OFFICE THIS 29<sup>th</sup> DAY OF January, 2025.

  
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KIMBERLY BRUNS  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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ALEKSANDR BOKSNER  
CITY ATTORNEY

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ord/Camping Prohibition

## **ORDINANCE NO. 4036**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS, FLORIDA, CREATING CHAPTER 54 NUISANCES, ARTICLE VII TRESPASSING, SECTION 54-278, PROHIBITION ON PUBLIC CAMPING OR SLEEPING ON OR WITHIN CITY OWNED BUILDINGS OR ITS SURROUNDING GROUNDS, CITY OWNED STREETS, PARKS, SIDEWALKS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, OR OTHER PUBLIC WAYS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, The Florida Legislature in adopting Chapter No. 2024-11, Laws of Florida, had made it impermissible, effective October 1, 2024, for counties and municipalities to authorize or otherwise allow public camping or sleeping at public buildings, on public grounds, property or rights-of-way, with the exception of very particular circumstances such as for designated recreational uses; and

**WHEREAS**, The intent of the Florida Legislature in adopting Chapter No. 2024-11, Laws of Florida, was to fulfill an important state interest of ensuring the health, safety, welfare, quality of life, and aesthetics of Florida communities while simultaneously making adequate provisions for the homeless population of the state; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter No. 2024-11, Laws of Florida, places an obligation on counties and cities to proactively avoid violations of the new law, failure to do so subjects counties and municipalities to civil actions by residents, business owners, or the Attorney General, who may enjoin violations of the new law, and seek damages including attorneys' fees and

costs; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff has been proactive in meeting with homeless advocates and law enforcement to determine the best approach forward to demonstrate proactive enforcement of the provisions of Chapter No. 2024-11, Laws of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff has closely monitored the progress of a recent United States Supreme Court case challenging the constitutionality of similar restrictions in the State of Oregon prohibiting encampments of public property. City of Grants Pass, Oregon v. Johnson, No. 23-175 (June 28, 2024). The Court found that such laws are constitutional and do not violate the Eighth Amendment restriction on cruel and unusual punishment against homeless individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, The City finds it appropriate to create and amend its Code of Ordinances to further align with Chapter No. 2024-11, Laws of Florida and ensure it is clear that public camping or sleeping within any City building or on its surrounding grounds, City owned streets, parks, sidewalks, rights-of-way, or other public ways is prohibited unless designated as falling under an exception as noted in Chapter No. 2024-11, Laws of Florida or City Ordinance.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS**, that:

**SECTION 1.** The City of Fort Myers Code of Ordinances, Chapter 54 Nuisances, Article VII Trespassing, Section 54-278 is hereby created to read as follows:

**Sec. 54-278. Prohibition on Public Camping or Sleeping On or Within City owned Buildings or its Surrounding Grounds, City owned Streets, Parks, Sidewalks, Rights-of-Way, or Other Public Ways.**

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person, to publicly camp or sleep within any City owned building or on its surrounding grounds unless designated for public camping or sleeping for recreational purposes by the City. For purposes of this prohibition, grounds shall include the entirety of the parcel of property owned by the City beyond the building, including, but not limited to grass areas, sidewalks, and parking facilities.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to publicly camp or sleep upon City owned streets, parks, sidewalks, city owned rights-of-way or other City owned public ways unless designated for public camping or sleeping for recreational purposes by the City.
- (c) For purposes of this section, "Public Camping or Sleeping" shall have the following meaning:
  - (1) Lodging or residing overnight (dusk to dawn) in a temporary outdoor habitation used as a dwelling or

living space and evidenced by the erection of a tent or other temporary shelter, the presence of bedding or pillows, or the storage of personal belongings; or

(2) Lodging or residing overnight (dusk to dawn) in an outdoor space without a tent or other temporary shelter.

(d) For purposes of this Section, “Public Camping or Sleeping” does not include:

(1) Lodging or residing overnight (dusk to dawn) in a motor vehicle that is registered insured, and located in a place where it may lawfully be; or

(2) Camping for recreational purposes on property designated by the City for such purposes.

(e) Except as provided for in subsection (d), whenever an officer has probable cause to believe that a violation of this section has occurred, the officer shall advise the person of the violation and may offer the person an opportunity to be transported by an officer to a public shelter, if available. If a public shelter is available and the person elects to be transported to a public shelter, the officer may make available such transportation as may be available for such purpose.

(f) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to the following penalties: for a first violation of this Section the violator may be issued a warning or a civil citation with a fine not to exceed \$50.00. Second and subsequent violations of this Section shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 60 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. An arrest under this Section must have been preceded by issuance of a civil citation for a prior violation of this Section. Each day that such conditions continue shall be regarded as a new and separate offense. Law enforcement is authorized to take legal and necessary action to remove a person violating provisions of this Section.

**SECTION 2.** Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**ORDINANCE 4036**

**PASSED IN PUBLIC SESSION** of the City Council of the City of Fort Myers, Florida, on November 18, 2024.

Aye

Teresa Watkins Brown  
Teresa Watkins Brown

No

Diana Giraldo  
Diana Giraldo

No

Terolyn P. Watson  
Terolyn P. Watson

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(Not present)  
Diston D. Bochette, III

Aye

Fred Burson  
Fred Burson

Aye

Darla Bonk  
Darla Bonk  
Council Members

**APPROVED** on November 18, 2024.

Aye

Kevin B. Anderson  
Kevin B. Anderson  
Mayor

**FILED** in the Office of the City Clerk on November 18, 2024.



Lillian Baker  
Lillian Baker, CMC  
Acting City Clerk

# FL-603 Lee County Continuum of Care

## FY 2026 Local Competition Scoring Tool — Contents and Maximum Point Summary

| Component Scoring Tool                                   | Pages | Total Points | Objective Criteria | System Performance Measures | Returns to Homelessness | Employment Income | Supportive Service Participation |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Transitional Housing (TH)                                | 2–5   | 100          | 52                 | 26                          | 13                      | 13                | 4                                |
| Permanent Housing: Rapid Re-Housing (PH-RRH)             | 6–8   | 100          | 52                 | 26                          | 13                      | 13                | 8                                |
| Permanent Housing: Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH) | 9–11  | 100          | 52                 | 26                          | 13                      | 13                | 9                                |
| DV Bonus – Transitional Housing (TH)                     | 12–15 | 100          | 52                 | 26                          | 13                      | 13                | 4                                |
| DV Bonus – Permanent Housing: Rapid Re-Housing (PH-RRH)  | 16–18 | 100          | 52                 | 26                          | 13                      | 13                | 8                                |
| Supportive Services Only (SSO) – Standalone              | 19–21 | 100          | 52                 | 26                          | 13                      | 13                | 9                                |
| Supportive Services Only (SSO) – Street Outreach         | 22–24 | 100          | 52                 | 26                          | 13                      | 13                | 6                                |

### Scoring Items Counted in Each Category

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| <b>Objective Criteria</b>               | All tools: 7b Statement of Need (4), 8a Returns to Homelessness (13), 8b Employment Income (13), 9a Management Capacity (4), 9b Financial Capacity (4), 9c Cost Effectiveness (14) = 52 points.                   |
| <b>System Performance Measures</b>      | All tools: 8a Returns to Homelessness (13) and 8b Employment Income (13) = 26 points.                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Supportive Service Participation</b> | TH item a (4); RRH item b (8); PSH item b (9), which addresses participation requirements under 24 CFR 578.75(h); DV TH item a (4); DV RRH item b (8); SSO Standalone item b (9); SSO Street Outreach item b (6). |

### Notes

- Total Points reflect the 100 points available to every project. Bonus points (Opportunity Zone certification; PSH prioritization of elderly individuals or persons with a physical or developmental disability) are awarded above the 100-point total and are excluded from all category totals.
- Objective criteria are identified consistent with the FY 2026 CoC Application Detailed Instructions, Question 1D-1, Guidance C.
- Scored items may count toward more than one category (e.g., 8a counts as both an objective criterion and a system performance measure).
- All tools were used to score new, renewal, and CoC Bonus projects; DV Bonus tools were used for DV Bonus projects. Projects first passed a pass/fail threshold review conducted by HVS, which carries no points and is not included.

## Threshold Review

| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>All Projects Scoring - Renewals, New Projects and CoC Bonus</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Project Summary</b><br><i>7a. Summary of Project</i> – Provide a summary of the proposed project. Include the project component (TH, SSO-Street Outreach, SSO-Standalone, PSH, or RRH), the population of focus to be served, the estimated number of participants, the services to be delivered, the total cost of the proposed activities, and anticipated service partners. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <i>7b. Statement of Need</i> – Applicants must describe the local factors contributing to homelessness within the Continuum of Care (CoC) geographic area. All statements must be supported by either (1) internal CoC system data (e.g., HMIS, PIT counts, coordinated entry data, service utilization reports) or (2) clearly cited external data sources (e.g., HUD Exchange, U.S. Census Bureau, or other publicly available information). Responses must explain the scope and nature of homelessness locally, including key contributing factors and system challenges. Applicants must also identify the specific gap in the current system that the proposed project will address and explain how the project responds to that gap. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <i>7c. Alignment HUD's Goals and Objectives</i> – Describe how the proposed project advances all eight of the HUD goals and objectives listed below. Provide specific examples of activities, partnerships, service approaches, and expected outcomes. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 16)</b><br>1. Improving Outcomes<br>2. Creating Competition to Improve Innovation and Accountability<br>3. Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care<br>4. Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self-Sufficiency<br>5. Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency<br>6. Advancing Public Safety for All<br>7. Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations<br>8. Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology                                                                                               |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>CoC System Performance</b><br><i>8a. Returns to Homelessness</i> - Describe how your project will reduce or has reduced returns to homelessness after participants exit the program. Explain the strategies, follow-up support, and coordination practices you will use to help participants remain stably housed. Include how you will measure and track this outcome. The outcomes should not refer to the services/activities to be provided by the applicant, but instead the accomplishments of the clients as a result of the provided services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 13)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria) (System Performance Measure)</i>                                                                                                                                                     |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <i>8b. Employment Income</i> - Describe how your project will help or has helped participants increase earned income. Identify the workforce or employer partnerships, employment readiness supports, and service approaches you use. Include projected outcomes and how you will measure increased employment income. The outcomes should not refer to the services/activities to be provided by the applicant, but instead the accomplishments of the clients as a result of provided services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 13)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria) (System Performance Measure)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

## Threshold Review

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| <b>8c. HMIS Data Quality and Reporting</b> - Describe how your organization will ensure or has ensured timely and accurate HMIS data entry by outlining the procedures you will put in place, even if your organization is new to the system. Include how you will train staff, establish internal data quality checks, and monitor entries to correct errors. Explain how you plan to use HMIS data to guide treatment, recovery support, service coordination, and case management once the project is operating. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Capacity and Cost-Reasonableness</b><br><b>9a. Management Capacity</b> - Describe your organization's capacity to operate this project, including experience managing similar programs, delivering the proposed services, and administering CoC program funds or other federal, state, local, or private resources. Your response should demonstrate that your organization has the staff, systems, and management structure needed to comply with federal requirements and successfully carry out the project. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i>                                                                                                                                                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>9b. Financial Capacity</b> - Describe your organization's financial management systems, including confirmation that your organization or fiscal agent maintains a functioning accounting system operated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and that you are able to manage and account for federal funds in compliance with 2 CFR part 200. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>9c. Cost Effectiveness</b> – Describe how the proposed budget is reasonable in relation to the population served, the services provided, and the outcomes expected. The response must include the total annual budget requested divided by the number of persons or households to be served annually, shown as a cost per person or household. Include at least one benchmark or comparison supporting that this cost is reasonable, such as Fair Market Rent, prior grant costs, or comparable local cost data. Briefly explain how staffing and partnerships are used efficiently to achieve the expected outcomes. All costs must be consistent with 2 CFR 200.404. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 14)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

## Threshold Review

| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Transitional Housing (TH)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| a. Explain how the project will provide and/or partner with other organizations to provide eligible supportive services that are necessary to assist program participants to obtain and maintain housing (i.e., case management, behavioral healthcare, employment training, etc.). <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| b. Explain your organization's prior experience operating transitional housing or other projects that have successfully helped homeless individuals and families exit homelessness within 24 months or has a plan in place to ensure homeless individuals and families will exit homelessness within 24 months. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| c. Explain previous experience operating or currently operating transitional housing or another homelessness project, or has a plan in place to ensure that at least 50 percent of participants exit to a positive destination within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| d. Explain how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 2)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| e. Describe how the proposed project will assess the service needs of program participants and provide individualized services for program participants during their time in Transitional Housing that will result in at least 20 hours per week of engagement in services, activities or employment for all program participants, except for a program participant over age 62 or who is an individual with handicaps as defined in 24 CFR 8.3 or a with a developmental disability as defined under 24 CFR 578.3 (examples of services or activities include case management, counseling, treatment, volunteering, work therapy, education, job training, community building activities, etc.) Employment may contribute to the 20 hours per week of engagement. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| f. Explain how the proposed project will create service plans for each program participant that include the services to be provided, when and how often services will be provided, by whom all services will be provided. Also, explain program participant goals, strategies for achieving those goals, and target dates for achievement to focus on improved health and wellness, housing stability, and increased employment income leading to financial stability and self-sufficiency. Please include any MOUs, written agreements or letters of commitment in Section 12: Required Attachments. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

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| Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring                                                                                                                                                                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Project Scoring<br><i>This portion of the ranking tool will be completed by the PERC.</i>                                                                                                                | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      |
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| Bonus Points                                                                                                                                                                                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Project proposes to utilize 50% or more of the award within a designated Opportunity Zone and has submitted Form HUD-2996, Certification for Opportunity Zone (Appendix 5).<br>(Maximum Point Value = 5) |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Earned Points                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Total Points Possible                                                                                                                                                                                    | 100               | 100               | 100               | 100               | 100               |
| Normalized Score (Earned Points/Total Points)                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

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| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>All Projects Scoring - Renewals, New Projects and CoC Bonus</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Project Summary</b><br><i>7a. Summary of Project</i> – Provide a summary of the proposed project. Include the project component (TH, SSO-Street Outreach, SSO-Standalone, PSH, or RRH), the population of focus to be served, the estimated number of participants, the services to be delivered, the total cost of the proposed activities, and anticipated service partners. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <i>7b. Statement of Need</i> – Applicants must describe the local factors contributing to homelessness within the Continuum of Care (CoC) geographic area. All statements must be supported by either (1) internal CoC system data (e.g., HMIS, PIT counts, coordinated entry data, service utilization reports) or (2) clearly cited external data sources (e.g., HUD Exchange, U.S. Census Bureau, or other publicly available information). Responses must explain the scope and nature of homelessness locally, including key contributing factors and system challenges. Applicants must also identify the specific gap in the current system that the proposed project will address and explain how the project responds to that gap. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <i>7c. Alignment HUD's Goals and Objectives</i> – Describe how the proposed project advances all eight of the HUD goals and objectives listed below. Provide specific examples of activities, partnerships, service approaches, and expected outcomes. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 16)</b><br>1. Improving Outcomes<br>2. Creating Competition to Improve Innovation and Accountability<br>3. Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care<br>4. Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self-Sufficiency<br>5. Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency<br>6. Advancing Public Safety for All<br>7. Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations<br>8. Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology                                                                                               |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>CoC System Performance</b><br><i>8a. Returns to Homelessness</i> - Describe how your project will reduce or has reduced returns to homelessness after participants exit the program. Explain the strategies, follow-up support, and coordination practices you will use to help participants remain stably housed. Include how you will measure and track this outcome. The outcomes should not refer to the services/activities to be provided by the applicant, but instead the accomplishments of the clients as a result of the provided services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 13)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> <i>(System Performance Measure)</i>                                                                                                                                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

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| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>8b. <i>Employment Income</i></b> - Describe how your project will help or has helped participants increase earned income. Identify the workforce or employer partnerships, employment readiness supports, and service approaches you use. Include projected outcomes and how you will measure increased employment income. The outcomes should not refer to the services/activities to be provided by the applicant, but instead the accomplishments of the clients as a result of provided services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 13)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> <i>(System Performance Measure)</i>                                                                                                                                     |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>8c. <i>HMIS Data Quality and Reporting</i></b> - Describe how your organization will ensure or has ensured timely and accurate HMIS data entry by outlining the procedures you will put in place, even if your organization is new to the system. Include how you will train staff, establish internal data quality checks, and monitor entries to correct errors. Explain how you plan to use HMIS data to guide treatment, recovery support, service coordination, and case management once the project is operating. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Capacity and Cost-Reasonableness</b><br><b>9a. <i>Management Capacity</i></b> - Describe your organization's capacity to operate this project, including experience managing similar programs, delivering the proposed services, and administering CoC program funds or other federal, state, local, or private resources. Your response should demonstrate that your organization has the staff, systems, and management structure needed to comply with federal requirements and successfully carry out the project. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i>                                                                                                                                                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>9b. <i>Financial Capacity</i></b> - Describe your organization's financial management systems, including confirmation that your organization or fiscal agent maintains a functioning accounting system operated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and that you are able to manage and account for federal funds in compliance with 2 CFR part 200. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>9c. <i>Cost Effectiveness</i></b> – Describe how the proposed budget is reasonable in relation to the population served, the services provided, and the outcomes expected. The response must include the total annual budget requested divided by the number of persons or households to be served annually, shown as a cost per person or household. Include at least one benchmark or comparison supporting that this cost is reasonable, such as Fair Market Rent, prior grant costs, or comparable local cost data. Briefly explain how staffing and partnerships are used efficiently to achieve the expected outcomes. All costs must be consistent with 2 CFR 200.404. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 14)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

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| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Permanent Housing: Rapid Re-Housing (PH-RRH)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| a. Explain how the provision of tenant-based rental assistance will help individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency within 24 months. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| b. Explain the type of supportive services and assistance that will be offered to program participants (e.g., case management, substance use treatment, mental health treatment, and employment assistance) that will ensure that the participant is able to successfully obtain self-sufficiency and exit homelessness. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b> <i>(Supportive Services Participation)</i>                                        |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| c. Explain how your organization has previously operated or currently operates a homelessness projects where, or has a plan in place to have, at least 50 percent of participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant, or has a plan in place to ensure this. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| d. Explain how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, which may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Bonus Points</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Project proposes to utilize 50% or more of the award within a designated Opportunity Zone and has submitted Form HUD-2996, Certification for Opportunity Zone (Appendix 5). <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Earned Points</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Total Points Possible</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        |
| <b>Normalized Score (Earned Points/Total Points)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

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| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Project Summary</b><br><i>7a. Summary of Project</i> – Provide a summary of the proposed project. Include the project component (TH, SSO-Street Outreach, SSO-Standalone, PSH, or RRH), the population of focus to be served, the estimated number of participants, the services to be delivered, the total cost of the proposed activities, and anticipated service partners. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <i>7b. Statement of Need</i> – Applicants must describe the local factors contributing to homelessness within the Continuum of Care (CoC) geographic area. All statements must be supported by either (1) internal CoC system data (e.g., HMIS, PIT counts, coordinated entry data, service utilization reports) or (2) clearly cited external data sources (e.g., HUD Exchange, U.S. Census Bureau, or other publicly available information). Responses must explain the scope and nature of homelessness locally, including key contributing factors and system challenges. Applicants must also identify the specific gap in the current system that the proposed project will address and explain how the project responds to that gap. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>CoC System Performance</b><br><i>8a. Returns to Homelessness</i> - Describe how your project will reduce or has reduced returns to homelessness after participants exit the program. Explain the strategies, follow-up support, and coordination practices you will use to help participants remain stably housed. Include how you will measure and track this outcome. The outcomes should not refer to the services/activities to be provided by the applicant, but instead the accomplishments of the clients as a result of the provided services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 13)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> <i>(System Performance Measure)</i>                                                                                                                                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

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| <b>8c. <i>HMIS Data Quality and Reporting</i></b> - Describe how your organization will ensure or has ensured timely and accurate HMIS data entry by outlining the procedures you will put in place, even if your organization is new to the system. Include how you will train staff, establish internal data quality checks, and monitor entries to correct errors. Explain how you plan to use HMIS data to guide treatment, recovery support, service coordination, and case management once the project is operating. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b>                                                                                                                                                                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Capacity and Cost-Reasonableness</b><br><b>9a. <i>Management Capacity</i></b> - Describe your organization's capacity to operate this project, including experience managing similar programs, delivering the proposed services, and administering CoC program funds or other federal, state, local, or private resources. Your response should demonstrate that your organization has the staff, systems, and management structure needed to comply with federal requirements and successfully carry out the project. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4) (Objective Criteria)</b>                                                                                                                                                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Permanent Housing: Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| a. Explain the type of housing proposed, including the number and configuration of units, will fit the needs of the program participants. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| b. Explain the type of supportive services and assistance that will be offered to program participants that will ensure that the participant is able to successfully obtain and retain permanent housing in a manner that fits their needs (e.g., transportation, safety planning, enhanced case management). Also, state whether the project will incorporate supportive service participation requirements into its program design based on individual participant need, in accordance with 24 CFR 578.75(h), and if so, describe how those requirements will be established and adjusted for each participant. If your organization is proposing to expand an existing PH project, it must demonstrate how they are expanding supportive services to program participants, including where appropriate, on-site supportive services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 9)</b> <i>(Supportive Services Participation)</i> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| c. Explain how the project will serve homeless individuals or families with a disability in accordance with 24 CFR 578.37(a)(1)(i). <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| d. Explain how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Bonus Points</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| PSH project prioritize elderly individuals or persons with a physical or developmental disability. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Total Points Possible</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        |
| <b>Normalized Score (Earned Points/Total Points)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

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| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>DV Bonus - Transitional Housing (TH)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Describe how your project will provide safe and confidential housing and services for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Explain how the program design minimizes trauma, protects survivor safety, and ensures access to survivor-centered supports. Include your approach to trauma-informed practices, safety planning, confidentiality protections, and coordination with victim service providers and law enforcement when appropriate. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| a. Explain how the project will provide and/or partner with other organizations to provide eligible supportive services that are necessary to assist program participants to obtain and maintain housing (i.e., case management, behavioral healthcare, employment training, etc.). <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Supportive Services Participation)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| b. Explain your organization's prior experience operating transitional housing or other projects that have successfully helped homeless individuals and families exit homelessness within 24 months or has a plan in place to ensure homeless individuals and families will exit homelessness within 24 months. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| c. Explain previous experience operating or currently operating transitional housing or another homelessness project, or has a plan in place to ensure that at least 50 percent of participants exit to a positive destination within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| d. Explain how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 2)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| e. Describe how the proposed project will assess the service needs of program participants and provide individualized services for program participants during their time in Transitional Housing that will result in at least 20 hours per week of engagement in services, activities or employment for all program participants, except for a program participant over age 62 or who is an individual with handicaps as defined in 24 CFR 8.3 or a with a developmental disability as defined under 24 CFR 578.3 (examples of services or activities include case management, counseling, treatment, volunteering, work therapy, education, job training, community building activities, etc.) Employment may contribute to the 20 hours per week of engagement. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

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| f. Explain how the proposed project will create service plans for each program participant that include the services to be provided, when and how often services will be provided, by whom all services will be provided. Also, explain program participant goals, strategies for achieving those goals, and target dates for achievement to focus on improved health and wellness, housing stability, and increased employment income leading to financial stability and self-sufficiency. Please include any MOUs, written agreements or letters of commitment in Section 12: Required Attachments. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Bonus Points</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Project proposes to utilize 50% or more of the award within a designated Opportunity Zone and has submitted Form HUD-2996, Certification for Opportunity Zone (Appendix 5). <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Total Points Possible</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 100               | 100               | 100               | 100               | 100               |
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| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Project Summary</b><br><i>7a. Summary of Project</i> – Provide a summary of the proposed project. Include the project component (TH, SSO-Street Outreach, SSO-Standalone, PSH, or RRH), the population of focus to be served, the estimated number of participants, the services to be delivered, the total cost of the proposed activities, and anticipated service partners. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>DV Bonus - Permanent Housing: Rapid Re-Housing (PH-RRH)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Describe how your project will provide safe and confidential housing and services for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Explain how the program design minimizes trauma, protects survivor safety, and ensures access to survivor-centered supports. Include your approach to trauma-informed practices, safety planning, confidentiality protections, and coordination with victim service providers and law enforcement when appropriate. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| a. Explain how the provision of tenant-based rental assistance will help individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency within 24 months. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| b. Explain the type of supportive services and assistance that will be offered to program participants (e.g., case management, substance use treatment, mental health treatment, and employment assistance) that will ensure that the participant is able to successfully obtain self-sufficiency and exit homelessness. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b> <i>(Supportive Services Participation)</i>                                                                                                                     |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| c. Explain how your organization has previously operated or currently operates a homelessness projects where, or has a plan in place to have, at least 50 percent of participants exit to permanent housing within 24 months and at least 50 percent of participants exit with employment income as reflected in HMIS or another data system used by the applicant, or has a plan in place to ensure this. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| d. Explain how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, which may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>All Projects Scoring - Renewals, New Projects and CoC Bonus</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>8c. <i>HMIS Data Quality and Reporting</i></b> - Describe how your organization will ensure or has ensured timely and accurate HMIS data entry by outlining the procedures you will put in place, even if your organization is new to the system. Include how you will train staff, establish internal data quality checks, and monitor entries to correct errors. Explain how you plan to use HMIS data to guide treatment, recovery support, service coordination, and case management once the project is operating. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Supportive Services Only (SSO) Standalone</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| a. Explain why the proposed Supportive Services project is necessary to assist people in exiting homelessness, addressing barriers to stable housing (e.g., substance use disorder, unemployment, childcare, etc.) and increasing self-sufficiency Also describe how the project will conduct an annual assessment of the service needs of the program participants. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 6)</b> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| b. Explain how the proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants, including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 9)</b> <i>(Supportive Services Participation)</i>                                                                     |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| c. Explain how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| Project proposes to utilize 50% or more of the award within a designated Opportunity Zone and has submitted Form HUD-2996, Certification for Opportunity Zone (Appendix 5). <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                          |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Earned Points</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Total Points Possible</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        |
| <b>Normalized Score (Earned Points/Total Points)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

## Threshold Review

| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Project Scoring</b><br><i>This portion of the ranking tool will be completed by the PERC.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant |
| <b>All Projects Scoring - Renewals, New Projects and CoC Bonus</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Project Summary</b><br><i>7a. Summary of Project</i> – Provide a summary of the proposed project. Include the project component (TH, SSO-Street Outreach, SSO-Standalone, PSH, or RRH), the population of focus to be served, the estimated number of participants, the services to be delivered, the total cost of the proposed activities, and anticipated service partners.<br><b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <i>7b. Statement of Need</i> – Applicants must describe the local factors contributing to homelessness within the Continuum of Care (CoC) geographic area. All statements must be supported by either (1) internal CoC system data (e.g., HMIS, PIT counts, coordinated entry data, service utilization reports) or (2) clearly cited external data sources (e.g., HUD Exchange, U.S. Census Bureau, or other publicly available information). Responses must explain the scope and nature of homelessness locally, including key contributing factors and system challenges. Applicants must also identify the specific gap in the current system that the proposed project will address and explain how the project responds to that gap. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <i>7c. Alignment HUD's Goals and Objectives</i> – Describe how the proposed project advances all eight of the HUD goals and objectives listed below. Provide specific examples of activities, partnerships, service approaches, and expected outcomes.<br><b>(Maximum Point Value = 16)</b><br>1. Improving Outcomes<br>2. Creating Competition to Improve Innovation and Accountability<br>3. Restoring Balance to the Continuum of Care<br>4. Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery as a Means to Self-Sufficiency<br>5. Promoting Economic Self-Sufficiency<br>6. Advancing Public Safety for All<br>7. Minimizing Trauma for Vulnerable Populations<br>8. Expanding Access Based on Merit, and Not Ideology                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>CoC System Performance</b><br><i>8a. Returns to Homelessness</i> - Describe how your project will reduce or has reduced returns to homelessness after participants exit the program. Explain the strategies, follow-up support, and coordination practices you will use to help participants remain stably housed. Include how you will measure and track this outcome. The outcomes should not refer to the services/activities to be provided by the applicant, but instead the accomplishments of the clients as a result of the provided services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 13)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> <i>(System Performance Measure)</i>                                                                                                                                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

## Threshold Review

| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Project Scoring</b><br><i>This portion of the ranking tool will be completed by the PERC.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant |
| <b>8b. <i>Employment Income</i></b> - Describe how your project will help or has helped participants increase earned income. Identify the workforce or employer partnerships, employment readiness supports, and service approaches you use. Include projected outcomes and how you will measure increased employment income. The outcomes should not refer to the services/activities to be provided by the applicant, but instead the accomplishments of the clients as a result of provided services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 13)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> <i>(System Performance Measure)</i>                                                                                                                                     |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>8c. <i>HMIS Data Quality and Reporting</i></b> - Describe how your organization will ensure or has ensured timely and accurate HMIS data entry by outlining the procedures you will put in place, even if your organization is new to the system. Include how you will train staff, establish internal data quality checks, and monitor entries to correct errors. Explain how you plan to use HMIS data to guide treatment, recovery support, service coordination, and case management once the project is operating. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 8)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Capacity and Cost-Reasonableness</b><br><b>9a. <i>Management Capacity</i></b> - Describe your organization's capacity to operate this project, including experience managing similar programs, delivering the proposed services, and administering CoC program funds or other federal, state, local, or private resources. Your response should demonstrate that your organization has the staff, systems, and management structure needed to comply with federal requirements and successfully carry out the project. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i>                                                                                                                                                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>9b. <i>Financial Capacity</i></b> - Describe your organization's financial management systems, including confirmation that your organization or fiscal agent maintains a functioning accounting system operated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and that you are able to manage and account for federal funds in compliance with 2 CFR part 200. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 4)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>9c. <i>Cost Effectiveness</i></b> – Describe how the proposed budget is reasonable in relation to the population served, the services provided, and the outcomes expected. The response must include the total annual budget requested divided by the number of persons or households to be served annually, shown as a cost per person or household. Include at least one benchmark or comparison supporting that this cost is reasonable, such as Fair Market Rent, prior grant costs, or comparable local cost data. Briefly explain how staffing and partnerships are used efficiently to achieve the expected outcomes. All costs must be consistent with 2 CFR 200.404. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 14)</b> <i>(Objective Criteria)</i> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

## Threshold Review

| <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2026 Continuum of Care Competition</b><br><b>Project Ranking Tool - Project Scoring</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
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| <b>Project Scoring</b><br><i>This portion of the ranking tool will be completed by the PERC.</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      | Project Type      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant | Name of Applicant |
| <b>Supportive Services Only (SSO) Street Outreach</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| a. Explain how the project will be supplemented with resources from other public or private sources, that may include mainstream health, social, and employment programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SSI, and SNAP. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 3)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| b. Explain how the proposed project has a strategy for providing supportive services to eligible program participants, including those with histories of unsheltered homelessness and those who do not traditionally engage with supportive services. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 6)</b> <i>(Supportive Services Participation)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| c. Explain your organization's history of, or a plan for, partnering with first responders and law enforcement to engage people living in places not meant for human habitation to access emergency shelter, treatment programs, reunification with family, transitional housing or independent living. The project must cooperate with and not interfere with or impede the enforcement of local laws, including public camping and public drug use ordinances, and must demonstrate willingness to assist first responders in their efforts to engage individuals experiencing homelessness. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b> |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| d. Explain your organization's experience providing outreach services, or a plan for providing outreach services, consistent with the activity description at 24 CFR 578.53(e)(13). Demonstrated effectiveness for how your organization has helped, or plans to help, people successfully exit from places not meant for human habitation to emergency shelter, treatment programs, transitional housing or permanent housing programs. <b>(Maximum Point Value = 6)</b>                                                                                                                                                       |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Bonus Points</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Project proposes to utilize 50% or more of the award within a designated Opportunity Zone and has submitted Form HUD-2996, Certification for Opportunity Zone (Appendix 5). <b>(Maximum Point Value = 5)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Earned Points</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| <b>Total Points Possible</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        | <b>100</b>        |
| <b>Normalized Score (Earned Points/Total Points)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |

**FY2026 CoC Program Competition FL-603  
Local Competition Selection Results**

| Agency | Project Name                                                                   | Project Type | Score      | Status                                      | PERC Rank  | HUD Rank   | Requested Funding Amount | Reallocated Funds | Tiers + Notes                      | DV Project | New or Renewal          | Funding Category      |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------|---------------------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| HVS    | Planning Grant                                                                 | Planning     | Not Ranked | Conditionally Accepted                      | Not Ranked | Not Ranked | \$249,698.00             | \$0.00            |                                    | No         | New                     | Planning              |
| CASL   | PSH Renewal Existing Grant # FL0267L4D032518                                   | PSH          | 104        | Conditionally Accepted                      | 2          | 1          | \$314,676.00             | \$0.00            | Tier 1                             | No         | Renewal                 | ARD                   |
| HVS    | Coordinated Entry Existing Grant # FL0819L4D032506                             | CE           | 100        | Conditionally Accepted                      | 1          | 2          | \$185,801.00             | \$0.00            | Tier 1                             | No         | Renewal                 | ARD                   |
| CASL   | Reallocation Old PSH to New PSH Existing Grant # FL0987L4D032503               | PSH          | 100        | Conditionally Accepted<br>Fully Reallocated | 4          | 3          | \$420,923.00             | \$420,923.00      | Tier 1                             | No         | New (Fully Reallocated) | ARD                   |
| CASL   | Reallocation PSH + PSH Existing Grants #'s FL0317L4D032517 and FL0923L4D032504 | PSH          | 95         | Conditionally Accepted<br>Fully Reallocated | 6          | 4          | \$428,759.00             | \$0.00            | Tier 1                             | No         | New (Fully Reallocated) | ARD                   |
| CCDOV  | RRH Renewal Existing Grant # FL0988D4D032503                                   | RRH-DV       | 72         | Conditionally Accepted                      | 12         | 5          | \$194,182.00             | \$0.00            | Tier 1/Straddle                    | Yes        | Renewal                 | ARD                   |
| CCDOV  | RRH Renewal Existing Grant # FL0988D4D032503                                   | RRH-DV       | 72 *       | Conditionally Accepted                      | 12         | 6          | \$186,520.00             | \$0.00            | Tier 2/Straddle<br>*See note below | Yes        | Renewal                 | ARD                   |
| CASL   | Reallocation RTF: PSH to TH Existing Grant # FL0986L4D032503                   | TH           | 104        | Conditionally Accepted<br>Fully Reallocated | 3          | 7          | \$843,042.00             | \$0.00            | Tier 2                             | No         | New Fully (Reallocated) | ARD                   |
| HHV    | Lee County Homeless Outreach Network                                           | SSO-SO       | 99         | Conditionally Accepted                      | 5          | 8          | \$265,305.00             | \$0.00            |                                    | No         | New                     | New Project CoC Bonus |
| LCHDC  | Pathway to Safety                                                              | TH-DV        | 94         | Conditionally Accepted                      | 7          | 9          | \$376,690.12             | \$0.00            |                                    | Yes        | New                     | New Project DV Bonus  |
| CCDOV  | TH Project                                                                     | TH-DV        | 92         | Conditionally Accepted                      | 9          | 10         | \$483,045.00             | \$0.00            |                                    | Yes        | New                     | New Project DV Bonus  |
| AHF    | Responsible Renters Classes                                                    | SSO-SA       | 80         | Conditionally Accepted                      | 11         | 11         | \$150,000.00             | \$0.00            |                                    | No         | New                     | New Project CoC Bonus |
| FMPD   | HOT Team                                                                       | SSO-SO       | 67 *       | Conditionally Accepted                      | 13         | 12         | \$150,000.00             | \$0.00            | *See note below                    | No         | New                     | New Project CoC Bonus |
| CCDOV  | RRH Expansion Existing Grant FL0988D4D032503                                   | RRH-DV       | 90         | Rejected                                    | 10         | 13         | \$750,000.00             | \$0.00            | TH Priority selected not RRH       | Yes        | New (Expansion)         | DV Bonus              |
| LCHDC  | Pathways Home                                                                  | RRH          | 93         | Rejected                                    | 8          | 14         | \$937,554.78             | \$0.00            | TH Priority selected not RRH       | No         | New                     | CoC Bonus             |

| Explanation | Color | Amount         |
|-------------|-------|----------------|
| Planning    |       | \$249,698.00   |
| ARD Tier 1  |       | \$1,544,341.80 |
| ARD Tier 2  |       | \$1,029,561.20 |
| CoC Bonus   |       | \$941,995.12   |
| DV Bonus    |       | \$483,045.00   |
| Not Funded  |       | \$1,687,554.78 |

## \* **Explanation of Rankings for Lower-Scoring Projects**

Written scores can reflect grant writing capacity rather than community need. Per NOFO Sections III.G.1.a (p. 38) and V.B (p. 70), the Governing Board considered local priorities, population served, and performance history alongside the ranking committees written scores.

**FMPD HOT Team.** For five years, FMPD's HOT Team has worked alongside the County team under now-ended CDBG funding, identifying individuals for the By-Name List, connecting them to coordinated entry, and engaging service-resistant unsheltered residents from encampments into shelter and treatment. They extend outreach coverage into Fort Myers in a way the County cannot sustain alone. Ranking reflects demonstrated field performance.

**CCDOV DV/RRH Renewal.** CCDOV is the CoC's victim services provider and this DV Renewal (Section II.B.3.d) is its only dedicated housing resource for survivors, the households facing the most immediate safety risk in our system. No other CoC funded agency provides DV rapid rehousing. Report card score: 81. Ranking reflects demonstrated performance, the non-duplicable nature of this work, and HUD's expanded FY2026 DV investment (Section V.D.2.a.(3)).

Rankings are consistent with Ranking and Reallocation Policies V4, which authorize consideration of population served, system need, and continuity of care alongside written score.

## \***Explanation of Not Choosing Two Projects**

Two new project applications received strong written scores but were not selected. The Governing Board's decisions reflect CoC priorities and system need rather than application quality.

**CCDOV RRH Expansion (Grant #FL0988D4D032503), DV Bonus, \$750,000, score 90.** CCDOV submitted both a rapid rehousing expansion project and a transitional housing project for DV Bonus funding. The Board prioritized the transitional housing project because the CoC has no dedicated DV transitional housing and survivors fleeing immediate danger need a safe interim placement before permanent housing.

CCDOV's existing DV RRH renewal is ranked on the Priority Listing and straddles Tier 1 and Tier 2, so survivors continue to have access to rapid rehousing through that project.

**LCHDC Pathways Home, CoC Bonus, \$937,554.78, score 93.** The Board did not select this rapid rehousing project because the Governing Board is prioritizing transitional housing projects.