



Homeless Care Council of Northwest Alabama, Inc. Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Fiscal Year FY 2025 Continuum of Care Program Competition

Link to the Overall 2025 Competition NOFO:



FY2025-CoC-NOFO_
FR-6900-N-25.pdf

A full analysis of the NOFO, provided by the National Alliance to End Homelessness is provided at the link below:

[FY2025-CoC-Program-NOFO-Full-Analysis.pdf](#)

The Homeless Care Council of Northwest Alabama has received notice of funding available from HUD for the Fiscal Year 2025 Continuum of Care Program Competition. It is **strongly suggested** that any eligible agency wishing to apply for any of the projects, renewal or new, read the NOFO in its **entirety**. The link to the complete FY 2025 CoC NOFO is above. If you have questions about whether your proposed project is eligible to be funded in this FY 2025 Competition, please contact Ashley Smith, Executive Director of the Homeless Care Council, at hccnwal@gmail.com before making any project plans. The HUD competition is very specific about what type of projects can be funded and the process that must be followed for consideration before submission. ***Applicants should review and follow the steps to ensure they meet all threshold requirements outlined in this NOFO.***

Active members, *in good standing of at least one year*, of the Homeless Care Council of Northwest Alabama are invited to submit applications for funding under the HUD NOFO for the Continuum of Care Program Competition. If your agency plans to submit a proposal, you **MUST** submit your project proposal to Ashley Smith, Executive Director of the HCCNWA, hccnwal@gmail.com no later than 4 pm on Monday, November 24, 2025. See the Submission Schedule at the end of this notice for a calendar of dates regarding the submission process. You will be notified by Tuesday, November 25, 2025 via email if your proposal meets the criteria for application.

Completed FY 2025 CoC Project applications will then be due by Monday, December 15, 2025, by 4 pm to the Homeless Care Council Office, at 210 East Tennessee Street #116 Florence, Alabama, as well as due in e-snaps by this date.

Applications will then be reviewed and ranked during the week of December 15, 2025. If your application is approved for submission, you will receive notification of your application being approved and its rank for submission no later than Tuesday, December 30, 2025. The same notification will apply to any applications rejected or reduced as well.

The Homeless Care Council will submit the collaborative and complete application to HUD no later than Wednesday, January 14, 2026. Generally, it takes 60-90 days to receive notice of awards.

The CoC Program (24 CFR part 578) is designed to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; to provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, States, and local governments to quickly re-house homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness. The Homeless Care Council of Northwest Alabama will serve as the Collaborative Applicant for the Continuum of Care, which serves Lauderdale, Colbert, Franklin, Marion, Winston, and Lawrence counties.

HUD'S priorities for this Funding Competition include the following list. Detailed information about each priority is outlined in the NOFO. All applications must propose projects which fall under one of these categories.

1. Ending the Crisis of Homelessness on Our Streets, including reducing encampments, public camping, and public drug use, in order to increase self-sufficiency.
2. Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery
3. Advancing Public Safety, including strengthening public safety partnerships.
4. Promoting Self-Sufficiency
5. Improving Outcomes
6. Minimizing Trauma

Projects Available for Funding

Please read through the FY 2025 NOFO in its entirety.

The Continuum of Care is required to rank all renewal projects, and HUD will consider these rankings when making renewal awards. Renewals will be judged based on past performance.

In the FY 2025 CoC Program Competition, in addition to requests for renewal projects and CoC planning, CoCs may submit requests for new projects through the process of expansion of an existing project, reallocation of existing projects, or a CoC bonus. The types of projects that are permitted in this grant award are defined in the NOFO.

Carefully read the NOFO released by HUD (General and Program sections). In addition, be familiar with the 24 CFR Regulations for CoC Competition Funding.

APPLICATION – Please type out this information in a new document

1. **Name of Proposing Agency**
2. **Address**
3. **Contact Person & Telephone Number**
4. **Participation in the Continuum of Care:** Describe the extent to which the agency has demonstrated an active commitment to and involvement in the Homeless Care Council of Northwest Alabama.
5. **Coordination of Services:** State how the proposed services are integrated into the overall community-based response to homeless people through the continuum of care.
6. **Agency Experience and Capacity:** State the experience of the agency in providing services to the homeless population and describe the capacity of the agency to manage the proposed project and grant funds.
7. **Participation in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS):** Describe the agency's intent to enter client data in the HMIS. For existing projects, including the current percentage of clients, entered in HMIS for this project and the percent of universal data elements for clients entered. If there is a U.S. Dept. of HUD exception to participation in HMIS that applies to your agency/clients, please explain.
8. **Implementation:** Describe the ability of the agency to implement the project in a timely fashion and recruit the target population.

****Questions 9-10 are only for Renewal Grant Applicants****

9. **Rate of Expenditure for Last APR Year**
 1. Annual Period: (Month/Day/Year through Month/Day/Year).
 2. Annual HUD award for APR period above \$
 3. Total HUD funds expended for the APR period above:
 4. % of Funds Expended: (Divide item 3 by item 4 times 100)
10. **APR Period Information & Cost Effectiveness Data**
 1. Annual Period: (Month/Day/Year through Month/Day/Year)
 2. Total # of Individual and/or Family Housing Units Available:
 3. Annual capacity for occupancy possible: (Item 2 times 365)
 4. Actual occupied unit days of services: (Total number of occupied unit days of service)
 5. Annual % of Capacity: (Divide item 3 by item 4 times 100)

SUBMISSION STEPS

1. Create your agencies proposal for application based on the HUD CoC Stated Priorities.
2. Submit your simple proposal to the Homeless Care Council Executive Director, Ashley Smith, by email at hccnwal@gmail.com no later than November 24, 2025. Include your agency's name, the name of the applicant, email, and address, and the dates of your membership in the Homeless Care Council with your proposal.
3. You will be notified via email by November 25, if your proposal is approved and accepted.
4. Once you have received notification that your project proposal is accepted, you will need to create an account in e-snaps for your application completion (If you haven't already done this).
5. Complete the application for your project. See the listed instructions for completing your application. This includes filling out the 8 steps on the HCCNWAL application, as well as submitting the HUD application of your project via e-snaps. These ARE TWO SEPARATE APPLICATIONS. The e-snaps application AND the 10 question HCC Application. If you are a renewal grantee, you must also answer questions 9-10.
6. Once you have completed your application in e-snaps, save it to a pdf, export it and print, and submit your application.
7. Email the grant application and the esnaps PDF of the project application plus the following attachments to hccnwal@gmail.com – attention HCC Grant Application – by Monday, December 15 by 4pm. Late applications will lose points in the review process. ALSO- At this time, you will need to make 4 hard copies of the application and e-snaps PDF and include the following:
 1. IRS 501c3 letter or other documentation of non-profit status
 2. Current list of board of directors with affiliations
 3. Most recent audit
 4. Proof of UEI number

These will need to be delivered to the Homeless Care Council Office, at 210 East Tennessee Street #116, Florence, AL, also by Monday, December 15 by 4pm.

8. (You will need to hit final submit on your e-snaps application and export and print your application pdf out. All project applications are due in e-snaps by December 15!!)
9. The Homeless Care Council will submit all projects and the Collaborative Application to HUD no later than Monday, January 12, 2026. The grant is due to HUD on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 8:00 PM EDT. You will be notified as to which Tier your project was put in and how it was ranked based on priority.

NOTE: It generally takes at least 60 days to hear about the award. Tier 1 awards will be announced first and then Tier 2 reports are generally announced 30-60 days after Tier 1 is announced.

**Homeless Care Council of Northwest Alabama
FY2025 Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Program**

Schedule of Submission Deadlines

-PROPOSAL DEADLINE FOR YOUR AGENCY TO SUBMIT A SIMPLE PROPOSAL FOR THIS COMPETITION-
Monday, November 24, 2025.

Must submit a simple summary of the proposed project and intent to apply. This can be done via email to hccnwal@gmail.com.

-NOTIFICATION VIA EMAIL IF YOUR AGENCIES PROJECT PROPOSAL IS ACCEPTED-
Tuesday, November 25, 2025.

You will be notified via email no later than Tuesday, November 25 if your project proposal is accepted.

-APPLICATION DEADLINE!- both to the HCCNWAL and to e-snaps!!-
Monday, December 15, 2025 by 4pm.

NOTE: Late applications will cause you to lose points in the rank and review process. Project applications are due NO LATER than 4pm on this date.

You must submit 4 hard copies of the PDF version of your esnaps application, plus 4 copies of your project application, including attachments to The Homeless Care Council, 210 E Tennessee Street #116, Florence, AL 35630.

-THE RANK AND REVIEW COMMITTEE WILL MEET THIS WEEK TO REVIEW APPLICATIONS:
Week of December 15, 2025.

The CoC Rank and Review Committee will meet this week to review and approve your application.

-NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF YOUR APPLICATION, INCLUDING THE RANK OF YOUR PROJECT-
Tuesday, December 30, 2026.

-COMPLETE GRANT, INCLUDING ALL APPLICANTS AND COC APPLICATION WILL BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN-
Monday, January 12, 2026.

The final grant application will be submitted to HUD via e-snaps by the CoC on behalf of all projects.

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