

## Before Starting the CoC Application

The CoC Consolidated Application consists of three parts, the CoC Application, the CoC Priority Listing, and all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected. All three must be submitted for the CoC Consolidated Application to be considered complete.

The Collaborative Applicant is responsible for reviewing the following:

1. The FY 2018 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Available (NOFA) for specific application and program requirements.
2. The FY 2018 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.
6. Questions marked with an asterisk (\*), which are mandatory and require a response.

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

### Instructions:

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**1A-1. CoC Name and Number:** WI-502 - Racine City & County CoC

**1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name:** Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization, Inc.

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

**1A-4. HMIS Lead:** Institute for Community Alliances, Inc.

## 1B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Engagement

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**1B-1. CoC Meeting Participants. For the period from May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018, using the list below, applicant must: (1) select organizations and persons that participate in CoC meetings; and (2) indicate whether the organizations and persons vote, including selecting CoC Board members.**

Organization/Person Categories	Participates in CoC Meetings	Votes, including selecting CoC Board Members
Local Government Staff/Officials	Yes	Yes
CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction	Yes	Yes
Law Enforcement	No	No
Local Jail(s)	No	No
Hospital(s)	Yes	Yes
EMS/Crisis Response Team(s)	Yes	Yes
Mental Health Service Organizations	Yes	Yes
Substance Abuse Service Organizations	Yes	Yes
Affordable Housing Developer(s)	Yes	Yes
Disability Service Organizations	Yes	Yes
Disability Advocates	Yes	Yes
Public Housing Authorities	Yes	Yes
CoC Funded Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes
Non-CoC Funded Youth Homeless Organizations	Yes	Yes
Youth Advocates	Yes	Yes
School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons	Yes	Yes
CoC Funded Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes
Non-CoC Funded Victim Service Providers	Yes	Yes
Domestic Violence Advocates	Yes	Yes
Street Outreach Team(s)	Yes	Yes
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) Advocates	Yes	Yes
LGBT Service Organizations	Yes	Yes
Agencies that serve survivors of human trafficking	Yes	Yes
Other homeless subpopulation advocates	Yes	Yes
Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons	Yes	Yes
Mental Illness Advocates	Yes	Yes
Substance Abuse Advocates	Yes	Yes

<b>Other:(limit 50 characters)</b>		
Legal service advocates and agency	Yes	Yes
Veteran advocates and service agencies	Yes	Yes

**1B-1a. Applicants must describe the specific strategy the CoC uses to solicit and consider opinions from organizations and/or persons that have an interest in preventing or ending homelessness. (limit 2,000 characters)**

Community surveys, focus groups, traditional & social media, advisory opinions from experts, including from current/formerly homeless. Committees & workgroups open to all & include persons currently/formerly homeless, subpops & expertise. CoC meetings are not restricted to "members", but anyone in community can attend and offer opinion/information. Current/formerly homeless are on various committees and workgroups. DV, human trafficking, youth providers, LGBTQ, mental health providers, first responders provide input. Joint meetings with various other community coalitions provides additional input and expertise. On the Leadership page of the CoC website there is a form for comments.

**1B-2.Open Invitation for New Members. Applicants must describe:**

- (1) the invitation process;**
  - (2) how the CoC communicates the invitation process to solicit new members;**
  - (3) how often the CoC solicits new members; and**
  - (4) any special outreach the CoC conducted to ensure persons experiencing homelessness or formerly homeless persons are encouraged to join the CoC.**
- (limit 2,000 characters)**

Personal invitations are extended by current members, as well as at other community meetings/events, the CoC website and social media. Solicitation is on-going year round. Agencies routinely invite formerly and currently homeless to CoC meetings, as well as encourage them to form advisory groups and send representatives to meetings. On the Leadership page of the CoC website there is an online form to request a membership form. Information regarding the NOFA is posted on the website.

**1B-3.Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Funded. Applicants must describe how the CoC notified the public that it will accept and consider proposals from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding, even if the CoC is not applying for new projects in FY 2018, and the response must include the date(s) the CoC publicly announced it was open to proposals. (limit 2,000 characters)**

Late June and early July 2018 announced at various meetings. Announcement at CoC data presentation 7/20/18. Posted on CoC website 7/23/18. Direct discussion with a CHDO housing developer on August 6.

## 1C. Continuum of Care (CoC) Coordination

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**1C-1. CoCs Coordination, Planning, and Operation of Projects. Applicants must use the chart below to identify the federal, state, local, private, and other organizations that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness that are included in the CoCs coordination, planning, and operation of projects.**

Entities or Organizations the CoC coordinates planning and operation of projects	Coordinates with Planning and Operation of Projects
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Not Applicable
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	Yes
Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)	Yes
Head Start Program	Yes
Funding Collaboratives	Yes
Private Foundations	Yes
Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Funded Housing and Service Programs	Yes
Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Health and Human Services (HHS) Funded Housing and Service Programs	Not Applicable
Housing and service programs funded through other Federal resources	Yes
Housing and services programs funded through State Government	Yes
Housing and services programs funded through Local Government	Yes
Housing and service programs funded through private entities, including foundations	Yes
Other:(limit 50 characters)	

**1C-2. CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients. Applicants must describe how the CoC:**  
**(1) consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG funds; and**  
**(2) participated in the evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients.**  
**(limit 2,000 characters)**

We have 2 jurisdictions - City of Racine and State of WI. Staff from both attend CoC meetings. All City of Racine and State of WI ESG recipients are participating members in the CoC. The CoC uses a coordinated approach to allocate CoC and ESG funding to adequately address gaps in service and

community needs. Non CoC and ESG funded organizations participate in the evaluation and ranking of projects for both CoC and ESG. CoC members participated in the development of the City ESG application and RFP. The CoC determines the allocation of City ESG funds, and attends City committee and City Council meetings where approval occurs. The CoC provides PIT, HIC and other data to both jurisdictions. Data is from HMIS, Osnum (DV providers), and confirmed by manual data counts. Demographics are included, as well as individual project data. The CoC provides comments on the Con Plan and give testimony at hearings.

**1C-2a. Providing PIT and HIC Data to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions. Did the CoC provide Point-in-Time (PIT) and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area?** Yes to both

**1C-2b. Providing Other Data to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions. Did the CoC provide local homelessness information other than PIT and HIC data to the jurisdiction(s) Consolidated Plan(s)?** Yes

**1C-3. Addressing the Safety Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors. Applicants must describe:**

- (1) the CoC's protocols, including the existence of the CoC's emergency transfer plan, that prioritizes safety and trauma-informed, victim-centered services to prioritize safety; and**
  - (2) how the CoC maximizes client choice for housing and services while ensuring safety and confidentiality.**
- (limit 2,000 characters)**

CoC membership includes participation from all dv service providers in Racine County, and they vote on policy. The CoC has a youth shelter for abused or at risk minors, dv shelter and dv transitional shelter/housing. There is a CoC funded PSH project for dv victims. Both City of Racine and State of WI ESG administered funds are received by our DV shelter, and youth shelter. ESG is also utilized to fund a number of RRH beds for youth, including those who are DV survivors. Protocol is to ask a dv victim if they would like to speak to a dv advocate or receive services immediately. Legal Action assists victims to obtain orders of protection. Shelters & other programs do not divulge the location of clients. Coordinated entry is primarily done through HMIS with a separate non-HMIS list that maintains confidentiality and safety of domestic violence survivors. There is a pre-screen form that identifies survivors so that the appropriate protocols are utilized. CoC members participate in the human trafficking coalition and domestic violence task force. All CoC members have been trained in Trauma Informed Care. All projects are encouraged to provide client centered services, but particularly to victims/survivors of domestic violence. In addition to the CoC funded PSH project for DV survivors, there is a newly funded DOJ project. Although additional housing for survivors would be

beneficial to the CoC, all providers believed that in light of the new DOJ project we should spend more time evaluating our needs and gaps after that project is operational

**1C-3a. Applicants must describe how the CoC coordinates with victim services providers to provide annual training to CoC area projects and Coordinated Entry staff that addresses best practices in serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. (limit 2,000 characters)**

Training on some aspect of domestic violence annually. DV providers in the CoC provide de-identified aggregate data from Osnum. Data is reviewed monthly, along with other CoC data. Most recently dv data was used to determine the CoC subpopulation prioritization. The HMIS committee meets monthly and discussion and training include dv data and the non-HMIS coordinated entry list. Racine CoC members participated in non-HMIS CE list training through our HMIS Lead Agency - Institute for Community Alliances. All CoC agencies have been trained in Trauma Informed Care, and any community wide dv policy and protocols. Agencies also attend webinars directed at the housing and service needs of dv survivors. A DV provider is a member of the CE workgroup and has provided input and feedback on confidentiality and safety planning regarding our CE policies and procedures.

**1C-3b. Applicants must describe the data the CoC uses to assess the scope of community needs related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including data from a comparable database. (limit 2,000 characters)**

The DV providers generate de-identified aggregate data reports from Osnum, a comparable HMIS database. Osnum is capable of generating CAPER and APR data in the same format as our HMIS system. The CAPER is submitted monthly. The APR is generated at a minimum annually, and more frequently if requested. Reports are generated by a DV shelter and DV permanent housing provider. The number of individuals experiencing and fleeing domestic is collected, as well as general demographic data. The DV providers are also able to generate aggregate data from a data system that identifies the type of violence. Additionally, the DV providers report data monthly for a Housing Inventory Chart (HIC).

**1C-4. DV Bonus Projects. Is your CoC No applying for DV Bonus Projects?**

**1C-5. PHAs within CoC. Applicants must use the chart to provide information about each Public Housing Agency (PHA) in the CoC's geographic areas:**

- (1) Identify the percentage of new admissions to the Public Housing or Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Programs in the PHA who were experiencing homelessness at the time of admission;**
- (2) Indicate whether the PHA has a homeless admission preference in its**

**Public Housing and/or HCV Program; and  
 (3) Indicate whether the CoC has a move on strategy. The information  
 should be for Federal Fiscal Year 2017.**

Public Housing Agency Name	% New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program during FY 2017 who were experiencing homelessness at entry	PHA has General or Limited Homeless Preference	PHA has a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g. move on?
Housing Authority of Racine County	0.00%	No	No

**1C-5a. For each PHA where there is not a homeless admission preference in their written policy, applicants must identify the steps the CoC has taken to encourage the PHA to adopt such a policy. (limit 2,000 characters)**

The CoC has one PHA in its jurisdiction. Annually, a request is made to the PHA to create a homeless preference. The Commissioners do not believe that one population should receive a preference over another. Several agencies have had discussions with individual commissioners about the preference. The largest homeless shelter in the CoC now has one of the commissioners on its Board of Directors and has regular discussions with him regarding the need for the preference as part of the overall CoC plan. A representative from the PHA has been attending CoC meetings since September of last year, which was the result of the annual contact with the PHA last year.

**1C-5b. Move On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers. Does the CoC have a Move On strategy with affordable housing providers in its jurisdiction (e.g., multifamily assisted housing owners, PHAs, Low Income Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments, or local low-income housing programs)?** No

**1C-6. Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT). Applicants must describe the actions the CoC has taken to address the needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender individuals and their families experiencing homelessness. (limit 2,000 characters)**

All providers have been provided a copy of the rule. An informational session/training was provided on the Equal Access to Housing rule. CoC members are notified of webinars and other training opportunities for staff on a variety of issues. Policies and procedures of individual agencies are reviewed for compliance with the rule. Representatives from the LGBTQ community were invited to join the CoC and provide a voice for the population.



**1C-6a. Anti-Discrimination Policy and Training. Applicants must indicate if the CoC implemented a CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy and conducted CoC-wide anti-discrimination training on the Equal Access Final Rule and the Gender Identity Final Rule.**

1. Did the CoC implement a CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy that applies to all projects regardless of funding source?	Yes
2. Did the CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)?	Yes
3. Did the CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs in Accordance with an Individual's Gender Identity (Gender Identity Final Rule)?	Yes

**1C-7. Criminalization of Homelessness. Applicants must select the specific strategies the CoC implemented to prevent the criminalization of homelessness in the CoC's geographic area. Select all that apply.**

Engaged/educated local policymakers:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Engaged/educated law enforcement:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Engaged/educated local business leaders:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implemented communitywide plans:	<input type="checkbox"/>
No strategies have been implemented:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:(limit 50 characters)	
	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>

**1C-8. Centralized or Coordinated Assessment System. Applicants must:**  
 (1) demonstrate the coordinated entry system covers the entire CoC geographic area;  
 (2) demonstrate the coordinated entry system reaches people who are least likely to apply homelessness assistance in the absence of special outreach;  
 (3) demonstrate the assessment process prioritizes people most in need of assistance and ensures they receive assistance in a timely manner; and  
 (4) attach CoC's standard assessment tool.  
 (limit 2,000 characters)

Coordinated entry includes all areas within Racine County. We utilize multiple points of entry to assure that individuals in rural areas have access as well as those in urban areas. It is also our intent not to require people to travel from one

agency to another for the assessment to take place. Our street outreach team is lead by the CoC PATH provider. They assure that persons who are on the street and will not enter shelter are assessed and placed on the CE list. Persons who tend to refuse to go into shelter are predominantly those with a serious mental illness. Persons who meet the definition of chronically homeless are prioritized for housing. Within that category they are prioritized so those who have been homeless the longest are a higher priority. We are in the process of implementing staffings with multiple agencies to further identify those individuals on the list who are the most vulnerable or have the most acute needs. Our assessment tool-VISPDAT-is in our HMIS system. The VI-SPDAT is administered and the scores will also be considered as an indicator of the level of need. Special protocols are in place for DV survivors, youth and veterans.

## 1D. Continuum of Care (CoC) Discharge Planning

### Instructions:

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**1D-1. Discharge Planning–State and Local. Applicants must indicate whether the CoC has a discharge policy to ensure persons discharged from the systems of care listed are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs. Check all that apply (note that when "None:" is selected no other system of care should be selected).**

Foster Care:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Health Care:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mental Health Care:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Correctional Facilities:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
None:	<input type="checkbox"/>

**1D-2. Discharge Planning Coordination. Applicants must indicate whether the CoC actively coordinates with the systems of care listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs. Check all that apply (note that when "None:" is selected no other system of care should be selected).**

Foster Care:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Health Care:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mental Health Care:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Correctional Facilities:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
None:	<input type="checkbox"/>

## 1E. Continuum of Care (CoC) Project Review, Ranking, and Selection

### Instructions

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**1E-1. Project Ranking and Selection. Applicants must indicate whether the CoC used the following to rank and select project applications for the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition:**

- (1) objective criteria;**
- (2) at least one factor related to achieving positive housing outcomes;**
- (3) a specific method for evaluating projects submitted by victim services providers; and**
- (4) attach evidence that supports the process selected.**

Used Objective Criteria for Review, Rating, Ranking and Section	Yes
Included at least one factor related to achieving positive housing outcomes	Yes
Included a specific method for evaluating projects submitted by victim service providers	Yes

**1E-2. Severity of Needs and Vulnerabilities. Applicants must describe:**

- (1) the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities the CoC considered when reviewing, ranking, and rating projects; and**
- (2) how the CoC takes severity of needs and vulnerabilities into account during the review, rating, and ranking process.**

**(limit 2,000 characters)**

The ranking tool includes a question that looks at the % of persons with 2 or more disabilities. The number of dedicated beds for the chronically homeless or DedicatedPLUS beds were threshold criteria for permanent supportive housing project applications. The ranking prioritization for both permanent supportive housing and rapid rehousing considered sub-populations that generally have greater needs and vulnerabilities. Projects with a larger percentage of CH or DedicatedPLUS beds, and serving a more vulnerable population do receive preference in the final ranking. Those with more dedicated beds and serving the priority sub-populations will generally be ranked higher in the final ranking decision, and may be a consideration when resolving a tie score. In addition to chronically homeless and number of disabilities - which includes alcohol and drug addiction as factors, domestic abuse survivors were considered a vulnerable priority population.

**1E-3. Public Postings. Applicants must indicate how the CoC made public:**

- (1) objective ranking and selection process the CoC used for all projects (new and renewal);**
- (2) CoC Consolidated Application—including the CoC Application, Priority Listings, and all projects accepted and ranked or rejected, which HUD required CoCs to post to their websites, or partners websites, at least 2 days before the CoC Program Competition application submission deadline; and**
- (3) attach documentation demonstrating the objective ranking, rating, and selections process and the final version of the completed CoC Consolidated Application, including the CoC Application with attachments, Priority Listing with reallocation forms and all project applications that were accepted and ranked, or rejected (new and renewal) was made publicly available, that legibly displays the date the CoC publicly posted the documents.**

Public Posting of Objective Ranking and Selection Process		Public Posting of CoC Consolidated Application including: CoC Application, Priority Listings, Project Listings	
CoC or other Website	<input type="checkbox"/>	CoC or other Website	<input type="checkbox"/>
Email	<input type="checkbox"/>	Email	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mail	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mail	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertising in Local Newspaper(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Advertising in Local Newspaper(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertising on Radio or Television	<input type="checkbox"/>	Advertising on Radio or Television	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social Media (Twitter, Facebook, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social Media (Twitter, Facebook, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>

**1E-4. Reallocation. Applicants must indicate whether the CoC has cumulatively reallocated at least 20 percent of the CoC’s ARD between the FY 2014 and FY 2018 CoC Program Competitions.**

**Reallocation:** Yes

**1E-5. Local CoC Competition. Applicants must indicate whether the CoC:**

- (1) established a deadline for project applications that was no later than 30 days before the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition Application deadline—attachment required;**
- (2) rejected or reduced project application(s)—attachment required; and**
- (3) notify applicants that their project application(s) were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps, at least 15 days before FY 2018 CoC Program Competition Application deadline—attachment required. :**

<b>(1) Did the CoC establish a deadline for project applications that was no later than 30 days before the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition Application deadline? Attachment required.</b>	Yes
<b>(2) If the CoC rejected or reduced project application(s), did the CoC notify applicants that their project application(s) were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps, at least 15 days before FY 2018 CoC Program Competition Application deadline? Attachment required.</b>	Did not reject or reduce any project
<b>(3) Did the CoC notify applicants that their applications were accepted and ranked on the Priority Listing in writing outside of e-snaps, at least 15 before days of the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition Application deadline?</b>	No

## **2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation**

**Intructions:**

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**2A-1. Roles and Responsibilities of the CoC and HMIS Lead. Does your CoC have in place a Governance Charter or other written documentation (e.g., MOU/MOA) that outlines the roles and responsibilities of the CoC and HMIS Lead? Attachment Required.** Yes

**2A-1a. Applicants must:** page 4 - 7 Wisconsin Governance Charter  
**(1) provide the page number(s) where the roles and responsibilities of the CoC and HMIS Lead can be found in the attached document(s) referenced in 2A-1, and**  
**(2) indicate the document type attached for question 2A-1 that includes roles and responsibilities of the CoC and HMIS Lead (e.g., Governance Charter, MOU/MOA).**

**2A-2. HMIS Policy and Procedures Manual. Does your CoC have a HMIS Policy and Procedures Manual? Attachment Required.** Yes

**2A-3. HMIS Vender. What is the name of the HMIS software vendor?** Mediware Information Systems

**2A-4. HMIS Implementation Coverage Area. Using the drop-down boxes, applicants must select the HMIS implementation Coverage area.** Statewide HMIS (multiple CoC)

**2A-5. Bed Coverage Rate. Using 2018 HIC and HMIS data, applicants must report by project type:**  
**(1) total number of beds in 2018 HIC;**  
**(2) total beds dedicated for DV in the 2018 HIC; and**

**(3) total number of beds in HMIS.**

Project Type	Total Beds in 2018 HIC	Total Beds in HIC Dedicated for DV	Total Beds in HMIS	HMIS Bed Coverage Rate
Emergency Shelter (ES) beds	192	47	145	100.00%
Safe Haven (SH) beds	0	0	0	
Transitional Housing (TH) beds	62	32	30	100.00%
Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds	74	0	74	100.00%
Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) beds	118	9	75	68.81%
Other Permanent Housing (OPH) beds	0	0	0	

**2A-5a. To receive partial credit, if the bed coverage rate is 84.99 percent or lower for any of the project types in question 2A-5., applicants must provide clear steps on how the CoC intends to increase this percentage for each project type over the next 12 months. (limit 2,000 characters)**

The PSH percentage is below the stated percentage as a result of HUD VASH vouchers not being entered into our HMIS system. Previously, an agreement was reached with the PHA which administers the vouchers to enter them. However, when the identified staff person left the agency it was not implemented. We are engaged in conversations with Milwaukee VA staff who have agreed that the vouchers should be entered into HMIS, and are in the process of developing a strategy and implementation plan that would involve either VA or PHA staff entering the vouchers. Monthly meetings will continue to take place, a time line will be developed and monitored to assure that staff are identified for this role, are properly trained and 12 months from now the percentage will be above 84.99%. Our HMIS Lead Agency representative has had a key role in mediating and facilitating this goal.

**2A-6. AHAR Shells Submission: How many 2017 Annual Housing Assessment Report (AHAR) tables shells did HUD accept?** 12

**2A-7. CoC Data Submission in HDX. Applicants must enter the date the CoC submitted the 2018 Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data into the Homelessness Data Exchange (HDX). (mm/dd/yyyy)** 04/30/2018

## 2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time Count

### Instructions:

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**2B-1. PIT Count Date. Applicants must enter the date the CoC conducted its 2018 PIT count (mm/dd/yyyy).** 01/24/2018

**2B-2. HDX Submission Date. Applicants must enter the date the CoC submitted its PIT count data in HDX (mm/dd/yyyy).** 04/30/2018



## 2C. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count: Methodologies

**Instructions:**

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**2C-1. Change in Sheltered PIT Count Implementation. Applicants must describe any change in the CoC’s sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology and data quality changes from 2017 to 2018. Specifically, how those changes impacted the CoC’s sheltered PIT count results.  
 (limit 2,000 characters)**

The PIT committee reviewed current procedures, determined the current procedures assured accurate data and data quality. There was more emphasis placed on training staff who were new so they were more aware of data quality and accuracy. We do not believe this impacted the overall final number, but the demographic data collection had fewer pieces of missing data.

**2C-2. Did your CoC change its provider coverage in the 2018 sheltered count?** No

**2C-2a. If “Yes” was selected in 2C-2, applicants must enter the number of beds that were added or removed in the 2018 sheltered PIT count.**

Beds Added:	0
Beds Removed:	0
Total:	0

**2C-3. Presidentially Declared Disaster Changes to Sheltered PIT Count. Did your CoC add or remove emergency shelter, transitional housing, or Safe Haven inventory because of funding specific to a Presidentially declared disaster, resulting in a change to the CoC’s 2018 sheltered PIT count?** No

**2C-3a. If “Yes” was selected for question 2C-3, applicants must enter the number of beds that were added or removed in 2018 because of a Presidentially declared disaster.**

Beds Added:	0
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Beds Removed:	0
Total:	0

**2C-4. Changes in Unsheltered PIT Count Implementation. Did your CoC change its unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology and data quality changes from 2017 to 2018? If your CoC did not conduct and unsheltered PIT count in 2018, select Not Applicable.** Yes

**2C-4a. If “Yes” was selected for question 2C-4, applicants must:**  
**(1) describe any change in the CoC’s unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology and data quality changes from 2017 to 2018; and**  
**(2) specify how those changes impacted the CoC’s unsheltered PIT count results.**  
**(limit 2,000 characters)**

The PIT committee reviewed current procedures, determined the current procedures assured accurate data and data quality. There was more emphasis placed on training staff who were new so they were more aware of data quality and accuracy. We do not believe this impacted the overall final number, but the demographic data collection had fewer pieces of missing data.

**2C-5. Identifying Youth Experiencing Homelessness in 2018 PIT Count. Did your CoC implement specific measures to identify youth experiencing homelessness in its 2018 PIT count?** Yes

**2C-5a. If “Yes” was selected for question 2C-5., applicants must describe:**  
**(1) how stakeholders serving youth experiencing homelessness were engaged during the planning process;**  
**(2) how the CoC worked with stakeholders to select locations where youth experiencing homelessness are most likely to be identified; and**  
**(3) how the CoC involved youth experiencing homelessness in counting during the 2018 PIT count.**  
**(limit 2,000 characters)**

A representative of the youth rapid rehousing project serving youth 18-24 is a member of the PIT workgroup, as well as representatives of other shelters - including DV - who also serve youth as part their populations. The youth rapid rehousing project has very experienced and knowledgeable outreach staff who were relied on to provide their expertise regarding the most likely locations where youth experiencing homelessness might be found. The volunteer youth outreach team was also consulted. Expertise was provided on engaging youth in conversation and information gathering. Youth provided possible locations and there were several youth on PIT teams. A youth volunteer team searched wooded areas for encampment sites by day for follow-up by the outreach team

at night. This is also done in between PIT counts.

**2C-6. 2018 PIT Implementation. Applicants must describe actions the CoC implemented in its 2018 PIT count to better count:**

- (1) individuals and families experiencing chronic homelessness;**
  - (2) families with children experiencing homelessness; and**
  - (3) Veterans experiencing homelessness.**
- (limit 2,000 characters)**

The survey was reviewed to assure that the questions being asked were worded properly so that chronic homelessness was identified. Additional training was provided on the chronic homeless definition and periods of homelessness. The street outreach team was able to do some pre-PIT work to identify locations where families might be living in their vehicles. The school counselor at one of the schools in the inner city was contacted to determine if she was aware of any families residing in vehicles. Local veterans organizations were contacted to determine if they were aware of any veterans who may be residing on the street or in vehicles.

## 3A. Continuum of Care (CoC) System Performance

### Instructions

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**3A-1. First Time Homeless as Reported in HDX. In the box below, applicants must report the number of first-time homeless as reported in HDX.**

Number of First Time Homeless as Reported in HDX.
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### 3A-1a. Applicants must:

- (1) describe how the CoC determined which risk factors the CoC uses to identify persons becoming homeless for the first time;
- (2) describe the CoC's strategy to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and
- (3) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time. (limit 2,000 characters)

Examined shelter entry and prevention data over period of years to identify commonalities - loss of income, criminal history, domestic violence, mental illness, eviction history identified. CoC maintains strong prevention & diversion emphasis. Legal representation & rental assistance is effective intervention and diversion for those at risk or imminent risk of homelessness. Coordination with ResCare, TANF provider, for emergency assistance funds to prevent eviction or move household into new housing so do not enter homeless system. Financial education coordinated with Financial Fitness Coalition. Relationships with prison re-entry & domestic violence programs to provide education & services, established protocols with addiction and mental health providers that support long term recovery have also proven to be helpful. Legal Action of Wisconsin, City of Racine, and Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization oversee efforts.

### 3A-2. Length-of-Time Homeless as Reported in HDX. Applicants must:

- (1) provide the average length of time individuals and persons in families remained homeless (i.e., the number);
- (2) describe the CoC's strategy to reduce the length-of-time individuals and persons in families remain homeless;
- (3) describe how the CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and
- (4) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless. (limit 2,000 characters)

Average ES LOTH was 58 days, Median ES LOTH 29 days, Average including TH LOTH 75 days, Median including TH LOTH 37 days. The LOTH has increased in all categories. Analyzing data and gaining an understanding of why the LOTH increased is key to developing a strategy. One of the primary factors is a lack of affordable, habitable housing in the community. Increase in the number of people in our shelters has made it more difficult to locate adequate housing for a larger number of individuals. Improving access to available affordable, habitable units in the community is a short term strategy. We have increased our efforts to build relationships with landlords and increase the number of units available to the CoC as one strategy. Increasing the number of affordable, habitable units in the community through rehab or development is a longer term strategy. A Housing Summit, which included City and County officials and developers was recently held in September 2018 as a way to inform and address the need for affordable housing as part of the overall housing strategy. Efforts have also increased to create better access to employment - including training, education, and overcoming barriers to employment such as driver license recovery & occupational licensing reinstatement. A community wide effort - outside the CoC - has also been implemented to build a more educated and skilled workforce. There are many linkages to the CoC under this initiative. The CoC utilizes HMIS data to identify those with the longest length of time homeless. The HMIS Committee and Coordinated Entry workgroup currently oversees effort.

**3A-3. Successful Permanent Housing Placement and Retention as Reported in HDX. Applicants must:**

- (1) provide the percentage of individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing that exit to permanent housing destinations; and**
- (2) provide the percentage of individuals and persons in families in permanent housing projects, other than rapid rehousing, that retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations.**

	Percentage
Report the percentage of individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid re-housing that exit to permanent housing destinations as reported in HDX.	47%
Report the percentage of individuals and persons in families in permanent housing projects, other than rapid re-housing, that retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations as reported in HDX.	98%

**3A-3a. Applicants must:**

- (1) describe the CoC's strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations; and**
- (2) describe the CoC's strategy to increase the rate at which individuals and persons in families in permanent housing projects, other than rapid rehousing, retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations.**

**(limit 2,000 characters)**

All projects are required to be Housing First which places emphasis on getting people into housing quickly and providing support once in housing rather than remaining in shelter and "getting them ready" for housing. Early identification and intervention for those with mental health or addiction barriers is also key to

the retention of housing, as well as being able to exit from a permanent supportive housing environment to permanent housing utilizing other services in the community. Increased efforts to develop relationships with landlords is imperative to assure an adequate supply of affordable, habitable units. Development of an on-going tenant education program is also viewed as a key component of helping clients to retain housing.

**3A-4. Returns to Homelessness as Reported in HDX. Applicants must report the percentage of individuals and persons in families returning to homelessness over a 6- and 12-month period as reported in HDX.**

	Percentage
Report the percentage of individuals and persons in families returning to homelessness over a 6- and 12-month period as reported in HDX	3%

**3A-4a. Applicants must:**

- (1) describe how the CoC identifies common factors of individuals and persons in families who return to homelessness;**
- (2) describe the CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness; and**
- (3) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families returns to homelessness.**  
**(limit 2,000 characters)**

HMIS data is examined on a regular basis to identify the returns and examine the reasons why there was a return to homelessness to identify most likely risk factors. PSH and RRH projects utilize a transfer strategy if there is a more appropriate housing option for someone rather than terminate from the project, or time out of the RRH and return to homelessness. Early intervention strategies to identify those needing mental health or addiction treatment and support, as well as stays in a short term (3 day) crisis facility to stabilize those in crisis, allows retention of housing rather than a return to homelessness because they are unable to stabilize or require long term treatment. Provide aftercare for a period of time while clients transition to new community support services is also utilized. Increased efforts with the re-entry population are also part of the overall strategy. HMIS Committee and Prevention Coordinated Entry Workgroup oversee efforts.

**3A-5. Job and Income Growth. Applicants must:**

- (1) describe the CoC’s strategy to increase access to employment and non-employment cash sources;**
- (2) describe how the CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families increase their cash income; and**
- (3) provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy to increase job and income growth from employment.**  
**(limit 2,000 characters)**

The overall strategy is to provide easily accessible opportunities to increase education level, as well as increase and enhance job skills. Strategies include

having employment training and placement providers present workshops and schedule individual appointments onsite at shelters. RRH clients have been added to the service focus of a nonprofit employment skills provider - Racine Vocational Ministry to help them enhance their skills and income potential. Providers collaborate with Racine County on a number of initiatives targeted at job readiness and employment, including a data base that will help clients access employment and training opportunities. Opportunities to obtain a GED, help with resumes and soft skills are also available through Racine County and Gateway Technical College. The CoC agencies work with a number of sources on job training programs and apprenticeship programs. The FSET program is widely utilized as a resource in the CoC. Private employment/recruitment agencies provide opportunities for practice interviews and resume building. The Resource Development Committee, which includes Racine Vocational Ministry, oversees these efforts.

**3A-6. System Performance Measures Data Submission in HDX. Applicants must enter the date the CoC submitted the System Performance Measures data in HDX, which included the data quality section for FY 2017 (mm/dd/yyyy)** 05/30/2018

## 3B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Performance and Strategic Planning Objectives

### Instructions

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- 3B-1. DedicatedPLUS and Chronically Homeless Beds. In the boxes below, applicants must enter:**
- (1) total number of beds in the Project Application(s) that are designated as DedicatedPLUS beds; and**
  - (2) total number of beds in the Project Application(s) that are designated for the chronically homeless, which does not include those that were identified in (1) above as DedicatedPLUS Beds.**

Total number of beds dedicated as DedicatedPLUS	45
Total number of beds dedicated to individuals and families experiencing chronic homelessness	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>

**3B-2. Orders of Priority. Did the CoC adopt the Orders of Priority into their written standards for all CoC Program-funded PSH projects as described in Notice CPD-16-11: Prioritizing Persons Experiencing Chronic Homelessness and Other Vulnerable Homeless Persons in Permanent Supportive Housing? Attachment Required.** Yes

**3B-2.1. Prioritizing Households with Children. Using the following chart, applicants must check all that apply to indicate the factor(s) the CoC currently uses to prioritize households with children during FY 2018.**

History of or Vulnerability to Victimization (e.g. domestic violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Number of previous homeless episodes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unsheltered homelessness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Criminal History	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bad credit or rental history	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Head of Household with Mental/Physical Disability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



**3B-2.2. Applicants must:**

- (1) describe the CoC’s current strategy to rapidly rehouse every household of families with children within 30 days of becoming homeless;**
- (2) describe how the CoC addresses both housing and service needs to ensure families successfully maintain their housing once assistance ends; and**
- (3) provide the organization name or position title responsible for overseeing the CoCs strategy to rapidly rehouse families with children within 30 days of becoming homeless.**  
**(limit 2,000 characters)**

The CoC utilizes the VI-SPDAT to prioritize families for housing. Families must be added to the CE list as quickly as possible, ideally within 7 - 14 days of entering a shelter, or being identified on the street or place not meant for human habitation if shelter is refused. Continuing to build relationships with landlords provides a mechanism to have an available source of affordable, habitable units within a short period of time. A case manager is assigned to each household to develop a housing stability plan, which includes assessing barriers to accessing housing and retaining housing. Services are coordinated with other providers in the community to assure that the necessary support is available for the family. Aftercare support is also encouraged so there is a smooth transition between providers and services. The Homeless Assistance Leadership Organization, HOPES Center of Racine, and SAFE Haven of Racine oversee efforts.

**3B-2.3. Antidiscrimination Policies. Applicants must check all that apply that describe actions the CoC is taking to ensure providers (including emergency shelter, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing (PSH and RRH) within the CoC adhere to antidiscrimination policies by not denying admission to or separating any family members from other members of their family or caregivers based on age, sex, gender, LGBT status, marital status, or disability when entering a shelter or housing.**

CoC conducts mandatory training for all CoC and ESG funded service providers on these topics.	<input type="checkbox"/>
CoC conducts optional training for all CoC and ESG funded service providers on these topics.	<input type="checkbox"/>
CoC has worked with ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients.	<input type="checkbox"/>
CoC has worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC and ESG funded facilities within the CoC geographic area that may be out of compliance, and taken steps to work directly with those facilities to come into compliance.	<input type="checkbox"/>
CoC has sought assistance from HUD through submitting AAQs or requesting TA to resolve non-compliance of service providers.	<input type="checkbox"/>

**3B-2.4. Strategy for Addressing Needs of Unaccompanied Youth Experiencing Homelessness. Applicants must indicate whether the CoC’s strategy to address the unique needs of unaccompanied homeless youth includes the following:**

Human trafficking and other forms of exploitation	Yes
LGBT youth homelessness	Yes
Exits from foster care into homelessness	Yes
Family reunification and community engagement	Yes
Positive Youth Development, Trauma Informed Care, and the use of Risk and Protective Factors in assessing youth housing and service needs	Yes

**3B-2.5. Prioritizing Unaccompanied Youth Experiencing Homelessness Based on Needs. Applicants must check all that apply from the list below that describes the CoC's current strategy to prioritize unaccompanied youth based on their needs.**

History or Vulnerability to Victimization (e.g., domestic violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Number of Previous Homeless Episodes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unsheltered Homelessness	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Criminal History	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bad Credit or Rental History	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**3B-2.6. Applicants must describe the CoC's strategy to increase:**  
**(1) housing and services for all youth experiencing homelessness by providing new resources or more effectively using existing resources, including securing additional funding; and**  
**(2) availability of housing and services for youth experiencing unsheltered homelessness by providing new resources or more effectively using existing resources.**  
**(limit 3,000 characters)**

SAFE Haven, our local youth shelter, has increased the number of available RRH units with ESG funding. Our TH DV provider was awarded DOJ funding that includes youth DV survivors. Age appropriate procedures and services for this population have been developed by these providers, and are available to other CoC providers. PIT procedures are more effective for this population and include areas identified as where youth congregate: malls, lakefront, skateboard park, parks and specific convenience stores in the community. Increased outreach efforts other than during PIT have been made. Increased collaborative efforts between those having expertise in working with youth and those who do not will greatly increase overall efficiency and effectiveness. Youth were selected as one of the CoC gaps, and were prioritized in the competition rating, ranking and selection. A youth outreach volunteer team was implemented this year. It searches woods for encampment sites by day for follow-up by the outreach team at night.

**3B-2.6a. Applicants must:**  
**(1) provide evidence the CoC uses to measure both strategies in question 3B-2.6. to increase the availability of housing and services for youth experiencing homelessness;**  
**(2) describe the measure(s) the CoC uses to calculate the effectiveness of the strategies; and**  
**(3) describe why the CoC believes the measure it uses is an appropriate way to determine the effectiveness of the CoC's strategies.**  
**(limit 3,000 characters)**

The CoC utilizes HMIS shelter data and HIC data to identify need. There are more youth in shelter than beds specifically available for those who are

appropriate RRH and PSH youth placements. If a bed in a dedicated youth project is not available, their housing opportunities are then determined by their placement on the CE Prioritization list in the same manner as all others on the list. The CoC reviews HMIS data to determine the number of youth entering shelter, exit destinations and length of time homeless. We believe these are appropriate measures as the number of youth entering shelter is reflective of increased outreach. Historically, this population is more likely to move from friend to friend rather than enter shelter. Entering shelter is seen as a successful result as it is the first step to getting services needed for stabilization. Exit destination reveals whether we are able to provide adequate resources - including access to permanent housing, or if there is a need to revise our procedures because a significant number are returning to temporary situations such as moving from friend to friend. The length of time homeless is reflective of the CoC capacity to provide access to permanent housing and whether the services in place adequately serve the population. For example, collaborating with an agency with expertise in working with youth 18-24 should provide increased supportive services and opportunities that lead to shorter shelter stays and increased permanent housing opportunities and stability.

**3B-2.7. Collaboration–Education Services. Applicants must describe how the CoC collaborates with:**

- (1) youth education providers;**
  - (2) McKinney-Vento State Education Agency (SEA) and Local Education Agency (LEA);**
  - (3) school districts; and**
  - (4) the formal partnerships with (1) through (3) above.**
- (limit 2,000 characters)**

The McKinney-Vento liaison from the largest school district in Racine County attends CoC meetings, as well as direct collaboration with the CoC shelter case managers. SAFE Haven Youth Shelter, HALO and WRC shelters depend on the assistance of the liaisons to assure that the school district provides the required educational services while the child is homeless. There are also collaborative efforts between other school districts when there is a homeless child who formerly attended that district. The CoC also works with CESA 1, including agency staff attending meetings and training regarding programming for homeless, runaway and trafficked youth, and general education issues/concerns common to children experiencing homelessness. The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction is available to answer questions and provides information as needed. SAFE Haven has a formal partnership with The Academy Center for early childhood services. HALO has a formal partnership with UW-Extension for the provision of parenting and nurturing workshops for clients. Although a formal agreement does not exist, SAFE Haven, HALO and WRC all have a relationship with Head Start.

**3B-2.7a. Applicants must describe the policies and procedures the CoC adopted to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for education services.**  
**(limit 2,000 characters)**

Recipients of CoC funding are required to comply with the requirements of the McKinney-Vento Act. This includes the identification of a person on staff as the

McKinney-Vento liaison for their agency. It is the responsibility of each agency to have a policy/procedure in place. If they have difficulty with a school district complying with McKinney-Vento they should contact the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction or Legal Action of Wisconsin for assistance. Compliance with McKinney-Vento is a requirement to apply for CoC funding.

**3B-2.8. Does the CoC have written formal agreements, MOU/MOAs or partnerships with one or more providers of early childhood services and supports? Select “Yes” or “No”. Applicants must select “Yes” or “No”, from the list below, if the CoC has written formal agreements, MOU/MOA’s or partnerships with providers of early childhood services and support.**

	MOU/MOA	Other Formal Agreement
Early Childhood Providers	Yes	No
Head Start	No	No
Early Head Start	No	No
Child Care and Development Fund	No	No
Federal Home Visiting Program	No	No
Healthy Start	No	No
Public Pre-K	No	No
Birth to 3 years	No	No
Tribal Home Visiting Program	No	No
Other: (limit 50 characters)		
UW- Extension	Yes	

**3B-3.1. Veterans Experiencing Homelessness. Applicants must describe the actions the CoC has taken to identify, assess, and refer Veterans experiencing homelessness, who are eligible for U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) housing and services, to appropriate resources such as HUD-VASH, Supportive Services for Veterans Families (SSVF) program and Grant and Per Diem (GPD). (limit 2,000 characters)**

The Racine CoC HMIS CE assessment includes a number of questions to identify individuals who may be a veteran. Identified persons are to be referred to the County Veterans Service Officer (CVSO) and the Center for Veterans Issues for an initial assessment. The CVSO will verify veteran status and will coordinate with both the State of WI Department of Veteran Affairs and US Department of Veterans Affairs to determine which services are available. The Center for Veterans Issues assesses the individual for SSVF eligibility. The agency case manager is the contact point so that services can be coordinated until one of the other organizations takes on that role. Additionally, the individual is placed on the CoC Coordinated Entry list which an agency operating a GPD facility utilizes to fill opening. Discussions are underway to incorporate both the VA and SSVF provider into the CoC Coordinated Entry process to fill HUD-VASH and SSVF openings.

**3B-3.2. Does the CoC use an active list or by Yes**

**name list to identify all Veterans experiencing homelessness in the CoC?**

**3B-3.3. Is the CoC actively working with the VA and VA-funded programs to achieve the benchmarks and criteria for ending Veteran homelessness?** Yes

**3B-3.4. Does the CoC have sufficient resources to ensure each Veteran experiencing homelessness is assisted to quickly move into permanent housing using a Housing First approach?** Yes

**3B-5. Racial Disparity. Applicants must:** Yes  
 (1) indicate whether the CoC assessed whether there are racial disparities in the provision or outcome of homeless assistance;  
 (2) if the CoC conducted an assessment, attach a copy of the summary.

**3B-5a. Applicants must select from the options below the results of the CoC's assessment.**

People of different races or ethnicities are more or less likely to receive homeless assistance.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
People of different races or ethnicities are more or less likely to receive a positive outcome from homeless assistance.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
There are no racial disparities in the provision or outcome of homeless assistance.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The results are inconclusive for racial disparities in the provision or outcome of homeless assistance.	<input type="checkbox"/>

**3B-5b. Applicants must select from the options below the strategies the CoC is using to address any racial disparities.**

The CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies are representative of the population served in the CoC.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC has identified steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC is expanding outreach in geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC has communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC is training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC is establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC has staff, committees or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness.	<input type="checkbox"/>

The CoC is educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national non-profit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC reviewed coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The CoC is conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

## 4A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Accessing Mainstream Benefits and Additional Policies

**Instructions:**

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- 4A-1. Healthcare. Applicants must indicate, for each type of healthcare listed below, whether the CoC:**
- (1) assists persons experiencing homelessness with enrolling in health insurance; and**
  - (2) assists persons experiencing homelessness with effectively utilizing Medicaid and other benefits.**

Type of Health Care	Assist with Enrollment	Assist with Utilization of Benefits?
Public Health Care Benefits (State or Federal benefits, Medicaid, Indian Health Services)	Yes	Yes
Private Insurers:	Yes	Yes
Non-Profit, Philanthropic:	Yes	Yes
Other: (limit 50 characters)		

- 4A-1a. Mainstream Benefits. Applicants must:**
- (1) describe how the CoC works with mainstream programs that assist persons experiencing homelessness to apply for and receive mainstream benefits;**
  - (2) describe how the CoC systematically keeps program staff up-to-date regarding mainstream resources available for persons experiencing homelessness (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, TANF, substance abuse programs); and**
  - (3) provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing the CoC’s strategy for mainstream benefits. (limit 2,000 characters)**

A representative of mainstream programs (TANF) - Racine County Resource Navigator - participates in the CoC. Updates on various programs is presented. The Resource Navigator facilitates a quarterly networking meeting which staff from CoC agencies attend. Various mainstream topics are covered during these meetings. The Resource Navigator schedules hours weekly at the CoC's largest shelter and a drop in site operated by a CoC organization. Information is distributed to clients at both locations, and the Resource Navigator will coordinate assistance to apply for various benefits. The Resource Navigator also provides information and updates to CoC agency staff. A representative from UW-Extension also participates in the CoC. Updates are provided on a regularly basis. UW-Extension maintains an online Resource Directory of

available resources, and also sponsors an annual Networking Breakfast where agencies learn about services offered by other agencies attending. Legal Action of WI also participates in the CoC and provides updates on the SOAR program as well as SSI. Legal Action also provides advocacy/representation for those who have been denied mainstream benefits. ResCare operates the FSET program and provides information to the CoC.

**4A-2.Housing First: Applicants must report:**

- (1) total number of new and renewal CoC Program Funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC is applying for in FY 2018 CoC Program Competition; and**
- (2) total number of new and renewal CoC Program Funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC is applying for in FY 2018 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach—meaning that the project quickly houses clients without preconditions or service participation requirements.**

Total number of new and renewal CoC Program Funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC is applying for in FY 2018 CoC Program Competition.	7
Total number of new and renewal CoC Program Funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC is applying for in FY 2018 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach—meaning that the project quickly houses clients without preconditions or service participation requirements.	7
Percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, Safe-Haven, SSO non-Coordinated Entry projects in the FY 2018 CoC Program Competition that will be designated as Housing First.	100%

**4A-3. Street Outreach. Applicants must:**

- (1) describe the CoC’s outreach;**
- (2) state whether the CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC’s geographic area;**
- (3) describe how often the CoC conducts street outreach; and**
- (4) describe how the CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance. (limit 2,000 characters)**

The COC’s street outreach covers 100% of Racine County. PIT street counts take place twice annually and cover the entire county with the exception of COC approved excluded areas. Between counts, coverage by street outreach teams from the HOPES Center of Racine includes the areas that were excluded during PIT. The outreach team has divided the county into 4 zones with teams assigned to each. Zones 1 and 2 (City of Racine) are covered 3 – 5 nights per week. Zone 3 covers the southwest part of the county and is covered 2 times per year outside of PIT. Zone 4 is the rural northern sector of the county and is only covered 1 time per year apart from the PIT counts. HOPES Center’s outreach team is composed of 2 staff members and 10 trained volunteers of different genders and races, including a veteran and people who were formerly homeless. Team leaders have completed crisis intervention partner, suicide prevention, cultural humility, and homeless outreach team trainings. The team locates people and offers to take them to shelter. It provides food, water, blankets, socks, and information about available services. The team explains and participates in coordinate entry (CE) and conducts CE assessments in the field for people who do not want to go to an office environment. HOPES Center’s



outreach team works at night and went out on 143 nights during 2017. When the temperature is 10 degrees or lower, the team goes out every night to offer shelter, conduct welfare checks, and provide assistance. The team is skilled at locating people who are disconnected from services. Positive relationships have led to referrals of people who are homeless by other people who are homeless. The team also works with clerks at 24-hour businesses, leaving informational brochures and an outreach hotline number to provide anyone who may be homeless and comes in to warm up or cool off. A youth volunteer team searches woods for encampment sites by day for follow-up by the outreach team at night.

**4A-4. Affirmative Outreach. Applicants must describe:**  
**(1) the specific strategy the CoC implemented that furthers fair housing as detailed in 24 CFR 578.93(c) used to market housing and supportive services to eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identify, sexual orientation, age, familial status or disability; and**  
**(2) how the CoC communicated effectively with persons with disabilities and limited English proficiency fair housing strategy in (1) above.**  
**(limit 2,000 characters)**

The CoC has received training from the City of Racine Fair Housing representative who also participates in the CoC. In addition to a general presentation to the CoC, individualized training and assistance is provided to CoC agencies to help them comply with Fair Housing. All agencies must have a non-discrimination policy that complies with local, State and Federal law which is reviewed by the City of Racine Fair Housing representative. Posters must be displayed in each agency. "Know your rights" presentations are made to participants at various agencies. Posters and fair housing brochures are in English and Spanish. TTY is utilized for the hearing impaired, and in a group setting sign language interpreters may be utilized. Some materials are in large print for the visually impaired, and are read to people. Some agencies also provide formal ADA training so are familiar with ADA and Fair Housing requirement overlaps, or similarities and differences.

**4A-5. RRH Beds as Reported in the HIC. Applicants must report the total number of rapid rehousing beds available to serve all household types as reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) for 2017 and 2018.**

	2017	2018	Difference
RRH beds available to serve all populations in the HIC	50	74	24

**4A-6. Rehabilitation or New Construction Costs. Are new proposed project applications requesting \$200,000 or more in funding for housing rehabilitation or new construction?** No

**4A-7. Homeless under Other Federal Statutes. Is the CoC requesting to designate one or** No

**more of its SSO or TH projects to serve families with children or youth defined as homeless under other Federal statutes?**

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