Release Date: November 21, 2025
To: NorCal Continuum of Care Partners (CA-516)
From: Kirsten Schreder, Continuum of Care Coordinator, TEACH Inc.
Subject: 2025 CA-516 NOFA for HUD Continuum of Care Funding

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Background: The federal Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The program is designed to promote communitywide commitment towards the goal of ending homelessness; providing funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, and State, local governments, Indian Tribes and public housing agencies. Under certain circumstances faith-based organizations

CoC funding works to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness; promote access to and effect utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

2025 CoC Competition NOFA: The HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for federal fiscal year 2025 was released on November 13, 2025. NorCal CoC funding applicants are eligible to apply through a local Request for Proposals (RFP). The combined total of approximately $412,542 is available to the NorCal CoC for New and Renewing 2025 Continuum of Care projects. Within the 2025 HUD CoC NOFO, there are major structural and programmatic shifts, so applicants will be required to read the NOFO before considering applying,

[The following funding allocations are available to the NorCal CoC per the Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) and Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN) Report.](#)

- ☐ A total of **$1,369,143** will be dedicated to 2025 eligible renewing projects which is the net amount of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand of **$412,542** less a 70% amount that HUD anticipates Continuum's will place in a lower performing ranked tier. The estimated Tier 2 amount will be **$288,779** and will be competitively considered by HUD.
- ☐ A total of **$136,914 in DV Bonus funding** is competitively available for projects serving victims of domestic violence. The applicant agency does not need to be a dedicated DV provider but must provide direct service to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.
- ☐ A total of **$273,829 in CoC Bonus Funding** is also competitively available for eligible project types and can be applied for as a New Project.

Local application timelines for all project submissions is provided at the bottom of this Request for Proposals on page 11.

[Prospective applicants should review the HUD Continuum of Care 2025 NOFO which can be accessed at this link](#)

Please also review the provisions of this NorCal CoC local RFP in full, noting mandatory local deadlines listed on page 11 of this Notice.

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Submission Timeline & Local Deadlines

All project applications are submitted as a single Consolidated Application; thus, local submission deadlines are strictly observed.

The <u>local submission date for applications review</u> is **Thursday December 18, 2025**. The 2025 Continuum of Care Application Detailed Timeline (see Resources section) ensures the Collaborative Application is complete and ready for submission by the final submission deadline of **Wednesday January 14, 2026 8pm EDT.**

The following funds are available for New, Bonus and Renewing CoC funded projects:
- New and/or Renewing projects must meet eligibility and quality threshold requirements to apply for the following CoC funded project categories:
  - o PH-Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)
  - o PH-Rapid ReHousing (RRH that is CoC funded)
  - o Joint Transitional and Rapid ReHousing (Joint TH-RRH) (renewing projects only)
  - o Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
  - o Supportive Services Only (SSO) – Street Outreach
  - o Supportive Services Only (SSO) - Coordinated Entry

• DV Bonus - a total of **$136,914** in Domestic Violence (DV) bonus funding is competitively available for projects dedicated to individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking who qualify under the HUD definition of homelessness at 24 CFR 578.3. Victims of human trafficking may qualify to be served however the DV Bonus Funds may not exclusively serve those experiencing human trafficking.

• CoC Bonus - a total of **$273,829** in CoC Bonus funding is competitively available for new projects applications. There is no limit on the number of new projects that CoC's can create through the CoC Bonus opportunity other than new project applications cannot exceed the total amount of CoC Bonus funds available per the published ARD calculation.

• Reallocation Funding – a total **of $123,763** may be considered by the Continuum of Care for funding reallocation. NorCal CA-516 is currently comprised of Coordinated Entry, HMIS and a single Permanent Supportive Housing project.

Other Funding Types – The federal NOFO covers additional approaches for local funding including Expansion, Transition and Consolidated Grants. Transition and Consolidated Grants are not anticipated for the NorCal CoC, however Expansion Grant applications may be anticipated that will increase the amount of current projects to increase the number of units, persons served, services provided to existing program participants, as well as CES and HMIS eligible activities.

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Note: Organizations not previously receiving funding from the CA-516 Continuum of Care are strongly encouraged to apply

All completed project applications along with a CoC Executive Board approved funding priority (Bonus and Renewal applications) must be submitted via e-Snaps no later than 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time by January 9, 2026.

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Therefore the local timelines stated in this RFP will be strictly adhered to.

Eligible Applicants

Eligible Project Applicants may include nonprofit organizations, states, local governments, Instrumentalities of the State and local governments, Public Housing Agencies, Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Authorities (TDHE's). Faith-based organizations may apply the same as any other organization subject to certain protections and requirements detailed in the CoC NOFO as noted on page 34.

Mandatory Threshold additional information for all applicants can be located starting on Section V. Application Review Information (page 51).

HUD reserves the right to modify the amounts published on August 22, 2025

Total HUD Calculated NorCal CoC Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN)	**$1,369,143**
Annual Renewal Demand for CA-516 (ARD)	$412,542
Anticipated Tier 1 funding (30% or ARD)	$123,793
Anticipated Tier 2 funding (70% of ARD)	$288,779
DV Bonus Funds	$232,596
CoC Bonus Funds	$273,829
YHDP Funds (renewing projects only)	$0
Total potential CA-516 funding (CoC & DV Bonus Funds, Tier 1 Renewals and Tier 2 Competitive)	**$1,331,539**

Threshold Eligibility Requirements

Threshold requirements encompass basic applicant eligibility, adherence to HUD NOFO Rules and Regulations and rules affecting local application evaluation found on pages 9-10 of the federal NOFA. Applicants must complete the Threshold Requirements document as part of the application process. A summary list of Eligibility Requirements is located on page 9 of the federal 2025 NOFO.

Project Type Descriptions

☐ **Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH) -** Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) is community housing without a time limit for staying. It is only for individuals with disabilities or families with at least one member who has a disability. Support services must be provided to meet the needs of those in the program.

☐ **Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH)** rapidly connects families and individuals experiencing homelessness to permanent housing through a tailored package of assistance that may include the use of time-limited financial assistance and targeted supportive services.

☐ **Joint Transitional Housing and Permanent Housing Rapid Rehousing** (Joint TH/PH-RRH) This project type may only be used for *new* projects when created via *Reallocation* or *CoC Bonus* (depending on NOFO year).

☐ **Supportive Services Only (SSO-SO)** – provides **non-housing supportive services** to people living unsheltered, focusing on engagement, safety planning, basic needs, and connection to crisis response systems. It helps participants access **Coordinated Entry**, begin documentation, and move toward housing navigation. These projects cannot provide housing but play a key role in **stabilizing and linking** people to services and permanent housing pathways.

☐ **Supportive Services Only ([SSO-CE](#))** – for implementing CES policies, procedures, and practices that equip the CoC's Coordinated Entry to better meet the needs of people experiencing homelessness including policy and procedure implementation for trauma-informed, client-centered or to better coordinate referrals between the CoC's Coordinated Entry and victim service providers coordinated entry systems (where they are different).

Projects in the DV Bonus category must serve individuals and families of persons experiencing trauma or lack of safety related resources related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, date violence, sexual assault and stalking who qualify as homeless under the paragraphs (1) or (4) of the homeless definition found at 24 CFR 578.3. Additional information may be found throughout the NOFO starting on page 30 and recipients of DV Bonus Projects must enter data into a comparable database not in the CoC's designated HMIS. Links to information about VSP Comparable Databases are located in the Resources Section of this RFP.

In 2025 Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus funding is available in the amount of **$136,914** for one or more projects that meet the project criteria. DV projects will be scored separately from renewal projects in the rating and ranking process. HUD will review submitted DV Bonus Projects and potentially consider them as standalone during the selection process if the project seems feasible on its own and is able to pass project eligibility threshold requirements.

CoC Bonus Projects

Projects in the CoC Bonus allows CoCs to create one or more new project applications for the following types of projects: PH-PSH, PH-RRH, Joint TH, HMIS and SSO-CE. CoC Bonus applications must meet project eligibility and quality thresholds and projects that utilize housing vouchers and healthcare provided through an array of healthcare services providers are encouraged.

In 2025, the CoC Bonus funding is in the amount of **$273,829**.

Match

Match in the CoC Program refers to the required non-federal contribution that supports a project's operating and supportive service costs. It may come from cash, in-kind services, or donated materials and must be at least 25% of eligible budget line items, excluding leasing costs, which require no match.

All match commitments must be verifiable, committed at the time of application, used for eligible CoC activities, and documented in the grant file. HUD may review match commitments during both the application process and monitoring to ensure that contributions are real, allowable, and proportionate to the funded activities.

Match amount must be 25% of all grant funds (excluding Leasing costs) and can be in the form of Program Income, ESG funds and either cash or in-kind. A detailed breakout of Match FAQ's is listed starting on page 50 of the [FAQ's dated August 1, 2024](#).

HUD Goals and Objectives

Housing First is not referenced in the 2025 NOFO. Language emphasizes treatment, recovery, self-sufficiency, public safety, and participation requirements stating "CoCs should prioritize

projects that provide the treatment and services people need to recover… including on-site behavioral health treatment, robust wraparound supportive services, and participation requirements."

The Goals & Objectives in the 2025 NOFO states these themes:

- reducing encampments
- behavioral health treatment
- participation requirements
- cooperation with law enforcement
- public safety

HUD Funding Process - Tier 1 Funding

The NorCal CoC's **Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN)** for FY 2025 is **$1,369,143**, which represents HUD's formula-based estimate of overall community need. The CoC's **Annual Renewal Demand (ARD)**—the total amount required to renew all existing, eligible CoC Program grants—is **$412,542**.

Renewal projects will be considered for funding up to the ARD amount, provided they meet all HUD and local threshold requirements and are included in the CoC's final Priority Listing. New project opportunities—including CoC Bonus and DV Bonus projects—are available separately and must meet the eligibility and quality standards outlined in the FY 2025 NOFO.

HUD sets Tier 1 at a fixed percentage of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand. In F/Y 2025 this is **30% of the CoC's ARD or $123,763.** All renewal and new projects the CoC chooses to place within that amount are considered Tier 1 projects.

Projects ranked in Tier 1 are the most likely to be funded (pending threshold reviews) because HUD first evaluates and awards funding to all Tier 1 projects before considering any Tier 2 projects, which compete nationally based on scoring and ranking. Although CoCs must still justify and rank projects within Tier 1, this tier functions as the CoC's most secure funding block, ensuring core renewal projects have priority for continued funding.

HUD Funding Process - Tier 2 Funding

Tier 2 is the competitive portion of the CoC ranking process where projects are scored and funded based on CoC performance, project quality, and national priorities rather than guaranteed renewal status. Tier 2 projects compete against all other Tier 2 projects nationwide, with HUD applying a scored formula that typically includes: the CoC Application score, the project's ranking order, how well the project aligns with HUD policy priorities, and whether the CoC reallocated or expanded projects to improve system performance.

Funding is awarded in highest-scoring order until the national Tier 2 funding is exhausted, meaning lower-ranked or lower-scoring projects may not be awarded even if they are otherwise eligible. Tier 2 funding is estimated to be $288,779.

New Projects

The FY 2025 CoC NOFO allows new projects to be created only through a limited set of mechanisms: CoC Bonus funds, reallocation of funds from eligible renewal projects, DV Bonus funds (including TH and PH-RRH projects and one SSO-CE DV project per CoC), and expansions of existing renewal projects that meet HUD requirements. YHDP projects may only create "new" YHDP projects through YHDP reallocation or the YHDP Replacement process—no standalone new YHDP applications are permitted. HUD will not consider any new project unless it is created through one of these allowable pathways and the CoC can demonstrate the project was evaluated, ranked, and selected based on improvements to system performance.

Renewal Projects

Renewal projects in the FY 2025 CoC NOFO must be submitted by the same recipient that holds the current grant (or has formally received it through a grant transfer), must request the same amount of funding except for allowable adjustments, and must retain the same program component and population served—including DV and YHDP renewals, which must continue serving their designated subpopulations. To be eligible, a project must have an executed grant agreement that expires in Calendar Year 2026, demonstrate continued capacity to operate in compliance with CoC Program requirements, and meet all threshold standards. HUD will withdraw funds if a renewal does not meet eligibility rules or has an expiration date outside the allowed window, and renewal funding is limited to the project's Annual Renewal Amount (ARA)

Expansion Projects

Expansion projects allow an eligible renewal project to add units, beds, services, or geographic coverage by submitting a separate "new project" application linked to the existing grant, using CoC Bonus, reallocation, or DV Bonus funds; both the renewal and the expansion must be ranked, and HUD will fund the expansion only if the underlying renewal project is also selected.

Project Budgets & Eligible Costs

Applicants should do a careful review of CoC Project Eligible Costs starting on page 14 of the Federal NOFO. Administrative costs are capped at 10%, but there are allowances for eligible VAWA costs that are not subject to the traditional CoC program spending caps. VAWA costs may support monitoring to ensure compliance with VAWA.

Historically project applicants may claim up to 10% of the CoC total project budget, for administrative expenses. The 10% includes federally approved Indirect Rate Costs and must be clearly stated in the project application. Applicants should review NOFA details around eligible costs starting on page 47.

Applicant Information and Office Hours Support

A **Mandatory Bidder's Conference for CoC Applicants (both New and Renewing)** will be held virtually on **November 26, 2025 from 10:00 – 11:30 am.** The Bidder's Conference will address Continuum of Care funding priorities, eligibility and options for applying for available funds.

Login Information for Application Bidder's Conference:
Topic: NorCal CoC Application Bidder's Conference
Time: Nov 26, 2025 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89295877306?pwd=wUAGOax8IcbjuoKzrVQblnTqz3YMqt.1
Meeting ID: 892 9587 7306
Passcode: 905786

This initial session is designed to improve the quality of the CA-516 CoC submission as a whole. Those with e-Snaps experience are encouraged to assist newer applicants in this collaborative application, either through the technical assistance session or via one-on-one help from the CoC Coordinator.

Additional office hours are being offered to answer questions and provide guidance for completion of all submissions.

NorCal CoC Application Applicant Office Hours:

December 9, 2025 – 10-11:30 am (eSnaps focus)
Topic: NorCal CoC - Office Hour I
Time: Dec 9, 2025 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87940492689?pwd=OODtvQ6qvJIOUAiNr912nIXidrNqbG.1
Meeting ID: 879 4049 2689
Passcode: 829042

December 16th – 10-11:30 am (misc. questions)
Topic: NorCal Office Hour II
Time: Dec 16, 2025 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)
Join Zoom Meeting
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84077352361?pwd=voObbudEmiTrXHNzNT8y64OS878XIO.1
Meeting ID: 840 7735 2361Passcode: 106456e-snaps Information

The electronic Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Application and Grants Management System used by HUD's Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPS) used to support the CoC program funding application and grants award process for the CoC Program. Applicants will be assisted to obtain their eSnaps Organization Profile and account access for application submission.

Local Submission Deadline
All projects (renewing or new) must be submitted in eSnaps **by Monday, December 15 5:00 PM pacific**. This will enable a full week to conduct technical reviews and obtain other needed materials prior to the applications being rated and ranked by a non-conflicted Rating and Ranking Committee.

Materials to be Submitted to the CoC
In addition to the e-snaps project submission, agencies must also submit the following documents by Friday, December 5, 2025 5pm pdt:
- Eligibility Threshold Checklist (completed for each project application)
- Applicants most recent fiscal audit, with accompanying management letter (if applicable, agencies not required to perform annual audits must submit most current financial statements ending June 30, 2025)

- Confirmation from their agency's Board of Directors approving application submission
- Organizational Chart
- List of three current funder references with complete contact information

Agencies new to the CoC funding process may submit the materials and the Eligibility Threshold documents to Jamie Northrup, TEACH Inc. at jnorthrup@teachinc.org by **December 5, 2025**.

Applicants may deliver required electronic documents on a flash drive by the same deadline to: 112 East 2nd Street, Alturas, CA 96101. Eligibility Threshold documents must be completed for each application submitted, the other materials such as fiscal audit, Board of Directors confirmation, organizational chart and funder references may be one set per applicant agency.

Project Scoring

The scoring schema for local New and Renewal projects will be organized into the following areas and total 130 Merit Points, plus a Policy and Merger Bonus total of 19 points.
- New Transitional Housing (TH) - 10 points
- Supportive Services Only (SSO Standalone) – 5 points
- Support Services Only (SSO Street Outreach) – 6 points
- Supportive Services Only (Coordinated Entry) – 4 points
- Permanent Housing (PSH) – 6 points
- Permanent Housing (RRH) – 8 points
- HMIS – 4 points
- CoC Planning (Collaborative Applicants Only) – 5 points

Merit Reviews (Project Applications)
- Project Capacity, Review and Ranking – 9 points
- System Performance – 40 points
- CoC Coordination and Engagement – 81 points
- Protecting Public Safety Policy Preference – 4 points
- CoC Merger Bonus – 15 points

Local scoring frameworks (and processes) are submitted and reviewed by HUD. Both DV and CoC Bonus project applications will receive a final ranking with all other projects to obtain a single Priority Listing.

Project Rating & Ranking

HUD requires CoCs to rank projects into Tier 1 and Tier 2 based on local priority. The NOFO does not prescribe a percentage split; instead, HUD evaluates Tier 1 and Tier 2 according to the scoring criteria in Section VIII of the NOFO.

Projects will be scored in a Merit Review process by a non-conflicted, impartial CoC Rating and Ranking Committee on December 30, 2025. The Committee's recommendation will be brought to a special meeting of the CoC Executive Board for final approval on December 30, 2025.

All renewal projects will be rated and ranked using prior contract year performance information, the advancement of racial equity factors and contract compliance. New project submissions will be rated using a local form designed off the CoC Rating and Ranking Tool v.7. Rating and ranking will also consider information submitted on the Project Application Cover Sheet.

Project ranking results will be forwarded via email to all applicants by December 31, 2025.

Appeals

Due to necessary technical review, rating and ranking, and approval by the CoC Executive Board, selection of projects to be included in the CA-516 Consolidated application will be considered **final**.

If however, applicants deem that they've made attempts to participate in the CoC planning or competitive process and believe they were denied the right to participate in a reasonable manner, they may access information on page 121 of the NOFO about different types of appeals.

If HUD finds that the solo applicant was not permitted to participate in the Continuum of Care process in a reasonable manner, then HUD may award the grant to that solo applicant and may direct the CoC to take remedial steps to ensure reasonable participation in the future. HUD may also reduce the consolidated award to CA-516.

Technical Assistance

A mandatory Technical Assistance Session covering the basics of the HUD NOFO is scheduled for November 21, 2025. **All applicants should access SAM registration to obtain a Unique Identifier prior to obtaining an eSnaps login**. See the Recommended Steps section in this NOFA, for UEI and SAM web links in Recommended Steps To Apply.

Questions:

Questions about the CoC NOFO or the application process may be directed as follows:

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NorCal CoC Coordinator
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Recommended Steps To Start the Application Process

Potential applicants are urged to take the following steps as soon as possible:
1. Obtain a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) online at https://sam.directory/register (you'll need this for the application)
2. Obtain a Unique Entity ID https://sam.gov/content/duns-uei
3. Register for System for Award Management (SAM) at https://sam.gov/SAM/pages/public/loginFAQ.jsf
4. Set up an individual user profile on the e-Snaps electronic application site, https://esnaps.hud.gov/grantium/frontoffice.jsf. E-snaps guidance is located at https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/.
5. If there have been changes to the project's Authorized Representative since your last application, please see the Authorized Representative Resource at https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/2906/instructions-for-updating-coc-project-applicant-authorized-representative/
6. Once you have obtained the UEI number and a login to eSnaps set your organization up on the e-Snaps site on the Applicants tab.

Schedule 1 – Detailed Timeline for 2025 Local NOFA

Date	Action
Nov 13	HUD NOFO Information Webinar 1:30 pm pacific time
Nov 20	NorCal Executive Board NOFO Language Review and Approve
Nov 21	CA-516 Local NOFA Release
Nov 26	**Mandatory Technical Assistance (all applicants)** – 10-11:30 am pacific
Dec 5	Minimal Threshold Statements and Additional Materials submitted to TEACH Inc. 5pm PDT
Dec 9 &12	Virtual Office Hours (Optional – two opportunities) 10-11:00am (see links)
Dec 15	New, Renewal and Bonus Submissions due in e-Snaps for review
Dec 23	New applicant additional materials or technical corrections due by 3 pm pacific (potential based on review)
Dec 30	Rating and ranking results review by CoC Executive Board for approval
Dec 31	Project Submission Appeals Due (if applicable)
Jan 9	Rating/Ranking & Priority Listing Results sent to Applicants (posted to website) (2026)
Jan 9	Publication of CoC approved Consolidated Application (posted to website)
Jan 14	**Final Consolidated and Project Applications Submission in e-Snaps (Final HUD date is Jan 14, 2026)**

Applicant and Project Information					
Applicant Name	**Project Name**	**Grant Number**	**Expiration Year**	**Total Units**	**Total ARA**
Shasta Community Health Center	Partners in Housing II 2024	CA1041L9T162414	2026	18	$314,880
United Way of Northern California	HMIS Renewal Project 2024	CA1574L9T162408	2026	0	$31,911
United Way of Northern California	Coordinated Entry Renewal Proj	CA1767L9T162406	2026	0	$65,751

Schedule 2 – Project Renewals Chart
Resources

- **Primary 2025 NOFO Information Page**
- **FY2025 Continuum of Care NOFO containing Policy and Priorities**
- **FY 2025 CoC Application Detailed Instructions for Collaborative Applicants**
- **Renewal Project Detailed Instructions**
- **New Project Detailed Instructions**
- **2025 Project Funding FAQ's** (this is an extremely information rich document and should be reviewed thoroughly)
- **A series of useful tutorials on the e-snaps electronic submission system are at: https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/e-snaps/**

Additional Resources
- **Notice on Prioritizing Persons Experience Chronic Homelessness and Other Vulnerable Homeless Persons in Permanent Supportive Housing and Recordkeeping Requirements for Documenting Chronic Homeless Status**
- **Differences between CoC and DV Bonus Funds**
- Applicants applying for DV Bonus Funds **HMIS Comparable Databases**