Santa Cruz County 2022 CoC New Project Scoring Tool

Reviewer: _____   **Check that not conflicted per CoC policy __**

Agency/Project: _____

No.	Scoring Criteria	Points Possible	Points

1	**Housing/Project Type**
	Points will be awarded based upon local priority for the following housing/project types:
	10 points for:
	(a) New projects of the following types proposing to use funds reallocated (including voluntary or transitional reallocations) from renewals and/or new project bonus funds:
	    a. PSH serving 100% chronically homeless persons with emphasis on the longest histories of homelessness and most severe needs
	    b. PSH serving 100% DedicatedPLUS project type with emphasis on the longest histories of homelessness and most severe needs
	    c. Joint TH and RRH projects
	    d. RRH for homeless individuals or families, including unaccompanied youth
	    e. Expansion of CE or HMIS to the extent justified by unmet operational costs for these programs, or to improve program or administrative efficiency.
	(b) New DV bonus projects of the following types:
	    a. RRH projects that must follow a Housing First approach
	    b. Joint TH and RRH projects that must follow a Housing First approach
	    c. CE project to meet the needs of DV survivors, demonstrating trauma-informed and victim-centered approach.
	5 points for:
	(a) New projects of the following types proposing to use funds reallocated from renewals orCoC bonus funds:
	    a. PSH projects <u>not</u> dedicated 100% to chronically homeless DedicatedPLUS populations.
	0 points for: – All other projects.
		10 POINTS POSSIBLE
		10 points:
		New realloc or bonus:
		• PSH – 100% CH
		• PSH – 100% Det.+
		• RRH
		• TH-RRH
		• CE
		• HMIS
		New DV Bonus:
		• RRH - Housing 1st
		• TH-RRH - Housing 1st
		• CE – DV focused
		5 points:
		New realloc or bonus:
		• PSH – <100% CH or Det.+
		0 points:
		• All other projects	

2	**Priority Population Served - Addresses Chronic Homeless Population or DV population** Projects will received points based on the percentage of beds dedicated in the application to clients who are experiencing chronic homelessness OR who are survivors or domestic violence.	**10 POINTS POSSIBLE** CH dedicated beds: • 10 points – 100% CH dedicated • 7.5 points – 70-99% • 5 points – 50-69% • 2.5 points – 25-49%	

		• 1 point – 1-24% • 0 points – 0%. OR DV dedicated beds: • 10 points – 100% DV dedicated • 7.5 points – 70-99% • 5 points – 50-69% • 2.5 points – 25-49% • 1 point – 1-24% • 0 points – 0%. (CES & HMIS projects will receive 10 points)	
3A	**NEW HOUSING PROJECTS ONLY – PROGRAM DESIGN**	**20 POINTS POSSIBLE**	
	Housing where participants will reside is fully described and appropriate to the program design proposed. Program design includes provision of appropriate supportive services. Consider: 1. Are the program annual measureable goals appropriate to the program type and sufficiently challenging? 2. Will the majority of homeless participants come from the streets, emergency shelters, or other appropriate setting given population served and project type? 3. Is the program's outreach plan sufficient and feasible population served and project type? 4. Are the types and frequency of services appropriate for the population served and project type? 5. Are the strategies to help participants obtain and remain in permanent housing appropriate for the population served and project type? 6. Are the strategies to help participants increase their employment and income and live independently appropriate for the population served and project type? 7. *Victim Service Providers only* – Is the plan to increase the **safety** of project participants appropriate and feasible? 8. *Victim Service Providers only* – Does the application clearly describe a feasible plan to implement a Housing First strategy?	Non-DV projects: • 4 points – measurable goals • 4 points – majority come from streets or shelters • 3 points – outreach plan • 3 points – supportive services • 3 points – obtain PH • 3 points – income & live independently DV projects: • 3 points – measurable goals • 3 points – majority come from streets or shelters • 2 points – outreach plan • 2 points – supportive services • 2 points – obtain PH • 2 points – income & live independently • 3 points – safety plan • 3 points Housing First	
3B	**NEW COORDINATED ENTRY PROJECTS ONLY – PROGRAM DESIGN**	**20 POINTS POSSIBLE**	
	The application clearly describes feasible approaches or plans for all of the following CES program design factors: 1. The geographic accessibility of the proposed system for all	Non-DV CES projects: • 5 points – geographic access	

	persons within the CoC's geographic area who are seeking information regarding homeless assistance; 2. The strategy for advertising the project that is designed specifically to reach homeless persons with the highest barriers within the CoC's geographic area; 3. The standardized assessment process proposed (or the process to choose a standardized assessment system); 4. Whether/how the system will ensure that program participants are directed to the appropriate housing and services to fit their needs; and 5. *Victim Service Providers only* – The strategy for implement a trauma-informed, client-centered approach.	• 5 points - Advertising • 5 points – Standard assessment • 5 points – directing to housing & services DV CES projects: • 4 points – geographic access • 4 points - Advertising • 4 points – Standard assessment • 4 points – directing to housing & services • 4 points – trauma informed, client centered	
4	**PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS**	**20 POINTS POSSIBLE** (CES & HMIS projects will receive 15 points)	
4A	Coordinated Entry Participation: The minimum percentage of new clients the program commits to taking from Smart Path CES referral.	**10 Points Available** • 10 points – 95% - 100% CES commitment • 8 points – 90% - 94% • 6 points – 85% - 89% • 4 points – 80% - 84% • 2 points – 75% - 79% • 1 points – 70% - 74% • 0 points – below 70%.	
4B	Housing First Fidelity Assessment: Serving People with the Highest Barriers to Housing: To what extent does your project embrace the following Housing First approaches? 1. Does the project prioritize client selection based on duration of homelessness and vulnerability? 2. Does the project accept all clients regardless of substance use history, or current use? 3. Does the project accept clients who are diagnosed with, or show symptoms of, a mental illness? 4. Does the project accept clients regardless of criminal history? 5. Does the project accept clients regardless of income or financial resources? 6. Does the project use a harm-reduction model for drugs and/or alcohol use?	**10 Points Available** Housing First approaches: • 1 point "yes" response • 0 points "no" response Removing housing barriers: • 1/2 point per "yes" response • 0 points per "no" response	

	Removing Barriers to Housing:
	To what extent does your project eliminate the following barriers to housing?
	   1. No minimum income
	   2. No required current employment
	   3. No required state issued photo id
	   4. Need not show sobriety (drugs or alcohol)
	   5. OK to have symptoms of mental illness
	   6. Need not have transportation
	   7. No required specific disabling condition (e.g., MH, SA, HIV/AIDS)
	   8. Need not show use medication.		

5	**FINANCIAL AND COST EFFECTIVENESS**	**10 POINTS POSSIBLE**	
5A	Housing vs. Service Funding: The percentage of *program* funding (not including admin) proposed to be used on housing activities (acquisition, construction, rehab, and housing operations) vs. percentage funding used on non-housing activities (supportive services, services-only operations, and HMIS).	**10 Points Available** • 10 points – 90% - 100% housing activities • 8 points – 80% - 89% • 6 points – 70% - 79% • 4 points – 60% - 69% • 2 points – 50% - 99% • 0 points – below 50%. (CES & HMIS projects will receive 8 points)	
6	**AGENCY EXPERIENCE/CAPACITY**	**10 POINTS POSSIBLE**	
6A	**Agency Years of Experience** Number of years of agency experience in implementing the proposed program OR similar program type (e.g., RRH or PSH)	**10 Points Available** • 10 points – 8+ years • 8 points – 5 to 7 years • 6 points – 4 to 6 years • 4 points – 2 to 3 years • 2 points – 1 to 2 years • 0 points – below 1 year	
6B	**Capacity Issues** Points will be deducted if in the past year (9/10/21-present): (1) HUD has disencumbered funds from the agency's CoC programs, (2) the agency has unresolved HUD monitoring findings in CoC programs, or (3) the agency has been late in submitting a CoC APR.	**10 Pts Deduction Possible** • 4 points deduction – disencumbered funds • 4 points deduction – unresolved findings • 4 points deduction – late APR	
7	**Mainstream Resources** The number of strategies the program has identified to help clients access federal mainstream benefits, including Medicaid; State Children's Health Insurance Program; TANF (CalWORKS); Food Stamps; SSI; Workforce Investment Act; *Employment Income*; Welfare to Work Grant Programs; and, Veterans Health Care.	**7 POINTS POSSIBLE** • 7 points – 7 - 8 strategies used • 5 points – 5 - 6 used • 3 point – 3 - 4 used • 2 points – 2 used	

		• 1 point – 1 used • 0 points – 0 used	
8	**Equity Factors** Agency will receive one point for each of the following factors that it has implemented OR commits to implement within one year: Agency leadership, governance, and policies: 1. Agency has individuals representing BIPOC in managerial and leadership positions 2. Agency has individuals representing LGBTQ+ in managerial and leadership positions 3. Agency board of directors includes representation from more than one person with lived experience 4. Agency has relational process for receiving and incorporating feedback from persons with lived experience 5. Agency has reviewed internal policies and procedures with an equity lens and has a plan for developing and implementing equitable policies that do not impose undue barriers. 6. Agency has provided at least one staff training since 1/1/21 on enhancing equity for BIPOC and/or LGBTQ+. Program participant outcomes: 7. Agency has reviewed program participant outcomes with an equity lens, including the disaggregation of data by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and/or age 8. Agency has identified programmatic changes needed to make program participant outcomes more equitable for overrepresented races or ethnicities and developed a plan to make those changes 9. Agency has identified programmatic changes needed to make program participant outcomes more equitable for LGBTQ+ persons and developed a plan to make those changes 10. Agency is working with HMIS lead to develop a schedule for reviewing HMIS data with disaggregation by race, ethnicity, gender identity, and or/age.	**10 POINTS POSSIBLE** • 1 point per "yes" response • 0 points "no" response	
9	**Community Collaboration and Participation** To what extent does the applicant agency support the Housing for Health Partnership (H4HP) by participating in meetings of the H4HP general membership, and participate in HMIS by entering client data into HMIS for 100% of its programs that are listed in the 2021 Housing Inventory Chart (HIC)? *Sub-scores will be determined by H4HP staff based upon appropriate H4HP and documentation for the period from September 1, 2020 to the present time.*	**3 POINTS POSSIBLE** H4HP meeting participation: • 2 points: Agency attends 75% to 100% • 1 point: Agency attends 51% to 74% • 0 points: Agency attends 0% to 50% HMIS participation: • 1 point: Has data for 100% HIC	

		0 points: Has data for less than 100% HIC	
	TOTAL	**100 POINTS POSSIBLE**	