

Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2021 Balance of State Continuum of Care Scoring Sheet for DV Bonus Project Applications

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Applicant Organization Name (Applicant Profile – 1a): \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Project Name (2C): \_\_\_\_\_

Project Location (2B)(town(s)): \_\_\_\_\_

Relevant CAN (2B): \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Project (2A/2D) (select one):     RRH                       Joint TH/RRH

Reviewer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **SCORES**

Scoring Factor #1 - Organizational Experience and Capacity	_____	of 15
Scoring Factor #2 - Unmet Need	_____	of 10
Scoring Factor #3 - Timeliness	_____	of 10
Scoring Factor #4 – Supportive Services and Housing First	_____	of 20
Scoring Factor #5 – DV Experience, Plan and Outcomes	_____	of 25
Scoring Factor #6 - Application/Budget Quality	_____	of 20
<b>FINAL TOTAL SCORE:</b>	_____	of <b><u>100</u></b>

<b>Scoring Factor # 1 – Organizational Experience and Capacity - 15 points</b>	
<p><b>See Applicant Profile – Experience of Applicant</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>6A</b> - Do the applicant, subrecipient and key partner organization(s) appear to have the experience to successfully operate a HUD funded permanent housing program for homeless persons? Specifically, do the relevant organization(s) demonstrate significant and long-standing experience:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ operating successful Housing First programs?</li> <li>▪ linking participants to mainstream services including health insurance, employment and mainstream affordable housing?</li> <li>▪ increasing participant income through employment and access to public benefits?</li> <li>▪ helping participants to stabilize in housing?</li> <li>▪ assessing interest in/assisting with moving on from PSH (if applicable)?</li> <li>▪ locating units and administering rental assistance (if applicable)?</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ <b>6B</b> - Is there a clear organizational structure for managing operations, coordinating among departments within the agency and with partner organizations and an adequate financial accounting system?</li> <li>○ <b>6C through H</b> - Does the organization have the capacity to effectively use federal funds, and ensure timely project start up and full expenditure of new project funds? Specifically, has the organization demonstrated sufficient capacity related to:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Resolving monitoring/audit findings?</li> <li>▪ Fully spending grant funds?</li> <li>▪ Avoiding/resolving outstanding arrears?</li> <li>▪ Regularly drawing down funds?</li> <li>▪ Timely submission of reports?</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ <b>6I</b> - Has the agency demonstrated efforts to ensure they are meeting the unique needs of marginalized communities, for example:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ensuring diversity among staff and board</li> <li>▪ Creating opportunities for participants to shape programs</li> <li>▪ Hiring program participants</li> <li>▪ Developing partnerships with other local organizations that focus on marginalized communities</li> <li>▪ Analyzing program access and outcomes by race/ethnicity</li> <li>▪ Planning steps to address any disparate access or outcomes</li> <li>▪ Any other unique qualifications that agency has to serve marginalized communities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Score</b></p>
<p><b>Questions/Comments</b></p>	

<b>Scoring Factor #2 – Unmet Need - 10 Points</b>	
<b>See Application Section #2M</b>	<b>Score</b>
<b>Extent to which the applicant:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Clearly demonstrates that there is an unmet need in the applicable CAN for the type of project proposed for survivors of Domestic Violence, dating violence, stalking and other dangerous situations ?</li> <li>○ Supported the existence of the unmet need with data?</li> </ul>	
<b>Questions/Comments</b>	
<b>Scoring Factor #3 - Timeliness – 10 points</b>	
<b>See Section #2P Project Description</b>	<b>Score</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Extent to which the applicant demonstrated an adequate plan for rapid project start-up</li> </ul>	
<b>Questions/Comments</b>	
<b>Scoring Factor #4 – Supportive Services – Total of 20 points</b>	
<b><u>Housing First Approach (10 points) - Supportive Services – Section 2R</u></b>	<b>Score out of 6</b>
<b>Extent to which the applicant:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Clearly describe a program design that is consistent with a Housing First approach (i.e., A model of housing assistance that is offered without preconditions, such as sobriety or a minimum income threshold, or service participation requirements; rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing are primary goals)</li> </ul>	
<b>Questions to consider:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Does the applicant clearly demonstrate a model that offers initial access to housing without preconditions, such as sobriety, income requirements and service participation? For TH/RRH, must address this for both entry to TH and RRH.</li> <li>● Does the applicant clearly demonstrate that rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing are primary goals of the project?</li> <li>● Does the applicant clearly demonstrate an understanding of the services required for housing stabilization (i.e., helping tenants understand their rights and responsibilities, advocating with landlords/property management to address threats to housing stability)</li> <li>● Does the applicant clearly describe a project design that is adequate to accomplish those goals?</li> </ul>	

<b>Scoring Factor #4 – Supportive Services (cont.) – Total of 20 points</b>	
<p><b><u>Assistance with obtaining and remaining in permanent housing (10 points) – See Section 2R</u></b></p> <p><b>Questions to consider:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is there a clear description of how eligible participants obtain and maintain housing?</li> <li>• Does the applicant have a plan to assess needs of participants and address those needs including but not limited to: health, behavioral health, education, employment, life skills and child care services, if applicable</li> <li>• Does the applicant have a plan to assist participants with housing stabilization and eviction prevention?</li> <li>• Does the project use the critical time intervention model to inform service delivery (recommended – information available at <a href="http://www.criticaltime.org">www.criticaltime.org</a>)?</li> <li>• How will appropriate units be identified and rent reasonableness be determined?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Score out of 7</b></p>
<p><b><u>Assistance with obtaining mainstream benefits, increasing employment and promoting independence (10 points) – See Section 2S</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the agency coordinate with mainstream employment organizations, other providers and mainstream benefits?</li> <li>• Does the agency assist tenants to access SSI/SSDI and other mainstream benefits?</li> <li>• Does the agency assist tenant to build independent living skills and move on from PSH?</li> <li>• Does the agency explain how the unique needs of the proposed target populations will be addressed in a manner that assists them to increase income and build skills?</li> <li>• Does the project provide a robust description of activities that will assist participants to increase income?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Score out of 7</b></p>
<p><b>Questions/Comments</b></p>   	
<b>Scoring Factor #5: DV Experience, Plan and Outcomes – 25 Points</b>	
<p><b><u>Experience with providing housing and supportive services to survivors (5 points)</u></b></p> <p><b>Questions to consider: Does the project clearly describe experience with:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Using low-demand, Housing First model to rapidly locate permanent housing for survivors?</li> <li>• Designing and operating programs that help survivors to increase their income and achieve long-term housing stability?</li> <li>• Designing and operating programs focused on safety?</li> <li>• Designing and operating programs that are strengths-based and survivor-driven, offering a range of options to support survivors to rebuild control over their lives and improve safety for themselves and their families?</li> <li>• Designing and operating trauma-informed programs?</li> <li>• Designing and operating programs that help survivors to navigate a range of systems?</li> <li>• Designing and operating programs that advocate for survivors’ autonomy, safety, independence and housing stability?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Score out 5</b></p>

<p><b>Plan to meet the specific needs of survivors.</b>  <b>Questions to consider: Does the applicant clearly describe how they will:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use a low-demand, Housing First model to rapidly locate permanent housing for survivors.</li> <li>• Help survivors to increase their income and achieve long-term housing stability.</li> <li>• Ensure a focus on safety.</li> <li>• Ensure that services are strengths-based and survivor-driven and offer a range of options to support survivors to rebuild control over their lives and improve safety for themselves and their families.</li> <li>• Ensure that services are trauma-informed.</li> <li>• Help survivors to navigate a range of systems.</li> <li>• Advocate for survivors’ autonomy, safety, independence and housing stability.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Score out of 10</b></p>
<p><b>Quantified outcomes demonstrating prior performance in serving DV survivors</b>  <b>Questions to consider: Are the following included:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The measure (e.g. % of survivors) of survivors who exited programs to stable permanent housing</li> <li>• The methodology used for calculating the outcome (e.g. # of survivor households who exited the program to permanent housing with monthly rent not exceeding 50% of the household income/total # of survivor households who exited the program)</li> <li>• Evaluation period (e.g. FY2020)</li> </ul> <p>If quantified outcome data were not included, are other outcomes included for consideration?</p>	<p><b>Score out of 10</b></p>
<p><b>Questions/Comments</b></p>	
<p><b>Scoring Factor #6: Application/Budget Quality - 20 Points</b></p>	
<p><b>Evaluate based on the entire application</b>  <b>Application Quality (10 points) - Extent to which the applicant:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ consistently followed instructions? included all required attachments?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Score out of 10</b></p>
<p><b>See Section #3</b>  <b>Budget Quality (10 points) - Extent to which the project budget</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ was completed in accordance with the instructions?</li> <li>○ met the minimum matching requirement?</li> <li>○ included only eligible costs?</li> <li>○ provided sufficient detail and made sense given the project description and target population?</li> <li>○ Is cost effective and falls within established ranges for minimum and maximum per household costs?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Score out of 10</b></p>

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