

Local Competiton

- 1. Where can I find details about the local Sacramento CoC Program competition?**
 - a. You can find this information on the Sacramento Steps Forward website.

- 2. Is DV bonus section only available in renewal or new as well?**
 - a. The DV Bonus is only for a new project. An existing project funded through a previous DV Bonus is a renewal project.

- 3. Is the intent to apply form just for new projects or does this apply to renewals as well?**
 - a. The Intent to Apply form is for new projects.

- 4. Do I need to complete a local application and an e-snaps application?**
 - a. The e-snaps application is only completed by organizations selected and approved on the final recommended projects list that will be approved by the CoC Board.

- 5. Does the format for the file being uploaded matter? PDF vs Word doc?**
 - a. PDF is preferred whenever possible.

- 6. How many Intent to Apply forms do we need to submit; one for each renewal, one for each new, or can they be combined on one form.**
 - a. Submit one for each new project.

- 7. Will organizations receive confirmation of which programs qualify to be automatically put in tier 1?**
 - a. Yes, SSF will inform applicants of projects that qualify for automatic inclusion in Tier

8. Will organizations receive confirmation of which programs will not be ranked because they are new programs?

- a. Yes, SSF will inform applicants that automatically qualify for Tier 1 because their project has less than 18 months of operating data.

9. Where can I learn more about the Sacramento Community Standards?

- a. Sacramento Community Standards can be found [here](#).

10. Do I need to complete a Community Standards Checklist for each program?

- a. No, agencies should complete a checklist for each project TYPE. For example, if your agency has only PSH, you only need to complete one PSH checklist. If you have both PSH and RRH, you need to complete both one time. Please upload the same form to each project.

11. For the Sacramento Community Standards, are there specific factors applicants should use when answering the Key Performance Indicator questions?

- a. For the 2024-25 NOFO cycle, the Community Standards are self-reviewed. In future cycles, the standards will be more incorporated into the competition.

12. Is there any way to create a more user-friendly experience for providers submitting the Survey Monkey new & renewal applications?

- a. We recommend placing all your questions into a word document, answering them, and then moving to Survey Monkey for final submission. SSF will work to create a better platform for future competitions.

13. For question 7B, will SSF provide a list of mandatory trainings?

- a. Required Training for CoC-Funded Providers: [EmpowerED Providers: Strategies for resourcing your clients through domestic violence, human trafficking and sexual assault.](#)
- b. Required Training for CoC-Funded Providers: [Fair Housing: Ensuring Equal Access to Housing & Supportive Resources](#)

14. For questions 4B & 4C, will SSF provide grant spend down and quarterly spend down information for subrecipients?

- a. Yes, SSF will provide subrecipients with their e-LOCCS data.

- 15. Will SSF review APR calculations before the Review & Rank process?**
- Yes, SSF will validate APR data before applications are sent to Review & Rank.
- 16. Can we request a reassessment for high performance?**
- If there are discrepancies in your APR scores you can email HMIS@Sacstepsforward.org to fix any data errors.
- 17. When is the deadline for notifying HMIS/SSF of any errors to their projects APR data?**
- The deadline to change APR data is August 28th. Email cocnofo@sacstepsforward.org with the identified error and updated APR.
- 18. Does the organizational budget in the application form refer to the overall 2024 budget for the entire organization, or is it specific to the different projects (renewal or new) projects.**
- Please submit project specific budgets for each application.
- 19. In the community standards review sheet, what does the column by "program source documents" mean? Is there a specific document that needs to be uploaded to the spreadsheet?**
- This is an optional question and is not required. If applicants would like to link their source documents to provide additional context, they may.
- 20. What is the reason for having programs pull their own APR data during this NOFO cycle?**
- As we enter a two-year NOFO cycle, programs must periodically check their APR data throughout the year. Empowering applicants to review their own data.
- 21. In question 4.B of renewal application, the wording of the question is confusing. Can you clarify?**
- Question 4B. Grant Spenddown Scoring Criteria: Successes in Grant Spenddown are measured by dividing the amount of money drawn down from e-LOCCs during the project's most recently completed contract by the amount on the corresponding GIW.
Source: e-LOCCs + E-Snaps
- Question as of 8/27: How many times did the project complete a spenddown in e- LOCCs during the performance period?
- Corrected Question: What is the percentage of funds the project has drawn down during the performance period?
- 22. In the Survey Monkey application some questions have character limits, some do not. If character limits are not indicated does that mean there are none? And, do character limits include spaces?**
- If there are no limits stated, then there is no limit. Character limit does not include spaces.

23. Does Survey Monkey allow you to save and come back to edit?

- a. No, we recommend completing all your answers in your own document and transferring it to Survey Monkey for submission.

24. Will this recording & questions/answers be posted on the SSF website?

- a. Yes, will be posted under the "[Office Hours](#)" tab.

25. Where can I learn more about high performing projects?

- a. Please see 2024 CoC [PROJECT REVIEW & RANKING \(page 9\)](#)

26. If we have updated our APR's how would you like us to notify SSF? We just send an email or do we need to download an APR and submit that to SSF?

- a. Yes, please notify SSF at cocnofo@sacstepsforward.org. If you would like your APRs reviewed by SSF, please download your APRs and submit them in your email.

27. If you have less than 18 month of operations, where do we fill in the questions?

- a. If you have less than 18 months of operations and been notified by SSF to confirm, you only need to complete the applicant information and threshold criteria sections of Survey Monkey.

28. Can I schedule a 1:1 meeting with SSF staff to ask questions?

- a. Yes, please use the [Booking Page](#).

29. Do we use the calculations sheet for all the factors ourselves?

- a. Providers have to run the data/fill out themselves. There is no sheet to populate. SSF has shared preliminary calculations to all providers to reference. A future request from Providers is to provide an Excel spreadsheet template with formulas populated to make sure the calculations are accurate.

30. Is the 2022 and the 2023 calculation sheet the same?

- a. Yes.

31. Will SSF provide the example of the budget?

- a. Example budget is on the [CoC NOFO webpage](#).

32. How soon will the recording be uploaded to the website?

- a. The recording will be made available the same day.

33. Should all documents be converted into PDFs before submitting a file upload?

- a. Yes, survey monkey accepts all PDF uploads.

34. Question 2B on the renewal application is for RRH only, correct?

- a. Yes, Question 2B is for RRH projects only.

Finance Questions

1. Does HUD require a grant match?

- a. Yes, the HUD CoC Program requires a 25 percent match of the awarded grant amount minus funds for leasing. Cash or in-kind resources will satisfy the match requirement.

2. What are the eligible activities?

- a. You can find the eligible expense activities on HUD's website [here](#).

E-Snaps

1. Where can I get help for e-SNAPS renewal project applications?

- a. Please see the [HUD resource page](#) for completing e-snaps applications.

2. If I am having issues with e-SNAPS where can I get help?

- a. If you are having issues with e-snaps, send email to: e-snaps@hud.gov

YHDP

1. Do you have an update on YHDP renewals?

- a. HUD conducted an informational webinar on the CoC Program NOFO, which included YHDP-related information. HUD will post the slides and recording & SSF will send any YHDP related materials to our funded partners as soon as it becomes available.

2. Are there any local YHDP-related supplemental questions?

- a. No, not this year.