



## New Grantee Threshold Requirements

It is a HUD's requirement for all new projects to meet the following requirements in order to receive funding through the Continuum of Care collaborative application process for the Federal NOFA/NOFO grant to meet the following threshold requirements:

For more information on eligibility threshold, please read the [full FY 2024 NOFO](#).

1. **Maintain Necessary Funding Registration Numbers:** The organization has the required DUNS and SAM numbers necessary for receiving state and federal funding.
2. **Acceptable organizational audit/financial review:** Organization's HUD audit or financial review does not contain findings or other indications of financial or accounting problems. A copy of the most recent financial audit/review must be submitted to the Chair of the Compliance and Evaluation Committee. Geographic Coverage: The organization operates in the CoC's covered geography. This includes: Clarke, Frederick, Page, Rockingham, Shenandoah, and Warren counties, as well as the cities of Harrisonburg and Winchester.
3. **Eligible Program Types:** The organization request must qualify as an eligible program(s) and adhere to the program guidelines, as described in the DHCD HSNH Guidelines. Eligible program types include: Street Outreach, Centralized or Coordinated Assessment/Entry, Prevention, Emergency Shelter Operations, and/or Rapid Re-housing.
4. **Housing First and/or Low Barrier:** The program is designed and implemented using Housing First principles including: no preconditions or barriers to entry except as required by funding sources, and provision of necessary supports to maintain housing and prevent a return to homelessness.
5. **Serve vulnerable populations and fills housing need:** The organization serves the CoC's vulnerable subpopulations, as determined by the Western Virginia CoC's prioritization policy, which have been identified as chronic, veteran, DV victims, HIV/AIDS homeless, and families with children. Additionally, the organization fills a housing need gap within the CoC's covered geography.
6. **Active CoC participant and in conformance with CoC standards:** The organization meets CoC engagement requirements for at least one year prior to the effective date of this document, by:
  - i. participating in general CoC meetings (75% attendance) and voting on CoC matters;
  - ii. active membership, by organization staff, on a least two committees (75% attendance);
  - iii. participate in coordinated entry and HMIS, and;
  - iv. adapt best practices, as well as conform to CoC standards for performance.



7. **Active HMIS database participant:** Participate in HMIS and adhere to HMIS guidelines (For DV organizations ONLY: utilizing HMIS compatible database, ie. VADData) for at least 6 months prior to funding request application.
8. **Submit all required certifications as specified in the NOFO.**
9. **Coordinated Entry Participation:** The organization participates in coordinated entry in compliance with HUD's and the CoC's Coordinated Entry Policies and has participated for at least six months, prior to funding request.
10. **Funding is appropriate:** Organization is requesting appropriate funds per program(s) and the request are in line with CoC Funding Priorities.
11. **Program is financially feasible:** Program has funding commitments equal to or exceeding program budget. VHSP grant funding cannot fund 100% of program costs.
12. **Documented, secured minimum match:** Organization has 25% match commitments that satisfy HUD's Program Rule requirements for source and amount.