

COVID-19 Office Hours: Chat and Q&A

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April 29, 2022 2:30 PM from Micah Webster to everyone: To join the webinar via the phone, please call in using:

+1-415-655-0002 Access code: 2427 848 6415

(If you need to call in toll-free, call 1-855-797-9485)

April 29, 2022 2:34 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Data Tracker:
<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#datatracker-home>

April 29, 2022 2:34 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: County level:
<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>

April 29, 2022 2:35 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Variant Proportions:
<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#variant-proportions>

April 29, 2022 2:36 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Public Health Report:
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/00333549221083643>

April 29, 2022 2:43 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: COVID-19 Homeless System Response: Family Violence Rehousing Strategy-
<https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6122/covid19-homeless-system-response-special-population-rehousing-strategy-family-violence/>

April 29, 2022 2:48 PM from LaToya Young to everyone: Find resources and an expanded online resource collection for sexual assault advocates, dual domestic violence and sexual violence programs, and housing and homeless service providers - www.nsvrc.org/sexual-violence-housing-resource-collection

April 29, 2022 2:49 PM from Ashley Meehan to everyone: This is so important to highlight and give voice to, thank you!!!

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April 29, 2022 2:49 PM from LaToya Young to everyone: Additional resources on the connections between violence and housing can be found at www.safehousingpartnerships.org

April 29, 2022 2:51 PM from Jamisha Andrews to everyone: Incorporate Trauma Informed Trainings!

April 29, 2022 2:52 PM from Debra Hendren to everyone: Can we please have the speakers name from Sister of Color Ending Sexual Assault?

April 29, 2022 2:53 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: @Debra- Condencia Brade

April 29, 2022 2:53 PM from Debra Hendren to everyone: Thank you Latesha!

April 29, 2022 2:56 PM from Lesa Weikel to everyone: Regarding eligibility for CoC and HUD funded prjects - if some loses housing due to sexual assult, would that fall under catagory 4 of the definition?

April 29, 2022 2:57 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: LA County's Housing for Health: <https://dhs.lacounty.gov/housing-for-health/our-services/housing-for-health/covid-19-response/>

April 29, 2022 2:59 PM from Condencia Brade to everyone: For a list of organizations addressing sexual assault including Communities of Color organizations - <https://www.nsvrc.org/organizations>

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April 29, 2022 3:00 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Featured article on the Peer Ambassador program- <https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-10-18/los-angeles-homeless-people-peer-ambassadors-covid-vaccines>

April 29, 2022 3:01 PM from Brett Esders to everyone: @ Lesa - it depends. Someone who is fleeing or attempting to flee their housing due to sexual assault need not first lose their housing to qualify under Category 4 of HUD's definition of homeless. They need to be fleeing or attempting to flee sexual assault and lack the resources or support network to obtain other permanent housing. If they meet those criteria then they would qualify under Category 4. If they have already lost their housing, but are no longer fleeing or attempting to flee sexual assault, then they may still qualify under one of HUD's other categories of homelessness, but that would depend upon where they are currently living (e.g., an emergency shelter). Also, it's important to note as it relates to Category 4, that it is the survivor who determines whether they are fleeing or attempting to flee, not HUD or the recipient of HUD funds.

April 29, 2022 3:03 PM from William Higgins to everyone: Hello from Portland, Maine. I am the "At-Large Officer With Lived Experience of Homelessness" for the Maine CoC Board. (We have it easy now, having consolidated to a single CoC). I was homeless four times between 2002 and 2010. I have been a homeless advocate since 2013. We recently formed a Lived Experience Advisory Committee for the CoC. It will help in engagement between providers and those that receive services. Our goal is process improvement. Personally, I graduated from the US Naval Academy in 1981, served on submarines for five years, then served ten years in submarine repair. For 8 years I was a consulting nuclear engineer for civilian and Department of Energy Nuclear Plants. Homelessness can happen to anyone.

April 29, 2022 3:04 PM from Jaye Summerlot to everyone: @William My father was a submariner during Korea. That's an elite group and you should be very proud of all you've accomplished. Thank you for your service to our military and your CoC!

April 29, 2022 3:06 PM from William Higgins to everyone: Is there an ambassador program in Portland, Maine at Greater Portland Health? Courtney Pladsen of the National Health Care for the Homeless Council works there. I would enjoy being an ambassador in Portland. I can reach Boston easily by train as well.

April 29, 2022 3:06 PM from Jamisha Andrews to everyone: Service Planning Area

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April 29, 2022 3:09 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: EHV homepage:
<https://www.hud.gov/ehv>

April 29, 2022 3:09 PM from Lesa Weikel to everyone: @Brett - Thank you!

April 29, 2022 3:09 PM from Mitchel Blum-Alexander to everyone: When will HUD be sending CoC's the debriefing reports for the CoC Applications from the FY 2021 competition?

April 29, 2022 3:11 PM from Condencia Brade to everyone: Forget to send put my contact info in the chat!

April 29, 2022 3:13 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: 5/3/2022, 3pm EDT- next EHV Office Hours

April 29, 2022 3:16 PM from William Higgins to everyone: William Higgins - WHigginsHa4aLL@gmail.com, 207-272-1099

April 29, 2022 3:17 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Previous EHV office hours: https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ehv/archives

April 29, 2022 3:17 PM from Ebony Rankin to everyone: @Mitchel - CoCs should receive their CoC Application and DV bonus application debriefings from their SNAPS desk officer by May 2. If you still haven't received it, reach out to your SNAPS desk officer or CPD field office

April 29, 2022 3:18 PM from Lindsey Richard to everyone: @William Thank you for sharing and your service ! Yes, homelessness can happen to anyone very quickly. Unfortunately, I am not aware of any ambassador programs in Portland area. The Peer Ambassador Program specific to COVID response is a first for DHS - LA County Area.

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April 29, 2022 3:18 PM from Brian Roccapriore he/him to everyone: EHV office hours has some great presentation in the past on landlord incentives and landlord engagement too:
<https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/emergency-housing-vouchers-webinars-and-office-hours/>

April 29, 2022 3:18 PM from Liz Isaacs to everyone: Can you let us know how many CoCs received CoC bonus funding (not DV bonus)?

April 29, 2022 3:20 PM from Mitchel Blum-Alexander to everyone: @Ebony Rankin - thank you

April 29, 2022 3:21 PM from Amanda to everyone: Can you link the "best practices" document?

April 29, 2022 3:21 PM from Emily Warren to everyone: @Amanda, here you go:
<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Emergency-Housing-Vouchers-How-To-Guide-For-Public-Housing-Agencies.pdf>

April 29, 2022 3:21 PM from Emily Warren to everyone: EHV questions: ehv@hud.gov

April 29, 2022 3:22 PM from CJ OHara to everyone: Do you think recalculating the local area median income is necessary for affordable housing? I was on a Federal reserve bank meeting that truly believes AMI is artificially inflated and doesn't consider the low or no income folks in the total population or even undocumented individuals living there.

April 29, 2022 3:22 PM from Sarah Isaak to everyone: If a seasonal emergency shelter closes for the season, can ESG funds be used to help with the maintenance and utility costs of the building, even if clients are not currently residing in the space at the time of the expense? Could the agency use ESG to pay utility bills that are incurred if the building is closed to clients?

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April 29, 2022 3:22 PM from Karen Brown she/her to everyone: Alternative Approaches to I&Q Spaces document: <https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/COVID-19-Homeless-System-Response-Alternative-Approaches-to-Isolation-and-Quarantine-Spaces.pdf>

April 29, 2022 3:22 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Alternative Approaches to I&Q Spaces- <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6612/covid19-homeless-system-response-alternative-approaches-to-isolation-and-quarantine-spaces/>

April 29, 2022 3:24 PM from Karen Brown she/her to everyone: Shelter-Based Isolation in Place: <https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Shelter-Based-Isolation-in-Place.pdf>

April 29, 2022 3:25 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Shelter-Based Isolation in Place-https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Shelter-Based-Isolation-in-Place.pdf?utm_source=HUD+Exchange+Mailing+List&utm_campaign=be4fdd0370-WEEKLY_COVID_DIGEST_2022%2F04%2F26&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f32b935a5f-be4fdd0370-19625042

April 29, 2022 3:25 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Thank you Karen!

April 29, 2022 3:25 PM from Karen Brown she/her to everyone: LA Example: <https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/courses/covid-19-planning-response-for-homeless-assistance-providers-office-hours-January-7-2022/>

April 29, 2022 3:27 PM from Karen Brown she/her to everyone: More vaccine information here: <https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6229/covid19-homeless-system-response-vaccine-planning-and-distribution/>

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April 29, 2022 3:28 PM from Karen Brown she/her to everyone: Notice CPD-21-08:
<https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6411/notice-cpd2108-waiver-and-alternative-requirements-for-the-esg-program-under-the-cares-act/>

April 29, 2022 3:29 PM from Karen Brown she/her to everyone: AAQ:
<https://www.hudexchange.info/program-support/my-question/>

April 29, 2022 3:29 PM from Brian Roccapiore he/him to everyone: Tons of content here:
<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/covid-19/>

April 29, 2022 3:30 PM from Micah Webster to everyone: To fill out the poll, please follow this link: <https://www.menti.com/swhe95k6bx>

April 29, 2022 3:30 PM from William Higgins to everyone: Jaye - I serve on every CoC Committee, our statewide and regional homeless councils, and am on the NAEH Consumer Advisory Board. I am active in many other national advocacy organizations. I lead Homeless Advocacy for All nationally. We intend to complete our incorporation in May and then become a 501(c)3. Denise Leggett, Former HUD Region IV Administrator, has expressed interest in joining our initial Board. Others include national leadership and business experts in process improvement. Some I have known for 44 years since we began as midshipmen at the Naval Academy.

April 29, 2022 3:30 PM from Micah Webster to everyone: Note: Please enter your responses to the second poll question in the chat. Thank you!

April 29, 2022 3:31 PM from dinac to everyone: It has given more time to execute our plans which was a huge sigh of relief.

April 29, 2022 3:32 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: Notice:
<https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/6608/notice-cpd2206-waivers-and-alternative-requirements-for-the-esg-program-under-the-cares-act-esgcv-amendments-and-clarifications/>

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April 29, 2022 3:32 PM from William Higgins to everyone: I will be at the July NAEH conference in DC, and may be a presenter.

April 29, 2022 3:32 PM from Lesa Weikel to everyone: It has allowed us to not tyr to 'just spending funding' but to continue to utilize for RRH that takes longer to expend; and now more stability for households currently recieving assistance

April 29, 2022 3:33 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: 4/19/22 ESG-CV Updates Webinar materials will be posted soon... <https://www.hudexchange.info/trainings/courses/esg-cv-updates-webinar>

April 29, 2022 3:33 PM from Micah Webster to everyone: Is your community expecting to meet the 50% deadline? To fill out the poll, please follow this link: <https://www.menti.com/swhe95k6bx>

April 29, 2022 3:36 PM from denise to everyone: Extension provides some breathing room and ability to keep working with brand new agencies that have been slower to get their programs fully up & running. There has also been a tremendous amount of staff turnover so there is a constant amount of time spent training.

April 29, 2022 3:37 PM from CJ OHara to everyone: Was a Con plan?

April 29, 2022 3:39 PM from Karen Brown she/her to everyone: IDIS Fact Sheet
<https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/COVID-19-Homeless-System-Response-IDIS-Fact-Sheet-for-ESG-CV-Grant-Reductions-and-Grant-Reallocation-of-Funds.pdf>

April 29, 2022 3:42 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: @CJ- Consolidation Plans communicate your community's goals and action taken to address housing and community

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development focal areas. This link may be helpful
<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/consolidated-plan/>

April 29, 2022 3:43 PM from Carol Borrego to everyone: older? 2021 or 2019, 2018, 2017?

April 29, 2022 3:43 PM from Lesa Weikel to everyone: can you repeat the ESG year that have waivers that expire

April 29, 2022 3:44 PM from Latesha Balam-Totten to everyone: CPD Notice 21-08:
<https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/OCHCO/documents/2021-08cpdn.pdf>

April 29, 2022 3:45 PM from Christeena to everyone: Can you submit a waiver to the field office for FY2021?

April 29, 2022 3:46 PM from Micah Webster to everyone: To fill out the poll, please follow this link: <https://www.menti.com/swhe95k6bx>

April 29, 2022 3:46 PM from Brett Esders to everyone: @Christeena - yes, if you believe you need waiver flexibility to regulatory requirements for your FY 2021 ESG grants you can submit a request to your field office. Please also submit all the information related to why you need the waiver flexibility (e.g., data, descriptors of local factors such as housing markets)

April 29, 2022 3:47 PM from Betty L. to everyone: For clarification, is the FMR waiver effective through 9/30/22, or did it expire on 3/31/22?

April 29, 2022 3:48 PM from Avery Slyker to everyone: This waiver information was night and day for us in FL-502.. We were anticipating that LOT it was going to take to find housing in AMI would double the current LOT (60 days without voucher, 100 days with vouchers).

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April 29, 2022 3:48 PM from Brett Esders to everyone: @Betty - for FY 2021 ESG funds it expired on 3/31/22. For FY 2020 and earlier ESG funds it expires 9/30

April 29, 2022 3:49 PM from Micah Webster to everyone: You are welcome to continue responding to the poll for the duration of the webinar. Thank you!

April 29, 2022 3:50 PM from Betty L. to everyone: @Brett, thank you!

April 29, 2022 3:51 PM from CJ OHara to everyone: Any word on whether there will be additional DV funding in this year's NOFA? I had seen previously it was likely. Also, will there be any attempts to encourage CoCs to engage with runaway youth partners in their area?

April 29, 2022 3:52 PM from Liz Isaacs to everyone: Will PSH be included in the DV bonus?

April 29, 2022 3:52 PM from Brett Esders to everyone: @Liz - we can't answer that question until the FY 2022 NOFO is published.

April 29, 2022 3:53 PM from Christeena to everyone: @Brett, thank you!

April 29, 2022 3:54 PM from Maria to everyone: Great information today, Thanks So Much!

April 29, 2022 3:54 PM from Jack Moran to everyone: Thank you!

April 29, 2022 3:55 PM from Sarah Johnson to everyone: Thanks!

April 29, 2022 3:55 PM from Lindsey Richard to everyone: Thank you everyone!