

Applying for Expansion Projects during the CoC Program Competition

Note!

This version, posted on the HUD Exchange on 9/25/2019, updates key information.

- It clarifies that for each expansion project, the applicant is limited to 2 new project applications to expand a specific renewal.
- It updates the chart to correctly identify the Priority Listing Designations.
- It clarifies that if the *Combined Renewal Expansion* is considered by HUD, it will replace the *Stand-Alone Renewal* project in the CoC Priority Listing. It will assume the project's rank. It will also bring with it the total project budget amount for the *Combined Renewal Expansion* project, replacing the total project budget amount for the *Stand-Alone Renewal* project. This replacement will likely affect where the Tier 1 threshold falls on the CoC Priority Listing.

Project applicants can apply for funding for one or more expansion projects during the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition. An expansion project in the context of the Competition is one that combines an existing eligible renewal project with a new project that requests funding to expand the existing project. In every Renewal Project Application, Project Applicants MUST complete the "Renewal Expansion" screen and actively identify whether the project is part of an expansion project.

This document provides the following information about applying for an expansion project for the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition:

- Eligible and ineligible expansion projects and activities
- Expanding an existing renewal project: submitting applications, ranking, and HUD review

Eligible and ineligible projects and activities

The expansion project (i.e., the existing renewal project and the new expanded portion of the project) must meet the conditions below:

- The grant period for the existing renewal project must expire in Calendar Year (CY) 2020 (between January 1, 2020 and December 31, 2020).
- The renewal project and the new expanded portion of the project must both have the same component type.
 - Eligible project components: PH-PSH, PH-RRH, Joint TH/PH-RRH, SSO-CE, or HMIS
- The new expanded portion of the project may be funded through reallocation, DV Bonus, and CoC bonus processes.
 - If using DV Bonus funds, the new expanded portion of the project is solely for additional units, beds, or services dedicated to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking who qualify under paragraph (4) of the definition of homeless at 24 CFR 578.3.

Eligibility and Criteria

Review the FY 2019 CoC Program Competition NOFA on the [FY 2019 CoC Program Competition: Funding Availability page](#). In particular, see III.C.2.j and V.B.3.a.(5).

- The expansion grant is limited to a 1-year grant term, regardless of the project type.
- For each expansion project, the applicant is limited to 2 new project applications to expand a specific renewal.
- Ineligible costs: capital costs (i.e., new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition)
- Ineligible project type: YHDP

Submitting Applications

For more information on submitting applications, review the following:

- [Renewal Project Application Instructions and Guide](#)
- [New Project Application Instructions and Guide](#)

Expanding an existing renewal project

The chart below identifies the terms used for the different types of applications, which application type to use, which applications the CoC ranks, and how HUD reviews the applications.

Term	Description	Application Type / Project Listing	Will the CoC rank it?	Priority Listing Designation (#=ranking number)
Stand-Alone Renewal	The existing project that is being renewed.	Renewal	Yes	E#
Stand-Alone New Expansion #1	New project funding for activities that will expand the existing project.	New	Yes	#
Stand-Alone New Expansion #2	New project funding for activities that will expand the existing project.	New	Yes	#
Combined Renewal Expansion	The combined project for the existing project and the expanded portion.	Renewal	No	NA

Ranking Instructions for Expansion Projects

Collaborative Applicants rank the renewal project application for the existing renewal project and the (one or two) new expansion project applications for the new funding to expand the project. They do NOT rank the combined renewal expansion project.

HUD Review of the Expansion Project Applications

After the CoC Program application submission date:

HUD will review the Stand-Alone Renewal and the Stand-Alone New Expansion applications individually.

- If the Stand-Alone New Expansion does not meet eligibility and quality threshold requirements, HUD will only consider the *Stand-Alone Renewal* project for conditional selection.
- If both projects meet eligibility and quality threshold requirements, HUD will consider the *Combined Renewal Expansion* project for conditional selection.

One factor affecting the possibility of a conditional award for any renewal or new project on a CoC's Priority Listing is the project's ranking. With regard to expansion projects, HUD considers the *Stand-Alone Renewal* rank position.

- If HUD accepts only the *Stand-Alone Renewal*, the *Stand-Alone New Expansion* will be removed from the list, and all projects below it will move up one rank.
- If HUD accepts the *Combined Renewal Expansion*:
 - The *Combined Renewal Expansion* project will take the place of the *Stand-Alone Renewal* project.
 - The total project budget amount for the *Combined Renewal Expansion* project will replace the total project budget amount for the *Stand-Alone Renewal* project.
 - The *Stand-Alone New Expansion* will be removed from the list.