

# Continuum of Care & City's Homelessness Prevention Programs



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# What is a CoC?

**Established by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)**

**Continuum of Care** (CoC) - Program designed to promote communitywide commitment with the following goals:

- End Homelessness
- Quickly re-house homeless individuals and families
- Access to mainstream programs
- Optimize self-sufficiency

CoC has a governance charter and is governed by a Board

# CoC Membership

- Non-profit Homeless Assistance Providers
- Victim Service Providers
- Faith-Based Organizations
- Local Municipalities
- Businesses
- Advocates
- Public Housing Agencies
- School Districts
- Social Service Providers
- Mental Health Agencies
- Hospitals
- Universities
- Affordable Housing Developers
- Law Enforcement
- Veteran Service Organizations
- Persons experiencing homelessness

# What is a Collaborative Applicant?

The eligible applicant designated by the Continuum of Care (CoC) to collect and submit:

- CoC Registration
- CoC Application for HUD funding
- Apply for Planning funds on behalf of CoC
- Other duties as outlined in governance charter
- Best practice – Unit of local government

**Guilford County CoC Collaborative Applicant  
Partners Ending Homelessness**

# CoC Program Roadmap



**Access**

**Standardized  
Assessment**

**Referral**

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**Homelessness  
Prevention**

**Emergency  
Shelter**

**Rapid  
Rehousing**

**Transitional  
Housing**

**Permanent  
Supportive  
Housing**

**Other  
Resources**



**Coordinated  
Assessment  
System**

# HUD 2019 CoC Funding Priorities North Carolina

## Permanent Housing

- Permanent Supportive Housing	\$19,442,896	70%
- Rapid Re-housing	4,466,699	16%

## Transitional Housing

225,746 <1%

## Joint Transitional & Rapid Re-housing

404,911 1%

## Supportive Services Only

1,071,986 4%

## HMIS (Information System)

1,146,522 4%

## Safe Haven

64,150 <1%

## CoC Planning Grants

924,893 3%  
**\$27,747,803**

# CoC Annual HUD Funding

Agency	Project	Amount
Greensboro Housing Authority	Permanent Housing	\$1,011,725
Salvation Army	Permanent Housing	288,317
Partners Ending Homelessness	Coordinated Intake	\$149,664
The Servant Center	Rapid Re-Housing	119,081
The Servant Center	Permanent Housing	12,075
Partners Ending Homelessness	HMIS Expansion	69,721
Youth Focus	Trans Housing/Perm/Rapid	119,920
Family Services of Piedmont	Permanent Housing	92,889
Open Door Ministries – High Pt	Permanent Housing	207,109
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,070,501</b>

# City Priorities

- Crisis Response
- Homeless Prevention (Includes Eviction Diversion)
- Rapid Re-Housing
- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Emergency Shelter

Aligns with HUD, State, Interagency Council on Homelessness and Guilford County CoC



# Annual RFP – Focusing on Priorities

1. Issued annual Request for Proposal in January 2020.
  - Funding priorities meeting w/CoC – December 2, 2019
  - Review meeting – CoC Chair – January 7, 2020
  - Information workshop w/CoC – January 9, 2020
  - Information workshop w/agencies – January 23, 2020
2. RFP modifications to move toward Housing First
  - Transitional Housing - \$25,000 cap on proposals that provide direct housing benefit, but do not use housing first.
  - Supportive Services – 15% cap on supportive services proposals.
3. Agencies submitted Letters of Intent due - January 17, 2020

# City of Greensboro Homelessness Funding

Program	FY19-20	FY20-21
Rapid Re-Housing	150,614	278,463
Emergency Shelter	260,522	315,000
Crisis Response & Operations	\$333,080	\$341,275
Transitional Housing	156,187	73,216
Non-Housing Related Services	69,372	45,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$969,755</b>	<b>\$1,052,954</b>



# 10-Year Affordable Housing Plan

## Goal Area: Supportive Housing

- Support Housing First
- Construct More Supportive Units
- Provide Short-Term Rental Assistance
- Evaluate the current Continuum of Care structure data, systems, and outcomes in meeting the needs of Greensboro homeless population and make recommendations

# QUESTIONS