



Kentucky Housing Corporation
KY Balance of State Continuum of Care – Special Meeting – 2019 CoC Scoring and Ranking Criteria
10:00 a.m. ET, Monday, August 19, 2019
Kentucky Housing Corporation 1231 Louisville Rd, Frankfort, KY 40601

The Kentucky BoS CoC Advisory Board met on August 19, 2019 at Kentucky Housing Corporation in Frankfort, Kentucky. A quorum was present with the following members:

KY BoS CoC Board Members Present and via Webinar

- Caleb Rose, Pennyroyal Center (Region 1)
- Steve Clark, Heartland Cares (Region 1)
- Pam Hurt, BRASS (Region 2)
- Katie Abel, OASIS (Region 2)
- Kristy Dangel, Women’s Crisis Center (Region 3, Vice Chair)
- Danielle Amrine, Welcome House (Region 3)
- Mary Walker, DOVES of Gateway (Region 4)
- Jackie Long, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, Inc (Region 5)
- Marty Jones, Community Action Council of Lexington (Region 6, Chair)
- Kelly Asher, Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky (Region 6)
- Adrienne Bush, HHCK (ex-officio)
- Robin Perkins, KCADV (ex-officio)

KY BoS CoC Board Members Absent

- Sameera Jackson, WellCare (At-Large)
- Lydia Jefferson, Kentucky Housing Corporation (At-Large)
- David Swenson, VA Health Care Center (At-Large)
- Rebekah Stamper, Volunteers of America (Region 4)
- Jennifer Smith, KCEOC (Region 5)

Others Present and via Webinar

- Cassie Carter, HHCK
- Andrea Miller, KCADV
- Katie French, KCADV
- Tricia Amonette, Centerstone
- Kathy Begley, KRCC
- Lynn Childers, CARES
- Terry Davidson, Clark Co Homeless Coalition
- James Evans, Affordable Nonprofit Help

- Sarah Hill, Big Sandy Community Action
- Paula Howard, Mountain Comprehensive Care
- Elizabeth LaPash, Welcome House
- Beth Lunsford, Safe Harbor
- Anna Phillips, Covington Charities
- Jennifer Shofner, Transitions
- Tish Shupe, Clark Co Community Services
- Debbie Sivis, Shelter of Hope
- Peggy Tucker, CILO
- Claudette Wright, Harlan Co Community Action
- Donna Wyatt, Pennyroyal
- Sherri Jennings, Harlan Co Community Action
- Curtis Stauffer, Kentucky Housing Corporation
- Shaye Rabold, Kentucky Housing Corporation
- Kenzie Strubank, Kentucky Housing Corporation
- Ashley VonHatten, Kentucky Housing Corporation
- Jen Oberlin, Kentucky Housing Corporation
- Elizabeth Seacat, Kentucky Housing Corporation
- Danielle Humes, Kentucky Housing Corporation

Welcome and Introductions

Marty Jones welcomed everyone and provided introductions of people in the room and on the webinar.

Mainstream Vouchers

Wendy Smith discussed Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Mainstream Vouchers. Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) is the Public Housing Authority (PHA) for 87 counties in Kentucky and recently brought the PHA contract back in-house. Beginning on August 19, 2019 at 9 a.m., KHC will open their waiting list for Housing Choice Vouchers. KHC is currently applying for Mainstream Vouchers, which provide assistance to non-elderly disabled persons. HUD provided guidance stating Mainstream Vouchers should align with the Continuum of Care (CoC) and application points will be received for demonstration of a partnership between the collaborative applicant (KHC) and the CoC. Curtis stated a letter of commitment is needed, with formal approval from the Board verifying Lisa Beran (KHC interim executive director) can sign on their behalf. Curtis will send proposed language through Basecamp and verify Board voting electronically.

2018 CoC Scoring and Ranking Criteria

Shaye introduced the Scoring and Ranking Criteria Committee. The committee is made up of non CoC-funded agencies and includes Kristy Dangel (Women's Crisis Center), Cyndee Burton (Matthew 25), and Shainey Marcus (Jessamine County Schools Homeless Liaison).

Shaye reviewed the [Kentucky Balance of State Continuum of Care 2019 Continuum of Care Program Local Competitive Application Scoring, Ranking, and Reallocation Process](#) and noted changes.

- Page 2 (Eligible Projects) New SSO-CE projects cannot request more than \$41,025 (corrected from \$42,500 amount). Domestic Violence Bonus projects cannot create new SSO projects for Coordinated Entry.
- Page 3 (Expansion) Five new criteria for Projects Not Eligible for Expansion.
- Page 4 (KY BoS CoC Policy Priorities) Language under Using a Housing First Approach stating all KY BoS CoC projects, including renewal and new, are required to follow and maintain true fidelity to the traditional Housing First approach.

Curtis explained while HUD is allowing CoCs to adopt these policies regarding the requirement of services, HUD also requires the policy to be backed with proven data. Kenzie stated case management can be required but needs to be flexible and the [CSH Supportive Housing Quality Toolkit](#) provides great guidance on how to meet the needs of our clients.

- Page 5 (Scoring and Ranking Overview) breaks down the amount KY BoS is eligible to apply for, with an increase of approximately \$1.5 million due to DV Bonus and YHDP projects. Required to rank projects in tier 1 and tier 2.
- Page 6 (Renewal Scoring Criteria and Ranking Process). Last year the only criteria was Housing First but more criteria has been added as all projects are Housing First.
 - Renewal Projects in Tier 2 will be ranked above new projects if they meet new criteria.
 - Projects Eligible for Automatic Tier 1 Ranking include HMIS, YHDP, Coordinated Entry, and Joint TH/RRH grants.
- Page 9 (2019 KY BoS New/Expanded Project Funding Priorities and Requirements) Projects must serve one or more full Local Prioritization Community (LPC) and units must be available to anyone within the LPC. New SSO-CE project request will be capped at \$41,025 (corrected from \$42,500 amount).
- Page 10 (continued New/Expanded Project Funding Priorities and Requirements) Projects must serve all populations and commit to a Housing First model. Note: capital funding is not renewable and cannot be reallocated to other projects in future CoC competitions.
- Page 11 (Additional Considerations) KHC must make rationale for any adjustments to the KY BoS CoC Advisory Board when recommending approval of ranking.

Marty proposed the approval for the Kentucky Balance of State Continuum of Care 2019 Continuum of Care Program Local Competitive Application Scoring, Ranking, and Reallocation Process with the update to SSO-CE maximum amount corrected to \$41,025. Kristy makes a motion to approve and Lynn Childers seconds. Board approves motion.

Shaye reviewed the [2019 Kentucky Balance of State CoC Renewal Scoresheet for TH, SSO \(non-coordinated entry\), RRH, and PSH](#) stating it was very similar to last year. Shaye noted changes.

- Q1 (Permanent Housing Programs and rapid placement into permanent housing prioritized) is still prioritized but less points.
- Q2 (Project is able to serve both Households With Children and Households Without Children)
- Q3 (Project is able to serve people regardless of gender identity and is not limited to one gender) Kelly Asher stated Yes, both needs to be updated to Yes, all.
- Q4 (Project covers multiple counties) is a new question and awards more points for higher geographic coverage.

- Q5 (Average length of time between “Project Entry” to “Housing Move-in” Date) updated from only RRH projects to include PSH projects. Benchmarks are slightly different, as HMIS reports lists average number of days. Updated from 14 days or less to 30 days or less for maximum points.
- Q7 (Length of Stay 12 months (366 days) or longer) will be verified through number of leavers.
- Q10 (Returns to Homelessness-Percentage of participants who exited to permanent housing and returned to homelessness within 1 year (12 months) of exit) has decreased look back period from two years to one year.
- Q18 (Average unit utilization rate) looks at total units listed in application. Please contact KHC immediately if units have been reduced.
- Q19-22 will be confirmed by KHC through CES report and project entry to verify client came through coordinated entry.
- Q23 (Percentage of households that were chronically homeless at program entry since 2/1/18) updated date range from last year and expectation from 40 to 60%.
- Q27 (Housing First Fidelity—Low-Barriers to Entry) and Q28 (Housing First Fidelity—Housing Retention/Program Termination) are new questions and KHC is requesting documentation regarding Housing First program eligibility and project termination.
- Q29-39 have not changed, only updated grant years.

Marty proposed the approval for the 2019 Kentucky Balance of State CoC Renewal Scoresheet for TH, SSO (non-coordinated entry), RRH, and PSH with Q3 updated from Yes, both to Yes, all. Jackie Long makes a motion to approve and Pam Hurt seconds. Board approves motion.

Shaye reviewed the [2019 Kentucky Balance of State CoC EXPANSION Scoresheet Non-DV Bonus RRH and PSH Projects](#) and noted changes.

- Q9 (Average length of time between “Project Entry” to “Housing Move-in” Date) updated from only RRH projects to include PSH projects. Benchmarks are slightly different, as HMIS reports lists average number of days. Updated from 14 days or less to 30 days or less for maximum points.
- Q22 (Applicant justified need for expansion project, including current Coordinated Entry Data) is a new questions and asks for justification of expansion with CES data.

Marty proposed the approval for the 2019 Kentucky Balance of State CoC EXPANSION Scoresheet Non-DV Bonus RRH and PSH Projects. Kristy makes a motion to approve and Pam Hurt seconds. Board approves motion.

Kenzie reviewed the [2019 Kentucky Balance of State CoC New Project Scoresheet](#) and noted changes.

- New questions include:
 - Q4 (Project serves Households With Children and Without Children)
 - Q5 (Project serves persons regardless of gender identity and is not limited to one gender)
 - Q7 (Is this project requesting non–renewable capital costs?)
 - Q10 (Does other PSH exist in the proposed service area for the specific population to be served)
 - Q18 (Applicants described strong plan to assist participants obtain mainstream benefits)

Discussion takes place regarding point values for Q16-18 and Q28 and update from Strong Plan (10pts), Sufficient Plan, but lacks detail (5pts), and Plan is not acceptable (0pts) to Strong Plan (10pts), Strong Plan, but lacks some detail (7pts), Has plan, but lacks detail (4pts), and Plan not acceptable (0pts).

- Q20-Q28 are similar to last year.
- Q29-33 apply to DV Bonus projects

Marty proposed the approval for the 2019 Kentucky Balance of State CoC New Project Scoresheet with Q16-18 and Q28 and update to Strong Plan (10pts), Strong Plan, but lacks some detail (7pts), Has plan, but lacks detail (4pts), and Plan not acceptable (0pts). Kelly Asher makes a motion to approve and Kristy seconds. Board approves motion.

Shaye will update all scorecards accordingly and post to the KHC website and all LPC Basecamps. On September 10, 2019, the KY BoS CoC Advisory Board will approve scoring and ranking of projects.