



## 2016: Hennepin County/Minneapolis CoC McKinney-Vento Funding Priorities

The Hennepin County/Minneapolis Continuum of Care McKinney-Vento Funding Committee is charged with directing this community's annual HUD CoC Program funding of over \$11 million to meet federal requirements and local needs. To accomplish that, the Committee's ranking for renewing and new applications has been driven by increasingly robust performance criteria for several years.

In preparation for HUD's 2016 CoC Program competition (NOFA), the Committee has examined local needs as identified by the Heading Home Hennepin Plan and the Office to End Homelessness. It was found that there is a need for more resources for homeless adults and youth, and for chronically homeless adults. In addition, at this time HUD explicitly encourages *reallocation* of funds: 1) to target local gaps and priorities and 2) to support programs that are high performing on CoC goals and criteria, and improve the lives of the people they serve. Therefore, in 2016, the Committee may *reallocate* some of the available HUD funding from current renewals for new projects.

**As a result, for 2016 the Continuum of Care Committee will rank applications as described below.**

### Part 1: New or revamped projects

In 2016, any *reallocation* of the available HUD funding from current renewals will support the following critical priorities:

- Rapid rehousing for adults only households
- Coordinated Entry assessment for singles and youth
- Increasing the capacity and funding for HMIS

The purpose of this *reallocation* is to encourage applications for:

- High-performing and/or innovative programs
- *New* projects not currently receiving these funds
- *New* projects proposed by *current grantees* with lower priority programs, who propose a different program that better aligns with the critical priorities listed above

### Part 2: Renewals of existing projects

In 2016, the Committee will rank current *renewal* projects according to the following priorities:

- Programs that demonstrate full understanding of and have implemented housing first principles
- Permanent supportive housing (singles) with dedicated beds for chronically homeless adults
- Rapid Rehousing programs for households with children, youth and adults only households
- Programs that are high performing on the CoC evaluation
- Programs that have demonstrated full participation or intent to participate in CES
- Transitional housing for youth and victims of domestic violence
- Programs that have had good outcomes for increased income