

Reallocation Policy of the New Orleans-Jefferson Parish-Kenner CoC Governing Council

Role of the CoC Evaluation and Project Selection Committee: The purpose of the Evaluation and Selection Committee is to review and select project sponsors for CoC funding and other funding opportunities, evaluate project performance, decide scoring and prioritization criteria for the CoC application and other funding, and rank and tier projects for the CoC application.

The CoC Evaluation and Project Selection Committee will consider partial or full reallocation of projects on at least an annual basis as part of the CoC application process. In addition, the Committee will determine when projects should be reallocated outside the CoC application process, such as when new sponsors are required due to performance issues. The committee will consider reallocation of lower performing projects, those that do not serve priority populations, and those that both do not have significant impact on improving system-wide performance and do not play a critical role in crisis response.

Decisions regarding partial or full reallocation will be made based on:

- Project performance including the project's role in system performance
- Compliance issues (CoC and HUD), including whether the project is actually operating as housing first, low-barrier, and using coordinated entry
- Priorities of the CoC including the goal of ending and maintaining an end to veteran, chronic, family and youth homelessness
- Cost-effectiveness
- Historical spending and balances in the past two program years

Additional Reallocation Policies for 2017

Full Reallocation if Projects Do Not Meet Threshold review

A threshold review will determine whether a project is subject to full reallocation in order to improve system performance. The threshold review will include:

- Meets threshold levels for outcome performance
- Supports system performance
- Operates as Housing First and Low Barrier
- Uses Coordinated Entry for all openings
- Complies with HUD and CoC operating standards
- Meets threshold standards for cost effectiveness and utilization

Projects not meeting the above requirements will be subject to full reallocation.

When Partial Reallocation is Warranted

Projects may be recommended for partial reallocation based on review regarding:

1) Cost effectiveness in ending homelessness or maintaining permanent housing is poorer than other projects serving clients presenting a similar degree of challenges, even though the project meets threshold standards

- 2) Utilization rate is poorer than other projects, even though the project meets threshold standards
- 3) Spending balances – see below.

Balances in Supportive, Operating, or Administrative Costs

Any project with a balance in the most recently completed program year shall be reduced by the balance in the renewal application unless project can demonstrate that 1) it timely alerted UNITY about its spending problems and asked for help AND 2) extraordinary circumstances compelled the balance. Data will be the most recent APR or in the event no APR has been submitted, the LOCCS balance 60 days after the end of the most recently completed project year.

Balances in Rental Assistance or Leasing

Rental assistance or leasing balances over \$10,000 will be reallocated UNLESS the project sponsor can demonstrate that the current monthly rental amount would expend all funds in the current program year. For example, the monthly rental assistance amount for a project is \$50,000 which multiplied over 12 months would result in spending \$600,000 in rental assistance. If the budget is \$600,000 there would be no reallocation. If the budget is \$650,000, then \$40,000 would be reallocated.