

**Bergen County Continuum of Care
FY2023 Continuum of Care Concept Paper**

FY2023 Concept Paper general specifications:

- The Bergen County Continuum of Care is accepting Concept Papers for agencies seeking new Continuum of Care funding for any of the following program types: permanent housing, transitional housing, HMIS and support service only programs. While concept papers will be accepted for all program types, funding decisions will be based on the project evaluation criteria, performance standards, local monitoring findings, as well as any restrictions placed on funding by HUD in the FY2023 NOFO.
- **Any agency seeking to apply for either new or renewal funding MUST complete an application in SM Apply by 5 PM on Friday, August 4th, 2023 at 5pm. Late submissions will receive an automatic deduction of 5 points from the total application score**
- The Review Committee, which will be made up of entities not applying for FY2023 funding, will determine the ranking of the projects based on the factors mentioned above.
- All agencies that submit a concept paper should be prepared to provide additional information or make a brief presentation to the Review Committee if the Committee feels there is not enough information to make a ranking determination.
- All agencies interested in serving people experiencing homelessness are encouraged to apply. No prior experience in operating CoC funded programs required. All agencies, those not previously funded as well as those previously funded are encouraged to apply.

FY2023 New Funding Concept Paper specifications:

- The Bergen County Continuum of Care will consider applications for new projects. The Review Committee will determine funding levels for new projects awarded funding based on Reallocation from renewal projects and/or Bonus funding available through the FY2023 NOFO.
- Requests for this funding can be for the following project types:
 - Permanent supportive housing (PSH) projects that will primarily serve chronically homeless individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth;
 - Rapid rehousing (RRH) projects for homeless individuals and families, including unaccompanied youth;
 - Joint Transitional Housing (TH) and Permanent Housing-Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH) component projects, that will combine TH and PH-RRH into a single project to serve individuals and families experiencing homelessness;
 - Dedicated Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) projects; or
 - Supportive Services Only (SSO) projects for centralized or coordinated assessment
- Agencies should refer to the FY2023 NOFO for further details on project types that can be applied for. A copy of the NOFO can be found here under the “Related Documents” tab:
<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=349091>