

FY22 Special Unsheltered Homelessness Notice of Funding Opportunity (Special NOFO) Request for Proposals and Application Instructions

TX-500 San Antonio and Bexar County

South Alamo Regional Alliance for the Homeless (SARAH)



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TX-500 Special NOFO Request for Proposals

The South Alamo Regional Alliance for the Homeless (SARAH), as the designated Collaborative Applicant for TX-500, invites eligible organizations to apply for the [U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s \(HUD\) Special Unsheltered Homelessness Continuum of Care \(CoC\) Program Grant NOFO](#).

Applicants will submit project proposals to SARAH. Applications will then be ranked by an Independent Review Committee and recommended for funding by the CoC Board of Directors and CoC Lived Expertise Advisory Board. **This is a competitive grant process, and if selected for funding, HUD will award 3-year grants up to \$14,572,376.**

The CoC seeks applications from organizations that have previously received or are currently receive HUD funding. The following projects will be considered for funding:

Project Type	Maximum Funding Amount (3-year grant)	Project Description in Accordance with CoC Plan to Serve Individuals & Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs ¹
Permanent Housing (PH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) • Rapid Rehousing (long-term) • Joint Transitional Housing – Rapid Rehousing (long-term) 	\$8,743,426	Long-term housing for those with severe needs. Priority for projects partnering with healthcare organizations (medical respite, substance abuse recovery, mental health, etc.) and housing organizations (COSA Housing Bond RFP, Public Housing Authority Vouchers, etc.). Priority for projects with the following features: communal living (on-site services); community activities; mental health and substance use services on-site; sober living housing without rehab requirements; education and employment services; medical services or services for people who need support with ADLs
Supportive Services Only – Street Outreach and Other	\$4,371,713	Housing navigation; SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR); mobile showers outside of 8am – 5pm; mental health therapy; accessibility to medications and medical services; connection to education and employment services; community event coordination

¹ SARAH developed the TX-500 CoC Plan with input from the CoC Lived Expertise Advisory Board, the CoC Board of Directors, and the CoC Membership. Each applicant must describe in their application how their project aligns with the CoC Plan for how this funding will be used if awarded.

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)	\$728,619	Increased system capacity needed for data collection, analysis, and reporting to identify gaps and evaluate outcomes
Supportive Services Only – Coordinated Entry (CE)	\$291,447	Increased system capacity needed for increasing coordination among service providers, including SOAR coordination or benefit work, and access to housing resources through Coordinated Entry
CoC Planning (3% of total award)	\$437,171	Increased system capacity needed for administration of projects funded through this program, including implementing the community plan for unsheltered resources

TX-500 Special NOFO Timeline

Thursday, September 1, 2022	CoC Unsheltered Special NOFO RFP and Application Instructions Released	All materials can be found at http://www.sarahomeless.org
Tuesday, September 6, 2022, 11 am – 12 pm	REQUIRED CoC Unsheltered Special NOFO Virtual Grant Conference	Required meeting for prospective applicants Register Here This meeting will be recorded
Wednesday, September 7, 2022 – September 14, 2022	REQUIRED Project Technical Assistance	Required – Several 30-minute virtual sessions available MUST bring completed <u>“Special NOFO Threshold Assessment”</u> Register Here
Tuesday, September 20, 2022	Project Applications Due	Completed project applications due in <i>e-snaps</i>
Thursday, September 22, 2022 – October 4, 2022	Independent Review Team	Sessions closed to the public

Tuesday, October 4, 2022	Project Ranking Approval	CoC Board and Lived Expertise Advisory Board must approve project ranking prior to posting
Wednesday, October 5, 2022	Project Ranking Released	Notification of project rankings sent to applicants via email & posted online.
Friday, October 7, 2022	CoC Consolidated Application Posted	Per NOFO Regulations. CoC Application and CoC Priority Listing will be available for community feedback until October 12th.
Monday, October 10, 2022	Deadline to Submit Grievances	Submit electronically in accordance with posted Grievance Procedure.
Tuesday, October 11, 2022	Final Project Applications Due	Final edits due in <i>e-snaps</i>
Friday, October 14, 2022	Submit Special NOFO	Official due date is October 20, 2022

Important Application Resources

Application resources related to this NOFO can be found [here on SARAH's website](#).

- [HUD FY22 Special NOFO](#)
 - Explains the CoC Program Grant and provides instructions on the role of the CoC, eligibility, project details, HUD priorities, required application materials to be submitted in *e-snaps*, and the Consolidated Application process.
- [FY22 Special Unsheltered Homelessness NOFO RFP and Application Instructions](#)
 - Describes local funding availability, timeline, submission deadlines, and detailed application instructions.
- [TX-500 Continuum of Care Program Grant Policies and Procedures](#)
 - Community policies for the CoC Program Grant funding competition process and CoC Program Grant recipient monitoring and evaluation.
 - Includes details regarding priority projects, project ranking, and scoring rubrics.
 - Includes reporting requirements for a CoC-funded project.
- [Special NOFO Threshold Assessment](#)
 - A required assessment to determine eligibility for this funding opportunity.
- [e-snaps New Project Application Detailed Instructions](#)
 - A guide for applicants as they submit their required documents through HUD's *e-snaps* portal.
- [Continuum of Care Written Standards](#)
 - Local Written Standards for operating a Special NOFO CoC Program project.
- [Homelink Policies and Procedures](#)

- Special NOFO CoC Program grantees are required to utilize Coordinated Entry, known locally as Homelink.
- [Homeless Management Information System \(HMIS\) Policies and Procedures](#)
 - Special NOFO CoC Program grantees are required to utilize HMIS to enter project data and report to HUD.
- [HUD Exchange Website](#)
 - HUD's resource website for the Special NOFO.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must complete the **Special NOFO Threshold Assessment** and submit it to SARA at their required Technical Assistance Meeting. This assessment will determine if the applicant is eligible for this funding opportunity based on local requirements.

Application Materials & Submission Instructions

To apply for the Special NOFO, applicants must:

1. Attend the Special NOFO Grant Conference or watch the recording; and
2. Pass the threshold review at a technical assistance session with SARA; and
3. Submit a new project application under funding opportunity "Unsheltered Homelessness Set Aside Project Application FY2022" into HUD's *e-snaps* portal by the deadline.

If you have a technical *e-snaps* functionality question (i.e., password lockout, updating Applicant profile), please email e-snaps@hud.gov.

Detailed instructions for *e-snaps* can be found in the application materials.

Contact Information

Contact SARA at grants@sarahomeless.org for application assistance or questions.