



New York City Continuum of Care (NYC CoC) March 24, 2026 Public Meeting

9:30am – 12:00pm | 208 West 13th Street, Room 301, New York, NY 10011

NYC Department of Social Services - Federal Homeless Policy & Reporting Unit

March 24th 2026

Welcome!



Overview:

Public meetings provide an opportunity for networking and information sharing between the NYC CoC and our partners (that's you).

Hosts:

- **Jonathan Martinez** | CoC Director of Planning and Operations
- **Marie Libeson** | CoC Community Coordinator

Team Shoutouts:

- Continuum of Care (CoC) Team
- Steering Committee Members
- Committee and Workgroup Members

Ground Rules



One mic/refrain from speaking while someone else has the mic



Speak/engage in first draft



Respect differences in experience and understanding



Hold questions until the presenter(s) open(s) the conversation



Share ideas and resources

Agenda



Breakfast and Networking



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CoC Announcements



FY26 CoC Program NOFO



10 Minute Break



Advocacy in Action Panel



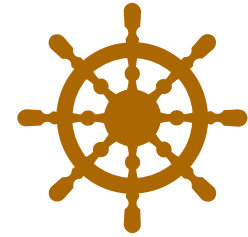
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CoC Announcements

NYC CONTINUUM OF CARE TEAM

DSS Leadership Changes



Commissioner Erin Dalton

Erin Dalton will now lead DSS, an agency that includes the administrative units of the NYC Human Resources Administration (HRA), the nation's largest social services agency, which assists more than three million low-income and vulnerable New Yorkers each year, and the Department of Homeless Services (DHS), which provides temporary emergency shelter to New Yorkers in need while helping families transition to permanent housing and long-term stability.





FY26 CoC Program NOFO

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Litigation Update



U.S. District Court of Rhode Island v. HUD

- **November 25, 2025** – A coalition of 19 states (including New York) and two governors filed a lawsuit against HUD over new policy changes to the CoC program.

National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH) v. HUD

- **December 1, 2025** - NAEH and several partner organizations filed new litigation challenging HUD's FY 2025 CoC NOFO.

Update: The courts have combined these two lawsuits for the preliminary injunction hearing. The next hearing is scheduled for Friday, December 19th at 10am.

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Litigation Update



Litigation Timeline

- **February 6** - Emergency Motion filed by defendant asking to dissolve the December 19 preliminary injunction so an FY25 CoC NOFO can be released to meet the July 1st deadline for Q3 and Q4 projects. Plaintiffs need to respond by Monday February 23. Defendants have asked for a judgement to be issued by March 2.
- **February 27** - The Court DENIES Defendants' Combined Motion to Dissolve the December 19, 2025 Preliminary Injunctions (ECF No. 74). So Ordered by District Judge Mary S. McElroy on 2/27/2026.
- **March 2** – HUD files and appeal to the 02/27 order and an emergency motion to Stay December 19, 2025 Preliminary Injunction Pending Appeal
- **March 6** - The Court DENIES Defendants' Combined Emergency Motion for a Stay of the Preliminary Injunctions Pending Appeal (ECF No. 79). So Ordered by District Judge Mary S. McElroy on 3/6/2026.
- **March 9** - HUD then escalated the emergency motion for a stay to the first circuit on March 9th. The First circuit set the briefing schedule for the coalition to file their papers on March 16th, with any reply from HUD due Mar 19th.

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Policy and Advocacy Update



Transportation, Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Bill

THUD Bill – **FY25 CoC NOFO**

Noncompetitively renew for 12 months all projects expiring or that have expired in quarter 1 of 2026 (not a clear timeline; just “prior to awarding any amounts through a” NOFO).

- IF awards aren’t made under an FY25 NOFO before 4/1/26, THEN noncompetitively renew all projects expiring in quarter 2.
- IF awards aren’t made under an FY25 NOFO before 7/1/26, THEN noncompetitively renew all projects expiring in quarters 3 and 4.
- These renewals must be equal to prior awards with adjustments to operate at substantially the same levels, including COLA and FMR adjustments
- Any remaining funds after all renewals are made will be competitively awarded, and those renewals cannot render recipients ineligible for FY25 or FY26 NOFO awards.

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Policy and Advocacy Update



THUD Bill – FY26 CoC NOFO

- Tier One no less than 60% of the CoC ARD
 - Page 660, lines 12-17: The Secretary shall select projects totaling not less than 60 percent of the annual renewal demand for each collaborative applicant based on rankings determined by the local continuum of care and consistent with 42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.
- Release date no later than June 1st and awards announced no later than December 1st
 - Page 662, lines 2-6: That the Secretary shall issue the notice of funding opportunity for the amounts made available in this paragraph not later than June 1, 2026 and shall award such amounts not later than December 1, 2026;

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Anticipated FY26 CoC NOFO



We anticipate the FY26 CoC NOFO looking like the midnight NOFO, released on December 19

Tier One was limited to 30% of the CoC's ARD.

- **Note:** Based on the THUD Bill, Tier One can be no less than 60%.

There was a 30% cap on renewing permanent housing projects (PSH, RRH, and TH-RRH).

The competition was divided into two tracks:

- **Normal Track:** Includes all renewing PSH, RRH, TH-RRH, TH, and SSO projects, as well as new TH and SSO projects.
- **Extended Track:** Applies to new permanent housing projects, including TH-RRH, PSH, and RRH.

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NYC CoC's Prep Timeline



March 2026

- Feedback sent to Fall 2025 new project applicants
- Local Competition Planning

April 2026

- Grantee Meeting
- Launch the Local Competition

May 2026

- Close the Local Competition

June 2026

- **June 1 – HUD releases the FY26 CoC NOFO**



10 Minute Break

Networking Activity



Form groups of 2-3 people, or just turn to your neighbor and introduce yourself. Once you have a group, start discussing the questions below.

Question One: What does advocacy mean to you?

Question Two: Have you been involved in advocacy before? Was it work related or personal?

Question Three: Have you ever benefited from advocacy? How?



Advocacy in Action

PANEL DISCUSSION

Advocacy in Action Panel



Jim Mutton | Concern Housing, Associate Executive Director of NYC Operations

- **Association for Community Living (ACL)** was created around the fundamental principle that all people, regardless of age or disability, should be able to live independently and participate fully in their communities

Lauren Velez | Director, CSH Metro Team

- **Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH)** Empowers Those Who Build and Manage Supportive Housing to Create Safe Homes and Thriving, Resilient Communities.

Victoria Leahy | Director of Policy and Planning

- **Homeless Services United (HSU)** advocates for expansion of affordable housing and prevention services and for immediate access to safe, decent, emergency and transitional housing, outreach and drop-in services for homeless New Yorkers.

Rob Robinson

- **Partners for Dignity and Rights**, A human rights organization that focuses on the right to housing, healthcare, education, and the right to work with dignity.

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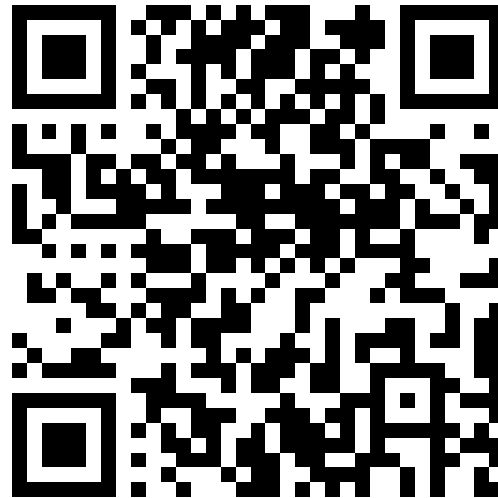


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Feedback Survey



Don't miss your opportunity to tell us how we did!



100% Anonymous

(unless you write your name somewhere)



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PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND



The End

THANK YOU FOR BEING A MEMBER OF THE NYC COC COMMUNITY!