

### NYC Continuum of Care Special Grantee Meeting 2025

2:00pm – 3:00pm | Zoom

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

April 9<sup>th</sup> , 2025



# **Ground Rules**

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



Speak/engage in first draft



Respect differences in experience and understanding



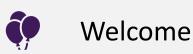
Hold questions until the presenter(s) open(s) the conversation



Share ideas and resources





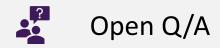




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# Welcome

#### **Overview:**

This special grantee meeting is an opportunity for projects with an early start date to receive technical assistance around the operation of their contracts, local and national updates from the CoC, and to participate in a Q/A session.

#### Introductions:

- NYC Continuum of Care Team
- Steering Committee Members



# Grant Agreement Timeline

**Process:** Due to the high volume of projects within the NYC CoC's portfolio, the Field Office will be processing award letters and grant agreements in order of contract end dates. The first batch included projects with end dates on or before April 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### Timeline:

- March 13<sup>th</sup> First iteration of the grant agreements released
- March 14<sup>th</sup> Grant agreements rescinded
- March 21<sup>st</sup> New grant agreement language released

# Grant Agreement Guidance



Due to the unique structure of each CoC Funded Project, the NYC Continuum of Care encourages all grantees to engage legal counsel to provide guidance. If you do not have access to legal counsel, please contact:

- American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)
- New York Public Library Legal Aid Resources
- The Legal Aid Society



## Grant Agreement Walk-Through

#### Provisions

- shall not use grant funds to promote "gender ideology," as defined in E.O. 14168, Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government;
- 2) agrees that its compliance in all respects with all applicable Federal antidiscrimination laws is material to the U.S. Government's payment decisions for purposes of section 3729(b)(4) of title 31, United States Code;
- certifies that it does not operate any programs that violate any applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;
- **4)** shall not use any Grant Funds to fund or promote elective abortions, as required by E.O. 14182, Enforcing the Hyde Amendment; and
- 5) Notwithstanding anything in the NOFO or Application, this Grant shall not be governed by Executive Orders revoked by E.O. 14154, including E.O. 14008, or NOFO requirements implementing Executive Orders that have been revoked.



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- The recipient must administer its grant in accordance with all applicable immigration restrictions and requirements, including the eligibility and verification requirements that apply under title IV of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, as amended (8 U.S.C. 1601-1646) (PRWORA) and any applicable requirements that HUD, the Attorney General, or the U.S. Center for Immigration Services may establish from time to time to comply with PRWORA, Executive Order 14218, or other Executive Orders or immigration laws.
- No state or unit of general local government that receives funding under this grant may use that funding in a manner that by design or effect facilitates the subsidization or promotion of illegal immigration or abets policies that seek to shield illegal aliens from deportation.
- Subject to the exceptions provided by PRWORA, the recipient must use SAVE, or an equivalent verification system approved by the Federal government, to prevent any Federal public benefit from being provided to an ineligible alien who entered the United States illegally or is otherwise unlawfully present in the United States.



#### **Provisions**

- HUD will not enforce provisions of the Grant Agreement to the extent that they require the project to use a housing first program model.
- As stated in Section III.A.2 of the NOFO, Faith-based organizations may be recipients or subrecipients for funds under this agreement on the same basis as any other organization. Recipients may not, in the selection of subrecipients, discriminate against an organization based on the organization's religious character, affiliation, or exercise.



## Grant Agreement Homebase

#### Who is Homebase?

 A San Francisco based non-profit dedicate to building community capacity to prevent and end homelessness

#### **<u>Report</u>**: Managing uncertainty for CoCs and homeless services providers

- This report provides steps for how Continuums of Care (CoCs) and homeless response system providers can manage uncertainty. It covers processing new information as an organization, communicating with clients following trauma-informed principles, managing CoC grants, and adapting budgets.
- Click here to read the report!



## Grant Agreement NHLC

#### Who is NHLC?

 The National Homelessness Law Center is a team of attorneys and advocates dedicated to using the power of the law to prevent and solve homelessness and to protecting the rights of people experiencing homelessness.

#### Webinar: Interpreting the New CoC Contract: Open Office Hour for Youth Homelessness Providers

- On April 1st, the National Network for Youth partnered with the National Homelessness Law Center (NHLC) to a host a webinar called "Interpreting the New CoC Contract: Open Office Hour for Youth Homelessness Providers".
- NHLC put together a resource guide for CoC projects as they work through the provisions of the new grant agreements to understand the implications.
- Click here to read the guide!
- Password: FY20CoC24!

# How to Stay Connected

#### • NYC Continuum of Care Mailing List

- https://www.nyc.gov/site/nycccoc/index.page
- HUD Exchange
  - https://www.hudexchange.info/mailinglist/

#### New HUD CoC Program Webpage

https://www.hud.gov/hud-partners/community-coc

#### • National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH) Mailing List

- https://endhomelessness.org/
- National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) Mailing List
  - https://nlihc.us4.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=e702259618becdc3f0451bd5d&id=e090383b5e

#### SHNNY Newsletter

- https://shnny.org/
- NYU Furman Center
  - https://furmancenter.org/signup
- The City of NY
  - https://www.nyc.gov/connect/newsletter-sign-up.page



# Open Q/A

PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND OR PLACE YOUR QUESTION IN THE CHAT



# The End

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

