



## **NOFO Info Session DV Providers Q&A**

### **1. Can an existing Domestic Violence Rapid Rehousing (RRH) renewal project continue operating as Rapid Rehousing?**

**Answer:**

At the national level, existing RRH projects remain eligible to renew as RRH projects. However, applicants should consider the CoC's local prioritization policies when determining whether project changes may better align with community priorities. RRH projects falling into Tier 2 will go into national competition.

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### **2. Because RRH is not prioritized in Tier 1 under the local prioritization policy, should providers consider transitioning RRH projects to Transitional Housing (TH)?**

**Answer:**

Applicants should review the local prioritization criteria and determine whether changes to project design better align with the FY2026 competition. Existing RRH projects remain eligible for Renewal, but local prioritization may influence project competitiveness. The Columbus and Franklin County CoC (OH-503) has prioritized Coordinated Entry, HMIS, and PSH ahead of RRH.

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### **3. When does HUD evaluate Domestic Violence (DV) Bonus projects?**

**Answer:**

DV Bonus projects are submitted separately from renewal funding and compete for the funding reserved by HUD for the DV Bonus immediately after HUD has funded Tier 1 projects that meet threshold requirements. The CoC's Priority Listing identifies where DV Bonus projects will be ranked locally.

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### **4. Do DV Bonus projects compete against all Tier 2 projects?**

**Answer:**

DV Bonus projects compete for the funding HUD reserves for the DV Bonus. Questions regarding how DV Bonus funding interacts with other national funding priorities have been submitted to HUD Technical Assistance for clarification. Importantly, DV funds prioritized in Tier 1 may ultimately exhaust designated DV Bonus funding before any DV Bonus Tier 2 projects are considered.

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**5. How much DV Bonus funding will be available to the CoC this year?**

**Answer:**

The amount is not yet known. HUD has not released the FY2026 Preliminary Pro Rata Need (PPRN), which is used to calculate each CoC's maximum DV Bonus amount.

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**6. Does the Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) include DV Bonus funding?**

**Answer:**

No. The ARD reflects existing renewal funding only. DV Bonus funding is separate and, if awarded, represents new funding.

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**7. How are the CoC's existing Domestic Violence grants treated during the competition?**

**Answer:**

Existing DV projects continue as individual Renewal projects. Their placement within Tier 1 or Tier 2 is determined by the adopted prioritization process and available Tier 1 funding. The Columbus and Franklin County CoC (OH-503) has prioritized all CE highly. Generally speaking, RRH is prioritized behind PSH.

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**8. Can an existing DV Coordinated Entry project apply for expansion?**

**Answer:**

Yes. An expansion is submitted as a separate new (DV Bonus) project application while the existing project continues as a Renewal application.

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**9. Does an expansion project receive the same funding priority as the existing renewal?**

**Answer:**

No. The renewal and expansion are evaluated separately. The expansion is considered as a new (DV Bonus) project and must satisfy HUD's threshold requirements.

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**10. Can a Continuum of Care have more than one Domestic Violence Coordinated Entry project?**

**Answer:**

HUD specifically provides that a CoC may submit at most one DV Bonus SSO-CE project.

However, there are no limitations suggesting that an existing Renewal DV SSO-CE project would provide HUD from awarding a second DV SSO-CE project.

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