

**(ADDENDUM) The Realignment of HUD Continuum of Care Program Funding:  
Some Continuums of Care will be Winners and Some will be Losers**

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This is an addendum that notes the increases or decreases of HUD Continuum of Care Program funding between 2014 and 2015 for the Continuums of Care (CoC) that were awarded more than \$25 million in 2015. There were 13 such CoCs nationally as noted in Appendix B below.

As previously stated, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has begun to realign its annual Continuum of Care Program competitive funding which is about \$2 billion annually. As a result, some HUD designated Continuums of Care for homeless assistance<sup>1</sup> will likely see a significant increase in total funding, while others may remain stagnant or likely see significant decreases over the next couple of years. Such was the case with the 13 CoCs listed in the table below as a result of HUD's intent to "promote a more competitive process among CoCs" because Congress "directed HUD to make the CoC program more competitive and ensure that lower performing projects were not automatically renewed ([www.hudexchange.info/news/snaps-in-focus-fy-2015-coc-program-competition-recap](http://www.hudexchange.info/news/snaps-in-focus-fy-2015-coc-program-competition-recap))."

The potential loss of funding for existing projects, and the potential gain of funding for new projects, will continue to be the primary reasons for the realignment of the annual continuum of care program funding. The loss of funding for existing projects can happen as a result of a combination of three factors: a) tiering; b) poor performance; and c) cost-effectiveness. CoCs can increase their total funding by applying for new projects through the Permanent Housing Bonus. Both of these actions were outlined in the brief that was circulated a couple of days ago ([click here](#) to read the brief).

In summary, the realignment of Continuum of Care Program funding will primarily be the result of CoC decisions to submit renewal applications for transitional housing and supportive services only projects that are defunded because they do not align with best and evidence-based practices. The realignment will also happen through the permanent housing bonus which can increase a CoCs total funding from HUD by 15% a year because bonus funding can equal 15% of the CoCs final pro rata need, which for most CoCs is the total amount of all of their renewal applications.

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<sup>1</sup> Continuums of care are the planning body responsible for meeting the goals of the continuum of care program as outlined in the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing: Continuum of Care Interim Rule (see [https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/CoCProgramInterimRule\\_FormattedVersion.pdf](https://www.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/CoCProgramInterimRule_FormattedVersion.pdf)).

**Appendix B: Comparison of Awards between 2014 and 2015 for  
Continuums of Care Who Received More Than \$25 million in 2015**

Continuum of Care:		CoC Award In 2014	CoC Award in 2015	+/-	
				#	%
AZ-502	Phoenix, Mesa/Maricopa County CoC	\$26,386,235	26,882,333	496,098	+1.9
CA-501	San Francisco CoC	\$25,648,425	\$30,968,697	5,320,272	+20.7
CA-502	Oakland, Berkeley/Alameda County CoC	\$27,195,702	\$28,980,863	1,785,161	+6.6
CA-600	Los Angeles City & County CoC	\$91,956,831	\$99,691,350	7,734,519	+8.4
CT-505	Connecticut Balance of State CoC	\$21,691,415	\$27,081,272	\$5,389,857	+24.8
FL-600	Miami-Dade County CoC	\$32,258,225	\$29,730,926	-2,527,299	-7.8
IL-510	Chicago CoC	\$59,601,053	\$63,499,383	3,898,330	+6.5
MI-501	Detroit CoC	\$26,457,858	\$26,130,090	-327,768	-1.2
NY-600	New York City CoC	\$104,945,359	\$121,965,844	17,020,485	+16.2
OH-502	Cleveland/Cuyahoga County CoC	\$25,342,376	\$26,740,229	1,397,853	+5.5
PA-500	Philadelphia CoC	\$30,800,341	\$35,522,132	4,721,791	+15.3
TX-700	Houston, Pasadena/Harris, Fort Bend Counties CoC	\$23,037,803	\$32,098,014	9,060,211	+39.3
WA-500	Seattle/King County CoC	\$28,087,080	\$35,389,214	7,302,134	+26.0
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$523,408,703</b>	<b>\$584,680,347</b>	<b>61,271,644</b>	<b>+11.7</b>