



Wake County CoC Membership Meeting

Monday, August 8, 2022



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NC 507 Meeting “Ground Rules”

This is a public discussion, not a debate. The purpose is *not* to win an argument, but to hear many points of view and explore many options and solutions.

Everyone is encouraged to participate. You may be asked to share what you think, or we may ask for comments from those who haven't spoken. It is always OK to "pass" when you are asked to share a comment.

No one or two individuals should dominate a discussion. If you have already voiced your ideas, let others have an opportunity. When you speak, be brief and to the point.

When you speak, state your name and your org if appropriate. In a public meeting, it is helpful to know who is speaking as well as where they live in the community.

One person speaks at a time. Refrain from side conversations. Pay attention to the person speaking. If you think you will forget an idea that comes to mind, write it down.

Listen to and respect other points of view.

Do your best to understand the pros and cons of every option, not just those you prefer. Be as objective and fair-minded as you can be.

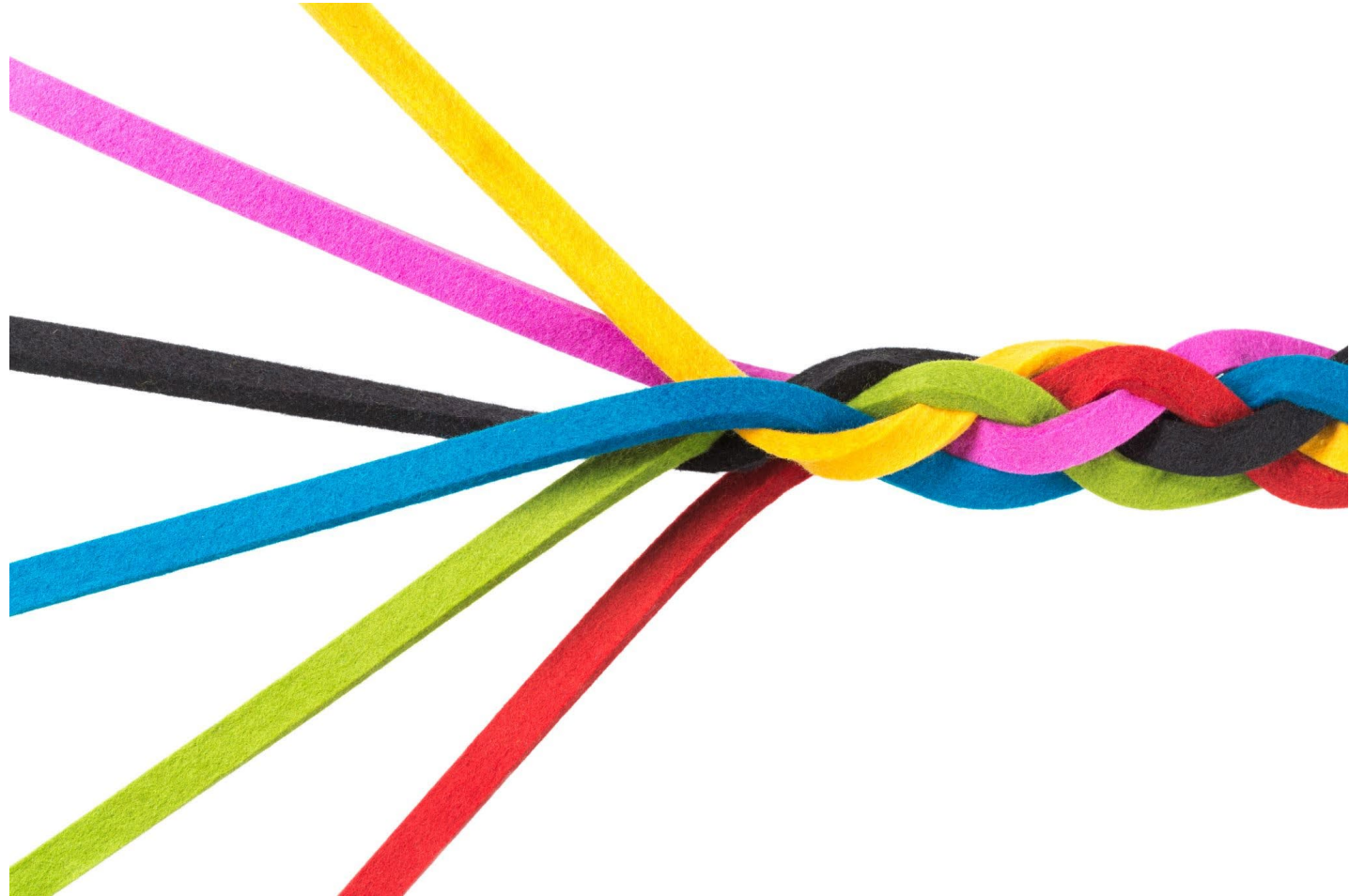
Seek first to understand, not to be understood. Ask questions to seek clarification when you don't understand the meaning of someone's comments.

Respect facilitator / Stick to agenda: Most of our meetings are time sensitive. We do recognize that at times a topic or issue may arise that requires further discussion. Allow for that topic to be added at the end of the agenda or allow staff to schedule a meeting to address the issue specifically.

AGENDA

1.	CoC Planning Committee Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governing Board Report • CAS • Data Advisory • CoC-EOC • Nominations • Street Outreach • EHV Special NOFO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special NOFO CoC Plan • Ad-Hoc Workgroup for Unsheltered Plan • Partnerships/Letters of Commitment 2022 NOFO NC ESG RFA Governance Charter Update	Decorba White Erin Yates Vanessa Kopp Vance Haywood Denis Elliott RWP RWP RWP RWP RWP RWP, Decorba, Denis
2.	Community Updates Open Forum	Decorba
3.	Community Partner Presentation Campbell Law School CDBG Program Expansion – Wake County	Emily Mistr Chris Whitenhill

Community Updates: Open Forum



Open Forum

- Celebrations: A recent joy, win, or celebration
- Requests: What do you need, how can someone here help?
- Announcements: Events, programs, new staff?
- Special Topics of Interest

Governing Board Report

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Committee Reports

CAS Committee

Data Advisory

CoC-EOC

Nominations

Street Outreach

EHV (Emergency Housing Vouchers)

Coordinated Access System Committee

Written Standards Focus Groups – Co-Facilitator Assistants

- Street Outreach – Eric Doll and Seaira Green
- Emergency Shelter – Allison Sickles and Nicole Wilson
- Rapid Rehousing – Kim Crawford & Amanda Renfroe
- Homeless Prevention – Robin Saenz and Priscilla Batts and David Harris
- Permanent Supportive Housing – Julia Wolfson and Erin Yates

Revised Written Standards Recommendations Compiled by Workgroup.

Next Step: Format and Post for Public Comments and Subsequent Adoption

New Focus Area: Back End Services

- Implementation of Community Ques
- Assessment of Byname List
- Assessment of ViSPDAT Tool
- Literature Review on other Tools
- Recommendations

Committee Work To Do List

- Agency Interviews to determine effectiveness of and timelessness of referrals
- Envisioning future Access Hub opportunities
- Structure for handling emergencies and afterhours housing crisis protocols
- Use of New Clarity system to further effectively integrate Coordinated Access thorough community

Data Advisory Committee

CoC – EOC Committee

CoC - EOC

The primary role of the CoC-EOC is to assist and oversee the management of “emergency” events as they arise. Activation would be determined by the set guidelines and protocols that are set forth by this committee and approved by the NC 507 CoC. The benefit of having such a system in place would be to have a unified command structure and communications strategy for large scale events or events where multiple people/agencies are impacted. “Emergency” Events can be:

- Weather Related: Hot, Cold, Hurricane, Tornado. This includes White Flag for both cold and hot weather conditions.
 - Tenant Displacement: Unit closures: Health Dept related, Bldg purchase, Bldg sale, etc
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- CoC-EOC is now actively looking for members!! Go to the following link to complete your application: <https://wakecoc.org/emergency-operations-center-eoc-committee/>
 - Watch for next meeting to be scheduled

Nominations Committee:

*Lived Experience and CoC-EOC
Committee Update*

Nominations Committee

- Lived Experience Committee met!
- 4 new organizations applying for membership in CoC
- 1 new applicant for Lived Experience
- 1 new applicant for CoC-EOC
- For SNOFO **(REQUIRED): Lived Expertise Consultation on SNOFO August 11, 2022, 11:30a**
 - **Second Mtg Sept 15, 2022**

Street Outreach Workgroup

Street Outreach

- Street Outreach Written Standards were completed and approved.
- Developed a working relationship with the RDU Airport police force to engage with unsheltered persons in the airport terminals
- Street Outreach workers now have access to the encampment / outreach tool in Clarity.
- The Street Outreach workgroup is actively recruiting persons with lived experience to meet and consult on the SNOFO.

Emergency Housing Vouchers Workgroup

- Noted barriers and areas being addressed by working group:
 - criminal history look back
 - obtaining W9 from entities
 - voucher extensions

** Suggested change:
Possibly merge with Street Outreach given focus
on same demographic

**115 EHV applicants
in process**

28 housed

23 vouchers
remaining

2022 Special NOFO

Purpose

- To target efforts to reduce unsheltered homelessness
- To assist CoC's in reducing homelessness among people with severe service needs, especially people with histories of unsheltered homelessness

CoC's must:

- Demonstrate a comprehensive, coordinated approach to reducing unsheltered homelessness – grounded in Housing First and public health principles.
 - Improving service engagement, health outcome, and housing stability among highly vulnerable unsheltered individuals and families
- Have a comprehensive approach that advances equity and demonstrates involvement of individuals with lived experience
- Have a comprehensive approach that includes partnership with health and housing agencies

CoC Plan for Ending Unsheltered Homelessness

CoC Plan for Serving Individuals and Families Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness

- Page 46 of the Special NOFO
- HUD will award up to 70 points based on the CoC Plan
- Maximum page limit is 15 pages

CoC Scoring Criteria Categories	Unsheltered Set-Aside	Rural Set-Aside	Points
Coordination and Engagement: Coordination with other systems of care that serve homeless individuals and families including sources other than the CoC program.	Complete Entire Section	Complete Entire Section	8 points
CoC Plan for Serving Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs: Describe in up to 15 pages (not including attachments): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how the CoC will leverage housing and healthcare resources and conduct landlord recruitment; what the CoC is currently doing and plans to do to identify, shelter, and house people who are unsheltered; how the CoC will prioritize people experiencing or with histories of unsheltered homelessness; how the CoC involves people with lived experience of homelessness in decision-making; and how the CoC will support and serve underserved communities and offer equitable housing interventions. 	Complete Entire Section	Only Complete Questions Labeled "Required for Rural Set-Aside"	Unsheltered = 70 points Rural = 59 points

Ad-Hoc Unsheltered CoC Plan Workgroup

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- Proposal: Create a workgroup that can dedicate their time to assisting with writing out the CoC Plan for the 2022 Special NOFO
- Identify workgroup members
 - Lived Experience (minimum of 3)
 - Those at the management/director/executive level – decision making
 - Street Outreach providers/work group and OCC – survey to those with Lived Experience on CoC plan

Ad-Hoc Unsheltered CoC Plan Workgroup

- Proposal: Create a workgroup that can dedicate their time to assisting with writing out the CoC Plan for the 2022 Special NOFO
 - **July 18, 2022:** Level Setting, SNOFO overview
 - **July 25, 2022:** Level Setting, identify missing players
 - **August 1, 2022:** Leveraging Housing
 - **August 8, 2022:** Leveraging Healthcare
 - **August 11, 2022:** Lived Expertise Consultation of Draft Plan
 - **August 15, 2022:** Partnership presents CoC strategy, workgroup provides edits and feedback
 - **August 22, 2022:** Partnership sends drafted plan prior to meeting, workgroup reviews prior to meeting. Meeting time will be used to gather feedback on the draft.

Partnerships & Letters of Commitment

Partnership Commitment Letters	Description
Development of New Units and New Housing Opportunities NOFO Ref: p.35/VI.F.1.e	A written commitment can include a letter, contract, or other formal written agreement. It must demonstrate how many new units are being developed or set aside for individuals experiencing homelessness and the date they will be available.
Hospitals, Healthcare Clinics, Insurance Agencies, Medicaid State Agencies, Public Health Departments, Mental Health Clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers, or Drug Treatment Facilities NOFO Ref: p.35/VI.F.1.f	A written commitment must demonstrate the types of services being made available, the value of the commitment, and the dates the healthcare resources will be provided.
Working Group Comprised of Persons with Lived Experience NOFO Ref: p.35/VI.F.1.g	A letter must be signed by (1) at least three members involved in said working group, or (2) an authorized representative of the working group along with evidence that that person is authorized to represent the group. The letter must demonstrate support of the priorities in the CoC's Plan for Serving Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs.
Public Housing Authority (PHA) Serving the CoC's Geographic Area NOFO Ref: p.35/VI.F.1.h	HUD is requesting CoCs demonstrate written commitments with PHAs to: (1) pair vouchers with CoC-funded supportive services; and (2) work with the CoC and other stakeholders to create a prioritization plan for potential allocation of Stability Vouchers or a preference for general admission to Housing Choice Voucher Program. This could be done through the coordinated entry process for those experiencing homelessness; at risk of homelessness; or fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

Resource:
National Alliance to
End Homelessness

[Fact Sheet NAEH - SNOFO Partnerships](#)

Examples

- Oak City Cares – MOUs with service providers
- Alliance Health- new PSH & Healthcare
- Familiar Faces
- Emergency Housing Vouchers- PHA & Unsheltered Homeless

2022 NOFO

FY 22 NOFO

HUD has not certified the exact funding available for the FY2022 Competition at this time, however, the CoC anticipates the opportunity to apply for a minimum of \$4,186,906 (NC-507 estimated Annual Renewal Demand). Additional funding will be available for a DV Bonus that is up to 10% of the CoC's Preliminary Pro-Rata Need (PPRN), for CoC Bonus up to 5% of the Final Pro-Rata Need (FPRN) and 3% of the FPRN for the annual CoC Planning grant.

- **Timeline is VERY tight – due to HUD September 30**
- **LOA will be posted later tonight or tomorrow morning.**

FY 22 NOFO

NC507 will accept project application for the following projects based on community priorities:

- Renewal, New or Expansion Permanent Supportive Housing Projects (PSH)
- Renewal, New or Expansion Rapid Re-Housing Projects (RRH)
- Renewal and Expansion Coordinated Entry Project (CE Lead Only through Reallocation or CoC Bonus)
- New Coordinated Entry Projects serving survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking who qualify as homeless under paragraph (4) of 24 CFR 578.3 9 (CE Lead Only)
- Renewal and Expansion HMIS Project (HMIS Lead Only through Reallocation or CoC Bonus)

FY 22 NOFO

Information about Continuum of Care program activities and requirements can be found at HUD Exchange, Continuum of Care Program (<https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/>).

All local competition information including the 2022 Scorecard for the Wake County CoC (NC507) FY2022 Competition for New and Renewal Projects will be posted on the Wake County CoC Funding page at <https://wakecoc.org/coc-funding-2022/>.

NC ESG FY 23

NC DHHS ESG

The North Carolina DHHS ESG RFA is out!!

For this RFA, NC 507 is eligible for **\$400,923** (\$240,554 in Emergency Serv and \$160,369 Housing Stab).

We will follow the same RFA process as we have for the past 2 years. The NC 507 timeline for this funding is available on the CoC website:

<https://wakecoc.org/emergency-solutions-grants-esg/fy23-esg-rfa/>

LOIs were due Monday Aug 1. We are currently over our Fair Share **\$29,522**, conversations still occurring.

Info session for NC ESG applicants is scheduled for Aug 16, 1:30pm

Project applications, NC DHHS ESG Info on the DHHS website. Link available on the Wake CoC ESG RFA 22-23 site.

Governance Charter

NC 507 CoC Charter

Pg 10: The Collaborative Applicant will propose revisions to this governance charter, to ensure compliance with all procedures and policies needed to comply with HUD requirements and with HMIS requirements, including a code of conduct and recusal policy for the NC 507 CoC Governing Board members and any person acting on behalf of the NC 507 CoC Governing Board.

- Open for Public Comment for 30 days, closing July 22, 2022
- Presented the NC 507 Membership Aug 8, 2022 for vote

NC 507 CoC Charter Revision Timeline

June 17 and 24, 2022: Meetings with CoC Coordinator, COC Chair, Vice Chair, and 2 Executive Committee members to discuss if there is a need to revise, and if yes, begin soliciting suggestions for revisions

June 28, 2022: Public Comment to Charter added to website. Included two options for submission: email to staff or submission via web to allow for anonymity.

July 1, 2022: Collaborative Consultation with HUD TA, topics discussed: CoC Charter Revisions process, CoC monitoring by Collaborative Applicant

July 11, 2022: Collaborative Consultation with HUD TA, topics discussed: CoC Charter Revisions process, CoC monitoring by Collaborative Applicant, CoC strategic planning specific to unsheltered

July 11, 2022: CoC Member Mtg. Informed membership of public comment – including anonymous option.

July 22, 2022: Public Comment Period for Charter closed

NC 507 CoC Charter - Considerations

Revisions / Changes:

- Grammar & Clarity – committees, member types, HUD requirements
- Consistent language throughout, ie: NC 507 CoC
- Executive Committee if it does not have 50% + 1 of its seats filled, the NC 507 Governing Board will fulfill the role
- Organizations may only have 1 seated Committee chair at a time – limits undue influence on the Executive Committee
- Governing Board Chair, at their discretion can declare a "closed session."
- Added CoC-EOC Committee
- Operating Year: Jan 1-Dec 31
- Review of Member and Gov BoD Mtg / requests for topics / presentations, etc. on agenda
- Grievance Policy

Community Presentation

Campbell Law School
CDBG Program Expansion

Community Presentation

Campbell Law School



Blanchard Community Law Clinic

Campbell law school



Services offered

- Driver's License Restoration
- Expunction of criminal records
- Eviction Defense

Our model

- Free legal services to people who make at or less than 200% of the federal poverty level
- Student-based legal clinic
- Limited to offering services during our semesters
- Offered both on individual basis and in a clinic format

Contact us

- Providers can reach out to us to refer clients.
 - Clients can reach out to us directly.
 - Phone: 919-865-4471
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- If you have additional questions, you're welcome to reach out to me directly.
 - Emily Mistr, Interim Clinical Director
 - Email: emistr@campbell.edu

Community Presentation

CDBG Program Expansion

CDBG Program Expansion

Chris Whitenhill, Affordable Housing Planner

Diana Youssef, Community Development Specialist



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Overview



- Objectives
- Why the Change?:
Challenges and Context
- Program Component
 - Program Expansion: Non-Profit
Service Providers
- Schedule

Objectives



- Expand program eligibility to community service providers as eligible subgrantees for CDBG funding

Challenges and Context: What We've Heard



*Image - PLANWake 2021 Public Survey
Preferred Growth Pattern*

PLANWake Public Outreach

- Equity & Inclusivity
- Sustainability & Vibrancy
- Health & Activity

HUD Entitlement Plans: ConPlan / Action Plan / HOME-ARP

- Increase/Preserve Housing Units
- Reduce Barriers to Housing Affordability
- Support Vulnerable Populations

Challenges and Context: Housing Crisis

CDBG offers broad options, but one of Wake County top needs is housing

County Deficit
of Affordable
Units

56,195

Low-income **renters**

82% spend more than 30% their income on housing

51% spend over half their income on housing

Low-income **homeowners**

68% spend more than 30% their income on housing

43% spend over half their income on housing

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Expansion of Program Eligibility

Non-Profit Service Provider Projects

Expansion of Program Eligibility: Service Providers



- Funding Goal: To improve/increase providers' capacity to better meet the needs of LMI households through supporting organizational needs for facilities.
- National Objective: Clientele Benefit, Housing Benefit

Expansion of Program Eligibility: Service Providers



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Eligible Activities:

- Acquisition
 - Rehabilitations
 - Preservation
 - Reconstruction
 - Clearance
 - Public Facilities
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- Removal of material and architectural barriers that restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly or severely disabled persons to public facilities.

Service Providers: Eligibility Requirements

➤ Eligible organizations are:

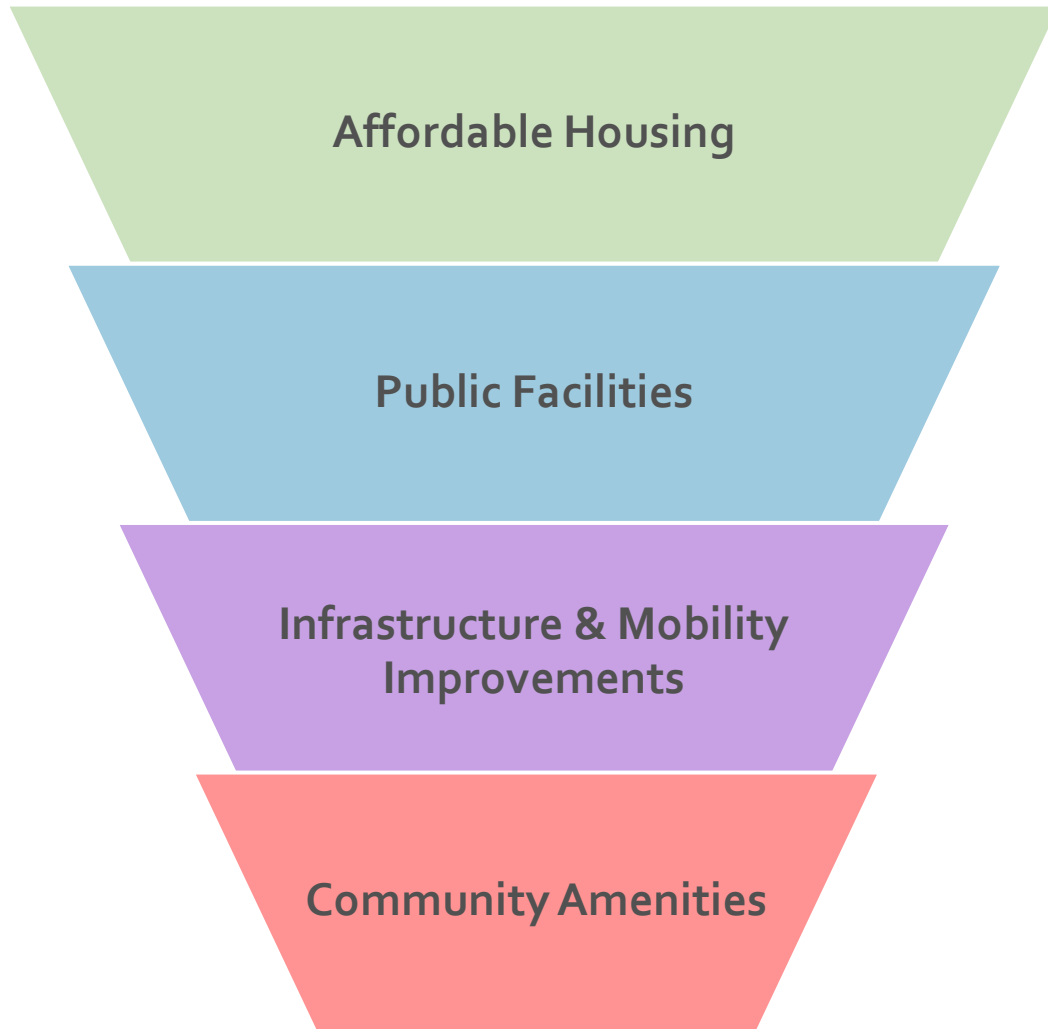
- Non-Profit 501(c)(3)
- Own the facility or be moving to acquire the facility for public purpose
- Defined Service Area / services benefit a limited clientele
- An activity that benefits a limited clientele, at least 51 percent of whom are LMI persons.
- Can demonstrate clientele family size and income within HUD LMI limits
- Demonstrate good organizational capacity and strong financial standing
- Be able to comply with annual monitoring process

Expansion of Program Eligibility: Service Providers

Program Elements:

- Target funding – up to \$250k
- Funds will be awarded to projects that meet requirements and have the most potential for successful implementation, improvement, and monitoring capability

Service Provider Project: Hierarchy of Needs



1. Affordable Housing:

- **Increasing or Preserving AH Units:** Rehab of Units, Land Acquisition
- **Urgent Shelter:** Rehab of/Conversion to emergency and transitional shelter

2. Public Facilities

- Improving /increasing Service Providers' capacity to serve limited clientele

3. Infrastructure & Mobility Improvements

- Sidewalks, Removal of barriers restricting the mobility and accessibility to public facilities

4. Community Amenities

- Playgrounds, community center, senior center, etc.

Service Providers: Program Elements

- “Shovel-ready” projects will be prioritized
 - Ready to begin construction soon after funding available, complete within one year (3-4 months)
 - Shovel-ready projects score higher in first program year; **required in future years**
- Proposals evaluated based on the most potential for successful implementation, community impact, and monitoring capability
- Demonstrate current community need for increasing capacity
- How public facility improvements will impact services to the benefit of the community

Service Providers: Program Elements

- Funding contribution
 - Larger contribution score higher
 - Pre-development costs can count towards contribution
- Monthly progress meetings with EHCD staff to ensure timeliness and compliance
- County will continue to provide technical assistance for projects

Meeting HUD Requirements



To comply with HUD requirements, projects would:

- Have a short-term (1 year) implementation window with capacity & resources
- Be targeted and strategic in approach, meeting community needs & producing measurable results in low-moderate income communities
- Be supported by existing data and current market conditions
- Protect against community displacement
- CDBG 1.5 Requirement – Spending requirement

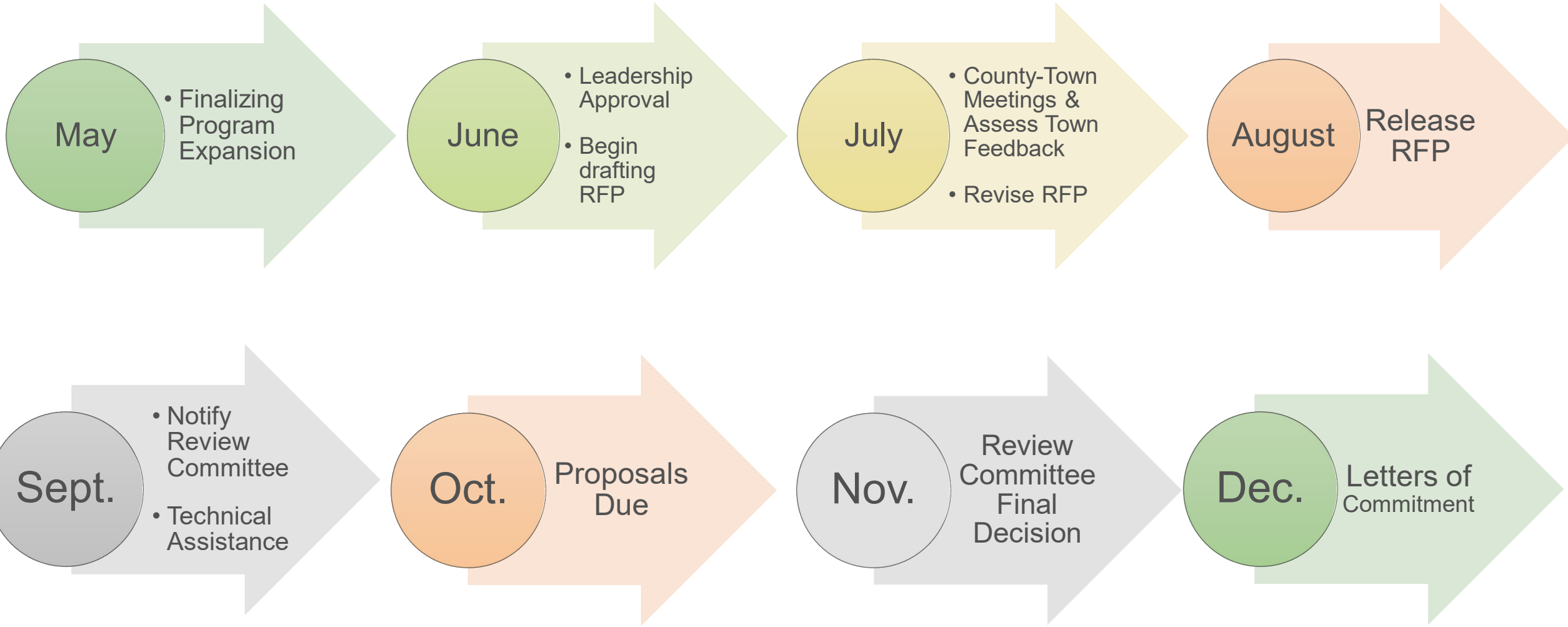
Key Takeaways

- Projects must meet HUD regulatory requirements:
 - National Objectives
 - Serving & engaging low-moderate income communities / Limited Clientele
 - Income qualifications
 - Subject to environmental review
 - Subject to Davis Bacon wages standards
 - Meet spend-down targets
- Evaluating projects based on the potential for successful implementation, community need & impact, and monitoring capability
- Small-scale development “Shovel-ready” projects
- Pre-development costs can count towards contribution

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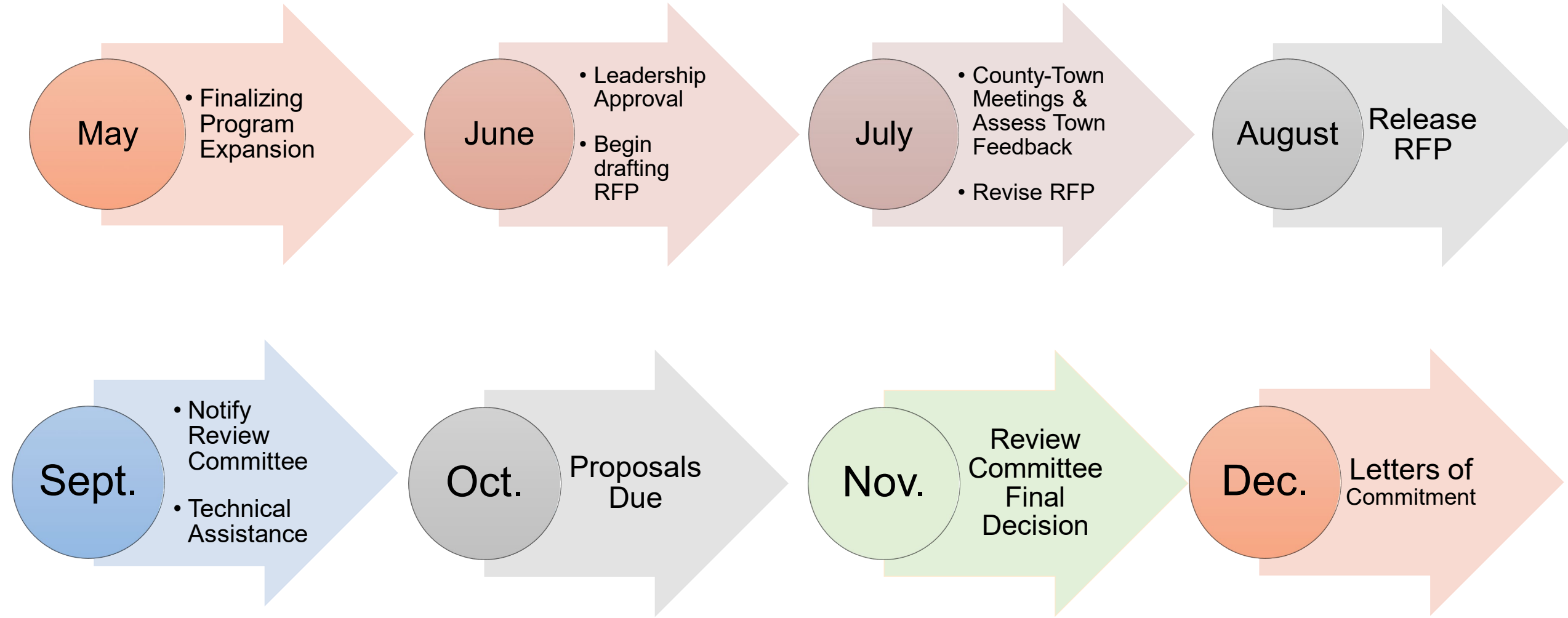
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Next Meeting:

Monday, September 12, 2022

2:00-3:30 P.M.

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