



Continuum of Care Board Meeting

April 16, 2026



Zoom - Meeting

Today's CoC Board Meeting is using Zoom Meeting, instead of our usual Webinar format. It allows the public to be in the meeting with the same access as Board members.

Non-CoC Board member are welcome to observe this meeting. We do not take public comments during CoC Board meetings. Members of the public are welcome to enter questions using the chat. CoC Board members and HSD staff may not be able to respond, but HSD staff will attempt to follow up if you include your email/contact info with your question.

Meeting Agenda

Time	Agenda Item	Facilitator
10 min	Welcome & Settle In - Land & Labor Acknowledgement & Quick update on calendars	All Members
15 min	HUD and/or NOFO Update	Britni Eseller/Erin Pidot
20 min	Collaborative Applicant Committee (CAC) proposed changes	Britni Eseller/Bill Boyd
5 min	Break	
15 min	New member recruitment/recruitment committee update	Bill Boyd
	Open discussion	
5 min	Closing and next steps	CoC Board Co-Chairs

Land & Labor Acknowledgement

**Credit to:
Dr. Aileen Duldulao &
Heather Heater,
Multnomah County**

<https://native-land.ca/>

Ecotrust - Going
Beyond Land
Acknowledgements

Multnomah county rests on the stolen lands of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, and Clackamas Bands of Chinook Indian Nation; Tualatin Kalapuya; Molalla; and many others along the Columbia River.

This country is built on stolen Indigenous land and built by stolen African people. This land was not stolen and people were not enslaved by ambiguous entities and actors. The land was stolen by, and African peoples were enslaved by White settlers who had government support.

We also want to honor the members of over 400 tribal communities who live in Multnomah County. Many of these People and their cultures still survive and resist despite the intentional and ongoing attempts to destroy them.

Community Agreements (1/3)

- Account for power dynamics in the room and in the work. Make every effort to share power by actively listening to input from all members, particularly those who may be marginalized or underrepresented, and committing to following up on input provided or seeking further input from communities not in this space.
- Approach discussions with empathy and respect, allowing space for vulnerability.
- Assume best intentions while honoring impact. Acknowledge that intent does not override impact.
- Be accountable and transparent. Commit to acknowledging and working through harm caused.

Community Agreements (2/3)

- Be mindful of privilege, historical and current structures of oppression, specifically anti-blackness and Indigenous erasure. Approach the work with a shared goal to lead with a lens of equity, inclusion, diversity, and anti-racism.
- Strive for resolution, while also expecting and accepting non-closure.
- Honor the diversity in the room. Stay open to different perspectives and alternative approaches.
- Language matters. Use intentional, direct, compassionate language. Speak your truth in a way that respects all of our community agreements. Offer content warnings if appropriate.

Community Agreements (3/3)

- Make space, take space. Make space for those who are not speaking up as often, take space if you usually don't speak up.
- Maintain confidentiality. Share lessons learned while keeping names and identifiers confidential.
- Meet folks where they are. Do not assume knowledge on behalf of others. Be thorough, clear, patient, and transparent in our dialogue.
- Use people-first language and refrain from stigmatizing language.
- Listen to understand, don't listen to rebut.

HUD / NOFO Update



NOFO & CoC Grant Awards Update

- HUD announced the first set of FY 2025 awards under the FY2024/FY2025 NOFO, covering projects with grant terms expiring between January 1 and March 31, 2026.
- Confirmed 4 projects in our CoC that were eligible for renewal and have grant terms expiring in the first quarter of 2026 are included in the announcement.
 - Renewed at their full asking amount, with slight variations to account for the FMR decrease in our community and supportive services line COLA increase granted by HUD.
 - Renewal projects expiring in Q1 should expect to see contracts from HUD in 1-2 months.
 - Grantees can incur costs on the renewal date and just be reimbursed once the award is active in LOCCS.

NOFO & CoC Grant Awards Update

- Anticipate remaining CoC-funded projects up for renewal in 2026 will also be fully renewed via the FY 2024/2025 NOFO process with no decrease in funding and no new awards.
- Congress ordered HUD to award grants expiring in the second quarter of 2026 (April 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026) by March 31, 2026. HUD missed this deadline, which means HUD must now auto-renew these projects.
 - If HUD does not make awards by July 1, 2026 for the FY2025 competition, they must non-competitively renew all projects expiring in Q3 or Q4 of 2026.
- NAEH lawsuit granted a preliminary injunction effectively continuing the FY2024-2025 NOFO.
 - As a result, renewal projects are in the process of being automatically renewed (without action needed from providers).
 - New project applications submitted during the FY2025 CoC NOFO competition were not submitted to HUD for review.

CoC PSH Providers Working Group

- CoC PSH Providers Working Group to prepare for program closures following the FY2026 CoC NOFO competition
- Still anticipate that the FY2026 CoC NOFO will include limitations on the amount of funding available to permanent housing projects, which would cause the closure of several permanent supportive housing, rapid re-housing, and joint transitional housing rapid re-housing projects
- Discuss potential scenarios and proposed tools for program closures
- Potential to expand other work groups based on NOFO competition
- CoC Board will review final re-housing plan developed by the CoC PSH Providers Working Group to the CoC Board

Collaborative Applicant Committee (CAC) proposed changes



Brief background on Collaborative Application Committee (CAC)

- Organized during the 2022 onboarding of the current iteration of the CoC Board
- Described as a workgroup or standing committee of the CoC Board
- Structure is based on Resource Advisory Committee (RAC), the CAC's equivalent from the former A Home for Everyone
- Membership is open to non-conflicted members of CoC Board
- No direct guidance from HUD or the Interim Rule for how CoCs operate their rating and ranking process
- CAC participation in line with Charter's Conflict of Interest clause

Proposed changes for CAC

In 2024, the CAC added 2 members from the Lived Experience Advisory Committee, in response to the LEAC's request for better inclusion in the CoC Application Process

Currently the CAC consists of 3 CoC Board members and 2 LEAC members

In June 2025, HSD suggested increasing the size of the CAC to 7

Currently, HSD - in consultation with Homebase technical assistance - proposes increasing to 7 members: 4 from the CoC Board and 3 from LEAC

Collaborative Applicant Committee (CAC) - 5 people (current composition)

3 CoC Board Members



2 LEAC Members



April Composition for this NOFO April-August

4 CoC Board Members



3 LEAC Members



CAC Members: 3 total (all new LEAC Members)

CoC Board Members: 4 total (1 recruited this week + 3 entirely new in August)

New CAC Committee – 7 people

Recruitment Committee update



Initial meeting on April 7th

- Reviewed the current mechanisms for Board/advisory committee applicants
- Initial discussion on current needs and opportunities for new Board members
- Agreed to an every other week meeting cadence
 - Next meeting is April 20th
 - Will review current Board demographics and representations

Open Discussion



Thank you.