

FY26 COC COMPETITION TIMELINE

Revised September 19, 2026 - All times Central

HUD deadline September 30 at 7:00 p.m. - CFTH target September 29

Timeline update September 19 2026

HUD has reopened the FY26 CoC Competition with a September 30, 2026 deadline. CFTH will resume the local process at ranking review and release the draft ranking and Priority Listing on Monday, September 21 at noon. The revised schedule provides for applicant grievances, CoC Governing Board review and approval, final written decisions, and public review of the approved Consolidated Application.

CFTH targets submission on September 29 to allow time to address technical issues. Remaining local review and response periods are compressed. All times in this timeline are Central Time. Earlier local application deadlines remain historical; this update does not reopen intake for new applications.

Project applicants must meet the local deadlines below. CoC Governing Board means the Steering Committee acting under its existing authority. The local grievance policy requires an informal resolution attempt with the VP of HRS, impartial written review, and 24 business hours to appeal a written determination. CFTH must clarify how business hours are counted and publish that interpretation before the grievance window opens. This timeline does not shorten that appeal right.

Date	Activity	Complete	Details
Monday, June 8, 2026	Local Competition Opens / Documents Posted	✓	FY26 local competition materials posted on CFTH/The Way Home website, including local deadlines, applications, scoring tools, ranking process, grievance process, and required attachments.
Friday, June 12, 2026	Reallocation / Reduction / Transition Letters Sent	✓	CFTH sends written confirmations to agencies with projects being reallocated, reduced, transitioned, or otherwise impacted.
Wednesday, June 17, 2026 – 9:00 AM	Mandatory FY26 CoC NOFO Webinar	✓	Required for all renewal, new, reallocation, transition, and DV Bonus applicants. Disclaimer: This date was subject to change if HUD had not released necessary application materials, e-snaps access, or additional competition guidance.
Thursday, June 18, 2026	Optional TA Session	✓	TA available for applicant questions.
Friday, June 19, 2026	Optional TA Session	✓	TA available for applicant questions.
Monday, June 22, 2026	Optional TA Session	✓	TA available for applicant questions.
Tuesday, June 23, 2026	Optional TA Session	✓	Final scheduled TA day before new project applications were due.
Wednesday, July 1, 2026 – 5:00 PM	New Project Local Application — Word Version Due	✓	Required for all new project, transition, reallocation, and DV Bonus applicants.

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Thursday, July 2 – Monday, July 13, 2026	New Project Threshold / Completeness Review	✓	CFTH reviews new project Word applications for eligibility, project type, budget, match, service model, local priority alignment, and missing items.
Friday, July 10, 2026 – 11:59 PM	Renewal Local Applications Due	✓	Renewal applications and required attachments due, including match, SAM/UEI, HMIS or comparable database, CE participation, and supportive services participation documentation.
Monday, July 13, 2026	New Project Threshold / Correction Notices Sent	✓	CFTH sends threshold feedback and identifies any corrections. Notices are sent with the revised local timeline.
Friday, July 24, 2026	Renewal Scorecards Released	✓	CFTH releases renewal scorecards to agencies for review. This date was updated to allow additional internal review time.
Friday, July 24, 2026 – 5:00 PM	Final Project Materials and e-snaps Applications Due	✓	Final local materials and completed e-snaps project applications are due for all applicable project types, including General CoC new projects, renewals, transition projects, and YHDP new, replacement, and reallocation projects, as applicable. This includes required attachments, corrections, local competition materials, Review Committee packet materials, and completed e-snaps project applications. Applicants that do not meet the applicable local deadline may not move forward in the local review, scoring, and ranking process.
Tuesday, July 28, 2026	Renewal Scorecard Issues Due	✓	Deadline to submit scorecard questions, correction requests, or N/A scoring concerns.
Thursday, July 30, 2026	Renewal Scorecards Finalized	✓	Final renewal scores locked for ranking.
Monday, July 27 – Friday, July 31, 2026	New Project Review / Review Committee Packet Preparation	✓	CFTH prepares reviewer packets and verifies corrected materials for new projects moving forward. New project applicants must include any materials they want the Review Committee to consider in the final local packet, including the required PowerPoint where applicable.
Monday, August 3 – Friday, August 7, 2026	New Project Review Committee Review	✓	Review Committee reviews new project packets.

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REOPEN COC COMPETITION

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By Mon, Sept 21 Before noon	Ranking Committee review		Complete any unfinished review of scores, funding requests, reallocation, applicable bonus requests, and local priorities before releasing the draft.
Mon, Sept 21 Noon	Draft ranking and Priority Listing released		Publish draft ranking, revised timeline, and grievance instructions. Send preliminary written project decisions and transmit the draft package to the CoC Governing Board.
Mon, Sept 21 noon– Tue, Sept 22, 5:00 p.m.	CoC Governing Board review of draft ranking		Board members review proposed ranks, amounts, selection rationale, and supporting materials. Questions and feedback are due September 22 at 5:00 p.m. Draft review does not constitute final approval.
Mon, Sept 21 noon– Tue, Sept 22, 5:00 p.m.	Applicant grievance window		First contact the VP of HRS for informal resolution. If unresolved, submit the completed grievance form and supporting records to grievances@cfthhouston.org , subject "Formal Grievance FY26 CoC Competition."
Tue, Sept 22 5:00 p.m.	Grievances due		Deadline for written grievances. CFTH prepares timely submissions for review under the local procedure.
Wed, Sept 23 By 3:00 p.m.	Initial grievance decisions and Board selection approval		Obtain Board approval of selection recommendations and document recusals..
Wed, Sept 23 By 5:00 p.m.	Approved ranking posted and formal selection notices sent		Post Board-approved selection results and notify all applicants outside e-snaps. Include score, rank/tier where applicable, amount, status, and reasons for adverse decisions.
From receipt of each written determination	Local grievance appeal period		Applicants may appeal in writing within 24 business hours of receiving the determination.
Sept 23–24 Due Thu, Sept 24, 5:00 p.m.	Final e-snaps revisions due		Applicants complete and resubmit CFTH-requested corrections, budgets, and attachments. Confirm required signatures and certifications are complete. Promptly report technical issues.
Fri, Sept 25 Noon	Project applications locked locally		Verify budgets, ranks and attachments; reaccept corrected applications in e-snaps. Reconcile selection results. Lock applications.
Sept 21–25	CoC Application finalization		Prepare narratives, required attachments, selection results, and certifications while ranking review proceeds. Confirm any outstanding Consolidated Plan certifications and applicable match or leverage documentation in time for submission.
Fri, Sept 25 Before public posting	Consolidated Application approval		Obtain documented approval of the CoC Application and Project Priority Listing through the process authorized in the CoC governing documents.

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Fri, Sept 25 By 5:00 p.m.	Approved application posted for public review		Post the approved CoC Application and Project Priority Listing. Email project applicants, broader CoC membership, and key stakeholders with the location and comment deadline.
Mon, Sept 28 Before final posting	Local appeals and final approval review		Resolve timely appeals after preserving each applicant's full 24-business-hour period. Obtain required Board approval of resulting ranking, reduction or reallocation changes.
Tue, Sept 29 9:00 a.m.	Public comment closes and final checks		Review comments, complete authorized edits, and verify all timely appeals and required approvals before target submission. Repost changed approved materials and retain records.
Tue, Sept 29 Target noon	Target HUD submission		Submit the CoC Application and CoC Priority Listing in e-snaps. Verify both submissions and save confirmations. Address technical issues immediately; retain screenshots and support correspondence.
Wed, Sept 30 7:00 p.m. Central	HUD final deadline		Federal deadline is 8:00 p.m. Eastern. September 30 is reserved as a technical contingency; it is not an extension of any local applicant deadline.

Applicant notification: CFTH will issue Board-approved selection decisions outside e-snaps by September 23 at 5:00 p.m., applying the seven-day correction in HUD's reopening notice. Include score, rank and tier where applicable, status, funding amount, and reasons for reductions, reallocations or rejections. Identify any pending local appeal and preserve the published appeal right. Promptly notify affected applicants of later changes; seek HUD guidance if an appeal would create a new rejection or reduction after the notification deadline.

Public posting and approval: Board review of the draft occurs September 21–22, with selection approval September 23. Any pending appeal remains open for the full period in the local policy. The Board must approve reductions and reallocations; conflict-free review and documented recusals are required, including for CFTH projects. Separately approve and post the full CoC Application and Priority Listing by September 25, identify pending appeals, and approve and repost any resulting revisions before submission.

SUBMISSION DOCUMENTATION

Upload a separate Local Competition Selection Results attachment covering all projects considered, including rejected and reallocated projects. Include project name, score, rank, status, amount requested from HUD, and reallocated funds added or removed. The e-snaps Priority Listing alone is not sufficient evidence. Preserve review materials, final notices, grievance decisions, approvals, and dated public posting records.