

Greater Richmond Continuum of Care (GRCoC) Threshold Requirements for Coordinated Grant Applicants.

New and renewal project applications must meet threshold requirements to be reviewed by the Ranking Committee and included in the Consolidated Application submitted to HUD. These requirements were revised by GRCoC Board of Directors February 8, 2018 - updated by Homeward staff based on bylaw changes May 19, 2026.

The Designated Collaborative Applicant will examine all coordinated grant applicants/projects to determine if they meet the threshold requirements listed below on a pass/fail standard. If the Designated Collaborative Applicant determines that the requirements have not been met, the application will be rejected. Rejected applications are not included in the Consolidated Application and will not receive federal funding. The Collaborative Applicant will host a “CoC Application webinar” and respond to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) during the competition period to ensure prospective applicants are fully informed of the Threshold Requirements.

1. Be an active member of the GRCoC as defined in the bylaws, or commit to becoming an active member in the GRCoC. Membership in the CoC will be composed of entities and individuals concerned with the development and coordination of homeless assistance programs. Entities members are human service agencies, departments of local government, businesses, faith organizations, businesses, educational organizations, and other public agencies. An Entity member will be considered a member in good standing, or Entity Active Member, by attending 75% of the general meetings held during the prior calendar year or by attending 75% of the meetings of a specific CoC committee held during the prior calendar year.
2. Services must be delivered within the GRCoC service area which includes: Charles City County, Chesterfield County, Goochland County, Hanover County, Henrico County, New Kent County, Powhatan County, the City of Richmond, and the Town of Ashland.
3. The applicant must be incorporated as a 501 (c) 3 not for profit organization, a unit of local government, or a faith-based organization, per HUD’s designation of eligible applicants in the Notice of Funding Opportunity. Eligible entities should be able to demonstrate standard accounting and grants management policies and procedures, as well as demonstrating fiscal health through recent audit history.

4. New applicants agree to comply with all GRCoC Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) requirements, as laid out in the approved GRCoC HMIS Policies and Procedures and HMIS Policies Committee: Compliance and Monitoring Policy. Renewal applicants must have demonstrated compliance with all GRCoC HMIS requirements, as laid out in the approved GRCoC HMIS Policies and Procedures and HMIS Policies Committee: Compliance and Monitoring Policy.
5. New applicants agree to comply with all the requirements laid out in the approved GRCoC Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures. Renewal applicants must have demonstrated compliance with all the requirements laid out in the approved GRCoC Coordinated Entry Policies and Procedures by having a signed and active CES MOU.
6. The applicant must meet the eligibility requirements of the funding agency. It is the applicant's responsibility to read and comply with these requirements. For CoC Program those requirements include providing match funding and providing certifications and assurances for post-award organizational operations, as delineated in the NOFO. See citations provided in "New in the HUD FY26 NOFO" section of this document.
7. Acknowledgement of GRCoC Funded Provider Standards:
 - Participation in Coordinated CoC Activities, such as PIT and CoC Workgroup/Committee Participation
 - Furthering Community Identified Funding Priorities
 - Supporting the inclusion of people with lived experience of homelessness in decision-making roles within the continuum
 - Following the GRCoC-adopted program standards for relevant program types