



**MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY  
HOMELESS ALLIANCE**  
MOVING TO END AND  
PREVENT HOMELESSNESS

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **The Alliance issues local RFP for housing and homeless services; applications due Aug. 31**

*The Alliance is hosting an applicant workshop on August 16*

**SALEM, ORE. 11 August, 2022**—The U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development has released two Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for which the Marion-Polk region's [Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance](#) and local nonprofit organizations, governments, faith-based organizations, and tribal organizations are eligible to apply: the annual NOFO for the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program funding and a special NOFO for unsheltered homelessness. The Alliance is combining these two grant opportunities into one local competition to simplify the process for applicants.

With more than \$2.7 billion available to CoCs across the country, the annual funding opportunity is open and accepting project applications for currently funded programs, domestic violence programs, and for new programs from applicants not previously receiving CoC funding. Applications that address a combination of local and federal priorities will be prioritized in the review and ranking process. HUD is requiring that local project applications be submitted no later than thirty days prior to the HUD submission date of September 30, which means local applications are due by August 31.

The Alliance will also be applying for HUD's recently announced, [first-of-its-kind NOFO](#) to address unsheltered homelessness for people with severe service needs. According to HUD, the Initiative for Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness promotes partnerships with health care organizations, public housing authorities and housing providers, and people with lived experience with homelessness.

"We strongly encourage organizations throughout Marion and Polk counties to apply to the Homeless Alliance for these funds," said Cathy Clark, chair of the Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance. "Local organizations have a unique opportunity with the designated unsheltered funds from the new NOFO, but they'll need to move quickly, as applications are due August 31, 2022."

The official Request for Proposals (RFP) will be available on Friday, August 12. In the meantime, interested applicants may review the [scoring tools, draft process documents, and other resource links](#) posted on the Alliance website.

"We recognize that the timeline is very tight this year and commit to providing you with information as quickly as we receive it from HUD," said Clark. "Mark your calendars for the Applicant Workshop on Tuesday, August 16, from 9 to 11 a.m., where we will share more information."

People with disabilities needing assistance in accessing and reviewing materials, and people needing more information on the RFP process may contact:

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For more information on the Alliance, visit [www.mwvhomelessalliance.org](http://www.mwvhomelessalliance.org).

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### **About Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance**

The Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance serves as the Continuum of Care (CoC) for Oregon's Marion-Polk region, seeking to end homelessness by providing community-wide planning, resources, and coordination of programs for people at risk of or experiencing homelessness. Through collaborative efforts of local and tribal governments, school districts, nonprofit organizations, and other participating stakeholders, the CoC uses an evidence-based system of services to address homelessness, including providing stable housing solutions, designed to meet the unique and complex needs of homeless adults, youth, children and families. For more information, visit [www.mwvhomelessalliance.org](http://www.mwvhomelessalliance.org).