Allegheny County Continuum of Care (PA-600) 2019 Reallocation Process

This document describes the strategies and processes utilized by the <u>Allegheny County Continuum of</u> <u>Care (CoC), PA-600</u>, to reallocate funds for the 2019 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Continuum of Care Program Competition (2019 NOFA). For more details on the review and ranking of projects, please see 2019 Rate, Rank, Review, and Selection Criteria Process.

The Homeless Advisory Board (HAB) is the working board that acts on the behalf of the CoC to ensure the fulfillment of the responsibilities of the CoC, and is the body responsible for finalizing the process decisions described in this document. Allegheny County Department of Human Services (DHS) has been designated as the Infrastructure Organization by the HAB. Within this designation, DHS has been delegated the day-to-day and operational responsibilities that fulfill the core duties of the CoC, including serving as the Collaborative Applicant and supporting the administrative duties required to complete the annual NOFA application.

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Reallocation Strategy

Analysis of service needs, service gaps, and project performance were used in consultation with CoC priorities to develop the 2019 strategy for reallocation. In accordance with the performance-based, data-driven processes instituted in the CoC, the 2019 strategy involved the following action steps:

- 2019 Renewal Project Performance Outcome Tools were completed, and pursuant to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) guidance, the lowest performing project was identified for reallocation;
- 2. The recouping of funds from the lowest performing project resulted in a total of \$512,582 identified for reallocation;
- 3. Reallocated funds were elected to be directed to an expansion of Coordinated Entry.

Reallocation Rationale

In accordance with the HAB priority to "Ensure that outreach resources are sufficient to cover the entirety of Allegheny County – especially areas with significant homeless populations", as identified in the Allegheny County Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness, reallocated funds were allocated to an expansion of Coordinated Entry, operating in the CoC through Allegheny Link. This reallocation will enable expanded outreach to those most vulnerable and difficult to access and connect them to CoC services by increasing the Allegheny Link's remote access capabilities, specifically, the Link's ability to: assess homeless folks at their location rather them coming into or having to call the main office; and access folks who are moving further away from downtown. Funds will be used for additional staff members, as well as the necessary infrastructure to support expanding the outreach of Coordinated Entry.

Project Ranking

The project selected for the reallocated funds was then ranked per the 2019 Ranking Process. Details on this can be found in the 2019 Review, Ranking and Reallocation Process and Criteria document.