



## CoC Board of Directors Meeting Update

The [CoC Board of Directors](#) met on Aug. 15. You can [download the full meeting packet here](#) and review meeting highlights below:

- The Board reviewed a new [System Goals Dashboard](#), which tracks the CoC's progress toward meeting its [System Goals](#). The Board will check this Dashboard in future meetings to assess progress.
- The Board heard updates on the HUD CoC Program Competition and **voted to approve [Project Ranking Policy Recommendations](#)**. They also reviewed a [decision from the Appeals Panel](#). They had previously voted to approve new projects decisions, as well. All Chicago will now apply the Ranking Policy Recommendations to the project listing and send out Project Rankings by Aug. 31. The CoC can apply for nearly \$10 million in new projects funding through this year's CoC Program Competition, including Domestic Violence projects.
- All Chicago gave a presentation on its progress toward becoming a [Unified Funding Agency \(UFA\)](#). The Board will continue to receive updates on the UFA process.

## August Action Plan Progress

August's Action Plans have now been posted to the [Action Agenda webpage](#). Click on the link for each line of work to see the corresponding Action Plan. Key progress from this month's Action Plans includes:

- Action Agenda Project Managers have been tracking their workgroup attendance to **ensure a broad group of stakeholders are engaged in the work**. All Chicago analyzed workgroup attendance data and found that a total of 210 individual service providers attended all workgroup meetings. An average of two people with the lived experience of homelessness attended each workgroup meeting. Findings were reviewed by the Membership Committee.
- [Pipeline Expansion](#): The Pipeline Expansion Workgroup has **started to develop a financial model for the unit projections they developed**, outline a coordinated funding pre-application process, and breakdown unit goals by housing strategy. They've also started brainstorming strategies to inform 2019 city budget needs and the Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) process. They are forming two new subgroups to tackle this work: Financial Modeling and Coordinated Funding Pre-application.
- [Coordinated Entry System](#): National CSH consultants will host a **Coordinated Entry Refinement Lab Status Report on Thurs., Sept. 6 from 9 - 11am** at [Catholic Charities](#). This event will provide stakeholders with system progress updates based on suggestions from the Coordinated Entry Refinement Lab in March. [Find more details and register here](#).
- [Crisis System Transition](#): The Diversion/Prevention Workgroup will start a pilot project on Sept. 17 to **provide eviction diversion services at the Cook county eviction court**. A social worker from the Lawyers Committee for

Better Housing will connect eligible tenants facing eviction with case management, resolution services, and emergency financial assistance.

- [Homeless Management Information System \(HMIS\)](#): HMIS has completed **five data-sharing agreements** with key system partner organizations in Chicago since the start of the Action Agenda and is in the process of completing two more.
- [Employment/ Income](#): The Legal Assistance Foundation (LAF) has been awarded a BUILD Opportunity Fund grant to **hire an additional SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) advocate** for at least one year. The work of the SOAR workgroups of the Action Agenda helped the funding application to showcase community collaboration and support for SOAR. This advocate will be primarily working through LAF's Medical Legal Partnership.

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*If you'd like to learn more about joining a committee or workgroup, visit the [Action Agenda webpage](#) and click on the links for each line of work. You can also [check the calendar](#) to find the latest meeting details.*

*Have questions or concerns? Contact [Maura McCauley](#) or [Dave Thomas](#).*



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