2025 CoC Program Competition

NY-510
ITHACA/TOMPKINS
CONTINUUM OF CARE

The Mission of our Continuum of Care

Ithaca/Tompkins CoC NY-510 is a local community planning network of public, private, and non-profit partners with the mission of making homelessness rare, brief, and one-time in Tompkins County.

Through this work, we:

Organize a community-wide effort to prevent and end homelessness

Provide funding and support to non-profit agencies

Promote access to supportive services and housing

ENDING HOMELESSNESS

The goal of every Continuum of Care is to build and maintain a homeless response system where experiences of homelessness are...

Rare

The community has ensured that homelessness among youth, families, single adults, veterans, and people experiencing chronic homelessness are all sustained below their functional zero threshold, which means that the actively homeless number is fewer than the six-month average of positive exits.

Brief

The average length of time from identification to move-in is 40 days or less.

One-time

Of all exits to permanent housing, no more than 5% of positive exits result in a return to the homeless system within two years of exit from the homeless system.

Equitable

The community has a demonstrated commitment and is tracking progress to reduce disparities in outcomes between groups experiencing homelessness.
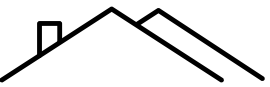
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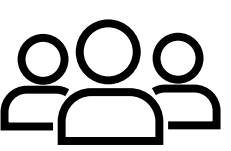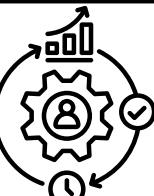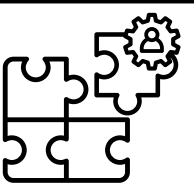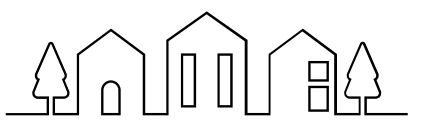
MEASURING PROGRESS

HUD collects data from Continuums of Care regarding their progress towards these goals, called System Performance Measures or SPMs.

Measure 1	Measure 2	Measure 3	Measure 4	Measure 5
Length of Time Persons Remain Homeless	The Extent to which Persons who Exit Homelessness to Permanent Housing Destinations **Return to Homelessness**	**Total Number** of Homeless Persons	**Employment and Income Growth** for Homeless Persons in CoC Program-funded projects	Number of persons who become **homeless for the 1st time**

Priorities for the FY2024 NOFO

Priority 1	End Homelessness for all persons.	**Priority 6**	Promote racial equity and address racial disparities.
Priority 2	Use a housing first approach.	**Priority 7**	Improve assistance to LGBTQ+ individuals.
Priority 3	Reduce unsheltered homelessness.	**Priority 8**	Engage people with lived experience/expertise of homelessness.
Priority 4	Improve system performance.	**Priority 9**	Build an effective workforce.
Priority 5	Partner with housing, health, and service agencies.	**Priority 10**	Engage in efforts to increase affordable housing supply.

Priorities for the 2025 NOFO

Priority #1:
Ending the Crisis of Homelessness in our Streets

"CoCs should work with law enforcement, first responders, and their state and local governments to reduce encampments, public camping, and public drug use in order to address barriers to maintaining housing and increasing self-sufficiency."

Priority #2:
Prioritizing Treatment and Recovery

"CoCs should prioritize projects that provide the treatment and services people need to recover and regain self-sufficiency including on-site behavioral health treatment, robust wraparound supportive services, and participation requirements."

Priority #3:
Advancing Public Safety

"CoCs should cooperate with law enforcement to advance public safety for the entire community impacted by homelessness. No one should sleep outside on the street or in dangerous encampments, and everyone should be able to enjoy public spaces safely. HUD encourages CoCs to assist in preventing and minimizing the trauma associated with living on the streets or in encampments, especially for women and youth that are the victims of sexual assault and trafficking. Unchecked public camping and public illicit drug use inhibit nonprofit providers and local government from effectively addressing homelessness."

Priority #4:
Promoting Self-Sufficiency

"CoCs should partner with workforce development centers, employers, childcare, and other supportive service providers to increase employment and employment income for program participants. CoCs should prioritize projects that help lead to long-term economic independence for individuals and families to exit homelessness and prevent future returns to homelessness."

Priority #5:
Improving Outcomes

CoCs should review all projects eligible for renewal under this NOFO to determine their effectiveness in reducing homelessness and increasing self-sufficiency. CoCs should prioritize projects that promote self-sufficiency, increase employment income over government assistance, and promote treatment and recovery.

Priority #6:
Minimizing Truama

"CoCs should encourage providers to provide trauma informed care and ensure participant safety in programs, especially for youth and survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Women experiencing homelessness or domestic violence should have access to safe, single-sex spaces and other considerations for personal privacy."

CHANGES IN THE FY24 NOFO

There are significant changes in this year's NOFO that projects should consider before applying.

Two-year NOFO

HUD has issued a single 2-year NOFO for fiscal years 2024 and 2025. CoCs are only required to submit one CoC application that will be applicable to the FY2024 and FY2025 funds.

Cost of Living Adjustments

HUD is now authorized to make reasonable costs of living adjustments to renewal amounts to help afford increasing cost of operations due to inflation.

Funding for specific subpopulations

HUD requires funding reallocated from projects previously funded with YHDP or DV Bonus funding to be used for projects serving the same subpopulation. New DV Reallocation projects must be 100 percent dedicated to serving DV individuals and families.

Changes to tiering

Tier 1 is set at 90% of the CoC's Annual Renewal Demand (ARD) for this NOFO.

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Racial and LGBTQIA+ disparities no longer recognized

HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject a project application if they find evidence that the project previously or currently conducts activities to subsidize or facilitate racial preferences or other forms of "illegal discrimination" or conducts activities that rely on or otherwise use a definition of "sex other than as binary in humans."

Harm Reduction no longer supported

Project applicants must certify that they will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption" sites, knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia, permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs, or conduct any of these activities under the pretext of "harm reduction." HUD reserves the right to reduce or reject a project application if the projects conduct these activities.

Cap on Permanent Supportive Housing

No more than an amount equal to 30% of a CoC's ARD can be used to fund Permanent Housing (Permanent supportive housing, rapid re-housing, and joint component). CoC's will be forced to reallocate any permanent housing in excess of this limit to another type of project.

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FY24/25 Anticipated Awards

NY-510 - Ithaca/Tompkins County CoC

Amici House	CoC	$94,654
Chartwell House	CoC	$50,341
DV Rapid Rehousing Project	CoC	$109,587
Learning Web YHDP RRH	CoC	$385,255
LW YHDP PSH Renewal FY2024	CoC	$508,519
Magnolia House	CoC	$50,483
NY1357L2C102302	CoC	$104,655
NY-510 CoC Planning Project application FY2024	CoC	$61,598
NY510 HMIS Tompkins County FY24	CoC	$17,342
Open Doors for Runaway and Homeless Youth	CoC	$119,286
Street to Housing Collaborative	CoC	$117,168
NY-510 Total :		**$1,618,888**

What is the FY25 local opportunity?

$1,557,290 Estimated ARD

$311,458 CoC Bonus

$66,730 DV Bonus

$467,187 Tier 1

Serving people who meet HUD's definition of homelessness.
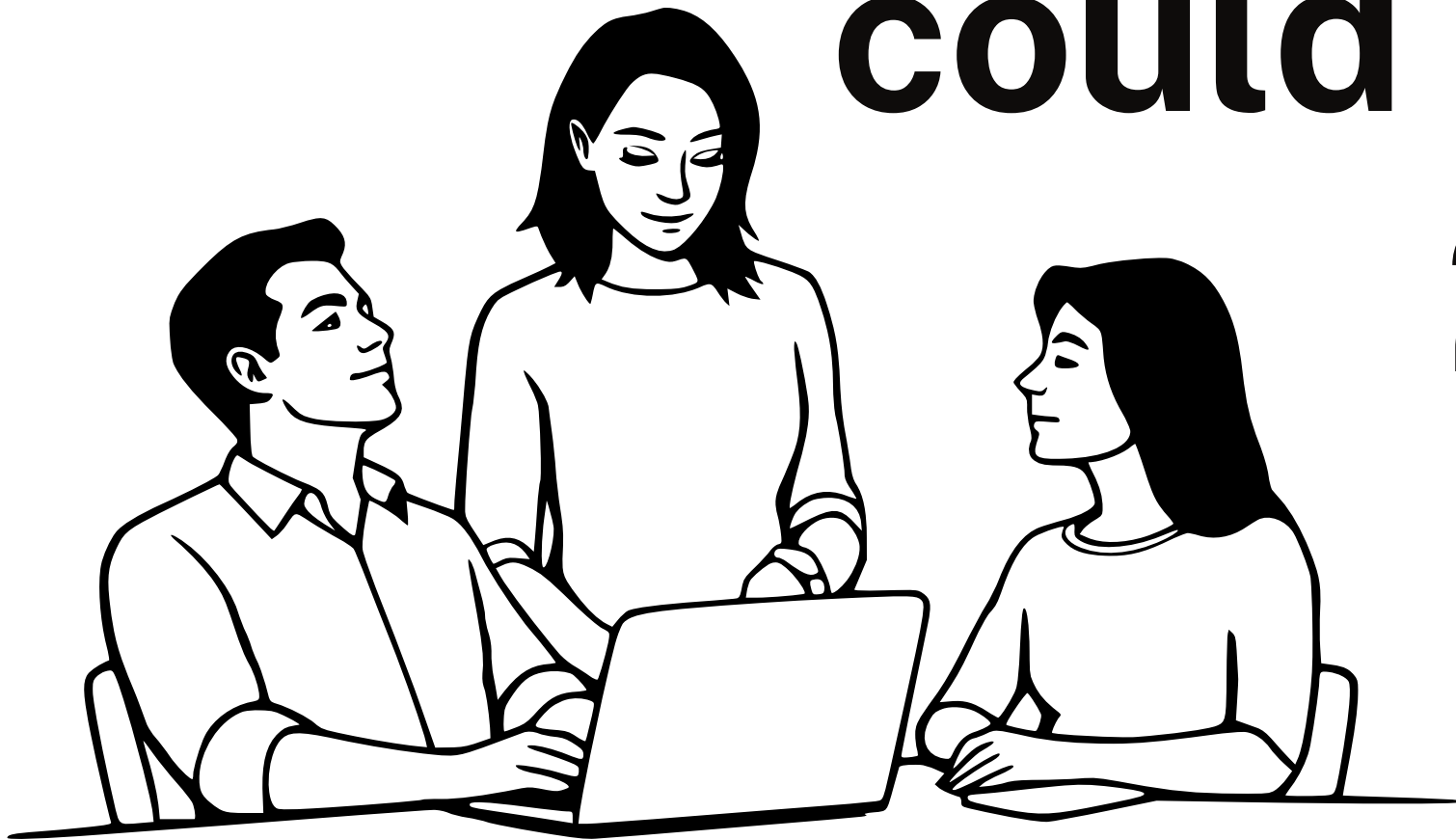
How does that compare to last year?

$1,231,964 Tier 1

$147,836 CoC Bonus

$66,730 DV Bonus

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What kind of projects could I apply for in 2024?

Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH)

Overview: PSH is a non-time-limited, permanent housing subsidy combined with a high level of supportive services. It is a model that is most effective when combined with a Housing First approach and is typically designed for folks with highest needs, long experiences with homelessness and a household member with a disability.

Key Elements: Eligible populations: Categories 1, 2, 4Youth would pay a percentage of their income towards rent for an indefinite periodUnits can be site-based (e.g., lease up a bunch of units in an apartment complex) or be scattered site (e.g., youth choose unit in the community)May be an opportunity to serve youth who are disabled but do not meet chronic homeless definition

Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH)

Overview: RRH is a permanent housing program where homeless individuals and families may receive up to 36 months of rental assistance and supportive services, with up to six months of aftercare once the rental assistance ends. Supportive services often focus on income maximization and stability planning. The participant enters into a least directly with the landlord.

Key Elements:Eligible populations: Categories 1, 2, 4Rental assistance models can be flexible, should align with CoC's written standards for administering RRHParticipants can choose their own units in the community/private marketWhile it is a time-limited resource, there are no indicators for who will succeed in RRH- it is a resource that can work for anyone

Joint Transitional Housing- Rapid Rehousing (TH-RRH/PH)

Overview: TH-RRH provides short-term crisis housing for individuals or families who enter the TH portion of the program. It also provides medium/long-term permanent housing for participants who transition directly from TH into RRH or from homelessness into RRH. A participant has a choice of which program they wish to access and both TH and RRH portions must be available. Many youth who have no rental history and/or multiple barriers find the support provided with TH an easier launching padinto permanent housing.

Key Elements:Eligible populations: Categories 1, 2, 4Recipient providing TH can pay for operations of a building they own, or pay for leasing costsTH units can be master leased units, scattered site or host homes.TH can offer an alternative to current shelter options; offer options to youth who have criminal history or no rental historyRRH operates with all the same tenets as a classic RRH program.

Dedicated HMIS Project (HMIS)

Overview: New dedicated HMIS project costs can only be carried out by the HMIS Lead, which is the Project Applicant or subrecipient HMIS-dedicated funds and that is listed on the HMIS Lead form

Key Elements:HMIS lead is only eligible applicantSupports creation and maintenance of CoC-wide HMIS system

Coordinated Entry- Supportive Services Only (SSO-CE)

Overview: SSO-CE projects are used to develop or operate a Coordinated Entry system. SSOs are a project type where CoC funds only pay for services, not housing assistance. Examples are outreach services, diversion services, drop-in centers, and community-wide or specific partnerships between services.

Key Elements:Eligible populations: Categories 1, 2, 4Outreach services identify individuals and families experiencing unsheltered homelessness and help them access crisis and long-term housingDiversion offers services that help youth find alternate solutions to shelter/crisis housing or other housing

What kind of projects can I apply for in 2025?

NEW PROJECT QUALITY THRESHOLD CRITERIA
Minimum score to be awarded. If awarded, must meet <u>all</u> of the criteria listed.

Project Type	Key Criteria
Transitional Housing (TH) Min: 7/10	• Supportive services will be required for participation • Applicant has experience operating a TH and will leverage other public/private sources • Project **will provide 40 hours of customized services** (with some exceptions)
Supportive Services Only (SSO)- Standalone Min: 4/5	• Project will leverage other public/private sources and provide services necessary to exit homelessness and increase self-sufficiency for program participants including those who do not traditionally engage
Supportive Services Only (SSO)- Street Outreach Min: 5/6	• In addition to criteria for standalone SSO, applicant must have experience providing outreach services and demonstrate a history of partnering with first responders and law enforcement and will not interfere with enforcement of public camping and drug use laws
Supportive Services Only- Coordinated Entry (SSO-CE) Min. 3/4	• Available and reachable for all in geographic area and a strategy for reaching households with highest needs • Standardized assessment used to ensure participants directed to housing and services that meet their needs
Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Min: 4/6	• Project will leverage other public/private sources to provide supportive services • Will require participation in services • Will be designed to serve elderly individuals or people with a physical disability or a developmental disability
Rapid Rehousing (RRH) Min: 6/8	• Project will leverage other public/private sources to provide supportive services • Will require participation in services • Applicant has previously operated a project where employment incomes were improved
Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Min: 3/5	• Used as a proactive case management tool to promote treatment and recovery • Collects all UDE and has the ability to unduplicate client records • Produces all HUD reports
CoC Planning Min. 3/5	• CoC membership is open and inclusive and there is a written governance charter in place • CoC-wide planning committees • Funds will be compliant with 24 CFR 578.7 and will improve CoCs ability to evaluate CoC and ESG projects

PROJECT ELIGIBILITY & PROJECT QUALITY THRESHOLD

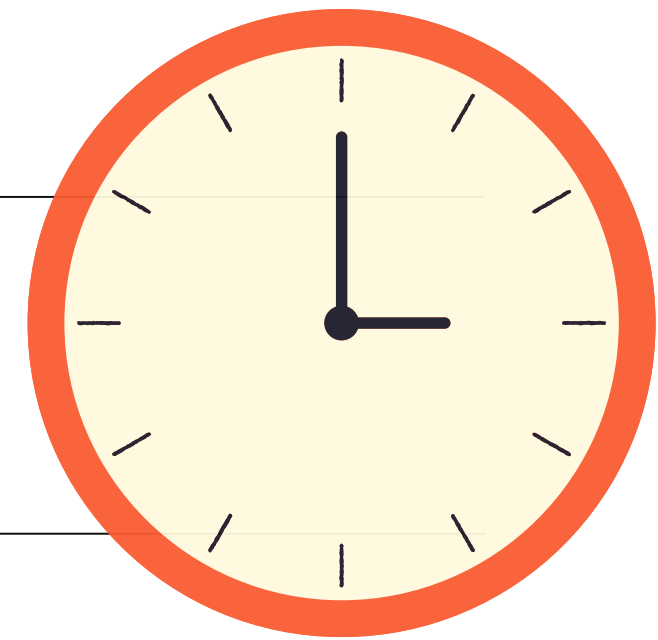- Each year,all projects must meet threshold eligibility criteria to receive funding.

  - Pass/fail standard—project applications rejected if they do not meet
  - Renewal projects are considered to have met these requirements previously

- Assesses the extent in which the project applicants are eligible,have thefinancial and management capacity to carry out the project, have submitted all required certifications, will serve eligible program participants, and will agree to participate in HMIS.

- **NEW IN FY2025.** Project applicants must certify that they:

  - Will not engage in racial preferences or other forms of illegal discrimination

  - Will not operate drug injection sites or "safe consumption sites," knowingly distribute drug paraphernalia, permit the use or distribution of illicit drugs, or conduct any of these activities under the pretext of "harm reduction."

What is the process for the CoC Competition?

01 RFP is announced and project applications are submitted.

02 Applications are reviewed and ranked by our CoC ranking committee.

03 Successful applicants are notified, and submit an application in e-snaps.

04 The CoC writes a collaborative application for its funding.

05 Ranked projects are submitted in a priority listing for NY-510.

Timeline Overview

November 13th

HUD CoC NOFO Available

Week of November 13th

Funded Agencies and Governance Committee Meetings

November 24th

Local Competition Opens and Materials Released and Posted

December 3rd @ 9:30 a

FY2025 CoC NOFO info session at Homeless and Housing Task Force.

December 3rd @ 1:00 p

FY2025 Competition Office Hours

December 15th

Local Applications Due

December 30th

Projects notified of acceptance, rejection or reduction in writing outside of e-snaps

January 6th

Selected applications due in e-snaps

January 9th

Full Collaborative Application and Priority list posted https://hsctc.org/housing/

January 12th

Target Collaborative Application Submission

January 14th

14th Full NOFO Application Due via e-snaps

What Could the Impact Be?

Continuum of Care-Level Analysis

HUD'S CUTS TO PERMANENT HOUSING WILL FORCE MORE THAN 170,000 PEOPLE BACK ONTO THE STREETS

A new decision by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will largely defund permanent housing programs for people experiencing homelessness in communities across the nation by imposing a cap of 30% on permanent housing. Currently, communities spend about 88% on permanent housing. These programs provide a lifeline for seniors, veterans, families, and people with physical and mental disabilities. While these cuts will affect every state in the country, not every community will be impacted the same. **Search for your community or state abbreviation in the table below.**
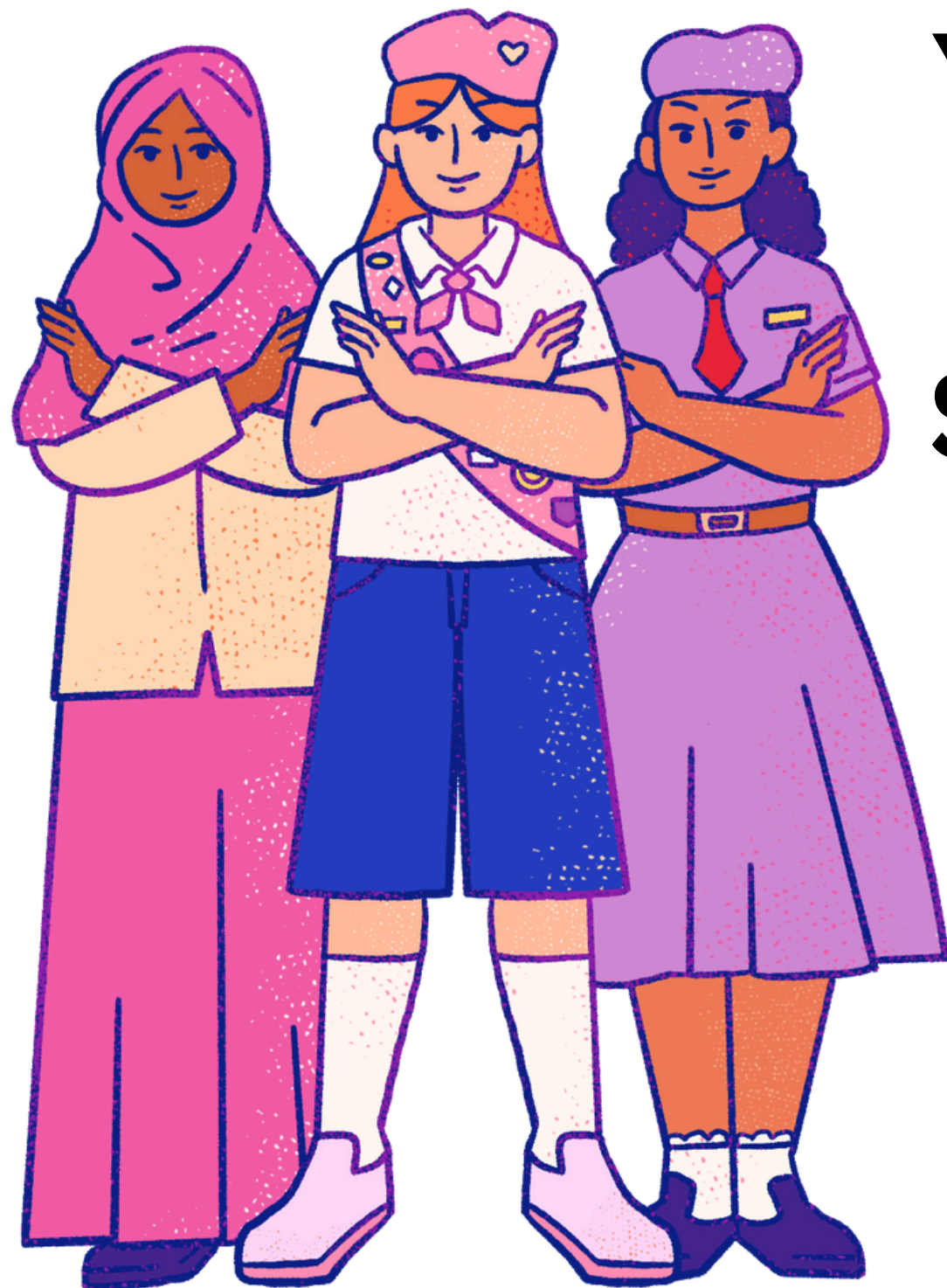
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Continuum of Care	Currently: Percent of CoC Funding Dedicated to Permanent Housing	Currently: Percent of PSH Funded by the CoC Program	Currently: Percent of RRH Funded by the CoC Program	Projection: Loss in Funding for Permanent Housing Under New NOFO	Projection: Loss in Permanent Housing Beds Under New NOFO
United States	**88%**	43%	32%	$2,103,447,818	175,884
NY-510 Ithaca/Tompkins County CoC	81%	55%	0%	$836,307	60

Locally, the most impacted people will be:
People who currently reside in permanent housing
Youth under the age of 25
People with disabilities
Staff who work in housing