River Valleys Continuum of Care (MN-502)

DV Bonus Narrative

# Data & Reporting

HUD does not allow victim service providers to use HMIS. Instead, HUD requires that victim service providers use a database comparable to HMIS to 1) produce Annual Progress Reports required for grantees with HUD CoC Program funding, and 2) provide unduplicated aggregate data for CoC planning.

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| What database is used by the Victim Service Provider grantee or subgrantee for HUD CoC Program reporting? |  |
| Where can the specifications for this database be reviewed? |  |
| Who has reviewed the database regarding its ability to produce reports that meet specifications for the APR? (Name, title) |  |
| Who is responsible for data entry for this project? (Name, title) |  |
| Who is responsible for monitoring and maintaining data quality in the database for this project? (Name, title) |  |
| Who is responsible for submitting the project’s APR to HUD (or to the primary grant recipient, if applicable)? (Name, title) |  |
| Who is responsible for submitting the project’s aggregate or daintified data to the CoC for planning and evaluation? (Name, title) |  |

**Other notes on data management and reporting, if any:**

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# Experience & Capacity to Perform

## Rapid Rehousing and Joint TH/RRH Projects

**Rate of Housing Placement and the Rate of Housing Retention– Project Applicant Experience.**   
Describe the project applicant’s rates of housing placement and retention achieved in existing programs, including how the rate was calculated and what data was used. (4a)

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| Measure | Rate of Housing Placement | Rate of Housing Retention |
| Description | Percentage of DV survivors applying for housing that were placed into permanent housing | percentage of those DV survivors (“placed” in previous column) that remained housed |
| Percentage |  |  |
| Calculation |  |  |
| Data Source |  |  |

**Providing Housing to DV Survivor–Project Applicant Experience.**   
Describe how the project applicant provided housing for DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:

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| Activity | Example of Experience - what you have done in the past (4b) |
| Ensured DV survivors experiencing homelessness were assisted to quickly move into safe affordable housing |  |
| Prioritized survivors–you must address the process the project applicant used  e.g., Coordinated Entry, prioritization list, CoC’s emergency transfer plan, etc.; |  |
| Connected survivors to supportive services |  |
| Moved clients from assisted housing to housing they could sustain–address housing stability after the housing subsidy ends |  |

**Ensuring DV Survivor Safety–Project Applicant Experience.**Provide specific examples of how the project applicant has ensured the safety of DV survivors experiencing homelessness by:

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| Activity | Example of Experience - what you have done in the past (4c) |
| Training staff on safety planning |  |
| Adjusting intake space to better ensure a private conversation |  |
| Conducting separate interviews/intake with each member of a couple |  |
| Working with survivors to have them identify what is safe for them as it relates to scattered site units and/or rental assistance |  |
| Maintaining bars on windows, fixing lights in the hallways, etc. for congregate living spaces operated by the applicant |  |
| Keeping the location confidential for dedicated units and/or congregate living spaces set aside solely for use by survivors |  |

**Evaluating Ability to Ensure DV Survivor Safety–Project Applicant Experience.**Describe how the applicant currently evaluates or has evaluated its ability to ensure the safety of DV survivors within its program(s). Include what outcomes were measured. (4c1)

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**Meeting Service Needs of DV Survivors–Project Applicant Experience**.   
Describe 1) supportive services the project applicant provided to domestic violence survivors experiencing homelessness while quickly moving them into permanent housing and addressing their safety needs; and 2) examples of how the project applicant provided the supportive services to domestic violence survivors. (4e)

*Example: During funding year 2019, ABC Project staff provided the following supportive services to DV survivors: 1) Child custody–ABC project assisted DV survivors to pursue child custody by making legal services available through its partner EFG Legal Services, provided transportation, and provided a support group for others, 2) Housing Search and Counseling–ABC project employed a housing navigator to identify local landlords and apartments. Using the housing navigator resulted in a three-week decrease in the amount of time it previously took survivors to locate units, 3) Bad Credit History…*

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**Trauma-Informed, Victim-Centered Approaches**.   
Describe at least one example of the project applicant’s experience in each area AND how the new project will:

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| Approach | Example of Experience - what you have done in the past (4d) | Example of implementation within this project - what you will do (4f) |
| Prioritize program participant choice and rapid placement and stabilization in permanent housing consistent with participant preferences |  |  |
| Establish and maintain an environment of agency and mutual respect  e.g., non-punitive interventions, participant staff interactions are based on equality and minimize power differentials |  |  |
| Provide program participants access to information on trauma  e.g., training staff on providing program participants with information on trauma |  |  |
| Place emphasis on program participants’ strengths  e.g., strength-based coaching, assessment tools with strength-based measures, case plans include assessments of participant strengths and works towards goals and aspirations |  |  |
| Center on cultural responsiveness and inclusivity  e.g., training on equal access, cultural competence, nondiscrimination |  |  |
| Provide opportunities for connection for program participants  e.g., groups, mentorships, peer-to-peer, spiritual needs |  |  |
| Offer support for parenting, e.g., parenting classes, childcare. |  |  |

## Support Services Only - Coordinated Entry Projects

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| Describe how the current Coordinated Entry is inadequate to address the needs of survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. |  |
| Describe how the proposed project addresses inadequacies identified above. |  |
| Describe the applicant’s engagement and consultation with the CoC Coordinated Entry Committee and/or CoC staff to inform the proposed project. |  |
| Describe the applicant’s past experience and successes in delivering the services proposed. |  |