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Subject: URGENT UPDATE: FY 2026 CoC NOFO Vacated – Immediate Actions Required for All Project Applicants

Dear CoC Members and Project Applicants,

On August 11, 2026, the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island ruled to vacate the FY 2026 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). This legal ruling immediately nullifies the previous August 26, 2026, federal application deadline and halts the current national competition. Because HUD must now draft a revised NOFO that complies with the court's order, the entire application cycle is delayed indefinitely. The CoC Lead Agency is actively monitoring the situation, but we must implement immediate local stabilization measures.

Please review and execute the mandatory action steps below:

⚠ Immediate Action Required for Providers

- **Download Draft Applications Immediately:** Although your full application was downloaded and saved during the CoC Project Application Scoring Process, we encourage all Project Applicants to immediately Log into e-snaps today and export/download a full PDF copy of your draft FY 2026 project application.
- **Paused Local Competition Activities:** The CoC Lead Agency officially paused all local rating, ranking, and appeals processes.
- **Verify Your Contract End Dates:** Review your current grant agreements and note your exact contract end dates. Send these dates to the CoC Lead Agency staff so we can map out regional funding timelines and identify projects at risk of an operational gap. **Please also include what the ramifications would be if the CoC Funding is not available at the time of your renewal. Submit this information to the Lead Agency at pfrey@unitedcv.org by 12 noon on Friday, August 21, 2026**

System and Funding Stability:

Please be reassured that this delay is a federal administrative issue and does not reflect on your local standing. Furthermore, the court's ruling successfully blocks proposed federal rules that would have slashed permanent housing caps and forced a shift toward mandatory treatment models. Your existing permanent housing structures remain legally protected.

Next Steps and Communications:

We will distribute updates as soon as HUD issues official guidance through its SNAPS listserv. Please direct any immediate technical questions regarding your current project timelines to the Lead Agency team at pfrey@unitedcv.org.

Thank you for your patience and quick cooperation as we navigate this transition.

Sincerely,

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