



The City of Indianapolis
Department of Metropolitan Development

Continuum of Care

What is the Continuum of Care?

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is a competitive federal grant provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that administers **funding for transitional and permanent housing and supportive services to enable homeless individuals to live as independently as possible.**



How does the CoC address homelessness?

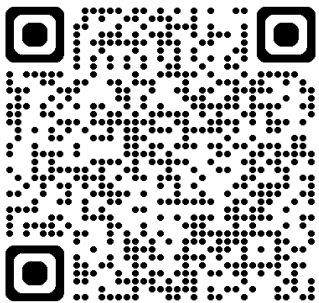
1. **Diversion**—approaches with the goal of diverting people from entering a shelter or unsheltered location. These strategies focus on creative housing problem-solving and financial assistance.
2. **Crisis Response**—services and interventions for those who have lost housing. Strategies include street outreach, emergency shelters, case management, and traditional housing.
3. **Permanent Housing**—solutions which include rapid rehousing, rental assistance, and supportive services. Permanent housing is the primary goal of the CoC.
4. **Supportive Services**—services that focus on neighborhood and community integration and provide connections to community networks and resources.

Who can apply for funding?

Providers of programs and services geared towards the **prevention and intervention of homelessness in Indianapolis** may apply for the grant. The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) cycle begins in January and applications are due in August.



Scan the QR code or visit <https://www.chipindy.org/about-coc/> to learn more about the Indy CoC grant and other homelessness prevention and intervention programs from **CHIP**, the Department of Metropolitan Development's nonprofit partner.



How does the Continuum of Care operate?

The Indianapolis CoC operates under the CoC Governance Charter, is guided by the **Indianapolis Community Plan to End Homelessness** and is governed by the **Blueprint Council**. The CoC is currently aligned under a shared goal to **reduce Black homelessness in Indianapolis by 35% by 2025**. The Department of Metropolitan Development is the CoC's collaborative applicant, leading the annual application and ongoing administration of federal CoC funding.

Collective Impact is a collaborative framework employed by the CoC that emphasizes the need for coordinated efforts and the pooling of resources to achieve the common goal of a lasting, positive impact on homelessness. The CoC brings together diverse stakeholders and organizations to tackle the complex issues of homelessness.



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