

Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development

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(Type or clearly print the following information:)

Applicant Name: Cleveland/Cuyahoga County Continuum of Care

Project Name: See attached list

Location of the Project: See attached list

Name of the Federal Program to which the applicant is applying: HUD Continuum of Care Program

Name of Certifying Jurisdiction: City of Cleveland

Certifying Official of the Jurisdiction Name: Michael F Cosgrave

Title: Acting Director of Community Development

Signature: M. F. Cosgrave

Date: 8/31/16

FY2016 Project List for City of Cleveland Certification of Consistency with Consolidated Plan

Applicant	Provider	Project Name	Project Location
Cogswell Hall	Cogswell Hall	Cogswell Supportive Housing	7200 Franklin Blvd. Cleveland, OH 44102
Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Permanent Housing for Persons with Chemical Dependencies 2001	Scattered sites
Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Permanent Housing for Persons with Chemical Dependencies 2004	Scattered sites
Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Duplex Housing – Scattered Site	Scattered sites
Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Gurnick Place	Scattered sites
Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Rapid Re-Housing for Families and Singles	Scattered sites
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc dba FrontLine Service.	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Better Tomorrow Safe Haven I	7408 Broadway Cleveland, OH 44105
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba Frontline Service	Permanent Housing for Young Adults	Scattered sites
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Safe Haven III	1707 Brainard Ave. Cleveland, OH 44109
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	South Pointe Commons	3323 W. 25 th St. Cleveland, OH 44109 & other locations
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Downtown Superior Apartments	1850 Superior Ave. Cleveland, OH 44114 & scattered sites
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Greenbridge & Ohio Freight	7515 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, OH 44103 9431 Lorain Ave Cleveland, OH 44102. & scattered sites
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Payne Avenue Plus	Scattered sites
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	8301 Detroit Permanent Supportive Housing	8301 Detroit Ave. Cleveland, OH 44102 11529 Buckeye Road Cleveland, OH 44104 & scattered sites
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Miles Permanent Supportive Housing	Miles Ave. & E. 131 st St. Cleveland, OH 44105 & scattered sites

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Transitional Housing, Inc. dba Front Steps	Transitional Housing, Inc. dba Front Steps	Permanent Supportive Housing/Chronically Homeless	1545 W. 25 th St. Cleveland, OH 44113
West Side Catholic Center	West Side Catholic Center	WSCC RRH 32 (rapid re- housing for 32 families)	Scattered sites
West Side Catholic Center	West Side Catholic Center	WSCC RRH 20 (rapid re- housing for 20 families)	Scattered sites
Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.	Rapid Re-Housing for Singles, Families & Youth (FY 2016 Bonus Application)	Scattered sites
Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Mental Health Services for Homeless Persons, (MHS) Inc. dba FrontLine Service	Greenbridge II (FY 2016 Bonus Application)	E 75 th St. & Euclid Ave. Cleveland, OH 44103

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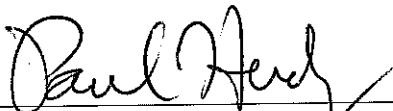
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Name of the Federal
Program to which the
applicant is applying: HUD Continuum of Care Program

Name of
Certifying Jurisdiction: Cuyahoga County

Certifying Official
of the Jurisdiction
Name: Paul Herdeg

Title: Development Administrator

Signature: 

Date: September 8, 2016

FY 2016 Project List for Cuyahoga County Certification of Consistency

Applicant: Cuyahoga County; Provider: Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.
Project: Long-Term Rental Assistance (Formerly Shelter Plus Care)

Five (5) long-term rental assistance projects are seeking renewal funding in the FY 2015 Continuum of Care Program Homeless Assistance funding competition. These projects provide long-term rent subsidies for at least 1,548 chronically homeless or formerly homeless individuals and families in Cuyahoga County, whose primary disabilities are serious mental illness, chronic alcohol and/or other drug abuse and/or HIV/AIDS related diseases. Emerald Development & Economic Network (EDEN), Inc. contracts with the City of Cleveland/Cuyahoga County Office of Homeless Services to provide the fiscal and program administration of these grants.

Administration of the program consists of determining applicant eligibility, inspecting units for compliance with housing quality standards, determining rent reasonableness, examining participant income, processing rental payments to landlords, conducting annual re-certifications, informing applicants on eligibility for programs—as well as the appeal process, communicating with participants, case managers and landlords when housing issues arise, and obtaining match documentation for the 25% in-kind match requirement for the aggregate amount of rental assistance with supportive services. The ongoing services are provided by partner agencies that have a Memorandum of Understanding within the CoC program.

The referrals for this grant come through the Continuum of Care's Coordinated Entry process, which targets the individuals and families with the longest and/or most episodes of homelessness and highest barriers to housing.

Individuals and families receiving the rent subsidies live either in scattered site units or in the CoC's Permanent Supportive Housing/Housing First projects. The Housing First model responds to homelessness by first offering appropriate housing and then, in the supportive environment, addressing the issues that may interfere with the residents' ability to maintain housing. The services provided to participants include but are not limited to outreach, case management, life skills training, AOD (alcohol and other drug services), medical and psychiatric services, employment and vocational counseling, childcare, payee services and when needed, crisis intervention.

There has been an increased effort to decrease the number of terminations of participants on these programs. EDEN's Stability Specialists are involved in all cases where clients are at risk of termination or eviction. The Stability Specialists intervene with these at-risk individuals and families to prevent the loss of housing and /or housing assistance, assess the barriers they have in renewing their voucher or retaining their housing unit, and provide the client with information and access to assistance. These efforts increase the percentage of eligible individuals and families that retain their current housing, or if they have to move to a new unit, assist clients in finding appropriate new housing.

Applicant: Cuyahoga County; Providers: Salvation Army, West Side Catholic Center, Domestic Violence and Child Advocacy Center, and Family Promise
Project: Cuyahoga County Rapid Re-Housing for Families

This project is aligned with HUD's priority to rapidly re-house homeless families. The four (4) providers consolidated their efforts and reallocated the funds from their existing programs during the FY 2014 HUD Competition to create Cuyahoga County Rapid Re-Housing for Families. The RRH project assist families in the Zelma George, Domestic Violence, West Side Catholic and Family Promise shelters to rapidly exit to stable housing. The project combines housing location assistance, temporary rental assistance and case management.

The four sub recipients accept referrals from Coordinated Entry and refer households to the RRH program within 7 days of shelter entrance. The four agencies are active participants in all aspects of the Continuum of Care.

Applicant: Cuyahoga County; Provider: Emerald Development & Economic Network, (EDEN) Inc.
Project: Rapid Re-Housing for Single Adults and Youth

During the FY 2015 Competition, HUD, for the first time, permitted Continuums of Care to apply for funds to rapidly re-house single adults and youth. Through a community process involving the OHS Review and Ranking Committee and an ad hoc Reallocation Work Group, a recommendation was made to and approved by the OHS Advisory Board to reallocate funds in order to create a rapid re-housing project for these populations. HUD approved \$716,955 for the project to provide short-term rental assistance and case management for single adults and youth. Since this is our first Continuum of Care funding for RRH for single adults and youth, a work group is currently developing recommendations to present to the OHS Advisory Board on key issues such as length and level of rent subsidies.

All persons served by the project will be literally homeless and be referred by Coordinated Entry to a shelter, where they will work with a housing locator to find housing and receive case management services while the rent subsidy is paid.

Applicant: Cuyahoga County; Provider: FrontLine Service
Project: Coordinated Entry

Through a community process involving the OHS Review and Ranking Committee and an ad hoc Reallocation Work Group, a recommendation was made to and approved by the OHS Advisory Board to reallocate funds in order to submit a proposal for HUD funding in FY 2015 to support the Continuum's Coordinated Entry which assesses all families, single adults and youth seeking shelter, diverts those who have a safe alternative and refers those needing shelter to the most appropriate shelter available. The budget for HUD funds is \$500,000.

FrontLine Service has operated Coordinated Entry since it was started in 2012 and has developed capacity and staff expertise on best practices including knowledge of and ability to link persons experiencing crises to appropriate resources, liaison relationships with County agencies (i.e., DCFS and EFS), Veterans Administration, and organizations serving youth and victims of domestic violence; and coordination of the permanent supportive housing prioritization on behalf of the CoC.

In 2015, Coordinated Entry conducted intakes on more than 3,000 persons and families, diverting nearly 25% of families and 20% of single adults.

Applicant: Cuyahoga County; Provider: Salvation Army
Project: 2016 Rapid Re-Housing for Single Adults

To better align with HUD priorities, the FY 2016 NOFA Strategy Work Group and OHS Review and Ranking Committee recommended and the OHS Advisory Board approved reallocation of funds for the PASS Transitional Housing project to 2016 Rapid Re-Housing for Single Adults. The project will focus on assisting residents in PASS temporary housing to exit more rapidly to permanent housing. Residents will be able to link with a housing locator, obtain short-term rental assistance and case management services while the rent subsidy is paid. PASS will serve over 300 men during the course of the project year.

Applicant: Cuyahoga County
Project: CoC Planning FY 2016

The FY 2016 NOFA Strategy Work Group and OHS Review and Ranking Committee recommended and the OHS Advisory Board approved the Continuum of Care, with the County as the applicant, to apply for a \$300,000 planning grant. The dollar amount is only slightly more than one-third of planning funds for which the CoC could apply. The rationale for the amount included uncertainty regarding availability of future planning dollars and the knowledge that the term of the grant period could be extended, if needed. Funds will be requested to improve CoC performance, assure resources for supporting providers through training and capacity building, and increase data analysis capacity for strategic planning.