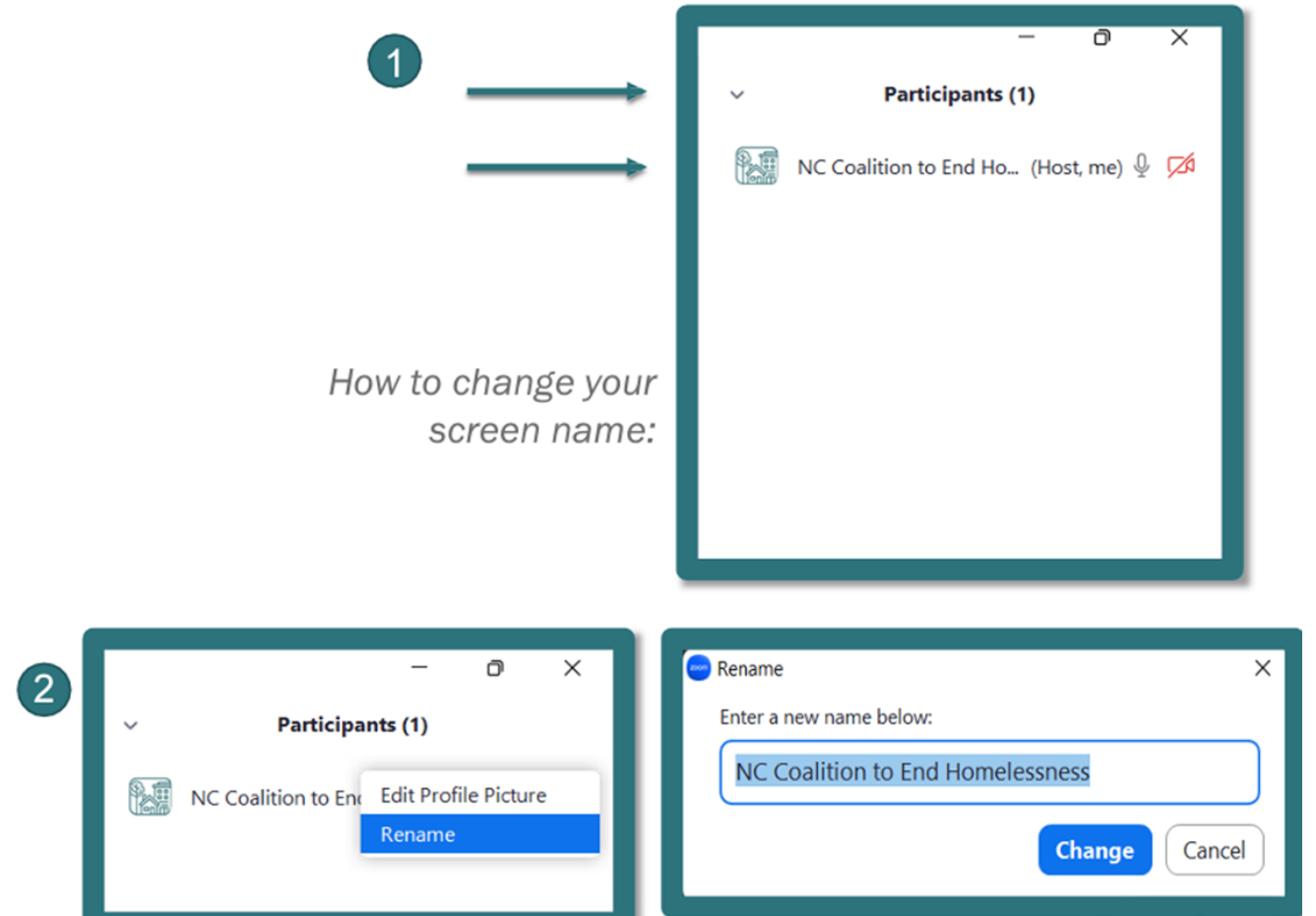Coordinated Entry Council Meeting
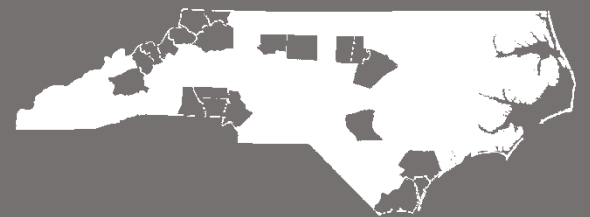
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Roll Call

- We will conduct Roll Call for CE Leads and statewide representatives.

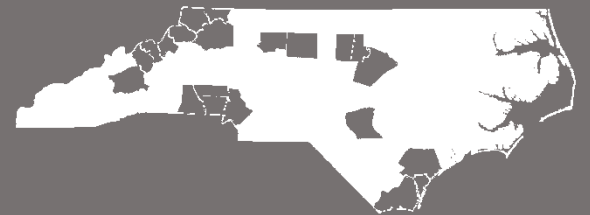- All participants should enter their full names, so we can document their participation in the minutes.

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- ESG Competition and CE Leadership

- Unsheltered PIT Update/Next Steps

- Reminders

ESG Competition and CE Leadership

CY24 ESG Competition is here!

- The competition timeline has been moved up about 5 weeks from last year.

- Coordinated Entry Leads are vital to the competition!

- Today we will briefly cover ESG basics, timeline, funding amounts and your role in the competition.

ESG: Emergency Solutions Grants

Purpose:

- Provide assistance to rapidly rehouse persons who are currently experiencing homelessness

- Assist in meeting the costs of operating emergency shelters

- Decrease homelessness through the provision of preventive programs and activities
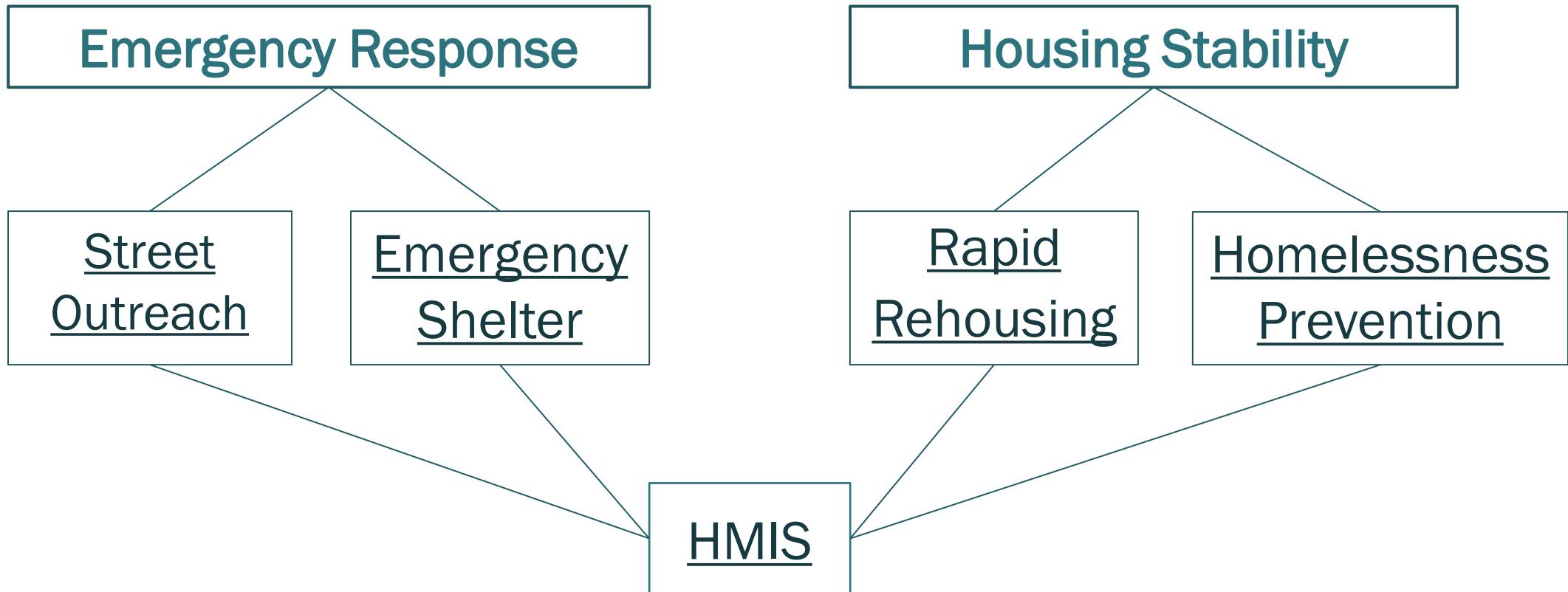
HUD sets priorities for the ESG program.

- Broaden existing emergency shelter and homelessness prevention activities

- Emphasize rapid rehousing

- Help people quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis and/or homelessness

For every activity type, ESG funding should be assisting people to access or maintain permanent housing!

5 eligible components under ESG

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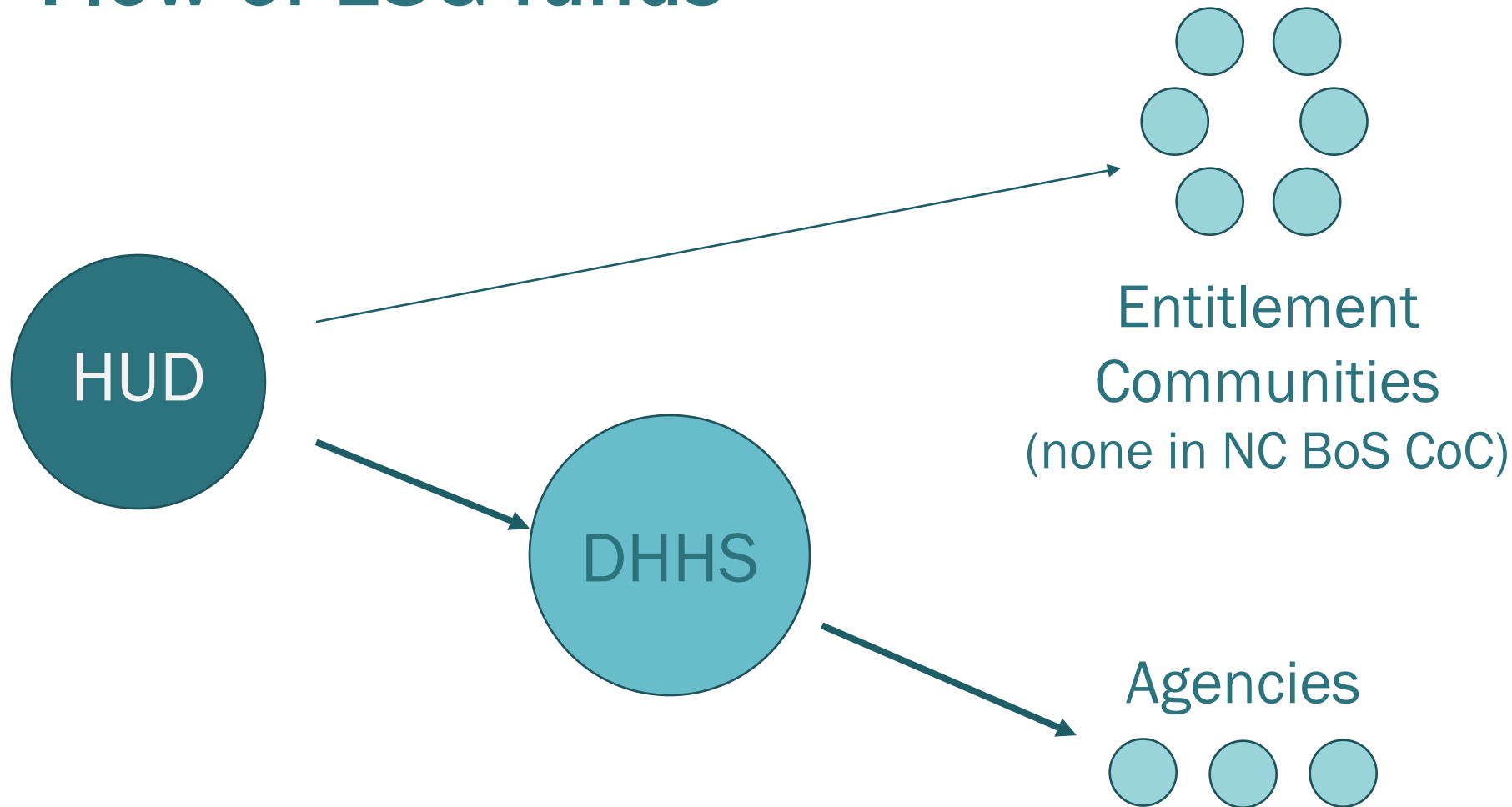
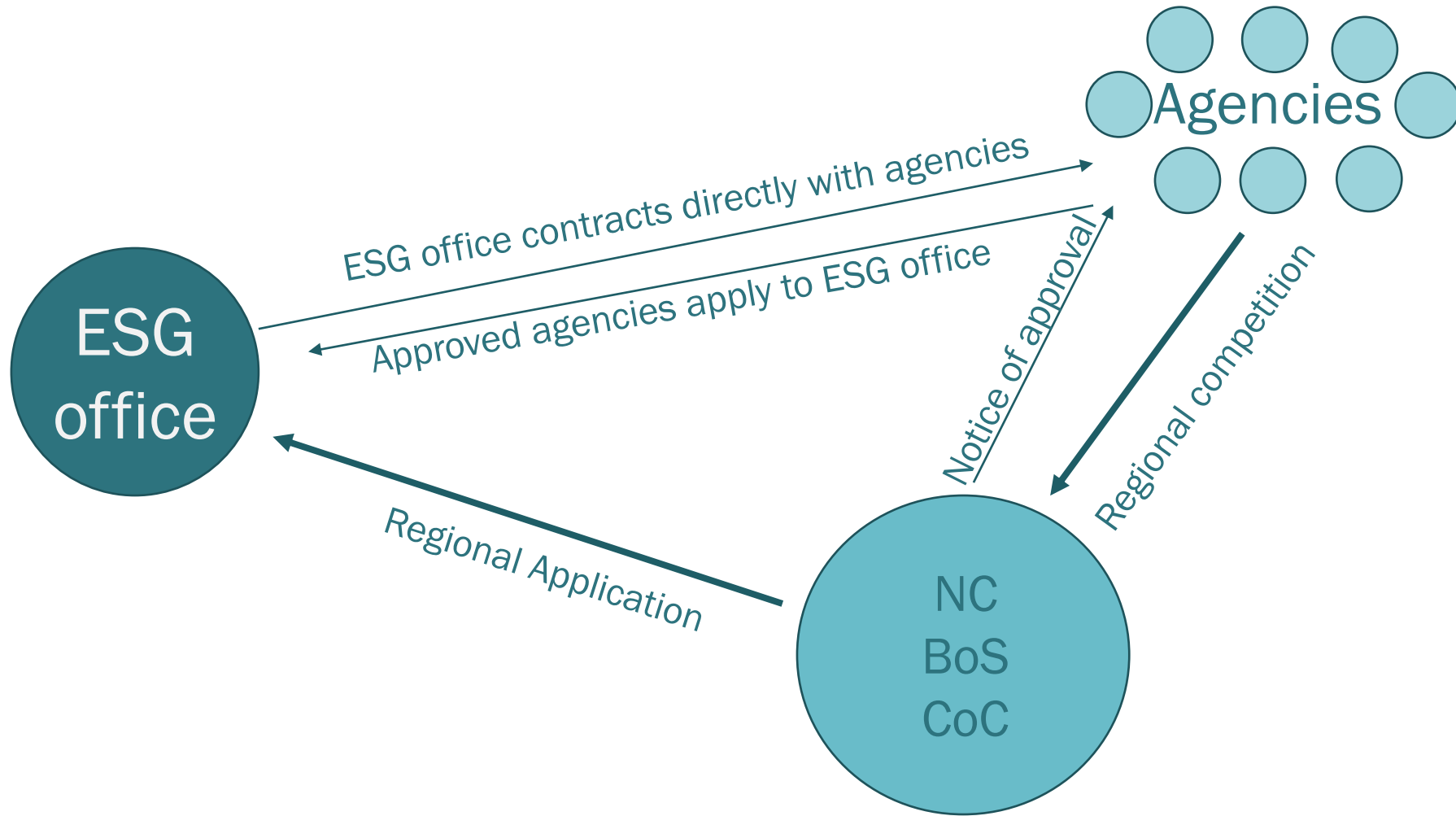# Key eligibility criteria for ESG subrecipients

- Must be a 501(c)3 or a unit of local government
  - Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) are not eligible for ESG funds.
- ESG funds cannot be used for transitional housing (TH) projects.
- ESG funds cannot be used for capital improvement projects, new construction, or retail acquisition. These funds can be used for facility maintenance of existing program space.
- Important links:
  - NC ESG Desk Guide: https://www.ncdhhs.gov/ncdhhs-esg-policy-and-desk-guide-procedure-2022v2docx/open
  - HUD Interim Rule: https://www.hudexchange.info/resource/1927/hearth-esg-program-and-consolidated-plan-conforming-amendments/

Flow of ESG funds

Flow of ESG application process

ESG office

Agencies

NC BoS CoC

ESG office contracts directly with agencies

Approved agencies apply to ESG office

Notice of approval

Regional competition

Regional Application

ESG Competition Timeline

Activity	Due Date
NC BoS CoC Instructions Released	Thursday June 01, 2023
RFA released	Tuesday June 06, 2023
NC Balance of State Webinar for all applicants	Thursday June 22, 2023
NC ESG Office RFA webinar	June 13, 15, and 20
Project Apps due to NCCEH	July 12, 2023
Project Apps Review	July 13 - 28
NCCEH staff selection meeting	August 1, 2023
Project Review Committee Selection Meeting	August 03, 2023
Steering Committee Project Application Recommendation Approval	August 08, 2023
Appeals Due	August 11, 2023
Steering Committee appeals meeting (tentative)	August 15, 2023
Project and Regional Applications Due to NC DHHS	August 21, 2023

Total amount available: $ 2,525,734

NC BoS CoC Region	NC ESG Fair Share	Emergency Services (60% max)	Housing Stability (40% Min)
BoS Region 01	$126,766	$76,059	$50,707
BoS Region 02	$118,532	$71,119	$47,413
BoS Region 03	$192,152	$115,291	$76,861
BoS Region 04	$169,683	$101,810	$67,873
BoS Region 05	$304,427	$182,656	$121,771
BoS Region 06	$199,659	$119,795	$79,864
BoS Region 07	$366,671	$220,002	$146,669
BoS Region 08	$169,481	$101,689	$67,792
BoS Region 09	$231,348	$138,809	$92,539
BoS Region 10	$236,136	$141,682	$94,454
BoS Region 11	$109,380	$65,628	$43,752
BoS Region 12	$152,211	$91,327	$60,884
BoS Region 13	$149,288	$89,573	$59,715

Webinar for Regional Leadership

- A process-oriented webinar will be held on Thursday June 1, 2023, from 2:00pm – 3:30pm.

- This webinar will cover the key components and changes to this year's competition for Regional Leadership.

- A Regional Committee meeting to provide feedback on applicant participation will be required again this year. Plan now and set a meeting on your calendar! Special regional committee meetings will need to happen between 7/14 – 7/27.

Project Applicant Webinar

- All interested agencies should attend. The webinar will be recorded and available on the NCCEH website.

- Webinar is Thursday, June 22, 2023 from 2:00pm – 3:30pm.

- Website event page: https://www.ncceh.org/events/1616/

- Login information:
  - https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85311572136?pwd=eEtBbG1ySXA4VWVWTEtvR0hxRHJSQT09
  - Meeting ID: 853 1157 2136
  - Passcode: 720704

Conflict-of-Interest Policy

- Persons attending Steering Committee or Regional Committee meeting representing an agency applying for CY24 ESG Annual Allocation Funding may **not**:
  - Participate in conversation about applicants
  - Facilitate Regional Committee meetings to recommend agencies for funding.
  - Ask questions about the funding proposal for your agency
  - Make a motion related to approving or recommending an agency for funding.
  - Vote on the Regional Prioritization Form or proposed slate of applicants (Steering Committee meeting only)

What is the Regional Prioritization Form?

The Regional Prioritization Form IS:

- An opportunity for Regional Committees to provide input on the applicants in their region applying for ESG funding.

- An opportunity to notify NCCEH staff and the Project Review Committee if an agency applied for ESG funds that does not participate in Regional Committee and case conferencing meetings.

The Regional Prioritization Form IS NOT:

- A final decision on which projects are funded.

- A decision regarding the funding amount awarded to any project applicant.

When is the Regional Prioritization Form completed?

The Regional Prioritization Form will be sent to Regional Leads and Alternates once the initial application review has been completed by NCCEH staff and the Project Review Committee.

It will need to be completed and returned by the assigned deadline (date TBD) in order to be considered by the Project Review Committee in creating the proposed slate of applications.
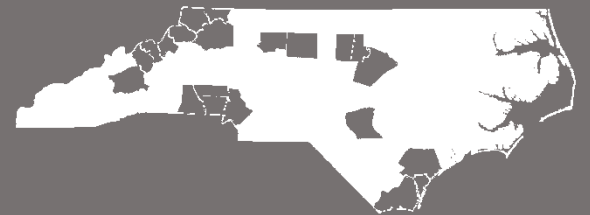
What is required to complete the Regional Prioritization Form?

- A special meeting of your regional committee will need to be called and facilitated by a leader <u>who does not have a conflict of interest</u>.

- Unlike the form from last year, no funding amounts will be included.

- The form will ask for a 'yes/no' response to recommend each project for funding.

- The form also includes verification that applicant agencies attended a benchmark of 75% of Regional Committee meetings (per agency), and 75% of by-name-list meetings (per project).
  - This may mean the regional Webmasters and Coordinated Entry Leads need to find this data ahead of the Regional Committee meeting.

Unsheltered PIT Updates & Next Steps

Unsheltered PIT

Region	PIT Count Total as of April 6, 2023	PIT Count for Submission April 28th
Region 1	72	71
Region 2	171	177
Region 3	166	165
Region 4	116	113
Region 5	239	238
Region 6	28	24
Region 7	313	263
Region 8	50	50
Region 9	26	23
Region 10	21	21
Region 11	38	37
Region 12	22	21
Region 13	131	111

- 2023 Unsheltered PIT Count 1314 persons

- 2022 Unsheltered PIT Count 777 persons

- Difference of 537 (!!)

Unsheltered PIT

- Our goal is NOT to count unsheltered households on the night of Point In Time.

- Our goal is to connected unsheltered households to coordinated entry, services, and permanent housing.

- Please ensure agencies are following up with clients living unsheltered and working to get the household assessed and connected to resources.

- Please exit households from the appropriate project if no contact can be made after 90 days.
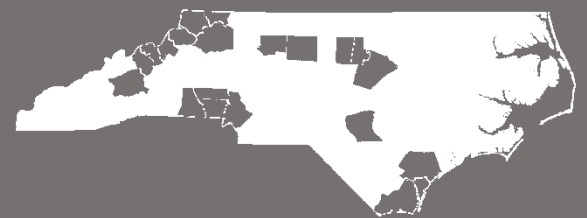
Unsheltered PIT

- Reminder: Your goal is to ensure all people living unsheltered connect to services!
  - Build trusting relationships
  - Collect contact information for follow-up
  - Refer to emergency shelter, when possible
  - Assess and refer to coordinated entry
  - Connect to services and permanent housing
- Elected term is May –April
  - Missing UACs from Regions 3, 5, 6, 8, and 11
  - Please submit Regional UAC information through Smartsheet
  - In-person meeting on June 15, 2023, to provide support to all UACs

Reminders

The CoC has launched it 2023 CE Evaluation.

- In accordance with <u>HUD Coordinated Entry Notice: Section II.B.15</u>, the CoC began its CE evaluation process on **April 3, 2023**.

- HUD requires CoCs to solicit feedback at least annually from participating projects & from households that participated in CE during that time period.

- Surveys must address the quality & effectiveness of the entire CE experience for both participating projects & households.

- The CoC CE Council voted on 03/20/23, setting a timeline for survey distribution for CoC stakeholders & CE participants.

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Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH): PSH clients who have entered a PSH program in the last year will be offered the opportunity to complete the coordinated entry evaluation survey that asks about their experience of the coordinated entry system.

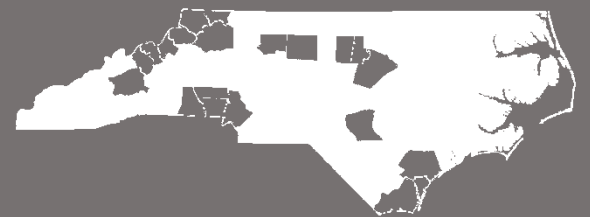- **Timeframe for PSH survey is April 3, 2023, through May 26, 2023.**

Shelters &/or Street Outreach: All people completing the VI-SPDAT will be offered the opportunity to complete the coordinated entry evaluation survey that asks about their experience of the coordinated entry system.

- **Timeframe for Shelter and/or Street Outreach is May 15, 2023, through May 26, 2023.**

Rapid Rehousing: All clients housed by a rapid rehousing program in the CoC must receive this survey within 30 days (before or after) they are housed. Ongoing.

Updates

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- June CEC meeting scheduled for June 19, 2023 (Juneteenth)
  - Will reschedule for June 26, 2023
- July CEC meeting is scheduled for July 17, 2023, which overlaps with the NAEH conference
  - Will cancel July meeting

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