

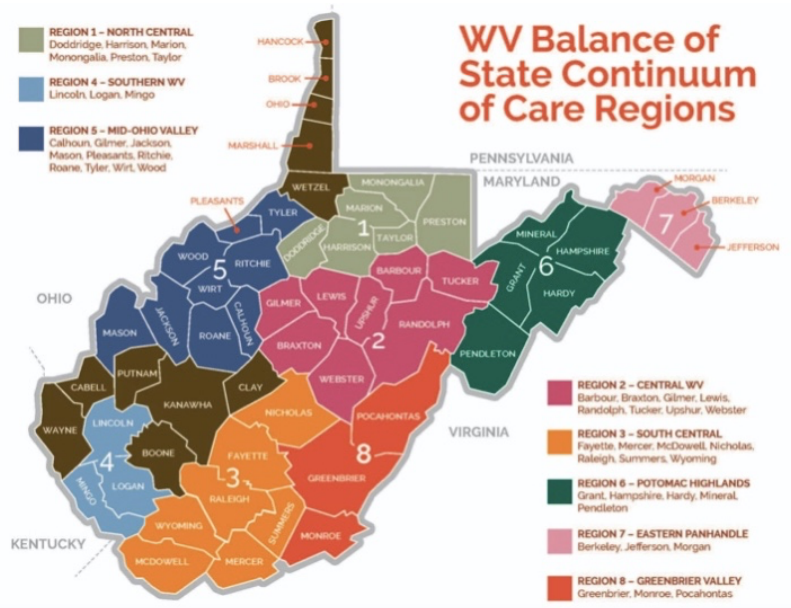


## 2026 WVCEH Home4Good Funding Request for Proposals

The West Virginia Coalition to End Homelessness (WVCEH), the Balance of State Continuum of Care (BoS CoC), on behalf of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh (FHLBank Pittsburgh) and the West Virginia Housing Development Fund (WVHDF), is seeking proposals to deliver projects, programs, or activities that lead to stable housing for individuals and families who are currently homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

Home4Good is a collaborative initiative between the FHLBank Pittsburgh and the WVHDF to provide grant funds to help those who are homeless or are at risk of homelessness. Funding is offered annually to Continuums of Care and service organizations serving the homeless. The WVCEH is the Continuum of Care lead for the Balance of State in West Virginia and is responsible for identifying and selecting projects in the service area for Home4Good funding.

The Balance of State Continuum of Care (BoS CoC) is divided into 8 service regions. Projects must be located and serve individuals in the BoS CoC coverage area.



Agencies desiring to participate in the 2026 WVCEH Home4Good Funding application process will need to read and complete the following process in order to be eligible and prepared for this year's application submission.

## **TIMELINE**

- Letters of Intent (LOIs) due: **June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00pm**
- Project Applications due: **July 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm**
- Rating and Ranking Interviews: **Week of July 13<sup>th</sup>**
- Projects Notified of Funding: **Projects will be notified of selection for funding by July 31, 2026.** *(Funding will be contingent on the final approval by the FHLB and WVHDF on or before December 31, 2026).*

## **Program Information**

Home4Good is designed to support projects programs, or activities in West Virginia that lead to stable housing for individuals and families who are currently homeless or at risk of become homeless. The 2026 total funding amount available to the WV BoS CoC is \$842,000; \$151,000 in hard costs and \$692,000 in soft costs.

To be eligible for funding consideration, each project submitted must address **one** of the following program goals.

1. **Prevention and/or Diversion:** Projects, programs, or activities that assist households seeking to avoid homelessness by maintaining their current housing situation or being diverted to alternative options.
2. **Innovative Solutions:** Projects, programs, or activities that provide innovative solutions that seek to end homelessness.
3. **Critical Need:** Any project, program, or activity serving individuals and families experiencing homelessness that is determined to be critically needed by the CoC.

## **Eligible Organizations**

- Qualified 501c(3) non-profit organizations
- Public housing authorities (PHAs)
- Units of local government (counties, cities, boroughs, townships, town and home rule municipalities.
- Healthcare providers focused on health equity and/or homelessness prevention programming.
- Economic and community development organizations, housing corporations, etc.

## **Eligible Funding Activities**

- Homeless outreach
- Rapid re-housing that provides housing coupled with supportive services
- Non-time-limited supportive services
- Support Services for households experiencing homelessness. This includes screening and intake done through the Coordinated Entry process, as well as employment

assistance (skill development, job training, etc.), and recovery support for individuals and families.

- Development and/or rehabilitation of housing for those experiencing homelessness (e.g. shelters, transitional housing, permanent housing)
- Housing models designed to serve youth
- Landlord engagement and outreach to increase availability and access to affordable rental units
- Coordinated entry support/capacity building
- Eviction prevention and homeless diversion support including providing security deposits, rent/utility assistance, employment/transportation assistance, gift cards for groceries, etc.
- Transitional housing to facilitate the movement of individuals and families to permanent housing.
- System enhancements and/or operating expenses related to the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) to increase capacity, expand services, and/or improve the ability to serve clients.
- Flexible funding to improve the CoC/community's ability to end homelessness. This may be through system changes, new partnerships, a particular type of intervention or targeting a particular sub-population.

Projects, programs, or activities that receive funding through the 2026-2027 Home4Good funding are required to serve individuals and/or households who are experiencing homelessness or at-risk of homelessness.

## Definitions

Definitions of those experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness are as follows:

- Persons who are sleeping in places not meant for human habitation (e.g., cars, parks, streets, etc.);
- Persons sleeping in emergency shelters;
- Persons exiting from a transitional housing program specifically for individuals experiencing homelessness;
- Persons being discharged from an institution or foster care with no permanent residence available;
- Persons who would be discharged from an institution if there was a permanent residence available;
- Displaced victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and trafficking;
- Persons who are “doubled up” and are in a situation of overcrowding, which is defined as:
  - Unit Occupancy for overcrowding:
    - Efficiency – 3 or more people
    - 1 bedroom – 4 or more people
    - 2 bedrooms – 6 or more people
    - 3 bedrooms – 8 or more people
    - 4 bedrooms – 10 or more people



## Compliance and Reporting

All grantees awarded funding will be required to enter data in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) in order to report on core metrics outlined below. All grantees will be required to complete and submit a semi-annual progress report on the impact, accomplishments, and overall use of funds.

Core metrics required for all Home4Good grantees include:

- Number of individuals served
- Demographic data on age and race
- Geographic dispersion of services (urban vs. rural)
- Number of Veterans served (if captured/disclosed)
- Number of ex-offenders served (if captured/disclosed)
- Number of individuals identifying themselves as a victim of domestic violence, person with a disability, or person with a substance abuse issue (if captured/disclosed)

Performance metrics include, but are not limited to:

- Reduction in the number of individuals experiencing homelessness, including Veterans, those experiencing chronic homelessness, families, unaccompanied, or parenting youth, individuals, and those unsheltered.
- Reduction in the length of time individuals remain homeless
- Reduction in the extent to which individuals, who exit homelessness to permanent housing destinations, return to homelessness.
- Increase in access to jobs and income among individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Reduction in the number of individuals who become homeless for the first time.
- Increase in successful housing placement
- Increase in homelessness prevention.

## Preliminary Applicant Requirements

To be considered for funding, Project Applicants must adhere to the following:

- Letters of Intent (LOI) for all projects proposals must be received by WVCEH via Google Form at <https://forms.gle/MMpzTV4mxmciyyx5> by **June 22nd at 5:00pm**.
- Completed application must be received by the WVCEH via Google Form at <https://forms.gle/B6VwrdhiqWFZEGiX6> by **July 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm**.
- The Rating & Ranking Committee will conduct agency interviews the **week of July 13th** to review, rate, and rank project applications.

