



**CoC Board Nomination Process
Homeless Provider Forum
July 2020**

Purpose of the CoC

The Orange County CoC serves as the locally-designated primary decision-making group whose purpose and scope is to implement the Continuum of Care program (the “CoC”) which is authorized by subtitle C of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11381-11389). As noted in CFR 24 Part 578.1 Purpose and scope of the HEARTH Act, the program is designed to:

- A. Promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness through regional coordination and collaboration;
- B. Advocate for funding and resources to end homelessness and provide funding for proven efforts by nonprofit providers and local governments to quickly rehouse people experiencing homelessness, while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness;
- C. Promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and
- D. Promote implementation of best practices and evidence-based approaches to homeless programming and services.

Key CoC Responsibilities

- Monthly CoC meetings
- Establish committees, subcommittees and ad hoc groups
- Consult with recipients and subrecipients to establish performance targets, monitor and take corrective action when needed
- Operate a Coordinated Entry System
- Designate a single Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- Ensure consistent participation of recipients and subrecipients in the HMIS, including policies and procedures

Key CoC Responsibilities Cont.

- Engage the public in policy and standards development and/or revisions
- Coordinating the implementation of a housing and service system
- Planning for and conducting an annual shelter homeless count and a biannual unsheltered homeless count
- Design and operate the response to a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) published by HUD
- Establish priorities for funding proposals to meet needs
- Strategic planning for the homeless services system

Board Member Responsibilities

- Conduct the hands-on work and facilitate the committees, subcommittees and ad hoc groups of the Orange County CoC
- Build community awareness of the needs of all homeless and at-risk populations
- Planning and decision-making for the overall coordination of homeless services Continuum of Care
- Ensure Regional Coordination and collaborative work across the CoC through the use of the Coordinated Entry System
- Coordinate the CoC Programs and set goals and priorities for ending homelessness in Orange County.
- Approve Orange County CoC policies as recommended by service providers and/or Committees.

Board Seats Up for Vote

- The 15 board seats are on a cycle where half of the board seats are up each year, so that not all Board seats turnover at the same time. All board seats will be for a two-year term, with no limit on how many times a person can serve on the board.
- The CoC Board looks to provide a well balanced perspective from multiple sectors to best lead the response to homelessness in OC.
- Some board seats require a certain background as set forth by HUD and the Orange County CoC Governance Charter.
- The following seats are up for election:
 - Public Housing Agency Representative
 - Persons experiencing homelessness or formerly homeless
 - Domestic Violence Representative
 - At Large Seats (5)

Board Seats Considerations

- The following are areas for consideration as the board looks to fill the available at large seats:
 - Behavioral Health background and expertise
 - Faith Based Representation
 - Health Care background and expertise
 - Expertise on homeless services / representation of homeless service providers

- * Any person who has recently turned in a bio for Candidate Interest Form will be considered and does not have to turn in a new form. A new form can be resubmitted if the person chooses to do so.

CoC Board Voting Process and Timeline

Date	Timeline Tasks
8/6/2020	Presentation of process at the Homeless Providers Forum, including overview of nominations
8/21/2020	Nomination process closes
9/4/2020	Nominee candidate interest forms are due (to be posted)
9/10/2020	Homeless Provider Forum for review of voting process. Nominees given opportunity for 5 minute presentations
9/25/2020	General member agencies with CoC voting rights are convened on a webinar for review of voting process
10/2/2020	Voting will close
10/28/2020	Nominees with the most votes will be presented to the CoC Board for ratification
11/25/2020	First board meeting for any new members

Nomination Process

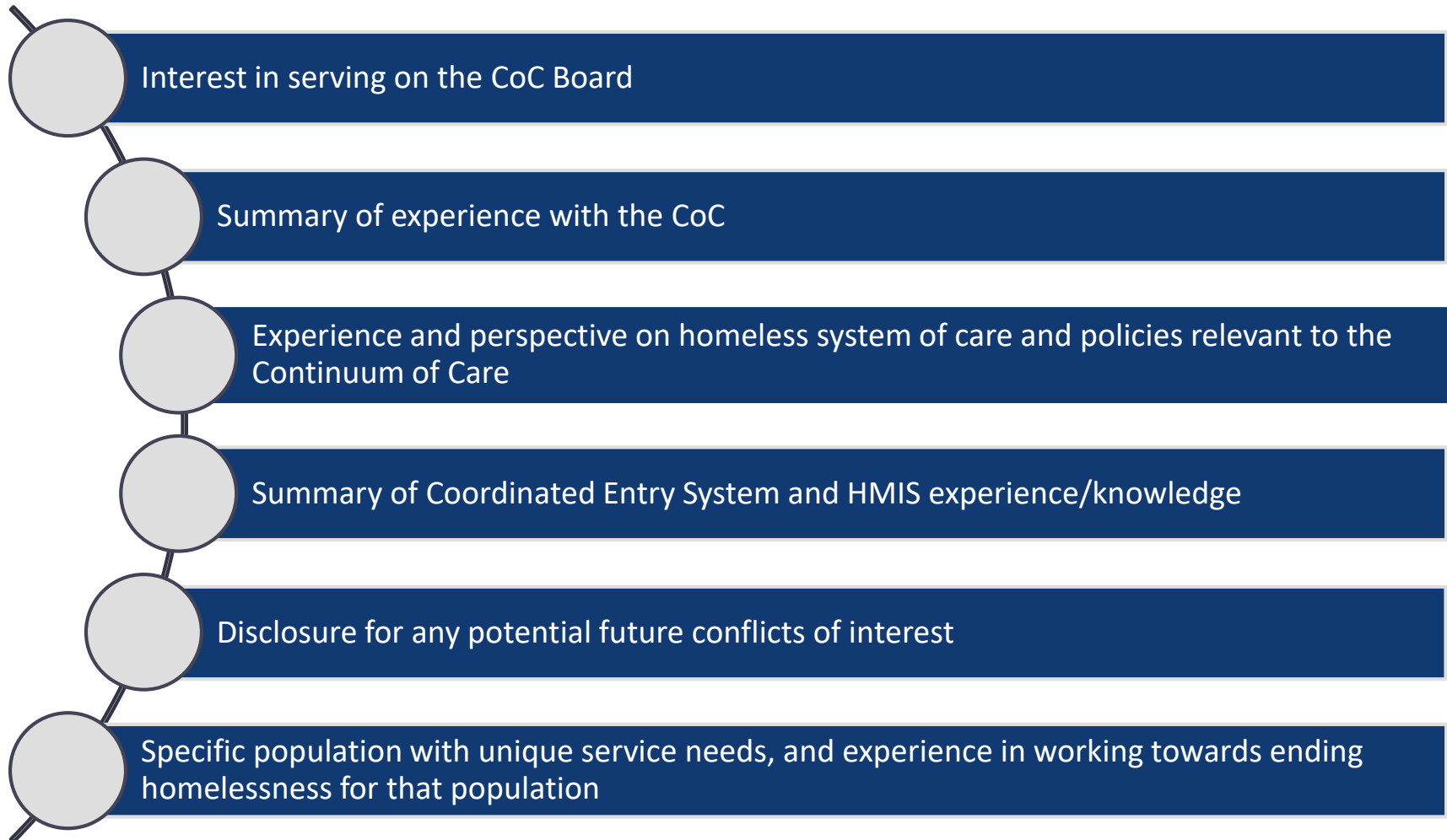
If you are interested in nominating someone or self-nominating you may send Jocelyn Gaspar an email at jgaspar@ochca.com

In your email identify the following for the person(s) you are nominating:

- Name:
- Email:
- Phone Number:
- Have you alerted this person you are nominating them?

Candidate Interest Form

The following elements are covered in the CoC Candidate Interest Form and will be posted on the CoC webpage or people to review.



CoC Agency General Membership

The CoC Governance Charter identifies that each Agency that is a General Member of the CoC will be allowed one-vote for the CoC Board election.

You can view the list of General Membership at:

<https://www.ochealthinfo.com/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?BlobID=110561>

If your agency is not a General Member and wants to become one you have until August 21st to inform the Office of Care Coordination of your interest and to fill out the associated information.

Questions?

Our team is available to answer questions now. However if you have additional questions regarding this process after the close of this meeting you can reach out to Jocelyn Gaspar at jgaspar@ochca.com and the Office of Care Coordination will provide response to your questions.

