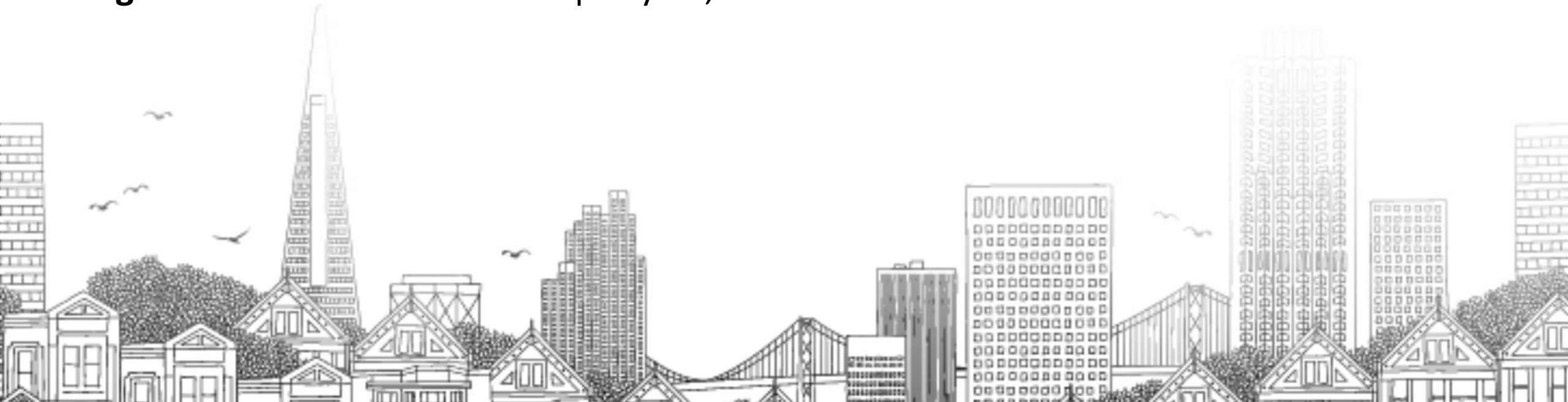




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Apply for FY 2026 HUD Continuum of Care Competition

Budget and Finance Committee | July 22, 2026



FY 2026 HUD Continuum of Care Competition

- Resolution to authorize HSH to apply for funds through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s annual **Continuum of Care Competition for FY 2026**.
 - Application is due to HUD on August 28, 2026.
- Supports continued access to **federal homelessness funding** for housing, services, Coordinated Entry, HMIS, and system coordination.
- BOS approval to apply is required for recurring federal grants of \$5 million or more.

Continuum of Care (CoC) Funding

- HUD CoC is the primary federal funding source dedicated to addressing homelessness
- San Francisco received approximately **\$56.1M** in the **FY 2024 CoC competition**
- FY 2025 CoC contracts were extended **without** a new grant competition
- FY 2026 competition will **determine continued and future federal investment** in San Francisco's homelessness response system
- Funding supports City and nonprofit partners serving people experiencing homelessness

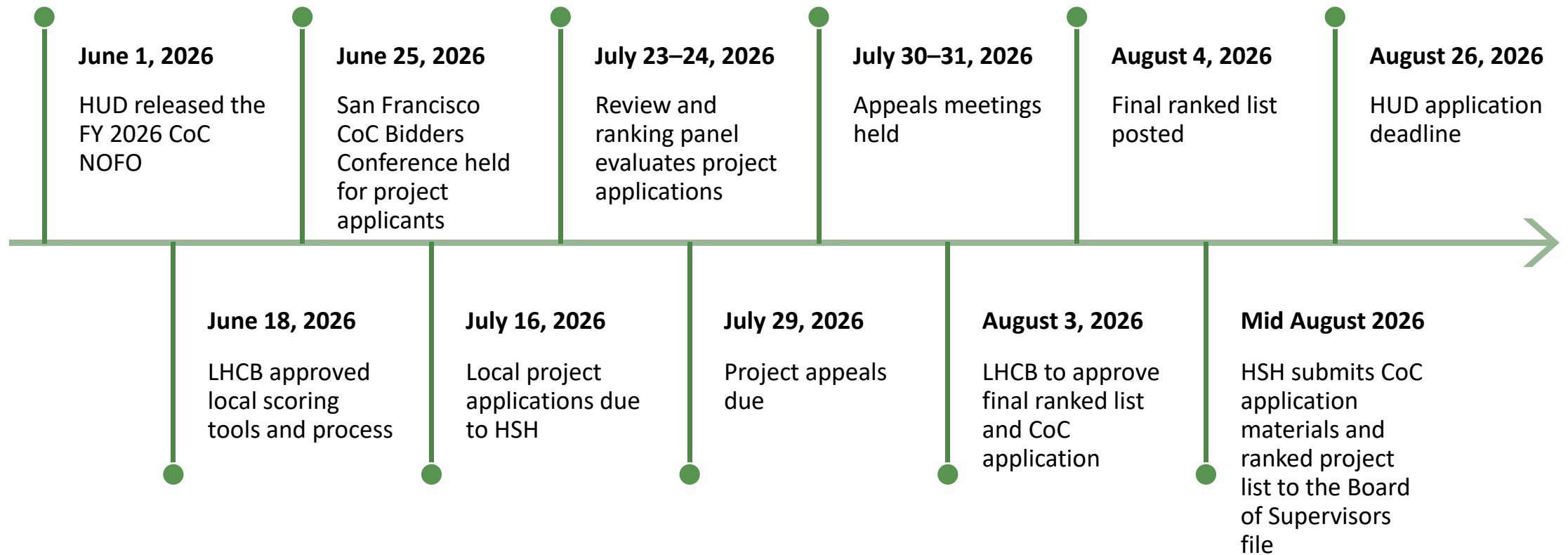
Changes in HUD Policy for FY 2026

- HUD's FY 2026 CoC competition is **significantly more competitive** than prior years
- “Safe” Tier 1 funding is now limited to **60% of Annual Renewal Demand**
 - In recent years, Tier 1 had generally continued approximately 90–95% of renewal funding
- Under the FY 2026 CoC Grant Process, HUD is now prioritizing:
 - Transitional Housing
 - Supportive Services Only projects
 - Street outreach
 - Required service participation
 - Substance use treatment / recovery-focused models
 - Employment income and self-sufficiency
- This creates greater risk for renewal projects placed in Tier 2

San Francisco Strategy to Maximize Federal Funding

- Protect the highest-risk renewal funding by prioritizing large site-based PSH rental assistance projects in Tier 1
- Preserve housing for people currently living in permanent supportive housing
- Rank Tier 1 projects based on local renewal scoring and policy priorities
- Avoid advancing new permanent housing projects that are unlikely to be competitive nationally in Tier 2
- Put forward new projects that closely align with HUD's FY 2026 priorities
- Use the local competition process to maximize San Francisco's federal score and funding competitiveness

CoC Application Timeline





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Questions?

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