

**6. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).** *(Your response to this item will not count towards your 30-page limitation.)*

Congress has established a national goal that all communities should be collecting an array of data on the homeless, including unduplicated counts of the homeless, their use of services and the effectiveness of local assistance systems. In order to achieve this objective, HUD has encouraged communities to develop a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

- a. Describe in a brief narrative your Continuum of Care (CoC) strategy to implement an HMIS, providing a schedule for implementation and describing the progress you have made to date, including obtaining the participation of emergency shelter, transitional housing and McKinney-Vento permanent supportive housing providers.
- b. Please check one of the following which best reflects the status of your CoC in having a Continuum-wide HMIS (see Section O of the "Questions and Answers" supplement to the application before completing):

- ☐ The CoC has not yet considered implementing an HMIS.
- ☐ The CoC has been meeting and is considering implementing an HMIS.
- ☐ The CoC has decided to implement an HMIS and is selecting needed software and hardware.
- ☐ The CoC has implemented a Continuum-wide HMIS.
- ☐ The CoC has implemented, but is seeking to update or change its current HMIS.
- ☐ The CoC has implemented, but is seeking to expand the coverage of its current HMIS system.

- c. **If your CoC has already implemented or is seeking to update or expand its HMIS system,** identify in the table below how many of the Current Inventory in 2003 beds listed on your Housing Gaps Analysis chart are included in the CoC's HMIS and are currently providing data on clients into the system. For each Current Inventory in 2003 Housing Activity category, indicate the number of beds that are providing client level data into the HMIS and the percent of coverage for that category. For example: there are 100 beds in the Current Inventory in 2003 for the Individuals/Emergency Shelter category and client level data into the HMIS are provided for 60 of these beds. Place 60 beds/60 percent in the following chart for the Individuals/Emergency Shelter category.

	Current Inventory in 2003	
	Beds/Percentage Providing Client Data into HMIS	
	Individuals	Families
Emergency Shelter	____/____	____/____
Transitional Housing	____/____	____/____
Permanent Supportive Housing	____/____	____/____

**7. Priorities.**

Having now assessed the need in your community and having compared it to your existing Continuum of Care system, please provide the following:

- a. Using your gaps analysis findings, complete the *Continuum of Care: Project Priorities* chart that follows according to the instructions provided. (Refer to the chart for specific instructions and examples.)
- b. Describe the methods you use to determine whether projects up for renewal are: (1) performing satisfactorily and (2) effectively addressing the need(s) for which they were designed.
- c. Describe how each project proposed for funding will fill a gap in your community's Continuum of Care system. *(Although you may require multiple pages to respond to this item, your response will count as only one page towards the 30-page limitation.)*
- d. Demonstrate how the project selection and priority placement processes were conducted **fairly and impartially**, and gave equal consideration to projects sponsored by nonprofit organizations. In doing so, (1) specify your open solicitation efforts for projects; (2) identify the objective rating measures applied to the projects and demonstrate that participants on the review panel or committee are unbiased; and (3) explain the voting system used. Finally (4), if written complaints concerning the process were received during the last 12 months, please briefly describe them and how they were resolved.