**Ranking Recommendation and Rationale**

**from Quality/Review Committee – 10/1/2021**

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| **Rank** | **Project Application Name** | **Amount of HUD Request** | **Applicant** |
| **1** | HMIS | $55,979 | CAA |
| **2** | SSO | $99,417 | CAA |
| **3** | Jackson Housing Leasing (PSH) | $235,368 | TTI |
| **4** | Mechanic/PP PSH | $309,502 | CAA |
| **5** | Rapid Rehousing | $153,496 | CAA |
| **6** | **Rapid Rehousing Expansion -Bonus** | $43,000 (estimate) | CAA |
| **7** | **DV -Bonus** | $100,000 (estimate) | CAA |

**Ranking Rationale**

We reviewed and considered four key factors in making this ranking recommendation:

1. HUD Priorities for funding and the County’s funding level for Tier I (which is $853,762- the total for all renewal projects this year)
2. Local priorities for funding, including any identified changes in local priorities based on emerging issues anticipated for the next funding cycle
3. Program performance results for all the renewal grants
4. Scoring tool analysis (HUD’s) based on HUD priorities, local priorities and program performance.

Our findings based on this review:

* HUD priorities for funding are unchanged – so current ranking takes into account that the HUD prioritizes renewing of all current funded programs
* The HUD Tier I funding allocation is sufficient to fully fund all renewal program applications
* We haven’t heard any rumors or received direction from HUD indicating that Tier II projects are *not* feasible because of funding. This also supports our recommendation to go ahead with submitting applications for bonus funds, but have them ranked in Tier II
* Local priorities are unchanged, even with COVID increasing demand for all types of housing supports
* Program performance results from renewal applications all are sufficient/ no deficiencies, so scoring on this metric is equal.
* Local impact on the potential loss of a particular program was the deciding factor in ranking one project over another- HMIS most critical if not there to support the whole CoC network; SSO is the most flexible to assist households during COVID; TTI PSH with all scattered sites is less able to handle a funding reduction that reduces the number of households served than CAA’s Mechanic/PP PSH program that has operating costs in the budget, so it ranks higher and finally, Rapid Rehousing is serving the fewest households and is a newer program, so although a program that needs to be expanded based on need, if lost will have the smallest negative impact on homeless households that can be served.