

A Refresher on Voting Rules and Requirements

The Housing and Supportive Service Network implements the Continuum of Care (CoC) in Washington County and is comprised of community stakeholders representing cross-sector public and private housing and provider organization, victim service providers, faith-based organizations, advocates, business, school district homeless liaisons, mental health and substance addiction providers, law enforcement, US Veterans Affairs outreach and case workers, hospital/health clinic, private citizens, and homeless/formerly homeless consumers, all working together as partners in the community to perform strategic planning, gaps analysis, prioritize resources needed to provide a continuum of care for individuals and families who are at-risk of or experiencing homeless.

Who can Vote?

Whether you can participate in voting during a meeting depends on the item to be voted on. Strategic planning, gaps analysis or general housekeeping items can generally be voted on by all HSSN members in attendance at any meeting and include things like:

- Minutes
- PIT/LSA/SPM data
- EFSP Allocation
- ESG/CDBG Consultations

Resource prioritization or CoC Board governance items are generally limited to agencies and/or individuals who have attended at least 6 meetings for the prior 12 months, one vote per agency, and include decisions on things like:

- NOFO Bonus Project Scoring
- CoC Board positions

Who can put forth a Motion/Second?

Any item that the HSSN and CoC Board need to vote on requires that a motion be put forth by a member in attendance and then seconded by a different member. There is no specific eligibility requirement for putting forth a motion or second, other than that you are a HSSN meeting attendee (and therefore a member of the HSSN) or a CoC Board member (voting/non-voting).