**FY 2021 HUD CoC Priority Populations:**

**Ranking & Scoring committee members decided local priorities based on our current By-Name List (BNL) numbers and data on homeless persons in this community. Based on this data, it was determined that:**

72.2% of the homeless population is Adult only households (singles or adult couples)

12.6% of the homeless populations are families with children

8.6% of the homeless population are youth (17-24 year old) singles, pregnant or parenting

4.6% of the homeless population are veterans (mostly waiting to find units for VASH)

2% of the homeless population are chronically homeless

51.30% identify as male

48.70% identify as female

49% report to having a diagnosed mental health disability

15% report to having other diagnosed disability (or to being dually diagnosed)

19% report that they are currently fleeing from a domestic violence situation, many more are

survivors from past episodes of violence.

Based on the numbers from Coordinated Entry System, the by-name list, and the recommendation from the Collaborative Applicant, the Ranking and Scoring committee is setting the following **CoC Priorities for FY2021:**

**Projects serving one or more of the following populations:**

* Families with children;
* Youth (18-24);
* Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking;
* Adults/families with disabilities?

Our community adopted the federal benchmarks for ending veteran homelessness and chronic

homeless in 2015. While those are still priority populations to our community, we generally

have housing programs available for them. HUD VASH in all three of our counties usually have

vouchers available in addition to SSVF, PSH, and RRH units. Along with prioritizing youth and

families with children, this community is moving forward with efforts of ending all

homelessness by prioritizing single adults with disabilities. Local statistics and crime data show that domestic violence, dating violence, etc is an ongoing issue in this community that needs to continue to be a priority as well.

The Ranking Committee adopted these priorities on 9/23/2021