

The Southeastern Oklahoma Continuum of Care

The Southeastern Oklahoma Continuum of Care is committed to prevent and end the tragedy of homelessness among individuals and families.

Serving Atoka, Bryan, Carter, Choctaw, Coal, Haskell, Hughes, Johnston, Latimer, LeFlore, Love, Marshall, McCurtain, McIntosh, Murray, Muskogee, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Pittsburg, Pontotoc, and Pushmataha Counties.

Continuum of Care Appeals Process

Continuum of Care (COC) applicants whose applications were rejected may submit appeals to the Southeastern Oklahoma Continuum of Care (SEO CoC) if they disagree with their project's rejection.

Appeals must be in writing and submitted within five (5) days of receipt of the official letter stating the applicant's project was rejected and will not be included in the CoC's Project Priority Listing. Appeals must be submitted to the SEO CoC Lead Agency. The Notice of Appeal must include a written statement specifying, in detail, the grounds for the appeal and must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the sponsor agency (e.g. Executive Director). Appeal letters may be no longer than one page, single spaced in 12 point font. Appeal letters may be scanned and submitted as an attachment via e-mail to seokcoc@gmail.com.

Upon receipt of an appeal letter, the SEO CoC Lead Agency will contact the CoC Board and the Consolidated Application Committee. Members of the committee reviewing the appeal may not be current CoC grantees or applicants, or any other person having a stake in the project being appealed. In the event the committee has fewer than 3 eligible members, additional members will be sought from SEO CoC active members, first; SEO CoC homeless service providers, second; and board members from other Oklahoma Continuums of Care, third.

The SEO CoC Lead Agency will provide the appellant's reviewer scores/comments, application, and minutes from the rating and ranking meeting to the review committee. The review committee has five (5) days from the receipt of the appeal letter to meet, render a decision, and notify the SEO CoC Board. The SEO CoC Board will notify the SEO CoC Lead Agency of the decision and instruct the Agency to communicate the committee decision, in writing, to the appellant within two (2) business days.

Should the appellant like to appeal the final decision of the SEO CoC or if an applicant believes they were not allowed to participate in a fair and open process and were rejected, they may appeal the rejection directly to HUD by submitting as a Solo Application prior to the HUD application deadline.