

## Tampa/Hillsborough County CoC Membership Status Levels and Descriptions

Continuum of Care (CoC) membership typically falls into different levels based on the role, engagement, and responsibilities of the member organization or key partner. Here are three levels of membership:

### 1. General CoC Membership (Basic Level) (“Supporter” Tier)

**Description:** Open to any service provider, community organization, or key partner interested in addressing homelessness.

**Engagement:** Attends at least one (1) CoC meeting in the calendar year but has not met the Active CoC Member criteria and receives updates on homelessness initiatives.

**Responsibilities:** Stays informed, shares information with their networks, and may participate in surveys or public comment periods.

**Perks:** May request technical assistance and UNITY (HMIS Access) from THHI. Connections to other agencies helping make homelessness rare, brief and non-recurring in our community. 50% or higher CoC Monthly Meeting attendance in the based on the previous, rolling 12-month period – earn extra point on any THHI Request for Proposal (RFP) scoring.

### 2. Active CoC Member (Intermediate Level) (“Participant” Tier)

**Description:** Service providers, community organizations, or key partners who engage more deeply in CoC meetings and activities, such as working groups, committees, projects, or the CoC’s strategic plan.

**Engagement:** Attends at least eighty percent (80%) of CoC meetings, contributes to discussions, and maintains at least eighty percent (80%) attendance on at least one CoC Committee focused on specific issues like housing, outreach, or youth homelessness. Attendance based on the previous, rolling 12-month period.

**Responsibilities:** Provides data, collaborates on projects, and helps implement CoC strategies. May also assist in reviewing funding applications and policies. Earn Active Member extra point on any THHI Request for Proposal (RFP) scoring.

**Perks:** Everything from the tier above; voting privileges at the CoC Meeting.

### 3. Governing/Leadership CoC Member (Advanced Level) (\*) (“Leader” Tier)

**Description:** General and/or Active Members who take on leadership roles in CoC governance, including CoC board members (CoC Committee Chairs and At-Large Members), CoC committee Co-chairs and Secretaries, Direct HUD Grantees, and Lead Agency Board of Directors.

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**Engagement:** Plays a key role in decision-making, funding allocation, performance monitoring, and compliance with HUD requirements.

**Responsibilities:** Ensures strategic planning, evaluates system performance, applies for HUD funding, and implements policies that shape local homelessness response efforts.

**Perks:** Everything from the tiers above; Viewed as a Leader in the CoC by overall community. Earn Leadership Member extra point on any THHI Request for Proposal (RFP) scoring.