**2021 Appeals Process**

An applicant must submit a request for an appeal in writing to the Finger Lakes Housing Consortium within seventy-two hours of notification by the Local Application Review Committee of the status of the project. The Review Committee is composed of community members who do not receive CoC Funding, who are knowledgeable of the homeless system and/or other systems that interact with homeless persons on a regular basis.

Possible grounds for appeal are:

* the applicant was denied the right to participate in or eliminated from the local application process;
* applicant believes that decisions made regarding their ranking, amount of awarded funding or elimination of their program were unsubstantiated based on project performance or other factors that can be documented.

Decisions made regarding applications that were not submitted by the deadline(s) or were incomplete cannot be appealed.

Upon receipt of the written request for an appeal; the FLHC will schedule a meeting for the applicant to meet with the Review Committee. There will be a discussion of the grounds of the appeal review with the Applicant and the Review Committee. There will then be a decision made to either uphold or revoke the decision. If revoked, appropriate actions will be taken.

If Applicant is still not satisfied, they should review the 2021 HUD CoC Program NOFO and follow the instructions to determine if and on what grounds they can make appeal to HUD.